

ing to the spectators, but which, no doubt, gave the players ample scope to indulge in their scragging propensities, etc. A short run by Doran and a couple of runs by Duncan varied the monotony of the first half, which ended Winnipeg 2, Wesleys 0. When the whistle blew for the resumption of play, thirty mud-besmeared men faced the slippery sphere eager for the muddy fray. As if to gratify their desires, the play was confined during the greater part of the second half mostly to the muddiest part of the field. Towards the end of this half Morgan secured the ball and made a splendid run, carrying the sphere well up in the Wesleys 25, where it was collared in true style by Donahoe, who was playing in his usual fine form at back. The scene of conflict was now uncomfortably close to the Wesley touch line, but the ball was gradually worked out to touch, and from a throw in it rolled against Wesley's goal post. Sparling, instead of dropping it, kicked it out with his heel, and Gilbert secured, but a claim of off-side was allowed and a free kick given to the Winnipeg. Benson made a goal from a drop kick, adding two points to the Winnipeg's score. This was the last scoring of the day, and the Winnipeg won by the narrow margin of four points.

The game from start to finish was close and hard, and the Winnipeg won on their superior knowledge of the game. Wesley's two chances to score were lost by not knowing how to hold the ball. The tactics adopted by the Winnipeg were somewhat demoralizing to the style of play in favor with the Wesley boys, but they can congratulate themselves on making a good showing against such an experienced team as their opponents.

For the victors, Drury, Shaw and McIntyre played in their usual form, and Irvine and Baldwin on the wings did effective work. For Wesley, Jones, in the scrim, played a magnificent game, and he was ably aided by Poile. Barker played a fair game at quarter, and Duncan at

half was easily the pick. His collaring was by long odds the best, although Perry did good work in this respect. On the wings Wickson and Gilbert were of great effect. Doran's work also is worthy of mention, but he seems to have a weakness for hugging around the neck. Perhaps a transfer of his affections to the waist would be of more effect in flooring his man. Donahoe at back was all that could be desired, and his style of collaring should be more universally adopted by the Wesley players. Taking everything into consideration, the boys made a splendid showing and proved that there is as good stuff in Wesley for Rugby as can be found in the city. It is easily within the bounds of possibility that the Rugby championship should come to Wesley next spring, and we confidently await the spring season, when we hope to reverse the only defeat received in this our first appearance in the Rugby world.

The teams were:—

Winnipeg—Back, Boswell; half-backs, Morgan, Benson, Shaw; quarter-back, McIntyre; scrimmage, Bell, Drury, Cottle; wings, Freeman, Laing, Irvine, Mair, Baldwin, Smith, Moore.

Wesleys—Back, Donahoe; half-backs, Duncan, Perry, Sparling; quarter-back, Barker; scrimmage, Jones, Poile, Hiron; wings, Doran, Gilbert, Tripp, Wickson, J. Sparling, Taylor, St. John.

“SHOTS.”

They say Freddie Clark and ten other men make a good team.

The new rope around the field is an unqualified success in keeping the crowd back.

Referees might be somewhat stricter with regard to rough play, charging in the back, etc.

A second football is being prepared, so that all the boys may have an opportunity to play the game.

The gymnasium is being fitted up with apparatus, and will be ready for use by the time this is in print.