

were in the pink of condition when we received word that Trinity College School would not play us. As they gave no reasons for their default, we came to the conclusion that they were, and are, afraid to play us on account of our good showing against Trinity II.

The next match was with the Victorias, of Hamilton, who were only willing to play fifteen minutes each way, and on condition that we allowed John Robertson, whose name ever since has been famous as an authority on how to make football rules to suit yourself, to referee.

This was a hard-fought battle in about four inches of snow, and resulted in a victory for the Victorias by a score of 9 to 1. To any impartial spectator, it might easily be seen that Ridley was playing against the Victorias' team, the referee, and a good part of the spectators, as many were very willing to do all in their power to help the Victorias. Whenever Ridley was on the offensive, the referee would sound his whistle and give a free kick to the Victorias. As the field was only about seventy yards in length, these free kicks counted considerably toward the score. Several times, when Ridley was on the point of scoring, "John Robertson" called the ball back or said time was up.

The following team represented Ridley: Back, Hills; halves, Mitchell, Benson (capt.), McKenzie; quarter, Gzowski; scrimmage, Mr. Mitchell, Price, Miller; wings, Mr. Burgess, Mr. Graham, J. MacLaren, G. MacLaren, Nicholls, Harmer, Spence, Brown.

After this football became somewhat dead until after the Thanksgiving holidays, when the team began to get into shape for the match against the Old Ridleians.

This match was down for December 1st, and all things were ready at 3 o'clock.

A few minutes after three Cronyn kicked off for the Old Boys against a slight wind. The kick was quickly returned by one of the Present halves, and a slight interchange of kicks resulted. After some hard work on both sides, the ball was dribbled over the Present's line, and they were forced to rouse. On the kick-out about thirty yards was gained by quick following up of the Present's wings. This gain kept steadily increasing until within five yards of the Old Boys' goal line, where it met its first stop, and several scrimmages resulted. On the ball coming out of one of these scrimmages it was dribbled across the line, and Hills dropped on it for a try. McKenzie failed at goal. Score, 4-1 in favor of Present.

The kick off was promptly returned by McKenzie, and the Past sustained a loss of five yards. At this point the Present obtained a free kick. McKenzie tried at goal, but failed. Shortly after this half-time was called, leaving the score 4-1 in favor of the Present.

Benson kicked off for the Present, and by quick following up a small gain was made. Both teams were working their hardest. On a pass by A. Macdonald, Allan kicked well up the field, and, following up his kick, scored a try, which Ellwood failed to convert. Score, 5-4 in Old Boys' favor.

The Present wings followed up well on the kick-out, and soon transferred matters to within the Old Boys' twenty-five line. From a scrimmage near touch Gzowski got the ball out and passed to Benson, who in his turn passed to McKenzie, who tried a very pretty drop on goal. The wind carried the ball a little wide, but the Present wings soon forced Coy to rouse. Score, 5 all.

From the kick-out the ball was soon transferred to the Present's side of the field, and by several hard rushes it was dribbled into touch-in-goal. Score, 6-5 in favor of the Old Boys.

The Present wings followed up hard on the kick-out and secured the ball, and by some very neat passing carried it to within the Past's twenty-five line. The Present scrimmage were working like Trojans, and on breaking through dribbled the ball over the line for a rouse. Score, 6 all.

Benson caught the kick-out and quickly returned it over the line for another rouse. Score, 7-6 in favor of the Present.

The teams lined up as follows:

Ridley Past—Back: Coy. Halves; Allan, Ellwood. Quarter: A. N. Macdonald. Scrimmage: F. M. Perry (captain), Cronyn, Gooderham. Wings: Caldecott, Baldwin, D. B. Macdonald, C. S. Macdonald, C. S. Gzowski, S. Stewart, W. H. White.

Ridley Present—Back: Hills. Halves: Mitchell, Benson (captain), McKenzie. Quarter: Gzowski. Scrimmage: Mr. Michell, Miller, Mr. Burgess. Wings: Mr. Graham, Mr. Boddy, G. MacLaren, J. MacLaren, Nicholls, Harmer.

After the match both teams returned to the College, where a sumptuous dinner had been prepared as a welcome to as many old boys as were able to be present. We also had the pleasure of welcoming Mr. White, one of our old masters. Among the other guests were the Rev. Mr. Armitage, Mr. Peterson, the referee, and Mr. Burson, the umpire.

The dinner finished, Mr. Miller, as chairman, rose to propose the toast to the Queen, and this was very heartily responded to, the first few lines of "God Save the Queen" being sung.

W. Cronyn, being one of the oldest of old Ridleians, next proposed a toast to the College. He was very glad to see that great success had attended the school since it first opened five and a half years ago, and was sure that in a few years this would become the leading college in Canada. Mr. Miller replied to this