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The boarders need now no longer go unwashed, for the swimming bath is in full running order, having shower baths and wash-basins besides the large bath.

There is a swimming instructor, who is there every afternoon to teach the boys to swim and see that none of them are drowned. For this latter purpose there are also ropes hanging down to within six inches or so of the water. The only drawback to its success, and this is one that may be easily remedied, is the shallowness of the water.

We think that next year a really competent man should be secured to look after the rinks. This winter the ice has not been good. The inside rink has been very good, but it is much too small for a really good game of hockey, unless with five or six men aside. The outside rink, on the other hand, has been very poor, having been fit to skate on only nine or ten times in the year. A great deal of this is, of course, due to the amount of snow we have had: but still, allowing

for this, we think there is great room for improvement. We think that it would not be out of place to compliment our hockey team for the gallant effort to rival the record of our football fifteen which they have made in spite of all disadvantages.

The following interesting reminiscence appeared recently in the pages of the *Toronto Empire*. It serves to illustrate the College's old penchant for being "on top."

Mr. John E. Hall, secretary of the Canadian Cricket Association, is spending much of his leisure in delving into old records containing Canadian cricket history. Among the treasurable records he has come across is an account of the first cricket match played by an Upper Canada College eleven. It was played in the summer of 1836, and is reported in *The Courier*, published in Toronto. The match was with the Toronto Cricket Club, who were defeated by the College boys by an innings and nine runs. Among the names of the U.C.C. batting list are those of Lucan Robinson, John Beverley Robinson, John Barron, Thomas Keefer. *The Courier* has an excellent account of the match, but has this rather amusing sentence: "The Upper Canada College boys defeated the Toronto Cricket Club as badly as those wretched animals yeapt the Radicals were defeated at the last election."

A man's conscience is his greatest enemy and his greatest friend. We're not quite sure whether this remark is original or no, but the lively experience we have had with what little of the article we possess—and an editor's conscience is said to be the smallest known—that experience teaches us that it is true; therefore we insert it with the worthy object of saving our readers from the awful doom into which some of them, many of them, are heedlessly plunging. Reader, have you ever known what it is to have your conscience, which has been calmly slumbering while you have been robbing the widow and defrauding the fatherless, or neglecting to prepare your Latin Prose exercises, to have it, I say, wake up suddenly in the stilly watches of the night, and wake you up too, and heave you out of