in the choice of a vocation when he seeks admission to a third class clerkship of the civil service; he thereby limits his progress in the world, will meet with continued disappointment, and in all probability will never attain either distinction or wealth.

Still, there are persons especially adapted to a civil service clerkship, persons of quiet temperament, unaspiring, contented with a small income so long as it is certain, who are not extravagant in their habits, not luxurious in their tastes, and who have neither the ability nor the wish to fill a position more responsible than a third or junior second class clerkship.

## ATHLETICS.

"Oh pardon me if I am meek and gentle with these butchers."

Thus soliloquized Mark Anthony over the murdered body of Julius Caesar. The athletic moralist might

do well to assume such an attitude towards the lacrosse players in Vancouver who have recently given anexhibition that will further contribute to the vitiation of all that is good in Canadian sportsmanship. In a game between the Westminster team, holders of the Minto Cup, and the Vancouver team on Sept. 28, a free fight took place between thirty players and officials. The account of the official recorder of the game is confined to a recital of rotten eggs, revolvers and blood. What the recording angel has set down none know save Heaven, While one might be meek and gentle with the youthful players who are what their environment has made them, what leniency can be extended to their managers who have permitted to grow, even if they have not fostered, the sordid passions at the bottom of this riot? What tolerance can be exercized towards the trustees of the professional hockey and lacrosse cups who by the raising of one finger, by the insertion of one simple and fundamental rule, could end forever the



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