

THE SMOOT SMOKE

NEW YORK BIKE GRIND.

Preliminary Race Decided in Madison Square Sauer Track.

New York, Dec. 9.—Bobby Walther of Atlanta won from Paul Guldard of Paris the 10-mile motor-paced race, the principal event of last night's meet, the curtain-raiser for the six-day bicycle grind that begins at midnight over the saucer-shaped track in Madison-square Garden. Walther's time was 16.49.13, and he had an advantage of six laps when he concluded a race exciting enough to bring the large audience repeatedly to its feet.

Hugh McLean of Boston won by half a lap from Floyd McFarland of San Jose, Cal., in the motor-paced race of five miles. The quarter-mile amateur championship was captured by James Zanes of Newark, N.J., in 33.45 seconds.

The 10-mile international professional race was won by Walter Rutt, German; A. J. Clark, Australian, second; Joe Folger, New York, third. Time 32.34.15.

Hamilton Beat London.

Hamilton, Dec. 9.—The Hamilton Y. M. C. basketball team defeated London on Saturday night by a score of 40 to 28, the half-time score being 21 to 1. The teams: Hamilton (40)—Smith and Gray, forwards; Brunton, centre; Chadwick and Mellon, defence.

London (28)—Harvey and McBride, forwards; Strach, centre; Crawford and Brock, defence.

Cures Drunkards

Mary's Miracle.

The day of working miracles.

My Mary is far from perfect.

And now to show you what I mean, I'll tell you of the last.

Great one that happened right to me.

For I was part of it, you see.

You know the life I used to lead—

O God, a life of death.

A drunkard of the hopeless kind—

For scarce a sober breath

Never drew, and hope and pride

Were lost to me and nearly all beside.

My Mary told me of a cure.

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JEWELERS WILL PETITION TO REMOVE DIAMOND DUTY

First Tangible Protest Made Against New Tariff—Expert Summaries in Various Lines.

Opinions on the tariff, and an indication of what the changes mean, can best be gleaned by a reference to the trade journals, which are in close touch with the interests concerned, and can give expression to views that are less tinged for political effect than can be expected from the daily press in general.

The Trades and Canadian Jeweler, which by the way, is a most pretentious publication nowadays, and replete with some very artistic advertising, in its issue of Saturday, says: "One of the first moves to be made in the way of protest against provisions of the new tariff is taking the form of a petition, which is already in circulation, asking that the new duty of 5 per cent. on diamonds be removed. F. W. Ellis has always taken a prominent part in the advocacy of the free entry of diamonds into this country, and hopes that the

Pounds of Gems

"Gems by the pound" is a literal and bald statement of the wealth of jewels laid away each night in the safety vaults of Diamond Hall.

And you are free at any time to sit at one of the tables in our inner gem-room, and examine parcel after parcel of precious stones, until you find what is exactly to your highest liking.

The Boxes

So modestly plain are the boxes of unadorned metal which contain our loose gems, that the onlooker can scarce imagine them as the receptacles of "the wealth of Ormond and of Ind."

And the precious parcels within are wrapped in unobtrusive white paper—looking not unlike the coverings of mammoth "powders" of the sort that old-time physicians used to prescribe.

The Contents

But the contents! Words fail to describe the scintillating brilliance of the gems disclosed to view when a parcel is opened. Heaped in seemingly careless abandon on a bed of cotton wool there may lie thousands of dollars worth of glittering Diamonds, rich-hued Rubies, or lustrous Pearls.

Choosing

Such an assortment of gems as that shown at Diamond Hall is not to be found elsewhere this side of New York City, and not even there can one purchase to anything like such price advantage. Then, you have the assurance that your own choosing is backed by the quality guarantee of a house of more than fifty years' acknowledged standing. Every Ryrie gem is precisely as represented as to its quality-value.

Designs

There is still time before Christmas for the setting of chosen gems into special and exclusive designs. But the choice must be made at once.

Companions

Unusual admiration has been evoked by a large and remarkably brilliant pair of "Jagers" now in stock. These two Diamonds are of especial purity of color and are absolutely perfect in cutting. Set as a pair in our favored Companion Ring, the effect would be that of "beauty beyond a dream."

Lasting

No Christmas greeting can prove so lasting as the gift of such gems, and their value must steadily increase with the years—for the world's diamond market is a steadily rising one.

Ryrie Bros
Limited
14-138 Yonge St

NO NEED TO BE ALARMED SAY OFFICIALS CONCERNED

Holders of Terminating Shares in Canadian L. & S. Being Dealt With According to Act.

The terms under which the Canadian Loan & Savings Co. has been taken over by the Standard Loan are not unqualifiedly satisfactory to the holders of terminating or monthly payment stock. The source of the grievance, if it may be so called, seems to be the funds invested under contract for a certain length of time are to be tied up considerably longer under the new arrangement, and while 4 per cent. interest is to be paid there are holders who would like to be in the position of being free to draw out as soon as the time originally stipulated arrives.

Manager W. S. Dinick of the Standard Loan declares a belief that the shareholders of the absorbed company are well pleased with the terms.

"I have not heard of a single instance where dissatisfaction is felt," he said, adding that the company had received a number of letters from shareholders expressing satisfaction.

Mr. Dinick explained that the terminating shareholders formed a very small proportion of the entire number. There were not more than 600 all told, he thought, and while the permanent stock represented about \$300,000, and \$100,000 of the prepaid, or fully paid-up stock, less than \$100,000 would cover the amount of the monthly payment shares.

Mr. Dinick considered that a "very liberal agreement had been made."

"We have given dollar for dollar, and no one will be the loser," was his summing up. He carried out a list of shareholders regarding the provision for fully prepaid shares, explaining that the debentures given for these would be for the term five years, not ten, as had been stated. As to the terminating shares, holders for two years or more would be released in three years, and those whose holdings were of less than two years would be in for five years.

Any holders whose terms might expire before the ratification meeting of shareholders on Jan. 27 next, would be at liberty to withdraw.

Mr. Dinick stated that the Standard Loan, being a permanent loan company, did not issue any terminating shares, and under its charter, could not carry shares as they had been handled by the Canadian Loan & Savings Co., which had been taken over on precisely the same terms as four other companies. This arrangement had proven entirely satisfactory.

W. J. Hamby, manager of the Canadian Savings, declares himself assured that the terminating shareholders are in none other than complaisant mood.

He hasn't had twenty holders come into my office to discuss the change since it was announced, and they all were thoroughly satisfied," he said. The managers of the loan company, for four weeks before being made, and no new business was accepted during that time, and any fresh subscriptions were not received except in small amounts.

It was mentioned to Mr. Hamby that there was understood to be some dissatisfaction felt over the prospect of the loss of the terminating shares on original term, and he expressed surprise. He did not think that those who wished to realize upon their investment would be hampered much, as the deposit slips would be when signed by the holders, almost as negotiable as bank bills, and as they paid 4 per cent, they should be readily marketable, even if discounted at 5 per cent.

Mr. Howard Hunter, government inspector of insurance and loan companies, considers that the absorption is more or less attributable to the new bylaw governing such companies, passed in 1904, which provided that the company must be able to pay back the shares of the kind being primarily to discourage their issuance. The result has been, he said, that very few shares of the kind have been sold since, while a number of the companies have gone out of business. Very few of the Canadian Savings Company shares of this kind have been issued since the new bylaw became operative. The new bylaw provides that shares so taken over may be withdrawn in full within three to five years, according to length of previous holding, whereas the old law left it to the original agreement to decide.

The ultimate intention of the new arrangement is to prevent misunderstandings as to the absolute right of withdrawal, and that word has just arrived from Rome that the Pope absolutely forbids Catholics, bishops, clergies, or parishioners, to make applications to hold religious services under the public meeting law of 1881, as proposed by the government. The Croix stated that this interfered the single annual application which Min-

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MURDER FIRST, THEN FIRE THEORY IN OTTAWA CASE

Teamster Held on Nominal Charge, But May Have to Explain Woman's Death.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—(Special.)—George Ladouceur, a teamster, is in the cells to-night charged with drunkenness, but the charge of murder may be laid against him.

A tenement frame building at No. 273 Slater-street was on fire last evening. The department had it under control, when about \$250 damage was done, and then Mrs. Emma Blanchette, who had a police record, and who did not live with her husband, was found on the floor dead. Her hair was badly singed, but otherwise the fire did not seem to have done her any harm.

Mrs. Blanchette and Ladouceur lived together. Ladouceur was found next door and was arrested. Mrs. Blanchette had two large cuts over her eyes. The back of her head was badly bruised.

It was apparent that the woman was dead before the fire started, and the fire had all the appearance of being incendiary.

Ladouceur gave a rambling and disconnected story as to his whereabouts before the fire. Blood was found on his clothing.

He is held to see what the coroner's jury may do.

POPE DIRECTS REBELLION

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