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Mathewson Without Restrictions

Big Six Signs, but Can Play Basketball and Indoor Baseball—San Francisco to have Featherweight Fight.

New York, Jan. 27.—Christy Mathewson signed with the New York Nationals for another season today after first receiving permission from President Brush to play indoor baseball and basketball during the off season, if he wished. Those who signed with the New York Americans today were Catcher Criger and Shortstop Roach.

President Brush denied the report that he is to retire from the New York National league club, and said that he hoped that Fred M. Knowles, who has been mentioned as his successor, will in the near future be physically able to resume his old duties. Knowles is now in the Adirondacks, trying to recover his health. Pending his return, William M. Gray, who for twenty years has been a theatrical manager, will act as business manager of the Giants.

Nevertheless, it is positively asserted here that John T. Brush will resign next month and that Knowles will become his successor. A year ago Brush told the late Harry Pulliam that, unless pressure was brought to bear on him, Knowles would not be retained by the New York club in any capacity. The annual meeting of the New York club will demonstrate who owns the organization and whether Brush or Freedman is the controlling power.

FEATHERWEIGHT FIGHT.

Coffroth Announces Match Between Abe Attel and Jem Driscoll.

San Francisco, Jan. 27.—A cable despatch from J. W. Coffroth, fight promoter, who is now in England, says that he has perfected arrangements for a match in San Francisco for the international featherweight championship between Abe Aattel of San Francisco and Jem Driscoll, English champion.

Coffroth will start for home at once, and it is presumed that the fight will take place next month, for the club in which he is interested has received a permit.

TELLER LEADS MURPHY.

Waterbury Bowler Gets Advantage in First of Duckpin Series.

Allie Murphy of this city and Fred Teller of Waterbury, two of the duckpin premiers of the state, rolled the first leg of a fifteen game series in Waterbury Thursday evening. Murphy was caught off his usual winning form and Teller registered six winning games over him, while Murphy captured two and there was one game tied. The second leg of the match, consisting of seven games, is to be rolled here at the Rose alleys next week, and Allie will need to be at top form, as he must win six of the seven games to take down the purse of $50 which is hung up.

A good sized crowd was at the Waterbury alleys to see the two stars, rooting hard for Teller, who got off in the lead by taking the first game. Murphy evened it by copping the second, but Teller took the next two, giving him a lead of three games to one when the match was half over.

Murphy made a strong bid for the fifth game by putting down 115, his best string of the evening, but Teller beat it out with 125. On the sixth it was a tie, 91 to 91, but Teller took the next two. For the final to decide the tie Murphy split the wood for 113, beating Teller's 97.

On total pinfall, which, however, does not figure in this series, Teller beat Murphy, 921 to 868. The Waterbury man also got the high single of 125.

The following were the scores:

Teller	105	97	106	101	
Murphy	94	107	92	85	
Teller	125	91	97	102	97
Murphy	115	91	80	91	113

CANNONBALLS WIN.

Norwich C. A. C. Five Lose Well Played Basketball Game in New London.

At the rooms of the Cannonball A. C. in New London on Thursday evening the Central Athletic club's basketball five were defeated 16 to 8 in a well played game which stood a tie—4 to 4—at the end of the first period.

While the Norwich five was not able to annex the victory, their form was the best they have shown this season, showing that they are developing into a team that will be formidable rivals on the basketball floor. Houlihan and Foley played a strong game as guards. Laboue's goal shooting and Falvey's passing were strong points in the Cannonballs' game.

The lineups and summary:

Cannonball A. C.—Laboue lf, Phillipino rf, Rockholz c, Falvey lg, Reeves rg.

Central A. C.—Riordan lf, Sullivan rf, Slattery c, Houlihan lg, Foley rg.

Score, Cannonball A. C. 16, Central A. C. 8; goals from the field, Laboue 4, Philipino 2, Falvey, Riordan 2, Sullivan, Foley; goals from fouls, Laboue 2.

A HOODOO JOB.

Playing First Base on Pennant Winning Team—Several Cases.

Playing first base for a pennant winning team in either big league is a dangerous occupation for an athlete, according to Henry P. Edwards of the Cleveland Plain Dealer, who furnises some interesting dope about the hoodoos that have laid low guardians of initial sacks soon after their participation in world's championship ribe money.

"Guarding the initial sack in a world's series appears to be big league suicide," writes Edwards. "George Lachance and Kitty Bransfield were the opposing first basemen when the Bostons and Pittsburgs engaged in their series for the world's championship in 1903. Each lasted one season afterward. Lachance dropped to the minor leagues, while Bransfield has been with a second division team ever since.

"In 1904 there was no series for the championship honors, but in 1905 the Athletics and Giants got together. McGann held down first for New York and Harry Davis for the Athletics. Davis still holds forth for Connie Mack, but Dan McGann was traded to Boston and is now a member of the Milwaukee A. A. team.

"The White Sox and Cubs had their famous Chicago battle in 1906. Jiggs Donohue was one of the White Sox heroes and the work he showed at first entitled him to a niche in the baseball hall of fame. Just two years later he was only a substitute and three years later was traded to Washington, which is now ready to send him to the minor leagues. Frank Chance was the first base occupant for the Cubs. He is still there. Being manager, he is liable to stick quite a while, if he remains on good terms with Charley Murphy.

"Then came the two series with the Cubs and Detroit Tigers with Chance and Claude Rossman as the opposing first sackers. Chance is still on the job, but Rosman failed to last through last season and will play with Columbus in the A. A. if he plays at all this year.

"This brings the fan up to the series of 1909, when the Pirates engaged the Tigers. Bill Abstein covered first for Pittsburg and Tom Jones for the Tigers. Abstein 'Merkled' himself out of his position and was sold recently for the waiver price, $1,500, to the St. Louis Browns. Jones is still a member of the Tigers, but rumors are rife in Detroit that Pete Lister is slated to get the place. Tom himself is not of the opinion that he will be wanted, for he tried to land a minor league berth as manager last month."

Edgewood's Big Boxing Card.

The Edgewood Athletic club of New Haven has a boxing programme arranged for February 4 that will be a drawing card for Connecticut followers of the game. For the main bout there is Bunny Ford, the New Haven favorite, at 130 pounds, in a 12-round go with Jimmie Moran of Brooklyn, N. Y., who has been in 104 battles without ever being knocked out. The rest of the card includes: Semi-final, 10 rounds at 116 pounds, Joe (Kid) Shea of Waterbury vs. Joe Marcks of Highwood; second semi-final, 10 rounds at 150 pounds, Charley (Young) Doherty of New Haven vs. Fonsy Vallone of Waterbury; preliminary, 8 rounds at 120 pounds, Jackie Rollison of Shelton vs. Young Ross of Bridgeport.

The following, who are well known in the field of sports, will officiate: Dave Fitzgerald, referee; Johnny Cahill, timekeeper, with Prof. John Dunn, master of ceremonies.

Harvard Strong in Pitchers.

With Hicks, McKay and Captain Lanigan, all capable of going into the box, Harvard baseball enthusiasts are already prophesying sure victory this year, although the practice has just commenced. The Crimson is also placing great reliance on Bob Brown, the former Andover star, who will backstop, and who is regarded as perhaps the best collegiate catcher in the country. The Harvard pitchers will work out for two weeks under a professional coach, not yet appointed, commencing Jan. 31. The last two weeks of February will be devoted to the raw material for all positions. The 'varsity squad veterans will not be called out until March 1, after the newcomers have been looked over carefully and weeded out by Coach Fisher.

NORWICH FAMILY MARKET

Fruits and Vegetables.

Oranges—		Hothouse	
Florida,	20-50	Tomatoes,	25
Valencia,	50-60	Hothouse,	25
Grapes—		Chickory,	10
Malaga,	20-25	Head Lettuce,	15
Basket,	15	Romaine,	10
Imp. Hamburg,	$1	Celery,	5-10
Pears—		Pascal Celery,	25
California,	3 for 25	Carrots,	5
Apples—		Parsnips,	5
Oregon,	35-50	Parsley,	5
Baldwins,	Spies	Cabbage,	2
Greenings,	barrel $3.50	Beets,	10
Pineapples,	15-35	Sweet Potatoes,	25
Grapefruit,	5-15	String Beans,	2 qts. 25
New Figs,	20	Potatoes,	20
New Dates,	10	Squashes,	4
Alligator Pears,	35	Onions—	
Cauliflower,	25	Red,	5
Spinach,	40	Yellow,	7-10
Hothouse		White,	15
Strawberries,	90	Turnips,	20
Cucumbers,	15	Summer Squash,	15
		Bermuda Onions,	10
		Egg Plant,	25

Meats.

Connecticut Pork—		Sirloin,	25
Roasts,	20	Inside Rounds,	20
Chops,	20	Shoulder Steaks,	14
Shoulders,	15	Western Lamb—	
Hams,	17	Legs,	14-16
Western Pork—		Shoulders,	10
Spareribs,	18	Native Lamb—	
Chops,	18	Legs,	22
Shoulders,	16	Chops,	28
Smoked Hams,	16 to 25	Shoulders,	16
Smoked Shoulders,	16	Western Veal—	
Smoked Tongues,		Legs,	14
short cut,	22	Chops,	14
Dried Beef,	35	Shoulders,	10
Corned Beef,	7-16	Native Veal—	
Porterhouse Steak,	28	Legs,	20
		Chops,	16
		Shoulders,	12
		Sausage,	14-16

Poultry.

Fancy R. I. Ducks	30	Fowl,	22
Phila. Capons,	40	Phila. Turkeys,	32
Phila. Chickens,	30	Native Turkeys,	40
Native Chickens,	25	Vermont or western, frozen,	27
Broilers,	$1.25-$1.50	Squabs,	35
Guinea Chickens,	$1.75		

Groceries.

Butter—		Sugar—	
Tub, new,	37	Granulated,	17 lbs. $1
Creamery,	44	Brown,	18 lbs. $1
Cheese—		Cutloaf,	13 lb. $1
New,	22	Powdered,	14 lb. $1
Eng. Dairy,	25	Molasses—	
Sage,	25	Porto Rico, gal.	50
Edam,	95-$1.50	N. Orleans, gal.	60
Camenbert,	25	Maple Syrup, bottle,	42
Eggs, local, doz.	40	Kerosene oil,	13@15
Pickles, gallon,	75		
Honey, comb	22		
Vinegar, gal.	25		

Fish.

Market Cod,	10	R. Clams, pk.	70
Off S. Haddock,	8-10	Round Clams, op. qt.	40
Steak Pollock,	10	Canned Salmon,	15
Am. Sardines,	5@15		2 for 25
Impt. Sardines,	25	Lobsters—	
Oysters, qt.,	40-50	Live,	30
Boneless Cod,	10@15	Boiled,	35
Weakfish,	15	Steak Cod,	15
Blackfish,	15	Flounders,	10-12
Brand, box.	60	Flatfish,	12
Bluefish,	25	Native Smelts,	22
Spanish Mackerel,	25	Smelts, extra,	28
Kippered herring, doz.,	60	Halibut,	22-25
Shad,	25	Stockfish,	15
		King Mackerel,	18
		Red Snappers,	18

Hay, Grain and Feed.

No. 1 Wheat,	$2.20	Cornmeal, cwt.,	$1.55
Bran,	$1.50	Hay, baled, top,	$1.15
Middlings,	$1.50	Provender, cwt.,	$1.65
Straw, cwt.,	$1.10	Cottonseed Meal,	$1.90
Bread Flour,	$7.25@$7.50	Lin. Oil Meal, cwt.,	$2.60
St. Louis,	$6.90		
Rye,	$5		
Corn, bushel,	$2		
Oats, bush.,	58 1-2		

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

PRINCIPAL LEADING STOCKS ESTABLISH LOW RECORDS.

Bears Offered Prices Down With Great Aggressiveness—The Market Closed a Good Deal Unsettled.

New York, Jan. 27.—The violent contortions in the price movements of stocks which have been the characteristic of the week's market had another illustration today. Yesterday's sudden recovery was wiped out for the most part and prices of some of the principal leading stocks were established at lower records than in the demoralization of Tuesday. The only news cited to account for the heavy selling was the French disaster by flood. French bankers' estimates of the minimum losses, according to cabled reports, were placed at $100,000,000, while the government official estimate was reported as high as $200,000,000. Those figures do not offer adequate explanation for any great dislocation of economic and financial agencies. The rate of international exchange on Paris showed no sign of disturbance, sterling exchange at Paris holding at yesterday's price. The same was true of the Paris cheque in New York. Some of the day's selling of stocks in New York was reported to be for foreign account, but there was nothing to show that these sales were in unusual proportion to the whole. Prices of Americans in London before the New York stock market opened were higher generally than yesterday's last prices in New York and the first dealings here momentarily responded to that example. It became quickly manifest, however, that no demand of any account existed here at the price levels established by this movement in London and the violent recovery of yesterday here. International bankers in New York are not inclined to look for grave international consequences from the French losses, owing to the abundant ability of the French home money markets and government relief measures to meet any emergency. The more general opinion of the forces at work in the day's stock market was of an organized bear party which took advantage of the dying down of demand at yesterday's recovered prices to put out fresh short lines and to offer prices down with great aggressiveness. Not much opposition was apparent to these operations, the market suffering from the entire absence, apparently, of any supporting measures. There was a great congestion of activity in the most highly speculative stocks in the list, all of them, however, of properties of first importance. The Harriman Pacifics were the especial target of attack and it met with no manifest opposition. Rumors of the hostile intentions of the government authorities towards those companies were circulated in connection with the weakness, in strong contrast with the reports of a compromise of the government suit which were in circulation a short time ago. Among the industrials, United States Steel maintained its usual eminence and Colorado Fuel was handled with especial severity. The coppers got no benefit from the steps towards a merger which is expected to result in improved control of the output and marketing of that metal. Pennsylvania offered notable resistance to the day's weakness and was prominent in the recovery. The approach of the dividend period had an effect on the stock. The closing tone was a good deal unsettled, notwithstanding the nervousness manifested by uncovered shorts. It was their buying to cover which made the occasional rallies in the market. Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $3,684,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

STOCKS.

Sales.		High.	Low.	Close.
400	Allis Chalmers pfd	47	45¾	42
59700	Amal. Copper	83½	80¼	82⅞
500	Am. Agricultural	44½	43	43¾
2600	Am. Beet Sugar	37½	35	36½
2900	Am. Can pfd	76	74	75
8500	Am. C. & F. pfd	64⅞	63	64¾
1200	Am. Cotton Oil	63	60	60½
900	Am. Hide & L. pfd	39¾	38⅞	39
1600	Am. Ice Securities	22½	21¾	21½
500	Am. Linseed Oil	15	14½	14½
4400	Am. Locomotive	52½	50⅞	51
39600	Am. Smelting & R.	94	90⅞	92
400	Do. pfd	109	108⅞	108⅞
1900	Am. Sugar Refining	122	120¾	121
1900	Am. Tel & Tel	137¼	136	136¾
700	Am. Tobacco pfd	93⅞	92¼	92¼
300	Am. Woolen	36	34½	35
17800	Anaconda Mining Co.	58¾	56¼	56¾
5200	Atchison	117	115½	115½
400	Do. pfd	103⅞	103¼	103¼
1000	Atlantic Coast Line	128	126½	128
3000	Baltimore & Ohio	115¾	114⅞	115¼
——	Do. pfd	—	—	90½
100	Bethlehem Steel	31	31	30
7900	Brooklyn Rapid Transit	73¼	71	71⅞
400	Canadian Pacific	179¼	178½	178½
5500	Central Leather	41⅞	39	39⅞
700	Do. pfd	107	106	106½
——	Central of New Jersey	—	—	298
16100	Chesapeake & Ohio	84⅞	81⅞	83½
500	Chicago & Alton	60½	58⅞	58½
1600	Chicago Great Western	32¼	30¼	30⅞
1400	Chicago & N. W.	159	157	157
17600	Chicago, M. & St. P.	147¾	145¾	147¼
1200	C. C. C. & St. Louis	78¼	77	77
15800	Colorado Fuel & Iron	41½	36	37⅞
1000	Colorado & Southern	57¼	56¼	56¾
100	Do. 1st pfd	81½	81½	81
100	Do. 2d pfd	80½	80½	80
13200	Consolidated Gas	145½	141	142⅞
1300	Corn Products	19½	19	19
500	Delaware & Hudson	173	171½	172½
2100	Denver & Rio Grande	42½	41	41½
700	Do. pfd	80½	79½	79½
1300	Distillers' Securities	32⅞	31⅞	31⅞
2100	Erie	29¼	28¼	28⅞
1900	Do. 1st pfd	47⅞	46	46¼
100	Do. 2d pfd	35½	35½	35½
900	General Electric	153	150½	150¾
10500	Great Northern pfd	134¾	133⅞	134⅞
5300	Do. Ore ctfs	73⅞	71	72
300	Illinois Central	143½	142¾	142¾
7300	Interborough Met.	22	21¼	21¼
2700	Do. pfd	56¼	54¾	54¾
1400	Inter Harvester	121½	119⅞	120½
400	Inter Marine pfd	20½	20	20
100	International Paper	13¾	13¾	13
200	International Pump	49	48	48⅞
600	Iowa Central	24	22	22½
1600	Kansas City Southern	38½	37¼	37⅞
——	Do. pfd	—	—	68
2100	Louisville & Nashville	145⅞	143½	144¾
——	Minn. & St. Louis	—	—	45
1400	M., St. P. & S. S. M.	136¾	134½	134⅞
2400	Missouri Pacific	69½	67½	68½
4800	Mo., Kan. & Tex.	43¼	41½	42
200	Do. pfd	72	71¾	71
200	National Biscuit	110	109	109
2200	National Lead	84¼	82¼	83
600	N. R. Merc. 1st pfd	61	61	61
13700	New York Central	119¼	117¾	118⅞
1800	N. Y., Ont. & West.	44⅞	44¼	44¼
1500	Norfolk & Western	96¾	96	96
1400	North American	78	76½	77⅞
7800	Northern Pacific	136⅞	134¾	136
400	Pacific Mail	32½	32¼	32½
83300	Pennsylvania	134½	131⅞	134
2530	People's Gas	110½	108⅞	109½
1400	Pittsburg, C. C. & St. L.	98½	97	97½
1400	Pressed Steel Car	43½	42	42⅞
300	Pullman Palace Car	193	192	193
700	Railway Steel Spring	45½	40¼	42½
133100	Reading	157⅞	154	155⅞
2800	Republic Steel	38	36⅞	37⅞
200	Do. pfd	101	101	100½
11800	Rock Island Co.	42⅞	40¼	41⅞
800	Do. pfd	82½	82	82
1900	St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	53½	51¼	51¼
100	St. Louis S. W.	28⅞	28⅞	28¼
200	Do. pfd	73	72½	72¼
1300	Sloss Shef. S. & I.	78½	76	76
54300	Southern Pacific	129⅞	126½	127⅞
3900	Southern Railway	30	28⅞	29¼
1900	Do. pfd	67⅞	66½	67
1200	Tennessee Copper	36¼	34⅞	34½
1200	Texas & Pacific	31⅞	31	31¼
——	Toledo, St. L. & W.	—	—	42
——	Do. pfd	—	—	64
144500	Union Pacific	181⅞	183¼	184⅞
2000	Do. pfd	99½	98¾	99
200	United States Realty	78½	76	76
1600	United States Rubber	44	42½	43
317400	United States Steel	84¼	81⅞	82⅞
1800	Do. pfd	123	122	122½
7500	Utah Copper	54	51½	52
4100	Va., Carolina Chem.	52	50	51⅞
2700	Wabash	21½	20⅞	20½
6900	Do. pfd	48⅞	46⅞	47¼
1200	Western Maryland	48½	47½	48¼
8200	Westinghouse Electric	71	68	69
400	Western Union	70⅞	70	70
——	Wheeling & L. Erie	—	—	25⅞
300	Wisconsin Central	47	46½	47
2630	Pittsburg Coal	21⅞	20⅞	21⅞
——	Am. Steel Foundry	61	60⅞	60⅞
——	United Dry Goods	—	—	118½
4900	Laclede Gas	105½	103⅞	105¼

Total sales, 1,108,900 shares.

COTTON.

New York, Jan. 27.—Cotton futures closed steady. Closing bids: January 14.50, February 14.47, March 14.47, April 14.47, May 14.57, June 14.50, July 14.49, August 14.11, September 13.10, October 12.68, November 12.45, December 12.46. Spot closed quiet, 20 points higher; middling uplands, 14.70; middling gulf, 14.95; sales, 2,700 bales.

MONEY.

New York, Jan. 27.—Money on call easy at 1 3-4@3 per cent.; ruling rate 2 3-4; last loan 2; closing bid 2; offered at 2 1-2. Time loans very soft and dull; sixty days 3 1-2@3 3-4 per cent.; ninety days 3 3-4@4; six months 4@4 1-4.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT:				
May	110⅞	111⅛	110 5-16	111 5-16
July	101	101⅞	100⅞	101⅞
Sept.	97	97½	96⅞	97⅞
OATS:				
May	66⅞	67⅛	66⅝	67⅛
July	66⅞	67	66 9-16	66 15-16
Sept.	66½	66⅞	66½	66⅝
CORN:				
May	47	47 1-16	46⅝	47 1-16
July	45 5-16	45⅝	45 3-16	45⅝
Sept.	46⅞	41⅛	46 13-16	46 13-16

TENNEY THE FIRST FROM RAH RAH RANKS.

How the College Boy Called Dad Clarke's Bluff.

In the mind of many baseball fans there still lingers a fixed and ineradicable belief that the college ball player added to a professional club is an oddity and a conspicuous proposition. If they read of a college man's signing with a big league team they expect to see a wild eyed youth with long, floating hair, a little cap set upon the extreme back of his dome, and a bunch of educated language bristling with phrases too abstrusely complicated for anyone outside of college to understant.

This was correct, perhaps—long ago. Not nowadays. Nix. Play that one with a copper. The collegian who joins a big league ball club in the present generation isn't that kind of a darling.

It is said that Fred Tenney was the first collegian who made both the professional players and the fans comprehend what an up to date 'varsity man was really like. He did it with a vengeance, too, and the inimitable Dad Clarke was the goat.

Tenney had just joined the Boston team, and Clarke was about to pitch a game against Selee's performers. Dad had heard of Tenney's signing and decided that he would scare the tender mamma's boy right off the lot. He hunted for Tenney, approached him during practice, and remarked with a terrible growl and savage glare: "Say, you college lobster, you cheap imitation, you four-flushing, rah-rah, you Willie-boy from the ology class, what business have you got around here mixing up with men?"

Tenney turned, a fierce eyed figure, with black straggling hair waving over a pair of vicious eyes. Sizing Clarke up for a minute, he began by squirting a torrent of tobbacco juice all over Dad's shoes. Then turned loose a flood of explosives that curled Clarke up, leaving him in a dazed and helpless mass. When Dad came to he cried to Fred Knowles: "Say, that guy never went to no college. That tough gazabo never even went to night school."

The collegian who breaks into the big league is usually from the smaller colleges, the jerkwater places where the students mix manual labor with their trigonometry. Men who can afford the pace of Yale, Princeton or Harvard as a rule are too well off to need a baseball contract, and, on graduating, step right into business at their fathers' offices. There have been some eminent Yale and Harvard men in the big leagues, but not many.

SIX SENATORS SIGN.

Half Dozen of the Rear Guard Affix Their Signatures.

So far six of the Washington team have signed contracts for the next season. They include Tom Crooks, Bob Unglaub, Doc Gessler, Herman Schaefer, Miller and Yohe.

The fact that Miller and Yohe have signed contracts bears out the information that the youngsters will be given a thorough trial by Manager McAleer before being allowed to drift back to the minors if they fall short of major league requirements.

Little Miller's nerve carried him through last season, and ex-Manager Cantillon was positive at the end of the season that he would be a valuable man for the Nationals this year. Yohe also displayed great confidence in himself and this, too, made a hit with the ex-manager. Just how these two players will size up to McAleer's ideas remains to be seen.

Newspaper Teams at Duckpins.

The duckpin teams of The Norwich Bulletin and the New London Day have arranged to roll their first match in New London on Saturday afternoon at the Y. M. A. alleys at 4.30 o'clock. The Bulletin team will be made up of Whitney, Corning, Curran, Frew and Bjurstrom or Sullivan, while the Day's lineup is to be Moran, Newman, Joseph, Davis and Brabston, both fives being subject to such changes as might be made necessary.

On account of the time required to roll five games at one clash, it has been agreed to roll only three games at each meting. A prize will be hung up for the Bulletin man making high score.

BEST PITCHERS DON'T ALWAYS FOOL THE BEST BATTERS.

Some Lesser Light Uusually Has It on the Star Batsmen.

It is not the best pitchers who fool the best batsmen. Upon the other hand, the real slugger has often his best days against the kings of the pitching department, while he makes a holy show of himself when facing some twirler who is in rare luck if he finishes a season with half of his games credited to the winning column.

For instance, Ed Konetchy, the slugging first baseman of the St. Louis Cardinals, regards Mathewson of the Giants as the king of all pitchers, yet the Cardinals' swatter had little or no trouble in touching up Big Six.

But it wasn't Mathewson, Brown, Overall, Reulbach, McQuillen or Camnitz who got Koney's goat last season. Not to any appreciable extent, anyhow. Koney nearly broke his back one day trying to connect with the slants of the Quakers. In fact, Earl fanned Ed three times in one afternoon and made him heaps of trouble verey time he worked against Bresnahan's outfit.

Just as the pitchers have studied Koney, the first baseman has studied the pitchers. He says that Mathewson's fade a way is the most effective ball that was ever pitched.

"Corridon has a peach of a curve too," says Koney. "He uses a wet one and sends it over like lightning. I thing his damp twisters are even more effective than Bugs Raymond's best breaks.

"Ames of the Giants has the best assortment of curves ever seen, but his control is imperfect. Frommo is chief of all deceivers with a speedy ball that fools most batters until too late to reach it. Nap Rucker of the Superbas works a fast one in close that smashes batting percentages when it is working right. Last season he fanned 16 of us in one game.

"Mordecai Brown's control is his greatest asset. He has a peach of a fast breaking curve that bothers the best of 'em, but it is his ability to land it right where the batter doesn't want it that makes him a leader. He has sand enough to floor the ocean and isn't afraid of the worst slugger that ever lived. Besides that, he knows the weakness of every batsman in the league."

Ninety-nine per cent. of a cup of tea is water.

Norwich, Conn.,
January 19, 1910.

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