Bucknell's Basket-Ball Record.

ALLEGHENY has the distinction of being the first college team to defeat Bucknell in basket-ball on her own floor. This is the tenth season that the game has been played here and up to last Wednesday night the Orange and Blue has been able to defeat every college team she played against.

Wednesday night's defeat was in fact only the third suffered by Bucknell at home since the game was introduced. Danville won the first game ever played here, in 1895, scoring three goals to Bucknell's two. The next defeat at home came in March 1899, when the Clover Wheelmen of Philadelphia won by a score of 18 to 16. The Wheelmen made a trip through this part of the State and defeated nearly every team they played. On the Bucknell team that year were Bell, Wassell, Weymouth, Conover and Elliott, with Goodall and Theiss as substitutes.

Basket-ball was introduced at Bucknell by W. C. Gretzinger and Charles Firth during the winter term 1895. The Danville game, mentioned above, was the only contest that season. There was more activity the following year, though the team did not meet with much success. Bloomsburg, Wilkes-Barre and Williamsport all defeated Bucknell on their own floors. The only victory of the season was over Lock Haven, which was played in Tustin Gymnasium. This was Bucknell's initial victory in basket-ball. The team disbanded early that year owing to base-ball practice. The uniform worn by the players the first two seasons would look odd to-day, the trousers being full length and fastened at the bottom with straps.
Five games were played in 1897, of which Bucknell won four. Among the victories were one over University of Pennsylvania here and one over Williamsport on the latter's floor. The only game lost was to State at State.

Four won and four lost was the record in 1898, Cornell being one of the teams defeated. The following year was disastrous, two games only being won, while five were lost and one was tied. The tie game was with Williamsport, at Williamsport. In 1900 the team won six and lost three, Cornell again being among the vanquished teams.

The season of 1901 marks a new era in basketball for Bucknell. The Orange and Blue began a victorious career which has been interrupted by only four defeats in the three and one-half seasons that have elapsed. In 1901 the team won 12 games and lost one, Williamsport defeating us at Williamsport by a score of 8 to 5. The following year the team won 12 and lost two, Princeton and Allegheny being the only teams to defeat Bucknell that year. It is rather singular that no team was able to defeat Bucknell from the time they met Allegheny at Meadville nearly two years ago till the Crawford county boys came down here last week. In 1903 the team won every game played, including two games with Williamsport, one here and one there. Indeed Bucknell was the first team to defeat Williamsport on her own floor in several years. The totals, including this season, are 50 won, 18 lost and one tied.

It is noteworthy that Bucknell never defeated State at State and State never won a victory in Lewisburg. Bucknell, however, always did better at State than State did here.

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