SIDE LIGHTS ON MANY SPORTS

# BALL PLAYERS **SUPERSTITIOUS**

Diamond Stars Bothered by Hoodoo Signs While Battling for Pennants.

The statement recently credited to Clarke Griffith to the effect that he had no use for men with superstitions has brought up all manner of discussion on the subject of baseball "hoohoos."

Although the new manager of the Cincinnati team undertook to ridicule the superstitious ball player, few better than himself know how many players are influenced by these same "hoodoo" signs.

As in all games of chance, or where there is an opportunity to win or less there is an opportunity to win or less As in all games of chance, or where there is an opportunity to win or lose, there are many players who could not be paid to do this or that one of the "hoodoo" acts for fear of losing the game. Others in the same way are influenced by certain signs in which the players themselves have nothing to all to do.

In the case of the ball player these superstitions go to extremes. In one case we hear of "Cy" Seymour, who, while a Red, used to take his bat in to luncheon with him.

with him.

In the final series last season between the Athletics and the Detroit team, Wild Bill Donovan was scheduled to pitch. A visitor happened to be on the visitors' bench, and in a friendly way patted Donovan on the back and wished him luck. "Don't do that" shouted Wild Bill. "That is sure to bring me bad luck. Don't you have that it is a bad some to pat a mon know that it is a bad sign to pat a man on the back before he goes in to pitch a game?"

The first spin and sign to pat a man on the back before he goes in to pitch a game?"

The first spin and spin a shifted with great rapidity. At noon he was undecided as to a trip to his old home. At 1 o'clock he suddenly concluded.

who tells the following on himself:
"I have only one superstition that is silly, but I can't overcome it. I always

silly, but I can't overcome it. I always like to have the umpire's broom on the right side of the plate when I go to bat. The umpire, however, after dusting off the plate, invariably hurls the broom to the left. Just as often I kick it over to the right. You see, I am a left-handed batter, and I hate to have a broom staring at me when I am trying to make a hit." It will be remembered that Gouchnauer, the former San Francisco shortstop, had a similar habit of tossing the broom to the opposite side of the plate.

In New York, and I'm on my way," he said to an Associated Press representative. "I've just sent a second telegram to my mother telling her I can't visit her for two weeks or more. I want to see Jeffries face to face. If he is in the boxing game he will talk business. We can accomplish more face to face on a business proposition than can be done with a hundred letters and telegrams.

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An incident is remembered during the managerial career of Hanlon in Cincinnati, when the players petitioned him to allow them to discard the time-honored

A sure-thing sign among some ball players when a rally is needed, is the shaking up of the usually carefully placed bats in front of the players' bench. Pitcher Heine Berger, of the Cleveland team, invariably scatters the bats around when things are not going right. things are not going right.
Umpire Billy Evans recently enumerated several hobbies shown in various star Detroit outfielder and batsman, always swings several bats in his hands before going to the plate. He also has got the broom habit, and can never soot of the plate. It also appears that Fred Glade, of the Yankees, never starts an inning without tossing a ball to the first baseman after he had warmed up with the catcher. "Dutch" Schaefer, of the Tigers, invariably draws a horseshoe on the ground with his bat before facing the pitcher. Lajoie is always seen to draw a line in the dirt in front of the plate every time he goes to bat. George Stovall, of the Naps, has the common habit of twist-

ing his belt when taking his place at the TOMMY MURPHY blate.

Cy Young, the grand old twirler, is credited with a hobby or superstition which smacks very much as being of the "knowing" order. It seems that Cy always prefers to pitch on dark days, claiming that he is always at his best on days when the sun is not shining.

It is a pretty safe bet that no one better than the batter realizes that the dark-day stunt is no superstition, judging from the difficulty they have in hitting "Cy" on these occasions.

### British Football Results

London, March 16.-The results of yes terday's games were: FIRST LEAGUE. Sunderland 2, Manchester United 2. SOUTHERN LEAGUE. Plymouth 1, Leyton 1. Queen's Park Rangers 4, Luton 0.

JACK IS OFF TO LOOK UP JIM

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES.

Chicago, March 17.-Jack Johnson the colored heavyweight champion, an-

Johnson's plans shifted with great o'clock he suddenly concluded to make STARS GATHER The fact remains, however, that Wild the trip and so telegraphed his mo-

"I've got a chance to meet Jeffries in New York, and I'm on my way." he

"I've received word that now is the time to catch him and I'm not going to overlook the chance. In addition I have some arrangements to make with stockings for white hose, claiming that regard to my theatrical engagements the red variety were hoodoo. Hanlon, it seems, was beginning to think the same way, and would have granted the request had not President Herrmann objected to had not President Herrmann objected to

## CARPETBALL

All Saints' Defeats Senior Team of Chelsea Lodge, S. O. E.

al- League defeated the senior team of the Chelsea Lodge, S. O. E., by a score of e broom habit, and can never make of the plate. He also has got the plate. It also appears that Fred ade, of the Yankees, never starts an exciting game of carpath ing what are to them the greatest 24 hours of the year. The shamrock is out the game. At half-time the score out the streets,

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Time was when, if Ottawa won the Stan-ley mug, for instance, it could not be pried away with crowbars, nor removed by a battalion of sharpshooters, no mat-Medical men have come through with ter how much superior the team. The spectators at the game must have sighed for the boys of the Old Salt Brigade. It is a good thing for sport, and shows that at least the amateur stuff is on the level. This trophy will put a crimp in the in-

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The local ball teams are getting their players signed up, and it looks as if there will be some crack teams in the going this season. The West London Stars have engaged such a lot of good ones as Mickey Tierney, Abby Johnson, Bill Fleming, Chink Ward, Alfie Gatecliffe, Nig Jeffries George Parts of Gatecliffe, Nig Jeffries George Parts of Market Shrubb is sure going fast in his trials, and when he hooks up with Simpson, the Indian, there should be some racing.

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An Irish carnival will be held in the Jubilee rink tonight under the auspices of the Rambler Baseball Club. A number of excellent prizes will be awarded.

Dorando Pietri ran another Marathon race last night, and won it. The little is a hig Irish day.

There must be something wrong with this amateur hockey business. Here's Queen's University goes to the capital and rudely takes that Allan mug away, when it has nestled there but a few brief weeks.

Medical men have come through the statement that germs lurk in the fes-tive ice cream soda, so it looks as if the only real thirst-destroying beverage is circus lemonade.

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Mr. J. Johnson will make a visit to J. Jeffries for the sole and express purpose of enticing the Boy Blacksmith into the fing with him for a large purse. If will likely result in some loud talking and voluminous press reports, but nothing further. James J. is at the present time making huge blocks of money in vaude-yille, and he will keep the excitement up for the gate receipts. If at the conclusion of the tour he thinks he can collect the purse, he may take on the Smoke, but if not, back to the alfalfa he will go, much richer than before this talk about the champion of Senegambia.

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Mount Hope Orphanage this evening for the amusement of the aged people and children. A supper will also be had an opportunity to play off for Mr. Allan's mug, and insist that Queens are not the real amateur champions. That it did not dawn upon the Toronto fans that they had a real team until the St. Miques trimmed the Kingston seven out of countenance. Now, however, they are barred from contesting for the mug until next year, and the resistance of the aged people and children. A supper will also be had an opportunity to play off for Mr. Allan's mug, and insist that Queens are not the real amateur champions. That is one how a state of the clauses, including Sunday cars, and children. A supper will also be had an opportunity to play off for Mr. Allan's mug, and insist that Queens are not the real amateur champions. That they had a correct the chapel was fittingly decented by Rev. Father Goetz, the chapel was fittingly a result to work had an opportunity to play off for Mr. Allan's mug, and insist that Queens are not the chapel was fittingly and the Kingston seven out of countenance. Now, however, they are barred from contesting for the mus making have belocks of money in vaude-yilled and the Kingston seven out of countenance. Now, however, they are barred from contesting for the mus making have been laters a

bits season. The West London Stars have engaged such a lot of good ones as Mickey Tierney, Abby Johnson, Bill Fleming, Chink Ward, Alfie Gatecliffe, Nig Jeffries, George Beaton, Tootsie Jeffries, The Ramblers have some good ones, the latest to sign their roster being Norval Wanless. They will have a fast fielding and hard hitting team. Manager Jack Smith, of McClarys, is getting together a good bunch, and can be depended upon to have a real team in the race. The Rockets are saying little, but Doc Graydon will have a bunch ready when the belt rings. It looks as if this will be the best season on record for the boys. The people are hungry for real ball, and it looks as if they will get it.

The Detroit Tigers are going fast and strong in the Southland, according to reports, although they have had a bad series of mishaps. However, the bunch will fall short of \$5,000.—Globe.

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Regulations Abandoned.

A number of the strictest Lenten regulations in the Catholic churches are abandoned on March 17, and all members of the church are abandoned on March 17, and all members of the church are abandoned on March 17, and all members of the church are abandoned on March 17, and all members of the church are abandoned on March 17, and all members of the church are abandoned on March 17, and all members of the church are abandoned on March 17, and all members of the church are abandoned on March 17, and all members of the church are abandoned on March 17, and all members of the church are abandoned on March 17, and all members of the church are abandoned on March 17, and all members of the church are abandoned on the portion of the strictest.

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Ottawa Cliffsides in the hardest-fought games between Ottawa and Kenora leading florist. "The public seem to match played in Ottawa in years, the teams, three years ago. University hockey team of

It took 75 minutes of remarkably stubborn hockey to decide the issue. ected with the nets behind McKinley, ending a battle that for excitement far surpassed anything seen in Ottawa treal.

Ottawa, March 17.—Defeating the since the memorable Stanley cup shamrocks," was the statement of a

The Cliffsides outplayed Queen's at Kingston last night carried off the am- the commencement of the overtime of last year." ateur championship of Canada and the play, but the staying power of King-Alian cup, donated by Sir Montagu Al- ston students, their strength and their lan, of Montreal, as an emblem of the coolness at the critical moment, re- foliage that bedeck coat lapels on sulted in their ictory. The teams were as follows:

fourteen minutes, before Campbell, the left wing player of the visiting team, drove in a wicked side shot that con-Campbell.....Left ..... Her. Referee—Blair Russell, Montreal.

LOSES TO MORAN

New York, March 16.—Owen Moran, the English featherweight pugilist outpointed and outboxed Tommy Murphy, of Harlem, at the Fairmont A. C. here tonight.

Boston, March 16 .- Joev Bowker, of England, who claims to be the bantamweight champion boxer of the world, was outfought by Al Demont, of Hamilton Police Digging Up the Boston, in nine rounds in the Armory Athletic Association tonight.

ON IDEAL ALLEY The Shamrocks defeated the Capi-

LAST NIGHT'S SCORES

tals at the Ideal alleys last evening by a score of 1,489 to 1,432. The game nen got a lead and held it. Tonight there will be two games,

and the Capitals and Champions. Shamrocks. Capitals.

Totals ... .....440 465 527-1,432

The West London Stars of the City League have completed all preliminary arrangements regarding the formation of their team. They have placed all the boys, and look like a good bet. The names of the pitchers have not been given out yet, but the rest have all been chosen: Manager Mike Tierney, first base; Abbie Johnson , second base; Bill Fleming, shortstop; Chink Ward,

"ST. PATRICK'S DAY IN THE MORNING'

third base, and Tootie Jeffries will The outfield will consist

"Nig" Jeffries, George Beeton and Alfie

catch.

Day of All Days-Shamrocks in Demand.

while masses were celebrated in the juries, and who had taken action

Celebrated Mass.

A solemn high mass was celebrated being kept private, but it is underat St. Peter's Cathedral this morning, stood that Bell received a very fair Rev. Father Hussey, of West Lorne, amount to compensate for the serious acting as celebrant, assisted by Faral staff, as deacon and sub-deacon. G. Meredith for the defendant. The choir rendered a number of Irish hymns during the service.

be doing McKeon acted as celebrant of the jurors, and concluded the sitting of solemn high mass. He was assisted the court. by Father Tobin, as deacon, and Rev. Irish melodies.

An Entertainment.

and in many of them the service will With all the flurry there was in January about spring weather and soft ice, all the summer, and we are glad to get him out of our system. We thought he would crowd the sport pages indefinitely, but such is not the case.

Mike Donlin will not play ball this be given in honor of St. Patrick. The choirs have arranged for special muchors and infinitum, as we say in the such is not the case.

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There are no signs that the glory of St. Patrick is being dimmed; at Queen's Seven Captures the Allan Cup least, the reports of florists indicate that the demand for shamrocks and the less costly but very passable clover leaf is even greater than usual. "We have sold out all our imported

> sales are considerably ahead of those It may not be generally known that few of the three-leaved specimens of March 17 are really genuine shamrocks from the "ould sod," For one thing, makes a nice boutonniere is a quar

be keener after them than usual. Our

A Frightful Fire. Causes widespread sorrow-likewise a lively corn causes much pain-the Henry a lively corn causes the old reliable real cure is "Putnam's," the old reliable Judge of Play-S. McPherson, Men- Putnam's Corn Extractor, that never falls and always cures; try it.

ter, while the clover variety which looks like the real simon-pure article, except that it has a larger leaf, can be purhased for a nickel

### SEARCHING SEWER NO FIND YET

Street in Seeking Weapon in Kinrade Case.

Hamilton, March 17.-Under the supervision of Detectives Bleakley and Coulter the sewer leading Herkimer street into the Kinrade house was opened and the search for was close for awnile, but the Irish- the revolver began the first thing this morning. Over half the sewer had been examined when the workmen between the Shamrocks and Thistles, quit at noon and uo trace of the weapon or cartridges was found. George Lynch Staunton, who has been them at the inquest, and Thomas Hobengaged by the Kinrades to represent an hour or more, making an examin-Totals ... ... 436 545 508-1,489 at nour or more, making an examination of the house and jotting down notes which are probably intended for Lehman ... ... 134 160 179— 473 use at the inquest. They left a repre-

#### JOHN FLANNIGAN WAS FINED \$10

STRONG NINE For Assaulting Welber E. White on

John Flannigan was found guilty by Magistrate Love this morning of assaulting Welber E. White on urday last, and was fined \$10 and \$5.60 costs. The assault took place in a hotel and was, according to the evidence of Mr. White, entirely without provocation. He happened to be in the same room with Flannigan, and the latter suddenly asked what White was looking at. White said nothing in particular, and when he turned to go away, Flannigan hit him a heavy blow in the face and knocked him down and then hit him some more. Magistrate Love said such conduct could not be tolerated, and ordered Flannigan to pay all costs, and \$10

fine as well. Ernest Ingle and William Davis. two young men who fought on the street, were found guilty. Ingle was fined \$2 or five days, and Davis \$1 London Irishmen Honored the or three days.

The case of a woman charged with not sending her child to school was

> WALTER BELL WAS **GIVEN DAMAGES**

The sons of Erin are today celebrat- At the Assizes Which Were Con-

adjourned until Saturday.

cluded Today. The case of Walter Bell, the man who last autumn fell from the second

story of the Smallman & Ingram building, receiving very serious inagainst the contractor in charge for \$5,000, which was entered for the spring assizes, has been settled out of The details of the settlement are

injuries which he had received. J. I thers Goetz and White of the cathed- Faulds acted for the plaintiff and T At the close of the grand jury's pre sentment Judge Macbeth, sitting for At St. Mary's Church, Rev. Father Mr. Justice Riddell, dismissed the

children of St. Mary's school were Mayor Stevely received a copy of present in a body and sung several the city of London bill this morning. The date for hearing it has not been settled, but it is expected that it will An entertainment is to be held at come up for consideration before long, Mount Hope Orphanage this evening perhaps early next week. It contains SAW REVOLVER

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IN A DREAM East London ady CLlaims to Have Locatel Kinrade Pistol in a

A well-known East End laly, the wife of a Hamilton road grocer, claims to have had a dream last evening in which she located the revolver with which Ethel Kinrade was

murdered. The lady says that the vision was quite clear, and that the revolver was in the flue in the back of aa stove. Whether this will do as a "tip" to the Hamilton police remains to be seen, but at any rate while sewers are being dug up and other likely places searched, it might be well to spend a few minutes in investigating, the lady's husband says.

ST. MARY'S HALL TONIGHT. A dramatic and masical entertain ment entitled "Innisfail" will be presented in St. Mary's Hall on Lyle street this evening by St. Mary's Dramatic Society. The advance sale is a large one and the members of the society expect to play to a capacity

EAST END NOTES. regular meeting of Court Forest City of the Ancient Order of Foresters, was held in Foresters' Hall at the corner of Dundas and English streets last evening, routine business being transacted.

Liberal Club Concert. Among those who will take part in

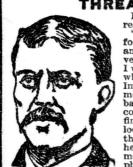
the Liberal Club concert tonight will be Fred Phelps, Charles Blythe, J. McLaughlin, John Richardson, Charles Hoskins, Ed Adams, Z. Atkinson, Fred Barr, Freddie Mullins. Light refreshments will be served. Elks Reorganized.

The local order of Elks was reorganized last night, and it was de- was held on Tuesday afternoon. Sevboard of trade chambers. A petition mothers were discussed. After a short signed by about 50 members was pre- musical programme given by pupils of lar and others.

# NERVOUS DEBILITY

 Under its influence the brain becomes active, the blood purified so that a
nples, blotches and ulcers heal up; the nerves become strong as steel, so tha nervousness, bashfulness and despondency disappear; the eyes become bright, the face full and clear, energy returns to the body, and the moral, physical and mental systems are invigorated; all drains cease—no more vital waste from the system. The various organs become natural and manly. You feel yourself a man and know marriage cannot be a failure. We invite all the afflicted to consult us confidentially and free of charge. Don't let quacks and fakirs rob you of your hard-earned dollars.

NO NAMES USED WITHOUT WRITTEN CONSENT. THREATENED WITH PARALYSIS. Peter E. Summers, of Kalamazoo, Mich., relates his experience; "I was troubled with Nervous Debility



"I was troubled with Nervous Debility for many years. I lay it to indiscretion and sxcesses in early youth. I became very despondent and didn't care whether I worked or not. I imagined everybody who looked at me guessed my secret. Imaginative dreams at night weakened me—my back ached, had pains in the back of my head, hands and feet were cold, tired in the morning, poor appetite, fingers were shaky, eyes blurred, hair loose, memory poor, etc. Numbness in the fingers set in and the doctor told me he feared paralysis I took all kinds of the ingers set in and the doctor told me he feared paralysis I took all kinds of medicines and tried many first-class physicians, wore an electric belt for three months. went to Mt Clemens for baths, but received little benefit. While

at Mt. Clemens I was induced to consult Drs. Kennedy & Kennedy, though I had lost all faith in doctors.

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Victoria School Mothers' Club. The regular meeting of the Mothers' Club in connection with Victoria school cided to open up clubrooms in the old eral matters of deep importance to sented asking that the order be re- the school, Miss Laidlaw, supervisor of

established, and a house committee all the city kindergartens, gave a most composed of Ald. Donald Ferguson, R. interesting and helpful talk on the W. Glover, T. Baker, W. D. McGregor, period of youth from 7 to 14 years of Carl Beal and Frank Millar were ap- age, comparative development of boys pointed to purchase furniture, etc. and girls, school studies and exercises There are about 50 applications for and also gave a short description of membership, and the order starts on a public school life in England, where Among those present manual training for the boys, and sewwere: Aid. Ferguson, R. W. Glover, W. ing and domestic science for the girls, R. Colby, B. Johnston, T. Baker, W. D. are taught, one-half day each week be-McGregor, C. Beal, M. O. Finch,, W. ing set apart, each and every school armain, Geo. F. Coleman, Frank Mil- also containing a suitable hall for gymnastic exercises.

