

GIANTS DOWN NORFOLK.

Home-Run Smash Drives Matty Out of Box—Ames a Puzzle.

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NORFOLK, Va., April 3.—The fifteenth consecutive victory of the Giant Regulars was recorded to-day and at the expense of the Norfolk Virginia League Club. The Tars began with much vim and plucked three runs in the first inning, but when the final summing up was ready they were beaten by a score of 10 to 4. They scored three runs in the first inning, when Mathewson was pitching. There were fumbles on the first two batters, then Shrader, the local first-base picket, thumped a home run over the centre-field fence.

Although Matty pitched a whole game against Birmingham on Monday and pitched nine more innings in Knoxville yesterday, he was on the mound when to-day's contest began. It may be that McGraw just wanted to display him because he once played ball here. Anyway, Matty didn't overawe the Tars so that anybody could notice it, although two of the runs off him weren't his fault.

Leon Ames tied the Norfolk batters into knots, fanning nine. He did a fine bit of pitching in the third inning, when, with three on bases and nobody out, he prevented a run. Merkle made a pair of wild heaves in the eighth inning, and therefrom the Tars extracted their one run from Ames.

There was loose playing in the field by the Giants and looser base running. The playing surface seemed to be hard and lumpy, sandy base paths reflected the glare of the sun, and it was windy. The conditions weren't the sort that diamond stars enjoy. With the willow the Giants were very strong, and made up for deficiencies in other respects. Arthur Shafer, who was hit by a pitched ball, expended his ire on the ball by slamming it ferociously.

The first time Shafer was up he swung his locust for a two-base hit. The second time he was up he repeated, and likewise the third time. A pitched ball stung him in the back the next time, which so irritated him that he got even by hitting for three bases on his final turn at bat. He biffed for a total of nine bases. California was on the rampage. Red Murray stroked the globule for two triples and a single. The score:

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	AB	R	H	PO	A		AB	R	H	PO	A
Keller, lf.	4	1	1	2	0	Sn'dg's, cf.	3	3	1	1	0
McC'n, rf.	5	1	1	0	0	Shafer, ss.	4	3	4	1	1
Sh'der, lb.	5	1	3	5	0	Burns, lf.	5	0	1	0	0
Vogel, 2b.	4	0	1	5	3	Doyle, 2b.	5	2	1	1	1
Melan, cf.	4	1	1	2	0	M'ray, rf.	5	2	3	2	0
Bl'mer, 3b.	4	0	0	3	1	M'kle, lb.	4	0	3	7	1
F'mer, ss.	4	0	1	1	1	H'zog, 3b.	4	0	1	2	3
Powell, c.	2	0	1	2	1	Meyers, c.	1	0	0	1	0
Kelly, c.	2	0	0	4	3	W'tson, c.	3	0	2	11	0
Seltz, p.	2	0	0	0	1	Math'son,					
C'p'ter, p.	1	0	0	0	1	P.	1	0	1	0	1
L'ton, p.	1	0	0	0	0	Ames, p.	2	0	0	1	3
Total.	38	4	9	24	11	Total.	37	10	17	27	10

Errors—Vogel, Merkle, (3.) Herzog, Meyers, Ames.

Norfolk 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—4
New York 2 0 3 0 3 0 0 2 ..—10

Left on bases—Norfolk, 9; New York, 7. First base on errors—Norfolk, 3; New York, 1. First base on balls—Off Seltz, 1; off Carpenter, 1; off Layton, 1; off Ames, 1. Struck out—By Carpenter, 2; by Layton, 1; by Mathewson, 1; by Ames, 9. Home run—Shrader. Three-base hits—Shafer, Doyle, Murray. (2.) Two-base hits—Shafer, 3. Sacrifice hit—Vogel. Stolen bases—Millan, Snodgrass, (2.) Merkle. Double plays—Kelly and Vogel; Herzog and Merkle. Wild pitches—Seltz, 2; Layton, 2. Hit by pitched ball—By Carpenter, (Shafer.) Hits—Off Seltz, 7 in 3 innings; off Carpenter, 7 in 8 innings; off Layton, 3 in 2 innings; off Mathewson, 3 in 2 innings; off Ames, 7 in 7 innings. Umpire—Mr. Norcum. Time of game—One hour and fifty minutes.