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DOWNHILL RUNNING, DECEPTION PASS

To become a member of the Ski Runners one must have travelled at least fifty miles on ski in the Canadian Rockies, for which qualification the bronze badge of the Order is awarded. This is followed by three higher grades of membership for which silver, gold, and gold-and-enamel are awarded, being based on mileage requirements of two hundred, five hundred and one thousand miles, respectively, subject, however, to certain other conditions deemed necessary as criteria of experience in mountain ski-running.

peculiar to the Canadian Rockies. Badges in the form of a small engraved bar in gold, silver, and bronze are awarded for these tests, and are worn in conjunction with the Ski Runners' regular badge.

The Order has already a very distinguished list of patrons from Canada, the United States, Great Britain, and Europe, each of whom is prominently connected with skiing activities in his own land, and the number of ski-runners who have qualified for active membership is surprisingly large.

The Ski Runners' Order does not confine its activities solely to ski-touring, but embraces every phase of the sport, and competitions will be held in the Rockies under its auspices, slalom and downhill races being particularly featured at the present although long distance racing and jumping will be included if warranted by sufficient interest amongst the membership.

An important feature of the Ski Runners are the three ski-ing tests adapted to suit conditions

OXFORD—CAMBRIDGE vs MCGILL

IN MID-DECEMBER the Ski teams of Oxford and Cambridge Universities landed on our shores from England to engage in friendly competition with the best of McGill's ski men. Mr. Alexander Keiller, the well-known British ski expert, was in charge of the party of twenty, and later on he was joined also by Mr. H. Spence, a noted British ski ace, who made the long trip across to help. After a couple of days at Lucerne, to work off their sea legs, the party settled down at the Alpine Inn at St. Margarets, where they were most comfortably quartered and well looked after by Mr. De Laplante and his capable staff. Unfortunately the snow conditions were unfavourable all over the Laurentians, and when our visitors arrived the ground was barely covered, and only in the valleys was there any to speak of. However, it was lovely overhead, and making the best of the little we had to offer, they started in at once to get in condition and to learn our ski country. It was decided to first hold the annual competition between the ski teams of

Oxford and Cambridge, at St. Margarets, which resulted in Cambridge winning both the Slalom and Langlauf. The lack of snow made it inadvisable to hold a Downhill race as had been planned, so the competition with McGill was limited to a Langlauf and Slalom race. The Slalom race on Friday, January 2, was set on the big hill at Shawbridge, lack of snow necessitating a short but exceedingly tricky course. One heat was run in the morning and the second over a new course in the afternoon. The following is the official score:—

	1st Run	2nd Run	Points
1 A. F. P. Fane, <i>Cambridge</i> ...	41.2	47.8	100.00
2 C. F. S. Taylor, <i>Cambridge</i> ...	46.2	45.2	97.38
3 J. K. Lawrence, <i>Cambridge</i> ...	51.8	43.6	93.30
4 George Jost, <i>McGill</i>	43.0	52.8	92.90
5 F. B. Campbell, <i>McGill</i>	45.2	51.6	91.94
6 R. J. Bushell, <i>Cambridge</i> ...	47.4	52.8	88.84
7 R. J. Nield, <i>Oxford</i>	44.4	57.8	87.10
8 P. Reynolds, <i>McGill</i>	63.0	54.6	82.69
9 W. Dorken, <i>McGill</i>	66.0	56.0	72.95
10 George Sumner, <i>McGill</i>	69.6	57.0	70.30

Oxford and Cambridge won 100 points to McGill's 88.02.

The English team showed their greater familiarity with this, to us, new style of racing, running well within themselves and taking no chances of falling or fouling, and they put up a fine all-round exhibition as to how a Slalom race is run by experts. Jost, particularly, also Campbell, were the best of our men, Mr. Keiller being greatly impressed with their performance. Had the rest of the McGill team realized the importance of *prenez garde* the results would have been quite different. On Saturday the final competition was held, the "Langlauf," or as called by us, the Cross-Country race. The

that could be desired. The following is the official score:—

	Time	Points
1 F. B. Campbell, McGill.....	1.26.49	100.00
2 F. J. Walter, Orford.....	1.29.32	96.96
3 W. Ball, McGill.....	1.30.45	95.68
4 W. D. Dunn, Cambridge.....	1.31.53	94.50
5 M. H. W. Ritchie, Cambridge.....	1.36.07	90.33
6 D. MacFarlane, Cambridge.....	1.36.37	89.71
7 George Jost, McGill.....	1.36.47	89.70
8 J. Houghton, McGill.....	1.37.08	89.39
9 George Sumner, McGill.....	1.39.59	88.62
10 R. J. Bushell, Cambridge.....		48.48

(Injured and did not finish).

McGill won 100 to 90.97, although this failed to wipe out the previous day's deficit by the narrowest margin. Campbell ran



AT THE ALPINE INN, ST. MARGARETS

Governor-General and party came down from Ottawa by special train, arriving in the morning, and St. Margarets was *en fete* for this special occasion. The day was typical of our Laurentians at their best, bright and sunny, just cold enough to give good snow and make standing around comfortable. People on skis, by train and by motors poured into the little village. Never have the mountains seen such a representative gathering. The course, some eleven miles, was a fair one laid over the St. Margarets country, and the racing conditions, considering the little snow, were all

a magnificent race, leading Walters, one of the best British runners, by nearly three minutes, a feat to be proud of. Rodger Bushell, the Cambridge captain, and a grand all-round ski man, had a bad fall on hill 60 that forced him to retire, but fortunately he was not seriously injured. During their short stay in Canada the Oxford-Cambridge men made many friends and showed themselves fine sportsmen and accomplished skiers. We congratulate them on their well earned victory and hope that they will come again and spend another Christmas with us.

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