

SOME IMPROVEMENT.

Very Hard Coaching and Two Lively Games.

The past week in Yale football has been important. It has seen the number of probable candidates for the eleven so narrowed down that it would now be possible to name, with perhaps two or three exceptions, the men who, barring accidents, will represent Yale in the two big matches of next month. In the same time, Yale has met two of the strongest "minor" college teams of the East, in hard fought games, and the result has been invaluable. These matches have given experience to an inexperienced eleven and have been of much service in pointing out the weak points in its play. Finally, the long-looked for company of coaches has come, and with their arrival have begun certain developments before impossible.

The Brown game, on Wednesday, because it was hard fought, has brought greater benefit than could have come from any walk-over victory. Thursday and Friday the practice was the fastest and longest seen this season, in spite of the closely contested matches which preceded and followed. The game with the Carlisle Indians on Saturday has been the source of considerable encouragement to those who have been watching Yale football this Fall, not on account of any particularly strong work by team or individuals, but rather because of the really wonderful improvement shown over the play of the preceding Wednesday.

TWO POINTS OF VIEW.

There are two view points from which to estimate Yale football. One is a comparison with the situation at the opening of the season. The other is a comparison of the football form of the Yale eleven to-day with that which one reasonably expects from the team which represents an institution of the record, traditions, and spirit and ambition of Yale. According to the first standpoint the situation is highly encouraging to the Yale mind and with one accord men praise the players for the zeal and spirit of their work, and express the greatest appreciation of the work done by Mr. Butterworth and those who have assisted him. From the other standpoint well,—any Yale man can easily tell how he feels. He refuses to believe that Yale has any right to allow aliens back of her goal line under any circumstances whatever, and when he is compelled to believe that a battle to-day with Princeton would bring forth results not agreeable to contemplate, his feelings are far from pleasant. He grits his teeth and says that the old standard of Yale football must be again set up. Perhaps he wonders whether the coaches and the players realize how things look from his standpoint. It is safe to say that they do. The coaches at last know full well that only a beginning has been made and there is much evidence in support of this view.

THE COACHES.

No small significance is attached to the appearance of so large a company of graduate coaches. In addition to Frank W. Butterworth, '95, and Louis Hinkey, '97, who have been here since the beginning of the season, these men have been working with the eleven in the last week: Ray Tompkins, '84; L. T. Bliss, '93 S.; W. W. Heffelfinger, '91 S.; Frederick W. Wallace, '89; S. B. Thorne, '96; Harry Cross, '96 and Geo. Foster Sanford. Messrs. Bliss, Heffelfinger, Thorne and Cross, '96 have taken active part in the practice, lining up against the University eleven in some of the daily games.

For several days past the usual preliminary practice in tackling, starting and getting down on kicks has been omitted. Special attention has been paid to the various formations, though as yet no distinctly new plays have been tried. In view of the weak defensive play of the team, Monday's practice was devoted almost entirely to drilling the center men in stopping several new mass plays which the College eleven had been learning. The benefit derived from practice of this nature was apparent in the increased effectiveness with which the plays were stopped on the following day.

Thus far no attempt has been made to develop a back who will be able to assist McBride in punting. Why are not some of the prominent half-backs drilled in this feature of the game, which promises to be so important this Fall? The direct pass from center to full-back, on punts, has been practiced with considerable success. It saves a great deal of time, but there is some objection to it because the full-back is unable to run with the ball if blocked, after receiving it in this manner.

Cutten has been at center during the past week, and Cadwalader and Brown have been retained as guards. Captain Rodgers has played regularly at left-tackle. The leading candidates for the other tackle position are Allen and Chadwick, who was first tried at tackle in the Brown game. The ends are still open positions, with the chances slightly in favor of Hazen and Slocovich. DeSaulles has been the only man tried consistently at quarter since Ely's injury. The latter will soon be able to take part in the active work, and it is expected that a close contest will follow. Kiefer, Benjamin, Durston, Corwin and Gilmore are the leading candidates for half-back and have all been working steadily. McBride continues to be the only prominent candidate for full-back, although Hine and Marvin have been given some practice.

INJURIES IN PRACTICE.

Cadwalader was forced to retire from Monday's practice because of an injury to his shoulder, which later proved to be more serious than it was at first supposed. It was found on examination that his collar bone had been broken and he will probably be unable to play before Nov 13. This accident will upset all calculations as to the personnel of Yale's center, as it is difficult to say who will take his place.

Cutten suffered a repetition of the former accident to his knee, on Monday, which will probably prevent his playing for several days.

In Tuesday's practice Hubbell, of last year's Freshman eleven, who has been playing a strong end game on the College side, broke his nose in a hard tackle. It is not thought that this will keep him out of the play long.

Yale, 18—Brown, 14.

The University eleven defeated Brown at the Field, on Wednesday, October 20, by a score of 18 to 14. The result of the game was a great surprise, as the strength of the Brown team had been generally underestimated. A close game was anticipated but not one in which both teams scored the same number of touchdowns and in which Yale's victory was at no time assured. The result would have been a tie but for the failure of Brown to kick two rather easy goals; on the contrary, if Yale had had half a minute more to play, she would have unquestionably scored another touchdown. Yale was comparatively strong on the offensive but deplorably weak in defensive work, Yale seemed powerless to break up Brown's heavy interference and the opposing backs circled the ends for repeated gains.

For Yale the work of Captain Rodgers, Cutten, Chadwick and Brown in the line was good. Kiefer and McBride made good gains and the latter punted well at critical points. Fultz and Gammons were the life of the Brown team and Brown's strong showing was largely due to their consistent gains.

The line-up and summary follows:—

Yale		Brown
Chamberlin,	1—end—r	Hunt
Hazen,	1—tackle—r	Whittemore
Rodgers,	1—guard—r	Carter
Cadwalader,	center	Chesbrough
Cutten,	r—guard—l	Wheeler
Brown,	r—tackle—l	Melendy
Post,	r—tackle—l	Hapgood
Chadwick,	r—end—l	Murphy
Eddy,	r—end—l	Murphy
Warren,	r—end—l	Murphy
deSaulles,	quarter-back	Richardson
Kiefer,	1—half-back—r	Fultz
Gilmore,	1—half-back—r	Crocker
Benjamin,	r—half-back—l	Gammons
Corwin,	r—half-back—l	Gammons
McBride,	full-back	Hall

Touchdowns,—Kiefer, 2; Rodgers: Gammons, 2; Fultz. Goals from touchdowns,—Cadwalader, 3; Fultz. Umpire,—Mr. Rockwell, M. I. T. Referee,—Mr. Knapp, Elizabeth A. C. Linesmen,—Messrs. Hull and Gifford. Time of halves,—twenty minutes.

Yale, 24—Carlisle Indians, 9.

New York and New Haven sent about 8,000 people to the Polo Grounds last Saturday to see how much foot-

ball had been worked into Yale's raw recruits. The Carlisle Indians furnished the test. It developed that Yale players were much more of a team than they were three days before when they met the Brown men. It also developed that they must become very much more of a team, and learn still much more football, if they are to prevent heavy scoring by such a team as Princeton or Harvard.

THE DEFENSE.

There was one point in the game where the exhibition of Yale football was of the old order and very gratifying. It was the defense almost on the Yale goal line, in the second half, when the Indians secured the ball on a blocked kick. The Indian mass plays, which were very well together, had made many gains through the Yale line at different times during the game. At this point, however, a stubbornness and desperation, such as used to be the features of all Yale defense, effectually checked the Indian advance and rescued the ball on downs. It was the most satisfactory piece of work in the game. This pretty defense was, however, followed by a fumble, which returned the ball to the Indians, who shortly thereafter carried it over on a very simple trick, belonging to the nursery plays of football. This accounts for four of the points of the Indians. Shortly before that a goal from the field had been kicked by their quarter-back.

At other times the defense was fairly stiff and very much better than it has been this Fall; but at still other times it allowed the Indian advance to go through it five and ten yards at a time.

The offensive work was very good. A few simple plays were used and there was a good deal of life and effectiveness in them. The first touchdown was scored very quickly on a rushing game. The second touchdown was made by a pretty end play by Kiefer. These were in the first half. The other two were worked out by short rushes in the second half.

McBride's kicking was generally fair, but still very slow. Once he was blocked, almost as near the goal line as in the Brown game. The team does not seem to defend him well.

INDIVIDUAL WORK.

The center proved still far from satisfactory. If Cutten is to fill the place as he ought to, he must yet learn heaps of the ways and the idea of Yale football. The guard positions were well played and Captain Rodgers has seldom done as good work as he did at tackle. Allen continues his zealous, but also his slow, game. Slocovich was strong at right-end and Hazen satisfactory at left. How far these men are able to develop remains to be seen.

The Indians were rather better on handling kicks and following them than Yale. The New Haven men did not trouble them at all when McBride's punt was long, while the Yale backs had very little chance after they received the ball.

The Indians had lined up only once after the Princeton game, which was a very trying one for them. Neither the players nor their coach, Mr. Bull, formerly of Yale, felt that they had met an eleven as formidable as that which they encountered at Princeton. Judging from the two games, the opinion of those who knew most about the condition of the Indians on both occasions was that Yale showed herself still very far from the form which Princeton has already attained. It was also the general opinion that if Yale continued to improve as rapidly as of late there were great grounds for hope. The eleven showed its fighting spirit.

The prettiest feature of the game was Hudson's goal from the field on the 35-yard line. It showed how well Mr. Bull had taught him. In general, the Indians defended fairly well, tackling very surely. With one or two exceptions their punting was good.

The game was clean and entirely free from any objectionable features. This is a fair indication that the Yale team is playing a straightforward game.

Two of Yale's touchdowns were made in the first half and two in the second. The last was made just before time was called. All of the goals were fairly easy and Cadwalader had no trouble. The line-up and summary follow:

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Yale.		Carlisle.
Slocovitch,	1—end—r	Achequette
Rodgers,	1—tackle—r	McFarland
Cadwalader,	1—guard—r	Seneca
Brown,	center	B. Pierce, Capt.
Allen,	r—guard—l	Smith
Hazen,	r—tackle—l	Wheelock
deSaulles,	r—end—l	Red Water
Kiefer,	quarter-back	Rogers
Benjamin,	1—half-back—r	Hudson
McBride,	r—half-back—l	Miller
	full-back	Cayou
		Metoxen

Touchdowns,—Kiefer, Benjamin, 3; Cayou. Goals from touchdown,—Cadwalader, 4. Goal from field,—Hudson. Referee,—Mr. Gould, of Chicago. Umpire,—Robert Wrenn, of Harvard. Timekeepers,—Dr. J. A. Hartwell, of Yale, and M. F. Thompson, of Carlisle. Linesmen,—Dr. Hull, of New Haven, Connor, of Carlisle. Time of game,—two 20-minute halves.

Andover, 14—Yale 1901, 0.

The Freshman eleven was defeated by Andover on Saturday, at Andover, by a score of 14 to 0. The game was hard fought throughout and abounded in sensational features. The Freshman line was stronger than Andover's, but the school's offensive work was far superior. For Yale 1901, Wallace at quarter ran his team with judgment and Auchincloss' all around work was a feature.

Address by Mr. Joseph Jefferson.

On Friday afternoon, Oct. 22d, Mr. Joseph Jefferson addressed a large audience in College Street Hall. He spoke under the auspices of the Yale Union and was introduced by President Dwight. Mr. Jefferson discussed acting and its relation to art.

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