

Baseball Changes in Rules to Refine National Game

REVISE RULES TO POLISH ATHLETES

Baseball Legislators, in Changing Code, Consider Politeness on Diamond.

TRUP OF PHENOMS BLOOMING

g Days of the Boy Wonders of the National Pastime Are at Hand.

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No wonder the Indianapolis Club does not need Perry Werden this year. Since the joint rules committee of the National and American Leagues has finished up the baseball code for 1910 there is little room left for the sideline median and the fellow who makes a specialty of whooping things up. The movement to soften the hearts of fans toward the umpire receives new impetus and Mr. Player at the bat and in

Oldfield Buys Much Sought Benz Racer

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Barney Oldfield has captured the 200-horse-power Hemmery Benz, for which a number of automobilists have been bidding, according to an announcement of William Pickens. Oldfield got it at a far less price than was offered by three other bidders. It was said tonight that an Indianapolis offer would have been accepted, but E. A. Moross refused to guarantee that Oldfield, who was favored because of his work on the Benz in past seasons, would be selected to drive the car. Oldfield is out with a challenge to the world to race him and the Benz on all sorts of tracks. The speed demon startled the automobile racing experts today by declaring that he would drive the car on half-mile and mile circular tracks, as well as the larger courses.

list of good, bad and indifferent Naps. This youngster is not a pitcher; he can play anywhere, and he had a batting average of .427 last year. The youngster's name is Earl Bitting and he is a product of a Philadelphia manual training school. Barney Dreyfuss has a world beater in hiding for the Pirates, but he refuses to divulge his name. Manager Carr has one or two phenoms on his staff, but he is not boasting about it. Like a majority of the other finds, it will be a 100 to 1 shot if they make good. The Indianapolis team's Cuban training trip is attracting a good deal of attention and there are many players and baseball followers that are eager to go right along with the Browns. Ferguson, the new umpire signed by President (Christy) Ferguson, is more than willing to make

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Although c United States than Indianapolis holds the first racing cars a tions for the Detroit lead while Cleveland Indianapolis is producing these cities The Nation is preparing well as special will consist of the various Johnny Ait while Merz, mechanics comp ing squad. The Nordy equally as a pany. In add and contests models. Spe ing built for classes for horse power Ray Harro a driver to b start of the