

The Rockwood Review.

The REVIEW has in the past taken a deep interest in Football matters, largely because it wished to help in a modest way, in keeping a manly game clean and free from the demoralizing taint of professionalism and other bad influences. In doing so it has followed a course that has not always commended itself to those who lose sight of the fact, that winning games is not the only thing to be aimed at in sport. We are well aware that in order to cater to the local desire to win, we must gloss over much that makes unpleasant reading, and loudly applaud every move and gesture of the chosen heroes of the crowd, who very frequently are not the real heroes of a game. A few truthful remarks in last month's issue, were severely commented upon by two of our local contemporaries; and yet every word written by us was not only true, but was a very mild statement of facts so well established, that it is a matter of surprise any one should attempt to deny them. We can surely believe what we actually see and hear. As far as our loyalty to the Intercollegiate League is concerned, we believe that a careful perusal of the files of the REVIEW, will show that it was probably the first paper in Ontario to advocate the formation of such a League, and one of the most enthusiastic believers in the necessity for such an organization. We quite agree that the Intercollegiate League has come to stay, and if in our anxiety to see football matters placed on the highest plane possible, we are forced to speak unpleasant truths at times, let no one misunderstand the motive. A very superficial reading of the sporting columns of our daily papers will reveal the fact that we cannot place our ideal too high. On the whole the Intercollegiate League is to be congratulated upon the success of its season's work: The football played has perhaps not been up to the best form to be expected, but it has on the whole been free from roughness, bad temper and unpleasant wrangling, and it is

evident that even better things are in store for the league when the last of the evil influences of other days have been dispersed. It is said that we have joined in a desire to shoulder undue blame on Queen's students for roughness in games. Queen's students have no more loyal supporter than the REVIEW, no warmer friend, and when they win fairly and honourably, we rejoice in their success. It has been a matter of satisfaction to see proper ideas of sport gaining ground in their midst, and we are quite certain that the students who wish right to prevail, do not resent criticism of anything done by players to lower the high standard aimed at. In connection with this, it might be suggested that the Athletic Associations of both Queens University and the R.M.C., would do well to cultivate a more kindly and considerate feeling towards each other than is at present the case. It would at least be one step in advance, and when the spirit of reform and good fellowship is in the air, let the change take place. No one wishes to see the bitterness of last year's Hockey matches repeated, and now that the football season has been finished with a fair amount of good feeling, let even better things be done in the future.

On Tuesday, Nov. 21st, a most delightful entertainment was given in O'Reilly Hall for the patients. The programme consisted of Statuary, Music and biographical pictures. The living pictures were excellent, and the performers deserve great credit for the way in which they took their parts, while the arrangements of the stage and light were perfect. The following pictures were presented:—Faith, Miss E. Bamford; Hope, Miss Jaquith; Charity, Misses E. Porter and E. Courtice; then Faith, Hope and Charity were shown grouped together. These were followed by the Tambourine Girl, Miss N. Jackson; the Gleaner, Miss W. Nicholson; the Fates spinning the Thread of Life, Misses Bamford,