

LEAFS LOSE THE OPENER TO NEWARK INDIANS

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Portside Did It

NEWARK	A.B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
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Meyer, 1b.	4	0	0	2	0	0
W. Zimmerman, lf.	4	0	0	2	0	0
Swacina, 1b.	3	1	1	3	3	0
Collins, 2b.	4	1	1	2	0	0
Gagner, 2b.	2	0	1	0	1	0
Smith, 3b.	3	0	1	0	0	0
Atchison, p.	3	0	0	3	5	0
Totals	28	3	8	27	13	0

TORONTO	A.B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Shaw, cf.	4	0	0	1	0	0
O'Hara, 1b.	4	0	0	1	0	0
Northern, rf.	4	0	0	3	1	0
Johnson, 1b.	4	0	0	1	0	0
Bradley, 2b.	4	0	0	1	4	1
McConnell, 2b.	2	0	0	0	2	1
Hub, 3b.	4	0	0	1	0	0
Holly, ss.	4	0	1	4	2	0
Bemis, c.	3	1	0	3	1	0
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LEAFS' "FIRSTS" IN FIRST GAME

Shaw struck out first. O'Hara was the first to sky out. Bradley made the first out. Tim Jordan was the first to give the umpire an argument.

Bradley was first to be thrown out at first base. McConnell drew the first base on balls.

McConnell was also the first to be caught napping off first. Holly got the first double. Shaw poked the first middle station clutch.

Maxwell was the first Leaf pitcher to get a beating. Fitzpatrick was used as the first pinch