

FOOT-BALL.—On the 15th inst. a foot-ball match was played in Halifax, between the First Fifteen of Dalhousie and the Acadia Team, resulting in a decided victory for the latter.

As this was the first time for the Acadia Club to visit the city, a considerable amount of enthusiasm prevailed among the boys. The pleasure of the drive was not a little increased by the presence of Prof. Jones, whose amusing anecdotes and keen witticisms were highly relished by the jolly Fifteen. As they sped along the 'iron rail,' the more hilarious members of the Team mingled their crude melody with the harsher music of the clattering car. At intermediate stations, on any prolonged detention of the train, the ball was kicked, punted and tossed from one to another, an exercise which not only gave free circulation to the blood, but also aroused the curiosity of the inhabitants in the vicinity of said stations. Thus the time whiled away until they reached Bedford, where they were met by two of the Dalhousie Club, carrying baskets richly laden with refreshments. This courteous act, whatever may have been the hopes of our opponents, clearly argued that their minds were not wholly absorbed with thoughts of victory.

On arriving at Halifax the Fifteen were immediately driven to the South Common, where the contest was to take place. The grounds were rather unsuitable, but the day was fine, and the air cool and bracing: the wind, however, was too strong for satisfactory playing.

After some deliberation, in the presence of quite a crowd of intensely interested spectators, the two teams arranged themselves for the contest. The men were placed as follows:—

DALHOUSIE.

FORWARDS.—Campbell, Gammell, Langille, Fitzpatrick, Creighton, McLeod, D. H. McKenzie, A. S. McKenzie, J. W. McKenzie.

QUARTERS.—Locke, Putnam.

HALF-BACKS.—Robinson (Capt.), Morrison, Stewart.

BACK.—Martin.

ACADIA.

FORWARDS.—Knapp, Eaton, Corey, Wallace, Miller, Freeman, Smith, Tingley.

QUARTERS.—Cummings (Capt.), Walker, Lovitt.

HALF-BACKS.—Haley, Magee.

BACK.—Anderson.

At the signal, with the wind in favor of Acadia, the ball was kicked off by Dalhousie, and the forwards of both teams rushed furiously to seize it; but Acadia soon forced the ball near their opponents goal, where by continued scrimmaging they succeeded in keeping it until Magee of Acadia captured it, ran in, and made a touch-down. But in consequence of the strong wind, Acadia failed in kicking a goal, and the struggle began again, and lasted until time was called, the ball being then near Dalhousie's goal line.

After an intermission of ten minutes, the teams changed goals, Dalhousie now having the advantage of the wind. The ball was kicked off by Acadia, and then ensued the most determined struggle of the day. Once Dalhousie succeeded in forcing the ball to their opponent's goal line, where a maul took place between Prescott of Acadia and Creighton of Dalhousie, which was one of the most exciting features of the game. With difficulty the umpire made room for the competitors amid the eager and enthusiastic crowd. The struggle lasted for several minutes, when Prescott by his peculiar skill and herculean strength, wrested the ball from Creighton, and made a touch-down in his own goal. After the ball was kicked out, the Acadia blood rose and our boys, forced the ball gradually against wind and opponents, until they got it about the centre of the field, when time was called. The result of the match was in favor of Acadia by one "try for goal." During the whole game Acadia evidently was more than a match for their opponent.

As the larger part of the time was spent in scrimmaging, the forwards necessarily did the most of the work; but all played well. The half-backs of Dalhousie manifested skill in tossing the ball across the field and the forwards displayed pluck and muscle. Haley and Miller of Acadia made some good runs. After the contest was decided, both teams repaired to the Halifax Hotel, where a sumptuous dinner, furnished by the Dalhousie club, was disposed of. The Acadia boys were then accompanied to the station by the Dalhousie Fifteen.

After a hearty farewell and cheers of the respective clubs, the train started for Wolfville, with the Acadia Fifteen singing "They are all jolly good fellows there is none can deny."