

front in Canada, and now is the time to prepare for them, so that abuses merely waiting the proper conditions for growth may be weeded out before they become too luxuriant.

The athlete will always be the popular hero of the undergraduates. He it is who sets the standard of courage and pluck, of the ability to do and, if necessary, to suffer, so that it is of the utmost importance that at the same time he be sound, honest and reasonably proficient in his college work. This fall one of our best football players was injured in a practice game. Two bones of his hand were broken. The prospects for a successful season were so poor that this was looked upon as a calamity. But he was not to be "put down" by this. His hand was splinted and bandaged, and he played in every game, and at the end of the season was unanimously elected next year's captain. There was not a man in the college who did not thrill with pride at such an exhibition of pluck, courage, and determination. Acts like that serve to set ideals of manliness before those who may never hope to uphold the honor of the University on the athletic field.

In rough games like football and hockey, there always will be accidents to deplore. The chance of a twisted knee or ankle, or even a broken collar bone or arm or leg, is one of the things that makes the game attractive to the kind of men we want in Canada. And if it give the opportunity for a display of evil temper it affords opportunities for resisting such temptation. To put against this the escapes from injury that every man of forty recalls that a clumsy slow move would have precipitated, I think the balance will be on the other side.

It is only when we have taken every precaution to see that he is physically sound and in good condition and when we have given our last word of warning that we send him out to encounter such dangers, and if he forces a joint or breaks a bone, even that price is not too high if at the same time he learns

To set the cause above renown,
 To love the game beyond the prize,
 To honor while you strike him down,
 The foe that comes with fearless eyes,
 To count the life of battle good,
 And dear the land that gave you birth
 And dearest yet the brotherhood,
 That binds the brave of all the earth.

Canada with her almost untouched resources is awaiting men with clear brains, flushed with blood driven by a sound heart and purified in capacious lungs; with a digestion that has not been impaired by the combination of boarding house fare and the sedentary life; with erect carriage, and an elastic step; whose body is the keen, well tempered instrument of the well stored and well trained mind.—These are the men from whom we would get audacity in the approach, courage in the attack, and tenacity in the over-coming of these obstacles that stand in the way of success and progress, and I congratulate Queen's University on making this splendid beginning towards the accomplishment of these ends.