



## Diamonds in Clear Water: Professional Baseball in Eau Claire, 1886-1912

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CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform. Paperback. Condition: New. This item is printed on demand. 216 pages. Dimensions: 9.0in. x 6.0in. x 0.5in. If a person on an Eau Claire street is asked by a tourist about baseball history in the city, the answer 95 of the time would probably center on Hank Aaron. That's fine, but baseball in Eau Claire is so much more than just the Hammer. Professional baseball here dates back to the 1800s barely after Eau Claire was born! And there were an astounding 41 players who donned an Eau Claire uniform before World War I that also played in the major leagues! In 1887 alone, there were 16 former or future major leaguers that called Eau Claire home (and yet somehow the team still finished in last place in the league)! The pioneers of baseball in Eau Claire have been touched upon in previous books, but only briefly. Diamonds in Clear Water goes into great detail and brings their long-forgotten stories to the public consciousness. Some examples include: How did the man who quite possibly was the inspiration for Ernest Thayers hero in Casey at the Bat do in his short stint in Eau Claire? What outfielder, purchased by...



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