

SELF DEFENSE PLEA WINS

Giants Off the South.
New York, Feb. 17.—An initial push was given the baseball season with the departure last evening of a bevy of Giant recruits for St. Louis en route to the south. Only a few of the players began the trip here, the majority of the players joining the party at St. Louis today and by the time Texas is reached it is expected that nearly the entire list of players reserved by the club will be on duty. The warming up practice will be conducted at Marlin Springs.