

... ATHLETICS ...

The annual reorganization meeting of St. Dunstan's A. A. A. took place on Monday, September 19th. At that time the prospects for athletics for the year were not of the brightest hue, but what was lacking in this regard was more than made up for by the great enthusiasm manifested by all present. After the general business, attendant upon such a meeting the following officers were elected for the year 1910-11.

Moderator—Rev. A. B. McDonald, D. D.

President—J. L. Saunders.

Vice-Pres.—F. J. Nealy.

Sec'y-Treas.—J. B. A. Brennan.

Executive Committee — Joseph Rooney, E. V. Crowley, Vincent Fisher.



FOOTBALL.

Although we did not win the championship in the football league, still we made a great try for it, and great credit is due our capable coach, Father Joseph Gallant and Captain "Jim" Saunders, not to speak of the team members themselves. Beginning the season with only five of the team of '09, by hard work, a team was moulded into shape, which was deprived of the trophy, only by the slightest margin. In previous years we have been aided on the gridiron by the presence of one or two of the "old guard," who had already graduated, but this year for the first time in several years, we put out a pure

college team—and we believe we have proved our metal.

Our first game took place on Saturday, October, 15th, when we lined up against the Abegweits. The result was a draw—no score; but our men had a shade the better of the game, compelling the Abbies to rouge twice. The good work of the Saints in this game may be judged when it is known that we were short of three regulars, who were "hors de combat," owing to injuries received in practice.

We next met our old friends the Vics, whom we defeated by the score 9-3. With this defeat, the Victorias appeared to be out of the running, and public interest centered upon the Saints and Abbies who were very evenly matched. The deciding game was scheduled for Thanksgiving day. And it is safe to say that if the game had come off on that day, the championship laurel would be on other brows than those of our rivals—the Abegweits. But the game was postponed for one reason or another, on no less than three occasions, until at last we gave up hope of ever pulling off the game. Consequently the boys eased up on practice, and when the game was at length played November 19—we had not practised for twelve days.

Abegweits, 6 St. Dunstans 3.

But it must be admitted that when the day came it was a good one—no sun, no wind, and just cool enough to set the blood of youthful veins pulsating rapidly with all youth's vitality. At three-thirty, on the historic football field of Victoria Park, the rivals faced one another. The Saints lined up as follows:

Full Back—A. Rooney.

Half Backs—J. Rooney, Keoughan, Hawkes, Doyle.

Quarter Backs—Nealy, McNeill, Burns.

Forwards—Smith, McInerney, McDonald, Saunders, Brennan, Fisher, Reid.

As the sound of "Ned" Blake's whistle cut the air Hawkes kicked, and our forwards dashed away—the

decisive struggle was on. By way of summarizing, let us say that play was even during the first half, with the Abbies leading in kicking and running, while the honors went to the Saints in dribbling and tackling. Rooney at full made some nice saves, while Hawkes was always sure of good gains in his tricky runs. Towards the close of the first half the ball was kicked to the Abbies' twenty-five yard line, where a scrim took place. Out of the mix-up following our forwards dribbled the ball down to and over the line of our opponents. Larry Smith was the man who fell on the ball, and thus gained the distinction of being the only man to score on the Abegweits this year. The kick for goal was from a most difficult position, and although Hawkes made a fine effort to convert, it went just a little wide. The whistle for half time blew immediately after the try.

But after the first five minutes of play in the second half it was evident that the Abbies were getting the better of the game. For ten minutes the Saints played a successful defense game within their twenty-five yard line, but on a nice combination play, Frank McDonald got clear and evened the score amid great applause from the Abbie rooters who were out in force. Captain Brown failed to convert and the game was continued as hard as ever. By dribbling and sharp tackling the Saints kept the ball about centre field for the next ten minutes. Then the heavier scrim of the Abegweits slowly but surely pushed the lighter College men back. A scrim took place on our twenty-yard line, the ball went to the Abbies, whose quarter, Brown, passed to McMillan. "Toby" sprinted and went over the line, making the winning score. The try was made directly behind the posts, and it was a great surprise to all when the veteran half back failed to convert. There were left but three minutes of play, and no further scoring was done. So the championship game was won by the Abegweits—score 6-3.

No matter what good excuses we may have, such as

lack of practice, still the Red and Black won fairly, and we offer them our hearty congratulations. A most regrettable incident of the game was the serious injuring of "Jule" Keoughan of our half line. He received a blow on the head and suffered a temporary loss of memory. But in a few days he was much improved, and is now, we are glad to say, almost as well as ever.

The complete schedule of the P. E. I. Football League is as follows :—

	Won	Score
Oct. 12—Vics vs. Abbies.....	Abbies	6-0
15—Abbies vs. Saints	Draw	0-0
20—Saints vs. Vics	Saints	9-3
24—Abbies vs. Vics.....	Abbies	3-0
Nov. 3—Vics vs. Saints.....	Saints	default
19—Saints vs. Abbies	Abbies	6-3

H. M. S. Cornwall, 14. St. Dunstan's II., 0.

On Thursday, October 20, our second team met a picked team of the crew of H. M. S. Cornwall, which ship paid a pleasant visit to this port during October. The team, which our Intermediates faced was one which could make it interesting for any senior team on P. E. I.

From the first of the game it was seen that the British tars were superior to our plucky youngsters. But the score cannot be taken as a true estimate of the game. Although the sailor scrim had an easy time of it, still the Saints excelled in tackling, and time after time the ships half backs were brought down, and it was only by their best efforts that they could score. In the first half Cornwall notched up six points, to which they added eight more in the second period, making a total score of fourteen to nothing.

St. Dunstan's II., 3. Prince of Wales, 0.

Victoria Park was the scene of a most interesting and exciting game of football on Monday afternoon,

November 14, when the old rivals, Prince of Wales and our second team, met. This game has been an annual event for many years and the teams were always evenly matched, so it is not strange that quite a crowd turned out to see it. P. W. C. had the advantage in rooters, having a large representation of both sexes to cheer them to victory, but all to no avail.

Early in the game, Meahan of the Saints, secured the only score of the afternoon by making a pretty fifteen yard dash across the P. W. C. line. After this both teams settled down to hard, gruelling work, and a great exhibition of English Rugby was witnessed. There was no apparent difference between the two teams, and certainly every man on both sides played for all he was worth.

In the second half the play was of much the same character, with the P. W. C. boys more aggressive. The last fifteen minutes of play was within the Saints' twenty yard line, but it was impossible to get by their stone wall defence. So the game ended three to nil in favor of the Saints, although their doughty opponents gave them a great chase. "Gus" McDonald, Dolen and Walker played a strong game for the winners and were always evident. For P. W. C., Captain McKenzie, Saunders and Rattenbury were the stars. Our line-up was :

Full Back—Sweeney.

Halves—Meahan, D. Gillis, Walker, Fitzgerald.

Quarters—Dolan, G. McDonald, Dougan.

Forwards—Gorman, Soy, Smith, McIsaac, Crowley (Capt.), E. McDonald, A. Gillis.



BASKET BALL.

After football was put aside for the year the boys devoted their spare moments to basket ball and an inter-class league was formed. Three teams were entered—Philosophers, Sophomores and Freshmen. The series

finished in a dead heat between the Sophs and the Freshmen. The teams did not play off, so it is undecided who the inter-class champions of 1910-11 are. The schedule was as follows :

	Won	Score
Philosophers vs. Fresh.	Fresh.	20-11
Fresh. vs. Sophs	Fresh.	11-7
Sophs vs. Philosophers.....	Sophs.	12-10
Fresh. vs. Philosophers	Fresh.	13-5
Sophs vs. Fresh.....	Sophs.	9-8
Philosophers vs. Sophs.....	Sophs	23-16

Leo McInerney captained the Sophs and managed his team in great style. The honor of commanding the Freshies was Sam Doyle's, and he knew his business all through the series. "Ned" Crowley was skipper of the Philosophers, and although his team was not very successful still they made it interesting for both the others.



HOCKEY.

As yet the real spirit of the winter game has not struck the boys, but when we get a good sheet of ice in our rink we may expect the old enthusiasm to be revived. Of last year's senior team we have the two McNeilis, who have been such a great factor in winning games in the post. "Shorty" Dougan is on hand and impatient to be on the ice to help once more to win games for the Red and White. We are in need of two defence men and two forwards, but it is expected that some good ones will be found among the new men who will fill the vacancies.

As for inter-class hockey, we always have abundance of material in that line. True, many members of the old Prefect and Whirlwind teams are not present this year, but we have no doubt that new men will be introduced into those mystic circles which now have such a

high standing in athletics. The absence of Capt. S. J. McDonald of last year's Prefects is a loss not soon to be repaired, but we have no doubt that his spirit will ever roam over the ice in sympathy with the onslaughts against the Whirlwinds. Strange to relate, Capt. Saunders of the Whirlwinds has gone over to the enemy and is slated for a position on the seven to represent the teaching element of the College. However, the Whirlwinds will try to avenge themselves, and already rumor says that some "stars" are being imported for their team.

In this connection we would suggest that a hockey league be formed from teams in the house. Should we let all the honors go to the Prefects and Whirlwinds? Get to work, boys, and organize two or three more; there is any amount of material in the College. An inter-class league would be quite practicable. Now is the time to make plans. What do you think of it, boys?

