

Base Ball.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME.

THE HARRISTON BROWNS CHICAGOED.

The first game of base ball for the Amateur Championship of Canada was played at Guelph on the 14th June, between the Maple Leafs of that city, and the Browns of Harriston. The weather was all that could be desired, no hot blazing sun to pour down on the players as is generally the case. Thus, together with the fact that a great deal of interest had been taken in ball playing since the Amateur Association was formed, and that Harriston had a strong team and would make a desperate struggle to retain the championship, accounted for the large number of spectators. Before play was started the Secretary of the Maple Leafs entered a protest with the President of the Association against the Browns competing for the Championship on the ground that there were paid players in the team.

The game opened at 3 o'clock with the Leafs at the bat, and Mr. Jeffers, of the Toronto Clippers, in the umpire's position.

In the first two innings neither side scored a run, but on the third inning Guelph scored one. No runs were made then till the fifth, when Guelph added one, and put on another in the sixth inning; Harriston, in the meantime, failing to score. In the ninth Guelph scored one more, making a total of 1 run, while Harriston failed to score throughout.

The contest was a close one, and the game was marked by sharp and steady play, the pitching and catching being exceptionally good. The Browns made two or three good hits but some bad errors which cost them dearly.

This was one of the finest games of ball ever played in Guelph, and it is pleasant to state that not a murmur was heard from either club. The Maple Leafs are now the Champions of Canada and holders of the new pennant.

The following is the score:

MAPLE LEAFS.					BROWNS.						
	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.		R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Hunter, c...	0	3	18	1	1	Stapleton, 1b...	0	0	1	1	1
Belcker, rf...	0	0	0	1	0	Lavin, ss...	0	1	1	0	1
Smith, lf...	1	0	0	1	0	Thompson, c...	2	9	3	5	
Tyson, of...	0	1	0	0	0	H Paulin, 1b...	0	10	0	3	
Hewer, ss...	0	0	0	1	1	Emslie, p...	0	1	12	2	
Maddock, 2b...	2	1	2	0	0	A Paulin, 2b...	0	0	4	1	
Watkins, 3b...	0	3	0	1	0	Robertson, 1b...	2	0	1	0	
Atkinson, 1b...	2	1	4	0	0	Wilcock, 3b...	0	2	2	2	
Dyson, p...	1	2	0	15	5	Johnson, cf...	0	1	0	0	1
	1	9	27	21	9		0	6	27	20	17
Maple Leafs				0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1—1
Browns				0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0

LOYALIST V. ST. JOHN—Quite an exciting game was played on the barrack square, St. John's, N. B., recently, between these clubs, which resulted in the first defeat for the St. Johns. The playing was remarkably good. The Loyalists went to the bat first, S. Woods acting as umpire. The score follows:

LOYALIST.					ST. JOHN.				
R.	PO.	A.	E.		R.	PO.	A.	E.	
Purdy, p...	2	4	4	0	Masters, 2b...	3	2	2	2
Hennessy, c...	2	1	4	2	Thompson, 3b...	3	3	4	0
Fleming, 2b...	1	4	2	2	Tole, p...	2	2	3	0
Whittaker, 1b...	1	3	3	0	Snider, s...	0	4	2	3
Seeley, cf...	2	3	2	0	McNamee, lf...	0	1	2	3
Burbon, ss...	2	1	3	1	Barber, rf...	1	1	1	2
Fales, 3b...	2	2	2	2	Doherty, 1b...	2	1	2	0
Skinner, rf...	0	4	1	3	Flood, cf...	1	4	2	5
Olivo, lf...	1	4	3	2	Turner, c...	3	2	2	2
	16	27	24	15		15	27	20	17

DIAMOND SPARKS.

Geer did not join the Cincinnati as expected.

Honck, of the Bostons, has signed to play with Providence.

In the League games Jones, of the Bostons, has the lead at the bat.

The Mutuals, of Galt, and the Actives, of Woodstock, play at Woodstock on Dominion Day.

Mitchell, the well-known left-hand pitcher, has signed with the new Rochester team.

R. F. Parry, formerly in the old New York club and a veteran ball player, is dead.

Pulmer, late captain of the Albanys, has resigned, and Tobin has been substituted.

Nicholls, ex pitcher of the Worcesters, is tending bar in Worcester.

Guelph High School defeated the Agricultural College nine by a score of 18 to 16.

Honck has been released by Boston and Dignon, late of the Nationals of Washington, takes his place.

Leary, of the Bay City Club, San Francisco, is suspended for one year for his second indisposition.

The Alliance, of Stratford, defeated the Mutuals, of St. Mary's, for the championship of Perth by a score of 17 to 6.

The Tecumsehs defeated the Wellingtons for the junior championship of Toronto on Saturday by a score of 6 to 3.

The Atlantics and Victorias, both Ottawa clubs, played a game there on Saturday, resulting in a victory for the Victorias. Score, 18 to 6.

The death of Abrams leaves only three of the original Haymakers above the sod, viz.: Steve King, Craver, and Penfield.

McCormick, pitcher of the Albanys, has left that club, and Lawkes, an amateur, has been engaged to fill his place.

Clippers of Toronto have challenged Maple Leaf of Guelph for championship, to play at Guelph on July 1.

The only Nolan and his catcher, Kelly, and Andy Piercy are about to unite their fortunes with McVey's Bay City Club, of San Francisco.

Richmond, the celebrated pitcher of the Worcesters will be a member of Harvard Medical School next season.

It is said Say, short stop of the Albanys, has had an offer from Providence and has been playing poorly to get his release.

The Maple Leafs of Guelph, and the Mutuals played a game of base ball in Galt last week, which resulted in favor of the visitors. Score, 7 to 6.

Base ball is coming to light again in Kingston, as the Kingston B. B. C. have challenged the Unions of the same place to play a match there on Dominion Day.

The match played at Ingersoll on June 11 between the Woodstock and Ingersoll High School clubs, resulted in favor of the latter by 11 to 2.

President Evans, of the Cleveclands, came near being a passenger on the ill-fated Narragansett, but by a purely accidental circumstance left New York that night by rail, although intending to go by steamer.

The Clippers are practising on the Cricket Ground and have one of the finest amateur teams in Canada. They hope before long to give a good account of themselves, and are now negotiating for matches. The Clipper club is a member of the Association and will play for the champion pennant.

Reilly, the 1st baseman of the Cincinnati, who was on the Narragansett and supposed to have been lost is all right. He was on board the ill-fated steamer at the time of the accident, but jumped into the water, was picked up two hours after and taken to New York not much the worse.

The Standards of Hamilton, and the Nailfeeders of Buffalo, played a game on Dundurn Grounds last week, which resulted in a victory of the Standards. Score, 19 to 7. Why don't the Standards join the Association and help to promote the game in Canada?

As Richmond, the pitcher of the Worcesters, is compelled to attend the graduating class at Brown University on the day that the Worcesters play Chicago at Worcester, and as he will not be able to get through in time to catch the regular train, 11:30 a. m., Manager Bancroft has chartered a special engine which will leave Providence at 2 p. m., and get Richmond to Worcester, a forty-five miles run, in time to face the big hitters.

The most wonderful game of base ball on record was that played between the Cleveclands and Worcesters last week. The Worcesters played without an error; retired their opponents in one, two, three order, not a man reaching first base or even making a base hit. Only two balls were driven to the outfielders, one caught on the fly, and the other a ground hit fielded from right field into first base, cutting the runner off. Only twenty-seven of Clevecland went to bat in nine innings. The Worcesters secured their only run in the fifth inning on an error of Dunlap, who was credited with the only two errors made in the game, which was played in one hour and twenty-six minutes.

Chess.

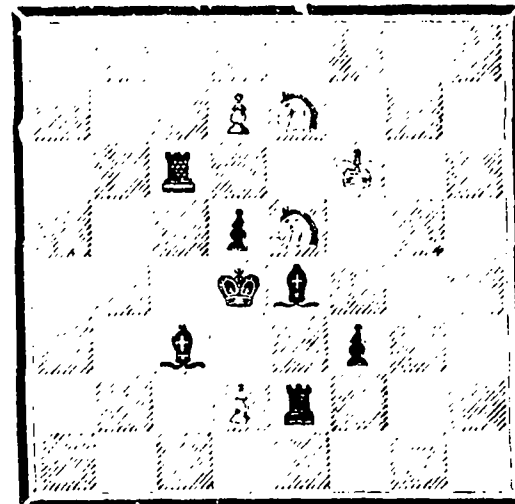
The Editor of this column will be glad to receive contributions of games and problems by Canadian players, and any other items of chess interest.

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Problem No. 6.

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BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM No. 1.

1—Kt to Q B 6. 2—Kt or R mates.

ZUKERTORT-ROSENTHAL.

The score of this match now stands: Zukertort, 4; Rosenthal, 1; Drawn, 8.

The proposed match between Captain Mackenzie and Mr. Max Judd has been postponed for the summer.

Great preparations are being made in Syracuse N. Y., for the coming meeting of the Western New York and Northern Pennsylvania Chess Association, which is to convene in that city on the 21st of June for a six days' session. Several noted players have been invited, and Captain Mackenzie will be present during the latter part of the meeting.

Another London correspondent says of the late Mr. Howard Staunton: "As a clubbish he was excellent in nearly every respect. He never tramped about the room, nor unduly raised his voice; never sat by the side of any member to whom he knew his presence would not be welcome. He was a perfect looker on; never interfered in a game during its progress; never flaunted his superior knowledge before the public, nor touted for the suffrages of the gallery; never unfolded a banner with a list of his victories emblazoned upon it, and, had he been in committee what he was in the general club room, no more delightful companion could anywhere have been found. This opinion of him I have formed upon personal observation of his conduct, and from close study, throughout many years, of his character. Ambitious pettifoggers traduced him while he was alive, and have sought to blacken his memory since his death, but he will ever be remembered as the greatest chess-player for years of his day, and the most vigorous and entertaining of chess writers. During the period I knew him he seldom—indeed, as well as I remember, only once—played without giving odds; and no matter what was the result of the game, he never excited nor complained. His defeat by Anderssen in 1851 is not to be wondered at, nor should it be accepted as conclusive proof of his inferiority to that great master. He was at that time in bad health and unequal form."