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TELLS OF CUTTING CULLINAN DIAMOND

Louis Asscher Describes Preparation of Crown Jewel for King

ONE PIECE, 500 CARATS

Tests With Clay Model Show Best Way to Treat Gem, Then Imbedded in Cement -- Extraordinary Precautions Taken to Protect the Stone in Strong Room With Four Armed Po-

New York, May 21.—Besides the details given out yesterday by the men who are negotiating the work of cutting the Cullinan diamond, the gift of the Transvaal to King Edward VII., the 'historic stories of the Kohinoor, Queen Victoria's celebrated gem, pale their ineffectual fires. Quietly and unstendatiously Louis Asscher and Henry Duizend, of the firm of Joseph Asscher & Co., of London, Paris and Amsterdam, some into Naw York verterday for their

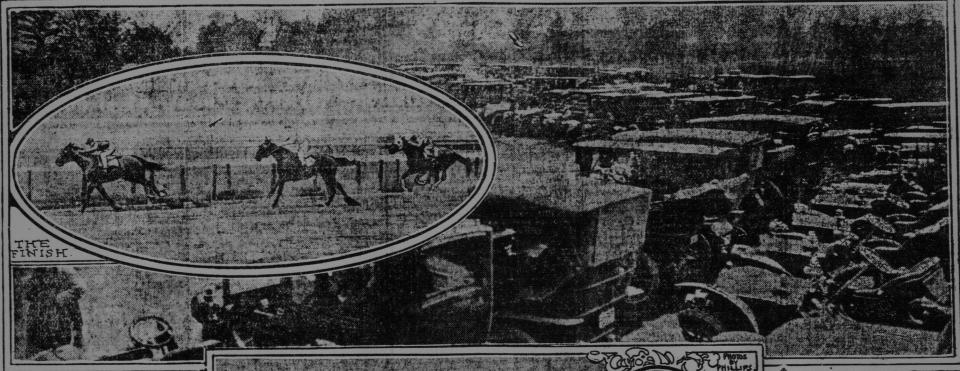
Co., of London, Paris and Amsterdam, came into New York yesterday for their first visit but they were found out and made to talk of the greatest jewel perhaps the world has ever known.

In the first place the Cullinan diamond, after it has been cut, is to be placed among the crown jewels of the royal family of Great Britain, and the work of separating it into parts and removing possible defects was essentially a delicate one. Joseph Asscher, head of the firm, undertook the task in person.

(Lordon Standard.)



Atkin Wins the Metropolitan Handicap



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First he cleft the diamond into two ces in such a way that a defective spot

Some of the old-fashioned Egyptian

THE FUTURE OF CANADA

EMPIRE DAY WELL CELEBRATED AT HAMPTON SCHOOL

Hampton, Kings Co., May 22.-Empire Day was very fittingly observed at the Hampton Consolidated School, today. The warm weather of the week has naturally ended to lessen the attendance, as many assist in getting crops planted. This morning, however, there was a good average per centage of enrolled pupils present at the opening exercises which were accompanied by special songs and an address by Principal Perry on the extent of the Empire, the history and observance of the day, and the obligations resting upon the the empire, a phrase among the nations for honesty, truth, righteousness and good

All the departments were then marched to the lawn in front of the building, and arranged in ranks where all could see the Union Jack which was proudly floating from the staff on the roof. As the flag was "dipped," every child saluted, and in cheerful chorus sang "Up with the