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**THE MARATHON RACE.**

**WON BY HILDERBRANDT.**

INTENSE EXCITEMENT.

A REMARKABLE PERFORMANCE.

Of the thousands of people who witnessed the great Marathon race on Saturday—the first event of its kind contested in Western Australia—few perhaps were reminded of the historical origin of what is undoubtedly the greatest test of endurance in the athletic world. Few perhaps who followed the pedestrians along the route and saw the weakest of them going to the wall, and those with the stoutest hearts struggling for supremacy over the long course of 26 miles, recalled the picturesque history associated away back in the time of the Athenians, with this classic event. But if indifferent to the origin of the Marathon race, the crowds of people who were aroused to such a high pitch of excitement over the event on Saturday were sufficiently demonstrative and interested to give the Coastal Athletic League every encouragement, not only to make the race an annual fixture, but also to make future Marathon races in this State even more successful than the one on Saturday. Naturally enough, the difficulties which are always associated with the first of such big undertakings were not absent on Saturday. The League, however, by the promotion of this race has done much to improve, and give a distinct status to, long-distance running in Western Australia and deserves to be rewarded with every success in the undertaking of future events of this kind.

His Excellency the Governor (Sir Gerald Strickland) lent his patronage to the race, and it was to his start that the men were sent off on their long journey. It had been intended to start the competitors to the accompaniment of a pistol shot, but this method failed right at the last moment. His Excellency then suggested that he should drop his hat from the balcony on which he was standing, as a signal for the start. This course met with the approval of the committee, and the men got away to a good start. The ground underneath the balcony was a thick layer of mud, but His Excellency's headgear did not get that far, as his carriage was close at hand, and the coachman caught the hat in its flight. It was a little incident which caused much merriment. The start took place at the Ozone Hotel, East Perth, at 2 o'clock, by which time crowds of people on foot and in all sorts of vehicles had assembled. The course, the exact distance of which was 26 miles 385 yards, was from the Ozone Hotel to Government House, returning along St. George's terrace to the point of commencement, then over the Causeway, along Canning-road to the Fremantle Town Hall, returning over the North Fremantle bridge through Cottesloe Beach

point were Hilderbrandt and Garrad, and they were followed at intervals by Junner, James, S. Smith, and others. The field was patchy, and the majority of the men had by this time found the task too much for them. It was from Cottesloe Beach that the struggle actually commenced; only the best of the men were now in the race. At the beach Hilderbrandt was in front, and half-way between there and Cottesloe Weaver drew up alongside him. They passed through Cottesloe at about 3.55 p.m., about half a mile ahead of Garrad. Weaver and Hilderbrandt led to Congdon-street, and passed through Claremont, Karrakatta, and West Subiaco, with a lead of over a mile. They passed through Subiaco at 23 minutes to 5, and kept together along Hay-street, George-street, and St. George's terrace, until near the finishing post, when Hilderbrandt broke away and finished with a comfortable lead. Cheers, almost deafening, rent the air as Hilderbrandt touched the tape, the band which was stationed at the hotel joining in with "See the Conquering Hero Comes." Right along the line of the race people cheered the competitors on, while the men, or, to be more correct, the few that were left of them, were met on the last few miles of the journey by the Eleventh Australian Infantry Regiment Band, whose spirited marches appeared to infuse vigour into the runners.

Some of the men, on reaching the winning post, were in a state of complete collapse, and were ready to fall into the arms of those nearest to them. Others, on the contrary, appeared to be just as fresh as at the start. Garrad was knocked up, and had to be carried into the dressing room. Howell, who finished fourth, also showed signs of a hard struggle to get to the finishing point. The fifth and sixth men—A. P. Lewis and J. Lewis—both finished well. Appleby and Lake were the next to finish. They were running within a few feet of each other when one of them was interfered with through the efforts of a mounted constable to keep the crowd back. These two men were, therefore, awarded seventh place. Following in the order named and at long intervals were James, Bell, Webb, Hackford, Healy, and Cooper (dead heat), Berry, and W. J. Power. They all finished within the four-hour time limit. Healy and Cooper created much laughter by finishing arm in arm. Appleby's condition was considered so serious that a doctor had to be called in. He was unconscious, but was quickly brought around by the doctor. Weaver, like Hilderbrandt, is only 22 years of age. Of the men who finished few received a better reception than Hackford, who has a big list of records as a long-distance pedestrian. He is 46 years of age, and in July of last year walked 110 miles in 24 hours against G. Johansen in the Perth Town Hall.

Following are the names of those who started:—E. Appleby, Midland Junction; E. Asher, Perth; A. Blomfield, Belmont; J. A. Barnett, North Perth; W. T. Berry, Leederville; E. W. Bell, Cottesloe Beach; H. Binns, North Fremantle; A. J. Capes, Fremantle; E. Cooper, Midland Junction; E. B. Clark, Fremantle; J. Cornwell, Congdon-street; J. Crowley, Subiaco; A. B. Foley, Perth; J. Fermentis, described as a well-known performer in Greece; W. L. Garrad, Guildford; H. Hawkins, North Perth; E. Howell, Perth; A. G. Holmes, West

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London, October 8.  
Ship Edenmore (1,726  
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shore yesterday on  
Orkney Islands.  
The ship was fear-  
fully damaged, but it is fear-  
fully expected to become a total  
loss.

## PRODUCE IN ION.

### AMONG PIGS.

London, October 8.  
During an export  
inspection a consignment of  
pigs was recently sent  
to London. Eleven hundred  
pigs were inspected  
and found that 200 of them had to  
be destroyed owing to their be-  
ing afflicted with tuberculosis.

## MINERS.

### HT SHILLINGS A Y.

London, October 9.  
The Miners' Federa-  
tion, sitting at New-  
castle, unanimously passed a  
resolution for a minimum wage  
of 10 shillings throughout the  
country.

## ANEOUS.

### DOTING.

London, October 9.  
The Empire Postal rifle  
competition were as follow:—  
1st, 914; Natal, 904;  
2nd, Colony, 895; New  
Zealand, 868.

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mantle Town Hall, returning over the North  
Fremantle bridge, through Cottesloe Beach,  
Cottesloe, Claremont, and Subiaco, and  
thence to Perth, running along Hay-street  
to George-street, and turning into St.  
George's terrace, the finishing point being  
the Ozone Hotel. His Excellency the Gover-  
nor witnessed the start along with the Mayor  
of Perth (Mr. T. G. Molloy), Mr. W. Kings-  
mill, M.L.C., one of the vice-presidents of the  
League, Mr. Hardwick, the member for East  
Perth, and other prominent citizens.

The League entertained the Governor and  
other visitors shortly after the commence-  
ment of the race, and in response to the  
toast, "His Excellency the Governor," Sir  
Gerald Strickland said he was pleased to  
have had the opportunity of being asso-  
ciated with an event so important. His  
Excellency related the origin of the Mara-  
thon race, and said that if the event which  
was being contested that afternoon en-  
couraged an examination into the history of  
the Marathon race in order to see what  
the cultivation of endurance had done in  
the past, the committee which was associated  
with the contest would be happy in the  
knowledge that it was performing a duty in  
the interests of Australia and of the rising  
generation. (Hear, hear.) They had been  
provided with a little incident at the start  
owing to two of the cartridges missing fire.  
(Laughter.) But was that not as it should  
be, for the race which was being contested,  
the history of the past, and future prognosti-  
cations had nothing to do with such "gim-  
cracks"? In conclusion His Excellency con-  
gratulated the League upon the success of  
its first Marathon race.

His Excellency was thanked by the  
League for having honoured that organiza-  
tion as he had done, and for having evinced  
such a deep interest in a race which, the  
League hoped, would provide good clean  
sport and healthy rivalry.

Of the fifty-eight who nominated for the  
race, only seven failed to start. Their  
failure to start, it was stated by the non-  
secretary (Mr. E. D. Longson) was owing  
largely to the fact that each competitor had  
to undergo a severe medical examination be-  
fore starting, and was not permitted to  
start unless in a thoroughly fit condition.  
The medical examination was carried out  
by Drs. Officer, Teague, and McWhae.  
Stewards were stationed along the route in  
order to see that there was no pacing or in-  
fringement of other conditions. Members of  
St. John's Ambulance Brigade and of the  
Railway Ambulance Corps were available  
for the purpose of rendering first-aid. They  
proved very helpful, as there were several  
minor accidents along the route, due  
mainly, however, to collisions with bicycles.  
Messrs. Underwood and W. Palmer arrang-  
ed the men at the start, while Messrs. Box-  
horn and P. Turvey acted as time-keepers.  
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E. Howell, Perth; A. G. Holmes, West  
Perth; C. Hilderbrandt, North Perth; T.  
Hibbottson, East Perth; G. Hudson, Su-  
biaco; W. J. Hackford, Bellevue; J. P.  
Healey, Perth; J. James, Newcastle; W.  
Junner, Fremantle; P. Kelly, Lion Mill; R.  
Kemp, Perth; A. Knotschmar, Leederville;  
E. J. Lewis, Perth; A. P. Lewis, Perth; G.  
B. Lennard and T. B. Lennard, Guildford;  
T. Lewis, South Fremantle; L. W. Lake,  
Subiaco; W. McGregor, Kalgoorlie; G. May,  
Perth; J. J. Milner, Victoria Park; W. J.  
Power, Perth; F. B. Rowe, Perth; A. Rip-  
pon, Perth; A. Sherborne, Fremantle; J.  
Smith, North Perth; S. Smith, Perth;  
F. Schmidt, East Perth; R. Tho-  
mas, Yarloop; W. Tindall, Perth; N. B.  
Templa, Perth; A. Whitney, East Perth;  
A. Watkins, West Perth; J. Weaver, Perth;  
F. Webb, Fremantle.

The first three prizes were as follow:—  
First prize, £20 cash, trophy (silver cup),  
Glenoran Cup (valued at £7 7s., presented  
by Mr. Phil. Coyle), and also gold medal  
(valued at £4 4s., presented by Messrs. Box-  
horn and Masterson); second prize, £12 cash  
and trophy (silver cup), Red Hand Cup  
(valued at £4 4s., presented by Messrs.  
Donaldson and Collins); third prize, £5  
cash and trophy, Seppelt's Cup (valued £3  
3s., presented by Messrs. B. Seppelt and  
Sons).

A trophy, presented by Messrs. Chas.  
Moore and Co., for the one guessing nearest  
to the official time, was won by Mr. Watts,  
of the refreshment rooms, railway station,  
who was only two-fifths of a second out in  
his calculation. Mr. W. A. Grenke acted as  
referee in connection with the guessing com-  
petition.

The following is the order in which the  
men within the time limit finished:—

Hilderbrandt .. .. .	1
Weaver .. .. .	2
Garrad .. .. .	3
Howell .. .. .	4
A. P. Lewis .. .. .	5
E. J. Lewis .. .. .	6
Appleby and Lake (dead-heat) ..	7
James .. .. .	8
Bell .. .. .	9
Webb .. .. .	10
Hackford .. .. .	11
Healey and Cooper (dead-heat) ..	12
Berry .. .. .	13
Power .. .. .	14

Only the time of the winner was recorded.

Some irresponsible persons circulated a  
rumour in the city yesterday to the effect  
that the victor, Hildebrandt, had died  
early that morning. Having heard of the  
rumour Hildebrandt called at the office of  
the "West Australian" last night and stat-  
ed that he had not been at all indisposed,  
and could not understand how the rumour  
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## PARINA.

London, October 9.  
Parina is improving from a painful complaint. Preparations for the Czar's visit.

## YARDS FOR DA.

London, October 9.  
Ed Wolff, of Belfast, is opening of shipyards.

## OUR TROUBLE.

## S AND WATERSIDE ERS.

## S OUTLOOK.

Sydney, October 10.  
The miners held an aggregate meeting here being 2,000 present. The officers of the 7 prominent labour societies, including Mr. Dunlop, the Southern Miners' representatives (Sydney Wharf Patten and Burns and many of the Amalgamated Workers), and Mr. Wharf Labourers, said that they had had in the past to avert open warfare, who were encroaching upon the miners' privileges. The present time to fight, but if they could get active support of the miners and waterside men, he felt sure, would be by the capitalists and the miners were because a fight was forced.

The secretary of the North Sydney submitted a motion in view of the hostile attitude of the miners in refusing to renounce their systematic men's privileges the miners and southern disaffected workers of Sydney the desirability of taking defence of their rights was seconded by Mr. Wharf Labourers, and

## SHEEP STATION

## DAMAGE.

Sydney, October 10.  
The Amphitheatre Station, district, exploded and set on fire. The shed and were destroyed, and 100 sheep roasted alive.

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horn and P. Turvey acted as time-keepers. Messrs. Kingsmill and Molloy held the tape at the finish. It was not a light task, however, for it was with difficulty that the crowd were kept back from the tape as the men finished. Policemen on foot and mounted constables, as well as the city traffic inspector, were present, and had a busy task keeping the track clear. The League had been giving attention to the race for about three months, Mr. Longson being assisted in the secretarial duties by Mr. W. H. Mose, and supported by the following committee:—Messrs. R. Dover, C. Rillstone, J. Walsh, W. Stockdale, H. Rankin, Campbell, W. Palmer, K. Symonds, G. Underwood, H. Brown, and W. Watson. The promotion of the race was a work of gigantic proportions, requiring something of the organising genius, and for the success of the venture credit is due to these gentlemen and to all the others who assisted. The League wishes specially to thank Mr. P. King, who was able to render the men splendid help in the dressing rooms after their long journey. The race involved the League in the expenditure of about £200, inclusive of prize money, the cash prizes being supplemented by the donation of trophies. Prizes were set apart specially for the first three men, while trophies were awarded to those occupying fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth positions, certificates also being given to every one who finished within the time limit of four hours.

The winner of the race (C. Hilderbrandt) is entitled to the long-distance championship of the State—an honour which he thoroughly deserves. In the first place, he, along with the other competitors, had to face a heavy wind for the greater part of the journey, while the rain which had fallen, and which fell during portion of the race, did not make the running as easy as it might otherwise have been. Hilderbrandt did the journey in 3 hours and three-fifths of a second, according to the official timekeepers. The time is said to be a record for Australia. Hilderbrandt, who is only 22 years of age, and comes from Subiaco, says he has never contested a race of any kind before and he only had three weeks' training, two weeks without the services of a trainer. His performance is the more remarkable when there is taken into account the fact that his feet were sore before setting out on the journey, and that he had to be delicately handled by his trainer (C. Burley). Hilderbrandt is slim in build, and although conditions were against him he not only got over the journey in remarkably good time, but finished well and little the worse for the race. He stated after the race that at North Fremantle Weaver (who finished second) had three minutes to pick up on him. It was at that point that Hilderbrandt came away from Junner, who collapsed at Claremont. "When I passed Garrad (the third man) at Cottesloe," added Hilderbrandt, "I felt confident of victory." From Cottesloe Beach practically to the finishing point Weaver and Hilderbrandt were running on close terms, although Weaver stumbled a bit at Subiaco through the heavy traffic along the route. Binns, who was leading at the outset of the journey, and was the first to go through Canning Bridge, was ahead of Hilderbrandt before reaching Fremantle, but the latter passed him there, and he subsequently retired. Some of the competitors retired at early stages of the race. One of them, in fact, got only as far as Government House and back to the Ozone Hotel, on the outward journey, when he cried enough.

At Como Estate, half-way to Canning

originated.

To the Sporting Editor.

Sir,—In regard to the distance of the Marathon race run yesterday, 26 miles 385 yards, stated to be the surveyed one, I would like to ask the promoters what means were adopted for arriving at these exact figures? As many differences of opinion have been expressed as to the accuracy of the distance given, I would suggest that the promoters ask the Lands and Surveys Department for an official statement as to the distance.—Yours, etc.,  
ACCURACY.  
Perth, October 10.

## VICTORIAN RACE.

### WON BY A. R. SIME.

Melbourne, October 10.

The first Marathon Race in Victoria over a distance of 26 miles 387 yards from Frankston to Melbourne was held yesterday in fine weather. The event was conducted by the East Melbourne Harriers' Club, under the auspices of the Victorian Amateur Athletic Association. There were 51 starters, including representatives of New South Wales and Queensland. The race was won by A. R. Sime, who covered the distance in 3h. 4min. 25sec., and beat the second man G. Bamford (N.S.W.) by 75sec. The race for second place was a fine one, Bamford and O'Connor (Geelong) desperately contesting the last hundred yards. Bamford just managed to win. Sime won the first Australian Marathon in Sydney, and was third in the Australasian Marathon held at Brisbane. Yesterday Sime said he jogged along comfortably for a few miles, and then set out to catch the leaders. When he got to the front he made up his mind to stay there. He was not all out, only very tired. Several official motor-cars followed the runners and five medical men were present to look after the wants of the competitors. The route was lined with spectators.

## FEDERAL AFFAIRS.

### PUBLIC SERVICE EXAMINATIONS.

Melbourne, October 10.

A number of the members of the general division of the Federal Public Service observing that the Commissioner has arranged a public examination for next January to enable persons outside of the service between the ages of 18 and 22 years to qualify for appointment in the clerical division, have asked why they are not being given a similar opportunity. The secretary to the Commissioner has replied stating that the successful candidates at the public service examination referred to were to be appointed to small positions, most of them beginning at £40 per year. Many of the general division officers who desired to qualify for the clerical division were already receiving a salary higher than that rate, and there would be no suitable vacancies for them for some months to come.

### PACIFIC CABLE RATES.

### THE PROPOSED REDUCTION.