

The Cricketers of Digby and Yarmouth Counties, Nova Scotia, 1871-1914: Social Roots of a Village and Small-Town Sport

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Table 1: Cricketers' places of birth, Digby County (Male)

Place of Birth	Digby Town	Weymouth	Total, Digby County
Nova Scotia	60	51	109 (89.3%)
Other Maritime	5	2	7 (5.7%)
Other Canadian/Newfoundland	-	1	1 (0.8%)
United States	1	1	1 (0.8%)
Great Britain/Ireland	1	-	1 (0.8%)
Other	1	1	2 (1.6%)
Unknown	1	-	1 (0.8%)
Total	69	56	122

Note: Three players – William Cahoon (United States), Boyd McNeill (Nova Scotia), and Frank Rice (Nova Scotia) – played in both Digby and Weymouth, so the county total is reduced by three from the aggregate for the two towns.

Table 2: Cricketers' places of birth, Yarmouth County (Male)

Place of Birth	Yarmouth Town	Hebron	Ohio	Tusket	Total, Yarmouth County
Nova Scotia	69	24	5	5	103 (93.6%)
Other Maritime	2	1	-	-	3 (2.7%)
Other Canadian/Newfoundland	1	-	-	-	1 (0.9%)
United States	1	-	-	-	1 (0.9%)
Great Britain/Ireland	1	-	-	-	1 (0.9%)
Other	1	-	-	-	1 (0.9%)
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-
Total	75	25	5	5	110

Table 3: Cricketers' parental places of birth, Digby County (Male)

Parental Places of Birth	Digby Town	Weymouth	Total, Digby County
Both Nova Scotia	39	34	70 (57.4%)
Both Maritime (but not both Nova Scotia)	13	3	16 (13.1%)
One Nova Scotia, one non-Maritime/unknown	10	12	22 (18.0%)
One Maritime (but not NS), one non-Maritime/unknown	1	2	3 (2.5%)
Both non-Maritime	1	3	4 (3.3%)
Unknown	5	2	7 (5.7%)
Total	69	56	122

Note: Three players – William Cahoon, Boyd McNeill, and Frank Rice (for all of whom, both parents were born in Nova Scotia) – played in both Digby and Weymouth, so the county total is reduced by three from the aggregate for the two towns.

Table 4: Cricketers' parental places of birth, Yarmouth County (Male)

Parental Places of Birth	Yarmouth Town	Hebron	Ohio	Tusket	Total, Yarmouth County
Both Nova Scotia	48	23	4	2	77 (70.0%)
Both Maritime (but not both Nova Scotia)	6	1	-	-	7 (6.4%)
One Nova Scotia, one non-Maritime/unknown	15	-	1	-	16 (14.5%)
One Maritime (but not NS), one non-Maritime/unknown	-	-	-	-	-
Both non-Maritime	4	-	-	-	4 (3.6%)
Unknown	2	1	-	3	6 (5.5%)
Total	75	25	5	5	110

Table 5: Cricketers' self-identified ethnic origins, Digby County (Male)

Origin	Digby Town	Weymouth	Total, Digby County
English	45	32	75 (61.5%)
Irish	16	8	24 (19.7%)
Scottish	6	8	13 (10.7%)
French	-	8	8 (6.6%)
Other	-	-	-
Unknown	2	-	2 (1.6%)
Total	69	56	122

Note: Three players – William Cahoon (English), Boyd McNeill (Scottish), and Frank Rice (English) – played in both Digby and Weymouth, so the county total is reduced by three from the aggregate for the two towns.

Table 6: Cricketers' self-identified ethnic origins, Yarmouth County (Male)

Origin	Yarmouth Town	Hebron	Ohio	Tusket	Total, Yarmouth County
English	52	22	4	4	82 (74.5%)
Irish	7	1	1	-	9 (8.2%)
Scottish	11	-	-	-	11 (10.0%)
French	2	1	-	-	3 (2.7%)
Other	2	-	-	1	3 (2.7%)
Unknown	1	1	-	-	2 (1.8%)
Total	75	25	5	5	110

Table 7: Cricketers' religious affiliations, Digby County (Male)

Religious Affiliation	Digby Town	Weymouth	Total, Digby County
Church of England	37	28	64 (52.5%)
Baptist	15	6	20 (16.4%)
Freewill Baptist	-	1	1 (0.8%)
Presbyterian	5	-	5 (4.1%)
Methodist	8	4	11 (9.0%)
Congregational	-	1	1 (0.8%)
Roman Catholic	3	16	19 (15.6%)
Unknown	1	-	1 (0.8%)
Total	69	56	122

Note: Three players – William Cahoon (Baptist), Boyd McNeill (Methodist), and Frank Rice Church of England) – played in both Digby and Weymouth, so the county total is reduced by three from the aggregate for the two towns.

Table 8: Cricketers' religious affiliations, Yarmouth County (Male)

Religious Affiliation	Yarmouth Town	Hebron	Ohio	Tusket	Total, Yarmouth County
Church of England	13	-	-	1	14 (12.7%)
Baptist	17	19	4	1	41 (37.3%)
Freewill Baptist	1	-	-	3	4 (3.6%)
Presbyterian	13	-	1	-	14 (12.7%)
Methodist	21	4	-	-	25 (22.7%)
Congregational	3	-	-	-	3 (2.7%)
Roman Catholic	7	1	-	-	8 (7.3%)
Unknown	-	1	-	-	1 (0.9%)
Total	75	25	5	5	110

Table 9: Cricketers' places of birth, Digby County (Female)

Place of Birth	Weymouth	Total
Nova Scotia	12 (100.0%)	12 (100.0%)
Other Maritime	-	-
Other Canadian/Newfoundland	-	-
United States	-	-
Great Britain/Ireland	-	-
Other	-	-
Unknown	-	-
Total	12	12

Table 10: Cricketers' parental places of birth, Digby County (Female)

Parental Places of Birth	Weymouth	Total, Digby County
Both Nova Scotia	11	11 (91.7%)
Both Maritime (but not both Nova Scotia)	-	-
One Nova Scotia, one non-Maritime/unknown	1	1 (8.3%)
One Maritime (but not NS), one non-Maritime/unknown	-	-
Both non-Maritime	-	-
Unknown	-	-
Total	12	12

Table 11: Cricketers' self-identified ethnic origins, Digby County (Female)

Origin	Weymouth	Total, Digby County
English	6	6 (50.0%)
Irish	4	4 (33.3%)
Scottish	1	1 (8.3%)
French	-	-
Other	1	1 (8.3%)
Unknown	-	-
Total	12	12

Table 12: Cricketers' religious affiliations, Digby County (Female)

Religious Affiliation	Weymouth	Total, Digby County
Church of England	9	9 (75.0%)
Baptist	-	-
Freewill Baptist	-	-
Presbyterian	1	1 (8.3%)
Methodist	-	-
Congregational	-	-
Roman Catholic	2	2 (16.7%)
Unknown	-	-
Total	12	12