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ZELMA CLOSE-HAULED.

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rigging and fittings have all been imported and the sails come from the well-known firm of Laphorn and Ratsey, so that, in spite of local disadvantages, *Canada* is as well built and well found as though turned out from a first class yard in England. And with skipper Jarvis at the stick, together with our smartest Corinthians on deck, nothing will be lost in the handling.

In the course of several trial races with *Zelma*, honors have been about even, and it would appear that either craft is well prepared to represent the R. C. Y. C. Those who have all along pinned their faith to *Canada* are inclined to be disappointed at this result, but the fact is that *Zelma* is and always has been a remarkably good boat. This year with a new suit of canvas, and

skippered either by Monck or Ambrose she is fit to race with anything her size. Analyzing the races already sailed it appears that *Zelma* excels in light weather and *Canada* in moderate to fresh breezes. Now with the short time-limit of five and a half hours the races with *Vencedor* must be sailed in a good working breeze, so that any deficiency in light weather qualities will not seriously hamper *Canada*. On one test, with the wind to her liking she beat *Zelma* a minute a mile on a six mile beat to windward.

Next to nothing is known about *Vencedor*, as she has done very little trial racing. Designer Poekel, who is responsible for her lines and construction, is an unknown man in that this is his first racing yacht, although for years he