

The Clipper

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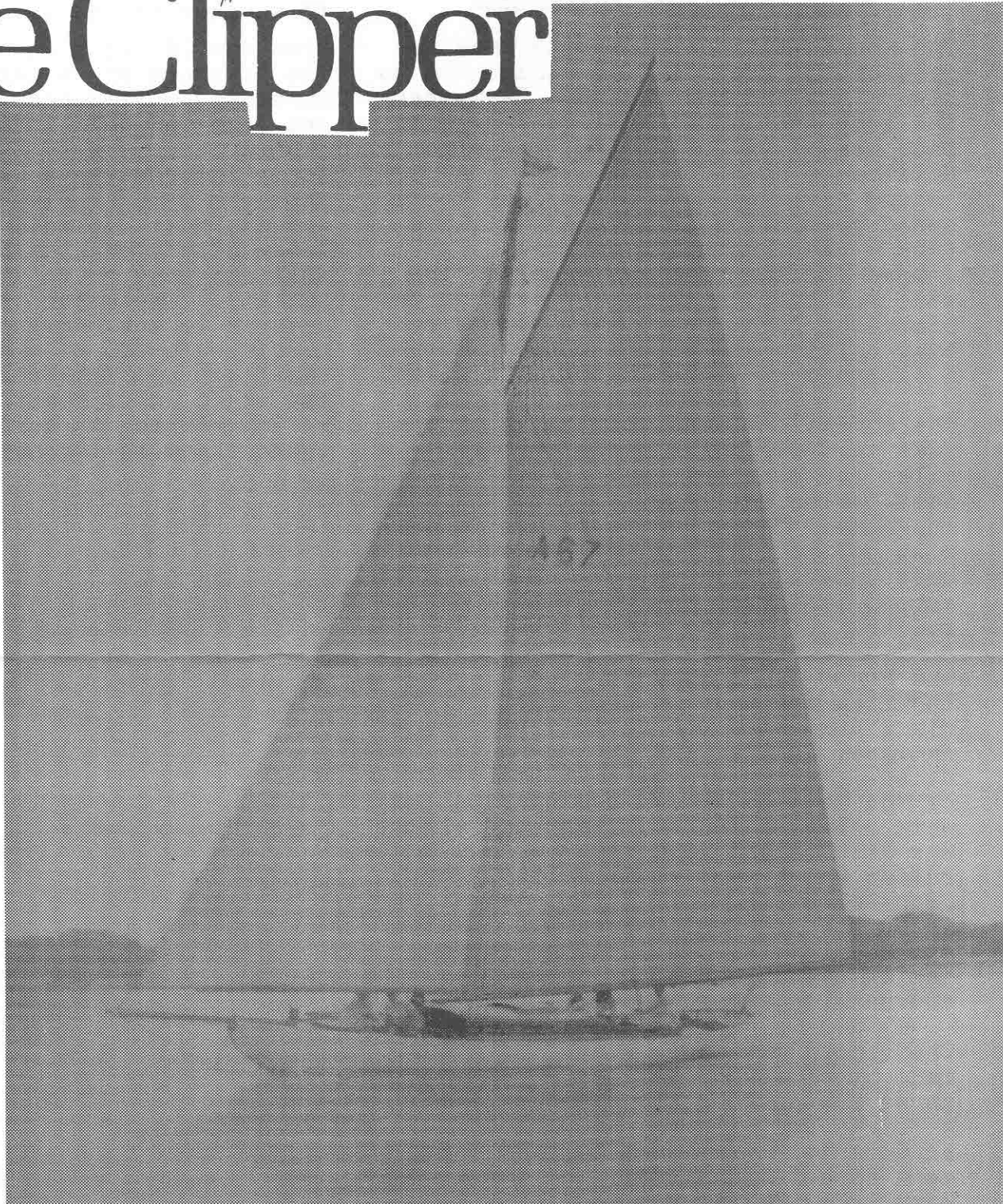
L.O.A. 43'
L.W.L. 30'
DRAFT 7'
KEEL LEAD: 6Ton

Charles (Bungy)
Churchill

Hugh (Shrubby)
Shrubsole

Fred Churchill

Edward (Ted)
Martin



Built in England 1907 for Canada Cup Trial for Mulock family and named Adelle.
Purchased by above partners from Mulock family at Toronto Canoe Club.

Double planked mahogany
Ratsey Sails

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RETCHING WITH RED

Matilda Regatta Takes Large Toll

The annual Matilda Frostbite Race saw many of the boats suffer damage due to high winds and heavy seas. September the 10th the annual Matilda Frostbite race hosted by Queen City, had nine Matilda on hand for the event. A second division made of various boats owned by previous owners of Matildas (POMS) had four boats entered. The course for the race was from the inside red buoy in the outer harbour to Gibraltar Point bouy, back to the red buoy off the end of the outer harbour. A distance of appromimately six miles.

The conditions were very heavy on the lake that day, with winds over forty miles per hour and seas of over four feet. Nine Matildas left for the starting line. Three had to return to the club before starting due to gear failures. David Reid (Q.C.Y.C.) who placed second last year retired with a bent rudder. Linda Masterman (Q.C.Y.C.) a third last year lost her halyards and Frank Spurr (Q.C.Y.C.) had crew injuries and halyard problems. Of the six who started one retired because of fatigue, another was taking on too much water. Walter O'Neil (E.P. &S.) winner of the Matilda summer regatta, pulled with a broken rudder. Last to retire was Gil Speight (Q.C.Y.C.) with a broken rudder which went at Gibraltar buoy. John Pettit (P.C.Y.C.) finished first after one hour and thirty-two minutes. Art Everitt (E.P.&S.) placed second, taking over three hours to complete the course with a bent rudder.

The second division, a new inovation, made up of former Matilda owners, saw three boats cross the starting line. A fourth boat (Murray McGuinness, Q.C.Y.C.) an Ontario 32 fell out to give assistance to a disabled Matilda. The three boats were a C&C 24 (Graham Morrissey A.B.Y.C.) a C&C 25 (Jim Tilker Q.C.Y.C.) and a Northern 25 (George Chandler Q.C.Y.C.) The three boats bit the starting line

with the Northern slightly in the lead to weather of the C&C 24 and downwind from the C&C 25. Just into the start the Northern broke her mast at the spreaders. Tilker's 25 quickly took the lead and held it till the finish

It is interesting to note that the Northern 25, Chandler's Prime Time had its mast replaced in time to enter Queen City's regatta the following week and went on to take a third in LOR 111. The other two boats were entered in the regatta as well. Morrissey's C&C 24 was well back in the fleet and Tilker's 25 was late for the start and did not race. It would be interesting to see a race off with these three in the near future.

.....Red Marbles



