

has read, by this time, of the actions of Captain Gilmour, of McGill, and Captain Turner, of Queen's, in stepping to the front of the bleachers and asking the boys to stop rooting when the signals of the teams are being given. The crowds are naturally quiet when their own team has the ball, but the state of affairs which gave place to the above actions, was one in which the opposing team were in possession of it. Nothing in the constitution of the C.I.R.F.U. requires such silence on the part of the rooters, and therefore the requests of the two captains certainly speaks well for the nature of intercollegiate sport.

Queen's senior rugby team had won five matches, with one more to play,—and that against Varsity in Toronto. Varsity had won every game but the one against Queen's in Kingston. Evidently she determined to win this one, too, and so tie Queen's for the championship. Our Athletic Committee secured from the Toronto Athletic Committee a block of three hundred seats to sell to our supporters. These seats were supposed to be reserved. However, when our rooters arrived on the scene, matters were in a state of confusion on the bleachers, no ushers were supplied, and as a result anyone who wished made use of the seats, and the visitors from Kingston had to make the best of a bad job and stand wherever they could get a look-in. The matter was called to the attention of the Toronto authorities, but nothing could be, or would be, done. All of our endeavors to give the team support by rooting were severely discounted. Queen's certainly expected better treatment from her sister University.

There was another incident which we hope the better element in Toronto University sincerely regrets. The thousand or more students who occupied the east side of the oval were told in so many words, by the men chosen to lead their rooting, to shout all they liked when Queen's had the ball, but to keep quiet when Toronto had possession of it, so that the signals could be plainly heard. How does this action compare with that of Captain Gilmour when read together with it? We expected to see more "Captain Gilmours" among the Varsity rooters than were actually in evidence. But the most painful incident of the whole match from the point of view of an unknown spectator, was that of the Varsity students singing a disgraceful parody on Queen's slogan. Treatment like this their team never got at Kingston, for they were always greeted with an outburst of voices doing their best to give utterance to the war cry of the visiting team.

There were two or three other matters which have drawn forth considerable comment, and which made the disinterested public think that Varsity was out to win the game at any cost. In the second half, with a heavy wind in their favor, the Toronto manager insisted that the ball they were using had been spiked, and had a new, dry ball substituted instead. Whether it be true or not, the press comments that the idea was to get a dry ball instead of a wet one, so that the Varsity back division could punt it farther. There were a couple of other incidents in connection with the match which deserve to be published, but we fear that too much comment on this game will reflect on the sportsmanship of Queen's men.

It ought also to be a matter of the greatest regret to the students of Queen's University to know that several of their own number descended to the level of the Varsity rooters mentioned above, and by the methods they learned but despis-