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**Laid Away Vancouver Yesterday Afternoon Before Record Crowd by Score of 18-3.**

Sunday's defeat of the Commercial Club team by the Vancouver nine was wiped out yesterday at A. F. C. park, and the home team demonstrated its superiority in a most decisive manner. To the tune of 18 to 3, this second game was played before the largest crowd of the season, the visitors being utterly unable to do anything to stop the slaughter. Yesterday's game was caught by R. E. Ferguson, of Fort Columbia, who nicely held Tom Ross and acquitted himself with credit, except for two wild throws, which constituted half the errors of the game. The other errors were charged against Regan, at short. Both were due to the uneven ground in his territory and were unavoidable.

Vancouver tried three different men in the box yesterday. In the very first inning the Commercial batted the visiting twirler into oblivion, scoring six runs. Stockton fanned, Ferguson was hit with a pitched ball, Harry Graham singled and Roxy Graham drove out a clean two-bagger, scoring Ferguson and Brother Harry. Regan walked, and Abercrombie went to first on McKee's error. Halderman and Trullinger singled, but Tom Ross flew out to shortstop and Stockton was thrown out at first on a short drive to the same fielder. This retired the side, but six men had crossed the home plate before the inning ended.

Again, in the fourth, the home team played havoc with the outsiders. Stockton hit safely, but was called out for cutting second base. Then Ferguson slammed the ball out against the center field fence and trotted all the way around. Harry Graham hit safely, but was tagged out trying to steal second. Roxy Graham got to first on the shortstop's error; Regan walked and Abercrombie got a hit. Halderman—him whose first name is "Chawlie"—followed this with a lovely two-bagger, while Trullinger got a hit. When he was thrown out at third the inning ended, five runs having been scored.

In the seventh Brother Harry batted one out against the fence for a home run. He will be rewarded for his brilliant stroke. In the third Regan made a beautiful catch of Pender's hot liner and received an ovation. Stockton played excellent ball all the way through, his running catches eliciting much applause from the crowded grandstand. Halderman also made

some nice catches in the center garden. The record shows:

**Runs by Innings.**  
 Commercial .....6 2 0 5 1 2 3 0 \*—18  
 Vancouver .....1 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0—3

**Summary.**  
 Hits—Commercial, 18; Vancouver, 6.  
 Errors—Commercial, 4; Vancouver 13.

Struck out—By Ross, 5; by Graham, 1; by Goolley, 1; by Robinson, 2.  
 Double play—Roxy Graham to Regan to Abercrombie.  
 Home runs—Harry Graham and Ferguson.

Two-base hits—Tom Ross, Stockton, H. Graham, R. Graham, Halderman.  
 W. W. McComber, of Fort Columbia, umpired the game and his decisions were eminently satisfactory at all times. It is likely Mr. McComber will be invited over to umpire all of the games to be played this season.

**Sunday's Game.**  
 Sunday's game was lost by the Commercial through an error on the part of Umpire Dan B. Allen, which he realized shortly after making it. The score was tied in the eighth and again at the end of the ninth. In the tenth Russell struck at the first ball thrown, and the second one was called a strike. The third was a ball, whereupon Mr. Allen called, "One strike; one ball." Russell struck at and missed the next ball thrown, but Mr. Allen had previously declined to correct his error. The next ball thrown was batted out for a two-bagger by Russell and brought home two runs. Another of the Vancouver players scored on a foul tip which was called a strike. To both of these flukes the visitors confessed.

Sunday's game was ragged from start to finish, except at rare intervals, when the home team settled down for an inning. Ross pitched until he came to the conclusion that he was unable to play the game alone, and then quit. Roxy Graham followed him and threw a good game, but received no better support.

**Watching the Dark Recesses of Nations.**

(From "Diplomatic Mysteries," by Vance Thompson, in June "Success.")

Every nation leads a double life. Even our own honest republic is honey-combed with dark recesses of policy and what is rightly called statecraft. Our frank president is supplemented by Mr. Hay, and as well by John E. Wilkie, our chief of secret service, who wears, quite properly, a dark air of mystery as he goes about the world. We have not invented espionage, and I do not know that we have perfected it, but where other spies go our list-footed gentlemen go also, and there is in Washington a tolerably complete knowledge of the doings in the underworld of national politics. Brussels, however is the capital of international espionage, whether it be political or diplomatic or military,—this by reason of its central position and the neutrality of Belgium. The secret service of France has always been singularly good, as it has need to be. Of recent years, however, the service has been badly dislocated. Both England and Germany have outmaneuvered it time and again. A few years ago a stranger in Paris might have seen a whole city boiling with patriotism and blessing an alien king in the streets. What interest had the Parisians in crying "A bas le roi Ulian!" as he of Spain passed. None in the world. The German embassy had, at that moment, an interest in creating a diplomatic incident, and so it distributed money to the servile press of Paris, loosed its many agents in the streets, and organized the "manifestation." This is a single, slight illustration of the utility—the morality is another question,—of a secret service that has to do with more than smugglers and colners and such simple folks. One can not live for many years in Europe and study what are ironically called "public affairs" without cutting many of these dark trails. Internal espionage is a huge and complicated system. That part which has to do with politics is by far the most important. In France, at all events, under the popular tumult of many a noisy election, the wily work of England or Germany has been discovered. Three years ago I was told by one who was informed that the French government knew and was watching the following foreign agents—two hundred and seventy-four Germans, eighteen Austrians, seventy-one Italians, eleven Spaniards, seventy Englishmen, and thirty-three Russians and Poles, with a fair complement of Americans, Dutch and Swedes. Through so finely reticulated a network of observation hardly the smallest minnow of fact can escape. Nothing takes place in Europe, I believe,—no statesman takes snuff, no king sneezes,—but it is known in twenty-four hours to every state.

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