



ATHLETICS



During the fall term at St. Dunstan's, handball, tennis, and field sports have their full quota of followers, but, generally speaking, the idea of autumn and football are regarded as inseparable. Football has more adherents among our students than has any other sport, and rightly so, for no other sport contributes so much to their mental and physical development. Immediately upon the re-opening of college, first and second teams were organized and an intermural league was drawn up. Under the efficient coaching of Fr. McGuigan, these teams made rapid progress, and their subsequent defeat at the hands of more experienced players casts no shadow on his ability as an instructor.

The senior team failed to win back the Island championship, but, without offering any excuse for their downfall, it is the general opinion that they were up against the best team which the Abbies have put on the field since 1914. In the Inter-collegiate series P. W. C. once more won the championship after a hard fought struggle, but our boys have every reason to be proud of the splendid fight they made.

The following is an extended account of the games played:

Abbies—9

S.D.U.—0

The first football game of the season took place on October 11th, when the Saints met their old-time rivals, the Abbies in an exhibition game at the Abegweit grounds. The weather was ideal for football and a large number of fans were on hand to witness the game. The Abbies forced the issue from the beginning, and, after several scrimmages on the Saints' ten yard line, Woolner bucked through for the first score. When play was resumed, the college forwards followed up closely on the ball, but several well placed kicks by Saunders brought the play back into their territory. In the ensuing struggle for control of the ball, Woolner took an off-side pass from a team-mate and again crossed the goal line. As the referee did not see the misplay the try was allowed.

In the second half, play was more even. Time and again the Saints brought the ball to the Abbies' ten-yard

line, but they could not break through the latter's defense. On the other hand the Abbies only once entered the Saints' danger zone, but this time they were successful in pushing the ball across the line for the final count of the game. All three tries were unconverted and the game ended 9—0 in favor of the Abbies.

St. Clair Trainor refereed.

The following are the line-ups:—

Abbies:—Fullback, O'Neill; Halves, Nicholson, Power, Gormley, Larter; Quarters, Saunders, Partridge, Ryan; Forwards, Shaw, Bentley, Ayers, Woolner, Mathieson, Smith, Dixon.

Saints:—Fullback, O'Connor; Halves, Murphy (Capt) Doyle, Duffy, Coyle; Quarters, McDonald, MacMillan, Doucette; Forwards, Croken, Cass, McIntyre, Campbell, McLellan, Kilfoyle, McCarthy.

Abbies—6

S.D.U—3

The Abbies took the lead in the Senior league when they defeated the Saints on October 18th, by a score of 6—3. The Red and White fifteen could not "get going" until Woolner had crossed their line twice. Aroused to action at last, they took the offensive and for the remainder of the first half continually threatened the Abbies citadel. In the second period the Saints' prospects looked brighter, for, following the kick-off, they rushed the ball to their opponents' line by long punts and combined attacks of the forwards and halves. Saunders saved the situation for his team, momentarily, by booting the ball out of the danger zone. But the Saints were not to be denied. Following up a long dribble which started about center field, Cass pounced on the ball after it rolled over the line and registered his team's only tally. The collegians made valiant efforts to even the count, and their hopes were nearly realized when Murphy got away for a forty yard run. The Abbies, however, displayed excellent defensive tactics and frustrated every further attempt of the Saints to score.

W. J. McDonald refereed.

Abbies—6

S.D.U.—0

The Abbies again won the Island championship by defeating the Saints in the second game of the series. A steady drizzle of rain marred the play somewhat, but a very good exhibition of football was given. Honors were about even during the first few minutes of the game, but the Abbies finally forged ahead when Nicholson, on a pass from Saunders, went over the Saints' line for the first score of the game. The collegians rushed the ball into enemy territory when play was resumed, and the battle raged there until the whistle blew for half time. In the second period, the Saints' backfield took the ball to the Abbies ten-yard line where a mighty struggle was waged between the forwards of both teams. The superior weight of the City team finally triumphed, and their lighter opponents were gradually driven back. The Abbies continued their aggressiveness until they reached the Saints' twenty-yard line. Here they were stopped for a time by several long punts, but were finally rewarded for their efforts, when Power bucked through the Red and White line for a second try. The final whistle blew shortly after the kick-off.

Neil Mathieson refereed.

St. F. X.—3

S.D.U.—0

On Monday, October 7th, the senior team set out for Antigonish where they played the St. Francis Xavier team on the following day. Despite the fact that the mercury stood over 70 degrees, the game was far from being slow and uninteresting. St. Dunstan's took the offensive following the kick-off, and drove the home team to their line. McNally relieved the situation for the Blue and White aggregation by a long punt to center field and play continued here for several minutes. A long punt and a dribble by the Xaverian forwards brought the ball to St. Dunstan's line. Here a scrimmage took place and the ball came out clean to MacKinnon, who flashed over the line for the only count of the game. The Islanders rallied and drove the Xaverians back to their ten-yard line. The whistle for half time blew with the ball still in the St. F. X. danger zone. In the second half, the St. F. X. scrum controlled the ball most of the time,

but the hard tackling of the St. Dunstan's backfield kept the home team from making any long runs. St. Dunstan's half-line worked splendidly in this period and time and again threatened the St. F. X. line. During the last few minutes of the game, Murphy made a spectacular forty-yard run and was within an ace of scoring, when he was brought down by McNally. The game ended with the visitors trying desperately to penetrate the St. F. X. defense.

"Spec" Peebles referred.

The following are the line-ups:—

St. F. X.:—Fullback, McNally; Halves, O'Neill, Power, Currie, Sullivan; Quarters, McNeill, MacKinnon, S. MacNeill; Forwards, Steele, Meagher, Kennedy, McNamara, McSween.

S.D.U.:—Fullback, O'Connor; Halves, Murphy, Doyle, Duffy, Coyle; Quarters, McDonald, MacMillan, Doucette; Forwards, Croken, Cass, McIntyre, Campbell, McLellan, McCarthy, Kilfoyle.

Intermediate Football

P.W.C.—3

S.D.U.—0

Prince of Wales footballists won the first game of the intercollegiate series when they defeated the second Saints by one try. The score came early in the first period when Birtwistle plunged over the Red and White line from a scrimmage ten yards out. Although the Saints had the advantage in play and territory during most of the first half, they could not muster enough strength to push the ball over their opponents' line. The second half was more or less a replica of the first. The splendid tackling of the Saints' backfield prevented any long runs by the enemy, while on the other hand, Filliter's long punts kept the ball out of the P. W. C. danger zone. Overanxiousness on the part of the players caused a number of free kicks to be called on both sides, but very little ground was gained on any of these. The play ended with the Saints desperately besieging the Red and Blue line.

St. Clair Trainor refereed.

The following are the line-ups:—

P.W.C.:—Fullback, Reid; Halves, Rogers, Duffy, Peters, Bennett; Quarters, Filliter, DesRoches, McLean; Forwards, McDonald, Birtwistle, Jenkins, Webster, McLeod, McDonald, Ives.

S.D.U.:—Fullback, Hessian; Halves, Lynch, (Capt.), Doyle, Arsenault, McLellan; Quarters, McGuigan, Gillis, McKenna; Forwards, MacCormac, Greenan, Kelly, McDonald, Johnson, Horgan, McMahon.

P.W.C.—3

S.D.U.—3

The second game of the intermediate series ended in a tie. Honors in territory were fairly evenly divided. The Saints' scrum had the advantage in heeling most of the time, but the P. W. C. forwards offset this somewhat by fast following-up and hard tackling. The Saints suffered a severe reverse midway in the first period when Hessian was forced to leave the game on account of an injury. Shortly after this, while play was raging in center field, Jenkins broke away from the opposing forwards, eluded Dunphy, and crossed the Saints' line for the first score. In the second half, play zigzagged over the center line for some time, but gradually the Saints drove their opponents back until finally, when directly in front of the P. W. C. goal-posts, they were awarded a penalty kick. Lynch dropped the ball over the bar to tie the score. The remaining few minutes were packed with thrills and spills and a deciding score seemed imminent on several occasions, but the play ended with the ball in center field.

St. Clair Trainor refereed.

The line-ups were the same as in the previous game except that Doucette replaced McLellan, and Dunphy, Gillis, on the St. Dunstan's team.

P. W. C.—5

S. D. U.—3

Prince of Wales annexed the intercollegiate title on November 14th, by defeating the Saints by a score of 5—3. Both tries were made in the opening half. P. W. C. drew

first blood when Rogers scooped up a loose ball on the Saints' twenty-five yard line and placed it directly behind the posts. Filliter converted the try. The Saints registered their tally shortly before the first half ended when Kelly followed up Lynch's long punt and carried the ball over the line. Although the second half was scoreless, splendid football was displayed by both sides. The Saints had the advantage in territory throughout this period, but timely kicks by the P. W. C. backfield spoiled many golden opportunities of scoring. Both teams strove with might and main, without a let-up, until the final whistle blew.

St. Clair Trainor refereed.

Saints—14

Ex-Saints—0

The senior team won the last game of the season when they defeated the Ex-Saints of Charlottetown on the college gridiron by a score of 14 to nil. Excellent team work on the part of the collegians was a big factor in their victory. Their scrum controlled the ball the greater part of the time, and their backfield, by means of long punts and runs, continually threatened the enemy line. The Ex-Saints, on the other hand, depended more upon individual efforts, and consequently, their rushes were less effective. The Saints made one try in the first half, and three in the second, one of which was converted by Mac-Millan.

St. Clair Trainor refereed.

S.D.U. Juniors—18

P.W.C. Juniors—0

The junior teams of S. D. U. and P. W. C. staged an interesting combat at the Abegweit grounds after the close of the intercollegiate series. Although the score was somewhat one-sided, the game was exciting throughout. Morrissey and McCabe did most of the scoring for the Red and White clan, but were ably supported by the other members of the team. Four tries, three of which were converted by McCabe made the final score 18 to nil.

Oswald Murphy refereed.

Philosophers' Game

The annual Philosophers' game took place on Nov. 16th. Speculation had been rife concerning the outcome, and great enthusiasm was displayed by the fans when the teams lined up. The Juniors took the lead early in the game and maintained it during the remainder of the first half. The second half produced the best football seen here this year. The Juniors were determined to hold their lead, and the Philosophers were just as determined to score. The break came when Croken galloped through the Junior's forward line and passed to Campbell who placed the ball directly behind the posts. Lynch failed to convert and the score stood 3—3. Herculean efforts were put forth by both teams to break the tie, but all to no avail. The game ended with the ball in center field.

Art. Gormley refereed.

Intermural League

There were four teams in the Intermural League this year, namely:—Harvard, Yale, Columbia, and Princeton. The teams were very evenly matched and the low scores in the different games indicate a very small margin between victory and defeat. The first section was won by Princeton, captained by Stephen Gillis, while Alf. Murray, captain of Yale, led his warriors to victory in the second section. This made a play-off necessary, and the deciding game was a thriller. Space does not permit us to give the details of this game, but it suffices to say that when the final whistle blew Yale was at the long end of a 3 to 0 score.

The following is the line-up of the victorious team:—

Fullback, P. Gallant; Halves, A. Mallet, J. McDonald, J. McGuigan, A. Murray; Quarters, J. O'Hanley, C. Delaney, W. Handrahan; Forwards, T. Kilfoyle, Reg McKenna, P. Smith, V. McGillvray, F. O'Donnell, J. Smith, P. J. Gallant, E. Murphy.

Field Day

In accordance with a long-standing custom of St. Dunstan's, the annual field day sports were held on Sept.

30th. Ideal weather conditions and keen competition in every event contributed to make the meet one of the most successful held here in recent years. The senior honors were captured by Justin McLellan, who, besides winning the most points in his class, lowered the college high-jump record by several inches. The junior championship was won by Regis Arsenault. To both these young athletes we extend our congratulations. We wish to thank Fr. MacKenzie, Mr. Gormley, and the other officials for their willing assistance in running off the events, and we are most grateful to our friends, the merchants and business men of Charlottetown, who so generously donated prizes for the sports. The following is the list of events and the prize winners:—

SENIOR EVENTS

Best All-Round Athlete:—J. McLellan.

100 Yard Dash:—1, O. Murphy; 2, J. McLellan.
Time 11 3-5 sec.

220 Yard Dash:—1, J. McLellan; 2, O. Murphy.
Time 25 sec.

440 Yard Dash:—1, L. Duffy; 2, F. Cass. Time 59 sec.

Half-Mile Run:—1, F. Cass; 2, J. McLellan. Time 2 min., 18 sec.

Mile Run:—1, F. Cass; 2, J. Doyle. Time 5 min., 24 sec.

High Jump:—1, J. McLellan; 2, L. Duffy. Height 5 ft. (Exhibition Jump 5 ft. 3¼ in.)

Standing Broad:—1, R. Arsenault; 2, A. Perusse.
Dist. 8 ft. 6 ins.

Running Broad:—1, J. McLellan; 2, O. Murphy.
Dist. 18 ft. 1 in.

Hop, Step and Jump:—1, J. McLellan; 2, P. Doyle.
Dist. 37 ft. 5 ins.

Pole Vault:—1, L. Duffy; 2, A. Doucette. Height 9 ft. 1 in.

JUNIOR EVENTS

Best All-Round Athlete:—R. Arsenault.

100 Yard Dash:—1, S. Irving; 2, R. Arsenault. Time 12 2-5 sec.

220 Yard Dash:—1, A. Murley; 2, R. Arsenault.
Time 26 1-5 sec.

440 Yard Dash:—1, A. Murley; 2, R. Arsenault.
Time 1 min. 2 sec.

High Jump:—1, R. Arsenault; 2, S. Irving. Height
4 ft. 9 ins.

Broad Jump:—1, R. Arsenault; 2, A. Murley. Dist.
15 ft. 10 ins.

Hop, Step and Jump:—1, R. Arsenault; 2, A. Murley.
Dist. 34 ft.

OPEN EVENTS

Football Kick:—1, M. Greenan; 2, O. Murphy. Dist.
125 ft.

Baseball Throw:—1, J. McLellan; 2, P. Doyle. Dist.
276 ft.

Shot Put:—1, A. Perusse; 2, O. Murphy. Dist. 35
ft. 4 ins.

Wheelbarrow Race:—1, P. Gallant and J. McDonald.

Three-Legged Race:—1, J. MacDonald and J. Hughes

Green Race:—1, V. McGillvary; 2, J. O'Connor.

Boot Race:—1, J. Egan; 2, J. Delaney.

Mile Walk:—1, L. Hessian; 2, J. McMahon. Time
6 mins. 32 secs.

Relay Race:—Won by Junior Philosophers.

Tennis Tournament:—E. Gagnon and E. Berrigan.

Handball Tournament:—Senior: O. Murphy and J.
McCarthy. Intermediate: C. Murphy and J. McMahon
Junior: J. McDonald and A. Mallet.

A mother is a mother still
The holiest thing alive.

—Coleridge

An idler is a watch that wants both hands;
As useless if it goes as if it stands

—Cowper