

# Yachting Seneca Drifts Home Winner

## "SENECA" WINS THE FIRST RACE WITHIN HER CLASS, DEFENDING CUP FAVORED BY A LIGHT BREEZE

There Was Some Clever Jockeying at the Start, in Which Captain Jarvis Had the Better of Captain Hanan.

### DEFENDER A MILE AHEAD WHEN BUOYS WERE TURNED

#### OFFICIAL TIME.

Start: Seneca, 1.00.21; Adele, 1.00.25.  
First mark: Seneca, 2.35.30;  
Second mark: Seneca, 3.34.30;  
Adele, 3.46.  
Finish: Seneca, 5.52.22; Adele, 6.13.15.

CHARLOTTE, Aug. 10.—(Special.)—After having been weighed this morning the Seneca was held to be in the required class, and the first of series of races for the Canada Cup started this afternoon, under conditions which assured a win to the boat whose fair weather sailing qualities were most pronounced.

After a drifting race, in which Seneca led nearly all the way, the finish was made barely two minutes inside the time allowance. The first race is therefore a victory for the Herreshoff defender.

A bright sun, cloudless sky, and smooth, motionless lake afforded excellent opportunities to the many spectators who were out to view the race, but it meant slow, tedious work for the yachtsmen, with the probability that the day would close with "no race" declared.

The schedule time arranged for today's race was 11 o'clock, but at that time preparations had not been made for a start. The Seneca's alterations had not been completed, and the judges had not finished the work of measuring and laying off the course; besides, the wind was not strong enough.

At 11:45 the judges' boat stood up to Seneca to ascertain if she were ready. The breeze was then freshening from the north, and it looked like a race when the judges' boat drew alongside the defender.

From here to the finish Seneca held her lead and crossed the line at 5:52.22, just minute 28 seconds ahead of time. Adele did not finish. The only part of today's race which can have any significance is that of the start, when the Seneca gained the lead, and the young boys of the Herreshoff boat were a mere matter of drift, and the winner got off with the aid of a few trifling breathers.

The weighing in. When taken from the water this morning and weighed, the Seneca was found to be within her class. The work of weighing the Seneca was quickly done; a two-inch manila line was passed four times around her keel and guiding cables attached to her bow and stern and then, amidst a great deal of shouting, she was slowly hauled out of the water.

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### THE PROGRAM

Monday, Aug. 12.—Eighteen miles, to windward and return.  
Tuesday, Aug. 13.—Twenty-one miles, to windward and return.  
Wednesday, Aug. 14.—Eighteen miles, to windward and return.  
Thursday, Aug. 15.—Twenty-one miles, to windward and return.  
There is a time limit of five hours for each race.

### At first, Seneca was to windward, but some clever manoeuvres on the part of Skipper Jarvis ousted her from this advantageous position, and the defender was kept to leeward, despite all Skipper Hanan's efforts to win back again.

The two boats reached back and forth across the line until the whistle blew at 1 o'clock, and then they passed each other so closely that Adele's bowsprit outstripped Seneca's stern, and Skipper Jarvis claimed a foul.

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