

COMMUNICATIONS.

To the Editor of the Journal:

DEAR SIR,—Judging by the castigation "Student" administers, the inference might be drawn that he is acquainted with the old adage "when you have no case abuse the plaintiff." I am sorry, Mr. Editor, that my communication drew forth a personal retort. The omissions for which I criticised the students seemed to me so reasonable, that thought and observation should have suggested their performance. If the students knew of these things, and the lack of attractiveness in their hostess prevented them from practicing them, I have nothing but contempt for their lack of manhood, and "Student" passes a far severer criticism on his fellows than I. There is, however, another side to the question, which "Student" has failed to see. Womanlike, I am sorry if I have been unnecessarily harsh, and yet this discussion will not be in vain if it arouses the attention of the students to the truth of what Emerson said: "Defect in manners is merely the defect of fine perceptions."

HOSTESS.

SPORTS.

"ATHLETIC LIFE."

THE initial number of *Athletic Life*, a magazine devoted to the interests of Canadian sports and pastimes, and published in Toronto, has been received. If the first number is an index of what is to follow, we predict for it success. The print, paper, and the general get-up of the magazine is strictly first-class. Among its contributors is numbered Goldwin Smith, and his name alone is a warrant for the high-class literary character of its articles.

It is somewhat strange, as the editor remarks, that no attempt has ever before been made to establish a first-class journal devoted to the fostering of pure sport in Canada. History shows that the most influential nations have been those that have combined to the greatest extent their mental and physical development. Canada is but a young country, but she has made enormous strides in the department of sports and pastimes. So far, pure love of these has actuated the participants, and it is well that professionalism should be frowned down. Judging from the number before us we believe this will be the object of *Athletic Life*, a periodical that will be read eagerly by the true lovers of sport, but which will have little interest for the "sport" popularly so-called. The maintenance of this standard may be difficult, but should ensure for it hearty support.

HOCKEY.

Saturday night the first tie in the O. H. U. series was played between Queen's and the R. M. C. Queen's won with a score of 15 to 7. The playing was not strictly first-class, but was considered good for the condition of the ice. Throughout the game the best of good-feeling prevailed, and the playing of both teams was gentlemanly in the extreme—the Kingston *News* notwithstanding. Queen's was not represented by her best team, and the boys showed lack of condition, but all this will be remedied when they meet the Limestones this (Saturday) evening. This will be the crucial match of the season, and the winner may look confidently for the trophy. The Limestones are worthy opponents, and the knowing ones predict a hard match. May the better team win.

COLLEGE NEWS.

A. M. S.

AT THE Society's first meeting for the New Year, which was held last Saturday evening, the attendance of members was not as large as usual, but yet a fair amount of important business was disposed of.

In accordance with notice of motion given at the last meeting J. C. Brown, B.A., moved that the following members constitute a committee to arrange for the compilation and publication of a Queen's University Song Book, viz., R. J. Hutcheon, M.A., (chairman); J. R. Fraser, B.A.; J. D. Stewart, M.A.; D. McG. Gandier, B.A.; J. C. Brown, B.A.; Norman Henderson; D. W. Best; W. G. Back; E. C. Watson; R. Burton; N. M. Leckie; W. Walker; A. Meiklejohn. This committee will have the general management of the undertaking, and will also have the task of selecting competent committees to deal with each special department of the work.

According to the notice of motion given, the secretary of the Football Club was to have presented the financial report of the team for the season, and also a report of the work done during the summer, on the new campus, but owing to the fact that some of the vouchers had not as yet been filed the notice was extended till next meeting.

On motions by A. B. Ford, M.A., and C. G. Young, B.A., the Society, after a short but spirited discussion, authorized the Athletic Committee to discuss, pay three bills relating to the expenses of the Football Team, to the aggregate amount of \$25.00. The treasurer was ordered to pay the bill for damages done during a college parade.

D. McG. Gandier, B.A., moved that R. J. Hutcheon, M.A., and R. Burton be a committee to draft a resolution of condolence, expressing the Society's sympathy with J. H. Turnbull in his recent sad bereavement.