

A VETERAN'S VIEW.

Yale's Work at New York Equals Anything in Twenty Years.

The Nine defeated Princeton on Saturday, June 18, at the Polo Grounds, New York, in the third and deciding game of the series by a score of 8 to 3.

No more brilliant game has been played by any Yale Nine in the twenty years' observation of the writer, and he has difficulty in recalling a professional match in which there have been more phenomenal plays, clean fielding, timely batting and general good and united team work.

The three Yale outfielders covered great ground, capturing at least four unusually difficult hard-hit flies, including a one-hander by Wallace in right field, which was a marvelous performance and prevented three sure runs. The infield showed excellent training and knowledge of the game, deSaulles, the second baseman, making a wonderful left handed running stop back of first base and with the same motion tossing the ball to the bag in time to retire the runner.

First baseman Wadsworth maintained the very high standard set by a long line of noted Yale players in that position and amazed the Polo Ground frequenters, accustomed only to Capt. Joyce of the Giants, by making several beautiful stops and a remarkable running catch of a high foul near the grand stand.

Camp at short had several difficult balls to field and made a fine throw to catch a runner at the plate, though the umpire did not allow the out. His one failure to stop a batted ball was a pardonable error.

At third base, Yale's weak spot for many years and the hardest fielding position, Hazen acquitted himself finely and his throwing to first was accurate and quick. If he is a consistent player, his work on Saturday would entitle him to the credit of being the best third baseman Yale has ever had.

Greenway and Sullivan, the battery, deserve all possible credit for the victory. Sullivan caught prettily, steadied his pitcher and his high overthrow to second was his only misplay.

Capt. Greenway distinguished himself once more by pitching a cool, heady game, undeterred by the almost incessant cheering and singing of the Princeton contingent directly in front of him. He allowed only two bases on balls, frequently forcing the batsman to retire or to strike after three balls had been called. He himself batted well and timely. As encouragement for his hard work in the box, he had almost flawless support behind him, notwithstanding the hard hit balls of a heavy batting Princeton Nine. He made a hard line catch, and Sullivan also gathered in a high foul near the grand stand. Both were pretty plays.

The batting of the Team was somewhat weak except in the fifth inning, when four singles in succession by Greenway, Wallace, Camp and Hazen netted three earned runs with two men left on bases, Wadsworth and Eddy striking out and Sullivan going out at first. deSaulles and Wadsworth were entirely at Hillebrand's mercy and Eddy failed to find the ball at all. In extenuation, Hillebrand is one of the best of college pitchers and his change of pace on Saturday was especially noticeable. He was unfortunate in hitting three men.

It was a hard game for Princeton to lose. Her Nine this year has an excellent battery, possibly the best college catcher, a fine outfield and usually reliable infield, though the second and third basemen have in their last two Yale games made disastrous errors, sufficient perhaps to turn victory into defeat. Kelly, at first, showed poor judgment in attempting to cover the second baseman's territory too much, leaving his own bag unprotected. The Nine batted well and hard, Hillebrand leading, but their hits were scattered or else landed just where the active Yale fielders were lying in wait. Yale won by the phenomenal playing described, combined with her bunting four base hits out of eight in one inning.

It was a game which will live long in the recollection of all Yale men present, though the enjoyment of the occasion was marred by the annoyance caused by the uninterrupted noise made by certain bands of Yale and Princeton supporters.

Good plays on either side deserve enthusiasm. Earsplitting, continuous yelling, regardless of reason, is one of the unmitigated nuisances connected with progress of the age to be suppressed.

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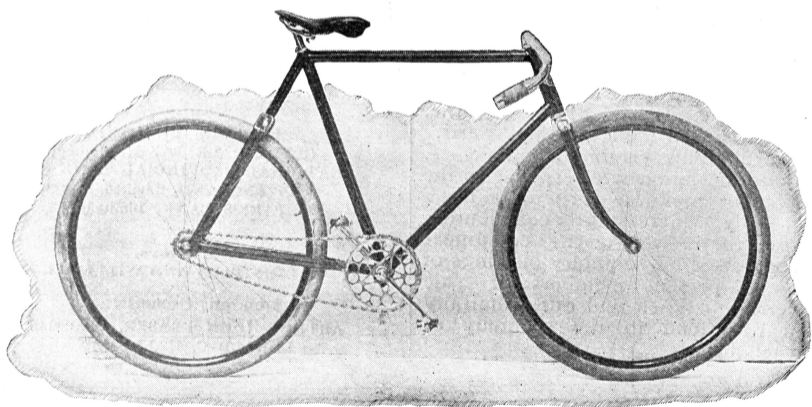
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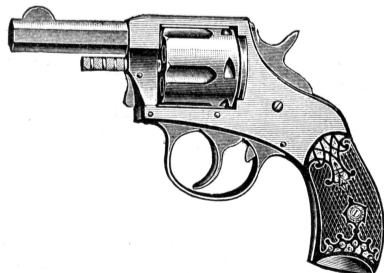
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