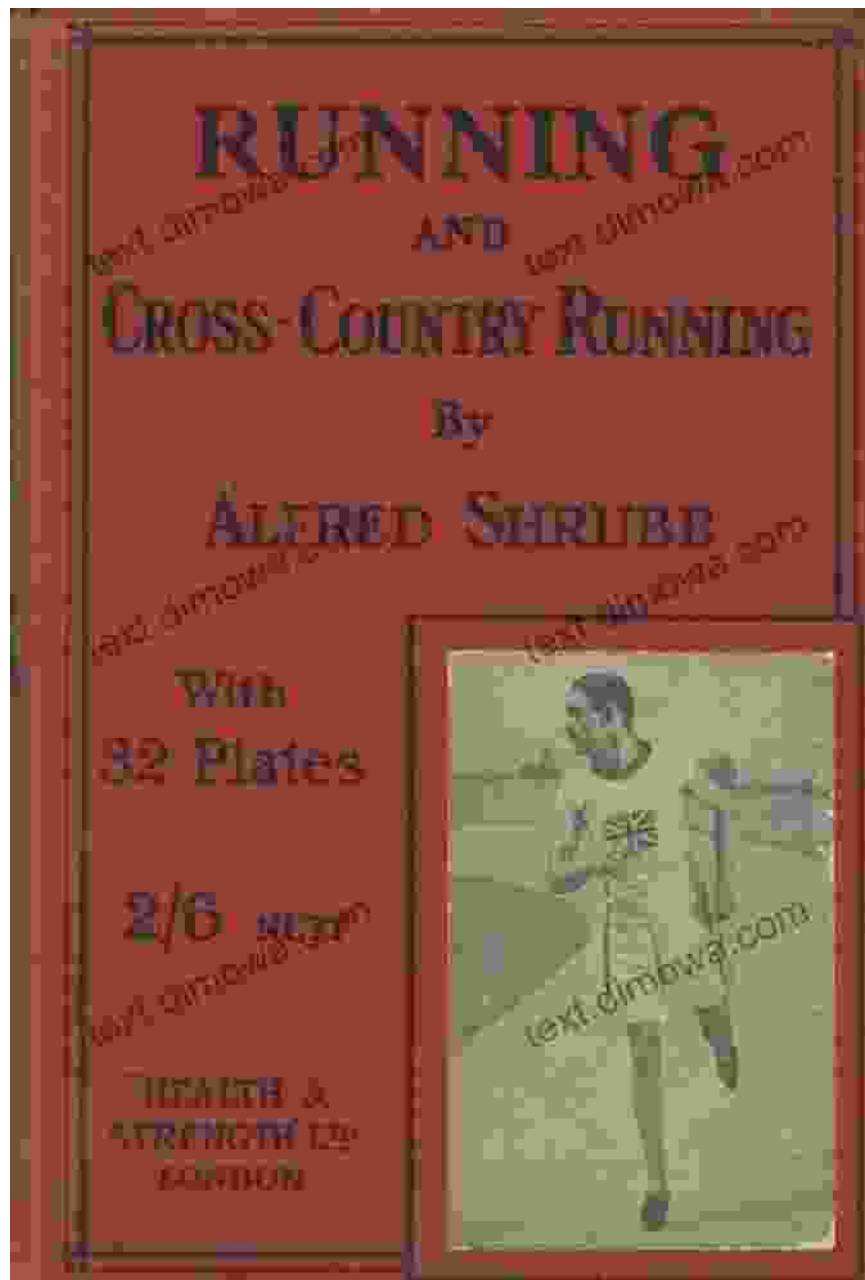


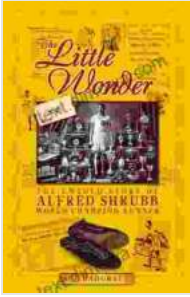
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Alfred Shrubbs was a British runner who won the marathon at the 1908 Olympics. He was also a talented cricketer and footballer, and he served in the British Army during World War I.

Shrubbs was born in 1879 in Sheffield, England. He began running as a child, and he quickly showed great promise. In 1904, he won the Sheffield Marathon, and in 1906, he won the British Marathon Championship.

In 1908, Shrubbs was selected to represent Great Britain in the Olympics. He was not expected to win the marathon, but he surprised everyone by finishing first in a time of 2:51:23.6. Shrubbs's victory was a major upset, and it made him a national hero.

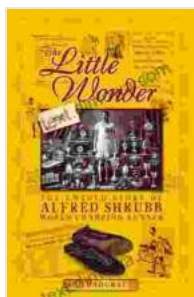
After the Olympics, Shrubbs continued to run. He won the British Marathon Championship again in 1909 and 1910. He also competed in the 1912 Olympics, but he did not finish the marathon.

In 1914, World War I broke out. Shrubbs enlisted in the British Army, and he served in France. He was wounded in action in 1916, and he was discharged from the army in 1917.

After the war, Shrubbs returned to running. He won the British Marathon Championship again in 1919 and 1920. He also competed in the 1920 Olympics, but he did not finish the marathon.

In 1922, Shrubbs emigrated to Canada. He continued to run, and he won the Canadian Marathon Championship in 1923. Shrubbs retired from running in 1925, and he died in 1964.

Alfred Shrubbs was a remarkable athlete. He was a world champion runner, a talented cricketer and footballer, and a brave soldier. He was a true sporting hero, and his story is an inspiration to us all.



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