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well set. In the early days of the club L. J. Fuller and Kaiser did most of the bowling, assisted by Kenny and Henry. As the years have rolled on the bowling has been taken up in turn by Cochrane, W. Thompson, who for a few years was remarkably successful, G. A. Taylor, Duffus, Allison, Armand, Cabalane, Leigh and Reed.

During all the years above referred to the army and navy were as enthusiastic on their side as were the civilians on theirs. Scores of names could be mentioned of those who when stationed in Halifax, were celebrities with the bat or ball, more especially do we recall those of Capt. Wallace, Major Northey, the Hon. Keith Turnour and Captain Cummings of the army, and of Lieuts. Hodder and Login of the navy who will long be remembered in Halifax as among the ablest exponents of the game. In more recent years Newnham, Munro, Mane, Douglas and Rawson were opponents to be feared, while the present garrison team, with Bengough, Stockwell, Babington, Drew and Hughes can give a very good account of itself.

Cricket has not been much played in New Brunswick, outside of Fredericton, St. John and Moncton, but ever since the fifties the two former cities have had re-

doubtable clubs, fortune from time to time giving the palm to one or other. In the thirties the late Hon. J. A. Beckwith organized a club to play the local regiments, being assisted in his task by Miller and Smiler. It would seem that from that time the capital of the province was rarely without a club though the doings are not recorded. In the year 1852 an old lover of the game, Robert Edgar, who had played in Hampshire for his county, conceived the idea of putting new life into the club in Fredericton. It is said that the eleven he got together manufactured their own material, for in the days of sailing ships an order sent one season to England was not filled till the next. Edgar, who was captain, with Ward, Winslow, Gough, Needham, Ackerly, Cameron and Spencer, played their first match against an eleven of the Rifle Brigade, under Col. Eales, on the old Biggs green, on King Street, and defeated them. After four years of steady work the club turned out a team which had arrived at a considerable degree of perfection. The captaincy in 1856 had fallen to J. A. Beckwith, in which year he defeated St. John and made in that match a brilliant stand with Maxwell, the two together putting on 90 runs for the 6th wicket, of which 90 Beckwith's share was 50. The other players in that match were Tobin, who was wicket keeper) in which position he excelled), Seaward, Taylor, Bland, McBeath, Briggs, Bryson, Matthews and Elliott. The Hon. J. A.



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