

FOOTBALL IN THE EAST.

Condition of the Principal Eastern Teams And the Loss of Men.

As a whole this year, the eastern teams will be much weakened, by the loss of very valuable men. Many old stand-bys have left, and it will be necessary to break in new men. It is hardly probable that the standard of last year can be reached, at least not until the end of the season, as it will take quite a while to develop the new material. Of the four big universities, Princeton loses the least.

In the line, Princeton's only loss is Lea, last year's captain. He played tackle, but was injured most of the year, last season, so the loss will not be so great. Behind the line, all the old men are back and there are some promising candidates for these positions also. Judging from the present outlook, Princeton ought to have a stronger team this year than last.

Yale is the greatest loser of old men. In the line they lose Cross, center, who has played this position regularly for two years, and subbed the first two. His brother, L. Cross, right guard, also is gone. He played as sub for two years and on the first team, for two years. Behind the line is where the loss is most apparent. Thorne, left-half is gone. He has been classed as the greatest all around back that ever played on the Yale team. His run in the second half of the Yale-Princeton game will go down in football history. Dewitt, right-half is also missed this year. He has played his position for three years. Jerroms', place at full-back will be hard to fill. He was substitute for two years, and played on the regular team for two years. Letton, who played substitute full-back last year, is ill, and not able to play. That the new men are not showing up in good shape, is evidenced by the small scores Yale made this year against Trinity and Amherst colleges.

Harvard's greatest loss is behind the line. In the line however, they lose A. Brewer, last year's captain, who has played for three years, and Holt, left-guard who has been induced to go to Princeton, notwithstanding the purity of the latter college's athletics. The left-end will be missed also. Behind the line, Charley Brewer is the principal loss. He has played on the team four years, and is probably the best back that ever went to Harvard. Fairchild's place at full will be hard to fill. He has been on the team for three years and has made a record for punting and drop-kicking. Further than this, several of the most promising candidates are prevented from playing by parental restriction.

Pennsylvania will not be so handicapped by the loss of men. Bull, center will be missed. He was ranked as the best center of the year. Wagonhurst, tackle, is also gone. He was one of the star tackles of the season. Behind the line, Brook and Williams make a heavy loss.

Of the smaller eastern colleges, Brown is probably the greatest loser. She loses seven out of the eleven who made such a good record last year. In the tri-collegiate league, consisting of Amherst, Williams and Dartmouth, Dartmouth is probably the greatest loser, and will have hard work to hold the pennant, which she has won for the last two years.

In the middle states, Cornell is making great effort to get out a good team. They will miss Wykoff, quarter-back on the all-American team. However, they have nearly a hundred candidates for positions on the team. Lehigh and La Fayette, will have most of their old men back and will have good teams. West Point loses some star men, especially, King and Stacey, two of the best backs of the year.

FOOTBALL AT WESLYEN.

The outlook for a football team at Wesleyan university this year, is much better than it has been in any previous year. But this is not saying much. A semblance of a team is appearing at practice each night, and it will not be surprising if a good article of football results before the season closes. The team will average rather light, the heaviest man weighing but 183 pounds, and others running as low as 135. The team will go to Tabor Ia., tomorrow to play the Tabor college team. The only other games definitely arranged are with Nebraska state university October 31, and possibly Doane a week from that date. The daily practice is held from 4 to 5.30 each evening, and the boys are coming out in a very encouraging way.

CLASS LEAGUE.

A class football league will be formed for the purpose of having a schedule of regular games during the season. The officers of the league will comprise the managers of each of the class class teams, which will compose the membership. All the classes have organized teams with the following men as managers: Seniors Ralph Saxton; juniors, Kinder; sophomores, Turner; freshmen, Oliver Chambers.

Practice has begun in the junior team and the other teams will be out from now on.

THE PAL CELEBRATION.

It Will be a Notable Event in the History of the University.

The celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Palladian Literary society, the first student organization formed in the university, will occur on Friday next. In honor of the occasion and in recognition of the presence of ex-Chancellor Fairfield who comes from Ohio to deliver the anniversary address, the faculty has granted a holiday on Friday to begin after chapel. This reduces the pressure of preparation and will permit every student to enjoy the address of the ex-chancellor at the Lansing theatre, Thursday night. Announcement in regard to tickets will be made Monday.

Friday afternoon Palladian hall will be open to all students and friends, and former and present Palladians will receive with the usual Palladian hospitality. A cordial invitation is extended to all students to drop in and enjoy themselves.

Friday night, as usual, will be "society night," only on this occasion the Palladians are obliged to grant admission to their hall by ticket. They will enjoy a short old timer's program in the old familiar place and then proceed to the Lindell hotel for the closing festivities, an "elegant spread" and plenty of speech making.

The society members have been spending much time and money to make the celebration worthy of their society and of the university. Many distant alumni and former members have written that they were kept from being present only by political complications. But the city alumni will be here in force to "reminisce," and tell the present members the benefit they received from literary society work. The alumni and members of the sister literary societies will also take an active part in the celebration.

LAW SCHOOL OPENS.

The law school opened last Monday with an enrollment of forty, which is considered a very good registration for the first week. There are an even twenty in each class, juniors and seniors. The names of those entering the junior class are:

J. A. Brown, J. L. Dennison, C. V. Ebersteine, J. L. Wallace, W. R. Hyatt, A. L. Houghtell, E. D. Jones, O. W. Belden, Roach, H. B. Daly, E. O. Pace, J. H. Steuterville, L. B. Unkefer, O. F. Hines, C. F. Ladd, F. L. Humphrey, E. C. Ames, and J. M. Tucker.

OTIS SKINNER AT THE LANSING.

Was Hamlet really mad or was his madness only feigned? This is a question that has long been in dispute with the students of Shakespeare. On the one hand it has been held that the madness was real, that the news of his father's murder and the marriage of his mother to his uncle affected his mind to that extent that the mind of the prince really became affected by that dread disease which the learned physician now calls "melancholia in an acute form, superinduced by a severe shock to the nervous system," a form of mania which seem, even in these enlightened days, almost impossible of cure, and that his deeds and actions were but the ravings and doings of a diseased mind. On the other hand it has been held by some of the closest students in both this country and in England, that the madness of the prince was but assumed in order that the murder of the father and the outrage done his memory by his widow's marriage to his brother might be the more easily avenged by the son. It is to this view that Otis Skinner leans. The Hamlet which he presents is mad, mad as the proverbial hatter, but all through the personation there runs that gleam of good hard sense which comes not from a disordered brain, or the cunning of the maniac, but rather from the thinking brain of the man who has suffered and is playing a part for his own best reasons and is assuming a madness to accomplish his purpose and doing it so well that those who are nearest and dearest to him are deceived. There is no passage in the play which gives one the right to declare that the prince is mad. The traditions of the stage for many years simply declared him to be a mad prince. It is only a hundred years since Shylock was played as a comedy part and his pleading for law and justice were greeted by the audience with loud guffaws.

It was only after long and careful study that Mr. Skinner decided to discard the traditions of the stage, and the result has been most pleasing, for wherever he has presented this tragedy, he has been greeted with not only the plaudits of the public, but with unstinted praise from those captious gentlemen of the press who make and unmake the actor—the critics. The coming engagement of this actor and his company, which is said to be one of the largest and strongest in the country, at the Lansing theatre on Wednesday evening, October 14, will be one of the most interesting events of the present season, and will appeal especially to all lovers of the great master and the students of the Shakespeareans.

Seats on sale Monday morning October 12, 10 a. m. at the theatre box-office. Secure your seats at once; Prices—\$1.50-1.00-.75-.50 and gallery twenty-five cents.

"ANY OLD THING."

A feeling of peace has come over the bustling life of the university. Settled so near to the heart of the business part of a metropolitan city, the spirit of a college life has been hard to realize. Yet in the last few days a great change has been noticed. With all its hustle the disturbance from the city has progressed unnoticed. Now however it is the only menace to an otherwise peaceful college existence. Some kind and Christian—Y. M. C. A. boy no doubt—character has performed a deed that will always stand forth on the pages of history (if he ever lets his identity be known) forever and a day. I speak of the man woman or child, or whoever else it might have been, who has been so kind to the community as to place in innocuous desuetude that everlasting bell that used to clang at all times of the day at the corner of Tenth and R streets.

He was an ordinary looking individual. It might be that he was addicted at times to smoking cigarettes, and he was not unlike a man who talked politics occasionally. But people stared and "rubbered" at him as he passed. They seemed to regard him as a monstrosity. It began to worry him finally, and one day he took occasion to ask a friend why he was the object of so much attention. "Why?" his friend replied in astonishment, "You are not wearing any kind of a button!"

A KODAK.

His knickerbockers are purple cloth. With yellow run down each seam, His sweater is gorgeous under his coat. With stripes of scarlet and cream.

His stockings are checkered with blue and red.

And turned at the top with care, A golf cap of orange blotched with black. Surmounts his corymbanthem hair.

And doubtless you think him a poster man. Built on a Bearsley scheme, You're mistaken of course, he a quarter-back.

On a college football team. WILLIAM REED DUNROY.

PROF. SWEZEY'S VISITOR.

"Is yo' Professor Swezey?" asked a venerable old colored gentleman, walking into the room as the class in astronomy was beginning work Tuesday afternoon. "Yes," said the professor and asked him his business.

The old man said he wanted to talk astronomy with him. He was asked to be seated until the class was dismissed, which he did.

When the professor again asked him what was wanted, the old man introduced himself.

"I am de man who discovered de new planet!" said he.

This immediately staggered the professor, but he quickly recovered himself, and asked how it had been done. In reply to this the visitor said that he had been carried up to heaven and had seen it that way. He wanted to borrow the university telescope, and find the planet. He was somewhat disappointed when he learned that the instrument was so small but nevertheless, he is coming up as soon as it is mounted, and will search the heavens for his newly found planet.

A Scheme That Failed—"Good gracious," he cried, "was that a rooster I heard crowing then?" "Yes," she said, "but don't hurry away. The people around here won't be up for an hour yet." Next day he learned that her father had an educated rooster that crowed every night at 10:30 o'clock, and, of course, the match is off.—Cleveland Leader.

"I don't understand why it is," said the mild young man, "that football players are so popular with the ladies." "Were you ever at a social function where refreshments were served?" asked Miss Cayenna. "Of course." "Then you don't observe closely, or you would have learned the reason. It's the young lady who has a football player for an escort who has the most croquettes and ice cream when the scramble is over."—Washington Star.

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