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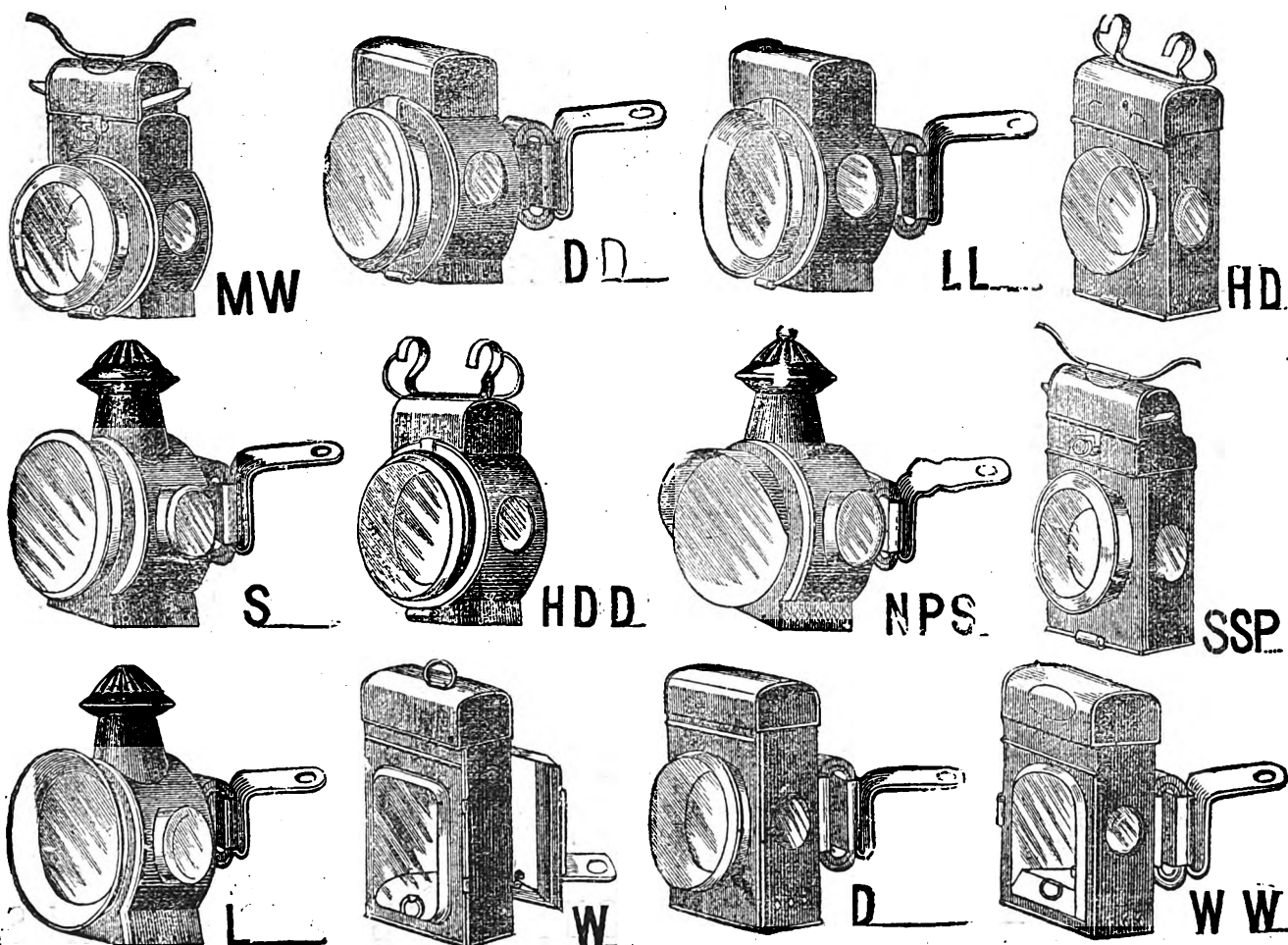
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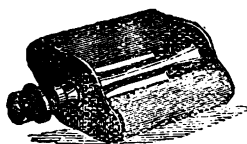
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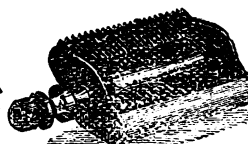
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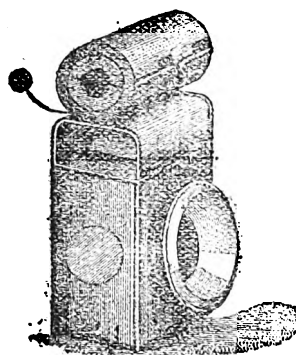
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CLUB FIXTURES.

SATURDAY, MAY 1st.

METROPOLITAN AND SUBURBAN.

ALERT.—Hdqt's, 4 p.m., for Broxbourne
ALBION.—Clapham Common, 3.30, for Sutton
ALWYNE.—Canonbury Station, 3.45, for South Mimms
ATALANTA.—Hdqt's, 3.15, for Oakham
ARION.—Victoria Embankment, 3.30, for Riddlesdown
BELGRAVE.—Richmond Hotel, 3.45, for Watford
BELSIZE.—Hdqt's, 3.30 p.m., for Watford
BRIXTON.—Hdqt's, 3.30 p.m., for West Wickham
BRIXTON RAMBLERS.—Hdqt's, 3.30 p.m., for Leatherhead
BEAUMOND.—Thorburn-sq, 3, for Chislehurst
CARLTON.—Marlboro'-rd, 3.30, for Twickenham
COMET.—Hdqt's, 3.30 p.m., for Brixhill, via Ewell
CANONBURY.—Canonbury Stn, 3.45, for Waltham-cross
CIVIL SERVICE (N. Div.).—Finchley Station, 3.30, for Lambourne End
CIVIL SERVICE (S. Div.).—Battersea Bridge, 3.30, for Keston
CLAPHAM.—Alexandra Hotel, 3.30, for Leatherhead
CRITERION.—Grammar School, 3.30, for Ridge
CENTAUR.—Hdqt's, 3 p.m., for Hampton Court
CRATON.—Bedford Place, 3.30, for Banstead
CLEVEDON.—Holland-road, 3.45, for Ham Common
CHISWICK.—Kew Bridge, 3.45, for Boxhill
CONCORD.—Hdqt's, 3.15 p.m., for Theydon Bois
CRICHTON.—Hdqt's, for Banstead
CRITERION.—Grammar School, 3.30 p.m., for Shenley
CAMBERWELL.—Hdqt's, 3.30, for Sunbury
DRUIDS.—Hdqt's, for Oakham
FOREST HILL.—Hdqt's, for Sevenoaks
FULHAM.—Hdqt's, 4 p.m., for Windsor
GRESHAM.—Hdqt's, 3.15, for Chigwell
HAMMERSMITH.—Hdqt's, 3.30, for Uxbridge
HERMITS.—Hdqt's, 3.45 p.m., for Rainham
HIGHGATE.—Northfield Hall, 3.45, for Harrow; 5.15, for Hendon
I ZINGARI.—Hdqt's, 2.30, for Pinner
KENT.—Black Horse, Catford, 3.45 for Sevenoaks
KENSINGTON.—W. Ken. Hotel, 3.30, for Windsor
KILDARE.—Hdqt's, for Ham Common
LARKHALL.—Hdqt's, 3.30 p.m., for Sutton
LEWISHAM.—Hdqt's, for Westerham
LONDON SCOTTISH.—Hdqt's, 3.30, for Waltham Abbey
MANSFIELD.—Hdqt's, 3, for Waltham Cross
MILDMAY.—Canonbury Station, 3.30 p.m., for Barnet
NORTH LONDON.—Canonbury Station, 4.0, for Stanmore
OWL.—Hackney Church, 4.0, for Cheshunt
PICKWICK.—Hdqt's, 4.0, for Broxbourne
RALEIGH.—Hdqt's, 4.0, for Waltham Abbey
RANGERS.—Hdqt's, 3.30 p.m., for South Mimms
REGENTS.—Stanhope-terrace, 3.15, for Hampton Court
ROVERS.—Stamford Hill, 4.30 p.m., for Southgate
RYE.—The Gardens, 3.45 p.m., for Banstead
SHAKESPEARE.—Hdqt's, 4 p.m., for Potter's Bar
SURREY UNITED.—3.30 p.m., for Cudham
STANLEY.—Hdqt's, 3.30, for St. Albans
STAR.—Hdqt's, 4 p.m., for Waltham Abbey
ST. GEORGE'S.—Hdqt's, 4 p.m., for Thames Ditton
ST. JAMES'S.—Langham Hotel, 3.30 p.m., for St. Albans
STOCKWELL.—Hdqt's, 3, for Walton-on-Thames
SATURN.—(both Divisions).—Hdqt's, 2.30, for Orpington
SOUTH LONDON HARRIERS.—Hdqt's, 3.45 p.m., for Leatherhead
SWIFTS.—Earlham-grove, 3.30, for Purfleet
SYDENHAM.—Kent House Road, 4 p.m., for R. dhill
TEMPLE.—Hdqt's, N. Div. for Cheshunt; S. Div. for Sevenoaks; E. Div. for Stavingey; W. and Cent. Div. for Ewell
TWICKENHAM.—Hdqt's, 3.30, for Ripley
TUDOR.—Royal Oak, 4 p.m., for Staines
TUNFELL.—Carlton Road, 3.30 p.m., for Waltham Cross, via Chingford, with Canonbury B.C.

UPTON PARK.—Hdqt's, 3.30, for Barnet
WANDERERS.—Windmill, Clapham Common, 3, for Reigate
WIDMORE.—Hoye's Lane, 3.45, for Ad-ington

PROVINCIAL.

ARGYLE AMATEURS.—(Swansea).—Hdqt's, 3, for Llanelly
BOROUGH OF TYNEMOUTH.—Hdqt's, 2.30, for Morpeth
BLUNDELLSANDS.—Crosby Station, 3.0, for Hale
BRADFORD.—Hdqt's, 2, for Bolton Woods
BRISTOL.—The Baths, 3.15, for Winscombe
CLIFTON.—Blackboy Hill, 3, for Chipping Sodbury
DEWSBURY.—Leeds Cutting, 2.30, for Leeds Horticultural Gardens
EDINBURGH ROVERS.—Hatton-place, 3.15, for Borthwick
EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY.—East Preston-st, 2.30, for Peebles
HEADINGLEY.—Hdqt's, 2.30, for Tewston
HUDDERSFIELD.—Hdqt's, 2.30 p.m., for Cannon Hall
KINGSTON.—Hdqt's, 4.0
LEEDS.—Crescent, Victoria-sq, 2.30 p.m., for Horticultural Gardens
LEEDS.—Hdqt's, 2.0, for Knaresboro'
NEWCASTLE AMATEURS.—Hdqt's, 2.30, for Morpeth
NORBITON.—Hdqt's, 3.30, for Brighton
NORTHUMBERLAND AMATEUR B.C.—Hdqt's, 2.15, for Sunderland
OLD TRAFFORD.—Hdqt's, 2.45, for Knutsford
ORMSKIRK.—Hdqt's, 3.45, for Southport
PRESTON.—Pleasure gardens, 3 p.m., for Whalley
ROAD.—Hdqt's, 3.30, for Club run
ROCHDALE.—Hdqt's, 2.30, for Didsbury
SOUTH DEVON.—Globe Hotel, Newton Abbott, 2.45, for Torquay
SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE.—Hdqt's, 2.30, for Tong
SWANSEA.—Hdqt's, 3.0, for Gower
YORK.—Bootham Bar, for Easingwold

RACES.

(OPEN AMATEUR EVENTS ONLY.)

[Notices for this column must be sent on a separate slip of paper, or on a Post Card.]

1st May—Aston Lower Grounds, Birmingham, two miles handicap
 1st May—Two miles handicap at Horninglow Athletic Sports, Burton-on-Trent
 5th May—Evening Race Meeting, at Stamford Bridge, London
 5th May—Dark Blue Races, Oxford
 8th May—North Warwickshire B.C. Races at Aston Lower Grounds, Birmingham, one mile handicap
 8th May—Burton-on-Trent F.C. Sports, two miles handicap
 17th May—One mile Amateur Athletic Sports, Burton-on-Trent
 17th May (Whit Monday)—Oddfellows' Sports, two bicycle handicaps, Coventry
 17th May—Open mile at Plymouth
 17th May—One mile and five miles handicaps for amateurs, at the Bat and Ball Grounds, Gravesend
 18th May—Two miles handicap, at Rural Fete, Canterbury
 18th May—Dark Blue B.C. Two Miles Invitation Handicap, Oxford
 22nd May—University B.C. Invitation Race, Cambridge
 22nd May—Athletic Meeting of United Lacross Clubs at Stamford Bridge, London
 22nd May—Edgbaston Crusaders' Sports at Aston Lower Grounds, Birmingham, one and three miles handicaps
 22nd May—Am. v. Pro. Races on the University Ground, Cambridge
 25th May—Am. v. Pro. Races on the University Ground, Cambridge
 5th June—At Dewsbury
 5th June—Annual Race Pickwick B.C., at Stamford Bridge
 12th June—Annual Race Meeting, Stanley B.C., at Page's Cricket Ground, Upper Holloway

12th June—Fourth Annual Race Meeting, Kingston B.C., at Sarbiton Grounds.
 19th June—Annual Races, London B.C., at Stamford Bridge.
 24th June—Race Meeting, Tufnell B.C., Page's Ground, Tufnell Park
 3rd July—Annual Races, Civil Service B.C., at Stamford Bridge
 10th July—Annual Races, Belgrave B.C., at Stamford Bridge
 10th July—Hayle Place, Annual Race Meeting, at Maidstone
 21st July—St. James's (S. Div.), Fifteen Miles Championship at Crystal Palace
 21st July—E.B.C. Races, three open events, at Eastbourne
 24th July—Lombard B.C., Annual Race Meeting, at Catford Bridge
 24th July—Annual Race Meeting, Arion B.C., at Stamford Bridge
 11th September—Races, I Zingari, at Stamford Bridge
 18th September—Autumn Races, Surrey B.C., at Kennington Oval
 Race meeting, Druids, end of September
 17th May—West Drayton handicaps, one and three miles

COMING CLUB RACES.

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May 3rd—Dark Blue B.C. at Oxford
 May 18th—Dark Blue B.C., at Oxford. Trial races

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO SECRETARIES.

On and after this date no Club doings can be inserted, unless received by Tuesday morning's post.

CLUB DOINGS.

NOTICE.

[As the interest of club men is naturally concentrated on their own club, and they care little for the doings of other associations, therefore, on behalf of the many, we must again request Hon. Secs. to forward their Club News on a Post Card, as all necessary information can be given in that space. Club News sent in any other way after this date will not be inserted.]

ALBION.—April 24th. Owing to the Surrey Sports there were only four members went for an impromptu run to Hampton Court. Members are requested to muster strongly for the run to Sutton on Saturday next, May 1st. Non-club men are welcome.—H. E. BARNETT, Hon. Sec.

ALWYNE.—Saturday, April 24th. Nine members and a friend started for Cheshunt. Roads very good. Tea was obtained at the Bell, at Enfield, on our return. A short distance from home a member's handle-bar came in two, and soon after the rim of the back wheel of another member's bicycle split. These two walked home in company.—J. N. BURKE, Sec.

ARION.—Sat., April 24th. Inter-run club with the Rovers. Meeting the members of this club at the Castle, Woodford, a short spin was taken to the Bald-Faced Stag, Buckhurst-hill, where tea was partaken of. "Not recommended." Most exorbitant price. Lamps were then lighted, and a pleasant three-mile run through Snakes-lane brought us to the Eagle, Snarebrook, where an hour was pleasantly passed in singing, &c., the start for home being made at 9.15.—A. R. BISHOP, Hon. Sec.

ATHENÆUM.—Saturday, April 24th. Nine members went to King's Langley. This is a pretty little place, and the roads round about are excellent, but the quality of its provisions is indifferent, and their quantity inconsiderable.—E. E. S., Hon. Sec.

ATALANTA.—Saturday, April 24th. Chertsey. Five members and one visitor carried out the run, the roads being in very good condition, via Roehampton-lane and Robin Hood. Tea at the celebrated Swan; very good and cheap. Bicyclists passing that way would do well to look in, as they will be sure to find everything to make them comfortable.—FRANK W. CLULOW, Hon. Sec.

AUFIELD.—At a meeting of bicyclists held at 15, Newbie-terrace, Belmont-road, Liverpool, April 3rd, it was decided to form a new club, to be called the Aufield Bicycle Club. The usual preliminary steps were taken, and the following officers elected:—Ed. Whitley, Esq., M.P., president; Mr. S. A. Chalk, vice-president; Mr. M. J. Whitty, captain; Messrs. D. Bell and P. C. Redman, sub-captains; Mr. S. Green, hon. sec. and treasurer. Committee: Messrs. J. Shier, A. Boole, and William Nampson, jun. Seventeen members were enrolled. Headquarters: Sandon Hotel, Oakfield-road.—S. GREEN, Hon. Sec.

BELGRAVE.—Saturday, April 24th. Ripley, via Roehampton-lane, Kingston, Esher, and Cobham. Tea at the Anchor. Three members and a member of the Kensington, after a stay at Wimbledon, proceeded on to Ditton, teating at the Angel. Members of other clubs are cordially invited to the smoking concert and dramatic entertainment on Tuesday next at the Richmond Hotel, Shepherd's Bush-road.—R. JOURNEN, Hon. Sec.

BELSIZE.—April 24, Elstree. Seven members and one visitor. Roads via Edgware very fair, and stones all worn down. Good tea at the Red Lion. Charges moderate. Home via

Barnet. Road to Barnet Gate very bad.—R. P. HAMPTON ROBERTS, Hon. Sec.

BRADFORD.—On account of rain and wind, the run to Bardsey was postponed. The few members who mustered in spite of the before-mentioned drawbacks had a short run of 21 miles through Kirkstall, Guiseley, and Shipley.—M. E. HOLDSWORTH, Hon. Sec.

BRIGHTON STAR.—Fifteen members of this club and two friends turned up for the run to Bramber on Saturday. A good tea was provided at the Castle Hotel, which was done ample justice to by the members, after having a good hard ride against a gale of wind. Roads very good. The return journey was commenced at 7.15, headquarters, being reached at 8.30.—W. H. COLLINS, Captain.

BRIXTON.—Six members to Banstead, two had tea at Woolpack, the others, arriving late, returned to Sutton for tea. Several visited Boxhill on following day, and one member, while on a circular run, succeeded in riding his D.H.F. Challenge up Reigate-hill.—G. McC., Captain.

BRIXTON RAMBLERS.—Twenty members to witness Surrey B.C. races. After which an impromptu run was arranged to Ewell. Tea at the Glynn Arms in company with two Norwood men. A start for home was made at 10 o'clock, and headquarters reached at 11.30 p.m.—F. G. DRAY, Hon. Sec.

BURTON-ON-TRENT.—April 24. Nine members met for the run to Uttoxeter via Hornington, Rolleston, Tutbury and Sulbury; distance travelled, 30 miles; roads very stony. The attention of bicyclists is called to the handsome prizes offered for competition here on Whit Monday. First prize value £15 15s., second £7 7s., third £3 3s., in a mile handicap.—S. HOWARTH, Hon. Sec.

CAMBERWELL.—Four members of this club and four of the Saturn to Croydon, on Saturday, the races at the Oval, and sundry marches out, preventing a larger muster. Caution to cyclists—beware of the Greyhound—he bites; we stopped there for tea. After charging separately for washing and 2s. for tea (eggs and jam), they had the cheek to stick on 2s. for attendance. We paid the bill, had a row with the ostler, and came away. Home reached at 10. Roads splendid, except where stony. Two members to Ripley on Sunday, and nine for Monday morning run.—Head quarters, on Saturday at 4 o'clock, sharp for Sunbury. I must press members to turn up on Monday morning next and every Monday morning at 6 sharp. It is absolutely necessary, for the Hampton Court meet, which we shall attend, is very near.—A. H. DALLMORE, Hon. Sec.

CARDIFF.—Most enjoyable run to Pontypridd and home Saturday, 24th inst. All members wore the new uniform. Tea was kindly provided at the sub-captain's house. Roads in good order. Moonlight run on Monday, 26th April.—W. M. JONES, Hon. Sec.

CHICHESTER AND DISTRICT.—Thurs., April 22nd. Eleven members to Westbourne and Emsworth, via Ashling and Funtington. Distance 17 miles. Roads good. Refreshments at Westbourne Coffee Tavern. Recommended.—V. V. VICK, Hon. Sec.

CHRISTCHURCH.—Thursday, April 22nd. Twelve members attended the opening run for Lymington, in company with eight of the Mudeford B.C. Road splendid.—C. W. BOLLARD, Hon. Sec.

CITY OF LONDON.—Sat. 24th. Ten members for Down, Kent. Tea at Weaver's. Very good indeed (1s. 3d.) Roads good. Two members for Rickmansworth. Roads good. Members are reminded of next social on May 6th, at 8 p.m. sharp. Visitors welcome. Saturday next, May 1st, Dean's Court at 3.15 for Barnet (by request).—J. DANKS, Hon. Sec.

CIVIL SERVICE.—The fixture to Sunbury was carried out on Saturday last by eight members. Tea at the Flower Pot; good. A committee meeting will be held on Monday, May 3rd, at the Occidental, at eight p.m.—C. SMART PERRING, Hon. Sec.

CLAPTON.—Saturday, 24th April. In consequence of the members wishing to attend the Surrey Club race meeting the run to Barnet was abandoned. Members who intend going to the Hampton Court meet, please take notice that the Wednesday evenings during May will be devoted to drilling for the meet, and it is advisable that they attend as many drills as possible. Fixture Saturday, 1st May. Headquarters 3.45 for Abridge.—H. HIGHSTED, Hon. Sec.

CLARENCE.—Sat., 24th. Eight members joined Kildare B.C. at their head quarters for run to Ewell, Glynn Arms; good accommodation. Tea, sports, and a pleasant ride made up the usual afternoon's amusement.—Saturday next, run to Pinner and one mile handicap for challenge prize; no entry need be made.—Geo. DUNFORD, Hon. Sec.

CLEVEDON.—April 24th. Five members attended the run, which was fixed for Esher, but owing to a delay on the outward journey, coupled with the rather threatening look of the weather, was curtailed at Kingston. A halt was made at the New Inn, Ham Common, and members will please take notice that it has been arranged to hold a social evening there, after the third monthly handicap, which takes place next Saturday. A good muster is requested, as it is expected we shall have a pleasant evening. Start, 4 o'clock sharp. Handicap, 5.30 and tea at 6 o'clock.—R. W. HOOKE, Hon. Sec.

CRICHTON.—April 24th. Thirteen members for Green-street Green, after witnessing some races near Bromley Common. Tea, Rose and Crown. Saturday next to Banstead with Croydon Bicycle Club.—ALFRED M. BOLTON, Hon. Sec.

CRITERION.—April 24th. Six members met for the run to Totteridge, which was extended to Highwood Hill, tea being obtained at the Rising Sun (not much accommodation for cyclists). Roads very fair, but rather dusty.—VAL. ROD. LONGMAN, Hon. Sec.

CROYDON.—24th April. Nine members had a very pleasant run with the Lewisham and Sydenham to Godstone. Usual capital T. C. accommodation at the Clayton Arms. Roads splendid.—J. W. SHARPE, Hon. Sec.

DUMFRIES.—Four members, Saturday, April 24th, went to Thornhill against perfect hurricane; visited museum. Tea at Buccleuch Arms (B.T.C.) good and moderate, and returned home in good form under the hour.—J. J. CLARK, Hon. Sec.

EAST ESSEX.—Clay Wall Cross, 5.45, for Yeldham Oak and Clare.—A. E. FOWLE, Hon. Sec.

EAST KENT.—Thursday, 22nd. Seventeen members, including the president (A. Tassell, Esq.), ran to Whitstable-on-Sea. Weather fine, and roads much improved by recent rains. On Monday, 26th, 12 ran to Lenham to witness firework display in connection with political demonstration.—E. H. COAST.

FOREST-HILL.—Tuesday, 20th. The opening evening club run took place this day, the destination being West Wickham, when, notwithstanding the short notice and inferior condition of the roads, nine members and a friend put in an appearance and had a pleasant run.—Thursday, 22nd. Eight members attended the evening run to Streatham. The run this evening will be to Weston.—Saturday, 24th inst. Ten members, with Felham B.C., to Caterham; head wind going. Tea at the Railway Hotel; charges high, not recommended. Easy run home, reaching headquarters about 9.30.—ANTHONY B. ACLE, Hon. Sec.

FULHAM.—The run last Saturday was to Walton-on-the-Thames and Chertsey. Being only a small muster, the run to Leatherhead was put off. Tea was obtained at the Crown, very good and reasonable. The roads were excellent, and the run was thoroughly enjoyed.—**WILLIAM EASY**, Hon. Sec.

GRESHAM.—April 24th. Harrow. Roads good. Very successful run.—**J. HOWARD**, Hon. Sec.

HEADINGLEY.—Five members turned up at headquarters at 7.15 p.m. on Thursday last for an impromptu run, but it was decided that before the run the club should proceed to the Horticultural Gardens for practice. After which we went as far as Poole and back, distance 12 miles. On account of the rain and wind on Saturday last the club did not turn out for usual run. All members are requested to turn up for run to Tadcaster on Saturday next.—**A. RALPH**, Hon. Sec.

HIGHGATE.—April 24th. The inter-club run with the N.I.B.C. to South Mimms was carried out by nine members of each club, and two friends. Tea having been previously ordered at the Old Salisbury, Barnet, a return was made to that hostelry, where full justice was done to the excellent fare provided at a moderate price. After spending an enjoyable evening, the return journey was commenced at 9.30. Roads good.—**A. GARLAND**, Hon. Sec.

HORNSEY.—Seven members to Lambourne End, via Woodford, roads not in first-rate condition. Tea at the Beehive; good and moderate. At this inn we fell in with the Raleigh and a division of the Stanley, and after a few songs, started for home in company, beings some 30 men in all.—**ALGERNON PROUT**, Hon. Sec.

I ZINGARI.—We are sorry to note that only three members of this club turned up at headquarters last Saturday for the invitation run with the Chiswick B.C. to Cobham. There being a head wind, travelling was not so comfortable, particularly when crossing Esher Common. The clubs encountered the traffic returning from Sandown Park. Good tea at Red Lion.—**MALCOLM J. R. DUNDAS**, Hon. Sec.

KENT.—Ten members had a very pleasant run to Igham on Saturday last.—**S. GRANT**, Sub-Captain.

KENT ROVERS.—Saturday last 16 members attended the club run to Swarley, in lieu of Snodland. The roads being in splendid condition the run was enjoyed by all, and home safely reached before dark.—Sunday, six members to Watlingtonbury. Roads in capital condition, but oh, the hills!—**W. MITCHELL**, Hon. Sec.

KILDARE.—Ten members carried out the inter-club run with the Clarence B.C. to Epsom. Tea at the Glynn Arms, Ewell, where, as usual, we found everything perfection. After tea, some capital wrestling came off between the clubs, much to the amusement of "Mine Host," the Clarence men decidedly carrying off the palm. The return journey was started at 9.5, reaching headquarters by 11 o'clock; roads in capital condition. The second monthly handicap for Club Badge takes place on Saturday next. Who's to wear it at the H. C. M.?—**WM. JAMES HARVEY**, Hon. Sec.

KINGSTON.—The first of the evening runs took place on Wednesday, the 21st inst. Starting from headquarters, the road to Esher was taken against a strong head wind. On turning to the right, however, the wind was favourable, and a very enjoyable run was had through Horsham and Walton, returning via Molesey. Owing to the attractions at the Oval and at Sandown Park, the run to Chertsey on Saturday was very poorly attended. Tea was had at the Swan, which can be highly recommended.—**G. LAWRENCE**, Hon. Sec.

LARKHALL.—Only four members to Kennington Oval and three for run. All communications to the hon. sec. to be addressed to Headquarters, Raby Castle, Esher-street, Upper Kennington-lane, instead of private address, in future.—**H. E. B.**, Hon. Sec.

LEE ROVERS.—Eight members and friend to see the Bromley Races, after which we went to the Rose and Crown, Green-street, Green, where we had tea, after which some friendly chit-chat was indulged in. Lamps were lit and home reached about 10 o'clock.—**H. GRIFFIN**, Hon. Sec.

LONDON SCOTTISH.—Captain and secretary rode to Woodford on Saturday last, most of the other riding members witnessing races of Surrey B.C. Members are reminded that the first official club meet takes place on Saturday next for Waltham Abbey.—**THOMAS MURRAY**, Hon. Sec.

MANSFIELD.—This club held their first annual dinner at the Bell and Horns, Highgate, on the 21st inst., when a very pleasant evening was spent by the members and their friends.—**A. WADE**, Hon. Sec.

MILDMAY.—Run to Enfield abandoned in consequence of threatening state of weather.—**A. KAY**, Hon. Sec.

NORBITON.—The president and vice-president of this club joined in the run to Ripley on Saturday last; enjoyed a very pleasant run. Tea being obtained at the Anchor, the start for home was made at 7.30 p.m., Norbiton being safely reached at 8.45.—**W. M. ALLINDER**, Hon. Sec.

NORTH LONDON.—Thursday, April 22nd. Evening run, seven members; circular run via Finchley and Highgate; roads rather heavy, but splendid moonlight night.—Saturday, April 24th. Ten members to South Mimms in company with Highgate B.C., returned to Barnet (Salisbury Hotel) to tea. After a very pleasant evening, saddles were resumed at 9.30, and head quarters reached in good time.—**ARTHUR BENNETT**, Hon. Sec.

OWL.—Saturday, April 24th. Eight members to the Alexandra Palace to see the Alert B.C. races. After the racing about 30 members and friends of the two clubs sat down to a knife and fork tea at the Alexandra Park Tavern; also several lady friends of the Alerts honoured us with their presence at the table. After tea a most enjoyable evening was spent. Home was reached at 11 o'clock with the Alerts.—**FRED. A. MCCLUER**, Hon. Sec.

PELHAM.—Ten members to Caterham on Saturday last, with same number to Forest-hill B.C. Tea at Railway Hotel; rather expensive. Roads dusty, but otherwise in good order. Inter-club run on Saturday, May 1st, to Redhill with Sydenham B.C. At a special meeting, held last week, C. S. Arliss was elected sub-captain in place of Mr. Williams (resigned), and a vacancy on the committee filled up.—**JAMES C. WATSON**, Hon. Sec.

RALEIGH.—Sat., April 24th. Eight members to Lambourne End. Tea at the Beehive. Roads glorious.—**B. GLANVILLE PREECE**, Hon. Sec.

RANGERS.—Six members and a number of the Carlton B.C. left headquarters Saturday last for Ruislip, but owing to the bad roads and the high wind a halt was made at Southall, where a good tea was obtained at the Red Lion (recommended). After a game of billiards and a few songs, the home journey was made at 8 p.m., headquarters being reached at 10.10 p.m. Roads through Willesden bad.—**H. SCALE**, Hon. Sec.

ROAD.—The annual general meeting of this club was held on the 12th inst. The following officers were elected for the ensuing season:—Messrs. E. Graham, captain; F. Strange, sub-captain; H. R. Green, treasurer. Committee:—**F. W. Williams**, **F. H. Holmes**,

James Nicholl, **E. Holmes**, **C. J. Phillips**.—Hon. Sec., **CHARLES GREEN**.

RYE.—April 17th. Seven members to Farnborough. Roads good. Tea at New Inn. Recommended.—April 24th. Owing to the threatening weather, only three completed run to Mersham; roads excellent. Tea obtained at Feathers; good as usual.

SATURN.—A general meeting was held on Thursday, 22nd inst., at which it was decided to change present head quarters to the Union, Vassall-road, Brixton-road, where every accommodation can be offered to members, including private club-room, billiard-room, and grounds at the back almost large enough to hold a race meeting on. The club will please muster on and after Saturday next at address as above. A motion was brought forward advocating the advisability of joining the Bicycle Union, but was lost by a large majority.—Saturday 24th. Inter-run with Camberwell B. C. Four members only of each club turned up for the inter-run to Croydon, the attractions at the Oval proving too great. Tea was obtained at the Greyhound, a house certainly not to be recommended; fare indifferent, charges high, owner insolent. We decidedly do not intend to visit this establishment again. A quick run home was made, the weather looking rather threatening.—**ROWLAND HODGE**, Hon. Sec.

SATURN.—Four members with the Camberwell B.C. to Croydon. Tea at the Greyhound, High-street, where the prices are "hot." Headquarters was reached at 9.30 p.m., after a very pleasant run. Members are reminded that they have to muster in future at our new head quarters, the Union, Vassall-road.—**R. VAZIE-SIMONS**, Captain.

SHAKESPEARE.—Three members to Waltham Abbey. Tea at the New Inn.—**T. BENOE, jun.**, Hon. Sec.

SHEPPY.—Saturday being the first weekly run of the season, twelve members put in appearance, and had a run to Eastchurch; roads fair. On arriving at the club-house the members adjourned to the club-room, and spent the rest of the evening in singing. The president, Mr. McGuire, opened the evening's entertainment by giving a recitation, after which the toast of the club was given. Several songs by different members brought an enjoyable evening to a close.—**R. MAOSNEW**, Hon. Sec.

SOUTH HORNSEY.—Last Saturday's run to South Mimms was attended by seven members. Part of the journey we were joined by seven members of the Golden Eagle, which made an enjoyable ride as far as Barnet. Tea at the White Hart; recommended. On the return journey we spent an hour's enjoyment at the King of Prussia, Barnet, and were joined by another member of the S.H.B.C. Members please take notice that in future there will be an impromptu run on Wednesday and Friday evenings; meet at headquarters at 8 p.m. sharp.—**J. C. BANGS**, Hon. Sec.

SOUTH LONDON HARRIERS.—On Saturday last the Surrey race meeting proved too great an attraction, consequently the ride to Mersham was abandoned. It hoped all the members will attend next Saturday's ride to Leatherhead.—**H. W. EVITT**, Hon. Sec.

STANLEY.—A paper chase will be held on Saturday, May 8th, at which members of other clubs are invited. Particulars next week.—**C. M. H. SWAN**, Captain.

STANLEY.—Members are informed that their subscriptions are now due, and should be forwarded to Mr. W. J. Corder, hon. treasurer, 53, Aldermanbury. The new Pocket Book will be sent to the members next week.—**ARTHUR FOX**, Hon. Sec.

STANLEY.—Thirteen members ran last Saturday to Lambourne. Tea at the Bee-

hive, good. The return journey was made in company of the Hornsey, Raleigh, and Metropolitan Clubs, an excellent effect being made by the long procession of lighted lamps, complimentary expressions being heard from many pedestrians.—W. J. CORDER, Hon. Treasurer.

STAR.—Nineteen members and a friend turned up for the run last Saturday to Enfield (Botany Bay); tea at the George Inn.—R. STARKEY, Hon. Sec.

ST. GEORGE'S.—Seven members rode to Hayes last Saturday afternoon, where the one mile championship race was decided. Three started, viz., Messrs. H. Talling, L. Talling, and Saunders. A very close race between H. Talling and Saunders, the former winning by 2 yards in 3 min. After the race tea was had at the Angel (good). Start for home made at 8.20; head-quarters reached at 10.30.—H. W. K. HOUSEMAN, Hon. Sec.

ST. JAMES'.—At a general meeting held at the new headquarters, the Northumberland Hotel, Charing Cross, on the 19th inst., two new members were elected; it was also decided that the run at Whitsun should be to Brighton, and to Oxford on the August Bank Holiday. Members who have not yet got their uniforms are requested to order the same at once of Messrs. Clare and Son, 70, Fenchurch-street, E.C.—W. P. GIBB, Hon. Sec.

ST. JAMES'.—Seven members with one member of Pickwick B.C. and a friend to Hampton Court on Saturday last. Tea at the King's Arms Hotel; recommended. Rode as far as Kingston, on the return journey, with the Zephyr B.C. The start next Saturday will be made from the Langham at 3.30 p.m. sharp, as the run is rather a long one.—W. P. GIBB, Hon. Sec.

STOCKWELL.—In consequence of Surrey Bicycle Races at Kennington Oval, only four members started for run to Hayes, three more meeting them at Mitcham on their return home. A very pleasant run was made, and good tea obtained at the George Hotel. A delightful moonlight spin home, but unfortunately a new rider tried to do a little "stone smashing," and came to grief, so had to obtain assistance from the railway company.—J. GLINDON, Hon. Sec.

STROLLERS.—At a meeting held on the 26th inst. at the Franklin Hall, Oxford-street, for the purpose of election, the following appointments were made:—Mr. J. B. Everall, captain; Mr. R. Walton, sub-captain; Mr. F. Buckingham, bugler, and Mr. H. C. Flintan, hon. secretary and treasurer. It was also resolved that the Craven Arms, Northumberland-avenue, should be chosen for headquarters.—H. C. FLINTAN, Hon. Sec.

SUTTON.—Saturday, 21th. The run was altered from Esher to Oclam, on account of the Sandown Park Races. Weather and roads all that could be desired. The usual good fare was partaken of at the Hautboy and Fiddle. Friday is fixed for our next "social," at 8.30 p.m. headquarters.—R. S. FARDEN, Hon. Sec.

SYDENHAM.—Ten members and a friend to Godstone, joining the Croydon and Lewisham B.C.'s at the Black Horse, Addiscombe. The customary good fare was provided at the Clayton Arms, and followed by a good round of merry songs. Roads in good condition.—W. S. P., Captain.

TEMPLE.—The third annual club run to Maidenhead to meet the Dark Blue B.C. will take place on Saturday, the 8th May. The arrangements are as follows:—To leave the Temple Station at 12, Hounslow (cross roads) 1.30, Colnbrook at 3, arrive at White Hart, Maidenhead, at 4; knife and fork tea at 5 p.m. Members are requested to wear complete uniform and to bring their lamps, also to inform the captain, Mr. E. S. Gaisford, at 1, Mitre Court, Temple, whether or not they will attend.—F. STEVENS, Hon. Sec.—North Division.

Seven members turned up for the run to Pinner, where the West Division was met. Tea was had at the Queen's Head for the moderate sum of 1s; recommended. Roads in fair condition. J. B. B. WELLINGTON, Sub. Capt.—South Division. Eight members to Godstone. Tea at the Bell; reasonable. Songs and music after with the Croydon and Lewisham B.C.'s. Home by moonlight. H. M. SIMPSON, Div. Capt.

TEMPLE.—N. DIVISION: Ten members turned up for the run to Stanmore. The lanes were in fair condition. Good tea at the Abercorn Arms.—L. ALLEN, Division Captain.—S. DIVISION: Seven members turned up at Merton for the run to Sunbury, which was not carried out, but went to Mersham with Central Division instead, and was very much enjoyed by all. The 15 miles' championship race of this division will be held at the Crystal Palace, on Saturday, July 31st.—H. M. SIMPSON, Division Captain.—N.B.—The above was mislaid last week.

TEMPLE.—Central Division. Last Saturday to Hampton Court; we were joined by the vice-president. Tea at the Cardinal Wolsey. The run for next Saturday to Ewell will be extended to Leatherhead.—E. M. STALMAN, Sub-Captain.

TEMPLE (East Division).—Three members only turned up on Saturday last, when it was agreed to alter the run from Epping to Abridge. G. R. GLANFIELD, Captain.

TOTTENHAM.—Ten members mustered for run to Hatfield. The destination, however, was altered to Potter's Bar. Tea at the White Horse; highly recommended. Going we had a nasty head wind to contend against, but the return journey was simply perfection. The roads are in a very fair condition for the time of season. Our captain is in hopes of meeting a good number of members on Saturday next for run to Chigwell.—A. W. DAVIS, Hon. Sec.

TOWER HAMLETS B.C.—Saturday, April 24th. Six members to Epping; roads good; tea at the Thatched House; home with two friends. Two members stayed at Woodford and ran to Hadley via Enfield. Dined at King's Arms, Enfield (recommended). Home through Barnet after a very pleasant run.—A. MEMBER T.H.B.C.

TUFNELL.—Saturday, 24th. Run to Havering, returning about 8.30. Our headquarters were reached after a very jolly ride, about 9.45 p.m. Members are reminded of run with Canonbury B.C. next Saturday. Any who are late at Carleton-road will please make their way to Manor House where C.B.C. will meet us at 4 p.m. sharp. Practice will be held for H.C. meet every Wednesday at 7.30 p.m., commencing with May 5th, and from 18th to 21st inclusive each evening. It is hoped that members will do their best to be present on each occasion.—W. M. MORRIS, Hon. Sec.

TUDOR, CRICKLEWOOD.—Saturday, 24th. The run to Potter's Bar was not carried out, as our members attended the Surrey Races at the Oval. The run next Saturday will be to Staines, meeting at the Royal Oak, Harlesden, at four p.m.—W. M. ROBERTS, Hon. Sec. T.B.C.

UPTON PARK.—Saturday, April 24th. Ten members (one on a tricycle) went to Lambourne End, eight of them without dismounting. A very good tea was partaken of at the Beehive. Roads good as far as Chigwell-row, but rutty and loose after. Members to assemble on Whit Monday at H.Q. at 6 a.m. for South-end, via Billericay.—ARTHUR H. OUGH, Hon. Sec.

WESTERN RAMBLERS.—Only two members turned up for the first run of the season on April 17th. The day was extremely windy, so the place of destination was altered from Ledbury to the Rhydd. On the 20th four members and a friend rode to Upton. Roads

fair to the Rhydd; afterwards very heavy from storms. On the 21st the weather was extremely windy and threatening; so only two members turned up for the club run, which was shortened from the Hundred House to Droitwich. The two who went did not by any means regret it, in spite of the wind being dead against them coming back, as the roads were very fair indeed, and the weather held up wonderfully well. On the 22nd three members and a friend rode to Worcester, and two stayed there while the other two went on to Droitwich. The weather again held up very well, and the wind was much less than on the preceding run.—FREDERICK C. WILSON, Hon. Sec.

WIGAN.—Saturday, April 24th. Ten members to Whittle Springs. Tea at the gardens. Good and moderate. Roads splendid. At a meeting held last Wednesday, it was decided to accept challenge of the Southport B.C. for an inter-club race, to be held May 29th, 1880. A vote of thanks was then passed to the president (W.B.C.), Lord Lindsay, M.P., and his father, the Earl of Crawford and Balcarres, for allowing the members to take runs in the beautiful grounds of Haigh Park.

WOOD-GREEN.—Last Saturday seven members and one stranger started from headquarters and rode to Barnet, where two remained, the rest going on to St. Albans, where they put up at Gentle's (who, as usual, satisfied everybody). The return journey was commenced at 6.30, and at Barnet four other members were met. The ride was a very enjoyable one, though a slight accident happened to the second bugler, R. Loftus, who, whilst riding down Ridge-hill, went a severe cropper over his handles. Meet next Saturday at headquarters, King's Arms, Wood-green, at 3.45 for Ilford.—B. SURGEY, Captain.

MISCELLANEA.

LORD LINDSAY AND THE WIGAN BICYCLE CLUB.

A correspondent writes:—Some fortnight ago the Secretary of the Wigan Bicycle Club wrote to Lord Lindsay and requested permission to take runs in Haigh Park. Some people said it was ridiculous and others characterised it as insane. However, the Secretary had a strong opinion of his own on the subject and a stronger one of Lord Lindsay's generosity; so he sent the letter. You may imagine that the answer was looked forward to among bicyclists with very considerable interest, and great was the joy of the W. B. C. when they heard that his Lordship's agent had called upon the secretary and informed him that permission was granted to take their runs in that noble demesne. But it must be very clearly understood that members of the W. B. C., and they alone, are the favoured mortals, and any one other than a member will place himself in a very dangerous predicament by going into the park. The thanks of the club have been forwarded to his Lordship. I am sure this conduct of his will be long remembered among bicyclists and their friends and will tend to make his very popular name still more popular, and will be another bond between the house of Haigh and the ancient and loyal borough of Wigan.

REVIEW.

"THE WHEEL WORLD," A BICYCLING AND TRICYCLING, MONTHLY AND ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE OF SPORT, PRICE 3d. ETHERINGTON AND CO.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that we welcome the appearance of yet another pub-

lication devoted to wheel sports. Bicyclists in general are well supplied by the *Bicycling Times* with exhaustive information as to the various current events of interest which occur weekly, but the collection of all cycling news into the form of a monthly magazine has hitherto resulted in comparative, if not actual failure. The new magazine has sprung at once into a vigorous existence, which is not to be wondered at, as it consists of over 100 pages, capably printed and thoroughly well got up, profusely illustrated with quaint little sketches and more ambitious caricatures free from all personalities, and bound in a most attractive illustrated cover. The *Wheel World* thoroughly satisfies the expectant members of the bicycling public who have been looking forward with pleasurable anticipations for its production. Its size (the same as the well known magazine *Belgravia*) is a very handy one, and the contents, embracing every branch of the sport, are for the most part arranged in the now fashionable paragraphic style. It is really a capital 3d. worth, and, mark this fact, like the *Bicycling Times*, its pages are cut. We wish the *Wheel World* every possible success, which it thoroughly deserves.

WESTERN COUNTIES BICYCLE MEET AT PLYMOUTH.

This meet is again announced for Whit-Monday, being the third year of its occurrence, and will, as in previous years, be followed by the Plymouth B.C. Annual Race meeting, the meet being as before held under the auspices of that club.

We are informed the prospect's of success this year far exceed anything held in the West of England, as it is expected that 300 will attend. Should this prove true, it will shew once more how universal our sport is becoming throughout the country, for only a year or two ago bicycles were a rarity in any number in Devon and Cornwall, whilst clubs are now springing up in every direction. The P.B.C. races will take place again in the Royal Marine Barracks, the prizes being valued at over 35 guineas. The following is a brief programme of the proceedings:—At noon the clubs, &c., will meet on the celebrated Plymouth Hoe, a fine bicycle promenade, and, after forming into procession, ride off to the racecourse, where the following races are set down:—1st race, without handles (open), prizes value £2 2s. 6d.; 2nd, open mile race, prizes value £6 14s. 6d.; 3rd, slow race (open), prizes value £1 16s.; 4th, grand challenge race for cup (open to all club men), value £6 6s., and medals value £2; 5th, P.B.C. handicap, prizes value £7 16s.; 6th, three-mile race (open to club men), medals and prizes value £7; 7th, mounting and dismounting race (open), prizes value £2 10s.; 8th, consolation race. Entries close Wednesday, May 12th, at noon. Entry forms, &c., can be obtained of the hon. sec., Mr. F. Tremain.

HIGHBURY BICYCLE CLUB.—SOCIAL EVENING.

The last "social" of the season was held on Thursday, the 22nd inst., at Headquarters. Thirty members and friends sat down to a capital supper, which was done full justice to. After supper we were strengthened

by about 20 friends, making together about 50. The captain in the chair, and sub-captain in the vice-chair.

After the usual loyal toasts, the Sub-Captain (Mr. de Pinna) proposed the health of the captain, which was drunk with musical honours. The Captain responded, and proposed the sub-captain and officers, which was duly honoured.

"The Press" was responded to by Mr. Moore and Mr. Nairn.

During the evening a cup was presented to Mr. A. B. Rayment for the best attendance during the winter season, he only having missed one run.

The rest of the evening was devoted to harmony. The following are some of the songs:—Mr. Scrivener "The Tar's Farewell" and "The Silver Cup"; Mr. Goodisson, "The Muddle Puddle Porter" and "The Shoreditch Toff"; Mr. de Pinna, "Sir Joseph"; Mr. W. Paul, "Bay of Biscay" and "Hearts of Oak"; Mr. Fone, "Grime's Little Dog"; Mr. Beck, "The Girl in the Pinafore Dress"; Mr. Morris, "Says Aaron unto Moses"; Mr. Cherry, recitation, "Me want to fly"; Mr. Rayment, "Nimble Dick"; Mr. Vowler, "Hang his old body"; Mr. Moore, "Neat Jeannie Johnson."

Mr. Morris kindly officiated at the piano in his usual masterly style.

LEAMINGTON AND SOUTH WARWICKSHIRE BICYCLE CLUB.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

The fourth annual dinner of the members and friends of this club took place on Friday evening last at the Crown Hotel. In the absence of the president of the club, Mr. George Wise, J.P., the chair was taken by the Mayor (Mr. T. Muddeman), and the vice-chair by Mr. J. Anthony Locke (vice-president). There were over 50 sat down to dinner. The clubs represented were the Northamptonshire Club by Mr. A. E. Daniels and Mr. Mark; the Banbury Club by Mr. H. E. Flowers and Mr. F. W. Mousir; and the Redditch Club by Mr. F. Howard Warner.

Before commencing the toast list, the Mayor announced that the esteemed president of the club, Mr. George Wise, who was unavoidably prevented from being present, had requested that the Challenge Cup, presented by himself, and which must be won three times by the same competitor before becoming his property, might be filled with champagne to shew that he had not forgotten them and that the company had not forgotten him. His worship then drank from the loving cup, and the company followed his example.

The usual loyal toasts having been duly honoured,

Mr. Councillor Eyres proposed "The Army, Navy, and Reserve Forces."

Q.M.S. Beck responded.

Mr. Councillor Gilbert, in most suitable terms, gave "Success to the Leamington and South Warwickshire Bicycle Club." He spoke in high terms of the value of bicycling and warmly commended the recreation to the support of his fellow-townsmen. He specially appealed to the public to encourage the local club in organising a gala day for the bicyclists of the Midland Counties, and added that the forthcoming Whit Monday meet would be one of the most

attractive character. After offering some excellent advice to the members, he expressed his best wishes for the success of the Club. He coupled with the toast the name of the esteemed vice-president of the club Mr. J. A. Locke.

The Vice-President appropriately acknowledged the compliment, and incidentally alluded to the interest which he took in bicycling, as a source of profitable amusement. Although not a bicyclist himself, he did his utmost to promote the interests of the club, because he liked to see young men enjoying themselves. Referring to the next Whit Monday Midland Bicycle Meeting, Mr. Locke said that the event would be a red-letter day, and draw representatives of the best local clubs in the Midlands. Mr. Locke expressed the sincere regret of all present at the absence of Mr. George Wise, and read the following telegram received during the afternoon: "Very sorry, cannot be with you. I'll be with you next Monday. Best wishes to my boys." This was the first anniversary dinner that Mr. George Wise had been unable to attend.

Mr. A. B. Cunnew proposed "The Neighbouring Clubs," and hoped that the friendship between the different clubs and our own still existed, as it had for many years. He then alluded to the Whit Monday meet, and felt sure that it would be supported by the different clubs with the same spirit as on former occasions. He coupled with the toast the names of Mr. F. H. Warner, Mr. H. E. Flowers, and Mr. A. E. Daniels.

Mr. H. E. Flowers, in responding, hoped he would have the pleasure of meeting the Leamington Club on the road with his own club again this year, and mentioned there was no club they enjoyed tea with more than the Leamington Club.

Mr. F. H. Warner expressed the great pleasure it gave him in attending the annual dinner of the club, and always enjoyed the company of the members of the Leamington B.C. He hoped the different clubs would support the Midland meet this year, especially as the Leamington Club worked it at a great deal of trouble and expense.

Mr. A. E. Daniels also responded, and expressed the pleasure he had in meeting the members of the club again, and said that the Leamington B.C. was looked upon as the leading club in the Midlands.

Mr. Councillor Wippell proposed "The Health of the Mayor."

The Mayor, in responding, extolled bicycling.

Mr. Councillor Lee proposed "The Vice-President, Hon. Secretary, and other officers." He complimented Mr. Locke, and said that bicyclists throughout the Midlands appreciated his exertions in behalf of bicycling.

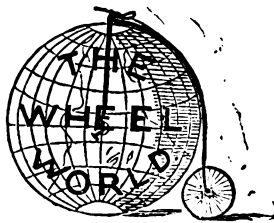
The Vice-President, Mr. McNicoll, and Mr. Tattersfield responded.

Mr. Hancock proposed "The Visitors," for whom Mr. Prickett and Mr. Clark returned thanks.

Mr. Vivian proposed "The Ladies."

Mr. Churchwarden Garrad acknowledged the compliment.

This concluded the proceedings, which were of the most enjoyable nature, the pleasure of the evening having been greatly enhanced by the admirable singing of several gentlemen present.



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Bicycling Times,

APRIL 29, 1880.

It is an old adage, but nevertheless a very true one that nothing succeeds like success, as an example of which we need only point to the grand meeting of the Surrey B. C. at Kennington Oval on Saturday last.

There were not wanting wiseacres who shook their heads knowingly, and gravely gave it as their opinion that the decided action this leading club had taken with regard to the Bicycle Union, and the much vexed amateur question would render the usually successful meeting at the Oval a failure from a racing point of view; as they ventured to predict that the majority of the noted flyers would decline to run at a meeting where the right of protest had been denied them. But the result has proved otherwise, with one notable exception, nearly all those men who have any claim to be considered cracks put in an appearance and started without a murmur of discontent at what is in certain quarters considered a terrible grievance. The anti-Union crusaders could not, when the time arrived, find a single man who saw the necessity, or if he did, who had the pluck to put his foot down and say that he thought the Surrey B. C. had done wrong in taking the course they had, and, as a matter of form, merely protesting against the gentleman for whose retirement from the amateur ranks the anti-unionists are clamorous. Does not the result prove that the Surrey have done no more than take action according to the well understood feelings of those who have the best right to be consulted, namely, the racing majority? We now trust that once for all the mumblings and grumbings of these anti-

unionists will be silenced, and we shall hear no more of their idiotic utterances.

When we say anti-unionists, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we refer merely to those whose opposition to the representative body is active, and not to the mass of non-unionists, the majority of whom are without prejudice in the matter and may be some day numbered amongst the Union's most active supporters.

RACING NOTES.

Over 6,000 passed the turnstiles at the Oval on Saturday last; this comes of the high position and standing of the old club, to say nothing of the fine sport always to be witnessed there.

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Cortis evidently means adding that handsome 50 guinea cup to his collection. I should advise some club to offer a huge second-hand safe as a first. Cortis will surely go for it.

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I see Messrs. Chambers, Hassall, Shaw, Cleaver, Ainslie, Wynne, Runtz, and Kemp are amongst the competitors expected to compete in the Three Mile Invitation Race in connection with the C.U.B.C.

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I was glad to see old friends and faces at the Oval as usual, but sorry to see that a few of the two-to-one-bar-one party also managed to ply their vocation. This is the first time I've seen them at the S.B.C.—hope it will be the last.

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What a murderous weapon Welby handled.

* *

A *la* grasshopper appears to be the present style in racing. The majority of starters in the Surrey B.C.—Ten Miles adopted this method; any way it certainly does not compare favourably with Keen and others, but appears to be conducive of pace.

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Why did H. L. C. hold up his hands signifying silence to occupants of the reserved at the Oval? Many want to know, was it a spasm, or a fast lap?

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After all, record was not knocked to pieces on Saturday at Leicester. I had been informed on good authority that Derk had been doing inside 15 minutes in his trials at Coventry so fully anticipated at least 14 minutes 30 seconds in lieu of 15 minutes 46 seconds.

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I see Keen is reported to have ridden a 56-inch Eclipse with an improved hollow rim. Something new this for Jack.

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A new club called the Aufield has just been formed in Liverpool. Mr. S. Green is the hon. sec.

Great things were expected of H. V. Cleaver, for whom the Two Miles Open at Stamford Bridge, on Saturday last was looked on by some as a certainty, but he failed to satisfy the expectations of his fanciers, and just got knocked out of a place in the final.

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Mr. C. Weaton, the well-known bicycle maker of Long, Acre tell us that he is busily engaged perfecting a new bicycle, which he expects shortly to introduce to the riding public. As Mr. Weaton is eminently practical in all he does, and is himself an enthusiast in the cause, we may expect ere long to have the pleasure of telling our readers that we have seen something wonderful.

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The committee of the Cambridge University B.C. have arranged, under the sanction of the Bicycle Union, a mile and ten mile match between Keen and Cooper as professionals, and the Hon. J. Keith Falconer (C. U. B. C.), C. A. Palmer (North Warwickshire B. C.), and W. T. Thorne (London B. C.). Where, oh where, is Cortis?

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Liles, of the Temple B. C., ran into a first on Saturday at the Royal School of Mines sports held at Stamford Bridge. He too is a promising man for season 1880. Before the close he will find himself not far off the scratch man.

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What has become of Osborne, Wyndham, McWilliam, and others?

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The following open races are announced for Whit Monday at West Drayton Bicycle Grounds:—A Three Miles Handicap and a One Mile Novices Handicap. The events will be decided under Union rules.

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A ten miles professional handicap will be run off at Southampton on Saturday next. Mr. C. J. Fox, jun., *Bicycling Times*, will act as judge. The list of competitors will be seen by referring to the advertisement on page 376.

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A five miles amateur handicap will take place at the Agricultural Hall on Saturday next. Entries should be sent before Friday next to the *Bicycling Times*, who will appoint judge.

SCRUTATOR.

A CORRECTION.—In our report of the Grosvenor Football Club Sports at Windsor, the Mr. Kearly who is mentioned as having run in the bicycle race is a member of the Crescent Football Club and should not be confounded with Mr. H. E. Kearly, of the Royal District B.C.

Books of all the words and songs in "Velocepeda," "Jupiter's Bicycling Barlesque Extravaganza," (the songs all set to popular tunes suitable for singing at club teas), can be obtained by applying, by letter, to Arthur A. B. Woodin, Manor House, Bromley, E. Price, post free, nine stamps.—[Advt.]

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RACING.

SURREY BICYCLE CLUB.

This old established club held their spring race meeting, at Kennington Oval, on Saturday, April 24th, and the fact that the club has lost none of its popularity was evidenced by the crowded state of the ground, some 6,000 or 7,000 being present. A strong wind blew across the ground, which interfered very much with the chance of fast times being done. The Ten-mile proved a runaway race for Cortis, who easily disposed of Thorn, whilst Griffiths just succeeded in beating Thorn and C. Tyler on the post in the One Mile open.

ONE MILE HANDICAP.

(Open; the first in each heat to compete in the final.)

HEAT 1.

| | | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| E. Tyler, Surrey 53in. wheel, 125 yards start | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| J. W. Hughes, Comet, 50in., 150 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| E. Hodges, Danes, 50in., 200 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| J. R. Hamilton, Druids, 54in., 75 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| W. Agate, Crescent, 57in., 130 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| L. Iverson, Arion, 52in., 155 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |

Hamilton fell immediately after the start. Tyler had the race in hand at half distance, but did not take first place until passing the Gasometer for the third time, when he went to the front, and won by four yards; 10 yards between second and third. Time, 3 min. 28 sec.

HEAT 2.

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|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| W. T. Thorne, London, 58in. wheel, 60 yards start | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| H. R. Oxx, Surrey, 52in., 140 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| G. G. Swindley, Kensington, 56in., 155 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| W. A. Heasman, Invicta, 53in., 125 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| E. C. Weatherley, introduced, 50in., 150 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| W. Bourdon, Bromley, 56in., 160 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| G. M. Page, Clapham, 54in., 200 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |

Oxx soon led, and went at a good pace, with Thorn well up. A capital finish, however, resulted, and in the end Thorn, who missed his treadle but recovered it, just won by two yards. Swindley third, four yards behind Oxx. Time, 3 min. 20-2-5 sec.

HEAT 3.

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| H. L. Cortis, Wanderers (Amateur Champion), 60in. wheel, scratch | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| T. W. Howard, Civil Service, 55in., 170 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| H. Huber, Crescent, 54in., 150 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| F. S. Buckingham, Brixton Ramblers, 51in., 140 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| J. A. Ronald, Druids, 52in., 145 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| R. Wellbeloved, St. James's, 56in., 180 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |

Howard soon cut down Wellbeloved, and retained first position until coming past the Gasometer for the finish. Cortis then spurred and coming in anyhow, beat Howard, after a good finish, by a yard and a half; four yards between second and third. Ronald fell, but remounted. Time, 3 min. 15-2-5 sec.

HEAT 4.

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|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| W. W. Scott, Imperial, 56in. wheel, 155 yards start | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| W. Popplewell, Ipswich, 57in., 100 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| W. Williams, Eclipse, 50in., 135 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| W. E. Panter, St. James's, 54in., 150 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| J. Hill, Surbiton, 53in., 185 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |

Scott soon led Hill, and taking up the running at a good speed, won by eight yards; Williams third. Time, 3 min. 24-3-5 sec.

HEAT 5.

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|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| C. Tyler, introduced 51in. wheel, 155 yards start | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Lacy Hillier, Stanley, 53in., 125 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| C. D. Vesey, Surrey, 57in., 95 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| C. W. Fagan, Druids, 54in., 180 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| D. L. Lawrence, introduced, 52in., 145 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| S. T. Bond, Comet, 52in., 150 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| L. C. Roper, Lee Rovers, 52in., 175 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |

Tyler was a head when passing the pavilion in the second lap, and at half a mile Hillier took second place. The last-mentioned eased 50 yards from the goal, and Tyler won by four yards; 80 yards between second and third, the limit man being fourth, a foot behind Vesey. Time, 3 min. 18-3-5 sec.

HEAT 6.

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|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| J. F. Griffith, Surrey, 56in. wheel, 80 yards start | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| R. A. Woolnough, Rovers, 54in., 115 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| W. Brown, Kent, 55in., 150 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| F. Hutchins, Brixton Ramblers, 52in., 165 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| J. J. House, West London, 54in., 130 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| G. Beeson, Wanderers, 56in., 140 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| N. G. Nutkins, Middlesex, 60in., 190 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| F. W. Britain, Clapham, 55in., 95 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |

Being behind time, Britain was permitted to start in this heat. Griffith and Woolnough were soon leading. After a good tussle Griffith beat the Rover by two yards; six yards between second and third. Time, 3 min. 15-2-5th sec.

HEAT 7.

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| W. Butcher, introduced 54in. wheel, 85 yards start | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| J. Horn, Pickwick, 52in., 155 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| W. E. Akroyd, Surrey, 54in., 160 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| E. A. Runtz, Pickwick, 57in., 70 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| B. Hewett, Surrey, 54in., 135 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| W. P. English, Canonbury, 54in., 145 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| F. H. Read, Crescent, 52in., 150 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| A. Beeson, Tredegar, 50in., 190 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |

Nearing the end Butcher spurred, and catching Horn, who eased six yards from the tape, won by a couple of yards; four yards separated second and third. Time, 3 min. 22-4-5 sec.

FINAL HEAT.

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|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| Griffith | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| C. Tyler | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Thorn | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| Cortis | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| Scott | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| Butcher | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |

E. Tyler, the winner of the first heat, did not start. C. Tyler led until about 50 yards from finish, when Griffith drew level, Thorn and Cortis close behind. Griffith then put on a spurt, and finishing with a tremendous rush, won by a yard; Tyler, who fell and turned a complete somersault after crossing the tape, was a yard and a half in front of Thorn, who beat Cortis by two feet. Time, 3 min. 16-2-5 sec.

TWO MILES HANDICAP (CLUB).

(Open to members who have never won a prize.)

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|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| G. E. Watson, 52in., 40 yards start | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| A. R. Lockwood, 52in., scratch | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| J. S. Oxx, 56in., 99 yards start | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| N. Spyer, 52in., 20 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| S. J. Tomkins, 53in., 30 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| F. W. Collingwood, 53in., 50 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| G. E. Lidiard, 56in., 60 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |
| H. G. Hills, 54in., 80 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 0 |

Won by about 100 yards. Time, 7 min. 43-4-5 sec.

10 MILES SCRATCH RACE (OPEN).

For the Surrey B.C. Challenge Cup, value 58 guineas; to be won three times before it becomes the absolute property of the holder, the winner each time to receive the gold medal of the club until the cup is finally won. Second prize, silver medal of the club.

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|---|---|
| H. L. Cortis (amateur champion) Wanderers, 60in. | 1 |
| W. T. Thorn, London, 58in. | 2 |
| W. Popplewell, Ipswich, 57in. | 3 |
| W. Brown, Kent, 55in. | 4 |
| F. S. Buckingham, Brixton Ramblers, 51in. | 0 |
| J. F. Griffith, Surrey, 56in. | 0 |
| G. R. Oxx, Surrey, 56in. | 0 |
| E. Tyler, Surrey, 53in. | 0 |
| C. D. Vesey, Surrey, 57in. | 0 |

At the completion of the first mile Thorn was leading, and the pace pretty fast; Popplewell being third, with Griffith fourth, and Cortis fifth. Popplewell again took up the running at the mile, but when five miles was hoisted Cortis put on a spurt, and drew out in front. Tyler, Griffith, and Buckingham having retired, Oxx very shortly followed suit. At the end of the seventh mile Vesey led. The pace, however, here told on him and he gradually became outpaced, and then retired. The result was now left to Cortis, Thorn, Popplewell, and Brown. Cortis soon managed to shake off his opponents, and Thorn, who was not expected to be beaten easily, was in difficulties two laps from the finish, and Cortis came right away and won by quite 250 yards. About a yard dividing Thorn and Popplewell at the finish. Brown also rode the full distance out. Time, one mile, 3 min. 55 sec.; two, 7 min. 41 sec.; three, 11 min. 43½ sec.; four, 15 min. 41 2-5 sec.; five, 19 min. 41 4-5 sec.; six, 23 min. 53 1-5 sec.; seven, 28 min. 14 3-5 sec.; eight, 31 min. 59 2-5 sec.; nine, 35 min. 29 sec.; ten, 39 min. 58 sec. Mr. F. T. Est, jun., Surrey B.C., acted as judge, and Mr. W. Cornell, Wanderers B.C., as umpire. Timekeeper, C. Conquest, jun.

ROYAL SCHOOL OF MINES SPORTS, SATURDAY, APRIL 24TH.

[BY OUR OWN REPORTER.]

THE sixth annual race and athletic meeting of this College took place at the Grounds of the London Athletic Club on Saturday last, and, as far as the events were concerned, was a complete success. Unfortunately, however, clashing as it did with the important race meeting of the Surrey B.C., the gate was a small one, and we fear that the balance-sheet will shew a sad deficit. This is the more to be regretted because the officials had done all in their power to secure success, but fate was against them, even the elements at one portion of the day threatening to conspire against them. The arrangements were in every way excellent, and those who had them in hand deserve every credit. The result of the two mile open bicycle handicap, for which Mr. M. D. Rucker, junr., the Union handicapper, allotted the starts, was as follows:—

HEAT 1.

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| C. E. Liles, Temple B.C., 155 yards | 1 |
| G. L. Jeffery, B.T.C., 125 yards | 2 |
| H. V. Cleaver, London B.C., scratch | 3 |
| H. Herbert, London B.C., 125 yards | 0 |
| N. Hawkes, Stanley B.C., 170 yards | 0 |
| J. N. Taylor, Stanley B.C., 170 yards | 0 |

To the initiated this looked, as the result proved, a sure thing for the Temple representative, who soon shewed in front, and won easily by about 20 yards from the limit-man. Herbert being a good third, a yard behind. Time, 6 min. 16 1-5 sec.

HEAT 2.

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| F. K. Laver, L.A.C., 125 yards | 1 |
| M. J. Dundas, I Zingari B.C., 150 yards | 2 |
| F. Rendell, Civil Service B.C., 225 yards | 3 |
| P. G. Hebblethwaite, L.A.C., 150 yards | 0 |
| F. Sharpley, Torbay B.C., 175 yards | 0 |
| J. Cole, C.B.C., 180 yards | 0 |
| W. Dawson, Arion B.C., 100 yards | 0 |
| D. B. Street, R.S.M., 200 yards | 0 |
| F. C. Booty, Atalanta B.C., 250 yards | 0 |
| W. S. Steggall, L.A.C., 250 yards | 0 |
| H. R. Booty, Atalanta B.C., 300 yards | 0 |

This was a capital race. Laver, riding with great judgment, mowed down his men, one after another, and won in first rate style by a bare yard, about a couple dividing second and third. Time, 6 min. 15 3-5 sec.

Owing to the fact that the first three in each heat were entitled to run in the deciding heat, the following came to the post for

THE FINAL HEAT.

| | |
|---------------------------|---|
| LILES, 155 yards | 1 |
| LAVER, 125 yards | 2 |
| DUNDAS, 150 yards | 3 |
| Cleaver, scratch | 0 |
| Jeffery, 275 yards | 0 |
| Rendall, 225 yards | 0 |

The Templeman again had this all his own way from start to finish, though several of the competitors tried all they knew to stick to him but without success, and he won hands down by a good score yards, nearly 40 dividing Laver and Dundas. Time, 6 min. dead.

ALERT BICYCLE CLUB ANNUAL RACE MEETING.

(Specially Reported.)

The second annual race meeting of this club was held on Saturday, on the Alexandra Palace track. The attendance was very good. The races, which call for no comment beyond that furnished below, were run on the usual track of two-and-a-half laps to the mile. In consequence of the strong wind blowing, fast times were out of the question. Thomas Gardner, Esq., the President of the club, acted as starter and judge; Mr. R. J. H. Sayers, Hon. Sec. Maidstone B.C., was clerk of the course. Details appended:—

ONE MILE INVITATION SCRATCH RACE.

| | |
|---|---|
| J. Mc M. Shaw, Alert and Star B.C. | 1 |
| A. J. Smith, Pickwick B.C. | 0 |
| H. Brown | 0 |

F. B. Butterwick, Alert B.C., was down for this event, but did not start. On the signal being given, Shaw cut out the pace, and at once went to the front, and holding his own with ease, ultimately finished alone, Brown retiring in the first lap, Smith fell whilst going up the hill in the last circuit. Time, 3 min. 35 sec.

ONE MILE HANDICAP.

(First two in each heat to start in final.)

HEAT 1.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| J. Gardner, 75 yards start | 1 |
| C. E. Challis, 40 | 2 |
| A. Hicks (scratch) | 3 |

A good race for three parts of the distance, when Gardner came away and won easily.

The scratch man was never "in it." Time, 3 min. 28 sec.

HEAT 2.

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|-----------------------------|---|
| W. H. Long, 60 yards | 1 |
| F. Rockolds, 30 | 2 |
| E. Hicks, 75 | 0 |
| J. Challice, 40 | 0 |

Long got to the front in the first quarter of a mile, and maintaining his lead, won easily. The virtual scratch man took second place at half distance, and finished 20 yards in front of Hicks. Time, 3 min. 29 sec.

FINAL HEAT.

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| Gardner | 1 |
| W. H. Long | 2 |
| C. Challis | 0 |

Nockolds did not start. Gardner held the lead throughout, and won easily. Time, 3 min. 13 sec.

100 YARDS' SLOW RACE.

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| E. Hicks | 1 |
| J. Challis | 0 |
| A. Hicks | 0 |
| J. Gardner | 0 |

This race was contested twice, all having fallen the first time, E. Hicks but 30 yards from the finish. He, however, tried to continue at the same pace, and came to grief. The second time it was a good contest between E. Hicks and Challis up to 80 yards, when the former fell. Time, 2 min. 30 sec.

10 MILE RACE FOR CHAMPIONSHIP OF CLUB

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| J. Gardner | 1 |
| C. Challis | 2 |
| A. Hicks | 3 |
| F. Nockolds | 0 |
| J. Challis | 0 |
| W. H. Long | 0 |

C. Challis was first to shew with the lead, his immediate follower being Gardner; at the end of a mile these two were in close company, with Long 30 yards in their rear. A mile further on Long momentarily took the lead, but Challis again resumed the command. The three then rode on in company for another two miles, Hicks meanwhile drawing up, the other two being out of it. At a lap over four miles Long eased up and retired, Hicks taking third place, and continuing to improve his position, the latter at 5½ miles spurred into first place, but Challis once more went past him, and a close race then ensued between Challis and Gardner up to eight miles, when the latter, riding very strongly, got away from his young and plucky antagonist, and going on after this, won by about 300 yards. Hicks 200 yards behind the second man. Time, 38 min. 19 sec.

The prizes, which were handsome and valuable, were presented in a graceful manner by Mrs. Shaw.

NOTTINGHAM FOREST SPORTS.

(BY OUR OWN REPORTER.)

On Saturday last, over 1,200 persons attended the above sports, which were held at the celebrated Trent-bridge Grounds in this fine town, which has now gained such a name in the bicycling world, not only on account of the number of riders it has turned out, but also by reason of the splendidly finished machines which are turned out by Messrs. Carver, Humber, and Smith. The proceedings were enlivened by merry music discoursed by the excellent band of the celebrated Robin Hood rifles. The

course, which was in first-rate order, and is exactly 549 yards in circumference, was prettily decorated with flags and parti-coloured streamers. Too much credit cannot be given to the various officials for the manner in which they carried out their various duties. The only bicycling event was a one mile handicap of which the result is appended.

HEAT 1.

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| H. E. Peake, Walmsley Harriers, 80 yards | 1 |
| H. Redgate, Nottingham, 75 | 2 |
| T. O. Middleton, Melbourne, 70 | 0 |
| W. J. Mack, Nottingham, 100 | 0 |

At the start Mack at once cut out the pace and went to the front, holding the lead until the last lap, when he was passed by Redgate and Peake, in the order named, a short distance from home, however, the latter went to the fore and won, without much difficulty, by five yards. Time 3 min. 44 sec.

HEAT 2.

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| E. C. Clarke, Zephyr B.C., 85 yards | 1 |
| G. H. Taylor, Mansfield S.T.B.C., 90 | 2 |
| G. Greensmith, Ashbourne, 45 | 0 |
| F. Henson, Nottingham, 85 | 0 |
| G. Richards, Ilkeston, 90 | 0 |
| J. Bostock, Ilkeston, 95 | 0 |
| A. Birkett, Zephyr B.C., 100 | 0 |
| H. Stevenson, Mansfield Woodhouse, 100 | 0 |

Clarke and Taylor were the only two in it at the three-quarter distance, they making the running the whole way. Won by two yards after a capital struggle. Time 3 min. 53 2-5 sec.

HEAT 3.

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| C. A. Rastall, Nottingham B.C., 90 yards | 1 |
| F. J. Clarke, Park F.C., 100 | 2 |
| T. McKenzie, Newark, 60 | 0 |
| H. Smedley, Nottingham B.C., 95 | 0 |
| C. E. Oliver, Derby B.C., 95 | 0 |
| R. G. Bowes, Langley Mill, 100 | 0 |

M. McKenzie was put out of it by falling twice. Won by two yards. Time, 3 min. 40 sec.

HEAT 4.

| | |
|---|---|
| E. S. Hassell, Speedwell B.C., 20 yards | 1 |
| T. Chambers, Lincoln B.C., 30 | 2 |
| A. H. Crump, Derwent B.C., 95 | 0 |
| Clark Courtney, Nottingham, 95 | 0 |
| G. C. James, Sherwood Forest B.C., 100 | 0 |

Chambers and Hassell soon ran through their men, mowing them down one after the other in fine style, Hassell finally winning by three yards after a severe contest.

FINAL HEAT.

| | |
|---------|---|
| Rastall | 1 |
| Redgate | 2 |
| Clarke | 3 |

In this heat the spectators were treated to a capital exhibition of riding. Rastall, however, had things pretty much his own way, and won easily by 10 yards. Hassell unfortunately came a cropper, and was put out of it. Time 3 min. 28 2-5 sec.

RACING AT IPSWICH.

At these sports, which were held on the 17th inst., the bicycle race resulted as follows:—

| | |
|---------------|---|
| J. Gould | 1 |
| W. Popplewell | 2 |
| W. H. Booth | 0 |

This was anything but an exciting contest. Popplewell got the advantage of the start, but Gould quickly recovered himself and drew up, Booth laying last. This order was continued till the last lap, when Gould,

who was riding well within his powers, drew away, and won by half-a-dozen yards.

THE SIX DAYS' RACE AT WOLVERHAMPTON.

The following started for this event on Monday at midday at the Molineux Grounds:—

Walter Phillips, of Wolverhampton, age, 24; height, 5ft. 10in.; weight 11st 5lb; machine, 53in. "Rudge."

H. Higham, of Nottingham, age, 28; height, 5ft. 7½in.; weight, 11st. 6lb; machine, 52in. "Imperial," by W. Smith, of Crocus-street, Nottingham, weight 32lb.

David Stanton, of Hornsey, age 36; height 5ft. 11½in.; weight 11st. 2lb; machine 54in. "Eclipse," by Keen, of London.

J. Keen, of Surbiton, age 31; weight 11st. 3lb; machine, "Eclipse," of his own manufacture.

A. Patrick, of Wolverhampton, age 23; weight 11st. 7lb; machine, 54in. "Rudge."

R. Patrick, of Wolverhampton, age 27; weight 10st. 7lb; height 5ft. 8½in.; machine, 54in. "Rudge."

Arthur Bills, of Wolverhampton, age 25; height, 5ft. 7½in.; weight, 11st 10lb; machine, 55in., by D. Rudge, of Wolverhampton.

The champion went to the fore directly, and had ere long obtained a handsome lead; he, however, was seized with cramp, and had to retire. Stanton then assumed the leadership, which, however, the other men seem inclined to dispute with him. Bills was conspicuous during the later part of the day by his fine show of form, and completing his century, had beaten the record by 6 min. 24 sec., the time for the 100 miles being:—

Bills 6hrs. 37min. 31sec.

Stanton, 6hrs. 38min. 31sec.

Phillips, 6hrs. 39min. 13sec.

The men left the track about eight p.m. when the totals were:—

| | M. | L. | | M. | L. |
|----------|-----|----|--------------|-----|----|
| Stanton | 121 | 1½ | R. Patrick | 104 | 5 |
| Phillips | 120 | 2 | J. Keen (ab- | | |
| Bills | 118 | 3 | sent) | 54 | 3 |
| Higham | 117 | 3½ | A. Patrick | 20 | 0 |

TUESDAY (Second Day).—Only five men appeared on the track at the appointed starting time, viz., Bills, Stanton, Patrick, Higham, Phillips. Shortly before 2.30 Stanton had to retire from the track owing to his left knee going wrong, but shortly afterwards returned and put in some good work. The next man to get into trouble was Bills, who also got "a bone in his leg," the limb affected being the left, and Patrick taking advantage of this ran into third place. When the men retired at 8 p.m. the scoring board showed:—

| | M. | L. | | M. | L. |
|------------|-----|----|---------|-----|----|
| Phillips | 232 | 5 | Bills | 196 | 1 |
| Higham | 232 | 3 | Stanton | 160 | 0½ |
| R. Patrick | 198 | 1 | | | |

We shall give the result next week.

LEICESTER.—THE PROFESSIONAL FIVE MILES RACE.

(FROM OUR LEICESTER CORRESPONDENT.)

This long-expected race, about which there has been much controversy of late, took place on the splendid track in this town on Saturday last. Keen looked fit and well, and Derkinderen appeared more than confident. As for Cooper he seemed in the grandest possible trim, and looked a perfect

picture on his machine, waiting for the word.

The race was not started at the appointed time owing to a mutual understanding among the men, but took place about 6.40. Keen, who was conceding the other men a start of 150 yards, seemed to go off easiest. The Flying Dutchman hanging fire at the end of the first mile, Happy Jack had drawn up level with his men, and evidently held them in the fourth mile. Derk slammed on the pace, but could not succeed in getting away from his opponents. When they had but half a mile more to go a terrific struggle commenced. Derk spurring gamely, but although leading by a dozen yards, he seemed all at once to lose heart, and the other two went by, Keen ultimately winning by a dozen yards. Derkinderen did not pass the post.

The mile times which were taken by Mr. Atkinson, were as follows:—1st mile, Derkinderen, 3 min. 53-5ths sec.; Cooper, 3 min. 54-5ths sec.; Keen, 3 min. 6 sec.; 2nd mile, Keen, 6 min. 3 2-5ths sec.; Cooper, 6 min. 3 2-5ths sec.; Derkinderen, 6 min. 4 sec.; 3rd mile, Derkinderen, 9 min. 17 sec.; Cooper, 9 min. 17 1-5ths sec.; Keen, 9 min. 17 3-5ths sec.; 4th mile, Derkinderen, 12 min. 30 2-5ths sec.; Cooper, 12 min. 30 3-5ths sec.; Keen, 12 min. 30 4-5ths sec.; 5th mile, Keen, 15 min. 46 sec.; and Cooper, 15 min. 48 sec. Derkinderen retired.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

A. M., Bolton.—Many thanks.

A. G. RELTON.—Thanks.

F. R. DREWSE.—Thanks.

A. ARTHUR H. CUGH.—Please in future send your news on a post card and separately for each publication, as they are quite distinct.

R. S. BENSON.—Many thanks.

J. H. SHALES.—The Bicycle Annual for 1879 contains the main roads, and 1880 the cross roads, and may be had at our office, price 1s. 3d. each, post free.

48-INCH.—We do not know the address of the maker of the lamp you mention; but Mr. Goy will supply you with one.

D. P. MEADOWS, E.B.C.—We cannot give you the information ourselves, but write to our patent agent, Mr. F. Des Vœux, 32, Southampton-buildings, Chancery-lane, E.C., who will doubtless send you the information you seek.

H. BLACKWELL, jun.—Very many thanks for the trouble you have taken.

E.E.S. (Athenæum B.C.)—It was overlooked.

ERNEST PALMER.—The charge is 1s.

T. R. D.—Certainly you must not race against the professional or you at once forfeit your right to ride again as an amateur; although not actually for a prize, you have an object in view.

G. W. FROST, Leighton Buzzard.—You had better apply to Messrs. Hillman, Herbert and Cooper, of Coventry.

J. McM. SHAW.—Many thanks.

T. STEVENS.—All right; yours is an exceptional case, with so many divisions; no need to send fixtures again; once is enough for the whole month.

H. BLACKWELL (Canonbury) and F. C. ROBINSON (Remington).—Your club news only came to hand midday Wednesday—too late. Must come Tuesday morning.

G. BANGS.—We can not insert your notice again unless sent on a post card.

LATE RACING.

SOUTH HANTS GROUND, SOUTH-AMPTON.

TEN MILES PROFESSIONAL HANDICAP.

May 1st.

The event which is now absorbing interest down South is a 10 Miles Bicycle Handicap. A capital field of competitors have been induced to enter. There is little doubt but that the race next Saturday will attract a vast concourse of people, as it promises to be the finest race ever run in Hampshire. The training of the different competitors has been going on briskly. Evens and Milnes are doing their practice at East Hants Ground, Southsea. Bradley Keen is at the Leicester grounds. H. A. Barrow is doing some hard and good work in training on the spot, as are also Bulpitt, Isaac and Meech. Of the others we know their going well, and a splendid final is looked forward to, although the track is not sufficiently large to promise anything approaching a "best on record." Appended we give the handicap:—

HEAT 1. (Start at 3 p.m.)

| | Start. |
|--------------------|---------|
| A. Patrick | Scratch |
| Milnes | 240 |
| J. S. Fryer | 320 |
| R. Meech | 640 |
| G. Bulpitt | 640 |

HEAT 2. (Start at 3.45 p.m.)

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|-------------------|---------|
| B. Keen | Scratch |
| A. Evens | 240 |
| J. Patrick | 160 |
| C. Bond | 490 |
| E. Elliott | 800 |

HEAT 3. (Start 4.30 p.m.)

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|-----------------------|---------|
| Edmonds | Scratch |
| H. A. Barrow | 240 |
| W. Shake-peare | 320 |
| H. Isaac | 400 |

HEAT 4. (Start at 5.15 p.m.)

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|-----------------|-----|
| Daniels | 320 |
| F. Fryer | 400 |
| S. Foot | 400 |
| A. Keen | 600 |
| Dickman | 560 |

Mr. C. J. Fox, jun. (BICYCLING TIMES) will act as judge.

A CIRCULAR RUN.

THURSDAY EVENING, 25th March, Kensington to High Wycombe, Red Lion. Friday, 26th, High Wycombe and Stokenchurch to Tetworth. Breakfast at old Inn on the right at bottom of hill (moderate), then on to Oxford. Lunch at Roebuck, near corn market, and stroll about town. On again through Witney, Burford, and Northleach, to Cheltenham. Headquarters for the night at Swan Inn, comfortable and moderate. This is the first inn you come to on entering Cheltenham; roads, except first 25 miles, very bad, being newly stoned, but in summer I believe are generally very good.—SATURDAY, 27th. Cheltenham to Tewkesbury; stayed at Old Tom, opposite Abbey, and on to Gloucester. Breakfasted here at the Black Dog Inn, (moderate); near Great Western Station; had part of tyre, which bad road had ripped up, cemented in at Fletcher's in Northgate-street, a very moderate place; then on through Huntley to Ross in Herefordshire. Here the beautiful Wye scenery commences.

From Ross to Monmouth the lower road over the Queen Bridge should be taken, the upper one being very hilly. Stayed the night at King's Arms, Monmouth; rather an expensive inn; roads still very bad.—SUNDAY, 28th. Down the beautiful Wye Valley to Tintern Abbey. Here again from Monmouth the lower road should be taken, the upper one, through Trellech, being very hilly; on through Chepstow to Portskewet, across river Severn to New Passage, and train to Bristol. From Bristol to Bath. Tea at London Dining Rooms, extremely moderate, and on through Bradford to Holt, where I found a very kind and hospitable friend, who lodged me for the night.—MONDAY, 29th. Holt, by Keynsham, to Chippenham, and along Bath-road to Maidenhead. Train to Paddington and home. The above short tour, about 260 miles, cost, including everything, such as sending bag to Gloucester and back, railway fares for self and machine, £2 15s. If I had not found my hospitable friend at home it would not have been more than £3 3s. at the outside. It would make an enjoyable short summer tour, when the roads, I believe, are throughout very fair, and is full of interesting places.

J.D.B.

QUERIES.

LONDON TO PERTH.—Nicholson will find no less than six routes fully detailed as far as Edinburgh in the "Annual for 1879." In riding to the North of Scotland last August I passed through Perth, and followed Route I, as far as Edinburgh. Roads good to Water Newton, bad to Stamford, worse to Colterworth, fair to Doncaster (be careful to take the right road in leaving this town); roads very bad to Aberford (bad hill), very bad to Boroughbridge, good to Darlington, hilly but good to Durham, bad to Morpeth, hilly to Alnwick (stay and see the old hobby-horses in armoury at the Castle); roads hilly to Berwick, bad hill this side of Cockburnspath, road good to Dunbar, more or less bumpy to Edinburgh. Before leaving notice the time (about every two hours) the packet leaves Queensferry (9). Having crossed the Forth, roads good to Kinross (18), then lovely scenery and roads to Perth (17). I should be happy to give your correspondents further particulars if desired.—H.B., jun., Sub-Cap. Caenbury B.C. and B.T.C.

CLAPHAM TO SOUTHAMPTON.—Will some gentleman kindly inform me the best route, and inns to put up at on the road to above; also about the distance.—Pasgarra, C.B.C.

CHELtenham TO MAIDSTONE, CHELTENHAM TO BIRMINGHAM.—I should be glad of any information respecting these tours, the best route and distance, &c. The latter: I shall ride on Whit-Monday, and shall be glad to accompany anyone.

PATENTS.

(Compiled by Mr F. DesVaux, Patent Office, 32, Southampton-buildings, Chancery-lane, London.)

1673 Edouard Carl Friedrich Otto, of Peckham, Surrey, "Improvements in the construction of bicycles and other similar vehicles." Dated 23rd April, 1880.

A RUN WITH THE SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE BICYCLE CLUB.

The opening run of this club, a notice of the formation of which appeared in these columns a short time back, took place lately, when eight members turned up at headquarters, the George Hotel, Walsall, for Tamworth, for which place a start was made at three o'clock. The route taken was through Aldridge, up to where the roads were in an execrable condition; but once through the village they improved, and the pace was made through Little Aston and to the left along pleasant and undulatory lanes for the main road between Lichfield and Sutton, along which for a couple of miles the route lay to the turning for the Tamworth-road, where a halt of ten minutes was made for a rest, and whilst one or two stragglers came up; and then proceeding along narrow lanes, past Hill and Canwell Hall until the main Birmingham and Tamworth road was reached, when another short halt was made, until the delinquents who had found a difficulty in picking their way through the stones had come up, when headed by the captain the pace was made smart for the remaining five miles into Tamworth, over splendid and undulatory roads and through scenery of the finest description. The town reached (4.50), all made for the Peel Arms Hotel, from whence, after having handed over our steeds to the care of the ostler, and after a refreshing drink, we essayed forth for a stroll through the quaint old town, finishing up with a visit to the fine church, the interior of which has many pretensions to beauty and antiquity; by some writers it is said to be the largest parish church in the kingdom, but modern writers aver that it plays second fiddle to the fine old parish church of Great Yarmouth, which, on the score of size, just leaves it in the shade. It has a fine old tower, and the floor in the precincts of the Communion-table is well worthy of attention, and consists of a tessellated pavement discovered in an excellent state of preservation many years ago, whilst the church was undergoing repair, the colours of which are indeed fine and vivid. The edifice is rich in coloured windows and many objects of interest, and Midland cyclists fond of roaming through antique edifices will have to journey a much greater distance before such an interesting old structure as Tamworth Church is met with. Strolling back to the Peel Arms (recommended), a good tea was had, and after oiling up, a start was made for home at 6.40, via Hopwas, Packington, and Lichfield, the city being reached by all at 7.15 (seven miles). Riding right through and dusk coming on, the pace was made till Muckley Corner was reached, where a halt was made to light lamps, having done which the Shire Oak-hill was cleared at a sharp pace, and proceeding on through Walsall Wood and Rushall a pleasant run into Walsall brought all to the headquarters at 8.30, after an enjoyable run of 33 miles. The only incident approaching a casualty of any kind during the afternoon was that of an aspiring heifer near Aldridge who attempted to put its head through the spokes of an all-bright 56in., a proceeding to which its rider evinced a decided objection, as witnessed by the speedy and comical dismount resorted to against his will.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MR. CORTIS AND THE UNION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BICYCLING TIMES."

SIR,—Allow me to correct an error in an editorial footnote to a letter signed "Anxiety" in your last week's issue. The Wanderers' Bicycle Club do not, and never have, contributed to the funds of the Bicycle Union.—Yours truly, WALTER DENNY, Hon. Sec. W.B.C.

[We are extremely obliged to Mr. Denny for his correction, but we think he must be mistaken. He says "never contributed" but he does not say that the Wanderers never gave in their adhesion to the Union. We ourselves are of opinion that they did in the first instance, if our memory does not play us false, and we are strengthened in this belief by the fact that at the Surrey Race meeting we asked Mr. W. Cornell, the Wanderers' Captain, to let us know the date his club left the Union; he said he would send it, but did not repudiate the fact of ever having belonged to that body.]

REIGATE HILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE BICYCLING TIMES."

SIR,—If possible, kindly publish the following fact in your next issue.

On the 18th inst., Mr. F. W. Crampton succeeded in riding up Reigate-hill, after five months' absence from the saddle owing to an accident, and he being in consequence in very bad "condition," whilst he was also under the disadvantage of a partially disabled arm from the same cause. I trust that you will think with me that this performance is worth recording. I may add that I ran up the hill behind him in order to see and verify the feat.—I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully, JOHN CRERAR, Sydenham and Touring Club.

THE AMATEUR QUESTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BICYCLING TIMES."

SIR,—Your correspondent "Time" has made a capital suggestion, but he is somewhat late in the field. In 1878, "a leading club convened a public meeting," the Bicycle Union was formed, and its definition "accepted as law." "Time" asks who they (the Bicycle, not Bicycling Union) are. If he knew at all what he was talking about, he would be aware that the Union is the product of his own suggestion carried out to the letter. The amateur question is settled, although "a certain wise council" have not had the talented co-operation of that amiable retailer of second-hand suggestions, "Time," Brixton Ramblers B. C. and B. T. C.—Yours obediently, TIDE, B. T. C.

LAUGH AND GROW FAT.—Read "Riding Rhymes," by "Faed." Profusely illustrated by G. L. Hiller. The most laughable book ever published in connection with our sport. Post free 1s. 1d.—Etherington & Co., BICYCLING TIMES OFFICES, Whitefriars-street, London, E.C.

TO TOURING MEN.—The best guide to the main roads of Great Britain is contained in the "BICYCLE ANNUAL" for 1879, of which a few copies are still in print, post free 1s. 3d. For the cross roads see "BICYCLE ANNUAL" for 1880, post free 1s. 3d.—Etherington & Co., BICYCLING TIMES OFFICES, Whitefriars-street, London, E.C.

BICYCLE TOURING CLUB.

(From the May Circular.)

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.—The offices of the club are now 52, Pilgrim-street, Newcastle. Correspondents, kindly make a note of this—but do not write for the sake of finding out if it is true or not.

THE COUNCIL.

The eighth meeting of the Council took place at the Turf Hotel, Newcastle, on April 10th. Vice-presidents Cross, Young, and Holding, and Chief Consul Robinson were present.

CONDUCTED TOURS.—Respecting the notice which appeared last month, the council wish it to be clearly understood that the motion was intended as a suggestion entirely, and that Chief Consuls or other officers are in no way bound to comply with it unless it may suit their personal convenience.

HANDBOOK.—The secretary was instructed to issue, as quickly as possible, a list of hotels, consuls, &c., arranged in a simple manner, and at as little cost for printing as compatible with utility.

CONSULAR.

DISTRICT 6 (E.M.E.D.)—The Chief Consul, W. H. French, Winslow, Bucks, would be glad to hear from gentlemen willing to act as consuls *pro tem.* in the counties of Northampton, Bucks, and Oxford.

DISTRICT 11 (S.W.E.D.)—Mr. Shipton's (Chief Consul) address is now Lawn-terrace, Fisherton, Salisbury.

DISTRICT 17 (F.D.)—Mr. Cotterell would be glad to hear of bicyclists abroad, to whom he could write, *re* hotels or consulships. Address, Glebe House, Greenside, Ryton-on-Tyne.

DISTRICT 13 (S.W.D.)—Consuls (*pro tem.*) are much needed in all the principal towns in the South Welsh district. Gentlemen who are, or know riders, willing to act, would oblige by communicating with the C. C.—W. M. Jones, Mount Stuart-square, Cardiff.

COMPANIONS FOR TOURS.

The secretary would be glad if members who have fixed upon a tour this season, or who desire a companion for one, would at once send in to him the following particulars for insertion in next circular. (1) Tour (*i.e.*), the town the tour is to start from, and the furthest town they propose to run to. (2) Date of starting. (3) Distance to be run *per diem* or per hour. (4) Route. (5) Remarks. No. 5 must be confined to a few lines. Members should state whether they wish their name or a *nom-de-plume* appended.

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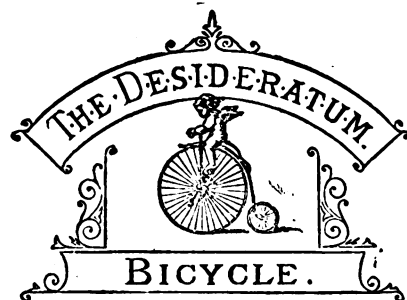
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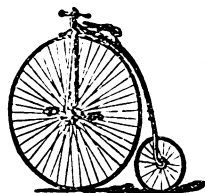
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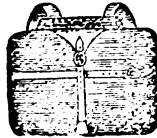
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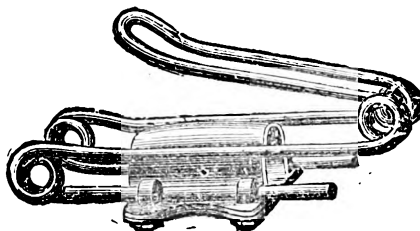
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