

INDIAN RUNNER BEATS SHRUBB

English Champion Collapses During Twenty-fifth Mile.

REDSKIN KEEPS RIGHT ON.

At One Time Canadian Eight Laps Behind—Thousands See His Remarkable Finish.

Madison Square Garden, New York, Feb. 5.—Maintaining an even, swinging stride, that rarely varied throughout the race, Tom Longboat, the Canadian Onondaga Indian, wreathed the laurels of an indoor Marathon race tonight at Madison Square Garden, when victory seemed almost within the grasp of the plucky Englishman, Alfred Shrub, who collapsed in the twenty-fifth mile, leaving the Indian to finish the long race of 26 miles and 35 yards alone.

Longboat's time for the race was 2 hours, 31 minutes, 20.5 seconds, which is nearly eight minutes behind the record made by Dorando, the Italian, in his race with John Hayes, the Olympic Marathon winner, last fall. The Indian finished in fineettle and was in no wise disoriented.

The vast garden was thronged with excited thousands, who cheered the two contestants. Shrub, as was predicted by his followers, went out in front at the starting and with a pace that was remarkable.

There was some delay in getting the race started, but at 8 p.m. on the narrow track, lined up and marked by trees, were sent away. Shrub, immediately flushed in the lead and, assuming a fast pace, gradually increased the distance between himself and the Englishman.

Shrub's tactics soon became plain.

He switched his pace after going a lap or so, and though Longboat ran with ease, strides of 20 feet, and then was well off for him.

When Shrub finished at the third lap the Indian was a third of a lap behind, and from then on the Englishman held the lead, while Shrub, flushed for four minutes and three-quarter seconds, the Indian slowly but surely fell.

At the end of the mile Longboat was three-quarters of a lap behind, and at the finish of the next, or eleventh lap, the Indian just trailed after the Englishman, who had run the second half of the race in 10 seconds and won by a head in one and three-quarter laps. Time—2 hours, 20.5.

Shrub's almost perfect action in running brought him the admiration of the crowd, expressed frequently in cheers and shouts of encouragement. Longboat, with his usual tone, however, had many friends who did their best to lose confidence in the Englishman drew into a comfortable lead.

SETS TERRIFIC PACE.

Shrub can never stand that gait to the end," shouted one of the Indian's admirers, and it truly seemed as if this must be so, especially as Shrub passed the finishing line in 20.5 seconds, or nearly a yard from the time it takes to cover the distance when trained men are running at their best. Shrub was two and a half laps ahead at the time.

Shrub's pace will be maintained while he has gained two laps in the first three miles he had added only an additional half-lap in the next two miles.

Shrub's tactics were to run fast mile or two, during which he made decided gains, and then he would steady down to a trot, apparently to save strength for the next effort.

The Englishman, who always created an uproar in the crowd, the spectators cheering him frantically.

The Englishman gained another two and a half laps in the second five miles, and was five laps, or half a mile ahead when the 10 miles were finished.

The time for the 10-mile mark was 55:54.5.

Longboat's time for the 10 miles in his race with Dorando was 55:51.4, nearly a minute and a half behind Shrub's time.

Maintaining his fast pace, Shrub increased his lead to six laps at the twelfth mile, but the Indian was not to be worried out of his long striding pace, and when the race was over a mile and a half ahead. Shrub's time for the 15 miles was 1:28:28.4.

Shrub's running was a revelation to the spectator, who continually cheered the flying Englishman as he moved around the track with a machine-like motion, that came fast and steadily forward.

Shrub covered an added lap, making seven laps in all, at 17 miles.

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