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### Mountain Climbing

MOUNTAIN climbing for the sake of making a record is as useful as a Cook or Peary journey to the north pole. It is grandly scientific, startlingly adventurous, wonderfully spectacular and profoundly useless. But mountain climbing as a sport and a summer pleasure is much more commendable. It helps to make a hardy race.

The Canadian Alpine Club is an association of deep-chested, strong-limbed men and women who are pioneers in a sport which will shortly become national. Heretofore access to the Rockies has been confined to the area bordering on the Canadian Pacific Railway. Soon there will be three railways running through this wonderful portion of the Dominion, with resulting accommodation for thousands of summer tourists.

The accompanying pictures of this year's camp give a graphic impression of the arduous and exciting nature of the annual outing of the Club. These people are exploring and gathering experience which will be useful to others similarly inclined, besides getting wholesome enjoyment and renewed health. They are the pioneers of the thousands who will seek out these spots in years to come and duplicate these pleasures. They are also familiarizing themselves with the flora and fauna of these regions and tasting of that wonderful awe which comes to those who live for a time in close contact with the majesty of nature. They are refreshing their minds as well as their bodies and going home stronger mentally and physically.

### The Case of Mr. Hamilton

The Editor, CANADIAN COURIER:

Sir,—I observe that you state in the CANADIAN COURIER that I am "still referring to the 'tin-pot' or 'Laurier' navy."

I have never used the term "tin-pot" in writing about the service set up by the Act of 1910.

I also observe that you refer to me as "an ex-military man."

I am still on the active list of the militia.

Yours very sincerely,

C. F. HAMILTON.

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### Opening the Political Season

SATURDAY last was the opening day of the political season. Sir Wilfrid Laurier opened his fall campaign at Mariville, his first appearance in rural Quebec since the general election in September, 1911. There was a splendid audience and Sir Wilfrid was in good form. The *Toronto Globe* emphasises the following sentences in his address:

"The question (the navy) is one which must be settled. We solved it in a manner which we believed was our best duty to Canada and to the Empire.

It is easy to inspire terror among the people. But I would rather have been beaten than to have won by such means. After three months in England Mr. Borden has returned. He went over to discuss the naval question. He does not seem to be any nearer a solution than he was before. He is going to submit the matter to his colleagues. I do not reproach him for taking his time about it. We will discuss it when it comes. But I will say in advance: 'Never, never will I raise my voice in appeals to race or religious prejudices.'

"We will discuss the matter calmly and with dignity, and I will try to do my duty as a Canadian and a British subject.

"I consecrated my life to making Canada a nation. If we are faithful to our programme, the nation will live and the party triumph."

On the same day, Mr. Borden was welcomed in Montreal with a mile-long parade. The Mayor read a formal address and Mr. Borden replied in French. In part he said:

"It is true that all Canadians do not speak the same language and do not worship God at the same altars, but all these differences of race and religion should not and will not be a reason for differences amongst us Canadians working together for the future of our common country. In our national life we have need of sympathy and consideration; we need co-operation and all will be well. We must know each other; and discord and suspicion will disappear for ever. 'Concordia salus' is the beautiful motto of your city. 'Concordia salus'—that should be the motto for all Canada. If Canadians adopt it as the guide of their conduct, as the inspiration for all their actions, the welfare of the country will be assured for ever."

## Annual Camp of the Alpine Club of Canada



The Annual Meeting Held Around the Camp Fire. Director Wheeler is Announcing Financial Grants from the Governments of Canada, British Columbia and Alberta. Professor A. P. Coleman is in the Chair.



The Main Tent. The Ridge of Storm Mountain Shown is 3,500 Feet Above Camp Level.



The Beginning of a 2,000-foot Climb over snow up Mount Fay, Giving Some Idea of the Arduous Sport.



Director Wheeler Giving Instructions to the Party Sent Out to Climb the Peak Discovered at This Camp. The Party Consisted of Godfrey Feuz, Guide; J. D. Patterson, of Woodstock, Ont.; S. H. Mitchell, of Sydney, B.C., and F. W. Godsal, Cowley, Alta.

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