

## 2 Shutouts at Woodstock

### RED SOX LOSE THE ODD GAME

New York Leaves Boston With Three of the Series--Detroit and Philadelphia Win Shut Out Games--Yankees 2nd.

Boston, Mass., July 29.—Wood held New York to one hit until the ninth inning, when the visitors made three more and there with an error, resulted in a 3 to 1 New York victory. Boston batted Manning hard, but could not bunt their hits. The victory puts New York back into second place in the league standing. Score by innings: New York . . . 01000002—3 4 0 Boston . . . 00000010—1 10 2 Batteries—Manning and Mitchell; Wood and Carrigan. Time—2:10. Umpires—Kerin and Connolly. Philadelphia, Pa., July 29.—Score by innings: Washington . . . 00000000—0 6 4 Philadelphia . . . 00100021x—4 4 1 Batteries—Groom and Henry; Coombs and Lapp. Time—1:27. Umpires—Egan and O'Loughlin. Chicago, Ill., July 29.—Score by innings: Chicago . . . 00000000—0 3 0 Detroit . . . 00000010—2 6 0 Batteries—Walsh and Sullivan; Summers and Schmidt. Time—1:32. Umpire—Pettine.

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE.

New York, N. Y., July 29.—The Giants took an uninteresting but quickly played game from Boston today by a score of 5 to 2, the visitors being plunked until the last inning. The one remarkable feature of the contest was that neither pitcher gave a base on balls. Score by innings: Boston . . . 00000002—2 8 0 New York . . . 2003000x—5 11 1 Batteries—Brown and Graham; Crandall and Myers. Umpires—Johnstone and Eason. Time—1:27. Brooklyn, N. Y., July 29.—Score by innings: Philadelphia . . . 00000212—5 11 1 Brooklyn . . . 00000020—2 6 0 Batteries—Moore and Doolin; Bell and Bergen. Time—1:51. Umpires—Rigler and Emslie. St. Louis, Mo., July 29.—Score by innings: St. Louis . . . 01001000—2 9 1 Chicago . . . 00000230—3 9 1 Batteries—Harrison, Geyer and Bresnahan; Reulbach and Kling. Time—2:10. Umpires—O'Day and Brennan. Pittsburgh, Pa., July 29.—Score by innings: Pittsburgh . . . 00030040x—7 7 0 Cincinnati . . . 30000000—3 8 2 Batteries—White, Maddox and Gibson; Burns, Benton and McLean. Time—1:30. Umpires—Klem and Kane.

#### EASTERN LEAGUE.

At Toronto—First game—Newark, 5; Toronto, 4. Second game—Newark, 1; Toronto, 6. Called end 7th, rain. At Buffalo—Baltimore, 9; Buffalo, 8. Called end of 9th, darkness. At Montreal—Jersey City, 9; Montreal, 5. The first division teams in the American league stands as follows: New York . . . 53 36 596 Philadelphia . . . 59 30 663 Boston . . . 54 37 593 Detroit . . . 50 41 548

## RESULTS IN TWO JUNIOR CONTESTS

The F.M.A.'s defeated the K.C.'s in the Intercollegiate Junior League series last evening, with a score of 14-3. Harrington pitched a great game for the F.M.A., and was a complete puzzle throughout. Elliott was in the box for the K.C.'s but was batted hard all through and received poor support. The batteries were: F.M.A., Hazel and Harrington, and for the K.C., C. Sharkey and Elliott. The Academics got theirs again last evening to the tune of 12 to 4, the Rockwoods attending to details. Coffey pitched mystifying ball for the winners and held the game safe throughout. The batteries were: Coffey and Lawlor for the Rockwoods and McEachern and Brown for the losers.

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## TRICKS THAT BEST BATTERS PRACTICE

World's Best Hitters Have Little Schemes of Their Own to Fool the Pitcher—Cobb Tells How.

A man may go to a baseball game and sit through nine innings while two pitchers battle for supremacy. At the end of the game, the score may be 1 to 0, and one of the pitchers credited with a one or two-hit game and the other fellow with a four or five-hit game. And the man will go home and when his wife asks him about the pitching duel he has just witnessed nine times out of ten he will shake his head wisely and remark: "Yep, it was a nice game, all right, but—And there you have it all. The average baseball fan, no matter how much he may rave about inside ball, doesn't care a hoot for a pitcher's duel. When he goes to a ball game, away down deep in his heart he is hoping there will be a batting bee, one that will chase the outfielders until their tongues hang out. And Mr. Fan is also plugging to see some wild base running.

Pitching duels are all right, the fan realizes, and he looks on them as a sort of necessary evil, which isn't so bad if the home pitcher happens to be right and his team wins, but what the real fan delights in is a free hitting game, full of daring base running and sensational fielding. Consequently the actions of the best batters in the game while at bat, and of the best base runners are of considerable interest. Indeed, I heard a worthy argument which resulted in a bet of a good sized sum of real money between a couple of fans in Cleveland recently, as to whether Ty Cobb swung three bats before taking his position at the plate, or contented himself with swinging two of the war clubs. The man who picked the three won the bet.

#### Cobb Has Nerves.

Cobb is a nervous young chap who is always thinking and scheming some way whereby he can put something over on the other fellows. About the time Davy Jones steps up to the plate, Cobb gets in his bench, picks up three of his favorite bats, marches to a position as near the plate as the umpire will permit, and stands there swinging his bats, while Jones and then Bush take their turns at the bat. Cobb walks around the umpire, carrying the three bats, then tosses two of them over to the bat boy and he is ready for the pitcher. He stands clearly in front of the plate, and apparently meets the ball before it has time to break in the sharp curve.

Lajoie of the Naps, stands out in front of the players bench, swings two bats for a minute or so, throws one down and then usually sits on the end of the club he has selected until his turn at the plate comes. Larry walks around the umpire, takes a look at the pitcher and then draws a line along the right-hand side of the plate with the handle of his bat. He raps the end of the bat hard on the plate, swings it up over his shoulder and waits for the ball. As a rule, he "takes one;" that is, he lets the first ball pitched pass him without attempting to hit it. Many pitchers know this and endeavor to work the big Frenchman by shooting the first one over. Larry, however, has a trick of clouting a straight one which has the pitchers guessing, so his bluff usually gets him a ball.

Wagner is a good deal like the Frenchman at the bat. The big, solid German is never worried. He has phenomenally long arms which enable him to swing wide over the plate, and he meets the ball with the full force of his shoulders and back, like Lajoie. Cobb's attack is more choppy, but Wagner hits a ball harder than any man now playing the game, with the possible exception of Lajoie. Wagner is patient if he believes a base on balls will help his team as much as a hit, but if he really wants a hit, he is liable to get it, no matter how wide the ball is on the other side of the plate, and this is possible because of his tremendous reach. Pitchers say there is no way to fool the Dutchman.

"You might as well put it over for him," Brown, the three-fingered wonder of the Cubs, said once, "as to keep it away from him if he wants to hit, you would have to pull a wild pitch."

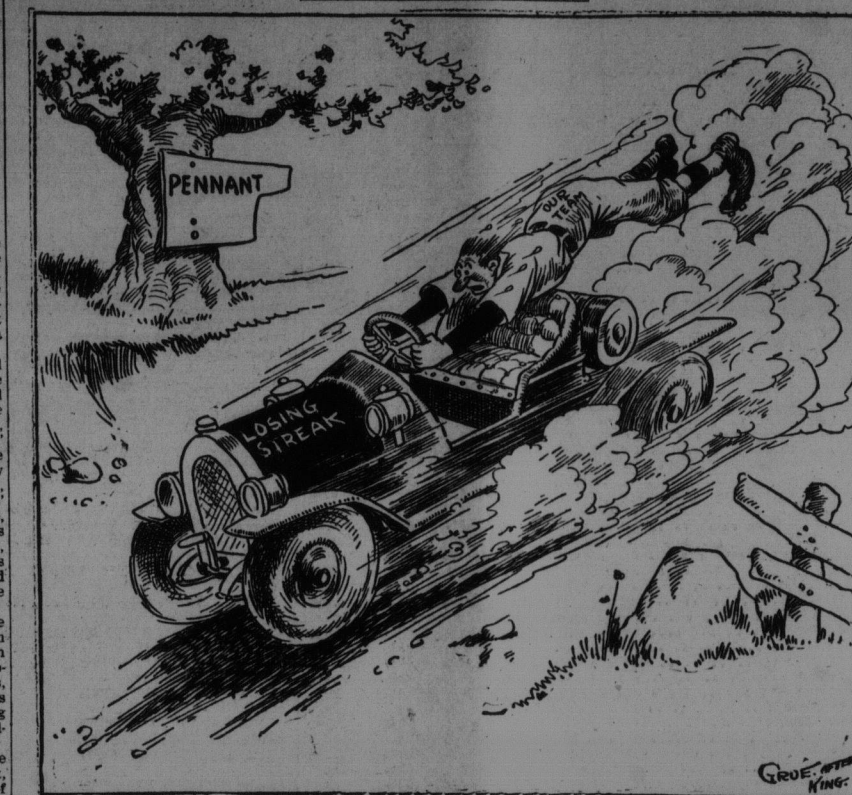
All batters are superstitious. The New York Giants still carry along with them the bats Mike Donlin and Harry McCormick used, and Chief Myers, the Indian backstop, always uses Donlin's old bat when it is up and a hit is badly needed. Also the chief has a habit of delivering, but he swears he couldn't connect if it wasn't for Donlin's bat, so the bat is tenderly cared for all the time.

#### Gun a Fetish.

Jimmie Sheppard of the Cubs, when he wants to make a hit real bad, takes out his chewing gum and sticks it on the button on top of his cap. Other Cubs, so a truthful scribe informs me, pay a redheaded youth to take charge of the bats for them and to carefully rub each bat before a game.

Down in the Texas league Jimmie Maloney who manages Dallas and usually had his team fighting for the top, had a bat which he called "Betsey." Maloney had the bat for years, and he usually clouted 300 or better. Last year a portion of the Dallas grand stand was destroyed by fire and part of Maloney's bat was destroyed. He saved one part, but he didn't strike his old batting gait and he blamed it all on the fire.

## GERO SOLVED THE PROBLEM FOR TILLEY'S AGGREGATION



#### St. Johns 6; Clippers 0.

Here we come with a bunch of glad news for Mr. Tilley's faithful band of supporters, and if you stick to the tale long enough, Mr. Public, you'll learn that at last Mr. Tilley's employees met the enemy and vanquished him. A tabulated version of the meeting given below reveals to the astonished gaze of the populace that no less than six of Tilley's gents were discovered to have completed the course while a diligent search failed to find a single one of McTigue's artisans recorded as having passed under the wire. There it is printed above in nice new type St. Johns 6; Clippers 0. The salute ate up McGovern in the fourth section of the fray in a very savage way. They introduced three safe blows, two of which sailed from the bat of Gero for four full batters. That one ill period was the sure enough medicine, and the four runs accumulated on that occasion at great expense were the same four which added with two more gathered in the first and fifth made the count as given above.

#### The Advent of Gero.

We now arrive at that stage of our narrative where we feel it our sacred duty to deal at great length upon the doings of one Mr. Gero, who was brought here at great trouble and expense by Manager Tilley. This afore-said high salaried gent graced the mound and he flitted them over with great speed, winning the undivided admiration of the assembled multitude of taxpayers, bank clerks and suffragettes. This noted gent famous

throughout St. Stephen had all the fixed steadiness of famed Gibraltar. Only two lean uns were copped off his repertoire and they were far better than Mr. Gero's. Mr. Gero belongs to New Bedford, he said, but during the past few seasons has spent his summer in hunting wild beasts in the wilds of Maine, while not engaged in hunting with great ferocity and savagery for teams along the border.

Things Liven Up For three acts the drama progressed at a snail pace, and with a decided funeral tinge. Then the saints became wrathful. After Riley had lifted one to Finnmore, Cribbs got in a safe blow that was good for two stations. Then the diminutive Mr. Cregan clouted one to centre garden and advanced the pathman to third. Ramsey reached first on a fielders choice and the pillows were filled to overflowing. Then up stepped the high salaried Mr. Gero and picking out a nice bender smote the spalding on the trade mark with terrific force. Cooper tried to get it on the bounce but it got clear through his legs.

The ball rolled away out to the clubhouse and when it finally found its way back to Mills' mitt, four gents, including the aforesaid Hon. Gero had made the circuit. K. Y. In the sixth the blue shirted Mr. Donnelly opened up with a clover cutter to Mr. Ramsey and advancing with rapid strides crashed into the quiet and unassuming Mr. Lynch at first base. Several of the fans on the bleachers witnessing the collision at once expressed a desire for the heat

of Mr. Donnelly, stewed and served with brown gravy, for preference. A tragedy seemed imminent but calm finally prevailed. Many other larger events occurred which owing to the lack of space we are unable to chronicle. Details however are given below:

#### St. Johns.

	A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E.
E. Ramsey, 2b.	. . . 3 1 1 0 2 1
Copeland, 2b.	. . . 3 0 0 1 2 0
Lynch, 1b.	. . . 3 1 1 8 0 0
Riley, 1b.	. . . 3 0 1 1 0 0
Cribbs, rf.	. . . 3 1 2 0 0 0
Cregan, cf.	. . . 3 1 2 0 0 0
Ramsey, 3b.	. . . 3 1 0 0 1 1
Gero, p.	. . . 3 1 1 0 2 0
Humphrey, c.	. . . 3 0 0 8 0 0
	27 6 8 18 7 2

#### Clippers.

	A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E.
Donnelly, . . .	. . . 3 0 0 8 0 0
Long . . .	. . . 3 0 0 1 0 0
Finnmore . . .	. . . 3 0 0 5 2 0
Chase . . .	. . . 2 0 1 0 0 0
T. Howe . . .	. . . 2 0 0 1 1 0
McGovern . . .	. . . 2 0 0 0 3 0
Woods . . .	. . . 2 0 1 2 0 0
Cooper . . .	. . . 2 0 0 0 0 0
Mills . . .	. . . 2 0 0 1 0 0
	21 0 2 18 6 0

Summary of the game—St. John, N. B. Every Day Club grounds, Friday evening, July 29, 1909. St. Johns, 6; Clippers, 0. Home run, Gero, two baseruns, Cribbs, Chase, Stolen bases, Cooper, Lynch. Struck out by McGovern, 1; by Gero, 8. Time of game, 1:15. Umpires—Britt and McAllister. Attendance—800.

## JOE GANS BREATHING HIS LAST

Baltimore, July 29.—A telegram received today from Arizona announces that Joe Gans is on the point of death in that state.

Gans is very weak and no hope is held out for his recovery. The fighter went to Arizona several months ago, suffering with tuberculosis.

## STRIKE CAUSE OF RACE POSTPONEMENT

Buffalo, N. Y., July 29.—The Niagara Racing Association announced late today that the Fort Erie meet, scheduled to open tomorrow with the \$10,000 Dominion handicap in which Fitzherbert was a feature entry, had been indefinitely postponed. Conditions arising from the strike on the Grand Trunk Railway were assigned as the cause of the postponement.

KRAMER FAILS. Providence, R. I., July 29.—Frank L. Kramer of East Orange, N. J., the American bicycle sprint champion, again failed tonight in an attempt to lower the world's quarter mile record. His best time was 24 3/5 seconds. The record is 23 4/5 seconds, made by Iver Lawson at Salt Lake City.

School Boys Win. The St. Malachi's team of the public school league defeated the Champlains on the Weldon lot last evening by the score of 6-2. The batteries were: St. Malachi's, O'Regan and McShane; Champlains, McDonald and Mooney.

## BOXER LOSES BOUT WITH BROKEN JAW

Ogden, Utah, July 29.—Terry Keller was forced to discontinue fighting in the 12th round of a scheduled 20-round go with Joe Thomas last night, claiming a broken jaw. Referee Tom Painter awarded the bout to Thomas. Thomas landed three hard left hooks to the jaw in the 12th round, and one of these did the damage. Up to the 12th round the boxing was decidedly even.

## CHATHAM HAS ANOTHER TRY FOR RACES

It is announced today that the Chatham race track during August will give a race meeting during August of the horses can be secured to provide good racing. A meeting of the directors will be held at Chatham last evening and Messrs. R. A. Lawlor and A. R. Snowball were appointed a committee to make the necessary arrangements for a meeting. American horses will be admitted.

The schooner yacht Windward is in port with a party of twelve people, including Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simmons, Thomas E. Powers of St. John with the force of a giant battering ram. Several of the fans on the bleachers witnessing the collision at once expressed a desire for the heat

Mother to School Inspector—I shouldn't 'ave kept her from school, sir, but she's 'ad such an awful cold, sir, Caroline, caught and show the gentleman.

## FREDERICTON DID NOT SCORE AT WOODSTOCK

Two Shutouts is One Day's Work for Carleton County Team—Peasley Allowed One Hit in Afternoon Game.

Woodstock, N. B., July 29.—The local speed boys were up against the Fredericton Tartars this afternoon and evening in Connell Park, shutting out the visitors in the afternoon game and getting three scores themselves, and duplicating the trick in the evening game with a total of 11.

Boone was hit for eleven safe ones, while four hits were made off Neptune. Each game went nine innings and each was played in one hour and twenty minutes.

In the afternoon game only one safe hit was made off Peasley and he had ten strike outs. Brogan put over a very slow but deceiving ball. Black and Boyce each played their positions well, and in the eighth inning the former made a home run.

The other two scores were made by the locals as follows: Peasley made a hit, Ryan beat out a bunt and Pickel sacrificed, scoring Peasley. Dow got first on an error, Ryan was caught stealing third and Dow scored on Neptune's hit. Iott filed out.

#### Hitting Boone.

The evening game was quite free from errors, and the locals unmercifully pounded Boone in every inning, but sharp fielding saved the Tartars from a worse defeat. Neptune pitched a steady game and his team to a man stood behind him.

Black of the locals is the best catcher yet seen on the Woodstock diamond. There was a large attendance at both games. Score by innings, afternoon game:— Fredericton . . . 00000000—0 Woodstock . . . 0000001x—3 Batteries—Brogan and Boyce; Peasley and Black. Umpire, Trixy Clarke.

Score by innings, evening game:— Fredericton . . . 00000000—0 Woodstock . . . 03100340—11 Batteries—Boone and Boyce, Neptune and Black. Umpire, Charles Donnelly.

Moncton, N. B., July 29.—There was a big attendance at this evening's races on the speedway. All the events were well contested and the finishes close and exciting. Summary: First race, four and a half furlongs: Kings Guiney (Crowley) 1st, in 58.35 seconds; Tina Haley (Robinson) second; Virginia Maid (Johnson) third; Florence D. and Kingston Bell also ran. Second race, five furlongs: Enlist (Whitley) first, Time 1:05. C. A. Morgan (Robinson) second; Adoration (Crowley) third; Pearl Point also ran. Third race, four and a half furlongs: Bonnie Bee (Robinson) 1st, in 59 seconds; John Wise (Morton) second; Roose (Johnson) third. Square Deal and Alta McDonald also ran. Fourth race, five furlongs: Lister (Johnson) first, Time 1:04. Lady Chilton (Morton) second; Judge Dundon (Crowley) third; Gilliford and Many Colors also ran. The fifth race was declared off on account of darkness. The races tomorrow will be called at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Player (nearing the green)—"Can you see a fly in my eye, old chap?" Opponent—Oh, yes, I can see it. I'll take it on when you've played your "approach!"

## 'NICKEL'--Today and Monday

HALF HOLIDAY MATINEE "BOOTLE'S BABY"—Army Story. "RANCHMEN'S FEUD"—Western. "THE PURGATION"—Biograph. BETTY DONN'S FAREWELL. MILDRED PRESCOTT—Contralto. —ORCHESTRA—

## THIS DEAL MAY NOT GO THROUGH

Tip Wright Does Not Believe That Johnson and Street Will Go to Detroit for \$30,000.

(By Tip Wright.)

Nothing has been heard of late regarding that offer of \$30,000 which Hugh Jennings is said to have made for Pitcher Walter Johnson and Catcher Street, of the Washington team. The chances are that the deal won't come off. In the first place it is to be hoped Manager McAleer has too much sense to dispose of his stars, even for a small fortune, and in the second place I believe Ban Johnson would prohibit the deal.

The Detroit management is making efforts, beyond a doubt, to bolster up the three time champions of the American league in an effort to bring a fourth pennant home, but in the interest of clean baseball it is not wise to let such a deal go through. Last year when Detroit was slipping, Jennings secured Jim Delahanty from Washington in place of Herman Schaefer and Tom Jones from St. Louis in exchange for Claude Rossman. In both instances cash went with the discarded players.

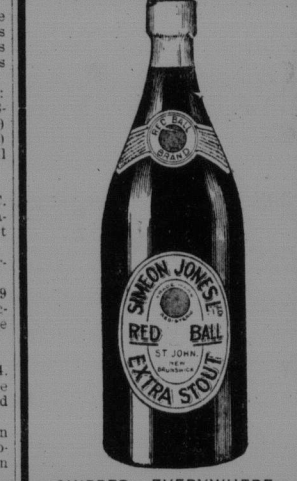
This change was effected late in the season when Detroit was finding the going mighty rough, and there is no doubt the deal helped the Tigers grab the pennant. I advocate the adoption of a rule in baseball which will prevent the trading or buying and selling of players between teams in the same league, when the intent is apparent (as it is in this case) to bolster one team at the expense of another.

If club owners want to strengthen their teams during the season, let them go to the minor league clubs and pay fair prices for the talent they need instead of practically bribing a tail end team with an offer of money and a couple of players who are going back, in exchange for men whose playing will enable them to remain in front.

If a manager knows that all he has to do to bolster his team is to offer a financial inducement to a second division club manager, he is not pushed to the limit of his resourcefulness in the fall, when he can get his pick of the players in the way recognized as legitimate.

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