

After the rest Varsity got down to work, and during an exchange of kicks Ruthbun punted strongly over the line, and Reynolds tackled the full-back, compelling him to rouge. Score, Varsity II, 7; McMaster, 0.

McMaster kicked out, and gained ground on muffs by Housser and Laing. McArthur then punted over Varsity's line to Laing, who fumbled and was forced to rouge. Score, Varsity II, 7; McMaster, 1.

After the kick-out followed a number of scrimmages, and Varsity gained rapidly. A kick over McMaster's line struck the full-back and rolled into touch-in-goal. Score, Varsity II, 8; McMaster 1.

From this out Varsity played splendidly, and Rathbun's mammoth punt over the line, which was juggled by the full-back, resulted in Buck securing and scoring a try, which Laing converted nicely. Score, Varsity II, 14; McMaster, 1.

Shortly afterwards McKay punted behind the Baptists' line, and Reynolds brought down the full-back by a beautiful tackle, forcing him to rouge. This ended the scoring and the whistle blew with Varsity ahead, 15 to 1. The line up:

Varsity II. (15)—Back, A. Laing; Halves, Rathbun, McKay (Capt.), Housser; Quarter, Hore; Scrimmage, Lord, Robertson, Pantou; Wings, Bonnell, Buck, Gibbons, Davidson, Gain, White, Reynolds.

McMaster (1)—Back, Baker; Halves, Zants, McArthur (Capt.), Haydon; Quarter, MacDonald; Scrimmage, Poast, Brownlee, Vail; Wings, Stephens, Lailley, McLaurin, Smedley, Vining, Guyatt, Bingham, McLeay.

Referee, W. B. Hendry; Umpire, "Stan" McArthur.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

The Intercollege Association series is now well under way, three splendid games having been played last week. S.P.S. sprung somewhat of a surprise by defeating McMaster 2 to 0, and they are now looked upon as very dangerous aspirants for the Faculty Cup. Victoria and Trinity Meds played a keenly-contested game to a tie, while University College beat Knox in a game that was not good football. The scores:

Tuesday—S.P.S. 2, McMaster 0.

Thursday—Toronto Meds 2, Dents 0.

Friday—Victoria 0, Trinity Meds 0.

Saturday—University College 2, Knox 0.

Games this week:

SENIOR.

Tuesday—S.P.S. vs. Dents at 2 p.m.

Wednesday—McMaster vs. Toronto Meds at 2 p.m.

Friday—Trinity Meds vs. Knox at 3.30 p.m.

Saturday—Victoria vs. University College at 10 a.m.

INTERMEDIATE.

Saturday—City Teachers vs. McMaster II at 10 a.m.
Pharmacy vs. Toronto Meds II. at 2 p.m.

NOTES OF COLLEGE SPORT.

Upper Canada College defeated Bishop Ridley Saturday morning by a score of 40 to 0.

Victorias beat Kendons 26 to 0 in a junior O. R. F. U. game Saturday. Bob Read, '05, was referee, and Gordon O'Leary, '04, umpire.

Percy Biggs has been forced by parental objections to retire from the team, and George Biggs has been elected captain in his place.

Hore's promotion to the Seconds will leave a vacancy on the Thirds that will be hard to fill. "Reg." has won the admiration of all by his consistent, unselfish work, and he will no doubt play on the Firsts before he graduates.

The Limestones beat Queen's III., Saturday 10 to 0 in a junior O. R. F. U. game.

Queen's II. beat R. M. C. Saturday by a score of 20 to 5, and will meet Varsity II. next Saturday in Kingston.

Empey, who showed up well in the Intermediates' scrimmage last year, is out in uniform this week, and should be able to strengthen Varsity's weak place.

SCRIMMAGE VS. SNAP-BACK.

Last Saturday's game with McGill was one of the best possible arguments against the present scrimmage system. From the spectator's point of view, it was about as poor a game as has been seen in Toronto for a long time, and the crowd began to leave at half-time. It was only on very rare occasions that the grand stand got a peep at the ball, and then it was only a momentary glance. There was almost no attempt at formation in the scrimmage, which, to the spectator, appeared to be nothing else than a confused heap of pugnacious humanity.

It can be clearly seen that a team with a strong scrimmage can hold the ball for an indefinite period, and gain ground by pushing their opponents rather than by running or punting; and, when their opponents do get the ball, can nullify the work of their quarter and halves by making it almost impossible to heel the ball out of scrimmage, and so get the play opened up.

This is not the kind of game that people are willing to pay their good money to see, and it is obvious that a football team is dependent for its support upon the gate. When a man pays to see a football match, he naturally wants to have some idea of what the ball looks like, and, if the scrimmage system continues to degenerate, it is probable that the back division will soon be mere figureheads.

The snap-back system, which was tried in the Mulock Cup series last fall, did away, to a large extent, with clumsy mass plays, and the ball was nearly always in sight. It was a beautiful game to watch, as, on account of the "downs" rule, it was very often necessary for the team holding the ball to punt or run in order to gain the requisite 10 yards. There are a few defects in the Burnside rules, to be sure, but they are not so serious as those in the present scrimmage, and they could be easily remedied. If the quarter were allowed to buck, it would materially improve the Burnside rules, for, as they stand, the quarter is largely unnecessary.

From comments in the Ontario press, it would appear that there is a strong probability of the adoption of the snap-back by the O.R.F.U. This Union is now on its last legs, and, unless some radical change in the rules is quickly made, is destined for an early death. The Burnside rules were also seriously advocated among the colleges last fall, and, if adopted, they would, without doubt, enhance the popularity of the Inter-College Union. It is for Varsity to move first in this matter, and the majority of our student body would be glad to see our club recommend the new system at the next annual meeting.

THE VARSITY'S OFFICE.

At last THE VARSITY has a home. The gate-room of the old residence has been fitted up and the furnishing committee appointed by the Union Executive has after all due deliberation provided an easy chair, a roller-top desk, a luxurious rug and a steam coil. A gas lamp is expected later when the beadle has time to put in the fixtures. In the meantime the friends of THE VARSITY are welcome to call and admire our quarters.

EDITORIAL BOARD MEETING.

A meeting of the Editorial Board of THE VARSITY will be held in the writing-room of the Undergraduates' Union on Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock. All members of the Board, and particularly the representatives of affiliated colleges, are requested to be present.