

great way towards saving his team from defeat.

These same teams meet shortly, when, no doubt, a most exciting game will be played.

But hockey is not confined exclusively to the higher classes, as is shown by the enthusiasm manifested by the members of the commercial course. They too have organized, and are practising hard. Their two leading teams the "Stars" and "Meteors" met for the first time on February 6th. No doubt their love for physical geography led them to choose the foregoing titles, for as yet their feelings of wonder and admiration at the countless host of stars that spangle the heavens, and the worlds and systems of worlds with which our little planet would hardly bear comparison, have not been excited by the study of astronomy. But a knowledge of astronomy is not requisite for hockey, and so the game went on, the players having lined up in the following order :

*Stars.**Meteors.*

J. McNamara.....goal.....	A. Plunket,
E. McGuire.....point.....	J. Brophy,
P. Brunelle.....cover point..	A. Skelly.
G. Byrne.....centre.....	H. Skelly.
P. Clancy.....forwards....	H. Driscoll.
A. Turcotte,	P. Reynolds.
O. Laplante,	A. Letellier.

By mutual agreement no referee was chosen.

Mr. F. L. French acted as captain for the Stars, while Mr. P. C. O'Brien discharged like duties for the Meteors.

The captains played a magnificent game. High above the shouts of foul! foul! could be heard the captain of the Stars, earnestly inciting his men on to victory. The Meteor's captain meanwhile, with a "spirit heightened above the ordinary spirit of man," thinks not for a moment of defeat, he is ever to be seen where the battle rages fiercest, giving commands, urging on the tired and lazy alike, with heroic fortitude. "One more rush Joe," cries the Star's captain, "and we gain the day." Fiercer, and fiercer rages the battle. Peter falls just at the moment when victory seemed most certain. Meteor after Meteor glides by him bearing the puck gayly before them. With one irresistible charge, like a torrent driving all before it, they rush the rubber between the goals, amidst the enthusiastic cheers of those around. Half-time is soon called.

After a short pause of about ten minutes the strife begins anew. But what a change! Those same players who; but a few moments before placed implicit confidence in their leaders' firmness and foresight, now disregard their orders, and rush madly into the fray.

Star after Star falls, bearing Meteors along with them.

Want of confidence in the captains told terribly on both sides. All was confusion and disorder. Mad rushes, careless passing, and lack of judgment were everywhere visible. At last Joe's mighty rush came, just in time to preserve the Stars from a most humiliating defeat. With Byrne on his right and Laplante on his left, that stone wall of Meteors, which up to this time was thought impregnable, was borne away like chaff before the fierce tornada. The goal is won, time is called and the unconquered and unconquerable retire from the scene.

The following players showed up well: for the Stars—E. McGuire, P. Clancy, and J. McNamara; and for the Meteors A. Skelly, A. Plunkett, and H. Skelly.

The hockey match arranged for Feb. 13th between Ottawa College and the second seven from the City club, was played on Rideau rink before a large number of admirers of both teams.

The match was to take place on the open-air rink of the College, which, notwithstanding the changeable weather of the past few weeks, was kept in excellent condition. A grand stand, tastefully decorated, had been erected for the accommodation of the Governor General, Lord Stanley of Preston, and his friends who had announced their intention of witnessing the match. Flags of various nations, surrounding the rink, floated in the breeze. All was in readiness, but when the College players appeared on the rink, they found to their surprise that the ice, owing to the soft weather, was utterly unfit for use.

The committee of the Rideau rink with their usual generosity, allowed the game to be played there, admitting all free, among whom were about three hundred students, who had assembled to witness the first match played by their team. It proved most interesting and exciting from start to finish, both sides showing up well, and doing some very brilliant play. The teams lined up as follows :—