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Players Like Their Quarters at Marlin Springs — Joe Kelley Looking for Pitchers and an Outfielder — Giants Play Joke on Toronto Players.

MARLIN SPRINGS, Texas, March 29.—From all appearances President McCaffery made an excellent choice when he selected this place as the scene of the Leafs' preparatory training camp. Situated in the centre of Texas in a beautiful climate, the town is a beautiful place and is surrounded by all the natural advantages that go to make up the ideal training grounds. After a few hours' stay here one feels constrained to say that the Leafs should get off this season to a running start, always providing that the weather remains favorable. The town itself has approximately 5000 permanent residents, but fanned population seeking the health-giving waters is numbered only in the hundreds.

There are two ball parks, an old one, near the hotel, and another, the Giants' private plant, situated about half a mile from the hotel. The Leafs' present headquarters are in the hotel, and the Leafs will not be able to train with the near world's champions, and until the McGraw clan take their departure the Leafs will train on the smaller field near the hotel. The grounds are enclosed, but not in the best condition, while the Giants' field is a beautiful and spacious well kept, fast skinned infield and a great outfield.

The Giants and some of the would-be Giants are very frisky with a painful sense of humor. Their pet joke was played on Graham and Killian. It was so new that it has been practiced by school boys ever since. The joke was invented. They turned down the bedclothes the first night of the Leafs' stay and covered a couple of buckets of water over the mattresses of the beds soon to be occupied by Graham and Killian. A woman was locked up in the room and then a fire alarm was turned in.

Aside from a few incidents of this kind the Leafs have been given a good reception everywhere—have in fact received medicinal qualities are claimed for the springs here and houses are everywhere. Cripples in all stages of rheumatism and other ailments come here from the north for treatment. There are two public fountains running sulphur water constantly heated by the natural hot springs. The players, like everybody else, are drinking the natural hot drinks, and some of them claim they actually like the evil smelling fluid.

The Federal-Bath is only a day's ride distant, but there is no fear of the Leafs jumping to Huerfano. The Leafs' own Gilmore's Federal-Bath have no attraction for them, and their peace of mind is in no little degree due to the fact that it was decided to call the sky the limit. As a result Toronto has one of the most highly paid teams in the A.A. classification. This being the open season for spring predictions it is in order to guess that Toronto fans are going to have some-

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thing to cheer for in 1914, and it will not be the opposing team. Of course there are a couple of big "ifs." One involves a point is placed opposite the pitching staff, but McGraw is said to hold the answer; but he is not saying anything.

Without having an opportunity to look over the Leafs' training camp, one can only say that Manager Kelley opines that they will hardly stand close inspection. There is a crowd of course, and Schwab, Castleton, the only southpaw on the club, is also counted for much. He has his record for a youngster when he pitched a no hit, no run game at Utica, only twenty-seven men facing him in a nine innings game. He was sent to the coast for seasoning, and whether he got the proper brand for the international remains to be seen.

Graham, the Toronto lad, is only a youngster, but he gave great promise last season in Wisconsin, while Kintley and Bradshaw easily got by in the Condition League. The latter is a smooth-looking, big-boned Chicago boy, who may be heard from before the training trip is over. Sullivan is not a giant in stature, but is well built, and looks the part. Unless a couple of the newcomers turn out to be the real material, and no one at this time would hazard a guess on the Leafs will be weak in defence. This is the point Kelley is most concerned about, and he is doing everything to fill the gaps at the business end of the Leafs' path. He is angling far and wide for suitable material, and silver bait is no object, but the stuff must be seasoned to draw the price, as the squad already boasts enough youngsters to do a year's work. He is probably counting a good deal on his old pal, McGraw, and the latter will probably deliver the goods.

Bunny Hearn is naturally the one big hope, but nobody is doing any talking—just a lot of thinking. Before leaving his hold on anything that night develop. John will cover it with a blanket mortgage and register the same. The fact that Gilmore's scouts have been here snooping about, looking over the sprouts in the garden, has caused the New York manager to be cautious, and even to Kelley he is less communicative than usual. But Kelley will know first when the base-

ball Napoleon has matured his plans. Kelley hopes that Hearn will come over in the shuffle, but one cannot tell, with the situation complicated by the Federal-Bath, who are coming the southern training camps for players let out about to be turned back by the National and American League clubs.

Kelley is Worrying.

With big branches his pitching staff, Kelley is worrying, and is also anxious to secure a right-hand wallop for the rural domain to cover the centre space between O'Hara and Kroy.

The latter should be as good as last year's and O'Hara will be better. Wilson hits with the left hand, but Schultz may be drilled to use his right. The Texas boy is touted as a good utility man by brother Joe, but allowance may be made for family prejudice.

So far as the infield is concerned, there seems to be nothing lacking in the trio. Pick is still troubled from the after-effects of pneumonia, but he is doing him good. If Flaherty plays to Brooklyn form he will man with a new lease of life. In fifteen games played he has averaged two hits per game. Twice in practice he drove the ball into the bay at the island, and he intends to show them that they over-looked a bet. Fitzpatrick's future need not cause any alarm. He looks perfectly fit after a winter spent in the gymnasium.

THE SNOWBALL.

The Excelsior Division, Sons of Temperance will celebrate their twenty-sixth anniversary by the presentation of "The Snowball," a comedy in three acts, by the Toronto Dramatic Club. The play affords an hour and a half of fun and laughter, and will be under the direction of Mrs. Frank Davies. The play will be given in the Orange Hall, College and Euclid avenue, on Thursday evening. The following cast will take part: Messrs. Fulton, Mrs. Franka Davies and the Misses Edna Bach and Dagnar Prinz.

WILL DEPORT WRIGHT.

England is once again to come into her own when "The God" returns on the deportation order which arrived in Toronto yesterday. Frank Dutton Jackson, alias Wright, was allowed out on suspended sentence for defrauding Mrs. Harriet Sharpe out of valuable securities. Wright will be deported today or tomorrow.

BELMONT TO RACE STEEPLECHASERS

Has Strings in England, France and America—His Horses in Training.

NEW YORK, March 30.—August Belmont will race several of his thoroughbreds in steeplechase events this year. This is a new departure for the chairman of the New York Jockey Club. In other years he raced his horses exclusively on the flat and passed up the steeplechase game in favor of other men. But realizing that the cross country sport is weak in good material, he has made up his mind to have six of his horses—Merry Task, Mission, Orange, Top Hat, Vaulant and Orpheus—trained for this purpose. Mr. Belmont will race a string of forty-two horses this year—twenty-eight in America, seven in England and seven in France. His best horses he has reserved for this country.

Mr. Belmont employs three trainers, S. C. Hildreth, John Watson and Arthur Carter. Besides, he has breeding establishments in Kentucky and in France. He has training quarters at Babylon, L. I.; Bennington, D. C.; Garnet, S. C.; Newmarket, England and Chantilly, France. Hildreth has charge of the American string, Watson the English division, and Carter the French stable.

The retirement of Travers to the stud robbed Mr. Belmont of the best racer he has ever bred. The list of horses in training is:

Stable at Bennington, D.C.
Merry Task, b.c., 7, by Octagon—imp. Merry Task.
Belamoor, ch.c., 5, by Rock Sand—Beldane.
Mission, b.m., 5, by Rock Sand—Missings.
Orange, b.c., 5, by Octagon—Oriza.
Top Hat, b.c., 4, by Hastings—imp. Golden View.
Vaulant, ch.c., 4, by Octagon—Lady of the Valley.
Vulcan, b.c., 4, by Rock Sand—Lady of the Valley.
Orpheus, ch.c., 4, by Octagon—Oriza.
Pookscap, ch.c., 3, by Rock Sand—Pisgah.
Penny, ch.c., 3, by Rock Sand—Half Sovereign.
Defendum, b.v., 3, by Rock Sand—De-fendum.
Pittiergold, ch.c., by Hastings—imp. Fair Play.
Thornhill, ch.c., 3, by Hastings—White Thorn.
Nicky, b.g., 3, by Hastings—Nimble.
Stromboli, ch.c., 3, by Fair Play—St. Priscilla.
Pittiergold, b.f., 3, by Rock Sand—Pittiergold.
Ternhouse, b.f., 3, by Ogdon—Ternhouse.
Toss Enough, b.f., 3, by Ogdon—Toss Enough.
Crossbun, b.f., 3, by Peter Pan—imp. Lucy Cross.
Fennyrock, b.c., 2, by Rock Sand—Pocktopiece.
Half Sovereign, ch.c., 2, by Rock Sand—Fennyrock.
Woodford, ch.c., 2, by Fair Play—Woodford.
Norse King, b.c., 2, by Fair Play—Norse King.
Rock of Gold, b.f., 2, by Rock Sand—Golden View.
Fair Donna, b.f., 2, by Fair Play—Donna Mia.
Change, ch.f., 2, by Fair Play—imp. Chinkara.
Luxury, ch.f., 2, by Golden Maxim or Bayette—Lux Casta.
Stable at Newmarket, England.
Black Poplar, b.c., 3, by Rock Sand—Donna Mia.
Yuba, b.c., 3, by Fair Play—St. Priscilla.
Merry Task, b.c., 3, by Rock Sand—Merry Task.
Danger Rock, ch.c., 2, by Rock Sand—Merry Task.
Fennyrock, b.c., 2, by Rock Sand—Pittiergold.
Singapore, b.g., 5, by Isinglass—Nat. Singapore.
Stable at Chantilly, Ethelbert—Bl. Eward III, ch.c., 4, by Ethelbert—Vol-au-Vent, b.c., 3, by Ethelbert—Vol-au-Vent.
Encade, b.c., 3, by Rock Sand—King's Favorite.
Gramscate, ch.c., 3, by Rock Sand—Drama.
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LIVELY BITS OF BASEBALL GOSSIP

Plenty of Baseball in Ontario—With the Canadian Leaguers—Notes.

Judging from the manner in which baseball in the form of city, town and county leagues is being organized, Ontario, especially in the western section of the province, will see the game thrive in greater proportions than ever has been the experience of the Yankee pastime in Canada. Any number of towns have already reorganized on better plans than ever before, and which speaks for their welfare, especially so early in the season.

The Western Ontario Semi-Pro League will resolve into an eight-club circuit in all probability with Berlin and Guelph, two former Canadian League cities, on the circuit.

A league in Kent County comprises cities and towns like Chatham and Thamesville, and is sure to again be reorganized, while another league, including towns in and around West Lorne, will also be in existence.

The South Wellington County League is to be reorganized with stronger teams. This league has sent several players to organized ball, as Matt Hynes graduated from Palmerston.

The Waterloo County League, which has been known as the "Troley League," is sure to be reorganized, despite the fact that Berlin, last year's champions, will be found in the W.O.B.L. organization.

Sarnia will boast of a fast three-team league on a much better basis than it was under a four-team one last year. There is also some talk of asking affiliation with the Border League, to make that organization an eight-club circuit, as St. Clair will make a strong appeal, along with Sarnia, for admission. These two centres would add considerable interest to that league, as they would form the northern section, along with Mount Clemens and Port Huron. Strathroy, Elmira, Hanover and several other places have already organized town leagues.

It was said that the Federal League teams would have to play practice games among themselves or forego that commonly accepted requisite of spring training. Now the information is waived over the wires that the Springfield Threemen will play exhibition games with the St. Louis Federals. Perhaps Ban Johnson et al will take a hand in the game and pass the word to the Springfield team.

The Ottawa club endeavored to purchase Billy Wright, the hard-hitting outfielder, who went to Erie from the Guelph catfish. In addition the Senators wanted to throw in a player or two with the purchase price, but apparently Erie only has Wright on a string. Buffalo Internationals being the real owners of the slugger.

Manager Yates of the Hamilton club is to receive assistance from Connie Mack of the Athletics and Jack Dunn of the Baltimore International League club.

Olie O'Mara, who was offered to Ottawa by Port Wayne last season, and later to Hamilton, is south with the Brooklyn Nationals, and making a great showing at short.

The latest word of Topsy Draper, the former Ottawa pitcher, who was shot up down in West Virginia six weeks ago, is that he is in the hospital in bad shape. He was shot thru the eye and mouth.

Ernest Hammond has been signed by the St. Thomas Club. This makes two Hammond in the circuit, as a pitcher by that name on the London roster.

WANT ANOTHER WITNESS.
George F. Reid, the young Scotsman, who was arrested outside Loew's Theatre on Saturday evening for disorderly conduct, was yesterday recommended for a week to allow the police an opportunity of bringing forward a civilian witness.

C. M. S. ORGANIZERS.

The following gentlemen have been appointed organizers for the Catholic Mutual Benefit Society of Canada in Toronto district: Alexander Curran, branch number 47; Dave Power, branch number 307. The C.M.B.S. has a total membership thruout the Dominion of 27,000, and is a strictly Canadian society.

HAD AUDIENCE WITH POPE.

ROME, March 31.—The Pope received in private audience today the Right Rev. Francis A. Gasquet, abbot-president of the English Benedictines, who has recently returned from the United States.

THE BAD BOY.

There will be given on Thursday evening in McMurrich School, Ossington avenue, a lecture by Dr. James L. Hughes, former chief inspector of city schools. His subject will be "The Bad Boy." All the parents of the district and friends of the school are cordially invited to be present. George E. Branton will sing. A pleasant evening is in store for those who will attend. Admission is free.

HARBOR BOARD OFFICES.

The Toronto harbor board have taken possession of the two top floors of the Otis-Fensom building, just above Front on Bay street. The lower part of the two floors is taken up by the administration offices of the board and the upper floor is occupied by draughting and survey department work.

ROBERT MURRAY DEAD.

Robert Murray, for 21 years in the employ of The Toronto Star, died Monday night at Grace Hospital after three weeks' illness. He was a member of the C.O.F., and attended Bonar Presbyterian Church. The funeral will take place from the residence, 192 Margaret street, tomorrow afternoon.

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