

LOCAL BASEBALL

MATCHES OF 1887

Shamrocks Swamped By Atlantas in Halifax

BANGORS ROMP AWAY FROM ST. JOHN NATIONALS

Visit of the Socials Here—The Shamrocks' Score in Detail in Game in Which They Defeated Woodstock—Horse Races

On Friday, August 18, 1887, the news of the utter defeat of the Shamrocks by the Atlantas of Halifax, was received with regret by local fans, not through the slightest feeling against the winning club, but because the St. John boys were popular and the local fans liked to see them emerge victorious. The giving out of Connolly's arm, which was hurt a few days previous in a game against Woodstock, contributed considerably to the defeat. John Callaghan was put in the box, but he was punished severely, while Manning, the twirler of the Atlantas, proved a perfect enigma to the Shamrocks. Only two base hits were made off his delivery. Lane and Hennessy did the best work for the Shamrocks and the two scores were brought in by Catty and Gorman. The score by innings follows:

Atlantas: 3 10 0 4 0 2 4 3 x—26
Shamrocks: 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0—2

On August 24, 1887, the Nationals encountered their Waterloo on the Marsh road grounds. They were outclassed by Bangor and many errors made at critical stages, contributed materially to the heavy defeat they suffered. They repeated a mistake of abandoning the game in its early stages. Once headed in the first inning, they apparently gave it up as lost. Just when united action was needed came levity and an individual air of negligence. In the opposing battery they had as good as a whole team to fight. The Butler brothers for the Bangor nine made a strong battery and the general fielding and batting of the team was good. At the end of the ninth inning the score stood 14 to 0, in favor of the visitors.

A Game Each

On Monday, August 29, 1887, the Nationals defeated the Socials of Halifax on the local grounds by a score of 8 to 8. The game was well contested. In the three innings, the Nationals and in five innings the Socials were retired in one, two, three order. Features of the game were home run hits by Frank White and Kennedy, Robinson and Whittemore formed the battery for the Nationals and Davidson and Grieson for the visitors. The following day the Socials defeated the Nationals by a score of 7 to 5. Neither battery was quite so effective as on Monday, but both were well supported. The Nationals made 15 hits and their opponents 14. If the Socials had not bunched their hits, if they hadn't stolen bases, if the errors of the Nationals had not been so costly, the victory would have rested with the St. John team—but all these make up the game so popular in America. Features of the game were double plays by White, Milligan and Bell and deForest, Robinson and Milligan.

Horse Races

On Wednesday, August 31, 1887 considerable interest was manifested in the result of horse races held at the Eastern Maine State fair held in Bangor, on account of the entry of Yorktown, the St. John flyer, and Golden Maxin, also of this city. The first heat was won by Maxin after a great race with Yorktown. McDade was on Yorktown and it was decided to replace him and let Collins handle him. This was objected to on the ground that he had consented to ride another horse. After a stormy discussion the judges decided that McDade would have to continue. The second heat was won by Strabismus, a Halifax horse. A poor start was said to have been the cause of the victory. Strabismus also captured the third and deciding heat.

The second day's races resulted in a victory for Yorktown, which captured the one and a half mile run. Golden Maxin won the first heat by a length, but Yorktown won the second and was awarded the third as the other two horses were withdrawn. Time 2:46, 2:44 1-2.

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An Old Time Score.

The following article appeared in a Woodstock paper on September 10, 1887:

"The Shamrocks, of St. John, will be here for a game with the locals on Tuesday. They are, we should judge, the best nine in New Brunswick; their closest competitor being the Nationals also of St. John, but as the former have won three games from the latter in '84, and the games for the seasons of '85 and '86 being one for each club and a disputed one in each year, we think the Shamrocks have got the best of it. As we do not think that the two clubs will come together again this season, therefore we have to judge each from its past record with the other. The Shamrocks

have this season defeated the Woodstocks, who in turn defeated the Nationals, therefore the match next Tuesday should be interesting."

The result of the game mentioned was in favor of the Shamrocks who won by a score of 24 to 15. Heavy hitting was the cause of the large scores made. The box score of the St. John team follows:

Shamrocks.

AB R H PO A

Lane, 1b. 7 2 5 7 0

Connolly, p. 7 2 3 0 4

Hennessy, c. 7 4 4 5 1

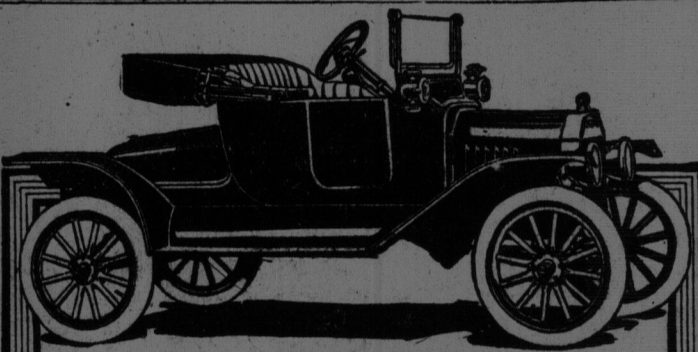
Costigan, 2nd. 6 8 2 5 8

Callahan John, r. f. 6 8 2 8 0
Kelly, 2nd b. 6 8 3 2 1
Gorman, c. f. 6 2 3 4 0
McHugh, s. s. 6 2 4 1 4
Callahan, Jere, l. f. 6 8 8 0 0

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