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PIONEERS Brilliantly Played Game Goes 17 - innings Before 3-all Deadlock Is Broken

In a drama of the diamond, Junior Esquires Sunday afternoon captured the championship of the City Baseball League when they defeated the Canadiens 4-3 in the second game of the best of three final series after capturing the opening encounter 6-1.

But it was only after 17 bitterly-fought innings, the longest game ever to be played here, and probably the longest ever to take place in the Maritimes that a winner was decided. And after 4 1-2 hours of battle it was a "break" that decided the issue and sent Alkie McCormack, Canadiens' hurler down to a heart-breaking defeat and gave Lefty McAleer, portside ace of the Esquires his thrilling victory.

Trailing the Canadiens for the first eight innings, Leith Jay, with his team behind 3-1 and two runners on the paths and two down lashed out a booming line single to centre field that knotted the count at 3-all and sent the game into

Long before the 17th had been reached both squads had glorious chances to break the tie, each team putting runners on first and second on different occasions only to have the defences of both sides stiffen to keep the runners away from the plate. But in the last of the seventh the "break" came for the Esquires. Jack Coyle, the first batter drew a pass after the count had reached 3 and 2. "Turkey" Whitlock, sent to the plate with orders to sacrifice dumped a bunt in front of the plate. Howat, racing in fast snared the ball but his hurried throw to the sack was bad. Coyle away with the bunt raced to third and as Jimmy Roach recovered the ball threw attempted to throw out Whitlock going to second Coyle beat the relayed throw from the keystone sack, sliding into the plate with the game and series clinching counter.

Darkness Creeping On It was a sudden ending to a game that seemed destined to be called by darkness as both defences played airtight ball. Esquires had two on with none out in the twelfth until Harper engineered a fast double play to tilt the left innings when they pushed across the winning tally they went down in order. Canadiens had runners on in the 11th, 14th, 15th, and 16th but in the pinches they couldn't get to McAleer as "Lefty" held down with every pitch to keep his hard-striving opponents at bay.

The game was replete with diamond thrills as the two teams, right at the peak of their form gave a big crowd the best exhibition of baseball seen here in a long while. Highlights were plentiful but the exhibition of out-fielding given by young "Bud" Roach was probably tops. It seemed impossible to drive a ball beyond him as he went out and came in to haul down flies and in the seventh with two on and two down he robbed the Esquires of tying the score then by a diving snag, string catch of McAleer's host to short left field, Jack Coyle, centre

gardener of the Esquires also delivered bouquets on his play as like Roach he proved to be unbeatable. Young Harper, third baseman of Canadiens also deserved three-star rating as he played the third sack flawlessly for the entire 17 innings knocking down hard-hit balls and often going far over into foul territory to snare looping flies. And also Jack Gallant's hit, the centre fielder knocking him in all the losers runs. These were but a few of the highlights that stood out a little above the rest but every one of the 18 players turned in performances that will keep the fans talking for a long while.

Canadiens' appearance as if they were going to take a hit to McAleer's, shoots in the very first inning as they slammed out two hits but there was no runs forthcoming. McAleer getting one on a strikeout, one on a host to centre and the other out being made as Sherry nipped a runner attempting to steal second. The first score of the game came in the fourth. Retiring the first two batters, McAleer ran into trouble. Howat singled. Ryan fell, Chipman c. With another one base blow then Gallant drove a double hit centre to send both runs home before Esquires accounted for the third out of the inning. From here until the eighth it was a scoreless duel between McAleer and McCormack. Both were trouble at times but each had left on base. In the eighth however Canadiens were present with their final run. The first batter flied out but the next two losers of the frame were safe errors putting runners on first a second. Another error on an attempted sacrifice secured Howat from second but McAleer bore down to get the next two order.

Trailing 3-0 Esquires opened the eighth with a ringing single. Whitlock Jay flied out to Harper; Perry drew a pass. For the next hitter slammed one down third to Harper. The Canadian third baseman immediately forced Sherry coming into the sack but his throw to the plate to get Whitlock was late the runner seeing the Esquires opening run Here McCormack steadied to get McAleer on a fly to third base. Canadiens went down in order open the ninth but another pass to Gauthier opening the Esquire half again got McCormack trouble. Purcell was out on strike. Coyle hit a single to left but was forced by Whitlock at second and leaving runners on first and second. Long range hitter Leith Jay

then came through in the clutch. There was two down, the count led here. It was heartbreaking for McCormack to lose like he did. Throughout the seventeen innings he granted the Esquires but eight hits, all singles and in the extra frames was nicked for but one safe blow but he lost his game when his defence collapsed behind him in the seventeenth. He had 14 strikeouts to his credit. Too much praise cannot be given to McAleer also. He was in trouble on more occasions than his opponent but in the pinches he was superb as he left 13 runners stranded on the paths. He was found for 13 hits while striking out 15.

BOX SCORE table with columns AB, R, H, PO, A, E for Esquires and Canadiens.

EARNER RUNS: Esquires 3, Canadiens 2; runs batted in: Gallant 3, Jay 2, Sherry; two base hit: Gallant; sacrifice hit: Gallant, Whitlock; hits off McCormack 8; off McAleer 13; base on balls: off McCormack 6; McAleer 1; hit by pitcher: McAleer 1; struck out: by McCormack 13; by McAleer 15; left on base: Canadiens 13; Esquires 13; time of game, 4 hours 30 minutes.

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VOLLEYBALL TONIGHT The Jacks will meet the Willies tonight at 8 o'clock in a volleyball game to be played on the Holy Redeemer court. All players are urged to be on hand on time.

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Summerside Team Beaten by 4-3 Score

Scoring nine Summerside blows scattered "Boo" McCallum back into the thick of the

for the Island intermediate ball title when he defeated the Summerside crew 4-3 in a hard tuck struggle played at Fortia Park diamond. The local club's victory forced a third and deciding game, Pioneers having the opener in Summerside by 4 score.

tarting off with a bang the ners combined a base on balls a single and double to score runs in their first time at plate. Bolger's double over and scoring Larter while Manager Gillis drove in Bolger with a single to centre. Plymouth's held pair margin as McCallum continued his scoreless hurling for the first three innings. In the fourth however the westerners lashed across their first tally, two

ickets to first starting the game, paving the way for Hunter drive home a runner from third with a grounder to second. The score remained unchanged right up to the seventh when the winners pushed across another brace of tallies to give that appeared like a safe lead. Saunders the first batter drew a alk and on the first pitch stole second. Chipman struck out but "Had" McInnis came through with double over short to score the runners. Larter flied out to deep centre for the second out, and

high hitting to Dodds at short- p locked to be the third out but e Pioneer shortfielder booted the lance, McInnis scoring on the ay, to make the score read 4-1. The lead seemed safe enough dging by the manner in which "Callum was throwing them in t after two were retired in the st of the eighth trouble loomed. Hunter slammed out a double left; Dodds followed with a single, his fourth straight hit of a game to score the second on. Dodds then went to second on the an's error and then proceeded steal third. Pioneers, after ch arguing from the Plymouth's ally sent Jay in to bat for Lar- as. Jay, a veteran of 53 or more ars, had two strikes on him be- e he picked out McCallum's t one to send out a terrific ash to centre field. Saunders nt away back for the ball but opped it as it hit his glove and odds came in standing up. Wil- on the next hitter lined a hit ver Larter's head in right field. ay, sprinting wildly round the paths was sent home as he round- ed third but Larter's quick throw to the plate just nipped the vet- eran as he came in standing up; he had scored the count would have been deadlocked at 4-all.

Wilson went in to pitch for the Pioneers in the eighth and kept the Plymouths away from the plate although being tagged for a hit and then McCallum wound up his performance by retiring the Pioneers on 7 pitched balls in the ninth.

Pioneers outh the locals 9 to 7 during the hit but with the ex- ception of the eighth failed to bunch their blows off the steam- ing deliveries of McCallum who had eight strikeouts while yielding 9 hits. Schurman the starting Sum- merside hurler gave up but six in the seven innings he worked, continually throwing up slow tap- talizing curves that kept the local hitters always off balance. Schurman fanned 4 batters. Wil- son's on the eighth gave up one hit while striking out one.

BOX SCORE table for National League games.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION table with columns AB, R, H, PO, A, E for various teams.

PLAY TIE GAME table with columns AB, R, H, PO, A, E for various teams.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE table with columns AB, R, H, PO, A, E for various teams.

Use Minard's for dandruff.

Opening Of Ch'town Bowling Alleys. With extensive renovations made the Charlottetown Bowling Alleys open for the season this morning. Announcement of starting of leagues, etc., will be made known at an early date. George Tulle Manager.

J. S. Moore Captures City Rifle Title

J. Stewart Moore won the cup emblematic of the City rifle championship yesterday when he posted a 94 on the Kensington rifle range. Poor shooting conditions—high winds and a low temperature—prevailed.

Table listing names and scores for the rifle championship: Roy Coles 94 \$1.25, Stewart Moore 94 1.00, Earl Burke 94 .75, Roy McCabe 93 .25, P. J. Landrigan 93, H. H. Horne 93, J. C. Stewart 92, A. F. Germley 91, W. Dennis 89, J. W. Johnson 89, A. D. MacMaster 88, H. Manuel 87, W. Walsh 87, P. J. Landrigan Jr. 80.

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