

ENGLISH VS. AMERICA.

A RECORD TEST OF THE MERRY-WEATHER FIRE ENGINE.

Mechanical and Scientific Skill of Two Competing Firms—Triumph of an English Fire Engine over those of American make at Winnipeg.

(Special to the ANGLO-SAXON)

The superiority of British machinery over American productions of a like kind was perhaps never better illustrated than by the test of the new Merryweather fire engine, imported from England by the city of Winnipeg, Manitoba.

The engine selected to oppose was one of the celebrated Ronald make, built in the United States, one which has, in common with other engines owned by the city, done good work in the past; recent developments however disclosed to property owners the fact that the fire service was not adequate to meet the ever increasing demands upon its efforts.

Owing to delays in shipment, and some considerable side tracking on the road, time elapsed until the non arrival of the new engine was beginning to cause some anxiety amongst those interested in property of late, much at the mercy of chance and good luck so far as fire is concerned.

As the day drew near for the test, bets against the English engine, were offered by the American faction, and in some cases taken by the "chumps," a polite sobriquet which some of these gentry apply to Englishmen.

That attempts to tamper with the machine were expected, is evidenced by the fact that a constant watch had to be kept upon it from the time of its arrival at the Central fire hall till the test on Saturday.

Previous to, and during, Saturday's test, a suspicious on-looker was observed hovering round. When the first heat was over and decided in favour of the Merryweather, some few seconds delay took place caused by changing the hose.

A tube had burst, the reason for the accident being announced to be that some miscreant had practically shut off the suction valve and opened the void pipe, thus choking the flow of water into the boiler, and letting it blow out also, during the moments the engineer's attention was engaged making arrangements for the change.

A locomotive engineer, said to be a personal friend of a local agent of an American firm, was arrested on suspicion, but as no real harm had been done further than the delay of the official test for a few days it has been determined not to press the charge against the alleged delinquent.

At the second trial on the Wednesday following, 27th Feby., the Merryweather and Ronald engines were placed side by side on the ice of the Red River. The competition test which was then commenced resulted as follows:—

THE ENGLISH ENGINE WINS.

First smoke showed in 20 sec. after lighting fires, fires being started at 3.05. At 3.10 the steam gauge started moving; at 3.14 there was a steam pressure of 25 pounds; at 3.15, 50 pounds, and at 3.16, 100 pounds. Time from cold water to 100 pounds of steam pressure 10 minutes and 40 seconds.

As the Ronald which was placed in competition was moved from heater and the water in boiler at about boiling point the following figures will show in comparison from steam gauge starts moving to a 100 pounds steam pressure: Time of gauge moving to 20 pounds pressure, 5 minutes; time to 50 pounds, 7 minutes; time to 75 pounds, 8 minutes, 30 seconds; time to 100 pounds, 9 minutes 15 seconds.

The above comparison shows a difference in favor of the Merryweather boiler of 3 minutes and 45 seconds, from time of first pressure shown on steam gauge to 100 pounds per square inch.

Second test.—Two lengths of hose, with Siamese coupling at branch, Merryweather using 1 5/8 nozzle, Ronald 1 1/2 nozzle. Distance of horizontal stream of water thrown by Merryweather engine 205 feet, Ronald 174 feet.

Third test.—Four line of hose 150 feet in length each, two nozzles, one inch and two inches nozzles, 11-8 inches, both engines being equipped alike as to nozzles and length of hose. Average length of stream thrown by Merryweather, 137 feet; Ronald, 118.

Fourth test.—One thousand feet of hose on each engine using one inch nozzles. Distance of horizontal stream thrown by the Merryweather, 152 feet. Stream from Ronald did not reach this point by twenty feet. At this time a coupling blew out, which prevented further test with the Ronald.

We desire to state that in our opinion the injury to the boiler of the Merryweather, due to the removal of the damaged tube is so very small that it will not effect the steaming capacity of the boiler to any appreciable extent as is clearly shown by the rapidity of her steaming. We, therefore, beg to state that the new Merryweather, is, in our opinion, a good serviceable engine, capable of throwing a greater quantity of water a greater distance in a given time than any of the other engines owned by the city, as was clearly shown by the test.

Comment should be needless further than as pointing out to Canadians that for articles of manufactures for which there is practically an unlimited demand throughout the world, such as fire engines, bicycles, guns and sewing machines, Canada for many reasons, can under sell all competitors, while her productions in the line of machinery, at least, require but the test of a trial to prove their superiority, the only thing likely to be slighted being the glittering accessories, nickel, and brass, with which our neighbours are so fond of adorning their work—adding weight without increasing efficiency.

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HAYTER REED, Deputy Superintendent-General Indian Affairs, Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, February, 1895.

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PHYSICIANS ARE ASTOUNDED BY A PECULIAR CASE.

A Young Canadian Stricken With Paralysis While in New York—Returned to His Home at London, Ont., as He Believed, to Die—The Means of Renewed Health Pointed Out by a Clergyman who Visited Him.

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