

SPORTS OF THE DAY Edited by J. D. BLACK

Capitals Landed First of Starr Trophy Games

Amherst Ramblers Outplayed by New Brunswick's Champions In One of the Best Games Seen Here This Year—Capitals Were Off in Their Shooting Only But That Kept Score Down to 6 to 2—Lots of Hard Checking But Play Was Fairly Clean—Jimmie Musick Put Up Best Hockey Ever Seen Here—Teams Play Again on Friday Night.

Fredericton hockey fans got their first peek last night at hockey of the Starr Trophy variety and they seemed to like it.

Notwithstanding the fact that hockey was said to be dead in Fredericton—so much so that it would never recover—upwards of 100 people last evening witnessed the Capitals with the first leg of the series for the Starr Trophy. The Capitals defended their right to be called the Maritime champions in great shape and emerged winners by the score of 6 to 2.

Capitals Off in Their Shooting

Notwithstanding the fact that the Capitals outplayed their opponents, the Amherst Ramblers, and had them outclassed the game was interesting up to within about half way through the second half. This was due to the fact that the Capitals forward line was away off on shooting up to that time. Change after change to score they lost through their wild shooting, and in fact in that particular in the early stages of the game they showed more form than ever before this season.

Time after time scores for the Capitals seemed likely and were lost by poor shooting by the forward line, while a number of the easiest kinds of goals were lost among the number of changes. The poor shooting coupled with the mighty defence game put up by the Ramblers was what kept the game running along evenly until towards the end.

Things therefore worked out very nicely and the people saw exciting hockey as a result for the score was seen saving up and down and some of the time was even.

Faster in Second Half

In the last half the Capitals got going at their right and left and started in to find the net with their usual regularity. Then it was lightning hockey and the best exhibition of the game that the fans of this city have had to witness this winter.

The game as a whole was not characterized by any dirty hockey or really rough work, although the checking was hard and at times it bordered on what would have to be described as farious.

Frank Staples in Midst of Checking

One of the principal factors in the checking was Frank Staples, a Fredericton boy and one of the players of the old Fredericton Hockey Club. Frank came here as spare man with the Ramblers and when Long Stuart got a poke in the wind in the first half Capt. Twaddle of the Nova Scotia champions sent for his reserves and selected Staples. All the while Capt. Twaddle was both frightened and hurt and so much of the former that he was glad to quit the game. "Inlin" continued his appearance before his fellow citizens, he used his knee check on Jimmie Musick before his departure, and this brought to a conclusion one of the star players of the Capitals.

Apparently lamb like players soon got busy and checked hard, jabbed their opponents with their sticks and continued a complaint.

Frank Staples, however, checked clean about all of the time and one of the really dirty tricks seen was when Chisholm slammed at Murphy's head with his stick while the latter was skating away but fortunately did not hit him. The referee did not see this exchange and it is doubtful if more than a few spectators noticed the incident as play was away off.

"Bush" Smith Was Referee

The game was in many respects a fast one and very interesting to watch. What rough play there was did not get down to anything near brutal and the players all seemed to be of their good behavior. "Bush" Smith, of Windsor, was the referee and he officiated under adverse circumstances. The previous night he officiated in Halifax and he had travelled all that distance in the train and was too tired to do himself justice. However, he held the game well in hand and, if he did skip some off sides or missed some offences where men should have been penalized, that is now forgotten and under more favorable conditions he will do even better in Friday night's game, when he will have a chance to get rested.

Superiority of N. B. H. L. Hockey

The game clearly showed the superiority of the class of hockey being played in the New Brunswick League this season compared with that played in Nova Scotia, which seemed apparent after the Capitals game in Halifax last Saturday night with the "Chasseurs," the runners up of the Nova Scotia League.

On the forward line and on the defence the Capitals were far and away superior to the Amherst Ramblers and they did not put up anything like the game that the Moncton Victorias have shown.

Musick the Star of Them All

The best player on the ice on the form displayed last night was Jimmie Musick, the sturdy point of the Capitals.

Time and time again he carried the puck up the entire length of the rink, through the whole of the opposing team, wiggling in and out among players and sticks and circling around the Ramblers' heavy checkers. They could not apparently get at him to stop him and his work was easily the feature of the game besides his rushing.

He checked well and made a lot of fine stops of rushes and shots by his opponents. Musick was pretty much discouraged by the poor results from his rushes. Time after time he carried the puck up the rink and shot it out in front of his opponents' goal only to have one of his fellow players lose the disc or shoot it up against the end of the rink.

White Stopped Many Shots

Next to Musick's fine work the most noticeable player was White, the Ramblers' goal tender. He may have had horse shoes dangling from all sides and carried a rabbit foot but he was certainly kicking out all kinds of shots and in all kinds of ways.

Many of them seemed to be stops of a lucky variety and which he did not expect to make but to him must go a large amount of the credit for keeping down the score.

Capitals Without Williams

Of the other members of the Capitals Stuart and Murphy showed up the best of the forward line for their scoring ability and seemed to play the most energetic game. The loss of Jimmie Musick from the forward line caused somewhat of a disorganization of the combination but considering the chances and experience that he has had Frank Hughes did very well, although he did use his generous portion of avoidouts to better advantage. He would have been more valuable. Dunphy showed some wonderfully fast outbursts of speed.

On the defence Jack D. Macdonald played a fine brand of hockey. Jack D. used his head all the time when in a game and plays the brainiest hockey seen in this city. He was right and had his shots right on the net, showed lots of energy, rushed well and broke up his opponents' rushes in fine style.

Twaddle and Murray the Pick of Ramblers

The stars of the Ramblers' forward line were Twaddle and Murray, the former for his fine stick handling and the latter for his speed and scoring ability. These two men are veterans and their knowledge of the game stands them in good stead. Frank Staples was the most valuable man of the defence.

The game was later on starting owing to the non-arrival of the referee until the evening train and the difficulty in getting the two clubs to decide on goal judges—in fact it was about 9 o'clock when the game commenced.

In the meantime there had been some excitement about the entry caused by persons trying to gain admittance in coupons presented to them by the rink management after the 10 o'clock "Prohibition" meeting. A squad of four policemen were on duty at the entrance and there was therefore but little trouble.

In the rink a crowd of upwards of 100 people gathered to witness the game and all seemed well satisfied with the exhibition.

How the Play Looked

Soon after the start of the game Jimmie Musick made his first end to end rush and a moment later Stone-

wall Morrison had his first stop to make on Simpson's shot after a good rush. On Musick's next end to end rush his pass out to centre was intercepted. The next trip up Musick shot himself but did not locate the net, having taken the puck when Morrison made a grand stop off Twaddle. Then the Capitals lost a chance through Murphy tripping when about to shoot from right in front of the Ramblers' net. Then Chisholm Murray got off for a fine rush but Stonewall got his shot and a moment later Macdonald landed a long shot in the Ramblers' net and the crowd cheered.

Capitals 1; Ramblers 0

Following this the Capitals made lots of rushes on the Ramblers' net but White stopped shots from Musick and Hughes while Dunphy lost a couple of good chances to score on passes from Musick on by shooting wide and losing the puck at the Ramblers' net.

Dunphy Introduces Lacrosse

Dunphy then lived things up somewhat by trying lacrosse. He got the puck on the blade of his stick and started for the Ramblers' net like a race horse but unfortunately the disc proved as elusive as ever and fell from his stick.

Chisholm and Macdonald came together and the former lay down on the ice and Jack D. got a 3 minutes rest.

Frank Staples Called On

Then Curry retired and did not come back. The pace is said to have been too fast for him and he probably is happy to be out of it. Curry has a grand shot but did not seem to have anything else, although he is a great big fellow.

When Curry Staples came on for the Ramblers he got the glad hand and when he started his knee check on Musick the hard checking and rough work commenced.

Less than 2 minutes before time was up Simpson got away for a fine rush and Stonewall although able to get his shot could not clear in time and Curry was right and was right on deck carried the rubber into the net.

Capitals 1; Ramblers 1

Chisholm and Macdonald came on for the Capitals and just before the bell rang for time out Mr. Murphy gave Peanut Simpson a jab with the butt of his stick and was given a 2 minutes penalty.

The Second Half

The second half started with Murphy still off the ice and when the Capitals took the puck up to the Ramblers' net Hughes shot wide on Dunphy's good pass. Then play went back to the Capitals' territory where Dunphy got away on one of the fastest rushes of the evening. While however got his shot but Stuart copped the rebound and slammed it into the net.

When play got going again Murphy and Staples mixed things pretty lively and were cautioned. The Capitals supporters got anxious when they saw a mix up at the home team's net but Stuart emerged from the scuffle with the puck and that relieved the situation. Murphy checked Twaddle very hard and the two of them were right together and when Staples and Dunphy started to mix it up they both got a 3 minutes rest.

Stuart Got Generous

With Dunphy off the ice Stuart went over to the wing, instead of remaining at centre, and then foolishly passed the puck out to centre ice where he should have been himself and where Murray was waiting for it. Macdonald was over on the wing to get the puck which Stuart had taken from him and when Murray got off on one of his lightning rushes a score resulted.

Capitals 2; Ramblers 2

Scores Came Faster

One minute later after some fast playing there was a mix up near the Ramblers' net and Stuart slammed the puck into the net for a corner.

After one of Musick's fine rushes Dunphy took a couple of shots which did not land and then there followed a face off at the side after which the puck shot across the ice to Murphy who slammed it into the net.

Capitals 4; Ramblers 2

After another series of rushes the Capitals forward line got in a nice combination run which was followed by Stuart slamming the puck into the net for another corner.

Capitals 5; Ramblers 2

On resuming there were several exciting rushes and then the Capitals' forwards got away with another fine combination run after which Murphy shot wide of the net. A mix-up in front of the Ramblers' net followed and Murphy slammed the disc into the net.

Capitals 6; Ramblers 2

This concluded the scoring as the Capitals let up and the last five minutes of the game was slow.

The Teams

Teams lined up as follows:—
Capitals Goal. Ramblers Morrison White

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Point

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Macdonald Curran

Dunphy Twaddle

Stuart Murray

Murphy Right Wing

Hughes Left Wing

Chisholm Simpson

The Officials

Referee—Bush Smith, Windsor, N. S.

Goal Judges—Frank Staples, Amherst, and Bruce McFarlane, Fredericton.

Timers—Fred Macdonald, Amherst, and George Parker, Fredericton.

Penalty Timer—C. H. Allen, president of N. B. H. L.

The Scoring

The scoring was done as follows:

First Half.

1—Macdonald, Capitals . . . 7.45 min.

2—Murray, Ramblers . . . 28.30 min.

Second Half.

3—Stuart, Capitals 1.15 min.

4—Murray, Ramblers 10 min.

5—Stuart, Capitals 11 min.

6—Murphy, Capitals 20 min.

7—Stuart, Capitals 22 min.

8—Murphy, Capitals 25 min.

The Penalties

The penalties were:

Macdonald, trip, 3 minutes.

Murphy, jabbing, 3 minutes.

Staples, mixing, 3 minutes.

Dunphy, mixing, 3 minutes.

PUCKERINGS

The Starr Trophy's address is Fredericton.

Bob Lowe, the great Sydney fan, is coming over to see us.

The Capitals outclassed the Ramblers as a team.

At Charlottetown last night the champion Victorias, blanketed the Sydney Hockey team.

Dunphy during a delay shot the puck and it hit a boy, sinking the wire netting into his face.

Even George Stuart has learned the foot and knee trip. He caught Twaddle nicely once and the big fellow went down.

Mike Murphy's hard checking was one of the big factors last night. A hockey checker wears an opponent down quickly.

Jack Twaddle takes a whole lot of punishment and shows no disposition to "get back" at his opponents. He is always playing the game.

Owing to the similarity of the club's uniforms the Capitals wore U. S. H. sweaters and stockings. The red and black goods were found to be a trifle too heavy.

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GRIT REWARDS FOR CORRUPTION

How the Present Administrators at Ottawa Reward Their Faithful Henchmen.

(Calgary Capital.)

The giving of reward for services that no honest man would perform has long been one of the distinguished features of the Laurier administration.

The Liberal press prate of the great moral courage of the premier in dismissing from office any crown officers or party workers who have been found guilty of questionable conduct, but the half is not told. A discreet silence is preserved as to the providing, and even invention of offices for those who have debased their manhood by deliberately wallowing in the mire of corruption in behalf of their masters at Ottawa.

The man who was the arch operator of the "thin red line" election lists' scandal in Manitoba has, not once more in the public eye of Saskatchewan, by reason of his appointment as government agent at Regina in connection with the distribution of seed grain.

Well might Hon. Geo. E. Foster refer him as "that fellow," when his name was mentioned as the choice of the administration for the Regina post. Supporters of Sir Wilfrid Laurier have proclaimed that their beloved leader rarely or never fails to punish those servants of the government, who have brought disgrace on the public life of the country, but developments would seem to show that the punishment is not only novel, but profitable and agreeable as well.

W. T. R. Preston, the gentleman who has a pronounced weakness for embracing the machine, and whose odious record is generally known, is living luxuriously as a paid official of the government, and there is little likelihood that when he draws his salary he feels a twinge of conscience. Jackson, the man who knows something of perjury, has been suitably rewarded, and Moberly, whose capacity as a ballot box stuffer is undisputed, is not perplexed by the livelihood problem, and Nixon, who flourished at Macleod, Alberta, has not had his talents as a corrupt legislator, Wagner, whose specialty was defrauding foreign and gullible immigrants, was sent to prison. It is true, but since his liberation the government saw fit to provide him with a lucrative position.

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PANAMA CANAL WILL BE USELESS

Will Never Meet Expenses, Says John E. Stevens, Former Chief Engineer of the Ditch.

New Haven, Conn., March 11.—

John E. Stevens, a vice president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, and a former chief engineer of the Panama Canal, has issued a statement regarding the waterway in which he prophesies its failure. Mr. Stevens says that the canal will not help the United States in its trade with South America, as practically all of the inhabitants of the southern continent are east of the Andes.

Mr. Stevens also says that in the commercial relations of the United States with the islands of the Pacific and the Far East the canal will be of little value. The coal and wheat centres of the United States are inland. Their products have to be started on their way by rail. When once loaded on cars it would be no cheaper to ship to the Atlantic and then ship to the east by way of the canal than it would be to ship directly to the countries on the east and then get on board ship.

Furthermore, Mr. Stevens believes that the coal supply the United States is fast diminishing, and that China will be the coal country of the future, Siberia, he says, will be the wheat country of the future, with India a close second.

The Panama Canal cannot hope to become anything other than an expense, according to Mr. Stevens. It will not meet expenses, and it will cost more than is expected. It will be an advantage to European countries and not to the United States. The date of the finishing of the canal he fixes as January, 1915.

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