

CANADIAN KEEPS WORLD'S TITLE

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"FARMER" BURNS WON, TOO.
Omaha, Neb., March 18.—Farmer Burns last night won from Fred Beale, of Wisconsin, in a wrestling bout, taking the first and third falls. It took Burns 32 minutes to throw Beale the first time, using a full nelson. Beale used 35 1/4 minutes in putting the farmer's shoulders to the mat with a half-nelson and barlock. The third fall occurred in 3 minutes, and was largely accidental. With both men on their feet playing for a position, Burns suddenly caught his opponent by the arm, and fairly threw him over his shoulders. Beale entered a protest against the referee's decision, demanding another bout, but it was denied.

LEAGUE GAMES.

Steel Plant Took Three From the H. B. C.

In the City Bowling League series last night the Steel Plant team took three games from the Hamiltons H. and B. C. The Steel Plant team, of the International, was high man, with 588. The scores:

First game—	
Hamilton Bowling Club II.	
Cooper	140 133 124 476
Avery	127 182 113 422
Key	176 167 138 481
Tucker	118 144 138 400
Irwin	109 125 167 401
749 752 800 2301	
Steel Plant.	
Park	176 167 174 517
Foutis	141 164 183 488
Kinsvater	183 158 133 474
Monte	150 142 149 441
Pratt	171 151 205 527
821 782 844 2447	

Second game—	
G. Thomson	154 146 159 459
Peacock	130 129 164 423
McKelvey	116 146 138 400
Smith	184 203 178 565
Mitchell	150 185 192 527
734 809 811 2354	
Internationals.	
Walsh	113 96 115 324
Berkely	122 104 183 415
Burwash	174 170 237 581
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Grimby, March 18.—In an exhibition game of hockey last night, the fastest played here this season, Beamsville defeated the home team 8 to 7. At half-time the score was 5 to 1 in Beamsville's favor, and at full time it stood 7 all. In the ten minutes extra time Beamsville scored one, making the final score 8 to 7.

Line-up: Beamsville—Howe, goal; O. McNach, point; McNichol, cover-point; Van Dyke, Walker, Gibson and Hunt, forwards. Grimby—Davy, goal; Hewitt, point; Kuhl, cover-point; R. Kiedler, J. Kiedler, G. Gibson and T. Tifford, forwards. Beamsville won the inter-village championship, having defeated Grimby twice in the three games played.

COMMENTS AND GOSSIP.

Three cheers for Tommy Burns! Burns may have one bad eye, but he certainly has a good "right."

As the gallery would say, "Roche got the hook."

How could a true Irishman hope to win a prize fight on St. Patrick's Day?

Mr. Patrick Roche, he of the north end, says that story that he is a cousin of Jim Roche is "just newspaper talk." He says he is not even a friend of the defeated fighter.

Tommy Burns' forecast of the fight, published in Monday's Times, was all right, all right.

Manager Appleton should arrange to get Burns' right hook for use on amateur night at the Savoy.

According to the Buffalo morning papers, Burns is still an "American." I had heard he would have been referred to as a Canadian.

A question often asked is how it comes that the little fighters from England are such shifty chaps, was put to Owen Moran during his recent visit to Toronto, and that loquacious young gent attempted the answer. According to Owen there's no money in the fight—fighting in England, and while the little fellows start fighting as soon as they start to work, and keep right at it because they're not big enough to do manual labor, the big fellows generally work at something else and take on fighting as a side issue. That may or may not be the reason, but it has to do for the present for lack of a better. Moran also rose to remark that Roche was pretty much in the "dub" class, and would be easy money for Burns—Toronto Telegram.

A "Burns Punch" will take the place of Dublin stout in Ireland for a while.

Anyway, green predominated in yesterday's fight. Burns wore a Maple Leaf.

ABOUT THE OLYMPIC TRIALS.

No Hamilton Wrestlers Are Entered So Far.

Hamilton Lacrosse Club Will Have a Team in the Senior C. L. A. Series Again This Season.

Toronto, March 18.—Tom Flanagan will seek permission of the Canadian Olympic Committee to start Longboat in the one and five mile races, as well as in the Marathon, in England.

England has long since made a specialty of five-mile runners, and they are as thick as hops, and decidedly handy at that distance. Every country in the world has crack milers, and Canada will not be the last to take a beating, so that if Longboat could even make a showing in the two shorter races he would be doing remarkable work.

Flanagan proposes to sail from Canada with the Indian about May 10. This will give him two full months in London before the Marathon. He proposes about three weeks before this, the first event of the Olympic games, to hold a trial race at 15 or 20 miles, in Ireland, open to anybody who cares to compete. This would be the final try-out of the Indian, and he would be just at his speed thereafter.

Longboat is at the Brandon reservation, where he will remain for a while. He has, by the way, disposed of his cigar business. The city's gift, together with the fund collected, will be held by the committee until after the Olympics, when a house will be erected for his mother at the reservation.

NO HAMILTON WRESTLERS.
Toronto, March 18.—The C. L. A. U. wrestling tourney Friday and Saturday will assume the importance of Olympic trials, and no one from the other side of the border will be allowed to compete. The Federation have given their assent and have wired Secretary Crow to proceed on this basis. The arrangement will hold good all the way through, and means that no Canadian amateur athletes will be barred at the try-outs, who then C. L. A. U. or A. A. F. men. So far no entries have been received from Hamilton, which is supposed to be the wrestling centre of Ontario.

VERY MUCH ALOFT.

Meeting of Committee of the Hamilton Lacrosse Club.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Hamilton Lacrosse Club was held at the Hotel Royal yesterday afternoon to discuss the prospects for the coming season. J. G. Gault, President, occupied the chair, and the other members present were: Fred Hubert, R. R. Simpson, J. P. Hennessy, J. W. Nelson, W. V. Barker, James Wright and R. S. Babbs. The only absentee was Ald. A. J. W. The committee decided to put a team in the senior series of the C. L. A. U., and appointed the following a committee with full power to sign a manager and players: Hubert, Simpson

and Hennessy. The committee was instructed to do all possible to get a winning team. The members expressed themselves satisfied with last year's showing, although the club lost a little money through an error of one of the directors.

It was decided to send a strong delegation to the annual meeting of the C. L. A. U. to protest against the order made that Hamilton pay St. Catharines club \$100 for refusing to play a game at St. Catharines, ordered by the committee of the association. The Hamiltons claim that game scheduled for St. Catharines was played at Hamilton at the request of the St. Kitts manager.

One of the directors said this morning that the sensational story published in a local paper last night to the effect that the club had lost \$800 last year, and the bond given to the C. L. A. U. had been extracted, was untrue. The club lost only a small amount of money, he said, but was satisfied the experience obtained was worth the price.

The annual meeting of the club will be held shortly.

GLORIOLE AT LAST.

Gold Proof Beaten in Hard Drive at New Orleans.

New Orleans, March 18.—There was great improvement in the racing at City Park yesterday. The feature was a handicap at a mile and one-sixteenth. This went to Corrigan's John Carroll in one of the most exciting finishes seen for some time.

Jeckey Sumter and the long overdue Gloriole, at 2 to 1, formed the winning combination in the opening race. Miss Imogene, at 18 to 9, second, and Lurida, at 50 to 1, third. Bellweather, at 40 to 1, upset the calculations of the talent by taking down the fifth race in a hard drive from Gold Proof.

KICK WILL PROVE FATAL.

James McBride, of Toronto, a Victim of Blood Poisoning.

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In Kicking Off Dog a Toronto Man Fell and Broke His Leg.

Toronto, March 18.—After workless months Benjamin Evans, a paperhanger, of 62 Gerrard street west, sallied out to his first job yesterday morning. He was at a vicious dog and fell down and broke his leg. Now he will be in the General Hospital for weeks and his job will not wait.

Evans, who is a married man of 53, was carrying the step-ladder necessary in his trade down a lane off Gerrard street west. A dog jumped out and made as if to bite his leg. Evans turned round to teach the animal manners and fell on the ice. The fall broke his left leg, and he was taken to the General Hospital.

Freighted With the Hon. Frank.
Portage la Prairie, Man., March 17.—William Rodgers, veteran of the German war, and of the Wolseley expedition, died in the Home for Incurables to-day. He was at one time associated with Hon. Frank Oliver as a freighter between Port Garry and the far west away back in 1875.

Was it Firebug's Work?
Chatham, March 17.—Detective Campeau, of Windsor, was at Mitchell's Bay to-day, looking into rumors which are to-day as to the fire at the Joy Club, which was burned down last night, and was the result of some incendiary work.

DROWNED IN A STORM.

Victoria, B. C., March 17.—J. N. Annette, manager of the Malahat Line Co., was drowned yesterday while attempting to cross Saanich Arm in a sailboat during a gale.

BASKET BALL GAMES.

At the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last evening two fine, exciting games of bas-

TO PREVENT "TOURING."

Toronto, March 18.—The C. L. A. U. Committee on Good Friday will have as its chief subject of debate the time-honored "residence rule," by the adoption of which it is expected to stamp out professionalism in the ranks of the C. L. A. U. intermediate series. A residence rule in the intermediate and junior series would protect the small towns and prevent their players being lured away by offers from other places where money is more plentiful. Oscar Eby, of Hespeler, will introduce an amendment to the present residence clause which is expected to have the desired effect.

WOUNDED MAN DISAPPEARS.
Peterboro' Resident Missing Two Weeks and Fears Are Entertained.

Peterboro', March 17.—Thomas Newell, of Peterboro', employed by Lynch & Ryan, at Gilmchrist Bay, Stony Lake, was missing a couple of weeks. He was shot in the leg, and it is supposed he tried to make his way through the woods to a camp about two miles away and succumbed to his wounds.

TERMS ARE LENGTHENED.

Prisoners Who Tried to Escape From Guelph Jail Sentenced.

Guelph, Ont., March 17.—The four prisoners at the county jail, John Cox, of Guelph, and Heatherington, McAlvan and Daveling, Palmerston, who were found guilty of attempting to break jail on Saturday, March 7th, were today sentenced. Cox to three months in the Central Prison and the three Palmerston men had three months added to their three years' sentence in Kingston Penitentiary.

GUELPH'S CIVIC OFFICIALS.

City Council Made Appointments After Strenuous Struggle.

Guelph, March 17.—After weeks of strenuous fighting in committee and Council, the City Council this morning decided upon the officials of Guelph's civic departments, which it decided last year to reorganize. Richard Mitchell, the City Clerk for many years, gets the Police Court clerkship, and gets practically a superannuation.

These are the officers: City Clerk, T. J. Moore; Treasurer, D. Scroggie; Collector, James Hewer; Assessors, W. W. White, Wm. Hart, Engineer, Arthur J. McArthur; Relief Officer, Capt. W. Clarke; Police Court Clerk, Richard Mitchell.

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Aged Hastings County Man Injured While Feeding Horses.

Belleville, Ont., March 17.—While Henry Blakey, an old man aged 72 years, and who lives near Moira Lake, was feeding his horses on Sunday at noon, one of them kicked him. One of his legs and both arms were broken, and severe injuries about the head were inflicted. There is no hope of his recovery.

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V. BEATTY, MANAGER.

Broadviews B. B. C. Elected Officers For 1908.

The Broadviews baseball team held their annual meeting on Monday night and reorganized for the coming season. The following members were present:

James Arroll, F. Smith, V. Beatty, J. Sullivan, E. Gurrie, W. H. Stoker, H. Arthur, W. Thomas, N. Bolton, P. Johnson, G. Heil, J. Harpers, P. Kelly.

The officers elected for the coming year are as follows:

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WEATHER INSURANCE.

Bill of Incorporation Passed by the House.

Ottawa, March 17.—The House of Commons this evening read a third time and passed the bill incorporating the Canada Weather Insurance Company and the bill respecting the Subsidiary High Court Ancient Order of Foresters in the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. Maclean (South York) asked if the Government intended to afford better protection for Canadian policyholders in American insurance companies. Cases had occurred in which Canadians had suffered through the failure of some of the American companies. Was it not time that the deposits of such companies should be increased?

Mr. Fielding said that the deposits were being revalued and it might be that further deposits would be called for.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's motion, that after to-morrow to the end of the session Government orders have precedence on Wednesday, which is private members' day, was carried.