

all played with each other for longer or shorter times. The Western country makes a man active. It calls for action. It invites resource. It inspires confidence in a man. It is a healthy country. These are a few reasons, sir." "Will you," said he, "give me the three chief reasons?" "Yes," I said. "Here they are," and he listened, "Esprit de corps, esprit de corps, esprit de corps." A young fellow standing near remarked, "Excuse me, sir, but I know not the French. What does that mean?" "It means the spirit that actuates a united body such as a regiment, a lacrosse team or the students of a university."

"Is there any reason why an Eastern team cannot lift the Minto cup?" "The matter of change of climate and fatigue of railway journey are, at best, but slight incidents, and have no important bearing on the result."

Continuing, I remarked: "I will tell you a secret. Our men have two or three different styles of play which they can employ at will. They also have a boring in attack on goal which is effective. Another line of tactics consists in the attack passing the ball back to center field while they continue their onrush. Still another trick of the Salmonbellies consists in one of their home men rushing across the goal pretending to have the ball. This trick is so frequently worked that when the man has it in reality, the visitors' defence are baffled. This, of course, is only a little trick of passing interest. The main thing is the team work, the training, the physique, and the resourcefulness. But don't forget the esprit de corps." As a last shot, I continued: "Don't take any stock in this talk of impartial referees, of climate and of fatigue of travel. When the visitors have the right coin they can purchase the cup. Meanwhile, the Governor-General's punch bowl remains on the bank of the Fraser River."

Bill Podden's Luck

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ious to display his goodwill toward the heir, who, now for the first time, was tasting the sweets of popularity. The most open-handed offers were made to him of loans of money, etc., pending the realisation of his fortune.

Bill's manner fitted the occasion perfectly. He was naturally elated, but most genial and friendly. So far was he from being purse-proud that he accepted drinks and smokes at the expense of all and sundry without qualms. But when he offered to defray the cost of a round, it was "Not at all," "Ave this with me, Bill," or "Give us a chance, Mr. Podden," until ultimately he gave up trying. Ere the gathering broke up, he had shaken hands at least three times with every one of the visitors, and had in one or two cases shed tears that came, as he said, from a "too full heart."

The next few mornings he spent in visiting privately nearly all his well-wishers. There was little need of anything more than a subtle suggestion, and immediately a loan was forthcoming.

Four days later he announced his intention of going up to London to see a firm of solicitors he knew that would manage his affairs for him. He was also in need of a suit of mourning to replace his present attire, which he had got on loan from a local hay-dealer.

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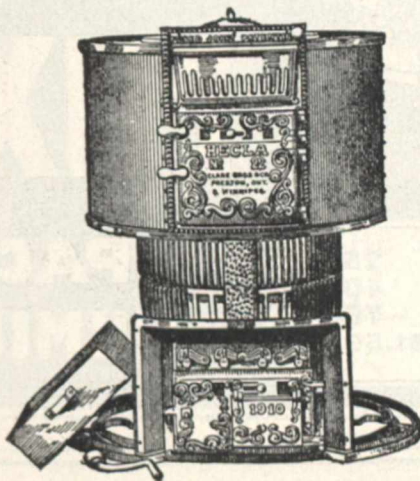
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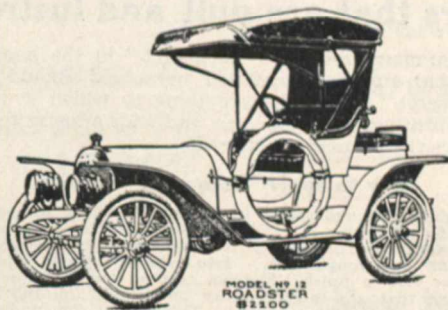
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