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THE BOAT RACE.

"BATTLE OF THE BLUES"
FROM PUTNEY TO MORTLAKE.

About half a million people have got the blues to-day-----

----Dark Blues are favoured by most ladies. I-----

----think they say they're the best looking crew, but the---

---race betting is on the Light Blues. Its two---

----sixteen and they're off. Oxford has got away with a slight lead. Its the eighty sixth boatrace of its kind. For the past ten years Cambridge has won---

---the event. Cambridge is rowing on the Surrey side nearest the camera. At Beverley Brook the crews are about level. Oxford stroking slightly faster than the Light Blues. Both crews are making splendid pace but Cambridge is drawing ahead now. Sutcliffe the Oxford stroke is putting on a spurt but his crew seem hardly able to improve the pace. Both are now doing about thirty four-----

----By the time Hammersmith Bridge is reached Bradley and his crew have increased the Cambridge lead quite a lot. ..a couple of length----

----Approaching Hammersmith Bridge now.

Effect -----

---Cambridge still well ahead. Oxford is exerting body and soul to pull up, and doing some splashing in their terrific bid for recovery. They are coming up in excellent time, shooting the bridge at fine speed, trying to get a grip on the Light Blues' tail. Its a great race, but I think its already won. Strokes are so I am told, thirty-five---thirty two. Dark Blues are slowing up with the strain----

-----Nearing the winning post, Cambridge settles down and begin increasing their already considerable lead. Choppy water further back in this stretch was rather troublesome but good coarsmanship got them through it without difficulty. Its the Light Blues race. I must find out the time (pause) A new record time has been established----

by both crews. Most extraordinary result. Cambridge has broken the

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-----previous record-----

----by twenty six seconds, and Oxford by ten seconds. Cambridge won by four and a half lengths, but the course has been marvellously rowed by both teams. Bravo Cambridge---Hard luck, Oxford.
