

HARVARD VERY STRONG.

But Hardly Up to the High Standard of Dibblee's Eleven.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS., Nov. 13.—With the victory over Dartmouth last Saturday, the Harvard Eleven finished its last hard work of the season in preparation for the final struggle next Saturday with Yale. Many people had hoped to get a final line on the Eleven in the game with Dartmouth, but this was impossible, as no just criterion can be made when a team is playing five substitutes.

That Harvard never had a more brilliant outlook for a successful season than when on September 18 Captain Burden collected his players at Cambridge is certain. At that time thirty-three players reported, including from last year's victorious team, Hallowell, right end; Burden, right guard; Boal, left guard; Daly, quarterback; Warren, right halfback; Reid, fullback; and Eaton, substitute tackle. More than this, there were a host of men who had had from one to three years' experience on the University squad. Donald, left tackle, was in the Law School, and it was practically certain that he would take his old place in the line if there was absolute need of it. The greatest problem seemed to be to find men to take the place of Haughton, Dibblee and Jaffray. Haughton's equal as a tackle was not so difficult to find, but no one could be developed who could hope to equal him as a kicker. Dibblee's place was even harder to fill, as his marvelous runs around the ends many times brought Harvard within scoring distance of an opponent's goal.

WEAKNESS IN EARLY GAMES.

With these problems in mind Captain Burden and head coach Dibblee set about developing the eleven. The early games showed a considerable weakness at the tackles and in the center. The rest of the line seemed fairly strong and with good coaching capable of great development. The interference was naturally at this season rather crude and slow in forming. In a short time the Faculty removed Burnett's probation and he at once took his place at center, where he had been Jaffray's substitute last year in both the Yale and Pennsylvania games. About the same time Donald also appeared, which made it certain that one tackle at least would be well cared for. For the other tackle there were Eaton, J. Lawrence and Swain. Eaton and Swain soon dropped behind on account of injuries, leaving Lawrence practically sure of the place.

Behind the line the situation also improved. Reid seemed to be in his old-time form and rapidly learned to punt. Hallowell also was tried at punting. Ellis, a man who had always before played guard or tackle, was put behind the line and at once began to do great work at line bucking. Campbell at left end came up rapidly and was soon almost the equal of Hallowell, who was acknowledged by all to be the best end on the gridiron last year. The only really valuable man laid off by injuries thus far was Boal, and his injuries were only temporary. In this way Harvard came to her first hard game—that with Brown, and it was a game of inestimable value to them as Brown had a strong line and in Richardson, one of the trickiest backs in the country. Hallowell and Campbell both received valuable lessons at the expense of many yards gained by his tricks around the ends. The tackles showed great improvement over their previous form and were very aggressive. In kicking alone was Harvard out-played.

In the Indian game on the following Saturday, the eleven exceeded expectations and scored twenty-two points, but were also scored on twice. The Indians' touchdown was in a measure a fluke, but would never have happened had the Harvard players followed the ball closely. Ellis' work at fullback in both the Brown and Indian games was wonderful and to his steady line plunging Harvard owed most of her gains. He was much better than Reid in every way except punting and Hallowell seemed to equal Reid in this line. This

left the make-up of the eleven practically certain, except the halfbacks. Sawin, Kendall, Warren and Parker were hard to choose between. The first two were the final choice for the Pennsylvania game. In this game the Harvard defense was impregnable, although the forwards lost considerable ground by off-side play. The offense however was not so good and there was a considerable tendency to fumble, a fault which had characterized the backs all the Fall. Ellis again proved his worth as a line buckler. But the eleven at no time showed the all-around team work and finished style of play that Dibblee's team showed in the Yale game last year. That simultaneous movement of the whole eleven men was still lacking, although the backs played well together and showed good interference. Immediately after the Pennsylvania game a slump was noticeable and up to the Dartmouth game had not disappeared. Whether the team recovers from this and improves from where it left off just before the Pennsylvania game remains to be seen.

STRONGER THAN ANY OTHER TEAM.

That Harvard has been somewhat overrated thus far seems almost certain, although she is probably even now playing a stronger game than any other team in the country. This overrating is a natural result of last year's magnificent team. To bring this year's eleven up to the standard of that team does not seem now possible. As mentioned above, Haughton and Dibblee have been sorely missed. Hallowell, who is now doing the punting, cannot begin to get the distance or height into his kicks which Haughton did, and he entirely lacks Haughton's ability in directing kicks. The backs have not yet played together enough to make their starting as a unit certain, and while Sawin has made a fairly good end runner he is by no means Dibblee's equal. That Ellis is a great improvement on Reid in running with the ball there can be no doubt and Harvard will depend greatly on him for her gains. In the defense, however, he is by no means Reid's equal. The tackles and ends are fully up to last year's standard, as is Burden at right guard, but Burnett at center and Boal at left guard are uncertainties. Burnett is very erratic in his passing, especially for kicks, and this fault may cost heavily. His only superiority over Sargent is ability in place kicking. Boal has played so little this year and is so incapacitated by injuries that it is doubtful if he will reach his last year's form.

As a whole then, it is fair to say that the defense is not quite equal to last year, while the offense is considerably below last year. The backs are slower and the interference is not particularly strong. The team as a whole fail to follow the ball closely and are weak in tackling with the one exception of Daly, who is practically certain in the backfield. How much these faults have been eradicated and how much rounding off the coaches have been able to give the team in the past week as well as how much the men have recovered from the slight overtraining shown after the Pennsylvania game, the game on Soldiers' Field on Saturday alone will show.

HARVARD STATISTICS.

Following are the statistics of the Harvard Eleven and substitutes:

	Age.	Wt.	Ht.
W. A. M. Burden, '00, r. g. (Capt.)	22	197	6 2
P. L. Burnett, '01, c.	21	230	5 10
W. A. Boal, '00, l. g.	20	195	5 11½
M. Donald, '11, l. t.	22	190	6
J. Lawrence, '01, r. t.	21	175	6 1½
D. C. Campbell, l. e.	26	170	6
J. W. Hallowell, '01, r. e.	20	163	6 ½
C. D. Daly, '01, q. b.	19	152	5 9½
W. S. Gierasch, '02, l. h.	19	163	5 8
E. H. Kendall, Jr., '02, r. h.	18	179	5 10½
S. G. Ellis, '01, f. b.	21	192	6
W. T. Reid, Jr., '01, f. b.	20	178	5 10½
C. S. Sargent, Jr., '02, sub. c.	20	210	5 9½
A. R. Sargent, '00, sub. l. g.	23	195	6 1
C. A. Barnard, '02, sub. guard.	19	203	6 2
C. O. Swain, '00, sub. l. t.	22	185	6 1
W. D. Eaton, '02, sub. l. t.	20	199	5 8½
R. Fincke, '01, sub. q. b.	21	148	5 8
G. S. Parker, '00, sub. h.	21	162	5 10
L. Warren, '00, sub. h.	22	175	6
G. A. Sawin, '01, sub. h.	21	160	5 10

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Songs for Harvard Game.

Two songs have been selected by the football management to be sung at the Yale-Harvard game, Saturday, November 18, and a meeting of the University was held in Alumni Hall last Monday evening, for rehearsal under the direc-

tion of the Glee Club. The songs are the old ones which have been used during the last few years, and are as follows:

I.

Air—"I-can-noc-o-no."
Harvard has blue stocking girls,
Yale has blue stocking men;
We've done Fair Harvard up before—
We'll do her up again.
And although the Harvard football team
May try what they can do,
They can never on their tin-type
Beat the grand Old Blue!

CHORUS

I can-noc-o-no,
I can-noc-o-no-co,
I can-noc-o-no,
Yale!!!

Air—"Hold the Fort."

O ye rushers, line up quickly—
Line up fierce and strong!
See the rush line pressing onward,
Hear the victor's song!

CHORUS.

Hold the ball, McBride is coming;
Fincke will signal still—
Gordon Brown is near the center—
Win we must and will!

Harvard's team has not been beaten,
Princeton's has improved—
But old Yale will never weaken,
She can ne'er be moved!

Harvard, Princeton and Yale Scores.

A comparison of the scores of Harvard, Princeton and Yale, made against opponents this Fall, shows that the latter has had less points scored against her than her sister Universities. Yale has played only eight games, however, to Harvard's ten and Princeton's eleven, and on the whole has met less powerful combinations. The scores of the three elevens are printed below:

HARVARD.

Harvard	.....29	Williams	..... 0
Harvard	.....13	Bowdoin	..... 0
Harvard	.....20	Wesleyan	..... 0
Harvard	.....41	Amherst	..... 0
Harvard	.....18	West Point	..... 0
Harvard	.....29	Bates	..... 0
Harvard	.....11	Brown	..... 0
Harvard	.....22	Carlisle Indians	..10
Harvard	.....16	Pennsylvania	... 0
Harvard	.....11	Dartmouth	.... 0
Total	.....210	Total	.....10

PRINCETON.

Princeton	.....28	Maryland A. C.	... 0
Princeton	..... 5	Annapolis	..... 0
Princeton	.....12	Lafayette	..... 0
Princeton	.....11	Columbia	..... 0
Princeton	.....12	Penn. State	..... 0
Princeton	.....23	West Point	.... 0
Princeton	.....17	Lehigh	..... 0
Princeton	..... 0	Cornell	..... 5
Princeton	.....18	Brown	..... 6
Princeton	.....30	North Carolina	... 0
Princeton	.....12	Carlisle Indians	... 0
Total	.....168	Total	.....11

YALE.

Yale	.....23	Amherst	..... 0
Yale	.....46	Trinity	..... 0
Yale	.....28	Bates	..... 0
Yale	.....12	Dartmouth	..... 0
Yale	..... 6	Wisconsin	..... 0
Yale	..... 0	Columbia	..... 5
Yale	.....24	West Point	.... 0
Yale	.....42	Penn. State	..... 0
Total	.....181	Total	..... 5

Yale, 42; Penn. State, 0.

Yale played her eighth and last practice game of the season, Saturday, Nov. 11, at Yale Field, defeating the Pennsylvania State College eleven 42 points to 0. Five touchdowns were made in the first half, of which four were on line plunging and end-running, and one on a blocked ball. The two touchdowns scored in the second half were earned by splendid plunging, which carried the ball 65 and 50 yards respectively, without losing. Penn. State could make no consistent gains by any means. On two or three occasions her right half got around Yale's right end for fair gains, and once made what appeared

to be a touchdown run. It was not allowed however, for the State's whole line was off-side. In the first of the second half the kicking of the Pennsylvanians improved greatly and combined with fumbling by Yale they got the ball on Yale's 30-yard line twice. They could not gain, however, and Yale rallying, carried them off their feet and back across their own goal line in a magnificent charge of 65 yards.

On the whole, the game was a satisfactory one to Yale men, although there was apparent, several times during the play, a great weakness in the offensive work. Twice Penn. State held for downs as West Point did a week before when the ball was only a few yards from her goal line. Yale's charges up to that point seemed irresistible and the sudden falling off from dashing play to a lifeless exhibition when it only required a few yards more to score, was very disappointing. In the second half there was infinitely more unity between the movements of the line and the backs, more than has been noticed at the Field this Fall; the interference was compact and effective and the team work generally very good. When Penn. State had the ball and tried to use the guards back play they were thrown back except in a few instances, their losses by this play and three end runs totalling about 50 yards, or nearly as much ground as they gained while carrying the ball in the two halves.

BRILLIANT INDIVIDUAL PLAY.

Instances of brilliant individual play were frequent. Stillman's fast work in the open field was exceptional for so big a man. He was frequently down under kicks before the ends and made several splendid tackles. Once he broke through and blocked a kick and by the same tactics spoiled two others badly. Francis at the other tackle and Brown at left guard made fine gains when called upon. Hubbell's work at left end in the second half, when he took the place of Winter, was remarkable when it is considered that he has been playing but a few days. Time after time he went through the guards back formation and got the runner, invariably throwing him for a loss. On the offensive he was quick in getting down the field and did not miss a tackle. Snitzer, who took care of right end for a portion of the second half, when Schweppe was injured, showed himself a fine tackler in the open field and made some brilliant stops.

Behind the line the running of Dupee, who played for the first time at half, was a feature. McBride's punting was better than in any of the previous games, being high and well placed. Fincke, at quarter, disappointed everybody by missing tackles three times at critical points in the game. He was replaced by Wear near the end of the second half and the latter distinguished himself by brilliant handling of punts and a run of 35 yards just as the game ended.

The weather was raw and threatening and only about a thousand spectators saw the game. A feature of the afternoon was the parade of a body of 300 students to the Field, headed by the Yale Brass Band, which is made up of students. During the halts in the game the band played Yale songs and surprised everyone by the first rate way they did it. The band will be heard at the Princeton game with an increased repertory.

The line up follows:

YALE.	POSITION.	PENN. STATE.
Winter	left-end-right	Wood
Hubbell	left-tackle-right	T. Miller
Francis	left-tackle-right	T. Miller
Allen	left-tackle-right	T. Miller
Brown	left-guard-right	School
Cunha	center	Cummings
Olcott	right-guard-left	Taylor
Stillman	right-tackle-left	Randolph
Gould	right-end-left	Ruble
Schweppe	right-end-left	Ruble
Snitzer	right-end-left	Ruble
Fincke	quarter-back	Johnson
Wear	quarter-back	Johnson
Dupee	left-half-right	Smith
Chadwick	left-half-right	Smith
Richards	right-half-left	Burns
Keane	right-half-left	Burns
McBride	full-back	Cure

Touchdowns, Gould, Richards 2, Dupee, Stillman, Chadwick, McBride; Goals from touchdowns, Brown 7; Referee, L. F. Deland, Harvard; Umpire, A. E. Whitney, Cornell; Time-keeper, T. B. Hull, Yale; Linesmen, A. S. Blogden, Yale, and F. H. Brown, Penn. State; Time of halves, two 25 minutes.