

CHADWICK CHANNEL RECORD

The Californian girl Florence Chadwick planned to be the Channel swimmer of all time. She hoped to swim both ways with only a few minutes rest. Wading ashore on the French side she learned that she had set the record from England ~~that is~~ to France in 14 hours, 42 minutes, ^{5 yrs ago.} / 49 minutes faster than Tom Blower's time ~~in 1910~~. She told her manager she ~~was~~ ^{felt} fit enough for the return swim. Florence ~~in previous years had~~ swum each way. As nonchalantly as if she were going in for a ten minute bathe she set out for the Dover shore. Fortune follows the brave, but this time it deserted her. After about two miles/a patch of very cold water, plus a shoal of stinging jellyfish, forced her to give up. The sporting world says three cheers for Florence Chadwick.