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STRIKES, SPARES AND SPLITS MADE BY MERRY BOWLERS.

F. W. Arnett Put on Fine Score of 636—Standing of the
H. B. & A. C. League.

Four games were rolled in B class at the H. B. & A. C. last night. The Canewco team won two from the Grand Trunk and the Gun Club No. 2 took three straight from the U. D. S. Co. F. W. Arnett rolled the splendid score of 636 for the Canewco team, and to his work is due the victory, as Ogilvie and Sage made 568 each for the G. T. R. H. Brown, of the Gun Club team, was high in his match with 514, and C. E. Thomson, R. R. Simpson and H. M. Sweeney each reached the coveted 500 mark.

The individual miss and out tournament for all classes will be held at the H. B. & A. C. to-night. It will be run on the handicap basis. A class at 180, B class at 165 and C class at 145. A handsome prize has been donated by President J. L. Council, and to this is added the club's prizes. A large entry list is in, and further entries will be accepted from members until 8 o'clock, when play commences.

G. T. R.—
C. Ogilvie 206 196 166 568
S. Munroe 118 101 158 377
E. Sage 205 180 174 568
F. Sharp 164 132 134 430
R. Weatherston 129 173 171 473
822 791 803 2416

Canewco (won two)—
Geo. Lowe 119 128 136 383
R. J. Clump 144 169 176 489
C. W. Adam 141 161 161 466
F. W. Arnett 224 201 213 636
F. Smith 186 149 170 505
812 811 856 2479

U. D. S. Co.—
J. A. McMahon 138 133 164 435
C. E. Thomson 135 174 200 509
C. Yorick 145 183 143 473
W. Davidson 137 137 147 441
H. Sweeney 181 166 154 501
756 795 608 2370

Gun Club (won three)—
W. P. Thomson 190 143 136 469
J. E. Johnston 164 149 181 494
H. Brown 154 176 181 514
E. W. Borrow 127 170 189 486
R. R. Simpson 132 174 181 507
787 812 871 2470

H. B. & A. C. League standings—
B. class Won. Lost.
Simoes 7 2
Hundings 3 3
Union Drawn Steel Co. 5 4
Midnights 5 4
Gun Club No. 2 7 5
Canewco 5 7
Sweet Caporals 2 9
Grand Trunk 3 9
C. class No. 1—
Dunova Club 11 4
Orientals 11 4
Indians 7 5
Wanderers 9 6
R. H. Y. C. No. 1 5 7
Newberry's Colts 8 7
T. H. & B. Railway 8 7
Post Office 8 8
Terminals 3 12

Gleason is For San Francisco.

Denies Report About Two Sets of
Articles Being Signed.

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—Jack Gleason, the San Francisco fight promoter, who, with "Tex" Rickard, of Nevada, will handle the Jeffries-Johnson fight on July 4, arrived here last night from New York. Concerning Rickard's reported statements that the fight would be held in Salt Lake City, he said: "Where the fight between Jeffries and Johnson will take place is as yet in doubt, and it will not be definitely settled until Rickard and I meet again, which I expect will be in two or three weeks. Rickard is to come to the coast very shortly, and I will have a conference with him in San Francisco. I want the people to understand that I am for San Francisco or vicinity first and last, and will use every effort to see that the match takes place in these parts. The charges that two sets of articles were signed are utterly false and without foundation. They were designed by envious people to hurt the fight, but I can say truthfully that the articles as given to the newspapers will stand for the fight."

AERONAUT HURT.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—A Wright, and European, Captain Englehart, was piloting over Johannishall Field to-day, lost its balance and plunged to the earth. Capt. Englehart was unconscious when picked up and removed to a hospital. The extent of his injuries was not determined at once. Recently, he has been taking passengers up with him.

PRAIRIE FLOATED.

Philadelphia, Dec. 11.—The transport Prairie, which went aground in the Delaware River on the night of Dec. 2, was being towed down the river with 700 mariners for Central America, was floated to-day.

Rutt and Clark One Lap Ahead.

Excitement in the Closing Hours of
the Bicycle Grind.

New York, Dec. 11.—The closing hours of the six-day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden were ushered in by a series of thrilling events, which aroused the thousands of spectators who remained in the garden during the early hours to-day to a state of intense excitement. Up to 4 o'clock monotony had ruled. Shortly after that hour the sturdy German rider, Rutt, stole a march on the three other teams with which he and his partner, Clark, the Australian, were tied for first place, and with lightning-like speed circled the track and gained for his team the lap which put it in first place.

Thus, the last day of the race opened for the first time since the team riding was instituted with a single team leading. This advantage naturally made the Rutt-Clark combination the focus of attack, and led to a series of sprints in which desperate efforts were made to wrest the leadership from the hardy Teutonic-Australian combination. In one of these attempts there was a mix-up which threatened to cause trouble for Eddie Root, of the Root-Fogler team. His wheel came into collision with Clark's on one of the turns, and Clark was thrown violently to the track. Clark was picked up not badly injured, however, and within a few moments was able to resume riding. There was a protest, which will be passed upon later by the referees, to decide whether Root might have intentionally fouled the Australian. Root also went down in the crash, but was uninjured.

Rutt relieved Clark, and the team at 8 o'clock this morning still held the lead with 240.3 miles to its credit. The Root-Fogler, Walther-Collins and Hill-Stein teams were a lap behind, with the other five teams trailing.

HORRIBLE END.

Three Men Burned to Death in
Boiling Tar.

Saw Their Doom Coming—One
Man Escapes.

Pittsburg, Dec. 11.—Held fast in a lake of flowing tar, four men at the McClintock & Irving Company's roofing plant early to-day were compelled to watch the gradually approaching flames. Three of them were burned to death, while the fourth managed to extricate himself, although he was seriously burned.

The dead are: Peter McGonigle, John Trent and Patrick Carry. The man who escaped with burns was Patrick Moran. It is said the men were not employed at the works, but since winter set in had been in the habit of sleeping there at night. In some manner the valve of a large vat opened, and before the sleeping men knew their danger they were engulfed. Unable to free

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themselves, although they struggled with all their might, they saw the tar flow to a boiler, where it was speedily ignited. Then as the fire crawled towards them they frantically cried for help. The night watchman was attracted by the cries, but was powerless to aid them.

ZELAYA ON TOP

Nicaraguan President Outwits In-
surgent General.

United States May Yet Have to
Intervene.

Bluefields, Nicaragua, Dec. 11.—This city, the headquarters of the provisional government, has been thrown into alarm by a sudden realization of the strength of the Government army against which Gen. Estrada, the leader of the insurgents, has been supposed to be making irresistible headway. Estrada apparently has been hoodwinked by Zelaya, and no one would be surprised if the latter's troops should appear before the city at any hour. Estrada is hoping for timely aid from the United States.

If President Taft is determined that Zelaya shall be deposed, it is believed here that the United States will find active participation in the struggle necessary. All idea of the enemy attacking fortified Rama has been abandoned. The true which covers the conference of the Government envoys is at an end.

Another cause for alarm among the insurgents is the report brought by the cruiser Des Moines that Zelaya's men at Greytown are far from the desperate condition which has been reported through hearsay here.

COOK'S DATA.

Geographic Society to Investigate
Fabrication Charges.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The National Geographic Society has decided to investigate the claims of Captain August W. Loose and George Dunkle, an insurance broker, recently made in New York, that they furnished to Dr. Frederick A. Cook observations and data to prove that he reached the North Pole. Prof. J. H. Gore, Rear Admiral Pillsbury and Dr. C. W. Hayes, of the Geological Survey, went to New York to-day to begin this work. They expect to report to the society here on Monday. Prof. Willis L. Moore decided on this course yesterday at a conference with members.

GOLDWIN SMITH

Favors Voluntary Union With No
Annexation to States.

(Special Wire to the Times.)
Kingston, Ont., Dec. 11.—Goldwin Smith has addressed the following letter to the editor of the Kingston Standard: "It seems that I have been represented as advocating annexation. Let me assure you that I have studiously avoided the use of a term which implies submission on the part of Canada to the power of the United States. That which I think seems the dictate of nature and likely as such to come to pass is the voluntary union of the two great English speaking communities on the continent for their mutual benefit and society. Social union seems to be already pretty complete.

Christmas and New Year Excur-
sions.

The Grand Trunk Railway system wish to announce that return tickets will be issued between all stations in Canada, also to Detroit and Port Huron, Mich., Buffalo, Black Rock and Suspension Bridge, N. Y., at the following reduced rates: Single fare, good going December 24th and 25th, 1909, returning on or before December 27th, 1909; also good going December 31st, 1909, and January 1st, 1910, returning on or before January 3rd, 1910. The fare and one-third, good going December 21st to 25th, inclusive, or from December 28th, 1909, until January 5th, 1910. Secure tickets and further information from any Grand Trunk agent.

CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS.

At the regular meeting of St. Mary's Court, of the Catholic Order of Foresters, held on Thursday evening, the following officers were elected for the year 1910: Past Chief Ranger—J. T. Canley. Chief Ranger—R. C. Slatery. Vice-Chief Ranger—C. A. Hayes. Recording Secretary—J. T. Connor. Financial Secretary—J. P. Melody. Treasurer—J. J. Quay. Trustees—H. J. Whalen, J. McKenna and H. J. Whalen.

Worth Knowing.

The improved pie pan has a blade fastened to the centre, which revolves around the bottom of the dish beneath the pie crust when the end protruding from the side of the dish is moved.

To use cold halibut or other white fish, remove the bones and flake it and arrange it in layers, with bread crumbs and seasoning in a buttered baking dish. Cover the top with buttered crumbs, turn in hot milk to moisten sufficiently, sprinkle grated cheese over and bake.

Boll vinegar in the fish skillet or pan to destroy the fish odor. Comforts and quilts should be dried in a good stiff breeze, so that they may be as light and fluffy as when new.

A spoonful of oxgall to a gallon of water will set the colors of almost any goods soaked in it previous to washing.

If your rug curl up at the edges, they can be made to lie flat by dampening the curled edge and pressing with a hot iron.

If leather in chair seats sticks to the clothing, sponge with a mixture of ether and alcohol, dampening the cloth lightly and following it by wiping off with a clean flannel dampened with pure chloroform. The varnish was badly done or it would not stick.

The figures of this country's wheat crop indicate not only a larger home consumption as a result of increased population, but also a larger consumption per capita.

Uncle Sam's forests are being cut down three times as fast as they grow.

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MARKETS AND FINANCE

Saturday, Dec. 11.—There was a fair-sized market this morning, and sales were decidedly brisk. Poultry was one of the features, spring chickens being especially in evidence. The prevailing price was from 65 cents to \$1.25. Turkeys were somewhat scarce, and the price advanced two cents, making it from 18 to 22 cents a pound. Dairy produce is still very scarce. Creamery butter sold on the open market at from 30 to 32 cents, while on the inside market sales were reported at from 28 to 30 cents. Strictly fresh eggs still remain scarce and showed a tendency to be firm, whole, selling at from 30 to 35 cents and retailing as high as 45 cents. Even at these prices there was a good demand. In the meat market dressed hogs were boosted 50 cents per cwt., the new price being from \$10.25 to \$10.75. The wheat market was reported to be a little firmer.

The current prices this morning were:

Dairy Produce.
Cooking butter 22 to 23
Churn butter 17 to 18
Dairy butter 27 to 28
Creamery butter 28 to 32
Eggs, new laid, dozen 0 35 to 0 40
Eggs, cooking 28 to 30

Poultry.
Chickens, pair 0 90 to 1 40
Spring chicken 0 65 to 1 25
Turkeys 0 18 to 0 22
Ducks, pair 1 00 to 1 50
Geese, lb. 0 10 to 0 12

Fruits.
Pears, basket 0 20 to 0 35
Grapes, basket 0 10 to 0 25
Walnuts, basket 0 40 to 0 75
Hickory nuts, bushel 0 20 to 0 25
Quinces, bushel 1 00 to 1 50
Apples, snow, basket 0 20 to 0 25
Northern Spies, per bushel 0 25 to 0 30
Greenings 0 20 to 0 25

Vegetables, Etc.
Celery, dozen 0 40 to 0 60
Lettuce, per bunch 0 02 to 0 03
Parsley, dozen 0 40 to 0 45
Eggs, basket 0 10 to 0 12
Potatoes, bushel 0 20 to 0 25
New Canada, lb. 0 06 to 0 10
New Zealand, lb. 0 06 to 0 10
Carrots, basket 0 20 to 0 25
Parsnips, basket 0 20 to 0 25
Onions, large, basket 0 40 to 0 50
Summer squash, each 0 05 to 0 10
Hubbard squash, each 0 05 to 0 10
Pumpkins, each 0 05 to 0 10

Smoked Meats.
Pork, ham, small, prices steady
Pork, round, washed 0 18 to 0 19
Lard, pound, unwashed 0 12 to 0 13
Bacon, sides, lb. 0 15 to 0 16
Bacon, backs, lb. 0 17 to 0 18
Hams, lb. 0 10 to 0 12
Shoulders, lb. 0 14 to 0 15
Chests, lb. 0 09 to 0 10
Pork sausage, lb. 0 09 to 0 10
Frankfort 0 09 to 0 10
New Zealand ham 0 09 to 0 10
Mushrooms, quart 0 15 to 0 20

Flowers.
Palm, 100 1 50 to 2 00
Becania 0 10 to 0 12
Aster 0 10 to 0 12
Roses, plants 0 40 to 0 45
Ferns 0 40 to 0 45
Roses, each 0 05 to 0 10
Gladioli, dozen 0 20 to 0 25
Cyclamen 0 20 to 0 25
Carnations, pot. 0 25 to 0 30
Snap dragons, doz. 0 10 to 0 15
Chrysanthemums 0 10 to 0 15

Meats.
Beef, No. 1, per cwt. 7 00 to 7 50
Beef, No. 2, per cwt. 5 50 to 6 00
Lard, 100 lbs. 0 12 to 0 13
Mutton, per cwt. 4 00 to 4 50
Dressed hogs 10 25 to 10 75
Veal, per cwt. 9 00 to 11 00
Spring lamb, per lb. 0 11 to 0 12

Fish.
Salmon, trout 0 15 to 0 18
Herring, large, doz. 0 25 to 0 30
Halibut, lb. 0 15 to 0 16
Cod, lb. 0 10 to 0 12
Flounders 0 10 to 0 12
Smoked salmon, lb. 0 15 to 0 16
Lako Bay, per lb. 0 10 to 0 12
Herring, 100 0 10 to 0 12
Smelts, 2 lbs. 0 25 to 0 30
Herring, 100 0 10 to 0 12
Perch 0 10 to 0 12
Mackerel 0 10 to 0 12
Oysters, cr. 0 20 to 0 25
Haddock, lb. 0 10 to 0 12
Kiered Herrin, N. 2 for 10

The Hide Market.
Calf skins, No. 1, lb. 0 18 to 0 19
Calf skins, No. 2, lb. 0 15 to 0 16
Calf skins, each 0 14 to 0 15
Calf skins, each 0 10 to 0 12
Horse hides, each 2 00 to 3 00
Hides, No. 1, per lb. 0 14 to 0 15
Hides, No. 2, per lb. 0 14 to 0 14
Hides, flat 0 15 to 0 15
Lamb skins 1 00 to 1 00

Grain Market.
Barley 0 35 to 0 60
Oats 0 25 to 0 40
Rye 0 45 to 0 70
Buckwheat 0 65 to 0 70
Chenopod corn 1 50 to 1 50
Corn 0 80 to 0 81
Peas 0 80 to 0 81

Hay and Wood.
Straw, per ton 9 00 to 10 00
Hay, per ton 10 00 to 16 00

Toronto Markets

FARMERS' MARKET.

There were only moderate offerings of grain to-day, with prices unchanged. Wheat steady, with sales of 100 bushels of fall at \$1.07 to \$1.08. Barley quiet, with sales of 300 bushels at 64 to 65c. Oats unchanged, 500 bushels selling at 41 to 42c. Buckwheat sold at 52c. Hay quiet, with prices unchanged, a dozen loads selling at \$17 to \$21 a ton. No straw offered, with bundled quoted at \$17 a ton. Dressed hogs are steady, with prices ruling at \$10.50 to \$11. Wheat, white, new \$ 1 07 to \$ 1 08
Do, red, new 1 07 to 1 08
Do, goose 1 03 to 1 04
Oats, bush 0 41 to 0 42
Peas, bush 0 88 to 0 90
Barley, bush 0 64 to 0 65
Rye, bush 0 72 to 0 73
Hay, mixed, ton 17 00 to 21 00
Do, mixed, ton 10 00 to 12 00
Straw, per ton 17 00 to 0 00
Seeds
Alsike, fancy, bush 6 50 to 6 75
Do, No. 1 6 00 to 6 25
Do, No. 2 5 50 to 5 75
Do, No. 3 5 00 to 5 40
Red Clover, No. 1, bu. 6 25 to 6 50

Timothy 1 40 to 1 60
Dressed hogs 10 50 to 11 00
Butter, dairy 0 26 to 0 30
Do, inferior 0 22 to 0 24
Eggs, new laid, dozen 0 45 to 0 50
Do, fresh 0 35 to 0 40
Chickens, lb. 0 13 to 0 16
Ducks, lb. 0 13 to 0 15
Turkeys, lb. 0 18 to 0 20
Geese, lb. 0 11 to 0 13
Fowl, lb. 0 10 to 0 12
Apples, bbl. 2 00 to 3 50
Potatoes, bag, by load 0 55 to 0 60
Celery, dozen 0 30 to 0 35
Onions, bag 1 00 to 1 10
Cauliflower, dozen 0 75 to 1 00
Sage, dozen 8 00 to 9 00
Do, forequarters 5 00 to 6 50
Do, choice, carcass 7 50 to 8 00
Do, medium, carcass 6 50 to 7 00
Mutton, per cwt 7 00 to 8 00
Veal, prime, per cwt 9 50 to 10 50
Lamb, per cwt 9 00 to 10 00

SUGAR MARKET.

St. Lawrence sugars are quoted as follows: Granulated, \$4.85 per cwt. in barrels; No. 1 golden, \$4.45 per cwt. in barrels. Beaver, \$4.55 per cwt. in bags. These prices are for delivery here. (Car lots 5c less. In 100-lb. bags, prices are 5c less.)

OTHER MARKETS.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKETS.
London.—London cables for cattle are slow, at 12 to 14c per lb. for live cattle, dressed weight; Liverpool, 11½ to 12½; refrigerator beef firmer, at 10½ to 10¾ per lb.

WINNIPEG WHEAT MARKET.
Wheat—December 90½c, May 190½c. Oats—December 33½c, May 30½c.

BANK CLEARINGS.