

GLITTERING BASEBALL SALARIES.

Federal League salary schedules continue to excite the cupidity of unindentured ball players and the envy of the whole tribe of American wage earners. Asked to name his own terms for a three-year contract, Hall Chase, of Chicago, says \$30,000 and a \$5,000 bonus. Christy Mathewson declined an offer of \$65,000 from the Federals. At the rate of \$21,666 a year he would have drawn more than seven times the salary of the Governor of Rhode Island and \$6,666 more than the stipend of the Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court. Ambassadors at \$17,500 and Cabinet officers at \$12,000 receive less than the famous pitcher's proposed salary. The only public officer in the country to draw more sal-

ary than the figures of the Mathewson offer is the President of the United States. Very few captains of industry or life insurance presidents (since these latter ones were stopped from fixing their own salaries) are down on the payroll for as much as John J. McGraw. —Providence Journal.

MONTREAL HARBOR.

During the next four years Montreal Harbor Commission intends to spend over \$15,000,000 on the harbor. These plans were disclosed in a bill to Parliament asking for funds.

It is expected that over \$3,500,000 will be spent this year. The greater part of this amount will be used in building new freight and transportation sheds to accommodate the ocean liners.

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MONTREAL TAXES.

The assessed value of the real estate in Montreal on which taxes will be paid next year will be \$618,169,000. The amount has almost doubled since 1910, when the valuation was \$309,341,000, and has trebled since 1906, when the figure was \$200,964,000. There is much said about the growth of the West. Whoever would see where Canada is growing should come East.—Exchange.

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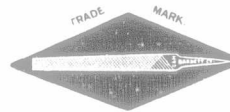
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