English Still Trying to Cross the Channel

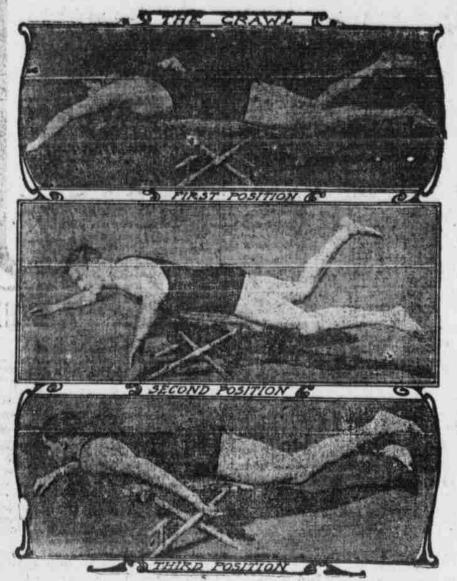
LONG DISTANCE TRIES IN WATER

Welffe Has Pailed and Helbein is Watting for Warmer Weather -Antics of South Sen Islanders.

From England comes word that Montague shore brought a delicious perfume and to swim the English Channel, is training mountains, covered with forests, reared

SWIMMING FEATS OLD AND NEW Australia and the South Sea lelands. From these islands came the crawl stroke, s wrinkle which has completely revolutionized speed swimming in every part of the globe. These natives of the South Sea islands begin to swim at a very early age and it might be said are all their lives at home in the water. As a rule they go into the water three times a day. At first they take a dip in fresh running water if it is near and immediately afterward make a dash for the brine and here they are seen at their best. Men and women go in together, and they disport around and frolic after the fashion of tritons and nalads.

A visitor to Habitian waters describes Long distance swimming is the rage this picture he saw there one morning. It was mmer, and all the world over those who the dawn of a day on one of those beautifollow the pertious sport are busy prepar- ful mornings which more commonly inspire mg themselves for their various feats, poets than sallors. A waft of wind from Bolbein, who has made several attempts made the surface of the water wrinkle. The hard, and when he thinks the water has their gigantic heads, upon which was alreached the proper temperature he will try ready visible the faint beams of the rising



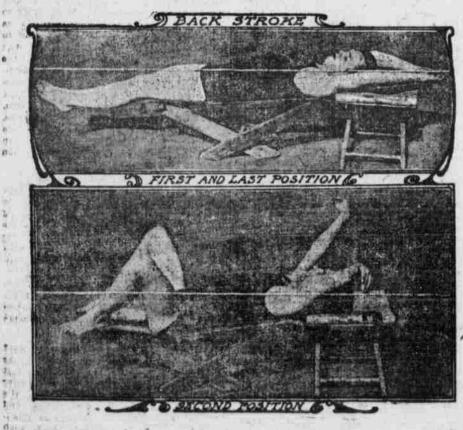
Holbein tried it was the cold streaks in it was all calm and still as death.

the channel that gave him trouble, and it Soon, however, the daylight began to cance. Now and again a swimmer would

aspirants for fame in the same line. before the present senson wanes there may be half a dozen attempts by others. Ala Scotch amateur, tried recently and was ship and would dive into the sea after

once again. In recent years, and in fact | sun. Nearer to the shore was a line of Webb was successful. Hothein has gently sloping hills and wooded like the ashore with amazing speed, and were, in made the best attempt. On one occasion mountains, and the plain below was deed, sometimes cast upon the sands. Genhe came within a couple of miles of accom- adorned with bread fruit trees and palms. erally, however, the wave broke over them plishing the task, but had to give up on Half a mile from the shore the billows before they got half way, when they would account of the cold. In short, every time sounded against a reel of rocks, but within dive and reappear on the other side, but

was much the same case with the other creep over the sky, and one by one the go to land to rest, after which he would That Holbein has the staming to swim from England to France there is not much doubt, and if he ever hits the water when the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick are the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick are the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick are the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick are the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick are the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick. But Holbein is not the only one the trick are the point is settled. Indeed, the question of the same back to Brooklyn, his native city, and find out which city would then signed with the New York American the spect of the spot and then signed with the New York and then s islanders began to come out. At the sight return to take part in the sport. their naked breasts and disheveled hair making them look like sirens. After caperready one has taken place. Jaber Wolffe, ing about for a while they headed for the



world on aquatic matters offered the the deck. opinion that it was too early for the test

the people stay for hours and hours in by the divers. Without doubt at the present day the the visitors could hardly help regarding

found wanting. The keen ones of the old | glass heads and other trifles thrown from

It was not with the intention of inducing sand that the Scotchman would find the them to show off their powers as swimmers water a little too chilly. The prediction that in the first instance the graments came true, for a long way from the goal were flung to them. One of the officers in he had to give up on account of the cold. handling some trifling articles to a child While there is no channel swims is about 5 years of age happened to let them America there will be a number of events fall into the sea, when the youngster at nearly as trying, the longest being the once, leaping out of the cause, dived for Marathon, from the Battery to Coney them and reappeared with them in a few Island. Next in importance is the Huckle- seconds. Observing these feats with astonberry awin of the New York Athletic club ishment and wishing to see further proofs Boston and St. Louis, age down for big of the experiness of the natives more ornaevents, while in the quarters where swim- ments were thrown into the water. Not is at all in vogue there is nothing only did the men and women easily catch talked of but long distance events even the objects thrown in, but big nails were The crass has reached Australia, but this brought up, although they must have sunk is not to be wondered at for down there a considerable depth before being caught

S.S.S.CURES ECZEMA

The cause of Eczema is a too acid condition of the blood. The itching burning eruptions are caused by the outpouring through the pores and glands of the skin, of the fiery poisons with which the circulation is loaded. acrid matter coming in contact with the delicate tissues and fibres with which the skin is so abundantly supplied causes irritation and inflammation and often excessive discomfort and annoyance. While external applications, such as salves, washes, lotions, etc., are soothing and cleansing they are in no wise curative, because they do not reach the blood where the trouble as much as possible, so he walked along is located. You can never cure Eczema with outside treatment; the blood must be purified. S. S. S. is the best treatment for the dsease. It goes down into the circulation, neutralizes the acids and humors with which the blood is infected, and makes the blood-current fresh and healthy. instead of fiery, acrid matter oozing out through the pores and glands, irritating the cuticle, the skin is nourished by a rich, cooling, healthy stream of blood. S. S. S. removes every trace of the disease, and when the cure is the probable authenticity of the performance showed the least inclination to find complete the skin is left smooth and free from any eruption. Book on Skin Diseases and any medical advice furnished free of charge to all who write. Hellespont by attempting to duplicate the feat of Leander. Seemingly it was the best . THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA. plan of removing all doubt as to the story;

An Honest Confession

I blush to think I'd ever knock On anything Nebraskan; There is no finer state on earth Than that whose sun we bask in; So, though I may perhaps be classed A most unworthy tenant, I'm forced to say: I hope and trust That Holmes won't win the pennant.

Nebraska is a wondrous state, She has some splendid cities; Her golden glories have been made theme of many ditties; Her sons are stalwart, honest, true, All noble lads and plucky, But still I hope that this year's flag Will not go down to Ducky.

Now Lincoln has the capitol, As well as Salt Creek's waters; She has some famous native sons, Some beauteous native daughters; And Ducky has a hustling bunch, As speedy as they make 'em, But in my inmost heart, Lord knows, I wish that we could shake 'em.

'Tis nice indeed to boost the state In which the Lord has placed you; But it is sad to have a bunch From that same state lambaste you: I wouldn't knock the Lincoln team For over half a million, But wouldn't it be nice to soak Both Holmes and M. Cantillon.

-Van Arsdate.

when, instead of sporting in tranquil reas, speiros, which is infinite, without limit. they found themselves in stormy waters, with the waves raging against reefs or thundering upon shore. The spectacle was then of quite a different kind, the surf rollsaw such billows. It was their opinion out whether the Leander tale was a myth either choken by the billows or crushed to

But the Tahitlans seemed perfectly heedwaves rushed down upon them they dived through the fierce swell and came upon the other side with incredible ease and agility. What rendered this spectacle even more striking was the fact that the swimmers, finding in the water the stern of an old canoe, seized it and pushed it before them for a considerable distance. Then two or three would get upon it and turning the square end toward the waves were driven

death against the shore.

pecially the inhabitants of the island of not being able to explain certa'n passages in Heraclitus the philosopher which seemed to be obscure and conflicting, exclaim d: "To find one's way amid so many reefs would puzzle even a swimmer of the Isle of Delos.

The history of aquatics abound in counts of long distance swims, but two never to be forgotten are those of Leander across the Hellespont and Lord Byron, who emulated him several centuries afterward. Leander, as the story has it, was smitten by a young and beautiful priestess named Hero. She lived at Sestos, upon the Hellespont, on the European shore, while Leander dwelt at Abydos, on the opposite side, or Asiatic coast. In order to see his love and converse with her Leander swam love and converse with her Leander swam For he was drowned, and I've the ague." with Hero and then swam back again. Every night Hero would kindle a beacon happened to be violent she would shelter the flickering light with her robe. This was done each night without fail, for she knew that Learder felt no fear so long as the flame invited him onward.

ished for her thoughtlessness. Her lover, losing sight of the beacon on the tower breathless and exhausted. On his return and unable to contend against the darkmess and the currents, yielded up his last breath to the waves. On the following morning Hero saw the white limbs of horror and despair jumped into the sea, inviting the fate to which her lover had

Might Have Used a Bont. Ever since the curious have speculated Helespont nightly did not paddle across in a boat. It may have been a little more expensive, but it would certainly be less dangerous and fatiguing. However, those who were keen at drawing conclusions from the classics agree that there was a strong reason why Leander swam instead of using a hoat. To be seen rowing across would mean the publication of his amour with the fair lady to the world. He decided on the less attractive method. But be this as it may, it is sufficient, upon the authority of Ovid and Musaeus, that it was Leander's practice to swim to and from the opposite bank where Hero lived. It is by no means necessary that the parratives of poets and other romancers be taken strictly as articles of faith, yet each may decide as he pleases on the merits of the fine old story. But it seems that the important point discussed was whether the feat was possible and not whether Leander really crossed the Hellespont by swimming. The distance from Abydos to Sestos was thirty stades, or in English statute measure about three miles and three-quarters. For Leander to swim this distance twice a night is a hard thing to believe, and in view of these figures many of the less sceptical have relegated

the performance to the domain of fable.

try to prove that the tale is no myth. Ac-

Leander should seek to shorten his journey

the seashore to a point opposite where

Hero lived. By good luck the width of the Hellespont is much diminished at this

point, being only seven stades, or about 1,300 yards. But it is remarkable that

none of the critics who calmly discussed

out whether it was possible to swim the

cording to them it was only natural that

go back over the same course. He was then 30 years of age. Noblemen Enter Auto Trade. Another English nobleman has entered the automobile trade. He is Lord Herbert Scott, son of the duke of Buccleuch, and he has resigned a commission as an army captain to engage in the business. Henry Lyndhurst-Bruce, heir of Lord Abedare, has for some time past been interested in the industry. To Locate Punctures.

them as amphibious. These South Sea upon a long disputed question-what Homer Islanders were just as much at their case meant when he termed the Hellespont

Byron Turned the Trick. If any of the ancients emulated Leander's performance it is not recorded, and in the long lapse of centuries only one man was swimmer would inevitably have perished, tended by only one man, his friend, Lieuwas driven a lot out of his way by the kee and California before coming to New force of the currents, so that he actually York. swam twice the distance.

of locomotion in the water. In a note and Boston in the American.

as to the truth of the 'tale of Troy divine Delos, were the best swimmers, and their still continues, much of it resting upon skill has merged into a proverb. Socrates, the use of the talismanic word apeiros. Probably Homer had the same notion of distance that a coquette has to time, and when he talks of boundless, means half a mile; as the coquette, by a figure, when she says eternal attachment, simply specia fles three weeks." It was a pretty sharp thrust for the lame

poet to give the blind one. But Byron River and has since played in New York not keep his promise about swimming the Hellespont again, for he was taken with a violent fever after his first swim and was confined to his bed for a long time. Byron himself alludes to his emulation of

"Twas hard to say who fared the best, Sad mortals, thus the gods still plague

Turner Gets a Knockout. As might naturally be expected, Byron's light on the summit of her tower as a swim and the prominence it brought him guiding star for her lover, and if the wind as an athlete created lots of jealousy, and not a few attempted to belittle the performance. Among the poet's detractors was an Englishman named Turner, who attempted to cross the Hellespont from Asia to Europe. But he found that Byron's But one fatal night, however, she forgot achievement was no fluke, for after being to fash her spark and she was cruelly pun- twenty-five minutes in the water he was forced to turn back and reached the shore to England Turner was still jealous of Byron and pointed out that the poet tackled the easiest part of the job-that of swimming from Europe to As'a, instead He was a famous shortstop on the old Leander gleaming on the shore, and in of the opposite direction, which was harder, champion Providence team and manager Byron replied to the attack with a powerful letter which completely knocked the wind out of Turner and the controversy

ended then and there. For a number of years subsequently why Leander instead of swimming the Byron was looked upon as the best swimmer in Europe, and not a man came forward to dispute his supremacy. Finally in 1818, when his powers were supposed to be on the decline. Byron was callenged by Mengaldo, an Italian and an attache of the French consulate at Venice. It was a strange coincidence that, like Byron, the Italian was lame. However, a match was arranged, and there was an additional starter, a friend of Byron, who volun-

teered to take part in the fray. The starting point was at the Isle Lido, at the mouth of the lagoon. They swam a steady stroke and were about even ad far as Venice, but at the entrance to the Grand canal the Italian cried that he had enough and he was taken out of the water. Byron's friend struggled on as far as the Rialto, where he quit. As to Byron himself, he ploughed through the whole of the Grand canal, passed Venice, and never halted until he went to one of the islands at the other side of the town. He had swam for four hours and twenty minutes without any sort of nourishment and very little rest and did not exhibit the least sign of fatigue at the end of his journey. After coming out of the water. Byron said, he had strength enough left to Others there are who go a long way to

MIGRATIONS OF BALL PLAYERS

Have Numerous Habitations in Diamond Careers.

CASES OF FREQUENT SHIFTS

Extgencies of Calling Often Entail Changes of Abode-In Seven Cities Has Old Jim Mc-Guire Enrued Bread.

By the nature of his calling the profes sional base ball player is often compelled to pitch his tent in many places. What with his being sold, released or traded, he may earn his livelihood in numerous cities during his career on the diamond. Deals that mean a swap of players are not necessarily a reflection on a player's ability. It sometimes is mutually advantageous for teams to exchange players, and good players in the bargain. It so happens that some players move from one club to another frequently and that some stay with one club throughout their base ball days. Methodist minister does not change his habitation any oftener than do some ball players, and with much less trregularity. Take the case of old Jim McGuire, a first class catcher, a credit to the game, a popular man all over the circuit. Jeems has had a home-not the home of his lares and penates, but a base ball home at least-in no less than seven cities since he began his major league career. Unlike Homer, he has not begged his daily bread in seven cities, but seven cities will be able to claim him when he has retired from the game. He has played in both big leagues, his long drawn out Itinery taking Cleveland, Brook-New York and Boston.

passed from major league to minor league Pittaburg. Baltimore, Brooklyn and Cincompany. The Kid, too, has been in both cinnati before becoming a manager in leagues, and cities in which he has played Toronto.

the Pacific. of such players as Fred Tenney and K'd On the other hand, there are many playing in at a prodigious height, break ng successful. That was Lord Byron; and his Nichols. Tenney's big league service has ers whose big league career has been conupon the beach. Those who locked on never bare object in risking his life was to find been confined to one city, Boston, and also fined to one club. Tenney and Nichols to one league, the National. Nichols did have been mentioned. Others are Chase, that ordinary lifeboats could not live in or a reality. The English poet's attempt all of his big league playing in Boston, but Kleinow, Laporte and Moriarity of the New such a rea, while the most able European took place on May 3, 1810, and he was atwhat it was to be shifted about, having Nationals, Bender, Plank and Dygret of tenant Ekenhead. It took the swimmer ex- played on clubs in Topeka, Kansas City, the Athletics, Nealon and Gibson of the actly one hour, and a line drawn straight Memphis and Omaba. Clark Griffith, man- Pittsburg; O'Leary, Cobb, Mullin and across from where he started to where he ager of the New York Americans, played Killian of the Detroits, Glade of the Browns less of the raging element, and when the finished would measure a mile and \$70 on two Chicago teams, the National and Turner and Clarke of the Clevelands, yards. According to the accounts Bryon American leagues, and in St. Louis, Milwau-

> Cy Young and Lou Criger of the Boston If this was the case Lord Byron was a Americans played in Cleveland and St. swimmer of the front rank, especially when Louis and have been in both leagues. it is remembered that he swam the breast Jimmy Barrett is another dual leaguer, and stroke, and of course knew nothing about has played in Cincinnati, Detroit and Bosstroke, trudgeons or the old racing side ton. Jesse Tannehill played with Pittsburg stroke—the subsequent speedier methods in the National league and with New York

to his "Bride of Abydos" Byron deals with In the considerable time in which Willie the use of the word apeiros and its mean- Keeler has been playing base ball for pay ing. He says: "The wrangling about the he has flourished in various municipalities. Hostetter, Byrne and Holly of the Carepithet the 'broad Hellespont,' or the From Binghamton, N. Y., he came to New Boundless Hellespont, whether it means York. Thence he shifted to Brooklyn and one or other, or what it means at all, from there to Baltimore. From Baltimore has fallen beyond the possibility of de- he came back to Brooklyn, his native city, than one city and find out which city would National, Pacific Coast, American and

Frank Kitson's permanent or temporary abodes as a pitcher include Baltimore, Brooklyn, Detroit, Washington, New York and Kansas City, the last three in one season. Harry Davis blossomed out in Fall and Pittsburg in the National league and Philadelphia in the American. Jake Beckley has adorned the ball teams of Lincoln, Neb St. Louis (twice), Pittsburg, New York, Cincinnati and Kansas City, Jake Cross has been in both and is now in New Orleans after having played on St. Louis, Philadelphia-in both leagues-Brooklyn and

Washington. Topsy Hartsel has pulled down outfield flies on Louisville and Chicago teams in the National league and Philadelphia in the American: Rube Waddell has shot over intricate twisters in Louisville. Pittsburg and Philadelphia: Jack Anderson's migrations take in Brooklyn, Milwaukee, Washington (twice), New York and St. Louis. Mike amount of his pay. Grady has played in four leagues since he first became a National leaguer-Philadelphia, New York and St. Louis in the National, Washington in the American, Kansas City in the American association and Wilmington in the Tri-State.

Arthur Irwin has had a diversified career. in New York, St. Paul, Milwaukee, Philadelphia, Washington, Toronto, Kansas City and Altoons. Moving got to be second nature with Arthur. Charley Hickman also has hung up his hat in many localities-Boston, New York, Cleveland, Detroit and Washington. So has Jack Warner, a native of New York City. Warner has played on Louisville, New York (twice), Boston, Detroit, St. Louis and Washington teams, these taking in both leagues.

Within the short space of two succeeding seasons Jim Delehanty has played on the Cincinnati team of the National league and the St. Louis and Washington teams of the American league. Sandow Mertes has been a busy rolling stone. He has been with the Philadelphia Nationals, Chicago Americans. New York Nationals, St. Louis Nationals and Minneapolis. Larry Lajoie has not moved about much. The Philadelphia Nationals and Cleveland Americans are the extent of his big league experience, but his change of base from Philadelphia to Cleveland was eventful. It caused an appeal to the law and a restraint to be put on Lagole for some time against playing in Philadel-

Bill Bradley has been in both leagues-Chicago in the National, Cleveland in the American. Elmer Flick was with the Philadelphia Nationals before joining the Cleveland Americans. Walter Clarkson has been with two American league clubs, New York and Cleveland, but never played in a minor league. His sole preparation for fast company was the base ball he played at college. George Davis played with Cleveland and New York in the National league, with Chicago in the American, then once more with New York in the National, than back again to Chicago in the Ameri-

The restless spirit of Jack Doyle has found him a member of teams in Columbus, Cleveland, New York (twice), Baltimore Brooklyn, Teledo, Des Moines and then Milwaukee. Pat Dougherty has rambled about a bit, but always in the American league, he having played in Boston, New York and Chicago. Eddie Hahn advanced from Vicksburg to New Orleans, thence to New York, from where he was passed to Chicago. Cleveland, Pittsburg. have had Jack O'Connor as member of Louis a second time. It is curious, but ever attractive to local youth. nevertheless true, that players—a few of them-have been content to play ball in St. knew, was preparing to follow the elder's Truth is stranger than fiction.

Joe Yeager filtted from Brooklyn to Toronto to New York to Detroit to St. Kansas City to Boston to New York to Detroit to Des Moines.

Claude Ritchey, always an National leaguer, has played in Louisville, Pittsburg and Boston. Randall of the Boston Nationals when he went on the field one game as a Bostonian, Del Howard made equally as sudden a shift from Boston to Chicago. In having to go form Boston to Chicago and vice versa, it is hard to say which player was the greater object of and a retired pitcher lending it the dissympathy. Si Seymour started out in New tinction of his presence, is vastly proud York, adjourned to Baltimore, thence to of itself. Perhaps the older villagers rate Cincinnati and back to New York. He has played in both leagues.

Washington, Baltimore and New York have been Roger Bresnaham's major league dwelling places, and Bill Dablen's bave been Chicago, Brooklyn and New York, Bill being fortunate in having the best come last. He never has played in the American league, John Ganzel has been a member of two New York teams, one in the National, the other in the American league. He also has cavorted at first base in Kansas City, Louisville and Cincinnati and been a manger in Grand Rapids in an interim.

Ned Hanion played the outfield in Detroit and Pittsburg and managed in Baltimore, Brooklyn and Cincinnati. Eugene lyn, Philadelphia, Washington, Detroit, DeMontreville played in Washington, Baltimore, Brooklyn, Chicago, Atlanta and Then there is Kid Gleason, who has just Toledo. Joe Kelley played in Boston,

are Detroit, Philadelphia, on two different | The cases mentioned do not exhaust the occasions; St. Louis, Baltimore and New list of transplanted ball players by a good York. The wanderings of another veteran, deal. Hans Wagner moved from Pater-George Van Haltren, take in Chicago, Pitts- son to Louisville, to Pittsburg, and Fred burg, Brooklyn-when Van was in the Clarke and Tommy Leach from Louisville Brotherhood-Baltimore, New York and to Pittsburg. Jimmy Collins moved from now Oakland, Cal.-from the Atlantic to Boston to Louisville, to Boston, to Philadelphia, and unlike Wagner, Leach and In direct contrast have been the careers Clarke has played in both big leagues.

Downs of the Detroits, who came from the vacant lots to a big league at a bound; Walsh, Isbell and Rohe of the White Sox. Still others are Bates and Young Cy Young of the Boston National, Mathewson and Ames of the New York Nationals, Alperman, Lewis, Lumley, Batch, Bergen and Ritter of the Brooklyns; Magee, Titus Dooln, Doolin, Thomas and Sparks of the Philadelphia Nationals; Chance, Tinker, Kling, Reulbach, Evers and Hofman of the Cubs; Huggins, Kane, Mitchell and Schlet of the Reds; Burnett, Murray, Konetchy,

dinals. It would be interesting to get a vote of all the players who have played in more poll a plurality as the best liked place in

Cincinnati, Brooklyn, Los Angeles, New New York, Ban Johson, president of the York, Toronto and then New York again. American league, has lived in two, Cincin-This route represents four leagues, the nati and Chicago. One must learn to pack his trunk quickly in professional base ball.

BASE BALL AS A PAYING CAREER Rewards of the Pitcher as Exhibited

in Little College Town. When the professional base ball player goes home to his native village he is a man of mark, a local celebrity. One such professional long famous is a native of a little college town not far from Mason and Dixon's line. He left his native place early to become a professional pitcher and for years his fellow townsfolks have never played in the American league. Lave watched his career with interest. When he has nothing else to do he goes back to the village and loafs comfortably while his old neighbors work.

Now and then he consents to take part in an out-of-season ball game at home, and then everybody who has time-turns out to watch him. His goings and comings are chronicled by the local paper. Everybody in town knows when he is to go south for winter practice, and most persons who take an interest in base ball know all about his engagements and the

It is his pay and his leisure that impress his neighbors most, "Why, he gets three times as much as a college professor," is a common phrase in his native town, where a college professor is re garded as a well-paid man, enjoying a soft snap.

Not a professional man in the community earns as much as the pitcher, and they all know it. So far as income counts he ranks along with the half dozen capitalists of the little community. There are families with big houses, ample grounds and carriages of their own whose annual expenditures are less than his. As to the hard-working mechanics of the community, half a dozen of them put together hardly earn as much as the pitcher.

This career, with its incidents of leisure and public fame, has made a great mpression on the youth of the town. When the tall pitcher walks the village streets he is followed by scores of admir ing and envious youthful eyes. It happens that an old retired professional pitcher lives in the same town, managing a store which he set up years ago on his savings. The presence of the active

New York and St. Louis-both leagues- pitcher with all the marks of ease and prosperity and of his retired fellow pretheir teams, while Jack Powell, after start- fessional living comfortably enough ing out in Birmingham, has drawn wages in twenty years after his early triumphs Cleveland, St. Louis, New York and St. makes the base hall profession more than

The pitcher's younger brother, everybody Louis after having played in New York, example, and local critics watched with interest the young fellow's play while he was yet at the public school. entered the local college he became ,a Louis, and Herman Long from Chicago to tower of strength in the base ball team. Then the college and town were surprised and disappointed to learn that he had guit in the midst of his course and gone to a somewhat bigger college something like a hundred miles away. It was Nationals was a members of the Chicago soon whispered that somebody had made it worth while for him to leave his alma afternoon not long ago, but played the mater. Later, to the joy of the town, he came back, finished his course and started

out on his career as a professional player. That town, with two active professional base ball players calling it their home a college professor above a base ball player, but there is no question in youthful minds that the most distinguished residents of the town are not the professors.

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