

SWIMMING FEATS OLD AND NEW

English; Still Trying to Cross the Channel.

LONG DISTANCE TRIES IN WATER

Wells Has Pailed and Helms Is Waiting for Warmer Weather

Long distance swimming is the rare this summer, and all the world over those who follow the perilous sport are busy preparing themselves for their various feats.

greatest natural swimmers are in parts of Australia and the South Sea islands. From these islands came the crawl stroke, a wrinkle which has completely revolutionized speed swimming in every part of the globe.



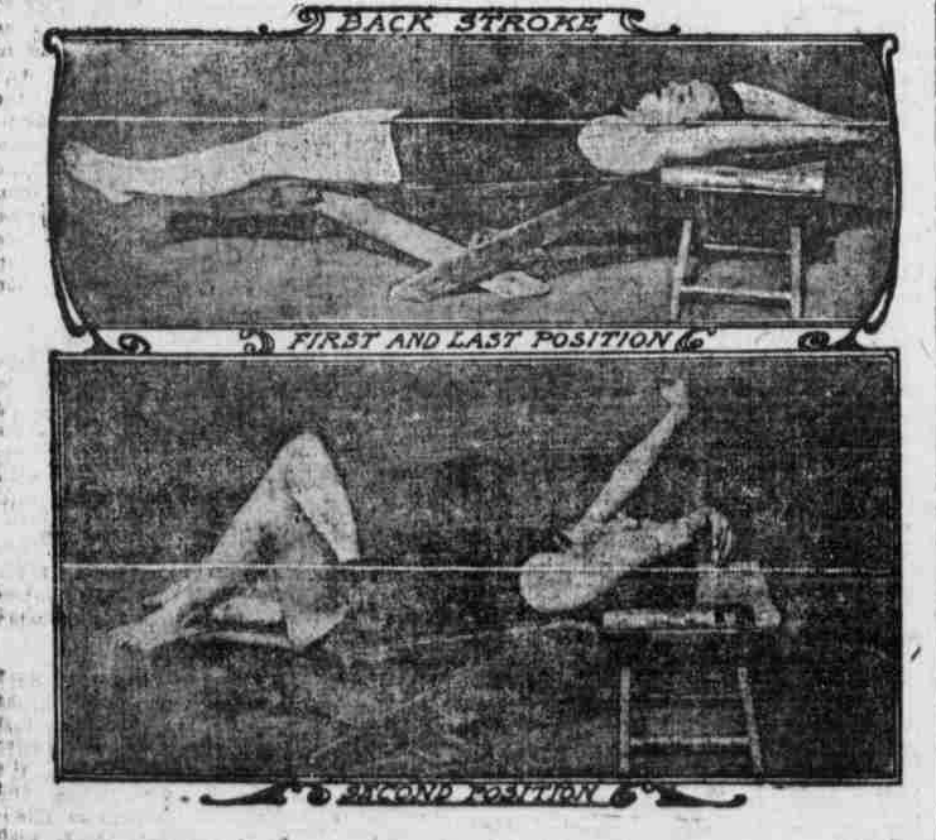
once again. In recent years, and in fact since Wells was successful, Helms has made the best attempt. On one occasion he came within a couple of miles of accomplishing the task, but had to give up on account of the cold.

That Helms has the stamina to swim from England to France there is not much doubt, and if he ever hits the water when the temperature is right he will surely do the trick.



gent. Nearer to the shore was a line of gently sloping hills and wooded like the mountains, and the plain below was adorned with bread fruit trees and palms.

But the Tahitians seemed perfectly heedless of the raging element, and when the waves rushed down upon them they dived through the fierce swell and came upon the other side with incredible ease and agility.



ound wanting. The keen ones of the old world on aquatic matters offered the opinion that it was too early for the test and that the Scotchman would find the water a little too chilly.

It was not with the intention of inducing them to show off their powers as swimmers that in the first instance the ornaments were hung to them.

S.S.S. CURES ECZEMA

The cause of Eczema is a too acid condition of the blood. The itching, burning eruptions are caused by the outpouring through the pores and glands of the skin, of the fiery poisons with which the circulation is loaded.

An Honest Confession

I blush to think I'd ever knock On anything Nebraska; There is no finer state on earth Than that whose sun we bask in;

Nebraska is a wondrous state, She has some splendid cities; Her golden glories have been made The theme of many ditties;

Now Lincoln has the capitol, As well as Salt Creek's waters; She has some famous native sons, Some beautiful native daughters;

'Tis nice indeed to boost the state In which the Lord has placed you; But it is sad to have a bunch From that same state lambaste you;

upon a long disputed question—what Homer meant when he termed the Hellespont apolo, which is infinite, without limit.

Byron Turned the Trick. If any of the ancients emulated Leander's performance it is not recorded, and in the long lapse of centuries only one man was successful.

It was the case Lord Byron was a swimmer of the front rank, especially when it is remembered that he swam the breast stroke, and of course knew nothing about stroke—the subsequent speedier methods of locomotion in the water.

At the present day and in fact at all times the most expert swimmers were the inhabitants of the seacoast and islands. Among the Greeks, the Athenians, and especially the inhabitants of the island of Delos, were the best swimmers.

The history of aquatics abound in accounts of long distance swims, but two never to be forgotten are those of Leander across the Hellespont and Lord Byron, who emulated him several centuries afterward.

As might naturally be expected, Byron's swim and the prominence it brought him as an athlete created lots of jealousy, and not a few attempted to belittle the performance.

Ever since the curious have speculated why Leander instead of swimming the Hellespont nightly did not paddle across in a boat. It may have been a little more expensive, but it would certainly be less dangerous and fatiguing.

It is by no means necessary that the narratives of poets and other romancers be taken strictly as articles of faith, yet to prove that the feat was possible and whether Leander really crossed the Hellespont by swimming the distance from Abydos to Sestos was thirty miles and three-quarters.

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MIGRATIONS OF BALL PLAYERS

Have Numerous Habitations in Diamond Careers.

CASES OF FREQUENT SHIFTS

Exigencies of Calling Often Entail Changes of Abode—In Seven Cities Has Old Jim McGuire Earned Bread.

By the nature of his calling the professional baseball player is often compelled to pitch his tent in many places. What with his being sold, released or traded, he may earn his livelihood in numerous cities during his career on the diamond.

In direct contrast have been the careers of such players as Fred Tenney and Ed Clarke whose big league service has been confined to one city, Boston, and also to one league, the National.

Cy Young and Lou Criger of the Boston Americans played in Cleveland and St. Louis and have been in both leagues. Jimmy Barrett is another dual leaguer, and has played in Cincinnati, Detroit and Boston.

Frank Kitson's permanent or temporary abodes as a pitcher include Baltimore, Brooklyn, Detroit, Washington, New York and Kansas City, the last three in one season.

Toppy Hartel has pulled down outfield flies on Louisville and Chicago teams in the National league and Philadelphia in the American; Rube Waddell has shot over intricate twisters in Louisville, Pittsburgh and Philadelphia.

Within the short space of two succeeding seasons Jim Delahanty has played on the Cincinnati team of the National league and the St. Louis and Washington teams of the American league.

Bill Bradley has been in both leagues—Chicago in the National, Cleveland in the American. Elmer Flick was with the Philadelphia Nationals before joining the Cleveland Americans.

BASE BALL AS A PAYING CAREER

Rewards of the Pitcher as Exhibited in Little College Towns.

When the professional baseball player goes home to his native village he is a man of mark, a local celebrity.

It is his pay and his leisure that impress his neighbors most. "Why, he gets three times as much as a college professor" is a common phrase in his native town, where a college professor is regarded as a well-paid man, enjoying a soft snap.

Not a professional man in the community earns as much as the pitcher, and they all know it. So far as income counts he ranks along with the big game capitalists of the little community.

Now and then he consents to take part in an out-of-season ball game at home, and then everybody who has time turns out to watch him.

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