

# Gay and Grave in Charlottetown



Ice Races at Charlottetown—Finish of the 2.19 Class.



Cooling Out Between Heats at the Special Meet on February 27.

other two. Canada's past has been carved out of the forests. Its future is a different matter.

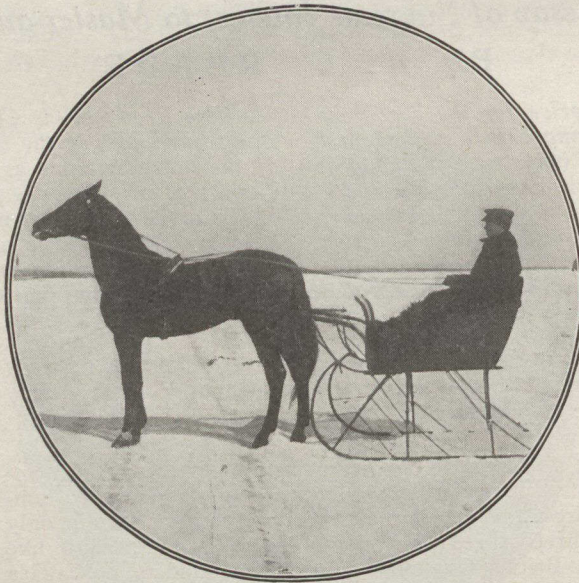
No. I is therefore out of the running. There remain II and III.

No. II is more widely distributed than III. It has slightly less capital, but returns nearly as large a gross dividend. It employs only one-fourth as much labour as its rival, although the average wage is about equal. It therefore will receive the investor's vote, but will be blackballed by the workers. In this deadlock of capital and labour the nation must be called in as umpire. The prize must be awarded according to the measure of economic profit to the community at large.

The profit to the nation is, as was said, a question of permanent economic utility. The prosperity of the flour mill rests on the wheat fields; of the machine shop and foundry on Canada's huge iron and coal deposits. The question is whether our country's future is written in products of wheat or in products of iron and coal.

The flour mill leads almost solely to the national kitchen. The machine shop feeds almost every other industry. It offers an unlimited future to skilled workers. It returns large profits to capital. It will put Canada at the apex of civilization, since the industrial fabric of all the world's great nations is woven out of iron. Lumber, wheat, iron, these are our successive paths of progress.

From the combined point of view of capital, of labour and of the logical trend of national development, the products of machine shops and foundries constitute our most profitable manufacture. Thus every city in Canada may look upon its foundries and machine shops as part of the greatest industry the country has yet developed.



"BOTTOM," 2.23 1/4.

Owned by D. A. McKinnon, Charlottetown.

## Ice Races at Charlottetown, P.E.I.

By CAPT. D. A. MCKINNON

CHARLOTTETOWN has been quite enthusiastic over ice racing this season and thousands assemble at the weekly race meets. The most spectacular and exciting races of the season were held on Feb. 27th, the Hotel Victoria 1913 Ice Races. These were two classes, a 2.19 trot and pace, and a 2.35 class; and both were for \$100 purses given by R. H. Sterns, a popular boniface. It was thought at one time that the race could not be pulled off owing to a very heavy snow fall which covered the track. But the good sports got together, and in two days had cleared three tracks forty to sixty feet wide and one thousand yards long. Hundreds of tons of snow had to be moved; dozens of men turned out gratis to assist in the work, and the necessary funds were quickly gotten by popular subscriptions. When race day came over two thousand were in attendance, and the races proved worthy of all the preparation. The 2.19 class was finally won by Cherry Ripe, owned by T. C. Edgett, and the 2.35 class by the Rexall Girl, owned by the McKinnon Drug Co.

## A Beautiful Cathedral Destroyed

ST. DUNSTAN'S CATHEDRAL, Charlottetown, was thought to be the finest church edifice east of Montreal. Shortly after midnight on the night of March 7-8, it was discovered to be on fire. This had started behind the organwork and much woodwork fed the flames. Nothing could be done to stay the progress. The great eastern dome took fire, crumbled up and slid into the fiery caldron. One tower refused to succumb to the flames, but the church is gone.

Bishop O'Leary, his clergy and all the Roman Catholic people at once began plans for rebuilding. There was only \$90,000 insurance on the cathedral. The damage to the palace was covered by insurance. All the sacred vessels, vestments and paintings were lost.

## A Champlain Tercentenary

At a recent meeting in Orillia, under the auspices of the Orillia Canadian Club, it was resolved:

That whereas the central portion of the Province of Ontario was first visited and explored by members of the white race when Samuel de Champlain and his

companies visited the Huron Nation in the summer of 1615;

And whereas the great French explorer spent about nine months in this Province, visiting parts of the counties of Simcoe, Grey, Bruce and Dufferin, and crossing from the Georgian Bay to Lake Ontario by way of Trent Valley system of waterways;

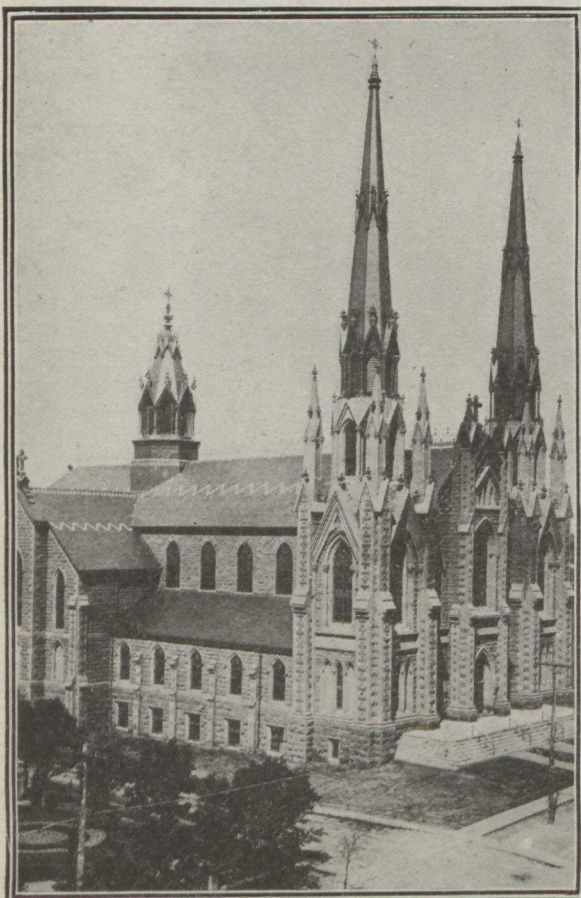
And whereas he made his headquarters during that time at Cahiague, the principal town of the Hurons, which was situated in the vicinity of the town of Orillia;

And whereas no public memorial to the enterprising and intrepid man who discovered the Great Lakes and first penetrated "these ancient wilds," has yet been erected in the Province of Ontario;

And whereas the natural location for such a public memorial to Champlain is the town of Orillia, which marks, approximately and as nearly as can now be determined, the centre from which he made his various expeditions to other parts of the Province; and which has within its borders "The Narrows," the one spot connected with Champlain's stay in the district concerning which there can be no uncertainty;

Resolved, that this meeting of the members of the Orillia Canadian Club, together with representatives of other public bodies, desires to express the opinion that the advent to this Province of the white race is an event of sufficient moment and interest to merit commemoration, and endorses the suggestion made by the Executive of the Club that steps should be taken to arrange for the celebration at Orillia, in August, 1915, of the Tercentenary of Champlain's visit, and for the erection of a permanent memorial of that visit, in the form of a suitable monument, at a point on the shore of Lake Couchiching within sight of the spot from which Champlain started with his Huron allies on his famous expedition against the Iroquois.

And that the Executive of the Club be requested to take such steps as they may deem advisable for giving effect to this resolution.



St. Dunstan's Cathedral, Charlottetown, Before the Fire on March 8.



St. Dunstan's as the Camera Found it After Ravages of the Fire Fiend.