

NO STEPS YET TAKEN TO FORM AN INTER-CLUB CHURCH LEAGUE

Several Are Interested in Project, However—Good Baseball Material in Many Churches—Trophy for the Winners if League Is Formed.

For the past month there has been much talk in connection with the organization of an inter-church baseball league in the city, but up-to-date the project has progressed no farther than the talk stage. Several local clergymen have advised The Advertiser that a first-class church league might be formed were someone to get busy and interest the executive heads of churches in the scheme. Rev. G. O. Warner of the Crown Memorial Church broached the subject at a recent meeting of Anglican clergy of the county, and was assured of their support. However, nothing has yet been done toward establishing a league, and nothing is likely to be accomplished until an expression of opinion of those interested is obtained.

For this reason it has been suggested that the opinions of those interested be secured. A call over the telephone or a note to the sporting editor of The Advertiser will materially assist toward the formation of a league, for it will enable one to judge whether or not the plan is favored and is feasible.

Material for an inter-church league is as good as it has ever been. The boys who would play baseball for the churches are for the most part, young and of the military age. For the sake of the fact, the war cannot be considered as a factor against the establishment of a league.

If the Crown Memorial or the King Street Presbyterian churches are examples, there should be sufficient material to organize two baseball leagues, a junior and senior one. The former church has two good nines. It was proposed some time ago to organize an Anglican four-club league and also a Presbyterian baseball association. The intention at the time was to arrange for a play-off between the two winning teams of each league. This plan has not yet been abandoned and steps to promote the scheme may yet be taken.

In order that interest in the project may be revived, and to make its materialization more tangible, it has been suggested that a trophy for the winning team be offered. There are several local sportsmen who would gladly donate silverware that would make the honors of the league well worth going after.

Once the young people of the churches become interested, there should be little difficulty about arranging for grounds and drawing up a schedule.

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FORMER IRON MAN OF ATHLETICS HAS MADE SENSATIONAL COME-BACK



Jack Coombs, who, after several seasons of sickness, is now able to pitch baseball with the best moundsmen in the big leagues. Coombs' ability to pitch two and even three games in succession won him the title of "The Iron Man."

chell, May 24.—The races held under the auspices of the Mitchell Sporting Association were the most successful seen here for many years. The crowd was well over five thousand.

A feature of the program was a race between Hal B. Jun, the fastest pacing stallion in Canada, and a Ford automobile, driven by Mr. Wanzell. The race was run off in two half-mile heats, the Ford winning both in 1:01 and 1:02.

The racing events resulted as follows:

2:50 Pace and 2:20 Trot. Charlie Patchen, S. G. Hodgins, Clandeboye 1 1 1 Freddie Granton, Thomas Year, Roy, Crediton 2 3 2 Royal Dundee, H. McLean, God-erich 3 3 3

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