

FOOTBALL.

OTTAWA COLLEGE VS. MONTREAL.

Sport, a Montreal paper whose criticisms are always very impartial, thus refers to the late football match between the above clubs:—The Ottawa College team, by defeating the Montreal football club, have won the championship of Canada. They deserved it, for they were the better team last Saturday. They are heavy, well-trained, determined and clever, but better than all, they played the game like men and gentlemen. When we compare their fair game and their silence on the field with the offside play of Louison and W. Cleghorn, the language and quarrelsome tendencies of R. Campbell, and the unnecessary talk indulged in by H. Cleghorn and certain other members of the Montreal club, we congratulate them not only upon their splendid victory but upon the men who won it.

DEATH OF THE FLOWER.

BY FATHER RYAN.

I love my mother, the wildwood,
 As I sleep upon her breast;
 A day or two of childhood,
 And then I sink to rest.

I had once a lovely sister—
 As she was cradled by my side;
 But one Summer day I missed her—
 She had gone to deck a bride.

And I had another sister,
 With cheeks all bright with bloom;
 And another morn I missed her—
 She had gone to wreathe a tomb.

And they told me they had withered,
 On the bride's brow and the grave;
 Half an hour and all their fragrance
 Died away, which heaven gave.

Two sweet-faced girls came walking
 Thro' my lonely home one day,
 And I overheard them talking
 Of an altar on their way.

They were culling flowers around me,
 And I said a little prayer
 To go with them—and they found me—
 And upon an altar fair,

Where the Eucharist was lying
 On its mystical death-bed,
 I felt myself a dying,
 While the Mass was being said.

But I lived a little longer,
 And I prayed there all the day,
 Till the evening Benediction,
 When my poor life passed away.

Mr. Chamberlain arrived in New York on Monday. On being asked for an expression of opinion on the Irish question, he refused to say a word on the subject, and announced his resolve to offer no opinion on any affairs of home politics during the continuance of his mission.

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