Sporting Comment

S predicted some weeks ago, the "Adele" has been chosen to carry Canada's colours in the Canada Cup races. She is owned by Cawthra Mulock, and will be sailed by Aemilius Jarvis. It was necessary, of course, to have an extra series of races before the judges gave their final decision, but there is a suspicion in certain quarters that this series was intended as a balm to the feelings of Mr. F. Nicholls, owner, and Mr. Fife, designer, of the "Crusader." Experts who have figured out the time made by the two boats state there was little or no difference between the boats. But then Mr. Jarvis was sailing the "Adele," and Mr. Jarvis will sail the "Adele" at Rochester. A regrettable feature of the trial races was the ordering of the Aileen to the barn. To be sure, she had been a pretty consistent loser. But when an enthusiastic young sailor like Mr. N. Gooderham goes to the trouble and expense of having a challenger built, he is entitled to some consideration, and should at least be allowed to sail in all the trial races.

Golf galore has been the bill of fare at Lambton links this week. Not only are the best golfers of Canada attending the tournament, but many a golfer of reputation from across the line. And it pains patriotic Canucks to note that at least in the earlier games our Yankee cousins have shown up to rather better advantage than the ones we grow at home.

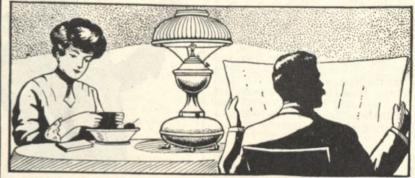
Somewhere along about Kingston there appears to be a Mason and Dixon line, and the sporting folks on either side of it love each other not. Take the International cricket team, for example. The Ottawa men chosen on it straightway refused to play, and the International team practically became, to all intents and purposes, a Toronto team. Then again in track athletics there is war. To the west the Canadian Amateur Athletic Union holds sway. To the east the Federation is the body in control. And these two bodies, whose one object in life is to encourage sport, are doing it by clawing at each other's throats.

The Federation is a new organisation, you know, that the Montreal Athletic Association hatched when it wanted to encourage professional lacrosse and amateur sports at one and the same time. The C. A. A. U. has a bit of the Pharisee in its makeup, you know, and it raised its hands in holy horror at the thought of such a thing. So the M. A. A., which is really a greater sporting body than the police and Y. M. C. A. controlled C. A. A. U., got out, formed an association of its own, called it the Federation, and the fight was on. Up to date the C. A. A. U. has had rather the better of the argument, because it controls Tom Longboat, and everybody to get him bows to the C. A. A. U.

But this same Longboat seems to be about to ride the C. A. A. U. to a fall. The Canadian Union refused to let him take part in a race arranged for him in New York. This angered Mr. Sullivan, of the American Union, and he has been looking for a soft spot to stick his knife in. The row between the C. A. A. U. and the Federation furnished the soft spot, and the knife has come in the shape of a decision on the part of the American Union to recognise neither the Canadian Union nor the Federation. In future Canadians competing at American meets must get their bills of health straight from the American Union.

The Montreal press hails this as a great victory for the Federation, and distorts the decision into an acceptance of the Federation by the A. A. U. But it isn't any such thing. The Federation and the American Union can never act in unison till one or the other changes its definition of an amateur. The Federation allows amateurs and professionals to play side by side, without

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