

dertaking various kinds of Mission work in the city and hopes to make this a busy and successful year.

VARSIITY SPORT.

FOOT-BALL.

The prospect in both Rugby and Association Foot-Ball for this season is very good. The energy and enthusiasm of the committee and players of the Rugby Club have gone a long way towards replacing such men as McLaren, Hughes, Wigle, etc., and we have every reason to expect that on the 8th prox., Captain MacDonald will muster on the Montreal ground, a team which, whether win or lose, will do credit to the University. The date of the McGill match has been fixed for the 8th of November, that date being considered preferable, two teams of the Toronto Rugby Club visiting Montreal that day, making reduced rates obtainable.

The Committee are at present engaged in collecting subscriptions towards defraying the expenses of the trip. There ought to be no difficulty in doing this, the cost is too heavy to be put entirely on the members of the team themselves and, it is not fair that, considering the general interest which is taken in this annual match, they should be asked to do so.

The time between now and the date fixed should not be lost. Matches have been arranged with Upper Canada for Tuesday next, and with Guelph for the 1st prox.; these will afford opportunities for experimenting in change as well as first class practice.

On the other side of the lawn matters are better than they have been for several seasons back. The old difficulty of want of opportunity for first-class practice has been to a great extent got over. The team will contain a majority of new men. J. M. Palmer who was one of the champion team of '81, has again a place on the forwards, Senkler, Aylen, Chrystal and Sliter, Western Association players and good ones, are among the new men. With C. C. Owen in his old place, the Association Club will have as good a team as can be found in the Province.

THE TORONTO MATCH.

We are not going to attempt any apology for the severe defeat last Saturday of the 'Varsity Club by the Torontos. True, Smith was laid up and McDonald injured and out of all form, and the defence weak in consequence, but we are inclined to think that this had little to do with the result. The 'Varsity simply met in the Torontos a team who were their superiors at almost every point. They met the champion team of the Rugby Union, and what is probably the best Rugby team on the continent. To suffer defeat at their hands was certainly no disgrace. The 'Varsity, in our opinion, played a plucky game and a good game. Although their opponents were scoring point after point they showed no signs of weakening or disorganization; in fact, the larger the score against them became the better and more determined was their play, but with all this that play was not to the mind of the onlooker without its faults. In the scrimmages the play was good and comparatively even, but our players did not seem to break-up quickly enough, and at times when the scrimmage was broken appeared to lose track of the ball altogether. Another defect by which the 'Varsity repeatedly lost ground, was the uncertainty with which the ball was passed back—there was scarcely one good pass back made during the whole game, and there were fully half-a-dozen bad and costly ones. More attention ought to be given to this play in practice. But the team's weakest spot was in the quarters, or perhaps it would be more correct to say that the Torontos' strongest point was their quarters, and consequently here the 'Varsity play seemed weakest. Quarter-backs should be capable of giving, and should give as much attention to the opposing quarters as to the ball. Both Morphy and MacCallum should have been more closely watched. It is true that towards the end Senkler did this, tackling Morphy well, and spoiling nearly his every attempt, and to this is probably due the fact that the score was 24 and not 34. These to us were the defects; it is possible, we are glad to say, by practice and attention to correct them—and, corrected, we shall have little to fear for the McGill match.

ASSOCIATION MATCH.

On the Jarvis Street Lacrosse Grounds on Tuesday last the college club met a team from the Toronto Foot Ball Association. In the first half the 'Varsity scored one goal, and in the second half two, defeating their opponents by a score of three to nil. The college forward play individually was good, especially in the centre and on the left. The passing, owing to the earliness of the season and to want of practice, was poor, the back and goal play

was first-class, but that at the half-backs was scarcely up to the mark. The new men on the team all played well, especially Chrystal, who showed himself a brilliant centre-forward taking two of the goals obtained in excellent style.

FOOT-BALL, ETC., NOTES.

"Chicken" Murray, to whose exertions the 'Varsity Club attributed their defeat in the match of '82, is again a student of McGill, and a member of the team.

On Convocation Day the Association team defeated Knox by three to nothing.

The Toronto School "Meds" have organized an Association Club, and are billed to appear on the lawn at an early date.

On Thanksgiving Day the Rugby Club will probably send a team to Peterboro'. The Association team go to Galt that day.

There is nothing prophetic in the result of the 'Varsity v. Toronto match; it was about the same last year, and we remember that the effects following it were in no way bad.

Robert Donald, B.A., who had the misfortune to break his collarbone in the match with the Victoria Club some weeks ago, we are glad to say expects to be round in a few days. Donald played back for the 'Varsity team in the eleven of '81.

At the annual meeting of the Amateur Athletic Association of Canada, held in Montreal on the 27th of last month, Mr. D. C. Little carried off the lion's share of the honors of the day, winning the gold medal for a first place in the pole-vaulting contest, the gold medal for first place in the running high jump, and the silver medal for second place in the running broad jump. At the annual games of the Montreal Athletic Association, held in the same city a week later, Mr. Little was similarly fortunate, the gold medals in the pole-vaulting and the running high jump contests falling to him.

Pete Wood, of the Clipper Base Ball Club, whose reputation as a pitcher is widespread, is one of this year's Freshmen.

ROTTEN ROW.

Alex. Henderson, Jr. B.A., visited his old quarters convocation day. "Scotty" is studying law with McGee and Jones of Oshawa.

J. McG., Young B.A., our editor last year, arrived here for convocation laden with "boodle." He is in the office of Clute and Williams, Belleville.

J. F. Brown, B.A., was also here. He has secured the position of "Professor of Mathematics" in Norwood College.

Mr. T. P. B. Stewart, of the second year, was the lucky winner of the prize for English verse. Consequently he "set 'em up" for the boys Saturday night.

The Residence has brightened up considerably under the new Dean, Mr. Baker. So far he has shown himself the right man in the right place.

This year there is more than the usual supply of Freshman in Residence—thirteen all told with more to follow. They present an extraordinary array of ancient names including Gideon, Ephraim, and Nathan.

DI-VARSITIES.

How can we initiate the girls?

Look out for our ladies' column next week?

"Gentlemen—I beg your pardon—ladies and gentlemen," is the customary salutation of the Professors.

Where, oh where were the Esquire Bedells on Convocation Day?

The Dr. thinks that "Noisy Boys" are coming out too strong. McKim coincides.

The knickerbockers have disappeared in the first year. McKim told it to go home and change its trousers.

Will Mr. Cronyn's amanuensis kindly explain what he means by "psuedo-fifteen"? The Freshmen might not understand.

Did Mr. Chambers doubt the genuineness of the Lansdowne Silver Medal that he let it fall on the dais?

One member of the first year rejoices in a pair of—whiskers. He had better remember that there is a shaving parlor in connection with the University, which does not advertise in the Varsity.