

BASE BALL TOURNAMENT.

The closing game on Wednesday was between the "Tigers" of London, and the "Excelsiors" of Strathroy—both second-class clubs—who began the match in the Infantry Barrack Square. The Tigers played a crack game, some splendid batting and sharp fielding being done, and won by the following score: Tigers, 37, 61; Excelsiors 37, 25.

On Thursday the first game was called between the "Atlantics" of Woodstock, and the "Tigers" of London—both second class clubs—each of which had won a match. The "Tigers" won the toss, and sent their opponents to bat. The first innings was played remarkably well by the "Tigers," and the "Atlantics" had to succumb with two runs. In their first innings the "Tigers" seemed to be well up in the field, and batted very heavily, closing their innings with a total of 8. In the second and succeeding innings it became quite evident that the "Atlantics" were masters of the field, and during the game administered three "white-washers" to their opponents. Score: Atlantics, 31, 63; Tigers, 21, 20.

Another game in the third class was in progress on the Infantry Barrack square during the forenoon between the "Beavers" of St. Mary's and the "Stars" of St. Thomas—both clubs having won one match. The respective nines were well matched, and some very fine play was exhibited on both sides. The "Stars" entered a protest against the "Beavers" with the Committee previous to the commencement of the game, alleging that five of their players were members of the "Atlantic" club of St. Mary's. Score: Beavers, 37, 55; Stars, 37, 43.

The great match of the tournament was between the Young Canadians of Woodstock, the Champion Club and the Maple Leaves, of Guelph. The *London Free Press* says:—In the first innings the Guelphites did some splendid batting, and their opponents considerable loose play, allowing them to make 3 runs before the third man was out. The "Canadians" then went in, but succumbed to the superior fielding of the Maple Leaf boys with one run to their credit. In the second and subsequent innings the Maple Leaf headed the score, and maintained the lead through the entire game. The playing of the Guelphites as a whole, could scarcely be excelled, while that of their opponents was, at times, very loose, and even approached recklessness. During the game, Clyde, the pitcher of the "Canadians" received a very "hot" ball from Smith's bat, which struck him a severe blow in the pit of the stomach, causing him to cease play for a few moments. Restoratives were applied, however, and he soon rallied, and played with his usual agility. The individual play of Goldie, the left field of the Maple Leaf, was the best that has ever been witnessed on the field. In the course of the game he caught four "flys," and had to run a distance of from 30 to 50 yards in order to reach them. He was justly cheered by the crowd, and the general opinion on the ground was, that he is the best fielder and catcher in Canada.