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BRITT WINS IN 20 ROUNDS CORBETT LOSES THE DECISION ANOTHER CHAMPION FALLS

Featherweights Battle at 130 lbs. Before a Record San Francisco Crowd.

San Francisco, March 25.—Not since the day when Jim Corbett and Peter Jackson battled in San Francisco has such intense interest been displayed, as at Woodward's Pavilion to-night, when the world's champion featherweight, Young Corbett of Denver, and Jimmy Britt, the California lightweight, faced each other. To-night when the doors of the pavilion were thrown open, a great crowd was clamoring for admission. All day great numbers of people stood in line awaiting the sale of tickets. Street car traffic in front of the pavilion was seriously hampered by the line, which extended for several blocks in either direction. Mounted policemen were compelled to use their clubs to preserve anything like order, and at times they were swept aside. When the police had stopped the sale of seats, it was estimated that as many persons had been unable to gain admission to the auditoroum as were assembled within its walls. When the gong sounded 8000 spectators were present. The club officials stated that the receipts would total about $40,000, which is the greatest amount ever contested for by fighters of Corbett's and Britt's calibre. Both pugilists weighed in to-night and as had been predicted, both failed to budge the bar at the 130 notch. Britt's exact weight was 129, while that of Corbett was not given to the public. There was little change in the betting situation, Corbett was a pronounced favorite at odds which fluctuated from 10 to 6 to 10 to 5½. The betting revived to-night with a suddenness that literally swamped the pool sellers. Corbett wagered $2500 against $1500 that he would be returned the winner, while Britt placed $500 against $900 on his own chances. Corbett's seconds were Harry Tuthill, Tim McGrath and C. Ottis, and Britt was looked after by "Spider" Kelly, Frank Raftel and Curt Richardson.

Britt was given the decision at the end of 20 rounds.

Challenges From Other Pugs.

Corbett's condition appeared to be perfect. Mike Schreck was presented to the crowd, pending the arrival of Britt. Buddy Ryan, Eddie Hanlon and Kid Herman challenged the winner of the Britt-Corbett fight. A telegram was received from Sam Harris, challenging the winner on behalf of Terry McGovern, at 130 pounds. Corbett announced that in the event of his winning he will accept McGovern's defi.

Young Corbett said: "I expect a stiff fight, but I am confident I will win and win with a knock-out."

Britt expressed himself as follows:

"I know that I have a hard game before me, but something tells me I'm going to win. I'll give Corbett the hardest fight of his career."

Two six-round bouts preceded the main event. Hugh McGordon and Jack Bennett, both local celebrities, furnished the curtain-raiser, while Jack Burke of San Francisco and Lynn Truscott of Australia toed the scratch in the second event. Truscott has made a good record in the Antipodes.

9.40 p.m.—Young Corbett was the first to enter the ring. After being cheered he at once took his seat.

Britt Wore Red Trunks.

9.54 p.m.—Britt has just entered the ring. He was accorded an ovation, which lasted several minutes. Jimmy looked a bit worried, but it was seen that his physical condition was good. Immediately afterwards Corbett was introduced. His reception did not suffer in comparison with the ovation accorded the local favorite.

Referee Graney entered the ring, and after shaking hands with both men, brought them to the centre of the ring, and gave them their instructions. Britt and Corbett then shook hands and went to their respective corners.

Britt wore red trunks, with the emblem of the Olympic Club embroidered on them. Corbett's trunks were plain black. It will be a 20-round contest, Marquis of Queensberry rules. They will break by order of the referee.

Round One.

After manoeuvring for an opening, Corbett laced out with left twice, but Britt cleverly blocked them. Two similar attempts also went wild, as did a straight left, lead by Britt for the face. Both then missed uppercuts, a right by Corbett and a left by Britt. Corbett was again short with a left lead. Quick as a flash Britt then hooked his left to the body and quickly followed with right and left to the jaw. They then clinched without damage. Corbett planted a left swing to Jimmy's ribs, and missed a left swing for the face. A moment later, however, a straight left caught Britt in the face. They then went to a mixup without result, and the gong sounded. Careful fighting marked this round, with Britt having a slight lead.

Round Two.

They closed in and Britt tried with left and right for the face, but Corbett blocked them. Again they mixed it, Britt putting his left hard to the body. He almost floored the champion with a fearful left to the body. Corbett fought back wildly, and received a left swing to the jaw that nearly put him to the floor. Corbett rushed in, but was met with a straight left to the body that sent him back to the ropes. They closed in, and Corbett missed vicious left and right swings for jaw. Britt jabbed straight left to face, and Corbett swung right hard twice to Britt's kidneys. The blow was hard. They mixed it, and Corbett planted his right and left on Britt's jaw. The bell rang, and the seconds ran in and separated the men. Corbett had a slight lead in this round.

Round Three.

They went to a mixup. Corbett swung left to Jimmy's ear, and Britt was wild with a left swing for the jaw. Britt jabbed Corbett to face with a left, and in a mixup Corbett pushed Jimmy to his knees. Britt was up quickly and drove a straight left to the body. They mixed again, and Corbett put in a hard left to face. Britt then blocked a straight right to the body. They came to close quarters, and Corbett swung short arm right to the face and a left to the nose. Britt was backed against the ropes, Corbett getting in a good right to jaw. They exchanged rights to the face and the bell rang. It was Corbett's round.

Round Four.

Britt missed left swing and right swing by Corbett and went wild. A left swing by Britt caught Corbett on the face, but the champion countered with a vicious right uppercut to the jaw. Britt feinted with right and sent a left hook hard to body. Corbett swung a hard right to the body and missed a hard left swing to the face. He kept after Britt, sending a right swing to the jaw. Britt rushed Corbett to the ropes, but failed to land a straight right for the jaw. Then they mixed it and Britt, on the breakaway, swung hard left to the head. The champion retaliated with a right to the head. They mixed it again, and Corbett put a hard right to the face and then whipped a terrific left to the nose that sent the blood spouting. The bell then rang. Corbett had much the better of the round.

Round Five.

They went at it at close range, Corbett doing much execution with short arm right and left swings. When they broke away Britt hooked left swing to the body. Britt missed a left for the jaw. Britt rushed Corbett to the ropes, but the champion sent him back with right to body. Corbett rushed in, but was met with a straight left to the body and left to the face. Corbett sent a fierce right to the jaw, but Britt sent the champion against the ropes with a fearful left to the stomach. Britt sent in a straight left to the face and Corbett stalled until the sound of the bell. Britt had a shade the best in this round and looked more confident. Corbett clinched repeatedly.

Round Six.

They rushed into a mix, in which Corbett swung right and left to the jaw, but these were offset by two vicious lefts that Britt sent to the champion's stomach. A moment later Britt's left sank into Corbett's stomach, but Corbett sent right and left to the face, sending Britt back. Corbett nearly went to his knees from a missed right swing. A straight left by Corbett for the stomach was blocked by Britt, who countered with right on stomach. Corbett

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CLIQUE AT UNIVERSITY TO OUST SIGNOR SOCCO

Demand for Resignation of Italian Teacher Resented by Students Who Petition for His Retention.

There is an unpleasant incident reported from the university, Edward J. Sacco, of the department of languages, has been asked to send in his resignation on account of strained relationship between himself and Prof. Fraser, so it said.

Students in Italian and Spanish, however, to the number of about 100, have a regard and liking for Signor Sacco and have signed a petition which will be forwarded to the minister of Education, asking that he be retained on the staff.

When Signor Sacco joined the university staff eight years ago it was as conversationalist, at $150 a year. This sum was later raised to $400, but an application last year for further increase met with objection from Prof. Fraser, as head of the department. Yesterday Prof. Fraser declined to make a statement. Dr. Davidson is mentioned as a successor to Sacco, should the resignation be insisted upon.

It was said by a prominent university man, last night, speaking on the matter, that a clique existed in the university which had a desire to see Sacco removed.

ANNEXATION WITH TORONTO.

Would Wipe Out More Than Eight Suburban Hotels.

When you talk of annexation of the outlying suburbs to Toronto you forget one thing.

What is that?

The matter of hotel licenses.

Toronto Junction has voted to abolish her hotels on May 1. But in East Toronto, which it is proposed to annex, there are four hotels at least; York township has five south of Danforth-avenue; Deer Park, one, and northwest of the city there are two or three.

The city would take in territory now containing more than twelve hotels. More than half of these would be wiped out. There would not be more than one on the Kingston-road, one at Coleman, one at Deer Park and one to the west. The men who own these licenses are all against annexation from a business point of view. The city could change its by-law and add four to its present limit; but even this would be hard to do; the inclination rather is to reduce the present 150, and this is what the new law that Mr. Stratton spoke of yesterday may do. These twelve licenses, if they could be brought into the city, would be worth $10,000 each.

On the other hand, an element in Toronto Junction is credited with favoring annexation in the hope that the town would get one license in place of none after May 1. And it may be that the temperance element are supporting annexation because of the number of hotels that would be wiped out.

MICHIGAN ALONE TO BLAME.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, March 26.—Justice Gorell Barnes, in an action brought by the owners of the barque Matterhorn to recover damages sustained in her collision with the Lake Michigan, held that the latter had failed to keep out of the way, and was alone to blame. In the four consolidated actions for salvage remuneration, he awarded the steam tug Oceana £2000, th tug Dauntless £325, the Trinity House pilot £125, the lifeboat men £300. The steam trawler Pioneer for salvage services rendered to the Matterhorn received £400.

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CASH FOR FRENCH SHORE.

London, March 25.—The latest report about Newfoundland is that France formally renounces territorial rights to the French shore and police rights in Newfoundland waters. She receives as compensation for the French shore about 3,000,000 francs. All the French fishermen will have the same rights in fishing and catching bait as the British.

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TO COMPETE WITH THE CITY WITH ELECTRICAL ENERGY

Note of Apprehension Sounded in Kingston and the Citizens Prepare to Fight.

Kingston, March 25.—(Special.)—The passing of the bylaw on Monday last by such an overwhelming majority, authorizing the municipalization of the Light, Heat and Power Company's plant, has been a source of general gratification. It is felt that this victory is but a forerunner of what shall be done in the promotion of municipal ownership in the future.

But amid the expressions of satisfaction there has already developed a note of apprehension. It arises out of the rumor that a strenuous attempt is to be made by private individuals to secure the right to bring electrical power into the city to be sold in competition with the city's service. This fear arose in the first instance rom a communication sent by Mr. Campbell, a mill man, asking that he be allowed the right to bring electrical energy into the city from a water-power plant at Kingston Mills to suply his mill and for other purposes.

Railway Behind It.

Rumor placed the Kingston Street Railway behind this request and that rumor was shown to be a correct one by the declaration of the street railway a few days ago to the effect that they had the privilege under their charter to bring electricity from any source and to dispose of it to whomsoever they willed, and that they intended to take advantage by this privilege. It was not, however, till a day or so ago that citizens became at all anxious concerning this request, believing that the city council would deal with the matter as they wished, or, in other words, refuse to allow anyone the right to compete against the city's plant, but to make such terms as would be an inducement to enterprise without endangering the city's interests.

The fact that it is now freely rumored that not only the street railway and Campbell are making the attempt to secure an entrance, but another gentleman also, who is at the head of one of the largest manufacturing institutions in the city is behind the scheme, is responsible for this feeling. It is now believed that there will be a great influence brought to bear to secure this concession.

Will Meet Opposition.

The attempt to injure the city's investment will meet with strong opposition and it is hardly likely that the special committee appointed by the council to deal with the matter will permit a competitor to enter the field. The general feeling is strongly against giving private individuals any concessions that would militate against the best interests of the newly acquired power plant, and, tho not caring to declare themselves, the members of the special committee seem to be seized of public sentiment and will hardly act in an opposite direction.

Tho the power plant at Kingston Mills has not yet been erected, it is said that electrical energy sufficient to supply the entire want of the city can be obtained there, and, tho not generally known, this has been a well established fact in the minds of those urging the concession. The suggestion made by W. F. Maclean, M.P., in his speech here last Saturday is most favored by the citizens as a way of treating this matter. It is that the city refuse the right to all of introducing electricity into the city, but that the municipality purchase all surplus power and sell it themselves.

Will Buy the Power.

If Mr. Campbell has power to sell, the city will buy it and thus supply those who wish to buy. But under no conditions should any private interests be allowed to erect poles and do business in competition with the city's plant, is the opinion of the prominent citizens spoken to by The World. The right of the street railway company to bring electrical power for light and energy into Kingston is looked upon as absurd. Of this City Solicitor Mr. McIntyre has this to say: "You see the company has power to amalgamate with any light, heat and power company or to lease the plant and premises thereof and to carry on the business of such company, including, etc. The only company in existence here is the Kingston Light, Heat and Power Company, which the city has voted to take over, and the railway company can not take it over. The railway company is given no right to build a plant of its own. Of course, if the city wishes to give our new lighting company the right to bring in power and compete with it that is a different matter, but at present no such company is in existence."

In consequence of this attempt to secure a portion of the electrical patronage on the part of the several parties mentioned a great deal of attention has been directed toward negotiation, and the action of the special committee will be watched with interest. They meet next week.

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THE MONGOLIAN MELON DOESN'T "AGREE" WITH HIM.

THE RUSSIAN—Great Scottski? it feel like someone have put poisonski in it.

JUNCTION FACTORIES CLOSE BAD BREAK IN WATER MAIN 100 FEET OF ROADWAY GONE

SCENE OF THE BREAK, FROM DRAWING OF WORLD'S ARTIST.

Toronto Junction, March 25.—A serious break in the watermain occurred this morning about 2 o'clock, which will necessitate factories closing up for the next two or three days. The break was occasioned by a freshet caused by the rapid melting of snow in the bush west of Elizabeth-street. A small stream has its origin a few yards from where the break occurred and in the summer time trickles thru an improvised culvert, over which was a bed of sand held together with boughs and a small trestle, upon which was placed the watermain. The trestle had rotted away, and when the water began to back up against the barrier of sand the gully to the west of the street filled up to a depth of fifteen or twenty feet. The water was not long in finding its way thru the sand, and the road, which had here been filled in to a depth of twenty feet, was carried away bodily. Five lengths of the ten-inch main were carried down in the torrent and are now lying in the ravine on the Kennedy estate, about 170 yards from where the break occurred.

Held 20 Feet of Water.

The water mark shows that this gully must have held about twenty feet of water soon after the break happened. Carrying as it did tons of sand, logs and the old trestlework, the stone culvert at the foot of the next street, where the stream enters into Kennedy Park, came in for an unlooked for flood, and it suffered greatly in consequence. Indeed, perhaps the greatest amount of damage was done here, as the culvert was well built and arched with stone and was put there at great expense. A great gap has been torn and the sides are a veritable quicksand.

When the break occurred it was not known at the pumping station, which continued to belch thru the broken pipe tons of water, carrying away as much of the street as the flood. The broken pipe on the other side of the gully acted as a syphon, and syphoned out all the water that was in the Junction. With the waterworks engine pumping water from the south, the broken hydrant syphoning the water from the Junction on the north and the flood flowing from the west, there is little wonder that at least a hundred feet of roadway from 20 to 25 feet deep was washed away. No one saw it, but the banks of the gully indicate that for a short time the flood must have been awful. The trout ponds in Kennedy Park were washed away by a freshet some years ago, and have not since then been dammed. Last night's flood, however, carried away some of the old dams, which were large enough to retain in the ponds about ten feet of water.

All Factories Closed Up.

As a result of the break, all the factories in town were obliged to close for the day. The C.P.R. shops and blacksmith shop, also Campbell's Mill, ceased work. Nearly 2000 men were thrown out of employment temporarily. Following is a list of the factories and men employed by each.

C.P.R. shops, 500 men.
Gurney Foundry Company, 200 men.
Canada Cycle & Motor Company, 200.
Heintzman & Co., 250.
Dodge Manufacturing Company, 200.
Nordheimer Piano Company, 100.
Wilkinson Plow Works, 150.
Queen City Mills, 50.
Gasoline Engine Company, 40.
Comfort Soap Company, 100.
Worsted Braid Company, 25.

The C.P.R. also uses a great amount of water for its engines and is greatly inconvenienced by the trouble.

Arch. Gilchrist, the florist, who has a large area under glass, which is kept warm by steam, also realizes what it is to be without water, and he, like many others, is busy collecting water from pools on vacant lots near his conservatory.

Many men went without a wash all day, and some people woke up with not enough water in the house to fill the kettle for the morning breakfast.

The Suburban Railway lines were stopped for a short time, but the wire was speedily connected with the Toronto Railway Company's line.

Connected With City Mains.

John Haggas, superintendent of the waterworks department, was early on the scene. He, with Mr. Fellowes, assistant city engineer, after viewing the wreck, went over to the Canada Foundry and effected a connection with the city mains. The pipe from the Canada Foundry into the town is only six inches, but this has been sufficient to supply the people of Davenport and Carlton with water all day. This afternoon some people on the south side of the town were able to get a little water from the cellar or kitchen taps, but there was no water in the upstairs rooms.

It may be said that the southern part of the town is without water, and is likely to be until the break is mended. The connection with the city main does not appear to give any pressure south of the railway. This may be due to the large amount being used on the north side of the town, and there is a suspicion that some of the factories are storing it, altho it is distinctly understood that the factories are not to use the water coming from the city, as the six-inch main can only supply enough for domestic purposes. In the evening the water began to flow slowly in the southern part of the town, which indicated what has previously been said, that the residents in the north were using it as fast as it flowed thru the day.

Accepted the Offer.

A special meeting of the board of works was held in the evening, when it was decided to accept the offer from the city, of connecting the main on Regent-street, Toronto, with the main on Willoughby-avenue, in the town. This will give the town fire protection, and, should an emergency arise in the city, all the west end of Toronto would be supplied from the town's pumping station.

Lumber was placed on the ground for a new trestle, and if a large enough gang of mechanics is put on the work, the pipes should be fastened to it in a day or two, but it will be a long time before Elizabeth-street is passable for teams. David Walton has the contract for the woodwork, and estimates that he can have the job finished by Saturday night if men can be secured.

BABE WAS LEFT TO FREEZE MURDERED AT OWEN SOUND

Some Children Playing on Peel-Street Yesterday Made a Gruesome Find.

Owen Sound, March 25.—(Special.)—This town has a sensation in the murder of a newly born babe, whose body was found at noon to-day by children playing in the street. Apparently it had lain in a snow bank on Peel-street for six or seven weeks. It was wrapped in a coarse covering of rag carpet. The body was taken to the morgue, where it was found that a cord, like a shoe string, was wound around the babe's neck, and pulled tight enough to strangle it. This, the police consider, is sufficient evidence that the child was murdered by its unnatural mother.

Associate Coroner Dow held an inquest this afternoon. After viewing the remains, he ordered an adjournment till Tuesday, to receive the post mortem testimony. The attorney-general has been notified, and it is expected that a special officer will be sent here to look into the case.

The body is that of a healthy, well-formed infant. The coroner thinks it was alive when left in the snow bank.

30 PERSONS DROWNED.

Victoria, B.C., March 25.—Indians report picking up at the entrance of Berkeley Sound a tub and a ship's life buoy, both painted Lamorna, Greencock. Those, with other wreckage found, are considered here to prove that the Scotch ship Lamorna, Port Blakely, Puget Sound to Queenstown, foundered with thirty hands, in the fearful hurricane of March 9, near Barkeley Sound, west coast of Vancouver Island.

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TO BEAT THE G.T.P.

Ottawa, March 25.—One of the rumors to reach here is to the effect that William Mackenzie will offer to build a transcontinental line superior to the proposed Grand Trunk Pacific and save the country thirty millions. The story is accompanied by another, that some of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's colleagues in the cabinet are friendly to Mr. Mackenzie's proposition.

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BIRTHS.

TREMAYNE—On March 24, to Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Tremayne of Toronto Junction, a daughter.

DEATHS.

HENDERSON—At 30 Melbourne-avenue, on Friday, March 25th, John Henderson, in his 84th year, father of Thomas B. Henderson.

Funeral to the Necropolis, Monday, 28th inst., at 2.30 p.m.

MACKENZIE—At his late residence, lot 17, 8th concession of Vaughan (Vaughan Gravel Road), William Mackenzie, late of the Parish of Ferintosh, Rosshire, Scotland, aged 85 years and 12 days.

Funeral Saturday, the 26th inst., at 1.30 p.m., to St. Paul's Church Cemetery, 7th concession of Vaughan.

LOSAR—On Thursday evening, March 24, at his late residence, Frantz (Frank) Losar, funeral director, aged 65 years.

WADDS—On Friday afternoon, March 25th, at his late residence, 17 Wood-street, Geo. Wadds, aged 72 years.

Funeral Monday afternoon, March 28th, at 3 o'clock, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

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GRAND TRUNK CONTRACT FIRST ORDER ON APRIL 5

Opposition Speakers Oppose Appointment of a Canadian as G.O.C. of Militia.

Ottawa, March 25.—(Staff Special.)—Sir Wilfrid Laurier informed the house to-day that on Monday he would lay on the table of the house the correspondence between the government and the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company. He also stated that the resolution ratifying the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway contract would be made the first order after the introduction of bills on Tuesday, April 5, and so continued until finally disposed of.

A marked line of party cleavage was revealed in the debate on the resolutions in connection with the bill to amend the Militia Act in the house to-day. Col. Sam Hughes took strong ground in opposition to the provision in the act qualifying a Canadian officer for the position of G.O.C. He held, and several other members of the opposition agreed with him, that there is no reflection on Canadian officers in the present law which makes the position of general officer commanding open only to officers of the British army. It was wholly a question of experience, they argued, and Canadian officers could not possibly have the experience of British army officers. These arguments had no weight with Sir Frederick Borden and the other members on the government side of the house, who defended the important change made by the act.

Imputation Against Canadians.

Sir Frederick insisted that the present regulation is a distinct imputation on the ability of the Canadian officer. It specifically disqualified Canadian officers for the position of G. O. C., and the minister of militia energetically argued that the highest military post in Canada should be within reach of competent Canadian officers. He admitted the correctness of the opposition's argument that under the present law a Canadian officer may qualify for the position of G.O.C. by taking a course in the British army, but this was a roundabout course, which should not be imposed on officers in our own militia.

Friction With G.O.C. Denied.

Sir Frederick, in the course of his statement, gave an emphatic denial to the rumors that unpleasantness exists between Lord Dundonald and himself. They were on the best of terms, he declared. He paid a high tribute to the worth of the present G.O.C., and the work which the latter is doing on behalf of the Canadian forces. Another important announcement made by the minister of militia was that the proposition has been made to Great Britain looking to an exchange of a certain number of officers. Several officers of the British army now hold important posts in Canada, and Sir Frederick Borden's theory is that Canada should have a like number of officers appointed to positions in Britain.

Col. Hughes pleaded for more generous pay for officers of the permanent corps, but he received no encouragement. Sir Frederick pointed out that the Militia Act prescribes the rate of pay and the minister is powerless in the matter.

G.O.C.'s Pay Inadequate.

In moving the resolution, the minister of militia said he had decided to

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Distance Lends No Enchantment to an Ugly Hat.

It is said that a man is always tidy if his hat is stylish, his collar spotless and his chin clean shaved. Of these three items the hat is the most important, because the critical eye may be deceived by distance as to the collar and chin, but the hat quality of the hat may be told blocks away. Distance lends no enchantment to an unstylish hat, says Dineen, of W. & D. Dineen Company, corner Yonge and Temperance-streets, the men's stylish hatters. Show rooms open this evening.

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TURNING COLDER.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, March 25.—(8 p.m.)—The weather has been mild and showery from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, and continued cold over the Northwestern portion of the continent. The weather has cleared to-day in Manitoba after a heavy gale and snow storm during last night.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 32—44; Calgary, 4 below—14; Edmonton, 14 below—22; Winnipeg, zero—3; Port Arthur, 22—28; Parry Sound, 30—46; Toronto, 40—50; Ottawa, 30—42; Montreal, 38—42; Quebec, 26—40; Halifax, 24—41.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Fresh to strong westerly to northwesterly winds; clearing and turning colder, especially at night.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Fresh to strong southeasterly to northwesterly winds; showery at first, then clearing, turning colder at night.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Unsettled and showery.

Maritime—Fresh to strong southerly to westerly winds; unsettled and showery.

Lake Superior—Fresh to strong westerly to northwesterly winds; fair and cold; a few local snow flurries.

Manitoba—Fine and cold.

Rounders on Rising Rapidly Reduce Remorse with Radnor.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

March 25.	At.	From.
California	New York	Genoa
Penna	New York	Hamburg
Victoria (23)	Naples	New York
Celtic	Liverpool	New York
Canopic	Genoa	Boston
Cymric	Queenstown	Boston
Pr. Victoria Luise	Barbados	New York

Queen's Own Band, "Armouries," Apr. 2

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