

## OUR ...ATHLETICS

Every college of this and other countries where young men are pursuing a course of mental training has, or should have, in connection with it, places and means where the students can go and take exercise. A perfectly balanced man cannot be made up of brains alone, nor on the other hand is he perfectly balanced who alone develops muscle, but these two must go hand in hand to make up the live man required for action in the world to-day.

In connection with our College we have our Athletic Association. This Association is kept up by the boys, and heartily seconded by all the officers about the institution. Under this Association come all the sports played on the campus, such as both Rugby and Association football, baseball, cricket, lacrosse, lawn tennis, and in fact any and all of the games the boys want to play. This Association supplies all the sporting necessities the boys require on the campus. To defray expenses the membership fee is one dollar, and it is needless to say that every year the finances of the Society are heartily supported by the student body.

This year's Athletic Association is officered as follows.

President—Adam Davis.

Vice-President—L. W. Hutchinson.

Sec.-Treas.—W. J. Price.

Committee—Elliott, M. Ross, Snider, Wilkinson, and McKay.

One of the principal features of our college year is the annual field day. On this day we have the whole list of sporting events, running, jumping, etc., and every year the keenest rivalry exists among the boys for first place.

This year field day comes on Friday, October 29th, and by the way the boys are practicing we feel sure that this year's sports will be well up to the average.

The principal game played here for the past three years has been Association football, and our team has proved itself to be one of no mean order. Three years ago we entered for the intermediate cup of the Western Football Association, and fought our way up to the finals, but had the cup wrested from us by the Berlin Y. M. C. A. team, in the final match.

Last spring our team achieved something which was never done in the history of the College before, and that was winning the intermediate cup with a sweeping record. In all we played five matches, scoring 18 goals and losing only 3, besides never losing a match.

This fall we are defending this intermediate trophy, and so far are on a fair road to success. Our first match was played on Saturday October 16th, against Elmira, on their grounds, and resulted in a tie 1 to 1. Our boys won the toss and decided to kick with the wind, which during the whole game blew very stiffly, and greatly hindered good team play on both sides. Elmira, of course, had the kick-off, but it availed them little, as Squirrel secured the ball and by a little combination it was carried down to the opponents' back line, but here it stopped and was carried back to centre by some very neat playing

on Elmira's part. Nothing unusual occurred during the first part of the game, and the ball sped to and fro almost entirely on the Elmira half of the field. Again and again did our boys make for the gap, but the strong wind made combination inaccurate and very often the ball was lost, though for all that the Elmira goal was in imminent danger. This sort of play lasted until nearly half time, when Hutchison made a beautiful centre from the touch line. This was caught by Squirrel and Billy promptly drilled the necessary hole through the corner of the goal.

Thus the first half ended with the score 1 to 0 in our favor, but this did not represent the play, as during the first half "Frank" never touched the ball.

The second half gave Elmira the wind in their backs and several times they pressed our goal, but either Summerby or James, those indomitable backs, by "sweeping drivers" cleared the goal and whatever did get past, well, Frank was there, or if he was not, a step or two brought him into position.

It cannot be said of the Elmira goal tender that during the second half he did not touch the ball, for time after time did our forwards carry the sphere down and gave some hot ones to stop.

About fifteen minutes before time was called a beautiful drop from left half placed the ball in "Frank's" hands. This he cleared nicely, but again it returned; this time one of their forwards was on to him, and though Frank's reach again saved it, the wind carried the ball to the other side of the goal and the Elmira half back, by a neat shot, placed it between the flags, thus tying the score.

Play was immediately resumed and our forwards pressed hard on the Elmira goal, and again one of their backs relieved it. "Norm" Ross now secured the ball and passed to Putnam, who centred a neat ball which was sent through the stakes. This goal was not allowed, as the referee gave an off side.

Our boys now seemed determined to win, and Beam and "Jim" Brickwell, by some neat checking and passing, got the ball up to Hutchinson and McKay, who carried it to the corner, then Hutchinson dropped it right over to our right. Squirrel secured this pass and, drawing out a back, centred the ball, which was again put through.

The referee would not allow this goal either and gave an off side on Mr. Putnam, who never touched the ball on that rush. As Mr. Putnam did not touch the ball we protested the referee's decision and have laid the matter before Secretary Forsyth, of Berlin, from whom we hope to hear in a few days.

Play was again resumed, but neither side could score and the result remained 1-1.

Elmira play the return match next Saturday afternoon, October 23rd, when our boys hope to make up for lost goals.

Of the other teams in the league Aylmer defeated Brantford and the teams now stand:—Woodstock, bye, Aylmer, 1; Elmira, 1; O.A.C. 1; Brantford, 0.

The following team played at Elmira, and will, barring accidents, probably represent the College throughout the season:—

Forwards—Hutchinson and McKay, left; Elliott (captain), centre; Squirrel and Putnam, right. Halves—J. Brickwell, Beam and N. Ross. Backs—C. James and Summerby. Goal—Frank McCallum.

Our latest achievement is the victory of the College fifteen in the