from the shore battery. At an early hour the population was astir, and holiday attire was the rule among those who could afford it.

THE REGATTA.

The rowing and yacht regattas were the first sports on the programme, and the wharves at 7:45 were crowded with people.

At 8 a.m. the tugboat Eleu left her wharf with the committee, to which had been committed the management of the regatta, and proceeded out to the harbor entrance.

Soon afterwards the six-oared gig race began by two boats starting simultaneously from the starting line and maintaining a close contest for several hundred yards. Finally the Alice M. forged ahead of the Liliuokalani and maintained the lead until the finish, when the Alice M. won by about twenty boat lengths. Time of the boats: Alice M., 25 minutes; Liliuokalani, 25 minutes, 25 seconds.

The next was a six-oared gig race in which four boats started—the three war vessels, Alert, Espiegle, and Picoemayo, having one boat each; and there was also a boat, the Kapiolani, manned by a native crew. The Hawaiian boat led from the start, and gradually increased its lead until the finish, when it entered the starting line about 200 yards ahead of the American boat, which was second. Until the home stretch was more than half done there was a close contest between the American and English boats. But finally the Englishmen fell astern, manfully pulling to keep up, but the Americans steadily forged ahead. The Chilian boat was far astern. In going out of the harbor the Chilian boat fouled the American boat, which had commenced to gain on the Englishman, and between the two latter the race was well contested throughout. To and around the bell buoy, and up to the light-house on the home stretch, the American boat gradually forged ahead of the Englishman and came in second, the Hawaiian boat winning the race. Following is the time taken by each boat: Kapiolani, the native boat, 25 minutes 10 seconds; Alert, the American boat, 31 minutes; Picoemayo, the English boat, 31 minutes 55 seconds; Picoemayo, the Chilian boat, 33 minutes 30 seconds.

The yacht race began at 9:35 a.m., when a beautiful flying start was made. Five yachts, over five tons register, went off almost together, and spinnakers were set during the run out of the harbor.

BALLOON ASCENSION.

At the time of the start, Melville's balloon shot up from the slopes of Punchbowl hill, and very quickly reached an altitude of nearly 2,000 feet. The aeronaust was seen like a speck clinging to a rope below the balloon, but many minutes elapsed the huge inflated bag was noticed to be descending rapidly. There was no parachute jump, and the balloon reached the ground in the neighborhood of Kakaako.

By this time the five yachts had reached the harbor entrance, and the large quantity of sail that they spread gave a fascinating appearance to these aquatic racers. They kept well together as far as could be seen from the P. M. Co.'s wharf, and were closely followed by the steam tug Eleu, from the deck of which vessel their movements were more easily observed. The names of the five yachts were Heilani, Spray, Hawaii, Helene, and Kahilulani. These all started; but the latter, the Kahilulani, did not finish. At the stake boat, opposite the Hon. W. G. Irwin's residence, the following was the order in rounding: Hawaii 1st, Spray 2d, Heilani 3d, Helene 4th, Kahilulani 5th. At the Pearl Harbor stake boat the order was Helene 1st, Heilani 2d, Kahilulani 3d, Spray 4th. At the harbor entrance the order was: Heilani 1st, Helene 2d, Hawaii 3d, Spray 4th. The time taken by the yachts was: Heilani, 4 hours 8 minutes 32 seconds; Spray, 4 hours 14 minutes 16 seconds; Helene, 4 hours 14 minutes 30 seconds; Hawaii, 4 hours 16 minutes 4 seconds.

SECOND-CLASS YACHT RACE.

At 10 a.m. eight small yachts, under 5 tons register, started in the wake of the five larger ones that left the harbor half an hour ago. The spread of canvas was even larger in proportion than on the larger vessels, and the speed of these smaller craft appeared to be equally rapid. They all kept close together in rounding the reef, which operation was done in very beautiful style. The names of these yachts were Edith L., Koolini, Pooki, Laura, Onward, Laura Doone, Park street, and Pauline. The latter four, Onward, Laura Doone, Park street, and Pauline, did not finish. The time of these yachts was as follows: Edith L., 3 hours 49 seconds; Koohni, 3 hours 50 seconds; Pooki, 3 hours 21 minutes 41 seconds; Laura, 3 hours 24 minutes 32 seconds. Judge's decision withheld.

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