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HARVARD AND OLD PENN APPEAR TO BE EVENLY MATCHED.

Quakers Excel in Some Respects, but Crimsons Are Improving—Princeton's Victory Over Lafayette—Columbia Entitled to Leniency—Brown's Victory is Very Popular.

The football played by Harvard and the University of Pennsylvania on Saturday further demonstrated the fact that these old varsity eleven are evenly matched, though perhaps the Quakers have a shade the better of it in punting and the presence of Ralston, last year's veteran. They and the Crimsons will fight it out at Cambridge one week from next Saturday, so that it can be said of them that they are pretty nearly on edge. It is thought, however, that Old Penn's eleven may go stale if extreme care is not taken to keep the men in hand. These teams differ in one respect which is particularly noticeable. Harvard believes that end runs are more advantageous, except when the ball is within striking distance of the enemy's goal line. Then the backing of the backs' quality must be resorted to. "Pennsy," on the other hand, seems to think that the smashing as produced by the "march back" interference, varied here and there by end runs, is the best policy to pursue. The Quakers, for that matter, are better fitted for line bitters than Harvard. Woodruff has developed wonderful ground gainers in Hare, Mercur, Horner, Wallace and John Gardner, all of whom are more successful in bucking the line Harvard has really one ground gainer, Hallowell, who is the full back, who dashes with these men. But in runners who can follow interference in end plays and in broken field, Harvard has several remarkable stars in Kendall, Bacon, Kernan and Daly. The Quakers' general play against Columbia was superior to Harvard's exhibition against Bedford's team. Still it must not be forgotten that Harvard scored 34 points in twenty minutes halves, while Old Penn made 30 in twenty-five-minute halves, which is not much better than the Crimson's performance. But, at that, the Quakers made all of their touchdowns through straight hard football, furnished punts by the back field and also gained more actual ground. In passing Graves, the new quarter back, has turned out to be a phenomenon. He is a kicky and effective punter, is a man in back field work, and is a quarter back in the sense established by Daly of Harvard. "Pennsy" also possesses one of the greatest football punters of the present time in Capt. Hare. Harvard doesn't know has equal, though it has Bacon, Kernan and Daly certainly outclassed. The Columbia game, who cares to know, say that the Pennsylvania system of attack is more effective for short gains than Harvard's, but that the Crimsons are better prepared in defense against the attacks of their opponents. Bigelow, Lord, Wolf, Harvard's captain, is a hard, sure tackler. Now Harvard is expected to win, but the battle on Nov. 3 would be of particular interest.

With a victory over Lafayette at Easton, the Princeton players have now defeated the Lafayette team of seven long years. Last year they were at Easton, while and consequently of a good score, was sufficient to satisfy the followers of the Orange and Black, who felt the sting of the defeat. Yesterday, on a muddy field, the players will take home the bacon, and the outcome have not been in doubt, regardless of the efforts which the Lafayette boys made to make themselves up for the Bear. It was that time however, the visitors were prepared, and the Princeton boys were straightened the matter and playing where the only tackles were made in the open field. They were to play to-morrow. The Wolverines, class Princeton, because the New Haven eleven made up almost entirely of veterans, is more than a match for the Orange and Black, and if the game and the team generally is better and more aggressive than last year's team. But this may go too far in thinking, and some of the men may be sent home the home games to play the big games. Wolf, Poe, Thorne, Worthington, Fitzgerald, Kendall, Cobb, are expected to resume the position which they held last year.

It is natural for football enthusiasts to make the Saturday comparison, and so it is, perhaps, the defeats sustained at the hands of Brown and the University of Pennsylvania were, of course, startling and all that, but at the same time those who are inclined to criticise should bear in mind the fact that Yale defeated the Tigers by a score of 11 to 5, and that Yale's defeat by Princeton, last week, that the Orange and Black team, which had defeated Yale, Harvard and Pennsylvania, was unprecedented, for everybody here and in the region round about, had said that Yale had the strongest team in the country. Yale's defeat by Princeton was a surprise, and the Tigers were considered, for the time being, the best