

Failure to Make Timely Hits is Keeping Giants Below Leaders

Even Murray, Regarded as Reliable, Has Been Put Out When a Safety Would Have Meant Victory—Yankees in St. Louis This Week.

(New York Herald.)
So far here has been no cracking of the teams—Philadelphia and Brooklyn—that are on top in the National League. The Giants have failed to strike their stride. Pittsburgh, with John Peter Wagner on the job, is beginning to ascend, and Chicago, after showing a flash of promise, is beginning to totter. St. Louis, like Philadelphia and Brooklyn, gives one the impression that the Cardinals are speeding along on a pace that cannot be maintained when New York and Pittsburgh get into a first division struggle. Cincinnati just at this time is far in the rear. "Hank" O'Day had the club in front last season.

George Stallings has caused Boston to take notice of him. He has proved right on the neck of the other fellows all the time. Up in New England they are sure they will see the club in the "upper four," and some of them are wondering whether Stallings is going to bring back the Frank Selee days when it was possible to win the flag regularly.

At these things make very interesting the struggle for the Lynch pennant.

Shy on the Hit.
Undoubtedly the main reason for unsatisfactory play in New York is that the players have been shy about being forward, and hence the ball where the hitting would do the most good. Take the case of John J. Murray. He is a strong person with the bat—as strong as any man in the trade. Time after time he has faced the pitcher and has been unable to swing on the batters with the right kind of a punch. He has added a little to his average by getting into the line hit column occasionally.

Reggie is that he hasn't been getting his hits when getting them would have revised upward the average of his club.
Now that "Tillie's Nightmare" has been run the spectators will see Reggie Shaffer, alias "Temperament," hit back on the grandstand. With "Doc" Mathewson ready to "go" any day and take a game the day may find itself and get on the ground. Notwithstanding the conditions in which they met with reverence, the St. Louis Browns, who are now in the lead, are not getting on the ground. The Browns still are minus George Stovall, their playing manager. It is announced that the head of the league would say this week how severe he would be with the player who used spit ball tactics in expressing contempt for an umpire. The hope of the loyal ones whose hearts beat for the "Highlanders" is that Mr. Johnson will continue for a little time the suspension that bars Stovall from the game.

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OTTAWA, May 21.—The Senators again defeated St. Thomas here yesterday, winning a featureless game before a small crowd by 15 to 5. The weather was too cold for good baseball and errors were frequent. Howick opposed Renfer on the mound and lasted through the performance. He was very wild at times and frequent errors did not help any. Renfer struck out 11 men and pitched good ball, errors being responsible for all but one run. With the exception of Rogers' three-bagger in the seventh, the game was devoid of excitement. In the sixth with the score 7-4, Rowe's error and Foran's hit filled the bases. Rowe's error allowed a run in, but Craven struck out and spoiled what might have been the moment to turn the tide.

St. Thomas 10021000—5 4 7
Ottawa 0900103—18 6 6
Errors—Kopp 4, Wright, Gurney, and Forgie; Harris 2, Rowe 2, Lage, Callahan.

Hamilton Wins Another.

HAMILTON, May 21.—About 300 dyed-in-the-wool fans journey to the ball park here yesterday to see the last of a two-game series between Berlin and Hamilton.
Strange to say despite the weather they were treated to some real ball playing by both teams up until the last of the eighth. It was one of the best ball games that have been witnessed here this season, but at that stage the Kolts got to Ward's benders and hit the ball far and fast.

Keenan Had a Bad Day.

This, coupled with two errors by Manager Keenan himself, allowed them to get five runs, which practically put the game on ice, but tried to say they only had one run that they deserved, and if "Jo-Jo" had been playing real ball instead of crabbing at the players the score would not have been so large. Garlow was selected by Lee to do the twirling and Ward was sent in by Manager Keenan. Garlow was his rather hard, but all the hits that Berlin got were scattered, and in more than one instance Garlow struck out such batters as Miller and Bullock with the bases full. Ward was not so effective, and the Kolts got to his rather hard, but all the hits that Berlin got were scattered, and in more than one instance Garlow struck out such batters as Miller and Bullock with the bases full. Ward was not so effective, and the Kolts got to his rather hard, but all the hits that Berlin got were scattered, and in more than one instance Garlow struck out such batters as Miller and Bullock with the bases full.

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GUELPH.—President Mahoney and Manager Cook are sparing no effort to strengthen up the weak pitching staff of the Maple Leafs. They have had the wires busy for the past two or three days and have succeeded in landing two more pitchers who will report at Ottawa to-day. One is Edmund Stark of New London, Conn., who is highly recommended by President Navin of Detroit, and the other is Bailey of New York City, recommended by Joe Kelly and President McCaffery of Toronto. They are still looking for more good pitchers. The team left for Ottawa last night and will play seven games before they return.

Manager Deneau is giving a Boston pitcher a trial and in all probability the new man will pique against Keenan's team to-day. When the team arrived last night, W. J. Reilly, late of the Brantford team, also accompanied the club and is the hurler who will be given a chance to show what he can do. Deneau saw him working out at Brantford and was taken up with the lad's work and Reilly is glad of the opportunity to see what he can do in the Canadian League. He hails from the New England League and Kane has confidence in the New London pitcher but did not have room for him on his club. Reilly is a big fellow and judging from what Deneau states he should deliver the goods.

Bill Baker, the London pitcher on the St. Thomas club, has at last secured confidence in himself. Baker, during his last three Canadian League games has demonstrated that he is no longer the wild pitcher as of yore and has headed the opposing batters on his head whenever he is chosen to do box duty for the Saints. In Tuesday's battle at Ottawa he was taken out of the box when the Senators secured one run, due to Forgie's error, much to Baker's dislike. Bill threw his glove on the ground and vigorously objected to being removed from the game by Manager "I can win this game if you give me a chance," he said to Ort.

Scout Klein of the Baltimore International League team will take a look at Baker in the near future, as he has been tipped off to him. President Fitzgerald of the Canadian League, after his teams down to clubs, announced that all clubs and to be under the salary limit of \$10 per month.
Umpire McLaughlin is having a hard time to suit the rabid Brantford fans. It must be a pleasure to officiate at the games in Brantford with the stand only 25 feet from the plate.

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Bowling

Complete arrangements have been made for the holiday by the Dufferin Bowling Club for the formal opening of their beautiful greens which have been brought into perfect condition by the caretaker and great interest is being taken in the opening event which begins on Saturday afternoon and will be concluded on Monday.

With bowling, lawn tennis, football, baseball and cricket, all in full swing the St. Pauls civic playgrounds are proving the wisdom of the Parks Board in establishing it and that the granting of that portion of the O. I. B grounds to the city by the Government was a great boon. The grounds have been made very attractive, and are fast becoming the athletic centre of the city.

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Pastime Opening.

The Pastime Bowling Club Green is in excellent shape for this summer. The new faces will be seen among its members this year. The green will be formally opened for the season on Saturday, May 24th, also special games will be played on the green on Monday, May 26th.

The Pastime Club are looking forward to the best year of their existence.

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SPORTING COMMENT

By FREE LANCE

Brantford plays Hamilton here on Saturday morning.

Bear Brundage, whom fans generally in Brantford want to see make good, has been termed a "flash in the pan" by the Expositor sport (?) writer. This is a sample variety of the encouragement one of our own Canadian players gets from the expert baseballists over in the cupola. Fine dope that—but there's a reason.

The Brantford club secretary, whose efforts on behalf of baseball in Brantford, always gratuitously given, were responsible, with those of one or two others, in launching the club in this city three years ago, was subjected to a charge of dishonesty in his scoring of plays, whereby home players were favored, in the Expositor last night. Although the secretary has been official scorer since the inception of the league, and is acting again this year with Mr. W. E. Hartman, not a complaint from home or visiting teams has before been registered. It remained for the occupant of the cupola corner to spread its imputations, after a member of the alleged sporting staff of that journal had himself applied for the position of official scorer and had been refused. So far so good. The secretary of the club, who happens to be a member of the courtier staff, can well afford to overlook the offence, which carries with it a motive.

From the standpoint of justice to the players, who earn their promotion by their work as shown in the averages, the argument is still on. There is no quarrel with Mr. Hartman in failing to give Matty Lamond a hit. It is a matter of judgment, in which there can be an honest difference of opinion. Mr. Hartman was probably influ-

two singles and a home run, the latter by Zimmerman, for four tallies, and bunched hits off Hess in two other innings for single runs. Score: Chicago 0000010—6 10 2 Boston 00000000—5 9 0

Hamilton of St. Louis

ALLOWED BUT ONE HIT

Hamilton Blanked the Highlanders—A Home Run in a Pinch.

ST. LOUIS—Errorless ball on St. Louis' part and wonderful pitching by Hamilton, the young left hander, defeated New York yesterday 5 to 0. The visitors got only one hit and only one man reached second base. Both pitchers were airtight until the sixth, New York's only chance to score came in the seventh when with one down, Cree got the only hit made off Hamilton. He was caught off first, however, and Chase filed out. The score: R.H.E. New York 00000000—4 1 1 St. Louis 00000000—5 9 0 Ford and Sweeney; Hamilton and Agnew.

Pinch Hit; Home Run

CLEVELAND—Washington won yesterday's game in the tenth inning, scoring two runs on errors by Milan and Morgan, Gregg's wild throw and a sacrifice fly. In a nine-inning rally Williams was sent in as a pinch hitter, and hit a home run, driving in the two runs that tied the score. Walter Johnson then went in to pitch for Washington and held Cleveland scoreless in the tenth. Kahler held Cleveland to two hits until the seventh. Shortstop Chapman accepted ten chances without an error. The Score: R.H.E. Cleveland 00000100—3 12 2 Washington 00000102—5 9 3 Kahler, Gregg and Carisch; Groom and Henry Williams.

"Smoky Joe" Saved the Day

CHICAGO—Boston defeated Chicago to 9 in an exciting batting bee yesterday. Benz started for Chicago but was wild and retired in favor of Lange. Ray Collins had everything his own way until the sixth when he began to show signs of weakening. In the ninth he was driven from the box. Bedient went in, but failed and Wood was called upon to save the game for the visitors with two out and the bases full. He proved equal to the occasion by throwing Borton out at first. The score: R.H.E. Boston 00000100—10 10 1 Chicago 00000106—9 14 1 R. Collins, Bedient, Wood and Carigan; Benz, Lange and Schalk.

Outfielder Brundage of the Brantford team started the season by hitting two or three hits daily. Of late he has fallen off somewhat in his batting, but he is still close to the top of the list of Canadian League sluggers.

Mr. William Donovan of Providence, R.I., the original "Wild Bill" of baseball, is in town with his troop of Grays. A shower prevented his trip yesterday, and both Leafs and Grays had a rest, which was not