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THE SPORT DEPARTMENT

All the News That Is News

LONDON GETS DECISION OVER BRANTS IN OPENER

Timely Hitting and Good Pitching by 'Cuz' Hammond Result in Brantford's Defeat by 5 to 4—Good Crowd Witnesses Game.

[BY BERT PERRY.]

They're off! Manager "Doc." Reisling and his London Tecumsehs took a flying start in the Canadian League race by getting the jump on "Rube" Deneau's Brants over in Tecumseh Park yesterday afternoon. The score was 5 to 4, and it was the initial spasm of the 1915 season. The opening day crowd was slightly smaller than last season, but then it was a perfectly good opening day crowd, and a highly pleased one at the end of the pastime.

Nobody lodged a kick about the contest. The box office was not besieged by people clamoring for their little old "two-bits" back, so we take it everyone was pretty well satisfied. The London baseball club directors beamed on everybody, and the home team looked about as good as any home team could look. The day was sunny with a suggestion of a chill in the air. If you should ask us, we would estimate that the total attendance numbered somewhere around 500,693. We were always pretty good at estimating the attendance and we were never more than a few hundred thousand out. However, if anyone should ask the London directors, they would likely place the figure somewhere between 2,500 and 3,000. The directors estimate it from the gate receipts while our estimate is taken from having to wade through the crowd while it is trying to eject itself out of the park after the game.

The Opening Ceremonies.

Being an opening game, the pastime was distinguished by the presence of the mayor and other prominent local men. The parade to the grounds was a trifle late in getting started, but it was a fine, handsome parade when it once got under way and made a smart appearance. Fire Chief John Aikens and his little old red car were out there in the lead but you would never suspect from the pace the chief set that his car was ever capable of breaking all the speed limits hustling to a fire.

Arrived at the park, the players followed the band across the diamond, amidst the applause from the stands. Owing to the late arrival, the usual parade of the teams along the foul lines to the plate was dispensed with. Just before the game started, Director Sam Stevely, of the London Club, made a brief address of appreciation to the fans for turning out, and called upon the mayor to perform the opening day ceremonies. Mayor Hugh Stevenson spoke a few words and made the statement that London was the best ball town in the world, and the local club was deserving of all the support the fans could give it. With Rev. Fr. McKeon at bat and Parson Harry Fowler behind the plate, adorned with chest protectors, fore and aft, the mayor stepped into the box and started to warm up to throw the first ball. Whatever may be said of the mayor as a pitcher, you have to hand it to him for control. We did not notice any hop on his fast one, but the first ball he pitched was right over the pan, and Fr. McKeon watched it go by. The second one was right in the groove also, which leads to the suspicion that the mayor has been doing a lot of practicing for the occasion. Fr. McKeon was all set for this one, and he drove a high fly to Cy Reidy in right field. The crowd applauded and then sat back for the big doings.

Some Familiar Faces.

There were a number of familiar faces besides Rube Deneau's on the visiting team. Mike Mullin, who was with us in our efforts to beat out Ottawa last season, was out there on third base for the Brants, and right next to him at shortstop was George Dunlap, who left us to take up a big league career, but failed to make the grade, a little over a year ago. The fans had to get introduced to a few local players, though. Hess, Eckstein and Vogt were playing their first league game in a London uniform, but the others are well known here.

Carlos Hammond, the Cambridge cut-up, was elected to do the deceiving for London, and when Carlos is on the mound the opposing team usually finds it rather difficult getting those old base hits. "Cuz" was right in form yesterday, and up to the seventh inning, had only allowed the Brants two safe blows, one of these coming right off the reel in the first session, when Bill Green, the first man up, singled to left. "Cuz" was opposed by Mr. Warner, a right-hander, with a roundhouse curve and a fast one that breaks nicely in front of the plate. In the early innings, the home boys found this curve rather troublesome, but they got onto it finally and were able to land on it quite frequently in the latter stages of the contest.

Cy Reidy was the big noise in the hitting line. The old boy from Windsor, diving partner of George Deneau, the Brantford manager, had a perfect day at bat, getting three safeties in three times up. Cy was up four times, but was passed once. He had a double and two singles and scored a run, besides driving in two others. Cy was a real help yesterday, all right.

Danford Drives in First Run.

To Jack Danford goes the credit of driving in the first run of the game and also making the longest hit of the afternoon. Jack came up in the second inning with two out, and Cy Reidy on second base. Cy had singled to open the inning. Danford hit the ball over Burrill's head in right field for three sacks, Reidy scoring. Danford's hit went nearly to the big gate in right field, and only fast fielding by Burrill prevented it from being a home run.

Both teams had a big innings. London, however, managed to get a couple of runs in two other innings, while the Brants confined their run-getting to the seventh and eighth. In only three innings was the London team able to connect safely with Warner, but hits were bunched off him in each of these frames and runs counted. The fifth was London's big session. "Cuz" Hammond, who gets a hit about as often as London wins a championship, started the inning by a single to centre. Myers bunted and Lacroix slipped in fielding the ball and both runners were safe. Hess sacrificed and Whitcraft and Hammond worked the squeeze play, Hammond scoring while Whitty was thrown out at first when Warner fielded the bunt. Lamy singled to right, and Myers counted. Reidy dropped a short fly in left and got a double on it, Lamy counting. Eckstein was thrown out by Dunlap to end the inning.

Mullin Scores First for Brants.

In the seventh, the Brants made their first run. Mike Mullin was hit by a pitched ball and Burrill doubled over Lamy's head. Brooks filed to Lamy, Mullin scoring on the throw in. Lamy made a nice play on this. He threw to third, instead of to the plate, and Burrill was tagged out by Hess a yard from the bag, making a double play. Fried singled, but Lacroix was an easy out.

In London's half of the seventh, Hess singled to left and went to second on Whitcraft's sacrifice. Lamy flied to Brooks, but Reidy made his third hit of the game, a clean single to left, and Hess counted.

The visitors nearly tied it up in the eighth. Up to this time London had been playing a nice fielding game, but a little loose work cropped in here. Warner, first up for Brantford, dropped a single in centre field, but on Green's hit to Myers, was forced at second. Deneau hit to Whitcraft, but he pegged wide to Myers, and Harry dropped the ball, both runners being safe. Dunlap singled to right, and Green registered on the plate. Whitcraft let Mullin's fast grounder go right through him and Deneau scored. Dunlap scored on Burrill's hit to Whitcraft, which forced Mullin at second. Brooks filed out and ended it. London went out one-two-three in the eighth and Brantford followed suit in the ninth.

Both Teams Look Good.

On their showing yesterday, both teams looked as good as any that have played in the Canadian League in the past. Brantford did not show the "pep" they ought to show, but Deneau has a strong team and he will give them all battles for the pennant. "Doc" Reisling has a good team also, and London will be heard from this season. Harry Myers was criticised by the crowd, but it was not his fault. He looked bad on a couple of plays, but through no fault of his own. Harry will stick at second and should improve every time out.

THE RIGHT WAY TO START

London.	A.B.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Myers, 2b	3	1	1	2	2	0
Hess, 3b	3	1	1	4	1	0
Whitcraft, s.s.	1	0	0	4	2	2
Lamy, c.f.	4	1	1	3	1	0
Reidy, r.f.	3	1	3	1	0	0
Eckstein, 1.f.	4	0	0	2	0	0
Vogt, 1b	3	0	0	8	0	0
Danford, c	4	0	1	3	1	0
Hammond, p	3	1	1	0	4	0
Totals	28	5	8	27	11	2

Brantford.	A.B.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Green, 1.f.	4	1	1	3	0	0
Deneau, 1b	2	1	0	5	2	0
Dunlap, s.s.	4	1	1	3	1	0
Mullin, 3b	3	1	1	3	1	1
Burrill, r.f.	4	0	1	0	0	0
Brooks, c.f.	3	0	0	4	0	0
Fried, 2b	3	0	1	1	4	0
Lacroix, c.	4	0	0	4	2	0
Warner, p	4	0	1	1	2	0
Totals	31	4	6	29	9	1

By innings—		R.	H.	E.
Brantford	0 0 0 0 0 0 1 3 0	4	6	1
London	0 1 0 0 3 0 1 0 x	5	8	2

Summary: Stolen base—Lamy. Sacrifice hits—Deneau, Hess, Whitcraft 2. Sacrifice fly—Brooks. Three-base hit—Danford. Two-base hits—Reidy, Burrill. First base on balls—Off Warner 4, off Hammond 2. Struck out—By Warner 4, by Hammond 3. Left on bases—Brantford 5, London 6. Double play—Lamy to Hess. Wild pitch—Warner 1. First base on errors—Brantford 1, London 1. Hit by pitcher—By Hammond 1 (Mullin). Time—1:43. Umpire—Walsh.

CRISTALL'S HAMS WIN FIRST FROM SAINTS

Dougherty a Puzzle to "Dad" Stewart's Men.

BIERBAUER THROWS WILD

Eddie Linneborn Makes Great Stop in Ninth and Nips St. Thomas Rally.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

ST. THOMAS, May 19. — The Saints dropped the opening game of the season to Bill Crystall's Hams here today. The game was very fast and augurs well for the class of ball to be witnessed in the Canadian League this season. A parade, composed of the 25th Regiment Band and some dozen automobiles, was formed at 2:30, and proceeded to Pinafore Park.

Considering the cold weather, a good crowd witnessed the contest, 1,000 passing through the turnstiles. Hamilton sent their best bet, Southpaw Dougherty, in to pitch, and Manager Stewart picked Hughey for his twirler. Both hurlers seemed to be in the pink of condition, and base hits were few and far between. The visitors played air-tight ball, not mussing up a single play, while the Saints had a couple of very costly errors. Mayor Johnson started off the fracas by admonishing the players to be good sports and play the game fair. He thought baseball was the greatest of out-door sports, and trusted the St. Thomas fans would be loyal and show their loyalty by turning out to the various games scheduled at home. He went to the mound and when Eddie Linneborn stepped to the plate, threw a wide one that might have been reached with a flagpole.

Bierbauer Makes First Error.

The visitors scored in their part of the initial innings. After "Linney" had grounded out, Kavanagh drew a pass. Broadbent rolled to Ort, who tossed him out at first. Kavanagh tried to take third on the play, and Louis Bierbauer threw wild, the runner scoring. They added another in the fifth, when Wood put up an easy fly that went for a couple of bases, Kopp and Inker doing the Alphonse-Gaston act on it. He took third on a passed ball and scored on McGrorty's sacrifice fly.

Their other pair of runs came in the eighth. McGrorty started off with a single. Doherty hit for three sacks, sending McGrorty home. Paddy also counted when Linneborn got a hit past second.

The Saints got their run in this inning also. Forgue singled and was forced by Harris. Hughey stolled, and as Kopp had struck out, Ort doubled, scoring Hughey.

Linneborn Saves It.

Perhaps Linneborn, the ex-London player, saved the visitors from defeat in the ninth innings. Todd and Inker singled in rotation. Forgue drove a terrific liner between first and second. Eddie was playing deep and made a most phenomenal one-handed stab and threw the runner out. This play undoubtedly cut off two runs.

The Hamilton Club looks a lot stronger than last year's, and will surely make the other five clubs hustle. The Saints look to have a great club. Todd, the new second baseman, appears like a real find. He fielded faultlessly and secured two healthy hits. The score:

ST. THOMAS.	A.B.	H.	O.	A.	E.	HAMILTON.	A.B.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Kopp, lf	4	0	1	0	0	Lubn, 2	4	1	2	4	0
Ort, 2b	3	1	1	1	0	Kygh, 1	3	0	1	0	0
Bierbr, 1	4	0	12	0	1	Bdbt, 3	4	0	0	1	0
Stewt, r	4	0	3	0	0	Ivers, 1	4	2	10	0	0
Todd, 2	4	2	1	3	0	KHrs, r	4	0	0	0	0
Inker, c	4	1	3	0	0	Wds, cf	3	0	2	0	0
Forgue, s	4	1	2	3	1	Mcvy, s	3	1	0	4	0
Harris, c	4	0	4	3	0	Pmbk, c	3	0	12	1	0
Hughy, p	2	1	0	4	0	Dgty, p	3	1	0	1	0
Totals	33	6	25	14	2	Totals	31	6	27	11	0

St. Thomas	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	—1 6 2
Hamilton	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	—2 6 0

Runs—Harris, Kavanaugh, Woods, McGrorty, Dougherty. Left on bases—Hamilton 3, St. Thomas 7. Two-base hits—Woods, Fargue, Ort. Three bast hit—Dougherty. Stolen base—Kavanaugh. Sacrifice fly — McGrorty. Struck out—By Dougherty 9, by Hughey 5. Bases on balls—Off Dougherty 2, off Hughey 2. Passed balls—Harris 2. Wild pitch—Dougherty. Time of game—1:55. Umpire—Halligan. Attendance—1,500.

GLEANINGS FROM YESTERDAY'S GAME

Evans will work for London at Brantford today. He is a southpaw. Schaffer will play third base, in all probability.

Manager Reisling and some of the directors of the London club, together with a couple of newspaperman, will motor over to Brantford for today's game.

"Cuz" Hammond got a nice start yesterday. When this boy is right no team will beat him. He intends to go up this season if possible and says if he is not drafted or sold he will likely quit the game next year.

Lamy made a beautiful throw to third after catching Brooks' fly in the seventh inning. Burrill was caught a few feet off the bag, and he was some surprised lad when he picked himself out of the dirt.

Vogt covered first base as good as Louis Bierbauer, or anybody else London has had. When the big fellow starts to hit them, look out. He sent Green back to the signs for a fly yesterday. Had it been a few feet farther it would have hit the top of the fence.

Rube Deneau is crippled as a result of a bone in his right foot being broken. Rube got the injury about five weeks ago, but it will not keep him out of the game.

The first six balls that Warner pitched yesterday were all balls. Myers walked on four of them and Hess had two called on him before Warner shot a strike over.

Hess covers a lot of ground around third. He knocked down Deneau's hot drive in the fourth and made a nice play at first base. He also had a hit in three times up and scored a run.

Umpire Walsh did fairly well, although he was a little off on balls and strikes at times.

Cy. Reidy is starting off this season the same as he did last year. Cy. led the league in hitting for the first month or so of the season.

Both Hammond and Warner, the opposing pitchers, started the rallies by leading off with a hit. In the fifth Hammond made his first hit of the season and London scored three runs before the innings was over. In the seventh Brantford almost duplicated the performance.

The Brantford players are decked out in new uniforms and socks. They present a dull though nifty looking appearance.

EDDIE WALLACE EASILY BEAT JOHNNY SCHIFF

MONTREAL, May 19. — Eddie Wallace, the crack Brooklyn featherweight, made an exhibition of Johnny Schiff, the Pacific coast champion, before the Hochelaga Athletic Club tonight, when Walace pounded Schiff in lively fashion and received little or no punishment. It was a ten-round bout.

In a ten-round go between Johnny Lore and Harry Condon, New York lightweights, Gordon shaded Lore, the latter being about ten pounds the heavier. Condon was the aggressor in most of the rounds.

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Washington Cast-Off Pitches No-Hit Game

MINNEAPOLIS, May 19.—Harry Harper, the 20-year-old left-handed pitcher recently obtained by the Minneapolis American Association Club from the Washington American League Club, pitched a no-hit, no-run game against St. Paul today, Minneapolis winning, 4 to 0. At times a trifle wild, Harper steadied with men on bases and struck out twelve men. He walked seven and was charged with a balk.

HOW THE TEAMS STAND

CANADIAN LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
LONDON	1	0	1,000
Hamilton	1	0	1,000
Guelph	1	0	1,000
Brantford	0	1	.000
St. Thomas	0	1	.000
Ottawa	0	1	.000

Yesterday's Scores.

London, 5; Brantford, 4.
Hamilton, 4; St. Thomas 3.
Guelph, 4; Ottawa, 0.

Today's Games.

London at Brantford.
Hamilton at St. Thomas.
Ottawa at Guelph.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
New York	16	9	.640
Detroit	19	11	.633
Chicago	19	12	613
Boston	13	10	.565
Washington	12	14	.462
Cleveland	12	16	429
St. Louis	10	19	.345
Philadelphia	9	19	.321

Yesterday's Scores.

Detroit, 3; New York, 1.
Cleveland, 5; Boston, 2.
Chicago, 9; Philadelphia, 7.
Washington at St. Louis—too cold.

Today's Games.

Boston at Chicago.
Philadelphia at Detroit.
New York at St. Louis.
Washington at Cleveland.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Philadelphia	17	10	.630
Chicago	16	12	.571
Boston	14	12	.538
Brooklyn	14	14	.500
Pittsburgh	14	15	.482
St. Louis	14	17	.453
New York	11	15	.423
Cincinnati	11	16	.407

Yesterday's Scores.

New York, 5; Chicago, 1.
Pittsburg, 7; Boston, 0.
Brooklyn, 2; Cincinnati, 0.
St. Louis, 3; Philadelphia, 0.

Today's Games.

Chicago at Boston.
St. Louis at Brooklyn.
Cincinnati at Philadelphia.
Pittsburg at New York.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Providence	11	6	.647
Richmond	11	6	.647
Montreal	10	7	.588
Rochester	8	8	.500
Buffalo	6	6	.500
Jersey City	7	8	.467
Newark	5	7	.417
Toronto	3	13	.188

Yesterday's Scores.

Richmond 8, Toronto 4.
Newark 6, Montreal 0.
Rochester 9, Jersey City 8.
Buffalo 9, Providence 5.

Today's Games.

Providence at Toronto.
Richmond at Montreal.
Jersey City at Buffalo.
Newark at Rochester.

FEDERAL LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Pittsburg	19	12	.613
Newark	18	12	.600
Chicago	17	13	.567
Kansas City	15	13	.536
Brooklyn	15	13	.536
St. Louis	12	14	.462
Baltimore	12	18	.400
Buffalo	8	21	.376

Yesterday's Scores.

Newark 7, Pittsburg 3.
Other games postponed — Cold and rain.

Today's Games.

Baltimore at Pittsburg.
Brooklyn at Chicago.
Only two games scheduled.

WRESTLERS TRYING TO SETTLE CHAMPIONSHIP

World's Titleholder and Others in Bouts at New York.

New York, May 20.—Fifty wrestlers began here last night a series of bouts that are expected to settle the championship of the world, Graeco-Roman style. Alex. Aberg, holder of the world's title, was present to defend his honors against challengers, and took part in the shortest bout of the night, throwing Fritz Mohl, of Switzerland, in 53 seconds with a reverse hold.

In the first bouts of the first night of the tourney, Pierre le Colosse, the French champion, threw Karl Vogel, of Bavaria, in 3 minutes and 30 seconds, with a side roll and arm lock; Sulo Hevonpa, champion of Finland, won a fall from Peter Mehrtens, of Australia, in 7 minutes and 10 seconds; George Lurich, of Russia, and Georgies Handele, of Greece, wrestled for five minutes, Lurich getting the Greek's head in chancery and tossing him over his shoulders; John Tigan, champion of Mongolia, threw Giovannia Quarno, of Italy, in one minute with a body lock; Wm. Berner, champion of Germany, and Karl Pospisel, of Bavaria, wrestled for two periods of ten minutes each, the limit allowed, without either gaining a fall. The bouts will be continued tonight.

WILLIAM MILLER ISSUES CHALLENGE TO LANG

BERLIN, May 19.—A challenge has been sent to Hilliard Lang, of Toronto, by William Miller, to box for the welterweight championship of Canada.

Manager Burghardt is endeavoring to hold the bout the third week in June for a division of the gate receipts.

Miller is a home-brew and a splendid all-round athlete.

SAM McVEY BEAT WILLS IN TEN-ROUND BATTLE

NEW YORK, May 19.—Sam McVey, of California, defeated Harry Wills, of New Orleans, in a ten-round bout here tonight. McVey weighed 219 pounds and Wills 208. For heavyweights, the men fought hard and fast throughout. McVey took every round but the second. Wills took a count of nine seconds in the ninth round after receiving a left to the body and a left hook to the jaw.

LONDON LORNES PLAY AT AILSA CRAIG MAY 24

AILSA CRAIG, May 19.—Two games of baseball as scheduled to be played here on the 24th, between the London Lornes and the Ailsa Craig Stars. Games called at 2 and 4 o'clock. The Lornes are bringing a good team and the Stars are in good shape so that two good games are looked for.

NEWARK FEDERALS TAKE ANOTHER FROM REBELS

PITTSBURG, May 19.—The Newarks defeated Pittsburg here today 7 to 3. Moseley was strong in the pinches.

Score: R.H.E.
Newark .....0 0 2 0 0 1 3 0 0—7 10 0
Pittsburg .....0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 1—3 7 2
Batteries—Moseley and Rariden; Hearne, Barger and O'Connor.

OTTAWA BLANKED BY KNOTTY'S LEAFS

Shagmen Could Not Touch Kirley in Pinches.

PETERSON HIT FREELY

Guelph Club Outclassed Frank Shaughnessy's Men All Through the Pastime.

GUELPH, May 19.—Fully two thousand people were on hand to welcome the prodigal Canadian League team back to its own home and hearth, after it had wandered a year in Erie. The local fans had the satisfaction of seeing the home team romp off with the big end of the opener by four to a big round blank. There were plenty of fluffy-ruffles to mark the opening of the season. Mayor Mahoney heaved the first shoot across the rubber, while Controller Thompson, of Toronto, smote it into a regulation Texas leaguer. President McCaffrey, of Toronto, team was on the horizon for the opening together with other celebrities.

Knotty Lee picked on Kirley and Harkens for his battery, while Shaughnessy sent in Peterson and Lage to look after his interests. The locals had it on the Senators at every stage of the game and the Ottawa team will have to show miles more than it did today to be pennant winners this season. Harkins and Grieves are the pick of the Guelph crew, being about the best catcher and first baseman, respectively, that have ever played on the local grounds. Guelph got three runs in the fourth, when the Senators were aeroplaning and they picked up another in the next frame. It was clean fast ball for a starter and the crowd was satisfied.

The score:

OTTAWA.	A.B.	H.	O.	A.	E.	GUELPH.					
B'ck, 3	4	0	0	3	0	O'Brn, 2	3	1	1	3	0
Roney, r	4	1	0	0	0	Isac, 3	3	0	1	2	0
Shag, cf	4	2	1	0	0	Mrpy, s	3	0	3	2	0
Dolan, l	4	2	3	0	0	Crvs, l	4	1	14	0	0
Crlton, 1	4	0	1	0	0	Sulvn, 1	4	1	0	0	0
Sahal, 2	4	2	2	2	0	Drbk, rf	3	2	0	0	0
Kohl, ss	1	0	4	0	1	Hrkns, c	3	2	8	2	0
Lage, c.	2	0	7	2	0	Kirly, p	3	1	0	5	0
Prson, p	3	0	0	7	0						
1Kubat	0	0	0	0	0						
2Ross	1	0	0	0	0						
Totals	31	7	28	14	1	Totals	30	10	27	16	0

1Batted for Kohl in ninth.
2Batted for Lage in ninth.

By innings—		R.	H.	E.
Guelph	0 0 3 0 1 0 0 0 x	4	10	1
Ottawa	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0	7	1

Runs—Hughes, O'Brien, Isaac, Murphy. Two-base hit—O'Brien. Sacrifice hits—Lage, O'Brien. Stolen bases—Isaac. Bases on balls—Off Peterson 2, off Kirley 3. Struck out—By Peterson 5, by Kirley 7. Left on bases—Guelph 6, Ottawa 8. Wild pitch—Peterson. Passed ball—Harkins. Time—1:46. Umpire—Bedford.

Comiskey Cannot Induce C. Mack To Sell F. Baker

Chicago Club Owner Offered Big Price for Third Sacker But to No Avail.

CHICAGO, May 19.—Efforts of Charles A. Comiskey, owner of the Chicago Americans, to induce Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, to change his mind regarding selling "Home Run" Baker have proved futile, according to a story printed here today.

Mack is said to have repeated his statement that Baker would not be allowed to play with any other team but the Athletics.

Besides a big cash price, the Chicago team is said to have been willing to give a pitcher for the third-sacker.

MONTREAL OPENS SEASON BY LOSING TO NEWARK

Toronto Drops Another to Richmond While Rochester Beats Jersey City and Buffalo Wins From Providence.

MONTREAL, May 19.—After two postponements, Montreal and Newark finally opened the International League season here today and Montreal suffered a six to nothing shutout. The terrific batting indulged in by the Royals in the road games was entirely lacking today, two hits being all they could gather.

Newark .....0 0 0 5 0 1 0 0 0—6 8 0
Montreal .....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 2 0
Batteries—Chabek and Keckinger; Fullerton, Richter and Madden.

SKEETERS FOUGHT GAMELY.

ROCHESTER, May 19.—Rochester beat Jersey City today, 9 to 8. Rochester scored seven runs in the second inning, mainly through errors by the visitors, but the Skeeters played a wonderful uphill game and came within an ace of winning out, actually going ahead in the eighth. Rochester, however, scored two more in their half of the eighth and managed to shut out the Jerseys in the last frame.

Score: R.H.E.
Jersey City ...2 0 0 0 3 0 0 3 0—8 11 6
Rochester ....0 7 0 0 0 0 0 2 x—9 5 2
Batteries—Bruck, Sherman and Yelle; Hoff, Erickson and Erwin.

BISONS DEFEAT GREYS.

BUFFALO, May 19.—Buffalo won from Providence today, 9 to 5. The Bisons hit the ball hard and took advantage of the visitors' errors.

Score: R.H.E.
Providence ...1 0 0 1 3 0 0 0 0—5 5 3
Buffalo .....1 1 1 0 2 0 0 4 x—9 10 2
Batteries—Hooper, Bentley and Haley; Beebe and Lalonge.

A HABIT THE LEAFS HAVE.

TORONTO, May 19.—Richmond made it three straight from the Maple Leafs by winning today's game, 8 to 4. Morissette, while hit frequently, was steady in pinches.

Score: R.H.E.
Richmond ....1 0 1 0 3 0 1 0 2—8 10 1
Toronto .....1 0 0 0 1 2 0 0 0—4 10 1
Batteries—Morissette and Kritchell; Cook, Cocreham and Kocher.

NORTH WELLINGTON SCHEDULE.

HARRISTON, May 19.—The following schedule of games has been arranged in the North Wellington Baseball League:

Harriston at Mount Forest, June 3rd.
Palmerston at Clifford, June 4th.
Mount Forest at Palmerston, June 11th.
Clifford at Harriston, June 11th.
Clifford at Palmerston, June 15th.
Mount Forest at Harriston, June 18th.
Harriston at Clifford, June 22nd.
Palmerston at Mount Forest, June 25th.
Palmerston at Harriston, June 28th.
Mount Forest at Clifford, July 2nd.
Clifford at Mount Forest, July 9th.
Harriston at Palmerston, July 9th.

WAGHORN IS C.A.L.A. OFFICIAL.

SASKATOON, May 19.—F. C. Waghorn, of Toronto, has been appointed, and accepted, the secretary-treasurership of the Canadian Amateur Lacrosse Association. This information was given out this morning by President A. E. Haydon.

Horseracing In England Stops Until War Is Ended

Government Requests Jockey Club To Suspend All But Newmarket Meeting and Request Is Complied With — May Run Derby at Newmarket.

LONDON, May 19.—Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade, announced tonight that the Jockey Club had complied with a request by the Government to stop racing in Great Britain after this week for the duration of the war, except at Newmarket.

LONDON, May 19.—10:45 p.m.—The Government, through the board of trade, today requested the Jockey Club to suspend all racing meetings in Great Britain after this week for the duration of the war, with the exception of the Newmarket meet.

Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade, in a letter to the chief steward of the Jockey Club, states that the general feeling on both sides in the House of Commons is strongly against the continuance of race meetings, and that owing to the war it is necessary to keep "the whole of our British railway system free from congestion at any time for the rapid and unimpeded transit of troops for the war." An exception is made of the Newmarket meeting, because the town's industries are entirely dependent on racing.

That the Jockey Club will agree to the request is generaly regarded as a foregone conclusion, and it is thought probable that advantage will be taken of the Newmarket exception to run the Derby and some other classic races there.

SPEED EVENTS WILL FEATURE VICTORIA DAY AT SARNIA

Driving Club Has Secured a Large Number of Entries for Three Races—Baseball Game on Program Also.

SARNIA, May 19.—The annual Victoria Day celebration which will take place at Bay View Park, promises to eclipse all previous efforts of a similar occasion. Secretary Alex. Kelly and the other members of the club have scoured the country in search of entries for the speed events and have been very successful in their efforts, assembling at the park the largest number of horses ever gathered for a similar occasion. There are horses coming from Fort William and Port Arthur, Moose Jaw and the provinces of Manitoba and Prince Edward, and from such Ontario towns as Toronto, St. Thomas, London, Chatham, Stratford, Orillia and also from the American cities of Detroit, Flint, Monroe, Northville, Yale, Carsonville, Deckerville, Armade Goodells, Port Huron and Almonte.

Six hundred dollars has been offered for the following events:

2:50 class, trot or pace; purse $1.50. Half mile heats.

2:25 class trot or pace, purse $200. Mile heat.

Free-for-all class, purse $250. Mile heats.

John Lowrie, the well-known starter who has officiated here and at Port Huron several times will act ast starting judge. The Sarnia citizens band has been engaged and will be on hand to enliven the occasion. The training season has opened exceptionally early this year and all the horses are on keen edge.

Besides catering to harness horse enthusiasts, the management has also arranged for an entertaining feature for the baseball fans in a game between two strong teams from the Canadian League.

John Carmody, of Port Huron, will act as superintendent of speed and John O'Brien will furnish the programs.

GRINER PITCHED TO ONLY 27 BATTERS

St. Louis Twirler Performs Remarkable Feat.

PIRATES BLANK BRAVES

Jack Coombs Scores Third Straight Victory by Blanking Reds.

PHILADELPHIA, May 19. — Griner performed the remarkable feat in today's game in which St. Louis shut out Philadelphia, 3 to 0, of pitching to only twenty-seven batsmen in nine innings. Griner was touched up for only two singles and he did not give a pass, while he was given perfect support. In trying to reach second when Becker fanned in the first inning, Byrne was touched out by Butler, whose foot struck the runner on the head. Byrne suffered a slight concussion of the brain and Stock took his place. Score:

By innings— R.H.E.
St. Louis ... 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 1—3 6 0
Philadelphia . 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 2 5
Griner and Snyder; Chalmers and Killifer.

NEW YORK TAKES ODD GAME FROM CHICAGO

NEW YORK, May 19.—New York made it two out of three from Chicago today, winning the deciding game of the series by 5 to 1. The visitors hit Stroud, a New York youngster, hard. In the ninth inning Marquard went into the box and retired two Chicago batsmen with the bases full.

Score: R.H.E.
Chicago .....0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0—1 10 0
New York .....0 0 0 0 3 0 2 0 0 x—5 6 1
Batteries—Vaughn, Adams and Archer; Stroud, Marquard and Meyers.

COOMBS HAS NOT BEEN SCORED ON IN 2 GAMES

BROOKLYN, N. Y., May 19.—Jack Coombs won his third straight victory and scored his second successive shutout of the season today when he blanked Cincinnati, 2 to 0.

Score: R.H.E.
Cincinnati ....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 5 1
Brooklyn .....0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 x—2 9 1
Batteries—Ames and Clark; Coombs and Mullen.

MAUMAUX HELD BRAVES WITHOUT A COUNTER

BOSTON, May 19.—Mamaux held the Braves without a run today, while Pittsburg scored seven times off the delivery of Ragan in five innings. Crutcher, who took Ragan's place in the Boston box, did not allow a hit in the last four innings.

Score: R.H.E.
Boston .....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 6 1
Pittsburg .....3 0 0 0 4 0 0 0 0—7 10 0
Batteries—Ragan, Crutcher and Gowdy, Whaling; Mamaux and Gibson.

TY COBB RUNS WILD AND BEATS YANKEES

Detroit Star Steals Four Bases, Scoring Once.

JOE JACKSON ON FIRST

Cleveland Slugger Plays Initial Sack Against Boston—White Sox Win.

DETROIT, May 19.—Cobb's daring on the bases helped Detroit defeat New York