

fluence on civilization." Messrs. Philion and Genest upheld the affirmative; while the tri-color flag was proudly borne by Messrs. Charron and Garneau. After a few remarks from some of the members, the vote resulted in a victory for the affirmative. The society showed in this case, as in many others, that it yielded only to stronger reasoning, regardless of national feelings or personal sympathies.

Rev. F. Antoine, O.M.I., has again kindly accepted the direction of the society. Under his guidance the members will surely make rapid strides towards progress.

ATHLETICS.

As we predicted in our 'Xmas number, hockey is booming and our team is fast improving. The first game played was with Divinity Hall, in the early part of December. After about two hours' play, the game resulted in a draw, as each side failed to score. The play in this game was very fast and earnest; but, as was afterwards seen, it was not sufficiently scientific for the Ottawas.

About a week after the above game, a practice match was arranged with the Ottawas. Our boys started out with a dash that betokened great vim and determination, but soon it was seen that they were much inferior to the Ottawas in scientific play. The latter excelled in skating and in team play. The 'Varsity team cannot boast of many expert skaters, and they were thus somewhat handicapped. The Ottawas scored 3 goals in the first half, whilst the 'Varsity team failed to score any. In the second half the honors were divided, each side scoring a goal. The result, though favorable to the Ottawas, was by no means discouraging to the 'Varsity team. It merely showed them their weak points, and they betook themselves to more diligent practice and improved their manner of playing.

'VARSITY VS. DEY'S RINK.

On January 6th, a match was played with the Pirates of Dey's Rink. The latter rink is smaller than either the 'Varsity Rink or the Rideau, and the Pirates had the advantage, being accustomed to it. The game was very good practice for both teams, but was characterized by somewhat rough and much off-side play. In the first half, the pirates scored two goals to 'Varsity's 0, and in the second half, each side secured a goal. The 'Varsity showed more team play in this match than in the one with the Ottawas. Mr.

W. Kavanagh, of the Ottawas, officiated as referee.

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The following evening, January 7th, a practice game was arranged with the Ottawas, and was played on the Rideau Rink. The Ottawas were greatly strengthened since their first game, and the 'Varsity considerably weakened, owing to the absence of some of the players, who had gone to Aylmer. The Ottawas had things all their own way, scoring 11 goals to 'Varsity 1.

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Saturday, January 3rd saw 'Varsity in the first championship match in the city league. Their opponents were the Gladstones, a young team, and one which, as yet, is very weak. The score is sufficient in itself to show that the match was by no means a close one. At the end of the second half, 'Varsity had 12 goals to the Gladstone's 2. As Dey's Rink has beaten the Rideaus, 'Varsity will now play the bye with Ottawa, and Dey's Rink will play the winners thereof, and thus the championship of the league will be decided. The following are the names of the participants in the 'Varsity-Gladstone match:—

'VARSITY.

GLADSTONES.

A. Morel.....	Goal.....	P. Deslauriers
F. Reynolds.....	Point.....	T. Deslauriers
C. Sparrow.....	Cover Point.....	F. Bate
D. McDonald.....	Centre.....	E. Murphy
J. McDougal.....		
A. White.....	} Forwards. {	M. Rosenthal
A. Trudeau.....		E. O'Neil
		H. Panet

Referee, W. Young, Ottawa H. C.

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A second match was played with Divinity Hall, on January 8th, and the College men showed the improvement they had made since the beginning of the season. Instead of being 0 to 0, the score was 6 goals to 1, in favor of the Collegians.

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The enthusiasm for playing hockey is not confined to aspirants for first honors. Already several class contests have taken place and have awakened much interest. The first and third forms have met and disputed their ability with the hockey and puck. Victory rested with the third form men, they having scored 3 goals to their opponents' 1. Even the wise and grave Philosophers have tested their merits at this game. A full report of the contest will be given in our next number.

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The annual entertainment in aid of the Athletic Association will take place on the 28th inst. Owing to the approaching examinations, it will