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Test Matches are again on the programme and ^hobins won the toss for England to put New Zealand in the field at Lord's. England's opening pair were a new experiment --- Hutton and Parks, but after 23 minutes Hutton was bowled for a duck. When Parks was out for 22 Hardstaff and Hammond made a useful stand. Hammond scored 140. (Hardstaff also scored a century, knocking up 114.) The First day's close of play was 370 for 7-- and everybody said New Zealand what now?

The world of science concentrated on Peru to observe and secure records of the total eclipse --- the longest for 1,200 years. 14,500 feet up, upon a peak in the Andes, expeditions set up their instruments where once the ancient Incas worshipped the sun-god. Slowly the moon begins to creep across the face of the su sun ---- the moon as near the earth as it ever comes --- 222,000 ---- the sun as far away 94 million miles. Now comes tatality with its fiery corona --- lasting seven minutes four seconds but providing scientists with material for years of study. The eclipse is ended, and the sun bursts forth again in all its splendour.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT LEEDS.

The Lord Mayor, Mr Tom Coombs, was present in Roundhay Park for Leeds' Childrens' Day, and sunshine smiled upon many bonny babies in a picturesque gathering. But it wasn't all sunshine and smiles. The Lady Mayoress crowned the Childrens' Day Queen

--- Miss Ivy Parsons, and the day concluded with Greek dancing and massed drill.