

## CRICKET

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On Saturday afternoon (June 16), in ideal weather and on a perfect pitch, from a batter's point of view, a most interesting and friendly game was witnessed between the above named elevens.

Taking first lease of the wicket, the Airmen put up remarkably fine cricket. Perkins, who was top-notch for the Boys in Blue, ran up a score of 32, then he sent one up in the air which Shepherd neatly held. Berry also played a nice bat for his 14 runs, when Capt. Preston sent him down a nice straight ball which he skied, and Shepherd, who seemed to be in catching form, made another splendid "kep." Saunders was a little too late in going in, as he was nicely set, and did a lot of running for his 9 not out. Capt. Preston took three wickets for 7 runs; Corp. Ayres three 12; Pte. Kingston, three for 30; and Dis.-Rider Sutton, one for 19 runs.

The Canadian boys, who turned out in their new summer suits, went to the wicket with 85 runs to make to win, but when five wickets were down for only 39 runs, it behoved the Fragments to tighten their waist-belts. However, the veteran cricketer, Sergt. Harrison, despite his "gammy" arm, played a pretty bat for his Royal 42 which included seven boundaries. He had one narrow shave when he tripped and fell about midway; not taking time to get on his feet he crawled home, getting the end of his bat over the crease line just on time. Shepherd played well up to the Serg, and surprised himself by running into double figures. Sutton also showed neat cricket for his 12 runs. Capt. Preston had the misfortune to be run out almost before he had began; and Strutton was caught when he had only tallied 6. The "Fliers," bowlers were Morley, who took three wickets; Saunders, Mack, and Marshall had each two to their credit.

WESTGATE		CANADIANS	
Berry, c Shepherd, b Preston	14	Hesketh, b Morley	6
Turner, b Kingston	1	Sutton, b Morley	12
Mack, c Harrison, b Sutton	5	Preston, run out	6
Ibbotson, c Strutton, b Kingston	0	Ayres, c Berry, b Morley	3
Marshall, b Kingston	0	Harrison, c Turner, b Saunders	42
Perkins, c Shepherd, b Ayres	32	Strutton, c Turner, b Marshall	6
Ash, b Ayres	4	Shepherd, b Mack	11
Stribling, b Preston	0	Kingston, b Mack	0
Morley, b Preston	2	Longworth, b Marshall	5
Saunders, not out	9	Hall, not out	1
North, c Kingston, b Ayres	1	Brittain, c Mack, b Saunders	0
Extras	16	Extras	15
Total	84	Total	107

To-day (Saturday), at 2.30 p.m., the Canadian cricketers play the Royal Field Artillery from Canterbury, at the St. Lawrence Recreation Grounds.