

## ATTENDANCE AT OPENING SMALL

Rain Mars Olympic  
Games

RECORDS SMASHED  
Best Performance of Day  
Made by an Oxford  
Blue

LONDON, July 13.—Rain interfered today with the opening of the fourth international olympia by the King at the Stadium at Shepherd's Bush, and although it cleared off before the hour set for the formal ceremony, the attendance fell far short of expectations. The seating capacity of the Stadium is upwards of 70,000 and, while the covered stands contained sections which were well filled, there were many vacant seats, and in fact, if it had not been for the American and Colonial contingents, which were there to cheer their respective countrymen, the sections around the royal box, which were occupied by society, it would have been a very small affair, so far as attendance was concerned.

### Weather Affects Them

In some of the events, too, the contestants appeared affected by the adverse weather conditions, but in other events, particularly the 1,600 metres race, in which the greatest interest centred, the men were up to their form and twice during the afternoon the record for the distance was smashed. Melvin W. Sheppard, of the Irish-American A. C. of New York, was the first to accomplish the trick when, in the second heat, pressed hard by his team mate, J. P. Halstead, of the New York A. C., he ran the distance in the splendid time of 4:05, just 2-5 of a second faster than that made by J. D. Lightbody, of the University of Chicago, at the Olympic games at Saint Louis in 1904.

The two Americans in this heat beat a number of good men, including G. Butterfield, the English four-mile champion, who finished a bad third. J. P. Sullivan, of the Irish-American A. C., and Lightbody, who were first and second respectively, in the first heat of this event, took longer to cover the distances, but they were not surprised, and could have done better if it had been necessary. Meadows, of Canada, set out to make the pace in this heat, but Lightbody went to the front in the stretch and seemed a likely winner until Sullivan, with a fine burst of speed, passed him a few yards from the tape.

### An Oxford Blue

The best performance of the day, however, was that of M. E. Hallows, an Oxford Blue, who cut a full two seconds off the record, much to the surprise of everybody, as Hallows always has been at his best in the three miles and 1,600 metres was considered too short for him. He is now thought to be the most serious rival of the Americans in the final of this event, which will be run tomorrow.

Through their defeat by Sheppard and Sullivan, Halstead and Lightbody failed to qualify. H. L. Coe, of the University of Michigan, made a strong bid for victory in the fourth heat, but was unable to do so, as E. V. Loney, of England, although the time was not particularly brilliant. Coe finished second.

An incident which is causing much talk in sporting circles is the failure of the Olympic committee to have either the American or Swedish flags displayed in the Stadium. The Americans remedied this omission somewhat by bringing out many of their own Stars and Stripes, but Sweden, though Crown Prince Gustave Adolf was present, was represented by but the single flag carried by that nation's athletes.

The big events to be contested for tomorrow, in which Americans are interested, are the hammer throwing contest, the final of the 1,600 metres run, and the preliminary heats of the three mile run.

The Americans have decided to formally protest against the eligibility of Tom Longboat, the Canadian Indian runner, but if the committee should decide to allow him to run they will abide by that decision so as not to interfere in any way with the success of the sports.

### TABLE SET FOR DINNER, WATTS TURNS IT OVER

Dishes Fall on the Floor—  
Watts Goes to the  
Cooler

Joseph Watts, who resides on North street, was arrested by Sgt. Baxter yesterday afternoon for being drunk and attempting to smash all the dishes in his home.

It appears Watts had imbibed considerable intoxicating liquor and in a drunken state called at his home on North street. His wife was preparing the dinner and had the table set with the required dishes. Watts, after entering, became disorderly and at once began to abuse his wife. In his wrath he turned the table completely over, and the dishes fell on the floor.

LAPORTE, Ind., July 13.—According to information received by Sheriff Smulzer, Mrs. Belle Guinness was discovered today in two cities, Portland, Maine, and Rockford, Mich. The county commissioners declined to authorize the expenditure of any more money for running down worthless clues.

## MEN WITHIN CALL TO FIGHT BIG FIRE

Danger at South Bay  
if Wind Changes

CLOSELY WATCHED

If it Succeeds in Crossing  
Back Land Road Will  
Create Havoc

The forest fires in this section of the province are still burning, but not with such force as on Saturday and Sunday. The wind went down early yesterday and since then the fires have made little headway.

The fire back of South Bay was last night burning over some old land belonging to W. A. Quinton near the Back Land road. Up to last night this fire had burned over an area of about 1,000 acres. Little timber of value, however, has been destroyed.

James Lowell, M. P. E., had five men out last night at the Back Land road watching the progress of the fire. He told a reporter for The Sun that if an easterly wind sprang up there was great danger of the fire crossing the Back Land and moving toward Grand Bay, laying low everything in its track, such as valuable timber and dwellings.

He had, however, many men within call and if the wind did change, would hurry them to the Back Land road, where an attempt would be made to check the fire's progress. It is here that Mr. Lowell relies on a successful fight being waged with the fire. If the men fall at this spot it will be impossible to check the blaze. There is no danger, however, unless the wind changes to the east.

## CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING

Pleasing Event Last Evening  
in Honor of Mr. and Mrs.  
Graham

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Graham of 90 Portland street celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding yesterday and received the congratulations of their many friends on having reached the half century mark in their married life.

On July 11th, 1858, Thomas Graham was united in marriage to Elizabeth Lockhart. The wedding took place at St. James' church, where both parties resided. The officiating minister was the late Rev. John Wallace.

Of all who were at the wedding there are now in addition to the principals only four survivors. These are Mrs. Wm. Shary of Millstream, formerly Miss Mary Tinning, who acted as bridesmaid; Mrs. Driscoll, a sister of Mrs. Graham; Miss Graham, a sister of Mr. Graham, and Mrs. Watson of Boston.

There was an interesting gathering in the school room of Waterloo street United Baptist church last evening when members of the church and congregation celebrated the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Graham.

Mr. Graham is a deacon of the church and has been a member about 40 years. The pastor, Rev. Gideon Swin, presided, and a pleasant feast was the presentation of a gold-headed cane and umbrella to the deacon and his wife, William Peters, the senior deacon of the church, made the presentation.

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"Ouch, barber!" gasped the victim nervously. "There are several hacks in that razor."

The big barber swung the latter brush around savagely. "Well, what do you expect in a ten cent shave, governor?" he roared, "electric cable?"

—ST. LOUIS Post-Dispatch.

MADE RIGHT  
It Won the Banker

"At the age of seventeen I was thrown on my own resources," writes the cashier of a Western Bank, "and being low in finances I lived at a cheap boarding house where they served black coffee three times a day."

"At first my very nature rebelled but I soon became accustomed to it, and after a while thought I could not get along without it."

"I worked hard during each school term (I was attending college) and I was able to pay my way."

"At the end of three years I had finished my course—my nerves too, and I went back to the farm to rest up. This did me some good, but I kept on drinking coffee not realizing that it caused my trouble, and later accepted a position in a bank."

"About this time I was married and my acquaintances called me 'Slim.' On the advice of a friend, my wife began to serve Postum and she made it right from the start (boiled it 15 minutes after boiling actually starts). I liked it and have used it exclusively for three years. I am no longer dazed, my weight has increased 50 pounds and I have nerves to stand any strain without a flinch. And I have increased my salary and my share of bank stock. I can work 15 hours a day, sleep soundly and get up feeling like a healthy boy." "There's a Reason."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville" in pkgs.

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

## REVENUE FROM WINTER PORT FOR 1908 SHOWS INCREASE

The returns of the collection of winter port rates from November 22, 1907, to May 2, 1908, have been known to the revenue derived from the winter port during the past winter has surpassed that of 1906-07 by over 33 1-3 per cent. The totals are as follows:

1906-07, \$21,816.87; 1907-08, \$29,835.57. The detailed statements of the returns for the past two seasons are as follows:

Nov. 27, 1906-May 7, 1907.

606 horses, at 2 cents ..... \$12.12  
27,307 cattle, at 1 cent ..... 273.07  
79,801 tons grain, at 1 cent ..... 798.01  
107,801 tons general cargo, at 1 cent ..... 1,078.01  
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22 ponies, at 2 cents ..... 44  
19,122 cattle, at 3 cents ..... 573.66  
162,460 tons grain, at 1 cent ..... 1,624.60  
75,694 tons general cargo, at 1 cent ..... 756.94  
at 10 cents ..... 7,569.40  
9,986 tons general cargo, at 10 cents ..... 99,860.00  
2,728 tons timber, at 5 cents ..... 13,640.00  
37,736,000 feet deals, at 10 cents ..... 3,773,600.00  
4,046 sheep, at 1-3 cent ..... 1,213.80  
Side wharfage ..... 10,303.83

Total revenue ..... \$33,885.57

The above statements show that the items to which the increase is due are lumber, grain, timber and outward cargo. Horses and cattle show a falling off, as does inward general cargo. Outward general cargo shows a slight increase. Sheep also increased in number. The readjustment of rates made last summer had the effect of making a general increase in revenue. In the case of lumber, however, the increase in revenue was due to the great increase in the quantity exported.

Nov. 22, 1907 to May 2nd, 1908.

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## COST OF G.T.P. TO CANADA WILL BE ONLY \$26,000,000

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without regulation, the mountain section as provided by the contract by the \$26,839,676 interest on the eastern section and the terminals give a grand total of \$38,163,978 as interest cost to the country for the line from Moncton to the Pacific.

MR. BORDEN REPLIES.

Mr. Borden in reply referred to Mr. Graham's criticism that the statement of the leader of the opposition had gone out to the press of the country unchanged because of the fact that by agreement with Mr. Foster he (Graham) had pledged not to speak on the subject on Tuesday night. Mr. Borden said that if Mr. Graham had asked him not to make the statement on Tuesday night, he would have complied with the request. He said that he had asked him to postpone it to the Minister's convenience, and in any event if Mr. Graham had desired to make a reply at the time no objection would have been raised by the opposition.

Taking up the figures given by the Minister of Railways as to the estimated cost of the road, Mr. Borden showed that by the Premier's own statement the cost of the road from Moncton to Winnipeg would be \$13,113,745. Then, as to the item of \$11,304,320 for interest on bonds of the mountain section, there was no dispute as to the accuracy of the figures, and although this sum might not be fairly included in the cost of the national transcontinental proper, still it might be included in obligations of the country in connection with the road.

As to the item of fourteen millions for the Quebec bridge, Mr. Borden contended that this should not be struck out by Mr. Graham, as the bridge was an integral part of the whole scheme. There might be room for argument as to the item of eleven millions on interest charges above the amount paid for rental during the first three years of the road, but Mr. Borden believed that the earnings of the road would not be nearly so great as generally expected. Practically the only reduction of his original estimate which Mr. Borden would accept was an item of about \$800,000 on the Winnipeg terminals.

MONSTROUSLY MISLEADING.

Hon. Mr. Fielding, after briefly referring to the question of the old exploded charge that Sir Wilfrid Laurier had declared the cost of the actual construction of the road would be only \$13,000,000, declared that the statement placing the total cost of the national transcontinental at \$26,839,676 was absolutely and monstrously misleading. He went over the various items of the estimate, and pointed out how