

ATHLETICS



Winter is with us once again; the season for field sports is over, and that for hockey is at hand. In St. Dunstan's, football, hockey and baseball have in the past been the favorite games. Of these, football has always held first place; hockey, second. A good football team we shall always have, but we have our ups and downs in hockey. This year we have few hockey players among us. It is doubtful whether we shall be able to put a team in any league. So far as football is concerned, although our record this past autumn has not been the best in the history of athletics in St. Dunstan's, it is, nevertheless, worthy of a short review in the few pages allotted to us.

Senior Football

November 16 saw the final game of a very successful football season. Although in September football prospects were anything but bright, we succeeded in getting together a well balanced senior team. The lack of stars was counterbalanced by team work. Our forwards were a great source of strength. They followed the ball well, thereby making many gains for the team.

In September, Mr. Thomas Campbell, wishing to give a fresh incentive to football in Charlottetown, promised a trophy to be awarded to the winner of a series of seven games, played between the Knights of Columbus and St. Dunstan's. In this series we played three games, all of which we won. Two other games were played, one against Mount Allison, the other against St. Francis Xavier.

K. of C .- 0

S. D. U.-3

On Saturday afternoon, October 7, the boys of the Red and White lined up against the Knights of Columbus for

the first game of the season. The Saints took the kick-off. The ball was returned to centre field. From here the Saints gradually worked their way into the K. of C.'s territory but the Knights soon relieved the situation by a few long dribbles, which brought the play down to the Saint's five yard line. The half ended with the ball still within our territory. Score 0-0. In the second period our men did better work. By a few short runs and kicks they forced their opponents to rouge for safety. After the kick-off from the twenty-five yard line, the Saints returned the ball to the Knights' territory, where it remained until a few minutes before all-time, when Rooney secured it, and made the first and only try of the game.

The line-up:-

K. of C:—Full: Gillis. Halves: W. McDonald, Doyle, Wynne, Hennessey, Quarters: Kelly, Coyle, DesRoches. Forwards: McDonald, Steele, McCormac, Moran, Connolly, Goodwin, McAleer.

S. D. U—Full: Shea. Halves: McTague, Rooney, Hynes, Gallant. Quarters: McDonald, Walsh, Wedge. Forwards: Sullivan, Coady, McDougall, Croken, Smith, Trainor (Capt.), McCarthy. Spares: Johnston, O'Brien.

K. of C.-0.

S. D. U.—12

The second game with the Knights was played on Saturday, October 14. In this game our boys opened out, and played more loosely than in the first one. Hynes was the first to score. After a series of scrims on the Knights' ten yard line, McTague crossed for a second try. The final score of the first period was made by Gillis. No converts were made. The second half was better ball. Our opponents put up a stiff resistance, forcing the Saints to be content with one try. This was made by Gillis. Play ended at centre field.

The line-up was as follows:

K. of C.—Full: Gillis. Halves: (Capt.) Kelly, McDonald, Doyle, McCormac. Quarters: Moran, McAleer, Coyle. Forwards: Steele, McDonald, Goodwin, G. McDonald, Morgan, Connolly, Kickham.

S. D. U.—Full: Shea. Halves: Gallant, Gillis, Rooney, Hines. Quarters: McDonald, McTague, Walsh, Forwards: Sullivan, Murphy, Coady, Smith, Trainor (Capt.), McCarthy, Croken. Spares: O'Brien, McDougall.

K. of C.-0

S. D. U.—9

Saturday afternoon, October 21, our Senior Team returned with a third victory to its credit. Both teams had improved wonderfully since their initial game two weeks before. The Knights were fully bent on winning, and hotly disputed every inch of ground. After fifteen minutes of play, however, our half-backs, by a well planned play cleared the way for a score. Gallant carried the ball over the line. This score raised the fighting spirit of the Knights. For the remaining ten minutes of the period, the Saints had their work cut out for them, and found it no easy task to keep the play above centre field.

When the whistle blew at the beginning of the second period, Captain Trainor led his men out on the field, firmly resolved to do their duty and do it well. For a few minutes after the kick-off, there was some hard scrimming at centre field. Superior footwork by our forwards gave us the advantage. The Knights were slowly pressed back to their five yard line. Rooney scored from here. The Knights came back strong, but could not prevent Gallant from sending McTague over for another tally. At the end of the game the score still stood 9-0 in favor of St.Dunstan's. The line up was the same as for the second game.

This was the last time we met the Knights on the gridiron. Two games with other teams took up our time until November 16. After that date winter set in, so that no more games could be arranged between the two teams. This was a disappointment to our players. They had found in the Knights true sportsmen, who were in the game for the sake of the game itself. Although it was impossible for the K. of. C. to get any practice, they put up a good fight, and gave us the fastest game of the season.

Mount Allison—3. S. D. U.—0

At Sackville on November 2, Mount Allison gave to our Senior team the only defeat of the season. Numerous free kicks slowed up the game. The work of the first half was inferior in every department of the game; the passing was poor, the punts were short and poorly judged. This period ended with no score.

At the beginning of the second half the Mount A. backs got away on a nice run, which ended in a score. The attempt to convert failed. For a few minutes after the kickoff, it looked as though our men had begun to realize that they were playing football. Bad passing and fumbling on Mount A's ten yard line spoiled an excellent chance to score. A few minutes later we had another promising chance for a score when dribbling and a fumble by the Mount A. team brought the ball within two yards of the Mount A. goal line. Here a free kick was awarded to Mount Allison. For the remainder of the period the play remained at centre field. That evening our team accepted the invitation of the Mount Allison boys to supper in the University Dining Room. After supper our boys attended a basketball game in the Mount Allison gymnasium.

St. F. X .. - 0.

S. D. U.—0.

On the afternoon of November 16, our boys lined up against St. F. X., a well trained team, which already had one victory over an Island team to its credit. Snow and rain had made the field too muddy and slippery for a fast game. At 3.10 St. Dunstan's kicked off. St. F. X. returned and followed up well. For a time the play remained within our territory. A quick passout from the scrim gave Rooney the chance to punt in touch for a gain of twenty-five yards. A few short runs brought the Saints down to St. F. X.'s five yard line. Here all attempts to score failed. The play then moved into quarters safer for St. F. X. During the remainder of the period the play shifted from one side of the field to the other without gain for either side. It was almost impossible to do anything with the ball, so slippery had it become. The period ended with no score.

In the second period better luck attended the efforts of the St. F. X. team. Although after the kick-off a few scrims took place on the St. F. X.'s fifteen yard line a long dribble soon brought play down past the Saints' twenty-five yard line. All attempts to score failed. The play ended up at centre-field.

The weather conditions did not allow either team to put forth its best efforts. The ball became so wet and slippery that it was impossible either to give a pass or to receive one. Almost all the gains on either side were made on dribbles. As a result both teams left the field unsatisfied. All felt that, if it had been a good day, the spectators would have been given an exhibition of football that they would long remember.

This was the first game between St. Dunstan's and St. Francis Universities since 1914. That year St. Dunstan's visited Antigonish. We hope that a game between the two colleges will be an annual event.

The following is the line-up of the St. F. X. team:

Full: J. McDonald. Halves: Murphy, Ryan (Capt), Hachey, Currie. Quarters: McIsaac, Beaton, McEachern. Forwards: Cameron, Hoyd, Chisholm, S. McDonald, McInnis, Hillier, Dalton.

Intermediate

Our junior team of this year succeeded in upholding its high reputation of former years by successfully defending the Intermediate Championship in four hard fought games. Its old opponent P. W. C. came out in October with a team that was hard to match for speed and endurance. We can give our second team no higher praise than to say that it came out of the struggle with one victory to its credit, and with even honors in the two remaining games. The fourth game was played against the League of the Cross team. Although victors, our boys found in the League men opponents worthy of all respect.

L. of C.—0. S. D. U.—6.

On Saturday afternoon Captain Murphy's men lined up against the League of the Cross team. There was very little open play during the first period. One team was apparently testing out the strength of the other. O'Brien made a nice run which netted three points for our team. This try was not converted. The half ended with the score 3—0 in favour of St. Dunstan's. In the second half both teams put up a stiffer fight. O'Brien again distinguished him self by placing the oval behind the League's goal line. Despite the fact that the League boys had very little practice they put up a good brand of football. Early in the game Johnston, one of our centre halves had, to leave the field with an injured knee. His place was taken by Gallant.

The line-up:

League:—Full: Zaib. Halves: McCarey, Cronin, Howatt, Connolly. Quarters: Perry, Joseph, Ready. Forwards: Maddigan, Longaphie, McFarlane, Francis, Reardon, Corrigan, McQuaid. S. D. U.—Full: Gavin. Halves: O'Brien, Gillis, Murphy, (Capt), Johnston. Quarters: Wedge, Morrissey, Foley. Forwards: McCabe, McDougall, Monaghan, Campbell, Mallette, Smith, McDonald. Spares: Gallant, Walsh.

P. W. C.-0.

S. D. U.-3.

At the Abegweit grounds on October 19, P. W. C. and S. D. U. lined up for their first game in the Intermediate Championship series. The game was fast and clean throughout. A number of good runs were made on both sides. Long punts and quick returns were the features of the game. For a few minutes it looked as though P. W. C. was going to have things its own way. Our men, however, soon fell into their stride, and before half time came they sent O'Brien over the line for the three points necessary to win the game. The second period was even faster than the first, but our men succeeded in holding the P. W. C. boys down to no score.

The following is the line-up of both teams:

P. W. C:—Full: Mathieson. Halves: Wedlock, Ross, McDonald, Nelson. Quarters: W. McDonald, DesRoches, Cass, . Forwards: Horton, Mathieson, Stewart, Kickham, Horne, Smith, Dixon.

S. D. U.—Full: Gavin. Halves: Murphy (Capt), Gillis, O'Brien, Gallant. Quarters: Gillis, Wedge, Foley. Forwards: McCabe, McDougall, Monaghan, Smith, Campbell, Mallette, McDonald. Spares: Walsh, Suerette, Donahoe.

P. W. C.-0.

S. D. U.—0.

In the second game with P. W. C. an unusually fine brand of football was exhibited. During the preceeding two weeks both teams had gotten in a good deal of hard practice, and turned out on October 28 with the determination to bring back the honours of the day. For fifty thrilling minutes the rooters were kept on their feet awaiting a score. The score did not come. The hard and deadly tackling of the Prince of Wales' men spoiled many promising chances for a victory on our side. When the whistle blew for all-time, it was the opinion of all that neither side had left anything undone to score, and that the teams were as nearly matched as possible.

The deciding game of this series was played on November 11. It also ended in a draw. The work of both teams was fully as good in this as in the two former games.

Intermural.

Very little interest was shown in Intermural football this season. On several occasions line-ups were posted for four teams. When the teams lined up, there were not enough men for two complete teams. This poor showing will make it difficult to recruit material for next year's teams early enough in the season to get the teams going well before the first games. Such spirit as this is doing an injustice to the senior teams. There were, however, among the Intermural men some very promising players, who will, no doubt, give a good account of themselves in the gridiron encounters of next year.

Field Day

Our annual Field Day sports were held on the campus October 17. The previous night's rain left the track in a very poor condition; nevertheless good time was made. All events were well contested. We congratulate Elliot McGuigan, best all round senior Athlete, and Marcus Hacket, best all round junior, on their splendid showing.

The following is a summary of events:-

Senior Events

- Best all round athlete—Elliot McGuigan.
- Mile Run:—1, F. O'Brien; 2, R. Shea; 3, F. Nelligan. Time 5 min. 4 sec.
- Half Mile Run: 1, F. O'Brien; 2, R. Shea; 3, F. Nelligan. Time 2 min. 12 sec.
- Quarter Mile Run:—1, F. O'Brien; 2, E. McGuigan; 3, R. Shea. Time 56 sec.
- 220 Yd. Dash:—1, E. McGuigan; 2, C. Shea; 3, F. O'Brien. Time 25 sec.
- 100 yd. Dash:—1, E. McGuigan; 2, C. Shea; 3, R. Gavin. Time 11 sec.
- High Jump:—1, E. McGuigan; 2, R. Gavin; 3, L. Gallant. Height 4 ft., 11 in.
- Broad Jump:—1, E. McGuigan; 2, F. O'Brien; 3, R. Shea. Distance 18 ft. 7 in.
- Hop, Step and Jump:—1, E. McGuigan; 2, F. O'Brien; 3, A. Fournier. Distance 37 ft. 11 in.
- Shot Put:—1, C. Shea; 2, F. O'Brien; 3, H. Murphy. Distance 33 ft.

Open Events

- Baseball Throw:—1, R. O'Neill; 2, J. McCauley; 3, M. Champoux. Distance 273 ft.
- Place-Kicking Football:—1, R. Shea; 2, B. McDonald; 3, A. Fournier. Distance 119 ft.
- Boot Race:—1, J. McMillan; 2, R. Cassidy; 3, J. Sullivan.
- Three-legged Race:—1, F. Coady and R. Malone.
- Wheel-barrow Race: -J. McMillan, and R. Gavin.
- Relay Race:—R. Shea, Elliot McGuigan, W. Brennan, and E. Gillis.

Junior Events

- Best All-round Athlete—M. Hackett.
- Quarter Mile Run:—1, F. Nelligan; 2, M. Hackett; 3, R. Cassidy. Time 1 min, 5 sec.

220 yd. Dash:—1, S. Chapman; 2, W. Hagen; 3, M. Hackett. Time 28 sec.

100 yd Dash:—1, M. Hackett; 2, S. Chapman; 3, W. Hagen. Time 12½ sec.

High Jump:—1, S. Chapman; 2, M. Hackett; 3, W. Hagen. Height 4 ft. 7½ in.

Broad Jump:—1, M. Hackett; 2, S. Chapman; 3, W. Hagen

and J. Sullivan. Distance 15 ft. 4 in.

Hop, Step and Jump: 1, M. Hackett; 2, S. Chapman; 3, R. Cassidy. Distance 32 ft, 9½ in.

Fourteen years and under

220 yd. Dash:—1, B. Gallant; 2, F. Gallaghan; 3, J. Gillis. Time 32 sec.

100 yd. Dash:—1, B. Gallant; 2, E. O'Hanley; 3, F. Gallaghan. Time 15 sec.

High Jump:—1, B. Gallant; 2, E. O'Hanley. Height 4 ft. Broad Jump:—1, J. Knockwood; 2, B. Gallant; 3, E. O'Hanley. Distance 12 ft. 8½ in.

