

Lieut. Porte will leave Hammondsport the at once in order to catch the steamer rof from New York to St. John's on July ugh lith. The pontoons weigh 90 pounds each. and besides adding so much to the strate atter rising. In recent trials it have to carry, they would materially increase the head resistance. For these reasons Mr. Curtiss does not want to Increase the head resiltance for these increase the head resiltance for these treasons Mr. Curtiss does not want to use them if he can avoid it, althouth they have proved themselves able to ilif the America's trans-Atlantic load, Mr. Curtiss insists that it is merely a matter of determining the necessary from and angle of the hydroplane surfaces.
Too Rough For Planing.
Lieut, Porte origin Obstrate and George Hallett with life preservers. "No," suid Lieut, Porte, "I will do down if the ship does. What stammer could see two men in mid-ocean? They might see two men in mid-ocean? They might see two men in mid-ocean? They might see an under of attempts to plane, but with is ond of 1,400 pounds. He made a number of attempts to plane, a larger tail if m was added The afternoon trial was made and interefered with some of the att-boarts long body fragged and interefered with some of the att-boarts long body fragged and interefered with some of the att-boarts long body fragged and interefered to land, saying lot of the America, placed them in a samil motor boat and did not fly at all.
Lieut. Porte returned to land, saying

the water was too rough for planing with the present hydroplane boards. Last night workingmen were busy litting two fins, 14 inches wide and hree feet long, under the hydroplane oards. These fins are expected to mable the America to remain on the

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Newport, R.L. July &--The Defender was unable to compete in the trial race of the cup defenders to-day owing to an accident which carried away her peak halyard blocks.

THE MELON BUSINESS. The MELON BOGINESS. The Orient has become an important factor in the transportation of melons and itrus fruits from the southwess to the east and north and a contract has just been made by buyers for the movement of 300 carloads as special

six years ago.

ing in Ottawa. (Special Correspondence.) Ottawa, July 8.—The first meeting of the newly organized Transcontinen-tal Commission since the resignation of Major Leonard was held in the Comission offices this morning. Hon-Trank Cocheane, Minister of Railways ind new head of the Commission, pre-iding. The officers of the Commission, pre-iding. The officers of the Commission error ind new head of the Commission, pre-iding. The officers of the Commission ferred stock. The Worthington pre-iding. The officers of the Commissioner ind new head of the completion of the consistiant Commission at parts ind new chief commissioner icon, were present. The various details onnected with the completion of the road were wildly discussed and a pol-ley of full speed ahead was insister with a view to bringing the road to a speedy completion. Major Leonard will leave for the west on private business at an early ate. THE UNITY BUILDING. Major Leonard BUILDING. THE UNITY BUILDING. New York. July 8.— A protective Stock of the Henry R. Worthington for any cetarge of its composed of Rob-ers manual state and pol-interested advice or bad management" in the affairs of the Worthington com-jarge indebtedness. Glasgow, July 8.—An attempt to de-stroy the cottage at Ayr, where Rohert Burns, the Scottish poet, was born, January 25, 1759, was made just before daylight to-day by two members of a militant suffragette "arson squad."

The two women were surprised by a night watchman as they were in the act of placing large bombs against the doors and windows of the place which is venerated by the Scottish nation. The man captured one of the mili-' tants but the other escaped.

## ACCOUNTS PADDED BRITISH TRADE LESS.

The June Board of Trade statemen shows that British exports fell off \$12, \$17,500, and imports \$187,000. Receipt Says \$4,040, Report of En-gineer Says \$7,440, it is Alleged.

DEFENDER INJURED.

gineer Says \$7,434, It is Alleged. (Special Correspondence.) Fredericton, N.B., July 8.— Padding of accounts in connection with the building of the Southampton Railway, "The Pinder road," was admitted be-fore Commissioner R. A. Pringle, of Ottaws, at yesterday afternoon's ses-sion. James Cunningham, of Frederic-ton, who had a verbal contract with Pinder for part of the work, and gave a receipted bill for \$4,040, while the work is included in the inspecting en-gineer's report as costing \$7,440.

ST. JOHN'S NEW HOTEL.

St. John, N.B., July 8.—Announce-ment was made to-day that another large hotel is to be crected in St. John by a syndicate which includes Thomas W. Lawson, of Boston, and Hon. Wm. Pugsley. A Montrealer has fallen heir to two and a haif million dollars, left him in gratitude for rescuing a million-aire's daughter from a Chicago dive

