

PITCHERS HAVE HOODOO CLUBS

TWIRLERS WHO CAN BEAT STRONG TEAMS OFTEN EASY FOR WEAK ONES.

RECORDS TELL QUEER STORIES

Uncertainty of National Pastime Is Cause of Much of Its Popularity—Boston a Cinch for Leifield, of Pittsburgh—Cleveland Likes Delivery of "Rube" Waddell.

Hardly a day passes but what one hears a fan say that so and so is going to pitch to-day and that he will win or lose, as the case may be. To one who is not acquainted with the facts, the average set of baseball followers would think that these prognosticators know all about it. But in many cases they are wrong.

Why are some pitchers successful against one team and a rank failure against another? Take the case of Lefty Leifield, of the Pirates, against Boston, since the left-hander has become a leaguer. He has pitched ten games against Tenny's men and won nine of them. Five games he won by shutting them out. He has never lost a game in Boston. Mathewson, a couple of years ago, won ten straight games, all he twirled against the Pirates. This year Leifield has defeated St. Louis six times, and St. Louis is his home.

"Three-Fingered" Brown has pitched against every team in the National league this year, and Pittsburg was the only team he has found any trouble to defeat—he has pitched in three full games against the Pirates and has won but one of them. He had no trouble to win four from New York and the same number from Cincinnati. Vic Willis has won both games he has pitched against New York, but has lost three to Chicago. He has also beat Brooklyn three times, but could not win from Philadelphia. Phillippe, who had not won a game from Chicago for years, has won two out of three from them this season. Ames has won but one game from the Pirates, his first game in the league, when he defeated Scanlon, both starting the same day in the National league. He was defeated last season for the first time after his winning streak, and received his only coat of whitewash of the season from Pittsburg.

In the American league one can find just as complicated cases as in the older league. Why is it that Donovan has not pitched against Chicago, Walsh against Detroit, Killian against Philadelphia, Dygert against Cleveland, Patten against Cleveland, etc.?

Donovan has won four times from Philadelphia and three from New York, while all he could do was to split even with Cleveland. Joss can win from every team except Philadelphia, while Clarkson has defeated the team under Mack's management twice. Walsh has won five games from St. Louis; still he could do no better than break even with Boston, a team below the Browns in the standing. Plank, who has won two games he has pitched against Detroit, has lost the only pair he has been on the rubber in against St. Louis. Waddell, who has won both games from Chicago, he has pitched, has won one from Cleveland in three and one from Detroit in four trials. Doc White, who took Detroit into camp four times, has been able to win but one from New York out of four.

Why is it that Young could win all his four games against New York but could only win one out of three from Philadelphia? Mullin has no trouble to win from Cleveland, but finds all other teams, even St. Louis and Washington, hard to beat. Leibhardt has been able to break even in four games with Chicago, but cannot win from Philadelphia, who is fourth in the race. Case Patten won two and lost two with Chicago, but lost all three he has pitched against Detroit. This rule can be found all through the table and it is one of the reasons that baseball is so popular—it is so uncertain.

AMERICAN LEAGUE NOTES

The Detroit club is reported as negotiating for Pitcher Victor Schlitz, of Utica.

It is almost certain that Outfielder Bay, of Cleveland, will not play again this season.

Jack Knight is playing a fine third base for Boston, after all, despite predictions to the contrary.

It is reported that the St. Louis club will turn Pitcher Ezra Morgan over to the Columbus club.

Joe Kelley is still trying to land Grimshaw, as Toronto is anxious for a hard-hitting first baseman.

The Detroit club has purchased a right-handed Southern league pitcher but refuses to reveal his name.

The St. Louis club has loaned Pitcher Stevenson and Catcher Brennan to the Springfield club, of the Western association.

The Washington club has purchased through Denny Long, Pitcher Ell Cates, of the Oakland club, of the Pacific coast league.

Joe Cantillon says he fails to see how any one in the country could have done any better than Lajoie with the Cleveland club.

Manager Clark Griffith seldom gets the worst of a trade but it looks as though he grabbed the hot end when he traded Walter Clarkson.

TEN YEARS OF PAIN.

Unable to Do Even Housework Because of Kidney Troubles.

Mrs. Margaret Emmerich, of Clinton St., Napoleon, O., says: "For fifteen years I was a great sufferer from kidney troubles. My back pained me terribly. Every turn or move caused sharp, shooting pains. My eyesight was poor, dark spots appeared before me, and I had dizzy spells. For ten years I could not do housework, and for two years did not get out of the house. The kidney secretions were irregular, and doctors were not helping me. Doan's Kidney Pills brought me quick relief, and finally cured me. They saved my life."

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Used Ink for Bluing.

"One can never be too careful about apparently harmless articles setting about the house," said a housewife the other day. "Not long ago my husband brought home one of those big tall bottles of ink from the office. It had got to be such a nuisance buying one of the small five-cent bottles every time we ran out of ink, that he said he would bring home a supply."

"About a week after that I got a new maid, and when she did the washing she took the big bottle of ink for bluing. Of course every stitch of our white clothes in the washing was ruined."

Laundry work at home would be much more satisfactory if the right starch was used. In order to get the desired stiffness, it is usually necessary to use so much starch that the beauty and fineness of the fabric is hidden behind a paste of varying thickness, which not only destroys the appearance, but also affects the wearing quality of the goods. This trouble can be entirely overcome by using Defiance Starch, as it can be applied much more thinly because of its greater strength than other makes.

Never Touched Him.

"I have brought back the lawn mower I bought of you last week," said the man with the side whiskers. "You said you would return my money if it wasn't satisfactory."

"Yes, that's what I said," replied the dealer, "but I assure you the money was perfectly satisfactory in every respect."

Pronounce These Rapidly.

The vicar of Dwygyfylchi-cum-Pennanmaur told the royal commission of the church in Wales recently that he had been at Pistylecum-Carnyguwch, Llangefnod-cum-Tregalan, Llandyfuan-Llanfair and Arlechewdded.

Yes, Yes.

"I suppose," said Mrs. Tarteigh, "when you die you expect to meet all your husbands?"

"You are very rude," retorted Mrs. Muchwedde. "When I die I expect to go to heaven."—Young's Magazine.

Chance for Collectors.

An oil portrait of J. Pierpont Morgan is among the unclaimed dutiable goods in the government stores at New York. It will be offered at public sale.

Large Sum for Pasteur Institute.

Daniel Osiris, the Jewish banker and philanthropist, of Paris, who recently died, left a will in which he disposed of \$13,000,000, giving \$5,000,000 to the Pasteur institute.

It is worth while to do even the smallest kindness as we go along the way. Nothing is lost. No dewdrop perishes, but, sinking into the flower, makes it sweeter.—Richer.

My way is to go straight forward and aim at what is right.—Bishop Asbury.

Let thy discontents be thy secret.—Franklin.

FROM THE PENCIL'S POINT.

The larger the bluff the smaller it looks when called.

Some people's troubles are enough to make others laugh.

It is wonderful what a lot of kissing a little mouth can do.

Some people derive a lot of satisfaction from their dissatisfactions.

When it comes to underestimating himself a man seldom overdoes it.

The babbling brook, like a babbling man, is unable to keep its mouth shut.

In accounting for others the book-keeper does a little work on his own account.

It requires a lot of strenuous will power for a girl of 25 to act as if she didn't care to get married.

Tell a woman about a year after marriage that she might have done better and she will not deny it.

If you find yourself pained when someone speaks generous words of praise concerning your brother, the thing for you to do is to make a prompt and thorough examination of your heart.

No man has reached the end of his development as long as he continues to read new books, think new thoughts and undertake new projects.

CAME PRETTY FAST FOR PAT.

At That He Had Had Only What the Doctor Ordered.

A Philadelphia physician says that not long ago he was called to see an Irishman, and among other directions told him to take an ounce of whisky three times a day. A day or so later he made another visit and found the man, while not so sick, undeniably drunk.

"How did this happen?" the physician demanded of Pat's wife, who was hovering about solicitously.

"Sure, dochter, an' 'tis just what you ordered, an' 'tis no more, that he had," she protested.

"I said one ounce of whisky three times a day; that could not make him drunk," the physician said. "He has had much more than that."

"Devil a drop more, dochter, dear," she declared. "Sure an' of didn't know just how much an ounce, was so wint to the drug store an' asked, an' the lad—he's a broth of a boy, too—told me that an ounce was 16 drams and Pat had had them regular, an' more!"—Harper's Weekly.

BABY TORTURED BY ITCHING.

Rash Covered Face and Feet—Would Cry Until Tired Out—Speedy Cure by Cuticura.

"My baby was about nine months old when she had rash on her face and feet. Her feet seemed to irritate her most, especially nights. They would cause her to be broken in her rest, and sometimes she would cry until she was tired out. I had heard of so many cures by the Cuticura Remedies that I thought I would give them a trial.

The improvement was noticeable in a few hours, and before I had used one box of the Cuticura Ointment her feet were well and have never troubled her since. I also used it to remove what is known as 'cradle cap' from her head, and it worked like a charm, as it cleansed and healed the scalp at the same time. Mrs. Hattie Currier, Thomaston, Me., June 9, 1906."

Rule of Cornish Chaps.

In Cornish (Eng.) chaps the invariable rule is for the men to sit on one side of the building and the women on the other.

A visitor and his fiancee, who are staying in the district, went to chapel, and just before the service began the young man was greatly astonished when the chapel steward, observing that the couple were seated in the same pew, came over to him and, in an audible voice, said: "Come on out of that, my son; we don't 'ave no sweethearts 'ere."

Left Army for Pork Trade.

Aladar Stolinck, an aristocratic lieutenant of Hungarian hussar regiment, has resigned his commission to become an apprentice to a pork butcher in Budapest. He says he can not live on his pay—\$400 a year—and that he considers a man of intelligence and energy can do well in the pork trade.

Not His Element.

"And if you give me money," said the philanthropist, "will you promise to go and take a bath?"

Redface Leary drew himself up to his full height.

"A bath? And is it a mermaid you take me for?" he cried bitterly.

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Man does what he can, and bears what he must, and the name by which he calls the result is left to each to decide; a clever man calls it happiness.—Goethe.

Only love can keep out bitterness; love is stronger than the world's unkindness.—George Eliot.

He Was Not to Blame.

Little Bartholomew's mother overheard him swearing like a mule driver, says the Cleveland Leader. He displayed a fluency that overwhelmed her. She took him to task, explaining the wickedness of profanity as well as its vulgarity. She asked him where he had learned all those dreadful words. Bartholomew announced that Cavert, one of his playmates, had taught him. Cavert's mother was straightway informed and Cavert was brought to book. He vigorously denied having instructed Bartholomew, and neither threats nor tears could make him confess. At last he burst out: "I didn't tell Bartholomew any words. Why should I know how to cuss any better than he does? Hasn't his father got an automobile, too?"

Architects and Closets.

An architect, says a writer, complains that women have a mania for closets and that when a woman is allowed any liberty in the matter she changes his whole architectural plan in order to make room for them. This, he says, makes him a laughing stock among his fellow architects. This is very interesting, but why do architects make plans if not to make every effort themselves to secure conveniences? A house may be architecturally perfect and yet not fit to live in, and it certainly is not if there is not closet room enough.

Foreign Waterways.

Since we began the neglect and abandonment of canals, France has quadrupled her waterways. According to figures furnished by commercial associations, the British Isles have 8,000 miles of canal and it does not all antedate the railroad.

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