

mighty Ed Walsh, but it seems to have affected the right flapper of Ford, who was one of the American League sensations in 1911.

IF Ford can regain his 1911 form Frank Chance will have one of the most effective pitchers in the business.

IF Ford is right Chance will be relieved of a great worry.

Something was wrong with Ford in 1912. The hop on his fast ball, which made him a terror in 1911, was missing. His spitballs lost their sharp, deceptive "break." No one was more puzzled by this than Ford. He tried many experiments, but the "stuff" was lacking.

Billy Evans, the A. L. umpire, was behind the bat the first day Ford broke in. He pitched against the Athletics and struck out Harry Davis four times in succession. After Davis whiffed the fourth time he turned to Evans and said: "Say, Bill, do you see the same things I've been looking at?"

"I don't know what you mean," answered Evans. "So far as I can make out, you haven't been looking at anything. But this fellow is showing me a lot of things I never saw before."

"I guess I'm all right," mourned Davis. "I thought something had happened to my eyes."

IF Ford can travel at the gait which caused Davis' plaint he will go a long ways toward lightening the stupendous task Chance is confronted with this year.

Morris, Minn.—\$25,000 fire destroyed several buildings.

CABINET POSSIBILITIES



Edwin L. Norris, governor of Montana; Kentuckian by birth; in Wilson's mind for interior-department job.



John T. McGraw, West Virginia coal, timber and railroad baron, mentioned as a dark horse candidate for the naval portfolio in Wilson's cabinet.

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A little boy one day asked his grandmother if she could crack nuts. "No, dear," she replied. "I lost all my teeth years ago." "Then," said the youngster, as he showed both hands full of filberts, "please hold these for me; I'm going to fetch some more."