## Ed Swartwood Des Moines (Old Judge 1888)

El Swartwood received his unconditional release from the Brooklyn club this morning. He does not know where he will go. At present it is a toss between him and Orator Shafer as to which shall go to Des Moines, Ia., but Ed says he will resign in the old man's favor.

Pittsburgh Press Mar 20, 1888

Swartwood showed an interest in joining Des Moines in spring 1888.

Swartwood of the Brooklyns has been released to the Des Moines.

Boston Globe March 23, 1888

Swartwood has signed with Des Moines.

Decatur Herald March 29, 1888

Des Moines has not signed Swartwood, of last year's Brooklyns, but "Orator" Shaffer. Swartwood is a splendid hitter, but poor outfielder, though he can cover first base in good style. He desired an engagement with the Milwaukees, but Manager Hart wrote that his team was comclete.

Oshkosh Northwestern March 31, 1888

Hamilton Wants Swartwood.

The Hamilton Base Ball Club is anxious to have Ed. Swartwood, of this city. Yesterday Ed. received a dispatch from Manager Fisher, of the team, asking his terms. Swartwood at once replied, and if his terms are acceptable he will join the club at once, and again be a colleague of Mike Mansell. Swartwood will doubtless be an improvement to the Hamiltons, as he will, if he signs, play first base.

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