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A parade of five hundred athletes from fourteen countries on Sydney Cricket Ground heralded the opening of the Empire Games by ~~Sydney~~ the Governor-General, Lord Wakehurst.

In the 100 yards C.B. Holmes of England was the winner --- establishing a new Empire record at 9 - 9/10th seconds.

Aquatic sports were not forgotten --- On the Nepean River, New South Wales, England, New Zealand and Australia battled for rowing ~~sp~~ supremacy --- but New Zealand were left far behind, when the English eight went into the lead, although Australia hung grimly on. England won by three-quarters of a length --- Victory for the Mother Country thirteen thousand miles from home.

New Sydney Pool was packed for the ~~swimming~~ swimming and diving events. 110 yards free style for women --- Miss De Lacy of Western Australia, in the far lane, led from the start from Miss Lyon of Canada, in the lane next to her. This girl is a great swimmer --- a sure Australian bet for the next Olympics. She ~~led~~ led all the way to win in perfect style --- 110 yards in 1 minute, 10 1/10th seconds.

And last of all --- the diving. The Lady's title went to a Australian Miss Cook, with a back dive recorded by our slow-motion camera. In the men's event, Australian Arthur O'Connor gave a most spectacular display --- the 2 1/2 open, executed in perfect style.

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But he wasn't good enough to win. Tomlin of England took the  
Empire title with a double back-somersault with pike --- a glorious  
finish, to a week of glorious athletic achievement.