

## Sporting Comment

It is an easy guess even at this distance that when the Canada Cup races are sailed in August, Cawthra Mulock's boat, the Adele, will carry Canada's colours and hopes. Not only has she won a great majority of the races so far sailed, but she is sailed by Commodore Aemilius Jarvis. It is an unwritten law that Mr. Jarvis must sail the Canadian boat, not only because of his admitted ability, but because he possesses the confidence of the majority in the R. C. Y. C. who have the last say in the matter. Consequently, even should the Invader, by any accident win all the remaining races, Mr. Jarvis would prefer sailing the Adele, of which he knows every inch of canvas, to trying in ten days to learn the idiosyncrasies of a craft to which he is practically a stranger. Consequently it is Adele on two counts; she appears to be the fastest boat, and she has the chosen skipper.

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So far as reports go, the Seneca would not appear to be a very formidable rival. These reports show her to be little, if any, faster than the Genesee, whereas the Canadian boats are much faster than any that have hitherto represented Canada. But even in yachting the native American must show a little of his national trickiness, and there is a current suspicion that the Seneca's skipper has something up his sleeve, and that when Captain Hannon turns her loose for the grand tests she will develop a turn of speed she has hitherto been considered incapable of.

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Through all his varying suspensions and reinstatements at the hands of the C. A. A. U. and his troubles before other tribunals, Longboat appears to have retained his speed as well as his amateur standing. And surely the C. A. A. U. owe him his standing, if it were only for the good he has done track athletics in Canada. It is only a few years since the C. A. A. U. dropped its semi-annual meeting in Toronto because the gates would not pay the expenses of the stall-fed amateurs brought over from New York to fill the various events. On Saturday last 8,000 people attended the Irish-Canadian Athletic Club's meet at Hanlan's Point, Toronto, where the Indian again demonstrated his greatness by defeating Daly, the American champion distance runner, handily in a four-mile race. Longboat appears to have everything in the game at his mercy at any distance over two miles.

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Cricket, the greatest of English sports, does not seem to take kindly to the Canadian climate. To be sure, Canada has cricket clubs galore, but when it comes to producing experts there is very little doing. Annually the choicest of the lot gets well walloped in the international match with our cousins across the line, and annually there is a lively scrap as to who shall be chosen to take that walloping. Strange as it may seem, everybody seems to want it. This year the annual game takes place on August 5th at Rosedale, and it is hoped that the new blood produced by the annual controversy will make it somewhat more interesting than usual, even if the result be not a win.

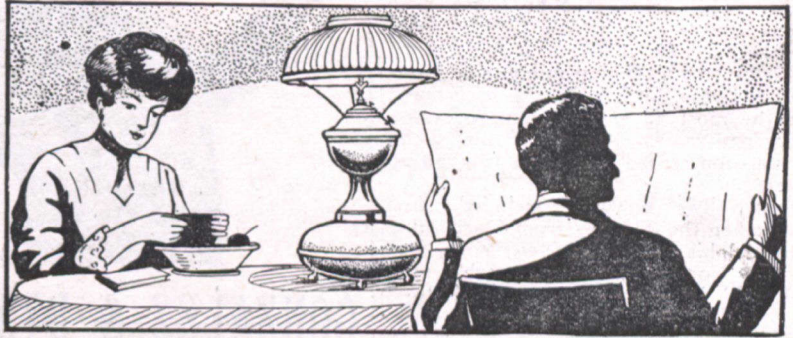
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The defeat of Tecumsehs of Toronto by Shamrocks of Montreal in the latter place last Saturday, and the win of Toronto over Capitals of Ottawa, puts a new phase on the lacrosse championship. Capitals, last year's champions, are now out of it, and though Tecumsehs still hold the lead, Shamrocks are a good second. These two teams meet again on Saturday in Toronto, and the winner of that will have a royal chance for the ribbons.

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The All-Canadian lacrosse team, whose departure for Australia was accompanied by much laughter, appear to be quite good enough for the company they find themselves in at the Antipodes. They won their first game at Melbourne before eight thousand people, so it looks as if the trip would be a success in every sense of the word.

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