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### Old Country Soccer.

(Montreal Star, Sept. 17th.)  
There was a truly extraordinary state of affairs in Old Country soccer on Saturday, no fewer than 31 games being drawn, the most meritorious on the English First Division probably being Chelsea United's divide with Newcastle United who give evidence of being a really great team this season. So well have Sunderland been going that it was not entirely unexpected that they should triumph over Birmingham, but you have to keep in mind that the Birm men have been playing real good football. Burnley have not found their feet and I should imagine it would be some little time before Dundie Walker is "acclimatized" to the English style of football.

I should imagine Jimmy Lawrence will be in doldrums over his team. It is not the usual Preston way to bow the knee week after week, and the club is not in position to pay for additional players, in fact, they are in debt. It is a perplexing situation.  
In the Second Division the most surprising result was the defeat of Manchester United. Bury had not given evidence of ability beyond their mediocre usual, and, no doubt, they will be plugging themselves to-day. It is quite clear that the one-time erratic South Shields have settled down to a more consistent game. You don't get points easily from Barnsley, believe me. It was a noteworthy fact that no one single Second Division Club lost at home, rather unusual you will admit.

In the Scottish League there is one manager who will have sleepless nights this weather, I refer to Alex Bennett, of the Third Lanark. His team, it is apparent have not found their feet after their trip to the Argentine. I should imagine they will be dead stale. It is all very well to sojourn for a week or a fortnight on the "Continents," but to suspend practically the whole close season touring is bad policy, and is bound to make the men stale when they come to tackle serious league work.

Glydebank are going to have a hard job to keep their place in the First Division. Not having a grand stand, they are deprived of much needed revenue in consequence. They tell to

Falkirk at home, but it will be observed that Aldrie still kept on doing it. Their win was the best of the day.

Strange isn't it that Motherwell do so well against Patrick Thistle. No sooner do they leave Fir Park and step on the field at Firhill than they seem to consider that the points are just as good as annexed. The old saying "Horses for courses," perhaps.

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS OF OLD COUNTRY SOCCER.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—(Can. Press)—Results of Association Football League games played yesterday were:

ENGLISH LEAGUE.  
First Division.

Arsenal, 4; West Ham United, 1.  
Birmingham, 0; Bolton Wanderers, 3.

THIRD DIVISION.  
Southern Section.

Aberdeen, 1; Brentford, 2.  
Northampton, 0; North Rovers, 0.  
Norwich, 0; Watford, 0.

In an intercity Association game, Glasgow defeated Sheffield by a score of two goals to one.

Plymouth defeated Coventry in a Rugby Union game by 6 to 4.

(Montreal Star, Sept. 10.

Despite all the gloomy forecasts—quite a change from the usual order of things—football is booming in the Old Country. As you will have noticed, there have been quite a number of surprising results on both sides of the Tweed. Birmingham so far have proved that they are a team to be reckoned with. They meet Sunderland to-morrow, and somehow I am inclined to the view that this game will end in a draw, or a win for the north country men. Notts Forest have not been hitting it off too sweetly, and they stand a poor chance of beating Burnley at home. Chelsea have not been able as yet to set the Thames on fire. They meet Aston Villa, and the Villa will win. When Everton and Blackburn Rovers meet, it is always a conundrum "who will win?" Don't be surprised if this clash should end in a draw. The Goodison Park team certainly have the advantage of home soil, but the Rovers are always capable of so much. Manchester City are shaping nicely, as was only becoming, now that they have got into a new

home, a stadium good to hold a 90,000 crowd. When they meet Bolton Wanderers it is always a tight game, and if City were always the goods at Clayton, my choice is the cupholders to-morrow.

Newcastle United are doing awfully well. They are to beat Sheffield United, and Huddersfield will have to go some to get even a point from Notts County. Liverpool have not started too promisingly. Neither have Preston North End. The twin meet to-morrow. Take the Liverpool ticket. And you might as well have some confidence in Middlesbrough. They journey to the "Smoke" to meet the Spurs, and they always do well there. Last season the Yorkshire men won by 2-0. Trust West Bromwich to give Arsenal a nasty smack, but don't rely upon West Ham. May be wrong, of course, but to my thinking Cardiff City will beat them.

You have gathered perhaps these days just gone that I think Manchester United will make a big splash this year. I am positive they will. Bury may be lucky and get a point against them, but the leaning is much the other way. Neither Coventry City nor Bristol City have started too well. Take Allick Raisbeck's men to win. Crystal Palace hang up against Fulham. Put that down as a draw. Derby County are pretty sure to win; Hull City are a stone certainty; Leicester City will get a point from Leeds United; but don't you have too much faith in Oldham. Bradford City are all out for promotion. All clubs are, of course, but they seem to have got a nice team together. Stockport will have to go the distance, of course, but they seem to have got a nice team together. Stockport will have much to do to beat the Vale, but if they are careful they ought to get them. Stoke to beat Blackpool. The season's, according to report, are not likely to prove the same "surprise packet" that they were last season.

The Scottish League fixtures are interesting. Ayr United have to meet Aberdeen. The Granite City men won't lose. Your boots on that. The erratic Clyde ought to account for Kilmarnock, but methinks Falkirk will put it over Clydebank. You must remember that Jimmy Hay, the manager of the Clydebank Club, has not much cloth to make a tailor's model out of. Dundee are likely to win over Third Lanark, but it is to be feared that Hamilton will not get the better of Raith Rovers. The great Edinburgh "Derby" between Hibs and Hearts is due. The game is at Easter Road. A draw is the usual result here, but I am inclined to favor the Hearts. Rangers will triumph over Morton. Sure thing. Don't be surprised if Motherwell gives the knock to Patrick Thistle. Celtic will have an easy lapse, but they will beat Queen's. Aldrie journey to Paisley. The Saints no doubt have hopes, but take the Odds on to win. It is a great programme to-morrow.

P.S.—I am asked this: "What do you think of the captain of a team who will not accompany his boys in the same conveyance?" I don't know to whom this refers. That, however, matters little. The answer to the question is that I would buy him a bottle of scent.

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### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS OF OLD COUNTRY SOCCER.

LONDON—Results of Association Football League games yesterday were as follows:

THIRD DIVISION.  
Southern Section.

Merthyr Tydvil, 3; Exeter City, 0.

Newport City, 3; Portsmouth, 1.

In the Northern Rugby League, Tranmere defeated Halifax by 3 to 0.

### Protect us From Our Friends.

COMMUNISTS GUARD LENINE BETTER THAN CEAR WAS GUARDED.

Lenine has ruled Russia for five years; yet comparatively few Russians have seen him personally. According to an Austrian newspaper it was easier in the old days to watch the Czar taking the air in the park of Tsarskoe Selo than it has been for the past five years to catch a glimpse of Lenine's face at the Kremlin and at Gorki, his summer home near Moscow, where he, his wife, and his only daughter live a modest, almost peasant-like family life.

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### Spiritual Healing.

REMARKABLE SCENE IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

"Spiritual healing is a live thing," declared a preacher in ringing tones at a service in Westminster Abbey. Some members of the congregation were blind, and were led to their seats by friends, while others were dumb. The sermon was preached by the Rev. R. C. Griffith, vicar of St. Martin's, Norwich, who has conducted faith-healing services all over East Anglia. "I have seen blind men regain their sight," declared the speaker. "I have known a man shoot up an arm which was withered for 16 years, and have seen cancer cured within 20 minutes. Faith returns not only to the healed, but also to those who are not healed. In East Anglia, where I have just been working, thousands have waited from nine o'clock in the morning to 11 o'clock at night in the streets, kneeling outside the little shrines where hands are laid on the sick. They watched people who were stone deaf healed within a few minutes, and returning thanks publicly. I was talking to one of the leading surgeons in the Cancer Research Fund a few days ago. He said to me: 'There is something about cancer that we know nothing about. What are you, as a representative of the church, doing about it?' I told him that in my opinion a day should be set aside on which every one throughout England should pray that this unknown 'something' might be revealed." Many people went to ask advice of Mr. Griffith after the service. "People are healed every week in Norwich," declared Mr. Griffith. "We hold services in churches or on village greens, and hundreds of people come from every part of England. The services are of the quietest possible character, and there is no choir. Six or seven people pray earnestly all the time, and it is better if the sick people can be prepared before the mission. I have a small bowl of oil, specially blessed by the bishop of the diocese, and I rub this oil over their temples and foreheads. Some time ago a worshipper came whose head was swathed in bandages. He had an abscess which protruded from his eye, but the moment he reached home and took off the bandages the abscess had gone down, and not a trace of it was left. The Rev. Arthur T. Denice, who carries on the same work in Devonshire was a helpless invalid, suffering from acute arthritis, until the Rev. John Mallard laid hands on him and cured him completely."

Oysters are now in season. Chop a few cooked ones into an omelet mixture just before cooking.  
If you wish your cinnamon rolls to be of uniform size bake them in flat-bottomed muffin tins.

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