

## OLD "ROBBY" KEEPS RIGHT ON MAKING PITCHERS FOR MUGGSY BRITISH



One of the "heroes of yesterday" who is in the game, and makes a specialty of developing new heroes.

WHEN HE IS NOT DEVELOPING NEW PITCHERS

HE IS RUNNING A CAFE IN BALTIMORE

ROBBY ROBINSON

FROM THE TIME HE WAS ABLE TO USE A BALL HE WAS IN LOVE WITH THE GAME

When he is not developing the Giants' young pitchers and teaching Rube Marquard how to keep his smoke ball under control, Wilbur Robinson, the old Baltimore catcher—of the McGraw, Jennings, Keeler, Bill Clarke, Walter Brodie days—runs a cafe in Baltimore.

Robinson played on the wonderful Oriole team of 1894-5 put together by Ned Hanlon. He was one of the same's best backstops and in 1894

caught 106 games. In 1895 he tied with Clements, the Philadelphia catcher, with the splendid fielding of 365.

As a developer of pitchers, Robinson was a wonder when a younger man than he is today, and he has proved to Manager John McGraw of the Giants that he is still able to bring out everything in a man, by taming Rube Marquard and making

himself Tesreau worth while.

It was Robinson who gave the late John T. Brush some return for the \$10,000 he invested in Marquard. McGraw knew it was in the Rube and he told Robinson to locate it, which Wilbur did. Some of that cocky spirit now noticeable in Marquard may not be entirely due to an enlarged head—it may be some of the scrappy spirit of the old Orioles, injected by Robinson.

In Baltimore Robinson took hold of

Joe Corbett, after Joe had drifted from pillar to post, and made him one of the greatest pitchers in the land. Corbett was a wonder in his day and he owed it to the big catcher.

In addition to Corbett there were McMahon, Hawke, Epper, Hoffer, Pond and Henning losing curves to Robinson, and one and all felt more secure with him back of the plate taking their slants.

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## FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, Dec. 28.—Following are today's football results:

First Division.

Blackburn Rovers 0; Derby County 1. Bradford City 1; Aston Villa 1. Chelsea 2; Bolton Wanderers 2. Everton 1; Middlesbrough 0. Manchester City 0; Manchester United 0.

Shedfield 2; Tottenham Hotspur 1. Sunderland 2; Newcastle United 1. West Bromwich Albion 2; Notts County 0. Woolwich Arsenal 1; Liverpool 1.

Second Division.

Birmingham 1; Bradford 1. Blackpool 1; Hull City 2. Bristol City 3; Wolverhampton Wanderers 1. Clapton Orient 1; Preston North End 2.

Glossop 1; Burnley 3. Grimsby Town 4; Burnley 0. Huddersfield Town 2; Barnsley 0. Notts Forest 4; Leicester Fosse 2. Lincoln City 3; Stockport County 2. Leeds City 2; Fulham 3.

Southern League.

Norwich City 2; Queens Park Rangers 0. Reading 4; Brentford 1. Gillingham 2; Northampton 1. St. Leonards 1; Swinton Town 0. Southampton 0; Millwall Athletic 4. Stoke 4; Brighton and Hove Albion 1.

Coventry City 4; Westham United 1. Crystal Palace 1; Swinton Town 0. Merthyr Town 2; Portsmouth 0. Plymouth Argyle 3; Bristol Rovers 1.

Rugby Results.

South Africans 11; Gloucester 0. Swansea 3; Neam 0. Newport 0; Old Merchant Taylors 3. Cardiff 3; Aberavon 0. Leicester 15; Sale 3.

Harlequins 10; Blackheath 4. Cumberland 14; Lancashire 3.

Scottish League.

Glasgow Rangers 3; Aberdeen 1. Hibernians 2; Airdrieonians 2. St. Mirren 1; Celtic 3. Clyde 2; Motherwell 2.

Dundee 1; Partick Thistle 0. Falkirk 2; Third Lanark 2. Hamilton A.C. 4; Raith Rovers 0. Kilmarnock 2; Hearts of Midlothian 2.

Queens Park 3; Morion 0.

Qualifying Cup Final.

Abercorn 2; Arbroath 2.

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The Tiger Manager An Actor

Boston, Dec. 28.—Huey Jennings, the popular manager of the Detroit Tigers, will open a vaudeville engagement at the National Theatre, Jan. 1.

When "The Yell" appears in a sketch written especially for him he will be assisted by Ben Smith, a well-known comedian, and in addition to his regular vaudeville act, Jennings will sing one of the popular ballads of the day.

Jennings is a former player, a manager and a grass-puller, but none of his friends were aware of the fact that he was a singer. During his stay in town Jennings will be tendered a reception by a number of prominent Elks and by the members of the Winter League.

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NEW PITCHER FOR NEW YORK FROM MINORS

New York, Dec. 28.—The New York American League Baseball Club announced today that it had received full title to Patrick Green, the big pitcher of the Holyoke Club of the Connecticut League. Green, who is only eighteen years old, but weighs 200 pounds and is six feet, two inches tall, will be "kept on the payroll until Frank Chance has seen him in action. "The club's announcement says. He began to play semi-professional ball in 1911 near his home at Huntington, Mass.

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## THE COAST PLANS BIG REGATTA

New York, N. Y., Dec. 28.—The greatest rowing regatta ever held in this country is being planned by rowing followers in the Pacific coast for San Francisco, to be held during the world's fair, in that city in 1915.

Word from the Pacific Coast Rowing Club, which reached this city today, brings out the fact that early plans are being formulated for the regatta, which will assume an international proportion.

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Winter Time Table Summary

GOING WEST.

Express train leaves Campbellton daily (except Sunday) at 7.30 a. m. for St. Leonard and intermediate stations, due at St. Leonard at 12.30 p. m.

GOING EAST.

Express train leaves St. Leonard daily (except Sunday) at 5.00 p. m. after arrival of C. P. R. express from St. John, Vancouver, etc., due at Campbellton at 10.00 p. m.

And in addition to above and to the ordinary freight trains, there is also a regular ACCOMMODATION TRAIN carrying passengers and freight running each way on alternate days as follows, viz:

Going West—Leaves Campbellton at 8.00 a. m. for St. Leonard, and intermediate stations, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, due at St. Leonard at 4.20 p. m.

Going East—Leaves St. Leonard at 8.30 for Campbellton, etc., Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, due at Campbellton at 4.30 p. m.

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See local time tables and for full information regarding connections, etc., apply to R. B. Humphrey, freight and passenger agent, 65 Canterbury street, St. John.

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Jan. 3. Durango. Jan. 11. Kanawha.

Jan. 10. Kanawha. Jan. 28. Dates subject to change.

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