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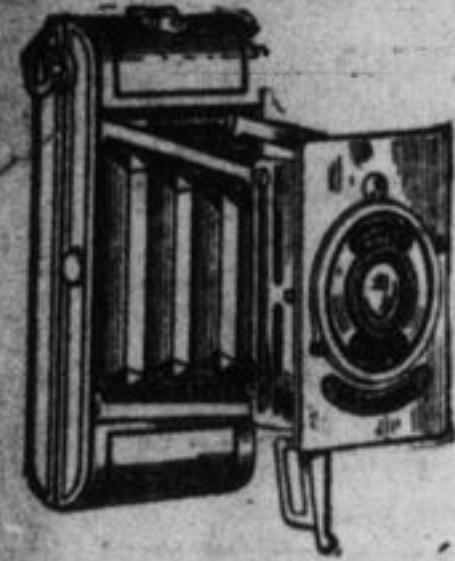
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In the World of Sport

BACK WITH A BANG CAME THE ST. BRIGID'S

Wednesday Evening's Trimming Avenged When They Defeat Ponies 4 to 3 in Speedy Game.

With the 15 to 4 snowstorm of last evening never showing on them, St. Brigid's, of Ottawa, staged a flying comeback at the cricket field last evening and put it over Ponies 4 to 3. After Wednesday night's game it came as distinct surprise to every one that it would be recalled that Hull, playing here on June fourth and fifth, gave almost the same performance. In the first game they were defeated 10 to 2 and in the second came back and forced the play into eleven innings.

The pitching of Bussiere was wonderful, considering that he had played a hard game on Monday and another one last night, or almost a whole one. They say he was swimming all day and the invigorating waters of Lake Ontario must have given him a new lease on his throwing arm for he was certainly there. In comparison with the nineteen hits of the evening before, Ponies touched him for only six safe ones. One man walked.

Derry heaved well for the locals, allowing only five hits and no walks. A few bad errors here and there, one of them on his own part allowed St. Brigid's to get away in the breaks and Ponies failed to overtake them. Ponies made a great attempt to break the lead in the ninth. With two men out W. Evans singled. Gallagher was put in as a pinch hitter and drove a beauty right down centre field for three bags, scoring Evans. If the crowd had kept back he might have come on in on a wild throw to third, but he was left on when Kennedy collared Derry's long fly.

Many of the fans voiced the opinion that this was about the best game seen this year. The decisions of the umpires were satisfactory, with the exception of one raw one on first body. It will be recalled Hull, playing cold, though Evans slid well, and there was enough hitting to make the game exciting without turning it into a slamming festival.

The local players do not need much comment as their various styles are well known. For the visitors Pilon stands out as a dandy, both at the initial sack and running the bases. Smith was in shape at short and the catcher was a worker from start to finish. They are all young fellows yet and will make fine ball players.

As they played:
St. Brigid's— AB R H PO A E
Kennedy, cf . . . 5 1 2 3 0 0
McDonald, 3b . . . 4 0 0 1 3 1
Pilon, 1b 4 0 0 10 0 0
McCoy, 2b 4 0 0 5 2 0
Smith, ss 4 0 0 3 0 3
Counlare, c 4 0 0 5 5 0
Benedict, rf 4 0 1 1 0 1
Edmonson, lf 4 2 1 2 0 0
Bussiere, p 4 1 1 0 2 0

Ponies—
Thompson, rf . . . 4 0 0 3 0 0
J. Evans, c 3 0 0 7 1 0
Twigg, 3b 4 0 1 0 1 0
Saunders, 2b . . . 4 0 1 1 2 1
Cherry, cf 4 1 1 4 0 1
Daley, 1b 4 0 1 7 1 3
W. Evans, ss . . . 4 2 0 5 0 1
Coyne, lf 3 0 1 0 0 0
Derry, p 4 0 0 0 6 2
*Gallagher 1 0 1 0 0 0

By Innings:
St. Brigid's 100020001—4
Ponies 000000201—3
Umpires—Booth and Summerby.

Lost \$75,000.
The Australian cricket team which no English combination has been able hitherto to conquer, met with their first defeat on Wednesday, at Eastbourne, and thereby lose \$75,000, or \$5,000 per man, which was to have been presented to them if they came through their English tour unbeaten. The Australians had played thirty-four matches here, of which they won twenty and drew fourteen. They won the first three international test matches against the pick of the English cricketers, but yesterday they were defeated by an English eleven composed mostly of young players, most of whom had not been considered good enough for international honors.

Matty on the Street.
Christy Mathewson appeared on the street of Saranac Lake the other day for the first time since his arrival there several months ago in quest of health. Mrs. Mathewson drove him in an automobile from their cottage to a barber shop in the village. The famous pitcher of the Giant appeared to be in normal weight. The trip was the first step in increase of exercise and rapid return of strength and health, his friends said.

The Stroke of a Woman.
Golfing fame, such as many followers of the ancient game pray for, was recently achieved by Mrs. H. E. Henley, of the Edmonton Golf and Country Club, when she made a "hole-in-one" on the sixth hole of the Calgary St. Andrew's golf course. The hole is 248 yards long, and was played with a baffle.

If a fielder climb into the bleachers and catches a fly ball, the batter is out, provided the ball does not pass out of sight of the umpire up to the moment it was caught.

The wise man shows his wisdom in nothing so much as in finding and isolating the foolish streak that is in him as undoubtedly it is in us all. The women's record for putting the eight-pound shot is 34 feet 1 7/8 inches, held by Frances Jackling, of the University of California.

British bowlers lost their farewell game in Canada at Toronto by 121 to 111.

Roy Grafston won the 2.04 pace at Readville, Mass., in straight heats.

TOO MUCH EXHIBITION

Has Taken the Support Away From Baseball in Kingston.

The local baseball players, and a great many of the fans with them, have been wondering what is wrong with baseball in this city. In the old days of the city league two teams would come out on the cricket field, play about the stumps of baseball now, or perhaps a little better, and draw great crowds. The fans lined up behind the benches of their respective favorites and cheered themselves hoarse. There was no trouble about stirring up enthusiasm or interest.

This summer we have had a team, the Ponies, playing baseball second only in quality to that of the big leagues, and bringing in teams that are the best to be obtained in amateur baseball circles anywhere. The best from Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Northern New York State have appeared on the cricket field and have either been beaten or given a close run by the local nine.

Yet there is no enthusiasm in the crowd and when that ceases, then the best part of sport is gone. The Ponies baseball club has on many occasions, it is claimed by the secretary, gone in the hole as the result of no support. Those who come out to the games do not contribute, is the reason, but what is the reason for that condition?

The Kingston fans are not pikers. They pay for hockey matches here in the winter, and pay higher prices than the nominal quarter which they might contribute at the baseball games. There must be some reason why large numbers of a crowd interested in baseball do not contribute to its support, especially when the baseball is of a good class. The present unemployment and industrial stress cannot be blamed for here its effects are negligible as the majority of people at the ball games could easily afford a quarter if they so wished.

The real reason for the lack of support is the lack of real interest. One of the essentials of all athletics that go to make up their success, is the spirit of rivalry and competition. This enters into almost every phase of life but is especially noticeable in athletics. Without it a game or a sport falls into disfavor. In the senior baseball here this summer there had been no competition. Everything has been exhibition—exhibition—until we are all heartily sick of exhibitions. There is more real fun in watching the players in a Mercantile game, whom we know, than in watching Ponies playing these gangs of strangers, whom we will probably never see again.

There is no use trying to stimulate interest. There is nothing to play for, no goal to be reached, no rivals to overcome, nothing beyond the temporary competition of the nine-inning game. In Belleville, Peterboro, Oshawa and other centres they are all in a league. The people look on the ball team as representing them, as representing their town, and back it accordingly. They have a part in the big events as well as the nine men on the team.

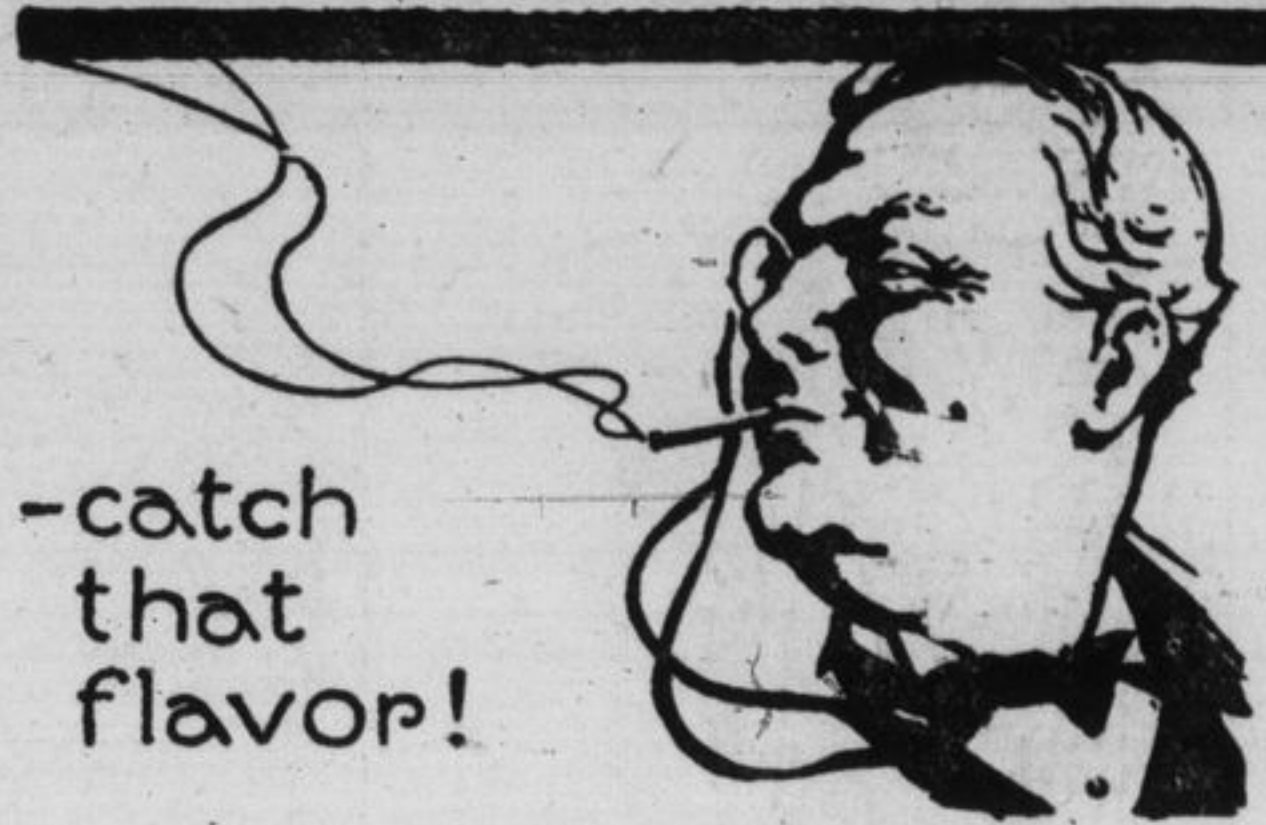
Next year, if any team wishes to carry on a successful baseball campaign, and wishes to hold its popularity for any length of time, it will have to get into some league, organization or arrangement that will make each fan take a personal interest, instead of the select few. Baseball cannot be run without fans and the fans are completely fed up on exhibitions and no competition.

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