

Mainly About People.

Bishop Ropp, who was recently released by Lenin in exchange for Bolsheviks through the intercession of the Pope, has had a stormy 68 years of life. The Bolshevik held him a prisoner in Moscow for two years, lodged for most of the time with desperate criminals. Bishop Ropp is now in Warsaw.

Young John D. Rockefeller, Jr., has upset family traditions by going into society. He gives swaggy dinners, introduces debutantes, entertains big people and is hoping to become a social leader. Old John D. doesn't give a rap for social activities and doesn't believe in them.

Pope Benedict has become so much interested in the movies that he has requested Monsignor Grassi, the abbot at Marino, with a committee of Cardinals to present films with a healthy story fitted for young people, as well as stories of a purely religious character, to spread Catholic propaganda throughout the world. The Catholic bishops of America will be asked to support this movement.

James H. Rawlinson, author of that stimulating little book, "Through St. Dunstan's to Light," who was himself blinded in the war, has taken up typewriting, and is now able to write as accurately and as speedily as some of the best experts. He speaks in glowing terms of the work done at St. Dunstan's. He made a somewhat surprising statement that there were less than two thousand soldiers of the entire British force who had lost their eyesight during the entire war. Canada's number was considerably under two hundred.

Daisy Ashford started it in England. Now London is overrun with youthful prodigies. There is one with a genius for art. The artist is aged 9, and her pictures of wiggly-legged men were shown at a big West End picture gallery. In Fuhham there is a collection of about 40 youngsters who run their own orchestra. Their ages run from 4 to 12, and they are all "talented violinists." At the Scala Theatre a play recently was produced in which about 50 juvenile actors and actresses took part. And last, but not least, we learn that when Daisy Ashcroft, then aged 8, was struggling with "Two Young Visitors," her younger sister, aged 5, was struggling with a master.

piece entitled "The Julius Governess." The story certainly is amusing, but it will not be published for fear of overdoing a good thing. All the same, "The Julius Governess" is getting a good show. It is being read to many audiences for the promotion of certain charities.

Ice-Boating.

It is difficult to picture anything more exhilarating than skimming over vast plains of ice at sixty miles an hour; but this is an intoxicating delight in which the Englishman, unless he has a long purse, must be content to indulge only in imagination.

The great lakes of America are the scenes of yacht-races compared with which the race for the "America Cup" is as tame and unexciting as a race between tortoises. Instead of bustling through the water at ten or a dozen miles an hour, with vexatious intervals of being becalmed, the American ice-yachts skim over the frozen lakes, swift as the swallow!

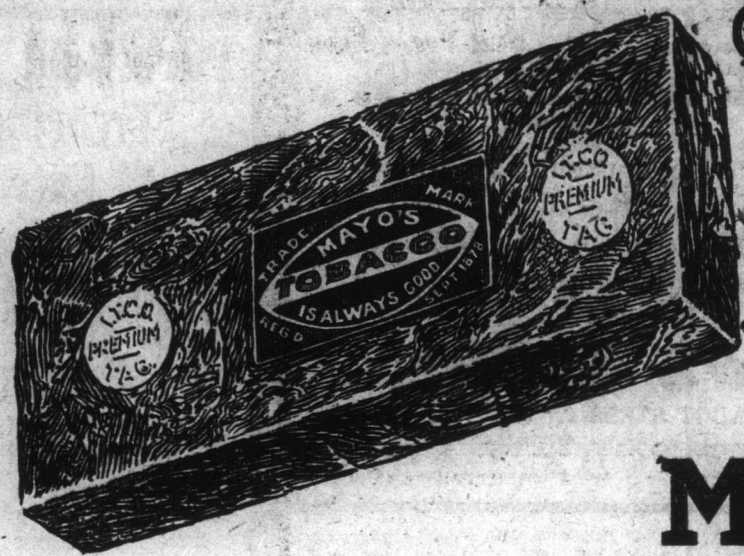
The champion ice-yacht, which belongs to a member of the Minnetonka Ice-Yacht Club, has a sail-area of nearly sixty square yards, a length of 38 feet, and a beam of 17½ feet. Under favorable conditions it has reached a speed of eighty miles an hour, and has covered ten miles on a triangular track in the space of 12½ minutes!

On the fjords of Norway, a favorite pastime is skate-sailing, which is no mean substitute for the less laborious ice-yachting. The skater, who is mounted on skates more than a yard long, holds in his right hand a bamboo pole, to which is attached a sail twice as high as himself.

In his left hand he holds a steering cord, with which he inclines the sail to a proper angle; and his bamboo rod is shod with steel, which he digs into the ice when he wishes to reduce his speed.

The Winter of '75.

During the hard winter of 1875, the thermometer, at times, registered a low temperature. On the night of February 18th it reached twenty-three below zero at Signal Hill. Four days later, February 20th, it recorded twenty below in the city. The latter, however, was said to be one of the coldest days ever experienced in St. John's.



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"Mrs. Brown, sir."

"Where's that lump of rancid butter that the baker refused?"

"Mrs. Brown bought it cheap, sir," was the answer.

"And the six eggs that we could not sell a week since?"

"Mrs. Brown. Are you ill, sir?" asked James, as the grocer turned green and groaned.

"No, no; only I'm going to tea at Brown's to-night," replied the unhappy man, as he wiped the perspiration from his face and sank into a chair.

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The meeting was called for the purpose of making arrangements for the purchase of a suitable Touring Motor Car to be presented to the Christian Brothers of Mount St. Francis to aid them in their educational work.

After the preliminaries were gone through, the meeting adjourned to be called together at a suitable time next week.

From Cape Race.

CAPE RACE, To-day.

Wind north, light; weather fine; slob ice everywhere; a three-masted schooner passed in at 4 p.m. Saturday, her signals could not be seen owing to weather being showery; another three-masted schooner passed south at 7 a.m. yesterday; nothing sighted to-day. Bar, 30.56; ther, 12.

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