


ATHLETICS



Athletics though a secondary consideration at St. Dunstan's, nevertheless occupies a very important position in our college life, for we place our trust in the old principle that a body full of strength and quickness will insure the strength and activity of the mind. The season of drop kicks and flying tackles has drifted past on the tide of time, and the football has retired in favour of basketball. Football activities were started early in the year under the wise management of Rev. Father Mullally as moderator, Professor Fleming as coach, and Cornelius Landrigan as representative of football. They soon had two squads of men practicing with a spirit that refused to be dampened by the September rains, and in a months time they were ready to meet all comers.

SENIOR FOOTBALL

This year our hereditary football opponents, the Abbies, were picked from the three teams of the City League, formed for the purpose of producing a better trained team, and with the hope of wresting the Island Championship from the Saints. Although our first team defeated the hopes of the Abbies by their brilliant victory in the final game of the series, even this game was fraught with moments of danger to the Saints, while the two other games of the league were fought out to scoreless ties. The details of each game are as follows:

ABBIES—3.

S. D. U.—0.

On October 9, the Abbies and the Saints made their first appearance on the football field in an exhibition game, played to test their respective abilities. Only thirteen of the Abbies presented themselves for the game, but they borrowed two of the men in Red and White, to complete their team. It was a very good game, with each team following up and kicking well. The Saints had the best of the territory, but were unable to effect a touchdown, while "Tiny" Mathieson, whose favourite ball is a blocked one, followed one of these across the line in the second period, and touched it down, making a score of 3-0, which remained unchanged to the end.

The line-up was as follows:

Abbies: Fullback—H. Saunders; Halves—H. Shaw, A. Stewart, G. Walker and F. McCarey; Quarters: W. McDonald, (Capt.) S. DesRoches and F. Kelly; Forwards I. Horne, G. Connolly, J. Connolly, St. Clair Trainor, J. Lonergan, N. Mathieson and N. McDonald.

S. D. U.: Fullback—C. Cullen; Halves—D. O'Leary, M. Dunphy, C. Landrigan and G.A. McDonald; Quarters—G. Keefe, (Capt.) J. Fleming and F. Jennings; Forwards—A. McDonald, C. Connell, A. Francis, P. MacAulay, C. Tingley, A. D. Gillis and A. Gillis.

St. F.X.—9.

S. D. U.—0.

On October 15, our senior team left for Antigonish in reply to the challenge of St. F. X. football team. In the game which took place on the following day, our team was defeated, yet they put up a hard fight all through. While in Antigonish they stayed at the University, and they speak highly of the excellent treatment accorded them while there.

Although the game was somewhat ragged at times, it was much closer than the score would seem to show. The Saints did some clever kicking and dribbling, but the heavy tackling of the Xaverians checked all attempts to cross their line. St. F. X.'s first score was made about the middle of the first period by Phelan on a pass from Monaghan; it was not converted, and for the rest of the period the blue and white had the advantage in territory.

Five minutes after the whistle blew for the second half Coleman of St. F. X. picked up a loose ball near the St. Dunstan's line, and went over for the second try. The Xaverians again failed to convert. The last score came just before the final whistle, when Monaghan crossed the line on Sutherland's pass; as this try was not converted, the game ended 9 to 0 in favour of St. F. X.

The line-up was as follows:—

St. F. X.: Fullback — MacIntyre; Halves—Alex. McDonald, Chuck McDonald, K. McNeill and Monaghan; Quarters—A. Sutherland, Coleman and S. McIsaac (Capt.) Forwards—MacGillvray, V. McDonald, Hogan, Rankin, McLellan, D. McNeill and Phelan.

S. D. U.: Fullback—C. Cullen; Halves—C. Landrigan, M. Dunphy, G. A. McDonald and C. Campbell
 Quarters—F. Jennings, J. Fleming and G. Keefe (Capt.)
 Forwards—G. McDonald, A. McDonald, P. McAulay, A. Francis, A. Gillis, C. Tingley and A. D. Gillis.

ABBIES—0.

S. D. U.—0.

The first game of the series for the football championship of the Island, which was played on November 10, between the Red and White fifteen and the Abbies was scoreless. Both the day and the field were perfect. Each side did good kicking, but the Saints' passing was better than that of the Abbies who sometimes ran with the ball when a kick would have meant more territory. The aggressiveness of the Saints counterbalanced the weight of their opponents, whose scrum was very effective in moments of danger.

The Saints kicked off, and forced the play into the Abbies' territory, where the snappy work of the S.D.U. forwards caused the Abbies to rouge. The kick from the twenty-five yard line was returned by Fleming, the Saints drove their adversaries back, and the Abbies were again forced to touch for safety. Jennings returned the kick-off. The Abbies dribbled back to A. Gillis who went down for a gain, but was injured and replaced by D. O'Leary. Fleming then received the ball, making a run that looked good for a score, but he was stopped just in front of the Abbies' line. Half time found the ball in the Abbies' territory.

The second half was hotly contested from start to finish. The Abbies kicked off, followed up to the Saints' five-yard line, and compelled them to rouge. The play then went from one end of the field to the other, but the runs of the half-line men of both sides, and the kicking of W. J. McDonald and C. Cullen saved their respective teams. During the last five minutes the Saints made desperate efforts to score, but fast kicking saved the Abbies. At the final whistle the two teams were battling on the twenty-five yard line of the Red and White.

The line up was as follows:—

Abbies: Fullback—S. Diamond; Halves—H. Saunders, F. Kelly, G. White and J. McEachern; Quarters—W.

McDonald (Capt.) S. DesRoches and Dixon; Forwards—I. Horne, G. Connolly, St. Clair Trainor, Morris, J. Lonergan, G. Walker and N. McDonald.

S. D. U.: Fullback—C. Cullen; Halves—G. A. McDonald, A. Gillis, M. Dunphy and C. Campbell; Quarters—G. Keefe (Capt.) J. Fleming and F. Jennings; Forwards—P. McAulay, G. MacDonald, A. McDonald, B. McDonald, A. D. Gillis, A. Francis and C. Tingley. Spares—C. Connell and D. O'Leary.

ABBIES—0.

S. D. U.—0

The Saints again met the Abbies on November 14, and the second game of the series ended as the first, neither team being able to score. It was a real football day, and the fans enjoyed one of the best exhibitions of football of the season. Though the two squads were fairly even, the Saints excelled in passing, and had the advantage in territory.

The Saints kicked off, but the ball was returned by Kelly to Jennings who made a gain, and the Saints soon reached the Abbies' fifteen yards line where Fleming received the ball, and dashed for the Abbies' line, but the nice tackling of Kelly saved a score, while W. J. McDonald's kick relieved the Abbies' danger for the moment. The last few minutes was full of kicking and short runs with the territory about even and the play ended with the ball at centre field.

In the second half the Abbies invaded the Red and White territory, but the Saints kicked the ball down into their opponents' region where a free kick was awarded them, but they failed to make a count. The Abbies kicked off, but the successive kicks of D. O'Leary and M. Dunphy kept the ball near the Abbies' fifteen yard line, and they were twice compelled to touch for safety. Our fullback, C. Cullen, was injured in this period, but he hung on till the end. The game thus ended scoreless. Both line ups were the same as for the previous game.

ABBIES—0.

S. D. U.—8.

The Red and White fifteen retained the Island Football Championship by decisively defeating the Abbies 8 to 0 in the final game of the series played on November 19th. Although the score was fairly high against the

Abbies, nevertheless they put up a splendid fight, especially in the first half, when they seriously threatened the Saints' line. The passing of the two teams showed the good effects of practice.

The Saints kicked off, and kept the ball for a time in their rivals' territory, but McCarey on a pass from Kelly, advanced into the territory of his rivals but the ball was returned by Gillis and Fleming. The Saints were then awarded a free kick, but failed to put the oval across the bar. After a little dribbling, Dempsey Diamond picked up the ball, and made a good gain, and the play reached the Saints' fifteen yard line, where Kelly received the ball and almost scored, but was brought down by our able tackler, Dunphy. Then the play came out of the Red and White danger zone, and D. O'Leary, following up on Campbell's kick, scored the first touchdown for the Saints. The try was unconverted and the half ended with the ball in neutral territory.

In the first few minutes of the second half a series of kicks and runs brought the play near the Saints' line, but it soon found its way back again into their opponents territory, and the Abbies' line was relieved by McEachern's kick. Again the Saints proved their superiority over the Abbies, when, a few minutes before the final whistle, Fleming succeeded in eluding the Abbies' backfield and scored on the prettiest run of the day. Fleming converted this try and at the close of the game the score stood 8—0 in the Saints' favour. The line-ups were the same except that Diamond replaced Dixon on the Abbies half-line, while G. A. McDonald relieved Cullen, who had been hurt in the previous game.

INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL

The series for the Intercollegiate title was as hotly contested as the senior league, and was even more uncertain, for at the last minute of the final game, it seemed that the men of S. D. U. would retain the championship. But in that last minute P. W. C. made a touchdown and by it won the series. The Prince of Wales aggregation was superior to the Saints in weight, but they played the game well, and deserved the victory that they won.

P. W. C.—0.

S. D. U—0

The boys of P. W. C. and S. D. U. lined up at the

Abegweit Grounds for the first game on October 22nd. Both teams were fairly even, and for the most part kept the play between the twenty-five yard lines. Both sides saw the advantage of kicking, and made good use of it. The heavy P. W. C. scrum formed well, but the Saints' tackling evened the play. In the first half W. J. McDonald's kicks proved an annoyance to the Saints, but by careful watching in the second half, they cut down his good work in that line, while Hagan, our fullback, returned many of the kicks in a capable manner.

Tiny Mathieson and N. McDonald relieved the situation for P.W. C. in moments of danger, while Conway and O'Leary were outstanding players for the Saints.

The line-ups for the two teams were:

P. W. C.: Fullback—S. McNutt; Halves—Shaw, Boyer, Chandler and Stewart; Quarters—Maby, McMillan and W. J. McDonald; Forwards—N. Mathieson, (Capt.) M. Mathieson, Beaton, Woolner, L. McDonald, M. McDonald and Darrach.

S. D. U.: Fullback — Hagan; Halves—Sullivan, Murray, O'Leary and Murphy; Quarters—Malone, Driscoll and Conway; Forwards—Connell, W. Gillis, Corrigan, Campbell, G. McDonald, Morrissey, E. Dalton and McKenna.

P. W. C.—6.

S. D. U.—3

St. Dunstan's and Prince of Wales played their second game on October 30, when after a hard battle, P. W. C. emerged the winners, by a score of 6-3. The steady persistence of both teams kept the game lively all through, the P. W. C. squad worked very well, and their half-line made some excellent gains, which were quickly followed up. The Saints did not use their half-line quite enough, but they kept their opponents on their toes, especially in the first half. Unfortunately the field was poorly marked off for this game, and there were no goal posts, which made it difficult to tell just how close you were to the line. The initial score was made by Mathieson, who was in the right spot at the right time, and fell on a ball that had rebounded across the line. This score only served to thoroughly arouse the Saints, who went down the field with such determination that Leo

Campbell went over for a touch, and the period ended 3-3. The victory for Prince of Wales was won in the second half, when N. McDonald by a nice run crossed the Saints' line, giving his team a lead of three, which they maintained till the end of the game. The line-up of each team was the same as for the previous game.

P. W. C.—3.

S. D. U.—3.

As was expected, the final game of the Intercollegiate series was a hard one. The players on both sides gave their best in spite of the heavy rain, which tended to make the game slower. To hold their championship the Saints had to win this game, and they went into the fray in a way that looked like success. Their hard attack took P. W. C. by surprise, and in a few minutes Connell had crossed the line; for the rest of the period the Saints played a defensive game, and at times were pressed rather hard by their opponents, who, however, were unable to score in that period. In the last half the Saints again took the offensive and several times threatened the P. W. C. line. But then the tide turned, when P. W. C. kicked towards our fullback, and charged on him before he could catch the ball; Mathieson got the ball, and made a slight gain before he was brought down. Then Darrach picked up the ball in the fifteen yard region, and got away unnoticed, crossed the line for the touch that evened the score and ended the game.

We congratulate the boys of P. W. C. on their victory. We enjoyed our struggle with them on the football field, for they played the game well, and in a true sportsmanlike manner.

INTERMURAL FOOTBALL

For various reasons of which the principal one was the continual rain, the intermural league only covered about half of its course. Though the players in this league didn't get quite enough practice, still the three teams displayed some excellent material, from which the ranks of second team can be recruited next year. The games in this junior series are generally fairly close, and there the players learn that the team that plays its hardest all the time is very hard to beat. This year, of the three teams, Harvard, Yale and Oxford, the first two

were the most successful, having nearly the same number of points; and though an attempt was made to decide the league by a game between these two teams, the game was not played due to the unkindness of the weatherman.

FIELD DAY

This year as usual great preparation was made for Field Day which took place on October 18th. The day, however, was rather cold and windy, thus rendering fast running difficult. The events were keenly contested.

We congratulate Denis Ryan, winner of the cup for the best all round senior athlete, presented by Dr. Blanchard, and William Power who won Dr. Dougan's medal for the best intermediate athlete.

SENIOR EVENTS

Best all round athlete, Denis Ryan.

Mile Run; 1—Denis Ryan; 2—G. Villard; Time 5 min. 54 secs.

Half Mile Run; 1—D. Ryan; 2—J. Trainor. Time 2 min. 19 secs.

Quarter Mile; 1—D. Ryan; 2—D. O'Leary. Time 58 secs.

220 Yard Dash: 1—D. O'Leary; 2—D. Ryan. Time 26 Secs.

100 Yard Dash: 1—T. Creamer; 2—D. O'Leary. Time 10 3-5 secs.

Shot Put: 1—A. Murphy; 2—G. A. McDonald. Distance 34 ft. 8 1-2 ins.

Pole Vault: 1—J. Sullivan and W. Power, equal; 2—J. McMillan. Height 8 ft. 1 in.

High Jump: F. Doyle; 2—R. Hogan. Height 4 ft. 11 ins.

Broad Jump: 1—D. Ryan; 2—M. McGuigan. Distance 17 ft. 1 1-2 ins.

Hop Step and Jump: 1—C. Landrigan; 2—D. O'Leary. Distance 34 ft. 11 ins.

Standing Broad Jump: 1—C. Landrigan; 2—M. McGuigan. Distance 8 ft. 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ins.

INTERMEDIATE EVENTS

Best all round Athlete, W. Power.

Quarter Mile Run: 1—H. Gillis; 2—W. Power. Time 1 min. 10 secs.

220 Yard Dash: 1—H. Gillis; 2—W. Power. Time 30 secs.

100 Yard Dash: 1—H. Gillis; 2—W. Power. Time 11 3-5 secs.

High Jump: 1—W. Power; 2—H. Gillis. Height 4ft. 4 ins.

Broad Jump: 1—W. Power; 2—H. Gillis. Distance 15 ft. 2½ ins.

Hop Step and Jump: 1—W. Power; 2—C. Shea. Distance 31 ft. 4ins.

OPEN EVENTS

Baseball Throw: 1—T. Creamer. Distance 312 ft. 7 ins.

Football Kick: 1—W. Dunphy. Distance 122 ft. 8 ins.

Mile Walk: 1—E. O'Hanley.

Green Race: 1—L. Campbell.

Boot Race: 1—E. Duffy.

Wheel Barrow Race: G. McDonald and M. Rooney.

Realy Won by Sixth Year Team: C. Campbell, J. Sullivan, A. Malone, C. Landrigan. Handball Tournament:—

Senior: C. Campbell and J. Hagan.

Intermediate: H. Levesque and L. Campbell.

Junior; A. Droles and C. Shea.

