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## EDITORIAL

The efforts made this autumn to improve the Rush would seem to be a failure. The reason of this probably is that in the new rope rush there is only one advantage over the old one, viz., that a decision can be reached; but on the other hand it is no less dangerous, and is entirely lacking in the spectacular effects which have endeared the old-style encounter to generations of McGill students. Many have suggested that a push-ball be used next year for the ophomore-Freshman encounter, but there would be little uncertainty as to the outcome of such a meeting—the class with the greatest numbers would win. In the "hil!" rush the numerical superiority of the Freshmen being offset to a great extent by the better organization of the second-year men, the struggle was more even, and the result was always in doubt.

If we examine the new forms of initiation suggested we find that the trend of the proposed changes is towards a better organized encounter. In this we feel that the movement is in the right direction, only it has not gone far enough to make any appreciable improvement in the rush. Why not do as so many other universities and hold an annual tournament between the first two years. The details of the programme can be left to the committee in charge, but we would suggest that such tests as a basketball, pick-a-back, wrestling and fencing be used to find the better class.