#### JOHNNY EVERS PEEVED

Couldn't Stand for Umpire Byron's Song Solo.

Arbiter Sings Decision in Verse and Chorus-Some Picturesque Characters Mentioned Who Are Help to Pastime.

It was very easy for aggressive and high-strung Johnny Evers to get peeved when Bill



John Evers

out on strikes and accompanied the ruling with a song solo. It is tough to be called out on pitches, but when the umpire sings the decision in a verse and chorus, there is small wonder that Evers said something which

Byron called him

caused him to apologize to Mr. Tener. However, picturesque characters like Byron, Germany Schaefer, Nick Altrock and Steve Evans are a help to the game, and Byron should be permitted to sing as often as he wishes.

While mentioning the comedian Steve Evans it is timely to recite a humorous incident in which Evans was the central figure in Toledo the other day. Steve has been playing for Roger Bresnahan and recently he was given a whirl at second base. One of to any lack of effort on Cal's part that the runners around the bases. the opposition who is said to be the slowest man in the league, hit almost

to the fence and got a single. On the first pitch to the next batter, the catcher threw the ball hurriedly to Steve at second.

"What are you throwing down here for?" shouted Steve as he caught the ball. "Why, he's try-

ing to steal," exclaimed the surprised catcher.

"He might be trying to steal," answered Evans, "but he's not in sight

Bill Byron.

"SLUGGER" JACK MURRAY



Jack Murray, former outreld star with the Glants and Cubs, has been hitting a hot clip with the Toronto International league team. Jack has been the team's best bet through their climb upwards and looks good to return to fast company.

#### **EXCUSE SIMILAR TO GIANTS**

Pitchers Laugh When Batters Offer Alibis for Shortcomings-One From Braves Is a Bird.

"It gives us pitchers a laugh," said Tom Hughes of the Braves, who recently pitched a no-hit, shut-out game, "to hear the batters excusing their shortcomings. Do not think for a minute that the Giants are original in their grumblings over conditions at the Polo grounds. Braves are springing one that is a bird. There are no sigus on the fences of the Braves' field, remember, and no question of lights and shadows. But our players are not stumped for an excuse. They say that the outfield fence is too low, that when a southpaw is working the ball comes out of a bright sky to the plate and that when a right-hander is working the ball comes out of the scoreboard to the batter. Can you beat it?"

### CALLAHAN IS HARD WORKER FOR PIRATES



SKIPPER OF THE PITTSBURGH BUCCANEERS.

the club is not playing better ball. No manager or player ever worked harder lots, Cal does not pose on the lines for the success of the club.

the men in morning practice every day doesn't make any difference to him. If and misses no detail of the exercises; his team is ten runs behind he is out It is the same during preliminary prac- working all the harder. The Pirates tice in the afternoon, and from the have played some ball that would drive time the game starts until the last man | many a manager to a madhouse, but is out he is the busiest and hardest Callahan has been even tempered and working man on the lot. He talks to untiring through it all.

Jimmy Callahan has the sympathy of | and tries to encourage the players go Pittsburgh fans in his fruitless endeav- ing to and coming from their positions, ors to get some real baseball out of the and Pittsburgh's turns at bat in every bunch of material that he has at his inning finds him out on the coaching command, writes James J. Long in lines trying everything to get the Pi-Pittsburgh Sun. Certain it is not due rates started on a rally or to direct

Unlike McGraw and some other plwhen his club is winning and hide him-The skipper is out on the field with self when it is behind. The score

for the Tigers.

has plano legs!

"Jess" Barnes continues to be the mainstay of the Braves' pitching bri-

Connie Mack's ball team this year Veach at bat. has been welcome everywhere but at "Atta boy, Stan, atta boy. Guess

"Bert" Niehoff continues to be the Turner. star of the Phillies, both on offense and defense.

So far Cincinnati has not made the Cobb at second. slightest hint as to C. Mathewson's successor.

Leslie Mann, the Cubs' outfielder, is better than ever, according to "Joe" Tinker.

The manager who makes a pennant drive must hold a tight rein over his players.

Harry Davis steps in and manages the Athletics whenever Connie Mack goes a-scouting.

Mathewson is playing golf as often as he can, for he wants to forget his managerial troubles.

Fred Luderus, the Phillies' first base man, is said to hit the ball as hard as any man in the game.

Did it ever occur to you that the player with the most speed at night is easy," said Harry Hooper, outfielder

the slowest in the daytime? "Connie" Mack denies the report that he has agreed to sell "Joe" Bush,

his star pitcher, to the Tigers, The Cubs have signed a young Pittsburgh rookie named Bell. He ought to make good if he doesn't crack.

If Matty fails to release the Reds from last place, the Cincinnati directors may offer the job to Houdini.

Somebody had the wrong dope when he said the Browns lacked a punch. Isn't a Davenport a "sleep producer?"

If a baseball manager owned all the pastimers in the world he would still with a stone. want "just one more winning pitcher."

that Matty threw his greatest "fade any of the fellows who had seen away" when he signed with Cincinnati. years of se: /ice.

After twelve years on the job Bill to throw a baseball a great distance. Klem sagely remarks that umpiring is If he doesn't try for grandstand pegs, no sinecure. Most of it is just pure he should always keep his arm

#### WAS ROOTING FOR BROTHER

Harry Coveleskie, Star Southpaw of Tigers, Forgot Himself in Recent Cleveland Game.

If there is any one person who is pulling with might and main for Stanley Coveleskie to make good as an In-Appropriately enough, Otto Knabe dian, it is Brother Harry, the star southpaw of the Tigers.

Harry was sitting on the Detroit bench when Brother Stan was mowing down the Tigers in a recent conflict. It was in the fourth inning and Cobb was on first with none out and Bobby

that brother of mine hasn't got some thing," he yelled as Veach fouled to

"That's it, Stan. You've got his number," he muttered as Sam Crawford hit a roller to Howard, forcing

"Say, Harry, if you are going to root for Cleveland, go over on the Cleveland bench," shouted Oscar Vitt. Brother Harry was dazed for a min-

ute. He had forgotten Brother Stan was pitching against his own team. "Say, fellows, I clean forgot," he

said sheepishly and then he yelled as Heilmann went to bat: "Hit it ta th' lot, Harry. That busher ain't got a thing but a prayer."

"It sure was funny," said Trainer Harry Tuthill of Detroit in relating the Incident.

#### PICKED UP ART OF THROWING

Player Can Keep His Arm Strong by Carefully Avoiding Pegging for Grandstand Fans.

"Where did I learn to throw? That's for the Boston



a kid on my father's ranch in California. I was just like any other kid - wanted to throw stones, and by constant practice, during my spare moments in the fields, became a sort of dead-shot. Oftentimes would get the

Red Sor. "I just

naturally picked

it up when I was

range of a rabbit and bowl it over

"The training I got as a kid wasn't wasted, either, for when I broke into Some people will continue to believe baseball I could peg them as well as

> "A man doesn't have to be a giant strong."

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