

HOLYOKE HOLDOUTS.

**New Men on Roster Want More Money
—Best of Stars Have Signed.**

For the past six years that Holyoke has had a baseball club, there has been a holdout club among the players about this time each year and this year has proved to be no exception. It is purely a business matter for the players to write on, asking for more money, and when this not given to them, they report the same as ever, completely forgetting their complaints. All of the best of the old players have sent back their signed contracts, but there are still a few more of the "second raters" who, instead of sending their contracts sent pathetic notes telling how much they need the money.

The players have all been notified that they will have to report for April 7, and for the first few days the new comers will be drifting in, while the old timers are sure to be at least two days late. To date about 15 signed contracts have been returned, and about nine more are expected.

Owner Winkler has been having a great deal of difficulty in procuring exhibition games. The opening game

will be against the Brooklyn Royal Giants on April 10. Montreal was slated for the 13th and 14th, but as the Eastern league opening has been set for the 15th it is hardly possible that Manager Casey will bring his men here. Pop Anson, the Chicago veteran, was to give the Holyoke club two dates, but changed his mind and gave Springfield and Worcester the dates. The management is accordingly busy trying to fill in for these dates.

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