

ed most. It is the spring that takes the jolt out of life, the oil that reduces friction to a minimum.

The abuse of our public school system is partly responsible for this lack of poetical appreciation. Boys and girls are crammed, like stuffed turkeys, with facts and figures for exams., and their imaginative or poetical faculty is left undeveloped.

Thus

"Bad begins and worse remains behind," for in our institutions of higher learning the aesthetic faculties are left to grow up like Topsy.

Students ought, however, to supply this lack by acquainting themselves with the best poetry.

From it, especially from poetry set to music, is most forceful inspiration to be gained. Witness "The Marsellaise," "The Watch on the Rhine." And this

enthusiasm we need for

"One sally of a hero's soul
Doth all the military art control.
While timorous mortals ford the shore
He shoots the gulf and is already o'er;
And when the enthusiastic fit is spent,
Looks back amazed at what he underwent."

We must have some such inspiration in our work, if we are not to stand out in society like hard bricks in a wall, or to become fossilized remains of dead arts.

'Tis under a sense of this that one writes
"Away, away, haunt not thou me,
Thou vain philosophy.
Little hast thou bested
Save to perplex the head
And leave the spirit dead.
Why labor at the dull mechanic oar
When the fresh breeze is blowing
And the strong current flowing
Right onward to the eternal shore."

Of course, Locke and Baldwin are not to be consigned to Lethe, but the poetic to be given more attention.

ATHLETIC

FOOTBALL

WINNIPEG VS. WESLEY

Although the 'Tobas have lost a majority of last year's team, yet—as their match with St. John's evidenced—they, as formerly, have a first-class team. The St. John's tied the Meds. and the 'Tobas defeated the former team by the overwhelming score of 5—0, consequently, Wesley knew that it would be no easy task to overcome the doughty Presbyterians, especially as Marshall was again between the posts. Several new men have been added to the Wesley team, viz., Nichol and Wheeldon at half-back and Walker and Murchison on the forward line. These men, in the game against 'Toba, proved themselves worthy of their places on the team. The relative strength of the two teams may be compared as follows: The 'Tobas have a strong forward line, strong on account of its excellent combination

besides having two stars in the Clark brothers. Their defence, however, is rather weak, although Walker and Marshall are playing in good form. The Wesleys, on the other hand, have a strong defence, but the forwards are lacking both in good combination and also in the ability to shoot accurately. These two faults however may be easily corrected by hard practice.

The teams lined up as follows:—

Manitoba—Goal, Mashall; backs, Hall, Walker; half-backs, Saunderson, Hilton, Mitchell; forwards, W. Clark, Finkelstein, Muckle, Taylor, F. Clark.

Wesley—Goal, Carter; backs, Gilbert, St. John; half-backs, Walton, Wheeldon, Nichols; forwards, Markle, Murchison, Doran, Walker, Laidlaw.

It seems to us that, although the score was 1—1, Wesley had somewhat the best of the game, taking as our criterion the number of chances on goal, as well as the