

A. B. C.'S AND THE T. T.'S AGAIN.**BASEBALL SEASON OPEN.****A. B. C's Playing Winning Ball From
The Word Go.****Defeats The Well Known Taste Tells
Aggregation.**

The weather was ideal for the opening of the base ball season last Sunday. A big crowd turned out to see what Taylor's reconstructed A. B. C.'s looked like and to see what the boys could do.

It was thought that the A. B. C.'s of last year would be pretty well shot to pieces. The club has been pretty well shaken up, but seventy-five per cent. of the present club was of the club of last year. Turner, Selden, Hutchinson, Jeffries, Hannibal, Bartlett and Watts were the holdovers. They are considered a satisfactory group by the fans.

The engagement last Sunday was with a crack white team, Taste Tells. Both teams put up a good game of ball, the shade of difference being in favor of the A. B. C.'s. The white boys lost a few good opportunities to score, which, perhaps, will not happen in next Sunday's game when the two clubs meet again.

In the run of the game there were a few errors that should not have been, and a few that would have happened in the big league playing.

The pitching on both sides was good. That of Bartlett was particularly so. When he retired in favor of Steel Arm John in the sixth inning the score was 1 to 0 in favor of the A. B. C.'s. His quick delivery was his feature. Sapho, as Bartlett is called, caught several of them napping in these unexpected deliveries. He assisted in not less than one-third of the outs up until this time, perhaps one-half of them.

When Steel Arm John Taylor took the box the crowd gave away to its feeling. Taylor has been much advertised, and the crowd wished to see if he had the goods on him. He got off a little bad from the start, but no runs were made during the remainder of the game. He got in good form in a short while. He demonstrated that he was all said of him. In fact no pitcher is more individual. He is "constant in his inconstancy"—no one knows what his ball is until it is right at the batter. He is extremely deceptive, puzzling. Getting on to him will be difficult, because his art is that you don't get on to him. To put it in a short way—he is a strategist.

Ormes of the T. T.'s signalized himself by a fine one-hand catch, falling up a hill in the meanwhile, coming up with the ball at right. Jeffries pulled off a similar stunt in the left field. He had about a half dozen fine chances. He lost one of them. His assist to Seldem, when they did a double, was a fine exhibition.

The maneuvers of the new manager, C. L. Taylor, was watched with considerable interest. He is also a part owner of the team, being associated with the well known Tom Bowser. Mr. Bowser has done much to advance base ball interest among the colored people. The two promise to give the followers of the game a run for their money. The brilliant outpouring Sunday gives the management great encouragement.

Score:					
T. T.	AB	H.	O	A	E
Orme, cf.	5	2	2	1	0
Hanna, s.	4	1	1	1	1
Anderson, 2	2	0	2	3	0
Marcus, rf.	4	1	0	0	0
Cook, lf. c.	3	0	2	0	0
Leavit, 3	4	0	1	2	0
Kubitz, 1	3	0	10	0	2
Schissel, c.	2	1	6	1	1
Barnet, lf.	1	0	0	0	0
Harris, p.	3	1	0	4	0
Hesseld, p.	1	0	0	1	1
Totals	32	6	21	13	5
A. B. C.'s.					
	AB	H	O	A	E
Turner, 1	4	2	9	1	0
Seldem, 2	3	0	1	1	0
J. Taylor, 3	4	1	2	4	0
Jeffries, lf.	4	0	4	2	1
Hutchinson, s.	3	0	1	1	1
Scotland, cf.	4	1	0	0	0
Hannibal, rf.	4	0	0	0	0
Watts, c.	3	2	9	1	0
Bartlett, p.	1	0	1	3	1
S. Taylor, p.	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	6	27	13	3
Taste Tells	0	0	0	0	1
A. B. C.'s	1	1	0	0	2

Innings pitched—Bartlett, 6; Harris, 6; S. Taylor, 3; Hasseld, 2. Left on bases—Taste Tells, 7; A. B. C.'s, 6. Base hits—Off Bartlett, 5; off Harris, 6; off S. Taylor, 1. Struck out—By Bartlett, 6; by Harris, 4; by S. Taylor, 3; by Hasseld, 2. Two-base hits—Turner, Orme, J. Taylor. Double plays—Jeffries to Hutchinson; Jeffries to Hutchinson to Seldem. Stolen base—Bartlett. Umpire—Redding. Time 1:42. Attendance—938.

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