

aeroplane and the discovery of the north pole. Epic achievements were made in both of these respects and the future must look back to 1909 as the year of their happening.

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Montreal, Que., Dec. 31 .-- Twenty

five people were injured, some fatally, in an explosion which occurred at 11.

The North Pole Won. But the excitement caused by the Mrights, the Bleriots, the Zeppelins, the Lathams, paled into comparative insignificance, when on Sept. 1, came discovered the north pole on April 28, 1999-made all the more startling by

Abem-in this, my very first ppearance upon any stage it is but fair h in coming before you-i say that in soming before you i err well. I come be However, enough of that. My perpose is to forcast in a general way the among you for the next twelvemonth. Our relations together will be pleasant, myself agreeable in many ways, and to form acquaintacts of each and avery usefulness ends. before you. the work I have to execute ant, I hope, and I shall strive to serve one of you before my te

usefulness ends. There is much I will attempt that is not now in the proper form for divulting and I couldn't if I would give your a straight tip on everything which will appen for much yet remains o he worked out. However it is no breach of confidence to forecast a fer events of public importance. It ray, finds would give your a straight tip on everything which will appen for much yet remains o he worked out. However it is no breach of confidence to forecast a fer events of public importance. It ray, finds be used to place to remind you that we will enter upon the forty-third years of our national existence as the Dominion of Canada and as the years go by we see still more the wis on of our fathers in hatching out the great scheme of confederation. It behooves us to mark each milestone of our progress with expressions of redoubled patriotism. We will have this year the Canadian Navy emerging from its swid ling clothes, a weak and puny infant indeed, but when I have passed from the stage of action and others come and go, bringing a change of admin-tration, there is hope for this youngsir and it may yet become a lasty young giant carrying all before it and a worthy offspring from a worther mother navy. We love our peace but oh, you preparation for war. (Laugh-tor.) The work on the Transcontinental will append at a stransmit of the stage of a stransmit of the stage of the stage of a stransmit of the stage of the stage of action and the stage of the stage of action and the stage of a stransmit of the stage of the stage of action and the stage of the sta

ter.) The work on the Transcontinental will proceed at enormous cost and sconer or later this unwieldy pro-ject will near completion. A new start will be made on the Quebec bridge and Sir Robert Perks will continue to agitate for the Ottawa ship canal. In St. John I will venture to 'r'dict the preliminary work for the building of an immense dry dock will be undertaken and the sugar refinery built. In the West the golden grain will flow in still more generous streams towards the ports of entry and civiliza-tion will press northward to waste, of the Arctic circle. Before my admin stration is over I hope to dispose of the puglistic championship of the world. I promise that the heavyweight beit will righthilly sdorn the waste of a husky guy whose first name begins with a J. It is up to you to guess the answer. I will not go a whit further in naming the baseball pennant winner. Suffice it to say that one of the clubs now claiming it so confidentally will have the bunting ere football again incarnadines groensward.

roensward. As for outdoor sports, Charcot is looking for the south pole, and it may be discovered. We may also find out whether the north pole was discovered. (Laughter, and fist fights between Cook and Peary partisans in vari-ous jurts of the hall.) Come to order please! Aviators will fly offener and higher and farther, and some of them will ful harder. (Giggles.)

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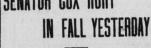
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