

Sporting News.

HOCKEY.

THE McGill Hockey Club, stimulated by the success of last year, has again resolved to compete for the Carnival cup, and judging from their performances so far, will stand a fair chance of winning it.

This manly game has never been in such high favor with the students as it is this year, if one may judge of its popularity from the numbers regularly attending the practices. The club has paid a fitting tribute to the untiring efforts of Mr. J. Roy in its behalf, by electing him President, and he, with the popular Secretary, Mr. S. Ogilvie, are doing all in their power to make this season's play a success.

On Monday evening, 14th inst., the following team met the representatives of the Victoria Club, in the Victoria Rink, viz: Hutchison, (goal); Elder, (point); Ogilvie, (centre); Budden, Craven, Brown, Weir, (field); Elder (who is the only member of last year's team that has yet come forward) acted as captain, *pro tem*. The result of the match was evidently a surprise to everybody but the College men, ending in a victory for McGill by one goal to nothing. The defence of the College team was particularly strong; and it was needed, too, for both Hutchison and Elder had all they could do to stop shot after shot on their goals. Indeed, too much praise cannot be given the former for his cool play in that most trying of all positions (expect an oral exam.)—goal-keeper; while the latter showed that last year's training had not been lost on him. In the field, Budden, Ogilvie and Craven played remarkably well.

On the following Wednesday evening, the same team, with the substitution of Fairbanks and Lesage for Brown and Weir, met the Crystal Club in their rink, when McGill scored an easy victory by two goals to nothing. The game was rather a one-sided affair, consisting chiefly of a series of onslaughts on the Crystal's goals, while poor Hutchison, deserted even by his *fidus achates*, Elder, stood lonely and shivering at his post. Though every man played his best, the change in the team was, in our opinion, no improvement. The club have now under consideration a challenge from the Quebec Hockey Club to play them at Quebec before the Carnival, as they want satisfaction for not having won last year.

While on this subject, we would like to ask why the Carnival Committee have seen fit to reduce the number that must constitute a team competing for their cup from nine to seven men? If the contests were to take place in a closed rink, we could understand why seven men should be thought sufficient; but inasmuch as they are to take place, we understand, on the large open-air rink on the College grounds, why should not the regular team of nine men be kept? Last year should not be a precedent, for everyone knows that it was only out of deference to Quebec, (who came up with only seven men) that the clubs here consented to reduce their teams by two men. Of course, no one can question the right of the Carnival Committee to fix the number that shall constitute a team to compete for their cup; but suppose, for example, they were putting up for competition a Lacrosse trophy, we should all think it rather strange were they arbitrarily to state that "ten men shall constitute a team for such competition."

College World.

MCGILL. FACULTY OF MEDICINE.

MCINERNEY has been unanimously elected Valedictorian for Class '84.

MEDICALS find it very hard to study in cold weather, and for that matter in any other weather.

Exit Decow, the gay young bachelor, and enter Mr. Decow, the staid and sober benedict. *Sic transit.*

THERE have been several cases of illness among the students lately, a decided preference being shown for typhoid fever.

SYMPTOMS of a religious revival and a crusade of city clergymen among the students. Can it be possible that students have souls to be saved? Do they not in so doing poach upon the preserves of the poor benighted African?

FRESHMEN quiet once more, and their happy circle still unbroken. The whole of the recent difficulty was owing to Professor classifying some of them as exogens, while they desired to be classed as endogens. *Hinc ille lacryma.*

A SLIGHT change has been effected in the heating apparatus of the medical school, rendering some parts of the building warmer—or, to be more accurate—less cold; but the building is still as thoroughly ventilated as ever, and the air of the lecture rooms still contains as much CO₂ as any old saurian of the Secondary Period could desire. We wonder that some enterprising horticulturist does not try to effect an arrangement whereby he might be allowed to use the building as a fernery. A paper upon the spectroscopic appearances of a med's blood at the close of a lecture would be highly instructive.

MCGILL MEDICAL SOCIETY.

ON Dec. 15th, Mr. Gooding read a paper upon "Elephantiasis," and exhibited a slide showing the parasite *Flaria*, found in human blood in this disease. Mr. Rowell reported a case, and Mr. W. G. Johnston showed slides of several disease fungi.

ON January 12th Dr. Stewart read a most instructive paper upon the "Neuroses of the Urinary Organs." The attendance was larger than at any previous meeting of the society, and those present fully appreciated the benefits of a paper upon subjects not treated of scientifically in any English text-book extant.

UNDERGRADUATES' LITERARY SOCIETY.

THE first meeting for this term was held on the 18th ult., when one of the pleasantest evenings in the Society's experience was passed by the members present. Professor Moysse read a humorous and chatty paper, taking as his subject societies such as he was addressing. The pleasantness of the Professor's manner and the style of his paper placed him at once *en rapport* with his audience, and his words were listened to with much appreciation. It must not be supposed, however, that serious truths were altogether passed by in the paper, for such was certainly not the case. We regret that we cannot reproduce the lecture in full, and, at the same time, are conscious that to attempt to give a summary of it could but lead to misapprehension. At the close of the lecture a vote of thanks was tendered Professor Moysse for his kindness.

UNIVERSITY LITERARY SOCIETY.

The first meeting of this Society after the Christmas holidays was held on the 11th ult. There were fourteen members present, and in the absence of the President, Mr. A. McGoun, took the chair. After routine the following gentlemen were put in nomination as speakers for the public debate: Messrs. R. J. Elliot, A. G. Cross, R. Greenshield, E. W. Arthy, Boodle, J. R. Murray, J. Mackie, P. McKenzie, and F. S. McLennan. On the first ballot Messrs. J. R. Murray and E. W. Arthy were elected, and on a second ballot Messrs. Greenshield and Boodle. Mr. R. J. Elliot was elected Reader. The Chairman then called on Mr. Kavanagh, the leader of the Affirmative, to open the debate, which was on the following subject: "Is belief in the personality of the devil a necessary article of the Christian Faith?" The appointed speakers were:—Affirmative, Messrs. H. J. Kavanagh and E. A. D. Morgan; Negative, Messrs. A. R. Oughtred and C. S. Campbell. Mr. Kavanagh regretted such a subject had been chosen, and after reading a somewhat lengthy explanation moved, seconded by Mr. L. T. Leet, "that this subject is not a fit one for the consideration of this Society and that the debate be adjourned *sine die*," After Messrs. Smith, Cross, Kavanagh, Leet and McGoun had spoken to the motion, it was put to the meeting and lost. Mr. Kavanagh was then called upon to open the debate, but declined, upon which