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START OF OLD ST. JOHN NATIONALS, FAMED IN BASEBALL YEARS AGO

Stories of Game in 70's and 80's—The First Professionals.

With the great revival of sport in St. John during the last few years, there is keen interest in performance of the past and comparing the achievements of the then leading exponents of athletics with those of the present generation.

In the year 1873 baseball was one of the chief pastimes and St. John could boast of six clubs, the Invincibles, the Mutuals, the St. Johns, Shamrocks, Athletes and Royals. The Shamrocks played with teams representing St. Croix, Fredericton and Bangor. In the year 1874 the same clubs were in existence and many exciting and interesting games were played. Sport records of those days show that the teams continued to fight for premier honors. In 1875 the personnel was as follows:

Mutuals—W. Snider, c.; H. P. Sand, all, p.; W. Hart, 1b.; W. Sprague, 2nd; J. Bennett, 3rd; W. O. Quigley, s.; J. Thomson, l.f.; A. O. Skinner, c.f.; C. F. Oliver, r.f.
Shamrocks—D. Costigan, c.; J. Keane, p.; T. Burke, 1st; J. Flynn, 2nd; J. Walsh, l.f.; M. H. Holand, c.f.; J. Mitchell, r.f.
Atlantics—H. Sands, c.; M. Higgins, p.; W. Larkin, 1st; M. Kelly, 2nd; J. Healy, 3rd; W. Hutchings, c.f.; G. Wilson, r.f.
Royals—P. W. Marsters, c.; C. Higgins, p.; W. Doherty, 1st; J. Turner, 2nd; H. R. McVie, 3rd; C. Crear, s.; W. Broad, c.f.; G. Warren, r.f.
Thistles—W. Walsh, c.; J. T. Toole, p.; J. Doody, 1st; W. Fleming, 2nd; W. Haylin, 3rd; J. O'Brien, s.; G. Wilson, l.f.; H. McFadden, c.f.; A. Craig, r.f.

Empires—H. Howe, c.; A. Hunter, p.; M. Kilgore, 1st; A. Barnes, 2nd; W. Gallagher, 3rd; S. Whittington, s.; J. Robin, l.f.; J. Black, c.f.; J. Griffin, r.f.

In those days there was no professional ball and there was little gate money, for those who did not care to pay the price of admission could easily get under or over the fence. There was no such thing as an out curve, inshoot, drop or spit ball then yet strike-outs were numerous. The latter had the privilege of asking for a high or low ball and was not obliged to strike at any that did not suit his fancy. The ball used was red—none was recently on exhibition in Emerson & Fisher's window in the city and somewhat resembled a cricket ball.

In 1874 the Shamrocks won the championship and they had the privilege of flying the flag during the season of 1875.

Original Nationals.

Following the big fire in 1877 there were no games until 1878, when the Nationals came into existence. The line-up of the original team was as follows—Baker, c.; Hill, 1st; J. Ward, 2nd; L. C. Hill, p. and r.f.; Thomas, c.f.; Dorman, l.f.; Rankin, 3rd; Willett, s.; Bell, 2nd. The other clubs were the St. Johns, Imperials of Carleton, Smashers, Acadians, and Shamrocks. The style of pitching was then changed and a twister was allowed to throw any ball if the delivery was below the hip. This was said to have been instrumental in making the game faster and more interesting.

That year the Imperials won the championship largely through their hitting ability. Tom Allan was their crack pitcher, and "Burr" Belyea was their catcher. The Nationals were a very popular team and the games between them and the Imperials drew large crowds. Thomas Bell came into the game about this time as a first sacker.

In 1884 the Shamrocks had a strong club and had an edge on their old rivals the Nationals. Dan Connolly, whose recent sudden death caused so much regret in baseball circles, was their leading pitcher, with Garrett Hennessy, their catcher.

Bring Bangor In.

In the year 1885 the Nationals invited the Queen City team of Bangor to come to this city and the games resulted in a win for the Maine team by a score of 17 to 5. It is worthy of note that in this contest one side had seventeen errors and the other twenty-eight. The visiting pitcher, named Riley, worked an out shoot very effectively, and as far as the records go it appears to have been the first time a shoot was ever used in a game in this city. In succeeding years the Nationals were joined by men whose names are still familiar to older fans: Sam Milligan, Frank White, Manny Robin-

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BASEBALL

American League.

New York, 5; St. Louis, 4.
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Batteries—Bush and Hoffman; Van Gilder, Shocker and Severed.
Washington, 6; Chicago, 4.

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Chicago, 10; Boston, 4.
Batteries—Johnson, Zachary and Ruel; Levereite, Blankenship and Graham.
Philadelphia, 7; Detroit, 6.

Philadelphia, 12; Boston, 10.
St. Louis, 10; Boston, 4.
Batteries—Rommell, Harris and Perkins; Pilette, Cole, Holloway and Francis.
Only three games scheduled.

American League Standing.

Team	Won	Lost	P.C.
New York	72	31	.691
Cleveland	61	51	.545
Detroit	61	52	.539
Philadelphia	54	53	.508
Washington	51	57	.472
Chicago	51	58	.468
Philadelphia	47	62	.431
Boston	43	62	.409

National League.

St. Louis, 8; Brooklyn, 5.
St. Louis, 10; Boston, 4.
Brooklyn, 10; Boston, 4.
Batteries—Sherrill and Ainsmith; McCurdy; Vance and DeBerry.
Cincinnati, 6; New York, 4.

National League Standing.

Team	Won	Lost	P.C.
Cincinnati	60	22	.636
New York	52	30	.636
Batteries—Donohue and Hargrave; Bentley, Ryan and Gowdy; Snyder.			
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National League Standing.

Team	Won	Lost	P.C.
New York	73	41	.641
Cincinnati	65	46	.586
Pittsburgh	61	52	.540
Chicago	61	52	.540
Brooklyn	57	55	.509
St. Louis	56	56	.500
Philadelphia	38	73	.342
Boston	32	77	.294

International League.

Jersey City, 4; Buffalo, 0.
At Jersey City, 4; Buffalo, 0.
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International League Standing.

Team	Won	Lost	P.C.
At Reading	10	3	.769
Rochester	10	3	.769
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Batteries—Beall and Lake; Sime wood, Lambie, Lippe, Hummer and Lynn, Julian.			
Postponed: Syracuse-Baltimore.			

International League Standing.

Team	Won	Lost	P.C.
Baltimore	75	43	.636
Rochester	74	49	.602
Buffalo	63	61	.508
Toronto	63	61	.508
Reading	62	61	.504
Syracuse	54	69	.439
Jersey City	51	72	.413
Newark	47	78	.379

International League Standing.

Team	Won	Lost	P.C.
St. John B.	16	1	.938
Low, 2b.	8	2	.800
Mooney, 3b.	2	0	1.000
Moran, c.	2	0	1.000
Dalton, p.	3	2	.600
Butler, c.f.	3	1	.750
Lahey, 1b.	2	0	1.000
McLaney, s.	1	0	1.000
Doherty, l.f.	2	0	1.000
McCluskey, r.f.	1	0	1.000

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SOCK HIM, BIG BOY!



If that big brute tries a bayonet he'll hit nothing but the air. He and his opponent are blindfolded. It's a great sport—for the spectator. These Tommies are members of the London Air Defense brigades.

With The Juniors.

The Richmond street Lions shut out the Prince Edward street Vets in a game of ball on the Rockwood Park diamond last night. The score was 20 to 0. The batteries were: for the winners, Lennihan, Stephen and Scott; for the losers, McEachern and A. Cooper.

The Long Wharf Eagles defeated the Resolutes in a game of ball on the Long Wharf diamond last night. The score was 7 to 6 in favor of the Eagles. A feature of the game was two home runs by Briggs. The batteries were: for the winners, McNulty and Phillips; for the losers, Patterson and Richards.

A snappy game of ball was played last night on the Canterbury street diamond between the Bluejays and the German street Stars. The score was 8 to 4 in favor of the Bluejays. A feature of the game was a home run hit by Costigan. The batteries were: for the winners, Costigan, McKinnon, Gallagher and Peters; for the losers, McKinnon, Lewis, Pestman and Scribner.

In the City Junior League game played on the Rockwood Park diamond last night the Rocklands defeated the Y. M. C. team by a score of 18 to 7.

Rothschilds vs. Fair Vale.

The Fair Vale and Rothschilds teams will settle the question of the ownership for 1923 of the Ellis Cup this afternoon on the Rothschilds diamond. This was decided on yesterday afternoon. The game will start at sharp 8 o'clock. "Bob" Atcheson and J. McCallister will be the umpires. The trophy will be presented to the winners as soon as the game is over. A big crowd is expected.

St. Stephen Defeats Milltown. In the St. Croix League last evening the St. Stephen team defeated the Milltown team by a score of 3 to 2. Shields and Vanstone formed the battery for the winners, and Nolan, formerly of the Quincey team in the Two League, and Dolan for the losers.

Trojans and St. Rose's Win.

The Trojans downed the St. George team on the Queen Square diamond last evening by a score of 6 to 0, Kerr being in form and holding the west side game and two were drafted from the crowd.

The St. Rose's chucked up their fifteenth win of the season by downing the Garrison team by a score of 7 to 1, on the Nashua Park diamond last night. The champions, with "Bunker" Murphy on the mound were in fine form. Niles pitched for the losers, Logan Leitch.

TENNIS.

Suburban League Tournament. In the Suburban Tennis League, a tournament will be held between Westfield and Pandemic. In the C. N. R. section a postponed game is billed between Drury Cove and Renforth.

Wins Free-For-All.

Roy Volo won the free-for-all, the feature event, at Chatham yesterday.

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Dance Tonight

At Clubhouse

Free-for-All.

Roy Volo, Lint, Fredericton, 2 1 1
High Knob Beauty, S. E. 1 1 1
Rice, St. John, N. B. 1 2 4
Bird Hal, Wm. Hood, Sydney, N. S. 5 5 2
Maxavoy, H. J. Fulton, Upper Sackville, 3 3 5
Jean Bingen, F. Adams, Halifax, 4 4 8
Time—2:12, 2:12, 2:14, 2:15.

Established Track Record.

Jennie H. established a new track record in Danforth, Me., yesterday by negotiating the mile in 2:11. In addition to this the St. Stephen horse won the free-for-all in straight heats.

Grand Circuit Meet.

In the grand circuit meet in Toledo yesterday three events were run off. The 207 trot was won by St. Roberts, two out of three heats, best time 2:05. The 212 trot went to Count Bugle, two out of three heats, best time 2:08. The 214 pace was captured by Raven Direct's Heir, two out of three heats, best time 2:05.

GOLF.

Ladies Championship.

The ladies members of the Riverside Golf and Country Club who are to play in the ladies' Maritime championship at Charlottetown, left yesterday by automobile, taking with them a complete camping outfit and intending to derive much pleasure from camping out on their trip. The members of the party were Miss Isabel Thomson, Miss Bessie Dawson, Miss

Driving Out The "Jazz".

(London Daily Mail.)
"Jazz" music is dying—and there will be no mourners.
Instead of being bludgeoned into dancing by the strident orders of the band, dancers are to be lured almost irresistibly to the ball-room floor by the soft pulsing of muffled melody.

London is succumbing to the enchantment of the "Blues," those haunting melodies born of the Southern States and rendered wonderfully by the new technique of playing.
In the opinion of P. J. S. Richardson, the editor of the Dancing Times, it is likely that out of 20 fox-trots at a dance in the coming winter 5 or 6 will be "Blues." He said:
"Blues" are played slower than a fox-trot. While a fox-trot is played at 48 bars to the minute, "Blues" are played at 35.
Only a good dancer can dance the old fox-trot to the "Blues." Consequently a new method of dancing the fox-trot with simplified steps—a modified fox-trot—is being introduced.

The new style of playing is more melodious than the old "jazz" and much easier to dance to. It does not make you so tired mentally as the "jazz" music.
The new music is a joy to the diner-out. Instead of the orchestra putting the "din" into "dinner," it is adding romance even to a boiled turbot.

Frank Meilke Is Golf Champion.

Frank Meilke of the Brightwood Club of Dartmouth, N. S. won the Maritime championship in Moncton yesterday by defeating his brother Gerald, former title holder, by one up at the end of the thirty-sixth hole. The match was all square at the thirty-fourth, but Frank won the thirty-fifth and halved the last. In the morning Frank Meilke played 74 to the champion's 77, and in the afternoon the new champion turned in a card of 74 while his brother had a 72.

The final in the first consolation was won by C. F. Gilmore, Moncton, who won from C. W. Robinson, Moncton, 2 and 8. In the second consolation Gerald Lawson, Yarmouth, won from A. Pierce Paterson, St. John, 4 and 2. The third consolation was won by W. K. Rogers, Charlottetown, Professor West, Sackville, being runner-up. The team prize was won by the Brightwood Club, Dartmouth. In the professional match Quessel, of the Brightwood Club, was first with 181, Nearys, Woodstock, second, 186, Lingard, St. John third, 188.