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Umbrellas

BY H. L. RAYN.



The umbrella is a form of portable roof which can be put up at slight expense, but cannot be kept in the same family over two days in succession without clamping it to the hall tree with a Yale lock and a dog chain. The umbrella has never been discovered, however, which is portable enough to drift around to the original owner.

As it is considered a virtue, rather than a crime, to steal umbrellas in this country, these articles change hands faster than a stout girl in a plain quadrille. Whenever one of these exchanges takes place, which occurs in about the same ratio as the Chinese birth rate, the owner of a \$5 silk umbrella finds that somebody has stung him with a decayed calico specimen with a hook-nosed handle and several broken ribs. People who carve their initials on pet umbrellas or paint "thou shalt not steal" on the inside of the cover lose them with more accuracy than anybody else.

No one should attempt to hoist an umbrella in a high wind without putting on goggles, as one of the ribs is likely to become impatient and work loose, causing a total eclipse of the eyeball. Every once in a while some umbrella which has always lived a careful, sedate life will backslide in the rear of a head wind and turn inside out, thereby enabling the owner to get rid of all of his packages and shed profane parts of speech from curb to curb.

Some people have the very disagreeable habit of precipitating head-on collisions with umbrellas by charging through a rain storm with their eyes shut and necks bowed like an irascible buck sheep. Others take particular pains to carry an umbrella so that the party they are walking with will get his share of the rain and all that was intended for the umbrella. The greatest delusion of all, however, is the self-opening umbrella, which has to be primed with a tack hammer, while the greatest nuisance is the thoughtful visitor who brings his umbrella into the house and allows it to weep copiously all over a new Brussels rug.

Here and There

BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.—The first games in connection with the T. A. billiard tournament were run off last night.

NOT HEARD FROM.—No reply is to hand from Point Amour regarding the schooner "Merry Widow" which was reported missing.

DANGEROUSLY ILL.—We regret to hear that Mr. Joseph Horwood, ex-sergeant of the St. John's Fire Department, is dangerously ill at the General Hospital. Mr. Horwood has been unwell for several weeks past and last night his condition was critical.

PLACENTA STILL BLOCKED.—Placenta Harbor and Bay are still blocked with ice, the slab which drifted in there freezing together with the ice made in the bay and harbor. This forms an impenetrable barrier to shipping, and the Ethie, which is to take up the Glencoe's route, is still detained there.

To-Day's News.

Special to Evening Telegram.

MEXICO CITY, To-day.
Two hundred million pesos is the amount the Minister of Finance will probably ask Congress to authorize the Government to secure by means of bonds for the pacification and reconstruction of Mexico. Emilio Rabas, a member of the Senate, regarded as the greatest authority in Mexico on international law, has been appointed Ambassador to the United States. Rafael Tapia and ex-Governor Hidalgo, of the State of Tlaxcala, who are bringing rebellion, have conferred with President Huerta, offering to surrender on condition that the Government gives recognition to their officers, according to rank and pay in demerits and expenses. Huerta has refused to comply with the conditions regarding the payment of money and declared with emphasis that the Government was through with loyalty.

LONDON, To-day.

Operations of the five armies engaged in the Balkan war, has been brought practically to a standstill by wintry weather. News from the neighbourhood of Adrianople is of a conflicting nature. The Bulgarian war department at Sofia say that only desultory fighting has been in progress, while a despatch received from a French correspondent inside the city says that since February 3rd the Bulgarians have been delivering desperate, but ineffective assaults on the fortress, bombarding it cruelly and uselessly. The Greek fleet has extended its blockade of the Albanian coast as far as Port Teurazzo, in order to stop revictualling of the Turks in the fortress of Scutari and in Macedonia. This action may give rise to objections by Italy and Austria on the ground that the blockade is ineffective.

GOOD NATURED AGAIN

Good Humor Returns with Change to Proper Food.

"For many years I was a constant sufferer from indigestion and nervousness, amounting almost to prostration," writes a Montana man.

"My blood was impoverished, the vision was blurred and weak, with moving spots before my eyes. I was a steady daily condition. I grew ill-tempered, and eventually got so nervous I could not keep my books posted, nor handle accounts satisfactorily. I can't describe my sufferings. 'Nothing I ate agreed with me. Till one day I happened to notice Grape-Nuts in a grocery store, and bought a package out of curiosity to know what it was."

"I liked the food from the very first, eating it with cream, and now I buy it by the case and use it daily. I soon found that Grape-Nuts food was supplying brain and nerve force as nothing in the drug line ever had done or could do."

"I wasn't long before I was restored to health, comfort and happiness."

"Through the use of Grape-Nuts food my digestion has been restored, my nerves are steady once more, my eye-sight is good again, my mental faculties are clear and acute, and I have become so good-natured that my friends are truly astonished at the change. I feel younger and better than I have for 20 years. No amount of money would induce me to surrender what I have gained through the use of Grape-Nuts food." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. "There's a Reason." Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in books.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

Wanderers vs. St. John's.

St. John's Team Wins With Ease—Visitors Given Good Send Off.

Before another large gathering of onlookers the visiting team of Halifax accepted their third defeat from the city, the score being eight goals to four. The exhibition was far above the best of the series as far as good hockey was concerned. The City had a change in their line up, Jack Higgins playing rover, and in that capacity proved an acquisition to the home team. Although out of practice, he did not forget his knowledge of the stick and was responsible in no small degree for the success of his team.

The players were:—
Halifax: Stensrud, goal; Dwyer, point; Purcell, cover; Smith, rover; Barnstead, right; Monahan, centre; Calnen, left.
City: Walsh, goal; G. Herder, point; Collier, cover; Higgins, rover; Brien, right; R. Herder, centre; Pinsent, left.

Goal Judges—W. Hearn (City); N. Vinnicombe (Halifax).
Time-keepers—W. J. Martin (City); J. A. Carmichael (Halifax).
Penalty—J. I. Vinnicombe.
Referee—J. Tobin.

The game opened lively, both teams doing their utmost to score an advantage and for a while a good exhibition was evident. Dwyer, the Halifax point, controlled the puck and gave a fine display of stick handling; he lost to Higgins who made a brilliant run but when about to gain honour near the mouth of the Halifax goal was fouled by Smith who was ordered to the penalty box for three minutes to mend his habit. Not being discouraged Higgins resumed possession of the rubber, in zigzag fashion he passed the majority of his opponents and with a well timed shot met the first goal for the City, much to the delight of the spectators who showed their appreciation by prolonged cheering.

On facing off again the fastest bit of play witnessed since the visitors were here was then served out to the spectators. Halifax assumed the aggressive; each of their forward line made runs and pressed the home team hard in endeavouring to equalize, but their efforts were unavailing. Gus Herder and Higgins made a couple of effective dashes but were driven back by Dwyer who in company with Smith and Barnstead brought the rubber to City territory. Two shots were sent to Walsh who proved equal to the occasions. Amongst St. John's supporters excitement was intense whilst Nova Scotia enthusiasts did not lack cheering their team to victory. Some give and take play took place at mid-rink when Pinsent was sent to the penalty box for two minutes, followed by Dwyer who was ordered to retire for a similar period. During their absence St. John's gave a creditable exhibition, notched up the second goal for the City. Time, 10:30.

On resuming the Halifax team had the advantage, but their spurt did not last long and St. John's was again successful in beating Stensrud. Supporters of the Wanderers were disappointed. They thought their team would meet a bad defeat but the visitors themselves were not in the least disheartened and ere long Monahan secured an opening and dropped the puck behind Walsh for the first time. Twenty-six minutes of the game had then expired and about fifty seconds before the half time whistle sounded St. John's scored the fourth goal for the City. Score, 4 to 1.

SECOND HALF.

On resumption play was not as fast as in the first half, the players appearing to be tired. G. Herder made a pretty dash and notched up the fifth goal, followed soon by Smith who replaced by Barnstead then retired. The second half for Halifax. St. John's had beaten Stensrud. The game was fairly fast and interesting towards the close. Reardon scored the fourth goal for Halifax and Pinsent added the eighth goal for the City team.

Summary of Goals (1st Half).
Higgins (City) 2.35 m.
St. John's (City) 3 m.
St. John's (City) 19.10 m.
Monahan (Halifax) 25.00 m.
R. Herder (City) 29.30 m.

Penalties (1st Half).
Smith (Halifax) 2 m.
Dwyer (Halifax) 3 m.
Monahan (Halifax) 2 m.
R. Herder (City) 2 m.
Flueck (Halifax) 2 m.

Goals (2nd Half).
G. Herder (City) 5.35 m.
Smith (Halifax) 7.28 m.
R. Herder (City) 10.25 m.
Collier (City) 16.15 m.
Riordan (Halifax) 21.10 m.
Pinsent (City) 26.00 m.
Riordan (Halifax) 27.00 m.

Penalties (2nd Half).
Pinsent (City) 3 m.
Barnstead (Halifax) 2 m.
R. Herder (City) 2 m.
Monahan (Halifax) 2 m.
R. Herder (City) 3 m.
Collier (City) 2 m.
Higgins (City) 2 m.

NOTES.

After the match the Halifax boys applauded the City team who responded fittingly.

The series of games played were without doubt, interesting and enjoyable to spectators and players.

The visitors, indeed, played the game as best they knew how and took their defeat in a sportsmanlike way.

They took passage to their homes by the City of Sydney which left at midnight, and before their departure were given a right royal send-off by about a hundred sports from the city who wished the visiting team bon voyage and hoped they would favor us with a visit next winter.

WILL NOT CARRY WIRELESS.

We learn that A. Harvey & Co.'s ships—Adventure, Bellaventure, Bonaventure and Newfoundland—will not be equipped with wireless apparatus at the seafishery, the owners having decided this owing to the returns not being sufficient to warrant the expense.

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The Royal Stores Ltd.

ing that Thorpe's punishment is disproportionate to his offence, says that, knowing himself disqualified for the competitions at Stockholm, Thorpe "should have spared us the inevitable criticism which will now be directed against us from quarters where the misdeeds of American athletes are a favourite subject for comment."

The Evening Mail says: "By the original looseness of his ideas on the subject Thorpe has made a shocking mess of the Olympic business and has tainted the record of America. We shall enter subsequent international competitions under a cloud. Our English cousins will take advantage of the discovery of Thorpe's early lapse to taunt us with every athletic crime."

The Pentathlon which Thorpe won comprised the broad jump, javelin-throwing, a 200 metres race, throwing the discus, and a 1,500 metres race. The Decathlon comprised the 100 metres race, broad jump, high jump, putting the weight, 400 metres race, 100 metres hurdle, the discus, the javelin, pole jump, and 1,500 metres race.

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MADRID, Feb. 26.

Many were killed at Gijon to-day, while rocks were being blasted out of the harbor, according to a message sent to the Governor of Oviedo, to-night.

Concessions of a Champion.

Olympic Games Surprise.

James Thorpe, the American Indian athlete, has forfeited the trophies he won at the Olympic Games in Sweden last year by acknowledging that he played baseball as a professional in 1909 and 1910. He must therefore surrender the Pentathlon trophy presented by the King of Sweden and the Decathlon Cup presented by the Czar, both of which he won.

In awarding the prizes at the time the King of Sweden described Thorpe as the greatest athlete in the world. Thorpe made his confession to Mr. James Sullivan, of the Amateur Athletic Union. His statement is ingenious. Writing from the Indian School at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, he refers to "playing baseball for pay" away from home in the holidays with college students who were regarded as amateurs at home and who played under false names while he used his own name.

"I was not very wise to the ways of the world, and did not realise this was wrong and would make me a professional in track sports," he says. "Although I learned from other players that it would be better for me not to let anyone know I was playing, and for that reason never told anyone at the school about it until to-day. I never realised until now what a big mistake I made in keeping it secret about my baseball playing, and I am sorry I did so. I hope I will be partly excused by the fact that I was simply an Indian school-boy and did not know all about such things. In fact I did not know it was wrong, because I was doing what I know several other college men had done, except that they did not use their own names."

Thorpe's punishment partakes of the solemnity of an excommunication. Not only must his Olympic trophies be returned, but the prizes he won for his country as an amateur will also be taken from him, and his achievements expunged from the official record.

The Evening Post, while considering that Thorpe's punishment is disproportionate to his offence, says that, knowing himself disqualified for the competitions at Stockholm, Thorpe "should have spared us the inevitable criticism which will now be directed against us from quarters where the misdeeds of American athletes are a favourite subject for comment."

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Fire Alarm.

At 2.58 p.m. yesterday, an alarm of fire was turned in from box 31, bringing the Central and Western firemen to O'Dwyer's Block, Water St., for a blaze which had started in the work-room of Mr. Samuel Zarloff, ladies' Tailor. Mr. Zarloff's premises occupies the second floor of the building with Mr. Alfred McNamara's Jewellery Store on the ground floor and Mr. Fred Moore's boot and shoe room on the upper floor. The fire occurred in the Zarloff work-room at the rear of the building and when the fire-fighters got there the blaze was well under way the rooms on the upper floor being filled with dense smoke. When the firemen rushed up the stairs in the hallway a hole had been burned through the partition and the men could not breathe in such an atmosphere. It was evident that the place had been burning some time before the fire was discovered, and on the arrival of the firemen the chemical hose was used to great advantage, while a stream of water taken from a hydrant on Water Street was thrown into the burning apartments. After a fight of about 15 minutes, the firemen had the blaze under control and the all out signal was turned in at 3.30. City as well as firemen and police saved a lot of goods which they removed from the burning work-room. The apartment, however, was gutted and a deal of goods including a lot of valuable furs was destroyed. The rooms above, including Mr. Moore's place, was damaged mostly by smoke but a deal of water went down in Mr. McNamara's store and played havoc with his costly stock of jewellery articles of value and bric a brac which he carries. His damage is estimated to be over \$2,000 and this, we hear is covered by insurance. Mr. Moore's stock is also insured, while Mr. Zarloff has \$500 on his stock. Mr. Zarloff locked up the place at 2 p.m. when he left and the origin of the fire is unknown, though it is thought, as amouling in the stove dropped out on the floor and started the fire.

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