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Marksmen Win the London Merchant's Cup

UPON ROCKLIFF RANGES

THE TRANSVAAL CUP, OPEN TO SOUTH AFRICAN VETERANS—IS WON BY CAPT. H. MCGHARG OF VANCOUVER, B. C.—OTHER EVENTS IN DETAIL.

OTTAWA, Sept. 4.—When shooting was to have opened at the Rockliffe ranges this morning, a dense fog caused a delay of half an hour as the targets were almost invisible. There was very little doing when the extra series opened at 800 yards, and in the second range of the governor general's event, the holders of the extra series who were tied, shot them off in conjunction with the regular matches. When the match did start the weather had cleared with little or no wind, and what there was was a steady wind. The first two ranges were shot before luncheon. Spittal, winner of the N. E. A. medal in the first range, only made 12 points. Sergt. Smith, Ottawa, put on a possible and followed it with a possible at 800 yards, in the extra series, and thirty in the match. He then made a wonderful performance, scoring thirty in the regular match, bringing his total up to 150 with one range to shoot. Captain McVittie, of Toronto, leads at the close of the two ranges with 165.

There was a tie for the silver medal which was won by the highest score made in the first stage of the governor general's match, between sergt. Martin of Calgary, and Lieut. Spittal of Ottawa, both of whom members of the yearling team. In the shoot off at 500 yards, Spittal won. Each had five shots, and each put on five consecutive bulls. Each then made a lot of other bulls and then Martin put on another bull. The score of the top men was 99, as compared with 102 last year. The shooting all through this match averaged about 700 yards, which is a high score. This was largely due to weather conditions.

The first stage of the governor general's match also decided the Barlow trophy, which is given to the officers from any regiment. It was won by the 46th regiment, with the 60th D. C. O. R. of Vancouver in second place, a score of 376, and the 40th D. C. O. R. in third place. The Vancouver team was composed of major DuRoi, 89; capt. McLeigh, 96; capt. Forrest, 98 and Lieut. Cunningham, 83.

British Columbia on the London Merchant's Cup, and the first prize of \$50, given for the best score made by teams of eight representing any affiliated provincial rifle association, was won by the Vancouver Rifle Club, which shot a score of 683, and the team was made up of captain McHarg, 87; captain Forrest, 87; lieutenant Cunningham, 82; lieutenant McLeigh, 84; sergeant Martin, 83; sergeant Douglass, 83 and sergeant Carr, 85. Ontario was second with 666, winning 360 points, and Alberta was third with 648.

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PEACE WARFARE

The Moroccan Situation Now a Matter of AMUSING CONTROVERSY

GERMANY CHARGES FRANCE WITH MERCENARY MOTIVES—AND WITH DESIRE TO ACQUIRE UNDESIRABLE INFLUENCE IN DIRECTING THE NEW SULTAN.

FOUR MILLIONS FOR CHARITY. Less Than Half a Million for Relatives and Friends.

OSWEGO, Sept. 4.—More than \$4,000,000 is left to charitable institutions, the Metropolitan Museum of Art and Yale university by the will of Frederick Cooper Hewitt, one of the wealthiest men in New York, who died at his home last Sunday. Hewitt's relatives and friends less than half a million dollars is left. The estate is estimated to be worth from \$5,000,000 to \$8,000,000 and in addition to receiving a bequest of \$1,500,000, the Metropolitan Museum of Art is made the residuary legatee, so that it will be seen that the institution may be the recipient of more than twice the amount specified in the will, if the estate should be worth \$8,000,000 or anything like that amount. Mr. Hewitt, who was 69 years of age, wrote his will himself on March 21 last, and two codicils were added to it, one on August 15 and the other on August 25. The largest bequest mentioned in the will is the gift of \$2,000,000 to the New York post-graduate medical school and hospital. To Yale university, of which Mr. Hewitt was a graduate in the class of 1858, \$500,000 is left. There is no gift greater than \$100,000 to any relative or friend, and \$100,000 to each of the will that if any of his relatives or friends contest the will, he or they shall forfeit his or their inheritance.

PARIS, Sept. 4.—French official circles resent deeply the intimation conveyed in the inspired communications from Berlin, that the real purpose of France in delaying the recognition of Mulai Hafid is to permit the republic to make in advance private arrangements for the protection of special French interests. The Associated Press was today authorized to publish the following: "You can categorically deny such intimations. We are conducting no private negotiations. What we have done is in the interest of all nations. After Mulai Hafid has been recognized, we will be able to take care of ourselves."

"The German attempt to make it appear that France some time ago sent a consular official like Dr. Vassel to Fez, also is officially repudiated. It is explained that the man France sent was a native of Algeria, whose mission was simply to effect the custody of the Sultan's French interests there. He was in no sense a consul. With reference to the German suggestion that France is trying to secure from Mulai Hafid advance endorsement of the loans made by France to Morocco, it is pointed out that the Moroccan state bank in which Germany has a large interest, and which is being established, is still awaiting Spain's final approval of the terms of the joint venture."

ARRIVES AT VICTORIA WITH A FAIR LIST

ORIENTAL NEWS OF PASSING INTEREST

FRENCH AEROPLANIST. Covers Six Miles in a Flight of Ten Minutes.

LEMANS, Sept. 4.—Wilbur Wright, the aeroplanist, made a ten minute flight here yesterday morning at an altitude of 25 feet, and covered six miles. In another attempt later the aeroplane bumped against the ground three times in a distance of 40 yards, owing to an accident to the metre.

The Pacific express was greatly astonished at the demonstration given by Mr. Wright, of his ability to leave the ground after having touched. It had been supposed that it was impossible for him to launch his machine without the aid of an apparatus. This feat apparently assures Mr. Wright the prize for high flight, one of the conditions of which is that the machine shall leave the ground without the use of outside help.

Nevada Town Wiped Out. RENO, Sept. 4.—According to a brief message received in Reno today, the mining town of Rawhide is obliterated, the whole town is done. The fire started in a drug store on Main street, and spread rapidly. The Western Union telegraph office, several blocks away, has been burned and wiped out. Another attempt later the aeroplane bumped against the ground three times in a distance of 40 yards, owing to an accident to the metre.

To Aid B. C. Lumber Shippers. VICTORIA, Sept. 4.—To meet the rates given by sailing vessels from Puget sound mills, and to assist British Columbia shippers in the trade with Mexican ports, the Canadian-Mexican line is arranging a new freight schedule to give a reduced rate on lumber.

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Rockefeller Discovers he is a Descendant of Nobility.

ALBANY, Sept. 4.—Dr. Larson Lewis, who last year was commissioned by the Rockefeller family association to trace the family history in Europe, announced yesterday at the annual reunion of the Rockefeller family, that he had discovered he found the family which John D. Rockefeller is a member of, is of noble lineage. He reported that several members of the family at one time held the title of baron at the court of France.

TROUBLE IN PERSIA. Revolutionaries Count on European Interference.

TABRIZ, Sept. 4.—Sharp fighting opened again yesterday around the barricades, but the revolutionary forces do not seem confident that formerly, owing to financial difficulties and reports that have gained currency of the growing strength of the Alim ed Dowlat forces, there is some fear that the Caucasian mercenaries in the anti-Royalist force will attack the consulates in order to provoke European intervention.

MEMBERS ALL SPEAK IN GLOWING TERMS OF THE RESOURCES OF WESTERN CANADA

WINNIPEG, Sept. 4.—The members of the National Editorial Association of America arrived in the city today from the west, after having a splendid trip. In all there are 152 in the party, which is one of the largest and most representative ever entertained in Winnipeg. The party is travelling under the auspices of the immigration department and the Canadian Red Ensign Association. The editors declared the trip was the finest they had ever taken, and that they were astonished at the remarkable advancement the country had made during the past few years. Several in the party had visited the west some years ago, and although they expected to see many changes, they did not anticipate that such great development could have been effected. The party is a most representative one, and the members come from every state in the union. From the coast of the Carolinas to the Dakotas they come, writers of both fiction and non-fiction. Farmers are hailing water for miles. Streams which have never before been known to go dry are so shallow that only here and there a stagnant pool is found. This water is scooped up, bottled, and used for domestic purposes.

BASEBALL YESTERDAY

AGENT-GENERAL. To be Provided Larger and Better Quarters in London.

VANCOUVER, Sept. 4.—Hon. R. G. Tallow, minister of finance and agent-general in London to larger and better quarters.

ANOTHER PAPER IN THE SCHOOLS. After a lapse of ten years, the provincial police are being asked by a relative of Sir Arthur Currie to make a paper for his body. Currie was lost in the Cariboo while en route to Dawson by the overland trail. He strayed from the party and nothing more was ever heard of him.

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