SPORT

MEDICINE HAT SIGNED TWELVE

Medicine Hat, March 7.—An idea of the strength of the team ,which will represent Medicine Hat in the western league this year can be gained from the fact that Manager Niers has indeed not think "Lefty" Sporer of last year's Winnipeg's, fast enough to catch a place as against Hollis and Campbell, the two southpaws who are now being tried out.

The players now under contract to Medicine Hat are, G. F. Neirstheimer, player manager, 26 years old, 5 feet 8 inches, secured his baseball experience in the crack "Acorn" team of Cincinnatti. Fleet footed as a gazel e a reliable batter and a fine general, steadying his players in tight places. James McClain, 25 years old, 158 lbs. Class B., has been in Evansville, Danville, and other champion teams, a sure, hard hitter, great throw and one of the best coaches in the game. Edward Perry, shortstop, 27 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 158 lbs., base hit killer if ever there was one, quick, active and safe, a terror of pitchers, batting either way with equal success. Ed. Lindsay, first base, 23 years old, 6 feet 3 inches, 153 lbs., puts one in mind of old "Cap" Anson in the days of the original Chicagos. H. B. Young, second base, 25 years, 5 ft. 9 inches, 168 lbs., any one beating him on the handling of thrown balls can call himself a world beater. James Haley, third base, from Kent, Ohio, highly recommended. Robert Spring, right field and utility, good batter, formerly with champion "Monarchs" of Bellvue, Left Hollis, pitcher, southpaw, good batting pitcher. Frank Ritchey, pitcher, a mainstay of every club he has played with. Ed. Hartman, pitcher, highly recommended by ex-league pitcher, who says he is a right star. Alex Campbell, pitcher, southpaw, with a reputation fitting him for big leagues. Robert Kerr, pitcher, with speed, curves and judgment; John Benny, catcher, tested, sound, reliable.

A special car will take a bunch of enthusiastic ball fans from the Hat to see the team tried in Duluth on May 9.

SOUTHPAWS IN BASEBALL.

One-Third of Players in Major Leagues Are Side-Wheelers.

The Portland, Ore., Journal, has made the following discovery, "About 94 per cent of otherwise normal people use the right hand in preference, to the left; 6 per cent of left-handed, and it is a curious fact that one-third of the 6 per cent are ambidextrous." If this proportion applied to baseball southpaw pitchers and batters it would cut no ice whatever.

As it is, fully a third of the players in the major leagues are left-handed or at least pitch and hit left-handed, while only a few throw with the southpaw. This extraordinary percentage is that the left-handed pitcher has something on the left-handed batters, while such batsmen have an advantage over right-handed batsmen in a quicker start to first base and a fraction of a second in close plays at the bag. This latter fact accounts for the steady increase of natural left-handed batsmen and of right-handers who change to the other hand. This advantage of time on close plays at first base also helps many left-handers to high positions in the batting averages, but for real solid slugging, we must look to the normal right-handed batsman.

THE COST OF BASEBALL.

It has been figured out that the American League clubs this year will pay out nearly half a million dollars in salaries to the players. It is said that the Cleveland club tops the list with a pay roll of $80,000. The Boston club is second with about $70,000, while the New York club is third, with $65,000. The salaries of the Chicago White Sox will amount to $360,000. Then comes Detroit, with $58,000, Washington with $48,000 and Philadelphia with $44,000.

In the National League, it is believed that the New York club's pay roll will amount to about $60,000, with Chicago about the same. Pittsburg comes next with possibly $50,000, while Brooklyn's will foot up close to $40,000. Cincinnatti will have a low salaried team, the total being not more than $35,000, while Philadelpia will not go above the $30,000 mark. The Boston and St. Louis clubs will pay an even smaller amount, as nearly all of their players are cheap men.

BIG THINGS IN BASEBALL.

With the season at hand, it may be interesting to recall some of the incidents out of the ordinary last year, and the records made, which it will be the aim of the various clubs and individual players to equal this season.

Philadelphia and Boston, of the American League, played the longest game on record in the major leagues. The Athletics won, 4 to 1, in the twenty-fourth innings. This game was played September 1.

On May 21 Rube Waddell struck out 13 Cleveland batters, the season record in the American League. Mathewson of the Giants, duplicated the performance against Brooklyn late in the season.

There were 3 forfeited games in the two big leagues. Philadelphia and New York forfeited in the National and Philadelphia in the American.

It was a season of big crowds, the world's series in Chicago breaking all records for receipts. Thousands were turned away from the gates at the last three games. Both New York teams teams drew to the capacity of the Chicago ball parks several times.

Chicago and Brooklyn played nine innings in just an even hour.

The Chicago Americans out of 25 midseason games, won 23, lost 1 and played a 0—0 tie.

The Chicago Nationals won 116 games, breaking the formerr record of 106, made by the New York Nationals.

The Boston Americans lost twenty straight games and the Boston Nationals 19.

The New York Americans won 15 games, including fice double-headers.

Stone of the St. Louis Americans made a new record for base hits, with 207.

BASEBALL.

The Cleveland team went on record with 120 double-plays.

The Detroit team will train in Georgia this year.

This is the fiftieth anniversary of the introduction of baseball into Boston.

The experts figure out the salary lists of the big league clubs to average $40,000 a year.

The sale of the franchise of the Boston Nationals for $275,000 is the record price in a transaction of this nature.

$640,000 was paid in salaries by the sixteen teams of the big leagues last year according to expert reckoning.

The marriage of Shortstop Turner enables Manager Lajoie, of Cleveland, to place an entire team of benedicts in the field should he so desire.

Of the five umpires who will officiate in the Eastern League this year, only one was with the Association in 1906—Tom Kelly.

Toronto Easern League team will report at Cumberland, Pa., this year on April 1st, and play exhibition games throughout the state for three weeks.

Each team in the Eastern League will play 140 games this year. The season opens April 24 and closes September 2.

The Winnipeg Maroons are still without a battery. When these two players are secured the team will be complete.

Pitcher Walsh considers as one of his best pitching feats last season the striking out of Willie Keeler for the first and only time during the season.

Dan McGann, of Giants, thinks that Chicago, New York, Pittsburg, and Brooklyn, are the best teams in the National Leaguc and will finish very close together next fall.

Just now the talk is of taking St. Paul, Minneapolis, Fargo, and Grand Forks into the Copper Country League along with Houghton, Calumet, Duluth and Winnipeg.

A novel souvenir will be presented to the patrons of the New York games this year in the shape of a fan containing a picture of members of the team and with the inscription "A fan for a fan."

The American League season will be opened on April 11, with New York at Washington, Cleveland at St. Louis, Cleveland at Detroit and Boston at Philadelphia. There are 21 conflicting dates with the National League, as against 25 last year, 23 in 1905, and 40 in 1904.

Chesty Cox, the former Winnipeg ball player, who was with the Champion Calumet team last season in the Northern Copper country league, will this coming summer sport a Maroon uniform. He has accepted terms with the Winnipeg club, and yesterday the local management sent him his contract. Cox played right field for Calumet and will probably hold down the same position with the Maroon. With Larry Piper in centre field and Traeger in left field, the Maroon outfield will be complete.

HOCKEY.

Saskatoon will have a large up-to-date hockey rink next season.

North Battleford is an easy winner in the Western Saskatchewan League. They have not suffered a single defeat.

Montreal Wanderers will come west in quest of the Stanley Cup next week, if Kenora is agreeable. They want to play March 12 and 15, total goals to count.

Berlin team has turned professional and held the crack Toronto outlaws down to a tie game a Berlin on Thursday.

The seniors will be without the services of Reg. Blomfield for the rest of the season. The injury to his shoulder in the High School-Bankers game is more serious than at first anticipated.

The City League series will in all probability be completed this week. With Blomfield off the Bankers' line-up the money-changers would have no chance. So it is between the Intermediates and High School with honors even.

Edmonton will present the weakest team they have had out this year at tonight's game against Strathcona. Blomfield will be missing as rover and while Powers may play, he is not back to shape after his recent illness.

Harry Smith of the Ottawas, will undergo an operation on his tonsils as a result of his recent illness. The ordeal, however, will be postponed until after the hockey season closes.

The Ottawas will play a series of games with outside clubs next week. They will take on Renfrew, the Ottawa Emmets, Cornwall, and some of the international league clubs. The gate receipts will be turned over to the Ottawa Rowing Club, which has been spending a lot of money lately to boom sculling at the capital.

SPORTS OF ALL SORTS.

At Troy, N.Y., yesterday, Martin J. Sheridan, threw the 56-pound weight for height, a distance of 15 feet 7 inches, breaking the world's record by an inch.

Two rinks from the Regina City hall, defeated two M.P.P. rinks at a curling match at the Saskatchewan capital on Monday. The civic rulers' victory was by a single point.

Last week at Brooklyn, Morris Wood cut the world's skating record for the half-mile from 1.20 4-5 to 1.16 4-5. He also chipped three seconds off the quarter-mile scratch figures, reducing the time from 39 2-5 to 36 2-5.

One of the most interesting of exhibits at the recent Chicago automobile show was a duplicate of the eight-cylinder engine with which G. H. Curtiss made his phenomenal motor-cycle record at Ormond. Practically 135 miles an hour is the terrific speed at which the forty horse-power machine covered the mile stretch on the beach, making the fastest mile at which a man has ever travelled and lived to tell the story. The mile was made in 0.26 2-5. This is better than the famous mark of 0.28 1-5 made by Marriott a year ago with the fifty horse-power steamer.

Mr. John Niblock, of Calgary, after a trip over the Wetaskiwin branch to the city, stated the work of extending the Wetaskiwin branch over the Battle river will be proceeded with at an early date. The road is now at Battle river. A large bridge is being placed across the river which will not be completed until well into the summer. Mr. Niblock speaks with great satisfaction of the country through which this branch is going. He thinks that it cannot be surpassed in the west, or any place in Canada.

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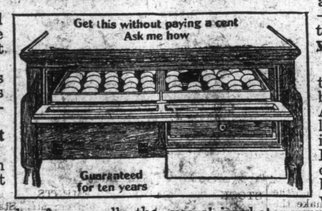

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