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BLACKTHORN WOKE UP,

Kennedy's Candidate Captured Unfinished Race at Dufferin Park.

The unfinished free-for-all was contested yesterday at Dufferin Park before a large crowd of interested followers of the harness horse. Gertie S., with two heats to her credit, was installed favorite, Billy B. second choice and the sluggish Blackthorne was the outsider. Kennedy had the reins over the long shot, and saeck him up sufficiently to win a close heat. He was on the outside, but early took the rail, and was never headed. Kennedy kept Blackthorn going in front from the word in the heat that decided the race, Billy B. finishing ahead of Gertie S. Summary:

Free-for-all (concluded):

C. Kennedy's Blackthorn.....1 3 3 2 1 1
R. T. Smith's Gertie S.....2 1 2 1 2 3
D. Dewan's Billy B.....4 2 1 3 3 2
Burns & Shepherd's Alcyonium Boy.....3 dr.
Time—2.23, 2.25¾, 2.27, 2.20, 2.20¾, 2.21¾.

Black Joe Comes From Montreal.

The Dufferin Driving Club has decided to give its next matinee on Wednesday, Nov. 11, when Black Joe, who has just been purchased from Montreal parties by Ed. Jackson of Newmarket, will be a starter. He is stabled at the Dufferin track.

The Punching Bag Speaks.

Philadelphia, Oct. 29.—Joe Grim, the human punching bag, makes speeches of his prowess daily. He is elated over his showing.

"I am Joe Grim. I fear no living man. I will fight them all. Fear? Pain? I don't know what they mean. Who will fight me next? Let him come. I am ready." Thus shattered the Italian.

"I was born in Naples 21 years ago," continued the Italian. "I am the tenth in the family of 11 children, six boys and five girls. Of the sons I am the smallest, but I am without fear.

"My right name is Joseph Giona, but I changed it to Grim, which is easier for my friends. Everybody is my friend. My word is true. I arrange a fight, and when the papers are signed, I say: Joe Grim will pay his forfeit if he fails to be ready. That is enough. What I say I will do is already done. I am Joe Grim—that is enough for anyman to know.

"Who has knocked Joe Grim out? Nobody. It is impossible. Why? I will tell you.

"First, I have no fear.

"Second, I feel no pain. A blow is something to laugh at. When I am hit on the jaw I shake my head, I think of my ancestors in Naples and the thing is forgotten. Who is Fitzsimmons that he should try to knock me out? I laugh.

"Who is Jack O'Brien? Nobody.

"Who is Peter Maher? An old man.

"Who is Joe Walcott? P-s-s-t!

"Who is Joe Gans?

"I am Joe Grim.

"Nobody can knock me out.

"I have no muscles to speak of. I have no great arms. I am a small man. But I have a heart. If you listen you can hear it beating when I am fighting. I do not want to learn the science of fighting. I only want to fight as my courage directs me.

"When I get a blow on the head—and I have had many of them put there by big men—I have a touch of regret that the heart is so weak as to feel backs, and then I call up the courage of Joe Grim and smile at everybody in sight. Good! The thing is over. I am not hurt. If my father could see his son he would say: 'Joe Grim is a Roman!'"

Al Weing K.O. Once More.

Oakland, Cal., Oct. 29.—Joe Millett, the local light heavyweight, had an easy time with Al Weinig Tuesday night at the Reliance Club, stopping him in a round and a half. Weinig had no show at any stage of the contest. Betting was 10 to 7 in Millett's favor as the men entered the ring, but not much money changed hands. Eddie Smith was referee. The men had fought but 15 seconds in the first round, when Millett sent his man to the floor with a right on the jaw. Weinig took no time and was up in three seconds. As he scrambled to his feet Millett walked around smiling and planted an other in the same place, and Weinig went down again, this time for five seconds. He arose and hugged Millett until the referee broke the men apart. As they broke Weinig fell to the floor. The referee had him up, but he went down again from another right. The crowd was yelling "Stop the fight," as it looked as tho it might end fatally. The gong rang then and Weinig wobbled to his corner with a big cut over his left eye. In the second round Millett shot short left to Al's jaw and all were effective. Weinig going down four times before the police entered a protest. Weinig fell over on his face the last time and the referee stopped the fight. Weinig caused an awful commotion in the ring. He said he was robbed and also that someone had doped him. The sports hooted him out of the ring. It was the poorest exhibition ever seen in Oakland. Millett is looked upon as a comer and will challenge the winner of the Fitzsimmons-Gardner fight. Sports are anxious to see him go against good men.

Lakeview Curling Club.

The Lakeview Curling Club held their annual meeting at the club house, Harrison-street, last night. Votes of thanks were passed to E. B. Osler, M.P., for his donation of last year and to Alexander Muir for the medal which he presented for points competition, to be played for each year. This medal was not won by anyone last year, as Harry Young and Wm. Mansell tied for it and, according to the rules could not play off.

The following officers, honorary and executive, were appointed: Patron, and patroness, E. B. Osler, M.P., and Mrs. Osler; honorary president, Thomas Crawford, M.L.A.; president, Wm. Mansell; first vice-president, Arthur Denison; second vice-president, John Head; secretary-treasurer, Geo. Mackenzie; corresponding secretary, S. J. Schute; chaplain, Rev. H. A. Macpherson; representatives to O.C.A., Robert Young and Wm. Mansell; Committee of Management, J. Brennan, W. Whiteley, R. Glynn, B. Young, J. Alexander, Hugh Spence, L. T. Macdonald, R. Mansell; Entertainment Committee, Messrs. Spence, Lovegs and Robertson.

Skips: Wm. Mansell, J. Head, H. Young, D. Glynn, A. R. Denison, J. Brennan, W. Whiteley. The club decided also to enter the competition for both the Ontario Tankard and the district cup.

HERMIS WON THE EDGEMERE & NEW RECORD FOR 1 1-8 MLS.

Summaries at Chicago and Cincinnati and Program for To-Day.

New York, Oct. 29.—Hermis, at 1 to 7, won the Edgemore Stakes, the feature at Aqueduct to-day. He also broke the track record for the distance, 1⅛ miles, covering it in 1.53, one second faster than the old mark. Summary:

First race, handicap, 7 furlongs—Ahumada, 117 (Higgins), 7 to 5 and 3 to 5, 1; Illyria, 113 (Hicks), 7 to 2 and 6 to 5, 2; Girdle, 113 (Redfern), 7 to 1 and 3 to 2, 3. Time 1.28 1-5. Beigand, Muzio, Rightful, Ring Dove and Chicle also ran.

Second race, selling, 1 mile—All Gold, 105 (Burns), 18 to 5 and 6 to 5, 1; Nine Spot, 105 (Wilkerson), 15 to 1 and 6 to 1, 2; Never More, 99 (J. Jones), 7 to 2 and 6 to 5, 3. Time 1.40 2-5. Stroller, Oclawha, Monograph and Ernest Parham also ran.

Third race, handicap, 5 furlongs—Harangue, 107 (O'Neil), 10 to 1 and 4 to 1, 1; Lady Amelia, 120 (Michaels), 2 to 1 and 4 to 5, 2; Crown Prince, 107 (Sailing), 8 to 1 and 3 to 1, 3. Time 1.01. Pol Roger, Agnes Brennan, Majoram, Julia M., Adel Trebla, Tom Cod, Cyuttice, Ruby Ring and Jasper also ran.

Fourth race, The Edgemore, 1⅛ miles—Hermis, 126 (Redfern), 1 to 7 and out, 1; Stolen Moments, 115 (Burns), 6 to 1 and out, 2; Warranted, 121 (Mulholland), 100 to 1 and 6 to 1, 3. Time 1.53 3-5. Three starters.

Fifth race, selling, 6½ furlongs—Champlain, 96 (O'Brien), 4 to 1 and 8 to 5, 1; Reveille, 101 (Redfern), 7 to 1 and 3 to 2, 2; Dutiful, 96 (W. Fisher), 12 to 1 and 3 to 1, 3. Time 1.21 3-5. Cicar the Agena, Ancestor, Algonquin, Bross, Flag Officer, Second Sight, Conkling, Grand Vitesse, Esher Leaf, Ghats and Matamoras also ran.

Sixth race, 1 mile—Orthodox, 98 (Redfern), 9 to 10 and 1 to 3, 1; Sonoma Belle, 97 (Higgins), 6 to 1 and 2 to 1, 2; Contend, 115 (Michaels), 30 to 1 and 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.40 2-5. Our Nugget, St. Funnel, Clonmel, Gorey, Eclectic and Hugh C. Barrett also ran.

English Ind's Chicago Ridge.

Chicago, Oct. 29.—Weather clear; track fast. Summaries:

First race, ⅞ mile—Aurumaster, 97 (R. Williams), 3 to 1, 1; King Ellsworth, 97 (D. Hall), 8 to 5, 2; Annanias, 106 (Dawson), 60 to 1, 3. Time 1.32 2-5. Go Between, Soldier of Fortune, The Hebrew, Katie Powers and Trojan also ran.

Second race, selling, 1 mile and 100 yards—Attilla, 104 (Collock), 10 to 1, 1; Ivernia, 104 (L. Wilson), 2 to 1, 2; Louisville, 103 (Ferrell) 3 to 1, 3. Time 1.46 4-5. Benson Caldwell, C. T. Campbell, Miss Liza, Jim Winn, Nellie Bawn also ran.

Third race, Chicago Ridge Handicap, 1 mile—English Lad, 98 (Donnelli), 2 to 1, 1; Shawms, 105 (H. Phillips), 6 to 1, 2; Badger Girl, 98 (J. Booker), 30 to 1, 3. Time 1.40 1-5. Dick Bernard, Pie Bob, Hainland, Foresight, Glisten, Mayor D. S. Rose also ran.

Fourth race, handicap, 1 1-16 miles—Huzzah, 95 (McIntyre), 30 to 1, 1; St. Tammany, 97 (Davison), 20 to 1, 2; Grand Opera, 115 (C. Gray), 2 to 1, 3. Time 1.46 1-5. Jack Demund, Our Bessie, Ethelbene, Auditor, Little Boy, Lee Stinson also ran.

Fifth race, ⅝ mile—Golden Rule, 125 (Adkins), 7 to 5, 1; stemwander, 93 (Ferrell), 6 to 1, 2; Louis Wagner 100 (H. Phillips), 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.05. Never Fret, Bummer, Mayor Johnson, Scorpio also ran.

Sixth race, selling, 1 mile—Glen Alice, 102 (H. Phillips), 8 to 5, 1; Marlin, 97 (Oliphant), 4 to 1, 2; Christina A., 93 (L. Wilson), 8 to 5, 3. Time 1.40 3-5. Mary Jones, Cupid, Courage, Boundary, Jet, Begone also ran.

Carrying top weight, English Lad won the Chicago Ridge Handicap, covering the mile in 1.40 1-5, the best race run by a 2-year-old in the West this year.

Dick Welles' Latonia Record.

Cincinnati, Oct. 29.—Dick Welles, carrying 107 pounds, ridden by Tommy Knight, made a mile on the Latonia track to-day in 1.38, clipping 1⅘ sec. off the record for this course. The time was made in an effort to break the world's record of 1.37 2-5.

Second race, 1 mile 100 yards—Attila, 9 to 1, 1; Ivernia, 2 to 1, 2; Louisville, 5 to 2, 3. Time 1.46 1-5.

Third race, 1 mile. The Chicago Ridge Handicap—English Lad, 11 to 5, 1; Shawms, 8 to 1, 2; Badger Girl, 20 to 1, 3. Time 1.40 1-5.

Fourth race, 1 1-16 miles—Huzzah, 40 to 1, 1; St. Tammany, 15 to 1, 2; Grand Opera, 12 to 5, 3. Time 1.46 1-5.

Fifth race, 5 furlongs—Golden Rule, 17 to 10, 1; Stem Winder, 5 to 1, 2; Louis Wagner, 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.00.

Sixth race, 1 mile—Glen Rice, 6 to 5, 1; Marlin, 3 to 1, 2; Christine A., 8 to 5, 3. Time 1.40 3-5.

Aqueduct entries: First race, handicap, ⅞ mile—Duke of Kendal 126, Northern Star 125, Ascension 117, Icewater 114, Lord Badge 111, Hello 110, Demurrer 105, Moburnb 94, Molinos 102, Ostrich 90.

Second race, ⅞ mile—M. Theo, Piquet 107, Garnish 102, Molinos 110, Duncan 99, Silver Foot 102, Wotan 114, Reliance 110, Hiawatha 102, Flammula 111, Sourire, Mykola 107, Jasper 103, Ostrich 114, Briar Thorpe 111.

Third race, 1 mile—Gaysman 115, Futurita 105, Mechanic 90, Gciota 102, Grenade 87, Young Henry 115, Duke of Kendal 110, Contusion 95.

Fourth race, Oakdale Handicap, ⅞ mile—Race King 122, Sweet Gretchen 117, Dick Cupid 113, Dolly Spanker 126, Dimple 106, Monadnock 113, Flammula 113, Tim Payne 104.

Fifth race, selling, 1 mile—Man-o-War 106, Drop o'Rye 90, Sentry 106, Nevermore 97, Sir Rocke 102, McWilliams 107, Rolina drum 108, Nine Spot 105, Medal 104, Bolina 106, All Gold 108, The Guardsman 94, Oclawha 103, Ethics 108, Hot 105, Meister 111, Paul Clifford 105, Pokenie 98, Ginger 111.

Sixth race, 1 mile, maidens—Heir Apparent, Ticonderoga 107, Sir Troubadour 110, Effie Sheppard, Dinna Forget 107, Silver Fir 110, Trepan, Constadale, Amidie, Senlines, Squid, Nuit Blanche, Erbe, Tom Lawson 107, Clover Land 110, Buttons 107, Wm. Pigeon 110, Margaret Kent 107.

Chicago entries: First race, selling, 1 mile—Light Hunt, James J. Corbett 112, Four Leaf C. 109, Baird 107, Frank L. 104, Wiun, Old Mike, Pronta 104, Jack Doyle, Tom Kingsley 99.

Second race, 5½ furlongs—Badger Girl, Lella 107, Fly Lady, Carmelita, Viola, My Gem, Wiscaria 100.

Third race, selling, ⅞ mile—Jim Hale 106, Cardwellton, Lady Radnor, Eva's Darling 102, Sarah Maxim, Safe Guard, Emma A.M. 99, Nixus 96, Gossamer 92.

Fourth race, 1 mile—Witful 111, Foah, Fairbury 110, Alfredo 107, Corncaste 104, Palm Reader 98.

Fifth race, selling, ⅞ mile—Avenger 108, Louis Knaft 105, J. Reiff Instrument, Sheeny, Ralph Young 100, Myrondale 97, Gen. Steward 95.

Sixth race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Blue Mist 105, Charlie Thampson, Boaster 102, Ledus, Alfred O., Compass 101, C. B. Campbell 96, Lampoon 95, Lord Melbourne 92.

Sporting Notes.

John Young, a member of the famous four-oar crew of the Eureka Boat Club, which in 1876 won the world's championship at the Philadelphia Centennial Exposition, is dead at Newark, N.J., aged 51 years.

Barney Oldfield, at Overland Park, Denver, yesterday broke three world's records for automobiles. Five miles was made today in 4.45, against 4.54, the old record; 10 miles in 9.38, former record 9.45, and 15 miles in 14.24½, former record 14.35.

The St. Mary's Catholic Athletic Association's annual games will be held on Saturday on the Macdonnell Square grounds, Visitation-street. Officials: Referee and starter, S. P. Grant; judges, J. Bennett, J. Smythe; Athletic Committee, D. A. Carey (chairman), Clair De Rocher (secretary), J. Clark, J. McBride, W. Read, J. Johns, J. Kennelly.

Dan McLeod and Tom Jenkins wrestled before a $140 house at Pittsburg last Tuesday night. They always insisted on a $200 or $150 guarantee here. They'll be many years older when they get it again. In fact, it is far from likely that they will ever come together here again, tho either one of them in an honest match with some good man would be interesting and draw a good house. McLeod and Jenkins are too well acquainted.—Buffalo Times.

M.Y.M.A. Prizes Presented.

The mass meeting of the Methodist Young Men's Association, held at Berkeley-street Methodist Church last night, in which the medals and trophies for the summer sports were presented, was a grand success. The meeting was ably presided over by Dr. W. Secombe, and these prominent in the work who were on the platform were the hon. president, Rev. Dr. Chown; Past President A. Briggs, Aid. Starr, Murdoch McDonald and Rev. W. Willmott. The several societies were well represented, nearly 500 people being present. Mr. J. W. Flavelle made an impressive address, and the Berkeley choir, their soloists and Mr. Hewitt, elocutionist, added to the success of the evening.

VICTORY FOR TORONTO CLUB.

Lambton Ladies Lost at Golf by Nineteen Points.

An interesting game of golf was played on the Toronto links yesterday between the ladies' club of Lambton and Toronto, the homesters winning by 19 points. Mrs. Dick, captain of the visiting team, was unable to marshal all her forces, a notable absence being Miss Dick. Toronto won, owing chiefly to the large margin earned by Mrs. Eustace Smith. A return match will be played this autumn when the fair golfers from the setting sun expect to turn the tables. The cards were turned in as follows:

Toronto.		Lambton.	
Miss Brown	0	Miss Harvey	0
Miss McDougall	0	Miss Phepoe	0
Mrs. Bolte	0	Mrs. Dick	0
Mrs. Bradford	0	Miss Cox	5
Miss Butler	0	Mrs. Phepoe	0
Miss Davidson	6	Miss Maule	0
Mrs. Burrett	0	Miss Stickeman	3
Mrs. Pepler	1	Mrs. Mahoney	0
Mrs. E. Smith	13	Miss Long	0
Mrs. Gale	4	Miss K. McKenzie	0
Mrs. Scott	3	Mrs. J. D. Ridout	0
Total	27	Total	8

Boston Ladies Won.

Brookline, Mass., Oct. 29.—Teams representing the Boston and Philadelphia Women's Golf Association, to-day played the final match in the annual tournament for the Clement A. Griscom inter-city cup, on the Clyde Park course of the Country Club. The Boston team secured an overwhelming lead in the first half of the match, scoring 29 points to 4 for Philadelphia and finally won by 46 to 5.

MUCH HOCKEY FOR WINGHAM

In O.H.A. and Northern and They Have a Town League.

Wingham, Oct. 29.—Hockey promises to be quite popular in Wingham this year. At a well-attended meeting held in the council chamber the club was organized and it was decided to enter teams in the O.H.A. and Northern Leagues.

There will also be formed a town league, the winners of which to be treated to an oyster supper by W. J. Scott.

The following officers were elected: W. Corbould, hon. president; Thomas Bell, president; C. G. Vanstone, vice-president, W. T. A. Fishleigh, manager; W. J. Scott, assistant manager; H. H. Wightman, treasurer; W. Telford, secretary.

Hockey Gossip.

Queen's Hockey Club has practically decided to apply for full membership in the Canadian Intercollegiate Union with McGill and Toronto Varsity. Hereafter it will be represented in the athletic field meet by a full team.

Hockey enthusiasts in Belleville think that city is entitled to representation on the O.H.A. executive.

Cobourg is threatening to enter an intermediate team in the O.H.A.

The Don Rowing Club will likely enter the intermediate series of the O.H.A. They have decided to apply for ice space in the Mutual-street Rink.

Saturday's Polo Match.

There is a promise of fine weather for to-morrow afternoon, when one of the most interesting outdoor events of the season will take place in the polo match, between the Royal Canadian Dragoons and the Toronto Hunt, in the old baseball grounds. In the event of bad weather, which is, however, unlikely, the match will be postponed until Monday, so that those who propose buying reserved seats should do so at Nordheimer's or Tyrrell's, and avoid the crush at the gates. The match is called for 3 o'clock. Both the teams have been practicing hard, and are in excellent condition, while their ponies are in fine fettle. Refreshments will be served in a large marquee by the steward of the Toronto Hunt. All those interested in outdoor sport who have not yet seen the game of polo should do so, because there is no sport so fascinating and exciting for the spectators.

English Billiard Expert in B.C.

J. Stevenson, the famous English billiard player, arrived in Toronto some time next week. Samuel May received a telegram last night from Mr. Stevenson at Vancouver, saying that he had just arrived from New Zealand, and that he would be in Vancouver for two nights, playing the Vancouver Club last night, ad probably the Victoria Club to-day (Friday) night.

From Vancouver Mr. Stevenson will go to Winnipeg, and, after playing there, will proceed to Toronto, which will probably be the middle of next week.

Mr. May answered Mr. Stevenson's telegram last night, telling him that arrangements were in shape for him to play here. The two clubs who have the honor of entertaining Stevenson are the National and Rideau-street Clubs, on which the famous player will give exhibition games will be announced later.

Berkeley Church Team Won.

The finals in the tug-of-war championship, open to the Methodist Young Men's Clubs of Toronto, were pulled in Grand Central Rink last evening before a crowd of several hundreds, including many ladies. The pulling was between Elm, King, Berkeley and Clinton, each of these clubs having entered a team on Thanksgiving Day. The first pull resulted in the defeat of Elm by King, and in the second Clinton was easily pulled by Berkeley. The final, between Berkeley and King, was stubbornly contested, and when Berkeley was announced the winner, a mighty cheer went up from the big supporters of that club. Alex. Elliott of Bisley fame has charge of Berkeley team, which was made up as follows: Emerson Cottsworth, John Wheeler, Herb Winnett, George A. Cottsworth and Herb Smith.

Basketball.

At the West-end Y. M. C. A. on Saturday night the All Saints Basketball team will meet the West-end Y. M. C. A. boys' club for a friendly match. There exists a very pleasant rivalry between these teams, and several close games were played last season. A good game is expected. As a preliminary game, the fat men of the seniors will line up against the lean and slender sports. This promises to be a great fun-provoking game. Other Hallowe'en sports will be put on. The results of the first Senior League Basketball games resulted as follows: Score:

Capt. Watt, with O'Neil, Bartley, Edwards, Ferrel, beat Capt. McKinnon, Alexander, Cook, Carson, Humphrey and Bowman 8 to 2.

Capt. Robjohn, Thomson, Leveck, Shore, Valentine, Chapman beat Capt. Barker, Brennan, Jewitt, Brooks, Tait, Harrison 14 to 8.

Dr. Hawke Won by 13.

Dr. Hawke's Granite Rink victory yesterday was over the Brokers by 13 shots, as follows:

Granites.		Brokers.	
R. Kearns		W. O'Hara	
A. B. Nichols		M. Alexander	
John Rennie		W. K. Doherty	
Dr. Hawke, sk.	32	Hal O'Hara, sk.	19

Played Indoor Baseball.

Port Elgin, Ont., Oct. 29.—At the first game of indoor baseball, played here tonight between Tara and Port Elgin, the latter won by a score of 19 to 24. The teams lined up as follows:

Port Elgin (24) J. Baker p, Goodall c, McFadden 1b, McGillivray 2b, Bolander 3b, Mitchell right ss, McLean left ss, Martin rf, Anderson lf.

Tara (19): Yoech p, Paulin c, Halliday 1b, Gaitz 2b, Pickett 3b, Lee right ss, McIlwan left ss, Harron rf, Harron lf.

Cricket in Montreal.

Montreal, Oct. 29.—The Montreal and District Amateur Cricket League held their annual meeting last night, Mr. Ferrabee presiding.

The season of 1903 witnessed a further improvement in the standard of league cricket, and has again been the chief means of keeping the game to the front in Montreal.

The league started with eight clubs, Mount Royal, Westmount, McGill 1Lr, Longueuil, St. Johns, Montreal Woollen Mills, Victoria and Y.M.C.A. Unfortunately the Y.M.C.A. had to drop out thru inability to secure ground, but it is to be hoped that they will be able to overcome this difficulty for next season. The other teams finished in the order named, and Mount Royal holds the shield for another year. A letter of application for admission to the league was read from the Lachine Cricket Club, but there not being a vacancy at present, it was decided to lay the application over until next spring.

Some slight amendments were made to the bylaws, and officers for the ensuing season were elected as follows: Hon. president, A. Hodgson; president, G. Ferrabee; 1st vice-president, John Duthie; 2nd vice-president, F. L. Gunter; 3rd vice-president, J. W. Williamson; hon. treasurer, C. W. Batho.

Toronto Ping Pong League.

A meeting of the Toronto Ping-Pong League was held Tuesday night at Central Y.M.C.A., the following officers being elected: President, C. Lugadin; vice-president, H. Baker; secretary-treasurer, A. L. Steiner. Nine clubs have entered teams.

Young Peter Jackson of Baltimore won over George Cole, the Trenton colored welterweight, in a fast six-round contest at Philadelphia Wednesday night.

FOR OCEAN YACHT RACE EMPEROR OFFERS CUP

Sir Thomas Lipton Withdraws in Deference to Germany's William.

London, Oct. 29.—Sir Thomas Lipton has definitely withdrawn his offer to present a cup for a trans-Atlantic yacht race in 1904, and has made way for Emperor William, who will present a cup thru the New York Yacht Club or the Atlantic Yacht Club.

This result was attained by an interchange of telegrams, one from Sir Thomas Lipton to Emperor William, Oct. 27, saying that the former had learned that the German Emperor desired to offer a cup, but that a question had arisen because Sir Thomas had made a similar offer. Sir Thomas continued:

"In the best interests of the sport, of which Your Majesty has always been an enthusiastic exponent, I am only too willing to ask the consent of the Atlantic Yacht Club to withdraw my offer for 1904, and most respectfully and heartily tender Your Majesty such support as lies within my power to make a trans-Atlantic race for your cup in 1904 a thoroly representative international event, which, under your imperial auspices, could scarcely fail to be."

Sir Thomas closes by expressing the opinion that the Atlantic and New York Yacht Clubs would gladly carry out arrangements for the race, and that, with the Emperor's approval, Sir Thomas will cable his withdrawal.

Emperor William replied Oct. 28 to Sir Thomas, saying: "Your resolve to withdraw your offer for my sake has deeply touched me, and I hasten to thank you for your generous intention and accept your proposal.

I was prompted to offer a cup in hopes of encouraging ocean racing, with the view to stimulate designers and builders into producing a class capable of keeping the open sea easily and combining seaworthiness with safety and comfort without sacrificing everything to speed, i.e., to develop a sound type of cruiser."

What threatened to be an awkward hitch because of two cup offers was thus averted.

Sir Thomas, in an interview to-day, said: "The reason I telegraphed to Emperor William was that on my arrival at Queenstown I received a cable message from the commodore of the Atlantic Yacht Club, stating that Emperor William had made an offer. Knowing the Emperor took such a great interest in an ocean race, and seeing I have set his heart on giving a cup for 1903, I could scarcely do less than retire and give him the chance he evidently so keenly desired, a course of action which, I am sure, all of my friends in America will understand. I hope to be able to enter a boat myself, but that is not quite decided."

Ocean Race Aroused.

New York, Oct. 29.—Commodore Tod of the Atlantic Yacht Club said to-day:

"The Emperor of Germany has, thru Lord Lonsdale, intimated to Sir Thomas Lipton and the yacht clubs, his decision to present the cup for next year's ocean race, and Sir Thomas has, at His Majesty's request, arranged with the Atlantic Yacht Club to withdraw his splendid offer of a permanent trophy. The way is now clear for His Majesty's offer, and as soon as his ambassador has arranged matters with the Atlantic Yacht Club and the New York Yacht Club for their joint acceptance for His Majesty's Cup and joint management of the race, the details will be announced. The essential fact is that there will be an ocean race next year."

Handicap Too Great.

London, Oct. 29.—George Watson has declined the commission of the prominent Clyde yachtsman to design a cup challenger, on the ground that it is hopeless for British or other over-sea challengers to continue to contest for the trophy under the measurement rule by which challengers have been rated.

FOOTBALL PLAYERS PRACTICE.

Preparing for Saturday's Rugby and Association Games.

The McMaster team failed to turn up yesterday afternoon at the game scheduled in the senior series of the Intercollegiate Association Football League and the Meds, who waited for some time, were awarded the game.

Charles Wilkinson of Brockville has been chosen to referee the Montreal-Rough Riders football game on Saturday.

The Victoria Rugby Club will meet tonight at Hanna's to make arrangements for Saturday's game at Petrolia. Players and members are requested to attend.

The Queen's Stars state that when they played the Irwin-avenue Rugby team that the score was a tie, 4-4. The Gloucester Stars want all their men to turn out on Saturday, as they are going to play two matches, one at 2.30 and the other at 4 o'clock. The captain hopes to see every man present.

The T.A.C. junior and senior Rugby teams are requested to turn out to-night on Varsity lawn at 7 o'clock. All players are expected to turn out without fail and a meeting will be held at the club rooms after practice.

Varsity had a good practice match last night, lining up the best of the senior team against sixteen of the second and third teams. The University boys are getting in some good work and expect to make an interesting game for the Blue boys on Saturday. The team will be practically the same as lined up against McGill.

The Toronto Carpet Company Football Club play the Brockdeans on Saturday at Stanley Barracks. All players are requested to be on hand by 3 o'clock. The team will be picked from: Pittam, Furber, Sayer, J. Robson, Collins, Campbell, Greigg, A. Robinson, Hamilton, Skelton, Martin, Bryant, Woodworth and Ellerby.

The University of Toronto Rugby Club will run an excursion to Kingston on Nov. 6 and 7. Tickets will be $3.70, and will be good going Friday and Saturday and returning Monday.

Jimmy Tooze, who had played one game with the Victorias, applied to the O.R.F.U. for leave to play with the Wellesleys, but was refused and the name of F. F. Metcalfe of the Limestones was also rejected.

S. Biggs will referee the Peterboro-Victoria game at Peterboro on Saturday and W. A. Hewitt the Guelph O.A.C. and Hamilton game at Guelph.

Two Hamilton men will officiate at the Sarnia-Ingersoll game at Ingersoll on Saturday.

Bishop Bailey College, St. Catharines, will play Trinity School, Port Hope, on Varsity campus at 10.45 on Saturday morning.

An eastern expert complains of the incompetency of Quebec Union officials and refers to them pleasantly as freaks.

Varsity and the Argonauts have made arrangements for the second game in the city championship series. The Argos claim ed that the agreement had been explicitly entered into between the two that two games should be played, one on Oct. 24 and the second on Nov. 14. The first one was played, but Varsity denied all knowledge of the second and entered into negotiations with Hamilton for a game in that city with the Tigers on Nov. 14. Yesterday at a conference between Percy Biggs, representing Varsity, and Fred Thompson and Jimmy Merrick, of the Argos, it was decided that if the carsmen should win their game in Hamilton against the Tigers on Nov. 7, Varsity would play them the return game here on Nov. 14. If the Argos should lose at Hamilton Varsity will play up there on Nov. 14.

Trinity Inter-Year Matches.

The inter-year football games at Trinity for the Martin Challenge Cup commence this week. The following is the schedule:

Friday, Oct. 30—'05 v. Divinity Class.
Monday, Nov. 2—'04 v. '06.
Tuesday, Nov. 3—'04 v. Divinity Class.
Wednesday, Nov. 4—'05 v. '06.
Thursday, Nov. 5—'06 v. Divinity Class.
Friday, Nov. 6—'04 v. '05.

Quebec Union Record.

If the Rough Riders win next Saturday the fight for the Quebec Union championship will be between them and Ottawa College. If they lose, well, the championship will go to Montreal, unless by some chance the Brits beat Montreal on the following Saturday. Standing:

	Won.	Lost.	To pl.
Montreal	3	1	2
Ottawa City	2	1	2
Ottawa College	2	2	2
Britannia	0	4	2

Canadian Union Championship.

Ottawa, Oct. 29.—Varsity and the Ontario Rugby Football Union should bear in mind that the Canadian Rugby Football Union does not recognize the Ontario Union's new rules, and that, accordingly, any game for the C.R.F.U. championship must be played under Quebec Union rules. The C.R.F.U. at its last meeting reached this decision, and if there are to be contests this year between the champions of the various unions they will be played under Quebec Union rules, not half Burns'de and half Ontario rules. President Hal McGiverin of the Bench Riders deprecates the offer of a $200 trophy by a Hamilton firm.

POLITICAL NOTES.

At Port Elgin yesterday the Conservatives of North Bruce censured the government for its redistribution bill. A nominating convention will be held at Tara.

"The Chamberlain Fiscal Proposals as Affecting Canada and the Empire at Large" was the subject of debate at the regular meeting of the Laurier Liberal Club in Broadway Hall last night. F. S. Mearns presided. The subject was introduced by J. H. Denton, who treated it in a practical way, showing where Canada would benefit and lose from the adoption of the proposals. The balance, he thought, would be in favor of Canada. Discussing the sentimental aspect he believed there were some who thought that we may some time be big enough to branch out as an independent nation, but he hoped that under changed conditions Canada would always be a part of the empire. The change he desired was that Canada should stand on equal footing with the Mother Country, so that our interests might not be sacrificed by the making of treaties. He expressed intense admiration for Mr. Chamberlain.

Dr. Ferguson, J. D. Allan, D. F. Milne, E. C. Hill, George Ritchie, James Barry and several others spoke, and the feeling seemed to be strong in favor of the preference within the empire. Protection was strongly advocated, but Mr. Milne appeared as the lone exponent of free trade principles. He regard Mr. Chamberlain as a trimmer and a turncoat.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Hon. president, Sir Wilfrid Laurier; hon. vice-president, Hon. G. W. Ross; president, W. S. Sykes; vice-presidents, George Ritchie, Dr. Ferguson, E. C. Hill and D. W. Clark; secretary, J. S. Dewar; treasurer, M. Moyer; executive, D. F. Milne, W. B. Hamilton, George Anderson, A. Fargrieve, John Sinclair, John Gorrie, H. H. Prenter and John Mediand.

The annual meeting of the Ward Four Liberal-Conservative Association will be held in Wardell's Hall on Tuesday evening next.

While Conservatives count on an easy victory in Durham County at the next Dominion elections they are perfecting their organization and getting ready for the fight when it comes on. To-night a meeting of the Bowmanville Liberal-Conservative Association will be held for the election of officers and organization for the coming campaign.

Huntsville, a Liberal stronghold, and the home of Dr. Hart, the Liberal candidate in Muskoka, gave A. A. Mahaffy and R. R. Gamey a rousing reception on Wednesday night, the affair was impromptu. Mr. Mahaffy was asked to go up to receive the congratulations of the Conservatives of the place and Mr. Gamey, who left Toronto for Gore Bay, had decided to stop off at Bracebridge, but was notified of the affair at Huntsville and invited to take a hand. He shared the honors with the successful candidate.

W. J. Shibley of Harrowsmith has been selected by acclamation as the Liberal candidate for the County of Frontenac in the next federal elections. He has accepted. The convention selected Charles Hay, Glenburnie, as president of the association, and W. Pillar of Glenvale as vice-president.

FIREMEN FOUGHT TWO BLAZES.

Damage of $5000 at Lively Fire in East King-st. Mill.

The down-town companies of the fire department had two jobs yesterday. An alarm at 2.55 yesterday afternoon took them out to a rather serious blaze in the three-storey brick premises occupied by the McCann Milling Company at 192 East King-street. The fire originated in the top flat, presumably from friction in a suction fan, and it had a good start, but the firemen, under district Chief Smallpiece, soon had the flames to such excellent purpose that they were confined to that part of the building. The damage by water will help to cause an almost total loss on stock valued at $4500, covered by insurance. The machinery plant, valued at $1500, is rented with the building, the property of a Mr. Bell of Dundalk. The total damage will be about $5000.

At 9.11 p.m., an alarm from box 26 gave the firemen a run to Tomlinson's foundry at 11-17 Frederick-street, where an electric wire is blamed for the loss of $200 to building and $1500 to contents, consisting mostly of damage to patterns. In the absence of "White Hats," Assistant District Chief Frank Forsyth was in charge.

Boys, matches, and dead leaves were responsible for a call at 4.07 p.m. from box 92. No damage.

The quick-hoisting device on the aerial truck is being daily tested and experimented with at Portland-street station, as Lombard-street is just now torn up during re-paving operations. The plans for the new Berkeley-street hose house promise a fine looking structure, and include floor space and arrangement for two companies. Whether the accommodation will be used or not will not be decided until the building is completed.

SCHOOL CHILDREN WERE WARNED

Strange Man in Woods Causes Apprehension Around Kew Beach.

It is reported that some scoundrel unknown has been trying to entice little girls to the woods north of Queen-street. The teachers at the Kew Beach Public School warned the children to avoid the locality where the danger is supposed to exist.

Chatham's Big Deficit.

Chatham, Oct. 29.—A special meeting of the City Council was held last evening and Government Auditor F. H. McPherson's report was read. The report stated that the city has a deficit of $49,734.39 on its hands. The report came as a thunderbolt to citizens and Council. Expenditure by the Council in excess of appropriation and expenditures for which no appropriations were made were the principal causes of the deficit.

Warning to Hunters.

Arthur, Oct. 29.—The Arthur Gun Club have issued posters warning the public against hunting deer in Wellington County. The same conditions prevail in Dufferin County, and in this connection it is pointed out to dog owners the danger they stand in if dogs run at large where deer are in the habit of frequenting. By a recent provision in the game laws, dogs found doing this are liable to be shot and the owners fined.

Horse Had Misadventure.