

How Montreal Won.

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Toronto, November 16.—Montreal defeated the Argonauts here by a score of 15 to 0, in an exhibition game. At half time the visitors led by 5 to 0. The match was played under the Quebec rules and was the first one ever seen here. A high wind prevailed and that may account in part for the poor showing of the home team. At any rate Clancy's regulations did not make any great hit with the spectators. The play was not open as it was claimed the new rules would make it. In fact there was little apparent difference between the game as played Saturday and that under the old laws. Scrimmages followed scrimmage, and the throwing in from touch which took place every half minute destroyed what little interest there was in the match. When the ball did get out into the open, the mulling and fumbling was terribly bad, particularly in the Argos' end. The better team won, but not because they played even a moderately good game, but rather because of the poor judgment shown by the Argos' back division. What little judgment was shown was to the credit of the visitors, who did brilliant things at times. Their tackling was clever and accurate, their catching sure, in spots, and their following fast. They were faster to get down on the ball and knew better what to do with it when they did get it. It was thought Argos would have the better of them in the scrimmage, but it was the other way, and Jack was given the ball cleanly and the wings held so the halves were given every opportunity to play as they wished. The Argos' wings did not hold, not even marking the halves who played upon the line and the ball came out badly. Hardisty and Darling easily outpointed the Montreal halves, but little judgment was used. Hardisty and Hamler used dreadful judgment, apparently not knowing what to do with the ball. Time after time they attempted to run, but hesitated and when tackled after losing ground, lost the ball on attempts to kick. In fact this feature was common to both sides. At least a dozen times the ball was dropped when the holder was tackled. The Argos kept getting offside all through the game and free kicks against them were very numerous.

In the first half Montreal kicked with the strong wind and from close scrimmaging kicked over the line for three touches in goal and two rouges. Play was all in Argos' territory. With the score 5 to 0 the Argos were thought to be sure winners with their long punting hairbacks. Soon after play was started novies intercepted Jack's pass to P. Molson and a rouge resulted.

From the kick Hamler made a great run. The ball was passed to Hardisty from the scrimmage but he fumbled, and instead of falling on the ball tried to dribble. He lost it to P. Molson at centre and he started a fine run with a pass to Hamford who turned it over to B. Molson, who got over for a try. The kick was blocked.

Play was transferred to Montreal territory from the kick. The Argos got possession from a throw in and Hamler buck-

ed over in two dives through centre. Hardisty converted, Score: Montreal 9; Argos, 7.

The whole Argo team except Darling was now playing up on the line. A terribly bad pass to him from quarter sent the ball yards away from him. He tried to dribble, but lost the ball and Montreal got over for a try, which was converted. Score: Montreal, 15; Argos, 7.

A touch in goal and a rouge gave the Argos two more. Play was a yard out from the Montreal line with the Argos in possession when the whistle blew.

Craig had his wrist injured a few minutes after play started and retired in favour of Suckling.

Montreal (15)—Back, Russell; halves, Craig, P. Molson, B. Molson; quarter, Jack; scrimmage, Lessor, Roberts, MacKedie; wings, Hannaford and Duggan; inside, Ogilvie, McClure, O'Brien and Niven.

Argos (11)—Back, Darling; halves, Hamler, Hardisty, Ardagh; quarter, trimmer; scrimmage, Boyd, Wright, Russell; wings, Grand and Marquis; inside, Wilson; Hoyles, Ferguson and Reiffenstein.

Referee—F. P. Brown.

Umpire—C. Gilmour.