

ATHLETICS

We have now done the last lap of the Athletics course for the season '13-'14. From the start to the finish our teams maintained a position well in the lead, and the couple of temporary "set-backs" only served to spur them on to greater effort and subsequent redeeming victory. We have already commented upon the splendid success of our foot-ball and hockey teams, in the last two issues of "Red and White."

Now base-ball must have its turn. On the whole our "nine of the diamond" have made a very creditable showing. The cold wet weather, which prevailed throughout the earlier part of May, greatly retarded practices; but notwithstanding this, our boys were in shape to open the ball season with a game at Victoria Park on Sat. May 16th. In all four games were played, one with the Connaughts, two with the Independents of S'Side, and the last and crowning victory of the season, the defeat of P. W. C. Captain Conway discharged the duties of his position admirably, and the excellent work of his men is no doubt due in a large measure to his efficiency as Captain.

On Saturday May 16th. the Connaughts and "Saints" met on the diamond at Victoria Park for the first game of the season. The day was rather cold for either spectators or players, but despite this a representative crowd of the "fans" saw a very hot game.

The "Saints" were first to bat but did not succeed in making a round of the bases. The Connaughts in their turn got two runs and the first inning ended 2-0 against S. D. . In the second inning "Cliff" "swatted" a "two-bagger" and completing the circuit started the scoring for the "Saints." No more scores were tallied by either side in this inning. Again in the third "Cliff" measured the diamond and made it run two for S.D.C.

The score was now 2-2, and thus it remained until the fifth inning when the "Saints" crossed the home plate for five more counts, Conway, Murphy, Patrick, McGuill and Clark, being the scorers. With the Connaughts at bat Gillespie secured a "safe home" on Moore's hit. The last score of the game was made by Currie in the sixth inning, where, after a "two-bagger" he reached the plate on Conways' sacrifice. Score 8-3 in favour of S. D. C. and thus it stood at the end of the seventh inning when the game was called.

The teams lined up as follows—

Connaughts		Saints
Purcell	Catcher	McGuill
McCarey	Pitcher	Tetrault
Moore	1st. Base	Currie
Gillespie	2nd. "	Patrick
Keoughan	3rd. "	"Cliff" Cahill
Sweeney	Short St.	Clark
Kerr	L. Field	Murphy
Carregan	C. "	McIntyre
Mullins	R. "	Conway

St. Dunstan's Day, May 19th. was the occasion of a very pleasant trip to S'Side when, our base-ball team, accompanied by a few officials and enthusiasts, visited that town to play the Independents. The day was ideal for such an excursion and all who took advantage of it enjoyed it to the utmost. The only untoward happening of the whole trip was the temporary estrangement of our worthy secretary, "Fitz" from the rest of the boys. For some moments much anxiety was felt concerning his "whereabouts;" but his appearing at the hotel, with a generous treat of fruit and confectionary explained his prolonged absence.

The game began at 4 p.m. with the "Saints" first at bat. No runs made. With the independents up Gaffney and Morrison scored on Oliver's hit and on an overthrow to 3rd. For the rest of the game no scores were made. It resolved itself into a pitcher's battle with very few safe hits on either side, Jeffries in the

box for the Independents proved a puzzle to our batters, whilst Tetrault for the "Saints" by his speed, curves, drops and cool-headed plays went far in holding the score down to 2—0.

Our team lined up as against the Connaughts. The "Independent" players were—

Catcher—Oliver
Pitcher—Jeffries
1st Base—Gaffney
2nd Base—Morrison
3rd Base—Waite
Short—Stewart
L. Field—Rogers
C. Field—Daley
R. Field—Raynor

The return match with the Independents was played on May 25th. at the A.A.A.A. grounds, Ch'town. The Saints were determined to redeem themselves after their defeat in S'Side, and this determination pitted against the equally determined playing of the S'Side aggregation, resulted in a game full of excitement. The first score of the game was run by Gaffney who in the second inning made home on a fair hit by Oliver. In the third inning the "Saints" secured two runs, Murphy and Patrick making the tally. Again in the fourth, Conway and Currie added two more to the credit of S. D. C. with McGuill increasing it by another count in the fifth inning. In the sixth inning Currie made the sixth and last score for "Red and White" on a safe hit by Murphy. The Independents secured their second run in the eighth inning when Daley went "home" on a "pass" ball. The game ended with the count 6—2 in favor of S. D. C. Morrison pitched for the Independents and played his usual steady game. Tetrault and McGuill for the "Saints" were a whole team in themselves, Patrick's base running was a feature of the game.

The teams played the same line up as in S'Side except that, McLaughlin replaced Waite.

On May 28th, the team from P. W. C. contended with our "nine" for honours on the base-ball diamond

at the A. A. A. A. grounds. The day was unpleasant with cold, high winds, conditions not at all conducive to good playing. As a consequence the game was rather loose and lacked many of the fine features which characterised the playing of our men in the other games. Notwithstanding this it resulted in another victory for the boys in "Red and White," the P. W. C.'S going down to defeat by an adverse score of 9—5.

Come again P. W. C. we enjoy it.

The players were—

P. W. C.

Whitlock	Catcher
McCarey	Pitcher
Boates	1st Base
Chandler	2nd Base
Donalds	3rd Base
Keoughan	Short S
Bearisto	L. Field
Reilly	C. Field
Rattee	R. Field

S. D. C.

McGuill
Tetrault
Currie
Patrtck
"Cliff" Cahill
McIntyre
Murphy
Kelly
Conway

A bad beginning is sometimes the finish.

To borrow is human, to pay back divine.

The world is a beautiful book, but of little use to him who cannot use it.

Of two evils, the less is always to be chosen.

The world knows nothing of its greatest men.

A fool must now and then be right by chance.