

THE TOWN OF AMHERST.

Beneath the eastern sky
The town of Amherst lies;
The girls with eyes of brown and blue
Are very proud to welcome you;
Although in a marshy clime
The boys of the C.E. won't decline
Although o'er seas we are bound
The boys of the 56th Draft are easily found
In cozy corners and all round.

And when the sun begins to set
Mother thinks of loved ones yet,
Her thoughts are far o'er the sea,
England or France perhaps it may be,
Roaming about the land well known,
Sons are thinking of "Home sweet Home",
Till the sun begins to shine on dear

(Old Amherst Town)
C.S.M. Turver, G.

NEWS FROM AMHERST.

Amherst, July 16th, 1918.
The different regiments that have from time to time been stationed at Amherst, Nova Scotia, on their way to the war zone, have been loud in their praises of the hospitality of the Citizens of Amherst; it was therefore no surprise to the men of the Canadian Engineers Battalion, after leaving St. John's, P.Q., and landing in Amherst, to find that the story of the kindness of the Amherst people could only be expressed in the words of the Queen of Sheba:—"The half has never been told."

Almost every family in Amherst is or has been represented on the battle field or other active military service; it is no wonder that they have a warm place in their hearts for the boys en route to Flanders Fields who stop for a season in the town. The glad hand is extended to officer and men alike, homes are opened and men individually and collectively are made to feel that they are among sympathetic friends and that Amherst is not only loyal to the Empire but glad to welcome the men who go over to do their bit for freedom and justice. Only those who are travelling this long and sometimes dreary road from comfortable homes to the far off scene of the world's greatest war, can realize what these acts of kindness and hospitality mean. Tonight another evidence of the kindness of the Amherst heart was shown, when the four churches, Baptist, Anglican, Presbyterian and Methodist, each entertained a company from

the Battalion; the companies were assigned by the officers to the different churches and while there was no rivalry among the churches, each did its best to make the khaki boys feel perfectly at home. The evening was spent, first, in an entertaining programme in which the men of the companies greatly assisted, then an hour of social intercourse—then, a tempting lunch.

The citizens assure the boys that they (the citizens) are really getting the greater enjoyment in their entertaining the men who for a short time are their guests. We hope, too, that any kindness shown the boys here may redound in favors to their dear ones who are far from home, also stimulate them to further kindnesses.

The boys of the Canadian Engineer Battalion will not soon forget Amherst and their stay here.

Sapper R. Schwanck.

NEW RAMBLERS IN CLOSE GAME WITH THE ENGINEERS.

Score 5—4 With Three Runs Garner in the Final Frame.

(From the Amherst N.S. Paper.)

We figured out last evening that baseball made the world go around, and if noise has anything to do with the movement of this terrestrial globe Dame Terra Firma took an additional shoot of speed last evening. The Engineers and the New Ramblers came together in the third and decisive game of a series, with the result that the Amherst nine came out victorious 5—4. While the local led from start to finish, the game was fast, with fielding and batting beyond the ordinary. Officers and men of the Engineers who have witnessed major and minor league ball, informed the Newsman that very few of the minors put up a better brand, than was delivered on the Academy Grounds.

Although a few seeds changed hands, this fact created no hard feelings for the soldiers and civilians impartially applauded each good play. Of course the rooting was loud and uproarious, for the session was worthy of all possible acclaim.

The New Ramblers grabbed a couple of runs in the third, and in the fifth and sixth innings sent two more men across the rubber. Not until the seventh did the Engineers get a man over the plate, and then with a base on balls off Rattray, Dodson walloped out a screaming two bagger. In the eighth Amherst drew down their fifth run, and

when the last of the ninth came to hand it looked as if the Ramblers had a comfortable lead. Ultimately it was safe, but with one man down, and two men adorning the cushions, Abercrombie, the elongated twirler for the Engineers made a brilliant attempt to win his own game, by nailing out a home run. Dodson and Walsh were killed off on infield plays, leaving Amherst one run to the merry.

It was not a pitchers battle in any sense of the word, although Rattray and Abercrombie twirled beautifully. The two infields bore the brunt of the playing and the two McDonalds at short stop and Collins on second, together with the respective catchers Dodson and Stuart, delivered the genuine goods when it came down to ball playing.

Errors were few and far between and with the clever fielding and hard biting the fans could hardly want a more exciting or more interesting game.

Mr. Norman Ralston, formerly third baseman for the Ramblers and Pte. Forn, umpired the game. The two umps did excellent work and their decisions were O.K'd by both sides.

The teams lined up as follows:—

Engineers	R	H	E
Dodson, c.	0	3	0
Walsh, r.f.	0	0	0
Davy, l.f.	0	2	0
Riley, lb.	0	0	1
Fahrner, 3b.	0	0	0
Frost, 2b.	1	3	1
McDonald, s.s.	0	0	0
Cummings, c.f.	2	1	1
Abercrombie, p.	1	2	0
	4	13	3
Ramblers	R	H	E
Stuart, c.	0	1	0
Collins, 2b.	1	2	0
Alward, r.f.	1	2	0
McDonald, s.s.	1	0	0
Stuart, 3b.	1	2	1
Moffatt, c.f.	0	0	0
England, l.f.	1	0	0
Chisholm, lb.	0	3	0
Rattray, p.	0	1	0
	5	11	1

Summary:—Home run, Abercrombie. Two base hits, Dodson, Chisholm, W. Stuart. Base on balls, off Rattray 1. Hit by Pitcher, Alward. H. McDonald. Struck out by Rattray 8. By Abercrombie 6. Double Plays. McDonald to Collins to Chisholm. Wild Pitch, Rattray 1. Abercrombie 1. Umpires, Ralston, Forn.

Who is the C.S.M. of Draft 56 who insists on Company P.T.'s after individual classes have been dismissed?



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