

because they cannot afford to do so. Every day we read of the great things that the authorities of Uncle Sam's universities do to help the different branches of their sports, and it seems that if our own council could be brought to realise what a great influence the different teams have on the weal or woe of the university, they would see their way to allow football men to stay in residence free of extra charge.

With regard to the regular practices during the term there is great room for improvement. By this time, I think it must be apparent to everyone how absurd it is to try and have six regular practices a week. Men have other things to attend to besides football and therefore they cannot give up every afternoon in the week to it. Another fault, through which, I know for certain, we lost at least one good man, is the extreme dilatoriness of the men in turning out. Every day of this Michaelmas term sides have been posted for practice at 2.30 *sharp*. This is the programme as it took place:—From 2.30 until 3.45 men came straggling out, till there were on the field about eight men a side, then a loose game was played for about twenty minutes each way. The natural consequence was that the men got stale, detested the practices and finally refused to turn out at all.

If I might make the suggestion, next season there should be three stated practice-days a week, and on these days play should start sharply on time, with a full complement of players and should continue for at least full time, i. e. forty-five minutes each way. In addition to this a regular schedule of practice matches with outside clubs should be arranged at the beginning of the season.

We have frequently heard men say, "We have a small number to choose from, and therefore can't expect to place a first-class team in the football field; with cricket it is different, because it is not necessary to have thirty men to practise it." Certainly we don't expect the college to turn out good teams in everything, but we do expect the University to do so. To be sure, we labour under a great disadvantage in that our students in Arts and Medicine are so widely separated, but this year there has been shewn on both sides a distinct inclination to pull more together, and it is to be hoped that this desire will continue to grow; we cannot, however, expect any great benefit to the XV, unless we attend carefully to that little point about practising on time, for, owing to the arrangement of their lectures, it is very hard for our medicos to get out to practices at all.

We must all admit that, through continual failures the game has reached a crisis at Trinity; once again in the match with Toronto University we have met our Waterloo and "hope long deferred maketh the heart sick," so when another season comes around let us one and all, medicos and arts, put our shoulders to the wheel and make a supreme effort to place our XV in a higher place and one more suited to the dignity of its name.

HOCKEY.

Owing to the extreme mildness of the weather, the prospects for a long hockey season do not seem very bright. It will be a pity if, after the extensive improvements that have been made to the rink, we shall not be able to use it. By the way we have been treated rather hardly with regard to that same rink. After the decision of the Execu-

tive of the Hockey Association it seems that we must play all our matches away from home; in a way we can't complain, because there are certainly some arguments against open rinks, for instance, the players are more at the mercy of wind and snow, but the point of objection raised by one member, viz., that men accustomed to play by electric light find it hard to play by daylight, is simply ridiculous, for surely it is much harder for men who have been accustomed to play by daylight to play by the light of electric lamps.

Our worthy captain Mr. Hamilton, and Mr. Robertson, a brilliant member of his team, have both been in the hospital with severe attacks of the relentless Grip. They are now, we are glad to say, much better, and we sincerely hope that when term opens they will be found quite well, and ready to take their wonted places on the hockey seven.

THEOLOGICAL AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

A devotional meeting was held in the Chapel on Monday evening November 20th when an eminently practical address was given by Rev. Dr. Pearson, Rector of Holy Trinity Church.

A regular meeting was held in the Divinity Class Lecture Room on Monday evening, December 4th, when a carefully prepared paper on "Indifference, its Causes and its Cure," was read by Mr. H. M. Little. The discussion which followed hardly did justice either to the subject, or to the paper, but it proved sufficiently interesting to convince all who were present of the desirability of holding meetings of this kind more frequently, and the result has been that a series of fortnightly meetings has been arranged for next term, in addition to the business meetings.

A special meeting was held on Friday afternoon, December 8th, to elect delegates to attend the Conference of the Church Students' Missionary Association, which is to be held in Montreal on Thursday and Friday, January 11th and 12th. All the other Church Universities in Eastern Canada are sending delegates, as are also most of the Theological Colleges, and it was felt that Trinity should be adequately represented and that two members at least ought to be sent. A great many of those who were nominated, withdrew their names for various reasons and finally Messrs. J. G. Carter Troop, M. A., and G. F. Davidson were elected.

The Executive Committee has been very active during the latter part of the term. Several meetings have been held and a good deal of important business transacted. Thanks to the kindness of Mr. H. M. Little, the meetings have been held in his room instead of in the Divinity Class Lecture Room, and the effect has been almost magical. The meetings have been less formal, but a great deal more useful.

We beg to direct special attention to the advertisement of the Toronto Conservatory of Music, which will be found on page 157 of this number of THE REVIEW. As every one interested in music knows, the Conservatory is immeasurably ahead of all similar institutions in Canada. Its splendid achievements and immense number of pupils are a credit, not only to itself, but to the country which makes a college of such high rank not only a possibility, but an assured success.

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