

A Gridiron Romance.

Thanksgiving Day, 1896 at Harrisburg, Carlisle Indians 48, State 5; October 7, 1905 at Harrisburg, Indians 11, State 0; and then October 6, 1906 at Williamsport, State 4, Indians 0!

A decade ago, when "Old State" was but a beginner in athletics, her fearless team under Captain Dunsmore tackled the famous Carlisle Indians, and were swamped by the score of 48 to 5; in spite of such overwhelming odds, State's gritty little quarter-back Hayes, showed his mettle by kicking a field goal and scoring five points for his college. And last Saturday a week on Seminary Field at Williamsport, with 500 cheering enthusiasts looking on, the echo of Hayes' nervy feat came down through the years, as Half-back McCleary, an ambitious Freshman, duplicated Hayes' performance of 10 years back, and put the oval between Carlisle's goal posts. This kick brought dismay and disaster to the hearts of the Redmen, for it meant victory for State, while Hayes' goal had only helped a little to brighten the gloom of overwhelming defeat.

After that 48 to 5 game in 1896, State's teams were looked upon as far too weak to combat with the whirlwind warriors from Carlisle; so it was not until last year that another contest was arranged for. And once more at Harrisburg with a veteran, all-confident aggregation, the Indians outclassed Captain Yeckley's "green" eleven, which had but three weeks' practice, and no offensive strength, whatever. Three of the men in State's line-up had never before been in a foot ball game, and everybody predicted a score of at least 30 to 0 for Carlisle. But Captain Yeckley and his men, although outplayed at every turn, fought so determinedly and courageously that every State man was proud of his

team. The Indians had to go their best to win out, 11 to 0, but, nevertheless, they thought State's team far beneath their class, and looked upon this year's contest as an easy victory, since six new men were in State's line up. Captain Dunn and his men, nevertheless, came onto Seminary Field last Saturday a week determined to win, and win they did, and in such clean, manly, sportsmanlike fashion, as to send a thrill of pride through the heart of every State man, past or present.

The game next Saturday with Yale at New Haven will be another hard fought battle. The 0-0 game with Gettysburg has spurred State's gridiron experts on to renewed efforts in order that this year's score may eclipse that of last year. Yale has always succeeded in defeating State by at least eleven points; this year we hope that not only will Yale's line be crossed, but that victory itself will be perched on State's banners.

Praise from President Roosevelt.

The Cadets won new laurels for the College at the dedication of the capitol building in Harrisburg on Oct. 4. Compliments and congratulations have been heard from a number of distinguished men, and it is a sure fact that the Battalion has done things of which it can justly be proud.

Without a doubt, the drilling of the cadets in Bellefonte last spring, when the Curtin monument was unveiled, was far superior to that of the State Guards and also to other organizations which took part in the ceremony. The Battalion made a "hit" in Bellefonte, but it made a "big hit" in Harrisburg two weeks ago. Gen. Dougherty of Wilkesbarre, commanding the 9th Regiment of State Guards, said that not only was the drilling of the men highly satisfactory in every respect,

but the conduct later in the day was that of gentlemen.

In the reviewing stand were such prominent men as the President, the Governor, Senators, Congressmen, and the Mayor of the city. Congressman A. J. Barchfeld of the 32nd Congressional District said: "They were fine." The President, as the Battalion marched by, turned around and said to the Mayor and others near him: "I have never seen a better drilled body of cadets in my life."

The grand success, which has thus attended the trip to Harrisburg, has been the result of the earnest, painstaking work of both Capt. Hay and the members of the Battalion. Although such a trip was made a possibility through the efforts of Capt. Hay, the glory really belongs to the Cadets. Without their hearty co-operation the Battalion would have never been in shape to attend the dedication. Their willingness to make the undertaking a great success is made evident by the fact that in the eighteen days of drill no officers and only six enlisted men out of the number who went to Harrisburg were absent without leave. This is the spirit which brought credit to Pennsylvania State.

Federation of Clubs.

The State Federation of Women's Clubs, which has been in session here since Tuesday, closes its convention to-day. Addresses on various topics, covering all kinds of matters of interest to club women of the Commonwealth have been dwelt upon. Forestry, civics, the reform movement in state and philanthropic institutions have been given considerable attention.

The women, besides listening to addresses and discussions, have been afforded the opportunity to see State College in operation, giving them an idea of the extensive and