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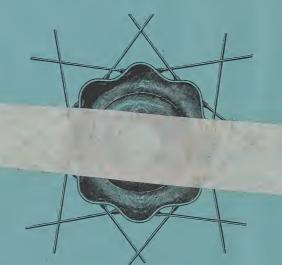
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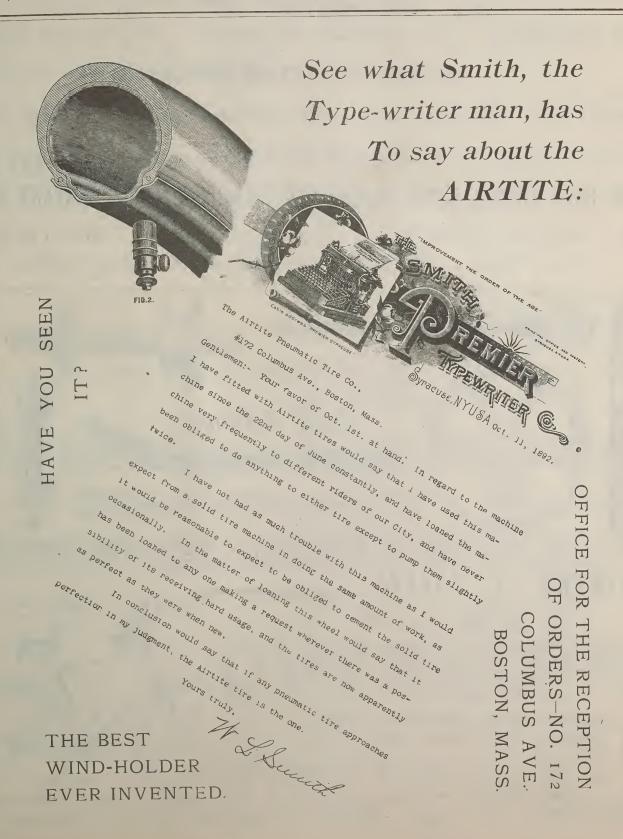


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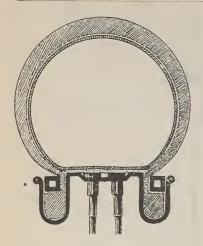
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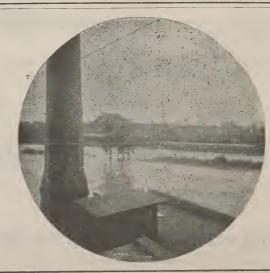
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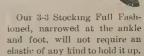
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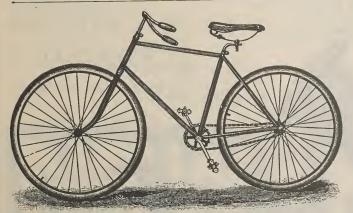


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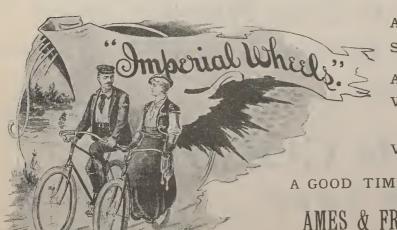
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IT LACKS CONSISTENCY.

The racing board as a body, and the members thereof as individuals, look upon some rules promulgated by this same body in a way that seems to be most inconsistent. When the board began its offic:al life the first act was to chop up, add to and make over the rules as laid down by its predecessor, the board of 1891. A good many changes were made-some very good, some not so good, and some bad. There never was and probably never will be a p rfect set of laws, and it is not to be supposed that any future racing bo rd of the League of American Wheelmen will ever form a perfect set of rules by which the racing men of the country may be governed. Any body of men is entitled to be excused when the rules or laws made by that body are not just what they should be. They may have been all right at the time they were made and probably well answered every purpose. On the question of the correctness of the rulesany rules- here is always room for ar gument and always a chance for betterment; but on the enforcement of these rules there is but one thing to be done, and that is to enforce them. Those who have watched the racing path and know pretty well the 1892 board's rules, also know that they have been enforced in the most hap-hazard manner. The joorest and most foolish rules have been strictly enforced, while some of the more important ones have had no at ention paid them.

In the early part of the season referees were instructed, through the medium of the racing rules, that they must enforce the rule which provided that "shirt and breeches shall not bare shoulder or knee." How well this has b. en enforced, the racing men thems-lves know too well. A big howl was made at the beginning of the season on this subject, but beyond one or two instances the rule has been as well enforced as if it had never existed. The rule was a little far-fetched, but it was a rule, and why was it not enforced? Some of the members of the racing board have given it out that they "were going to let up a lit le on that rule." This they evidently have done, and also in several cases of greater importance. The board claims it must have specific charges in order to convict. It has always been the habit to c mvict and then let the victim prove his innocence. When a member of the racing board is approached with "Don't you know that Jones has sold his prizes?"

axpenses paid by the management of the watch with interest the results of the that Smith is receiving a good, fat salary for riding So and-So's wheel?" he will say that he has heard these rumors, but he has no proof to convict. Just the same he knows that such cases exist. If he knows these men are guilty, why not inflict punishment? "You're guilty until you prove your innocence "? The board does this in some instances, why not in others? Such was the case with Keator, of Chicago; but some big guns escape punishment easily enough.

The board is not only lax in enforcing some of its most important rules, but it permits officials to make rules of their own, though there is no written authority for such work. For instance, a referee, through the starter, will tell the contestants in a race that "looking back will disqualify." There isn't a doubt that looking back frequently causes a fall, but where does a referce obtain his authority for the enforcement of this alleged rule? He has none whatever, If a rider, through looking around, causes a fall, it would be quite right to disqualify him for reckless riding, but we cannot see how a referee can take upon himself the right to make rules. It would be a good plan for the board to make a rule as suggested to fit such cases. The board might adopt another rule-comp. I the attendants and pushers 'o leave the track within thirty seconds after the start, under penalty of having their men disqualified If this was adopted and enforced the riders would see to it that their pushers were men who would obey the rules. But if, like many other rules it should not be enforced, it might better never be made. All in all, the racing board, of the present, at least, is a most inconsistent affair; seemingly lacking of the necessary qualifications to enforce some of the most simple rules created by itself, and utterly blind as to the many infractions of these same rules by some of the most prominent racing men of the

THE "OFFICIAL REPORT."

Long after the interest in its doings had ceased, the racing board gave to the cycling public the "official report" of its doings at the Chicago meeting. We lished in the Hand Organ, that some four violators of the amateur law were reinstated, among the number being Gerwing of Denver. Roy Keator "was suspended for sixty days pending investigation, on charge of having accepted cash for expenses for fancy riding, nothing was said about the eastern men who received their expenses from the Chicago club while attending the Washington Park tourn ment. All of the eastern men's expenses were paid on the western trip, but not a word was said about it by the racing board, while they took occasion to suspend Keator when he had done nothing more than have his hotel bill paid, as we understand. This may be justice, but its a new kind. The board was compelled to pass this resolu-

"It having been brought to the attention of the national racing board that a cycling paper has stated that it proposes to promote a tour of the country by bicycling racing men, amateur wheelmen are hereby warned that they have no right under the constitution of the A. L. W. to accept or in any way receive from or through a cycling paper, or any other parties interested in the trade, money for their expenses or compensation for attending such tour for the purpose of racing, and any attendance upon such a trip will be closely scrutinized by the board."

There isn't a doubt that "any attendance upon such a trip will be closely scrutinized by the board." Its members will be interested to know who are the ones or "Don't you know that Brown had his to go on the trip, and they will also proving the highways next year.

"Aren't you aware of the fact three months' races. But will all the men who take in the trip be asked for an explanation of their actions; will they be suspended for receiving expense money? It is understood that who goes on the Sporting Life's trip is to pay to that paper \$1 per week, and Why not say, for this princely sum the journal agrees to carry them through. If this isn't violating a clause of the amateur rule, what is it? This is what the rule says:

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There isn't a bit of danger that any of the pure whites will be molested in the least by the board. If there were, say, six, third or fourth raters going on the trip, we should expect to see an even half-dozen suspensions.

L. A. W. MACHINERY.

While praising the grand record re centiy made by the ocean greyhound, the City of Paris, the lay press made no special mention of the machinery of the great boat, her engineers, oilers and stok-Now, to accomplish great things the machinery must be in perfect working order. When the ancient and honorable Bicycling World recently declared, editorially, that Charles L. Burdette could again secure the league presidency if he wished, the statement was no doubt made advisedly, the organ evidently knowing the machinery of the L. A. W ship to be in record-breaking order and that the engineers and oilers had done their duty in case a trial-trip is needed The machinery of the good ship L. A. W. as everybody knows, is of Connecticut and Massachusetts build, and is of exceptional quality. The chief engineer is a well-known young man and his assistants are faithful, while the oilers are noted. It was a bold statement for the ancient and honorable to make when it said "he can succeed himself if he so wishes." It proves that during the summer days the machinery has been well cared for by the chief engineer, while stokers and oilers are ready for a test of speed if needed. The REFEREE readers need not worry about Charles H. Luscomb being an opponent of Burdette for Mr. Luscomb knows the presideucy. futile his efforts would be after reading the World editorial; he knows the machinery is in too good working order to be monkeyed with.

Wheeling says that Johnson's " performances are valuable only to show the possibilities of the cycle. For comparison with English records they are worthless. If Harris were shielded from the wind and paced by horses on a kiteshaped track, we would back him to do better time than Johnson's." It has been claimed that Zimmerman, Tyler, Windle and possibly one or two others could do much better than Johnson under similar circumstances. It does not alter the fact that Johnson hus done what others could do. If these good men can do so much better, why don't they? Johnson has made the records, the others have not, and it is only fair to give the young man credit for having been the first to pedal a mile on a bicycle inside of two minutes.

These lines appeared in the BicyclingWorld of Oct. 28: "Mr. Sanger will appear on the 22d and try conclusions with the eastern and western cracks. [The italics are ours.-ED.]

ILLINOIS will have convict labor im-

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The wintry winds have beguu to blow; the dedication exercises in New York and Chicago are things of the past; the leaves are sere and yellow, and the cycling s ason of 1892 is history. A strange season, too--the most unsatisfying and the most eventful season that has ever been, and the most trying to maker. dealer and rider. It has left us in the most uneasy and unsatisfied condition. from a trade standpoint, that we have ever known. What will the morrow bring forth? It is a pertinent question and one that all would like to answer. It is certain the business is in an uusatisfactory condition; it is certain that a change in business methods must obtain before the trade can be placed on a solid basi-: it is certain that makers and dealers must come to some understanding before the new season opens, or next year will be worse that this, and yet no steps have been taken toward such an understanding. To the thinking mind affairs look anything but pleasant. The struggle for place has already begun and the drummer is abroad in the land; but the man in the office is uncertain, the man in the shop is still more uncertain, and neither knows what to do. Jobber or dealer, light or heavy wheels, what kind of tire, where shall we sell our goods - all of these things are nightmares, and, like Banquo's ghost, will not down. Over all stand the twin bogies. the cholera scare and the Columbian exposition. I dou't envy maker or dealer when either dreams of 1893.

The New York parade was a failure, and I am glad that the Chicago people had sense enough to keep out of a similar catastrophy. Daylight parades behind a band and a coupl- of mounted coppers, are bad enough, Lord knows. the range of my experience I have never seen even an unmixed parade that was not in every sense a fiasco, and think of putting a lot of cyclists beh nd and in the midst of a struggling, irritated crowd in the night! Ye gods, forbid. exhibitions as the one in New York will do more to r. tard the sport than years of hard work can do to advance it. The time has come when L. A. W. meets, lantern parades and all the tom-foolery attached to both should be eliminated from the sport. Let us try our hands at being men awhile and see what the result will be. Business men and business methods must and will surely come into the trade and the sport in time. It has been a wonderment to me for years why they have delayed so long, but until they do come we must expect all sorts and conditions of nonsense, and must put up with it. But the parade fiend, the badge fiend, the beer fien', and that most uncomfortable of demons, the crank who roars and yells club call, ought to be sat

Tom Eck has said it; he has "perpetrated his last fake." Now if Prince and Knapp will only come forward to the mourners' bench and coufess righteousness, what joy would be in the fold. Bring forth a halo with forty golden spokes, a Feathers one tire and an elliptical sprocket wheel, and crown the glorified Thomas. O, ye racing board; let let the harp that you give him be made from weldless tubing and strung with sounding spoke wire; let the world rejoice that Eck has ceased to fake. No more will he mix promiscuously among the Flannagans, Ashingers and Princes of the cycling arena. Pure shall be his name and doubly washed his nature, and he will attend strictly to bringing out unknown wonders ou unheard-of tracks and help them gain impossible recordsbut never a fake. LA COTE MAL TAILE,



The subject of tariff on bicycles and raw material has not been discussed American cycle journals, nor have the British journals thought fit to enquire into the act introduced by William Mc-Kinley and its bearing on the trade of both countries. The cycle journals possibly have good reasons for not debating the question. A paragraph in this paper, as a "feeler," last spring, did not start the ball rolling. It has been left for the lay press to discuss the important question, and, as usual, both sides are confi dent of being in the right. The REFEREE representative, in a talk with a very conervative English manufacturer, is told that the McKinley bill, as far as bicycles are concerned, acts as a balance wheel between the American and English manufacturer, and inflicts no hardship on either side. Cycling Editor Turner of the Springfield Republican (Dem.) sends the following editorial, which apreared in his paper last Sunday:

It is impossible to say how many bicycles are in use about Springfield, but the number must be ex traordinarly large. They cost from \$135 to \$150 or more—good ones—and yet their use is not confined to the class which we should consider alone able to indulge in such a luxury. Clerks on very limited pay have them. Mechanics who find close calculation necessary to make the two ends meet, seem to be able to support these costly machines. Workingmen and boys ride to and from their day's labor on bicycles more often of the latest styles improvements than otherwise. scarce a street in Springfield that can be traversed at morning, noon or night without seeing numbers

of the machines go spinning by.

Feople must often have marveled how so many
of supposedly limited means were able to command the indulgence of a \$150 horse and carriage, main the indispense of a 3-35 force and carriage, as it were. We have heard men who must command \$2,500 and more a 'year say that they could not afford it. Is this number of blcycles in use a fair measure of the financial condition of what are commonly called the "working classes"? Probably not. But such is the fascination of the Probably not. But such is the fascination of the sport or exercise that severe setf-denial in all other directions will be practiced to gratify the desire for bicycle riding. It cannot be otherwise, however, than a most health ul and beneficial sport. When men can get out of a morning and take a twenty-mile spiu before breakfast and think nothing of it, we may well say the wheel craze has come to stay. And we hope it has. It is a most encouraging feature of the life of the day. It is bringing the riders to an acquaintance with the fields and woods ard hills and fresh air with the fields and woods and hills and fresh air such as they never have before experienced. Out of it largely is growing this helpful demand for good country roads in place of those which, in their present badness, are doing so much to iso-late country communities and injure the markets for farm produce both to the farmer and the town consumer.

Why, then, should the price of bicycles rule so high? Here is a demand for them that is coming to be well nigh universal among all classes and both sexes. It is a demand that can be satisfied with great advantage, not alone to the individual but to society. But at present prices it is simply asking the average man to starve himself to enjoy this simple and healthful exercise. Is there any call or justification for such prices? The common impression—we do not vouch for its truth—is that the best wheel can be sold at a large profit under \$100 or under even \$75. We have on hand some interesting proof of this. During his stay in England last Summer an American traveler applied to the manufacturer of the Victor bicyle, who was then in London, for a wheel. He received this answer:

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"First Avenue Hortz, Holdon, London, W.
C., Aug. 15, 1892.—Dear Sir:—Replying to your inquiry for Victor bicycles, with Victor cushion
twick for an procure the same of the Overman
Wiscl Oungary Chicopee Falls, Mass., U. S. A.
Ore 1315. Sir. Strong the per cent. on account of
that your order is first at send me 24.0 i will see
that your order is first at send me 25.0 i will see
that your order is first at the secondled cushion
here. It is marvelously good. We make but one
grade bicycle, the highest. Awaiting your commands, I am, very truly yours.

A. H. Overman.

Here we have it stated to us that foreigners are privileged to buy American bicycles twenty-five cheaper than we are. Does anybody that this particular \$135 bicycle was being sold under cost, or otherwise than at a good profit at £20 or \$100? Does the twenty-five per cent. discuut on export orders represent a case of throwing surplus stocks on the foreign market of throwing surplus stocks on the foreign market for what they will bring; or, rather, does it not represent the conditions of a regular and profit-able business? The situation seems to be just this: Bicycles of foreign make are taxed forty five per cent at our custom houses. Behind this tariff tax the domestic manufacturers, protected also by patents, have been enabled to combine and keep up their prices quite to the full extent allowed by the duty. When they venture outside of this tariff wall they are at once obliged to re-cuce their prices to the untaxed level of the world's market—which they are perfectly willing to do, and apparently able then to pocket a hand-Consequently in this case each buy-rcle is being needlessly taxed from some profit. er of a bic er of a bicycle is being needlessly taxed from thirty-five to forty-five per cent. "on account of the tariff."

There appears to be no justification for the

machinery is better than in England. Our mate rial costs about the same. It is no exaggeration to say that our wages are double theirs. As to the price charged for the trifling number

we export, it would matter little if we got nothing for them. * * * We would still accomplish our purpose of having them known abroad. I should business the difference between the wages I pay and the wages paid in England for similar work I employ from 100 to 1,500 men, and am well informed of the prices paid for bicycle work in Europe. If the protective tariff were removed I should invite my men to work for half the price they are now getting. If they declined I should be obli ed to close my mill. This argument should be a good one in manufacturing Massachusetts, where our welfare depends greatly on the intelligence and position of the workingmen about us. If you care to publish facts regarding wages for skilled workmen in Europe I can give you the result of careful investigation in Eng-pand, France, Belgium, Germany, Holland, Swit-zerland and Italy during the past ten years.

A. H. OVERMAN Very truly yours, THE "UNION'S" SIDE OF THE CASE. The Springfield Union (Rep.) notices the subject editorially as follows:

The Springfield Republican, in an editorial entitled, "The Uses and Prices of Bicycles," devoted nearly a column on Sunday to a big discussion of the tariff. The entire article was simply a mis-ellaneous collection of fallacies put together present excessive charges for bicycles imposed on in a manner that was intended to give the readers

of his wleels a year, or more than a dozen at the very outside, and those are sent abroad and sold at a loss for the same reason that some manufac-turers give away for advertising purp. ses samples of their wares

ples of their wares. So far as the Fepublican's argument is concerned, Mr. Overman might just as well give away the few bicycles that he exports. It would only represent the difference between no profit and a comparatively small loss.

ENGLISHMEN'S OPINIONS

After reading both arguments, Edward Mushing, the well-known Centaur manufacturer of Coventry, said to the REFEREE man: "I am in an independent position and can give you my opinion without political bias or trade prejudice. In the first place, we must compare the extra cost of skilled labor in America to that of England, which I think can be placed at a third. Then the duty on raw material, and probably the extra cost of machinery, dissolves the forty-five per cent levied on the Eng lish manufacturer who finds a market for his goods in America. I really think the tariff simply places the American manufacturer on an equal footing with the Britisher. One thing the tariff has certainly done, and that is, it has excluded a lot of cheap rubbish from the American market. Our firm does a very nice American business; keeps prices up to those placed on first-class American bicycles, so that we are quite satisfied with the tariff as it is to day. I do not see where the English people who propose building bicycle factories in America are to be benefited. It means an extra force of employes, and the only benefit it would seem that could result would be in being on the spot and saving delay in transportation.'

Samuel Snell, the Birmingham lamp manufacturer, who recently sold his Birmingham business to locate in America, was asked if he cared to express an opinion. Mr. Snell said: "I really believe a man can manufacture as cheaply in this country as he can in England, as the cheapness in skilled labor in England, compared to that of America, is met here by improved machinery. Why, you have machines here in the cycle industry that save the skilled labor of three men. America is away ahead of England in machinery, and that's one reason why I decided to bring my family and capital to America, with a view of start ng a factory for the making of my specialties in cycle manufacturing. The tariff is a good thing; long may it wave for the benefit of the American manu-

facturer and importer."

Burdette and Divisible Cash.

If the telegraph reported the president of the L. A. W. correctly at the meeting for mothers of the L. A. W. only, held in Chicago, the colonel became somewhat excited, and, bringing his fist down on the table, said: "When the L. A. W. adopts the iniquitous divisible cash prize scheme, it will be when I'm too dead to oppose it." If I understand the constitution, as adopted by the L. A. W., President Burdette is a salaried or cash prize servant of the body of cyclists, not its master, and bears much the same relation to the L. A. W. that President Harrison does to the nation, but with powers possibly a little less autocratic. Therefore, when the genial Hartford colonel gets mad and attempts to coerce or dictate to the 31,970 cyclists as to what they should or should not do, I'm afraid the gentleman from Hartford will run against a stone fence. The "iniquitous divisible cash prize scheme" has not made many great sinners of some good citizens of this country in divisible cash prize horse racing, among them governors, senators, preachers and some of the very best citizens of Hartford, so with





We believe we are correct in stating that there are Chinamen and negroes in the league; but it is not generally known that a bull purp is also a member. Such is the case—L. M. (Lincoln Ma Snaix is a member of the league and of the Lincoln club. Do all want the addresses published? -L. M. (Lincoln Mascot)

patent protection gives the manufacturs all that is needed in this case. All above this is being used to enable the few proprietors of patents to accumulate so much the more excessive fortunes. The bicycle makers should be more moderate in their exactions. Let the prices of bicycles be reduced at once.

MR, OVERMAN GETS IN A WORD,

Mr. Overman does not agree with the Republican evidently, for he writes that paper as follows, under date of Sept. 24.

Answering your inquiry, it is true that we occasionally sell a bicycle in England for twenty-five per cent less than our retail price. We sacrificed per cent less than our retail price. We sacrificed our profit because we are compelled to in order to introduce our bicycles; compelled by the fact that bicycle magnifacturers and bicycle wage-workers in Great Britain are forced to work for cheap prices, since they have no protective tariff to de-fend them in their enjoyment of their home mar-ket. We generally have more orders than we can fill at home, and do not care for foreign trade ex-cept that we should like to have our bicycl-s known in Europe in the event of our ever being compelled to go there for a market, which might

arise if the protective tariff was taken off.

We charge more for bicycles here than English
makers charge, for the reason that we pay our
workmen double the wages paid theirs, and our

the American consumer. Why should the for-eigner be favored in this market to the extent of twenty-five per cent. over him? It is an impo-sition that cannot be lightly regarded. Plainly, paper appears to be. There was, in fact, sea cely a line in the cleverly written leader that will stand the test of argument based on fact.

The Republican printed a letter written by A. H. Overman while in Europe last summer offering to sell one of his \$135 bleycles for \$100, and jumps to the conclusion that there was a good jumps to the concusion that there was a good profit on the wheel even at the smaller price. In consequence, the Republican argued that the wheels could be sold in this country, with a good profit, at \$100 or even less, and drew the conclusion that purchasers of wheels were compelled to pay \$135 or \$150 for bicycles because the Republican winging of mytography and profit in the provincial of mytography and profit in the provincial of mytography and profit in the profit in th lican principle of protection enables American manufacturers to combine and keep up the prices, Space at this time does not permit peference to

all the misstatements and inconsistencies in the Republican's editorial It will be perfectly clear to every fair-minded student of economic ques tious, however, that American manufacturers bleycles or any other articles—cannot sell their goods at as low a figure as foreign manufactur-ers, for the reason that the American manufacturer pays double the wages paid by foreign manufacturers. The American manufacturers neither expect nor attempt to sell goods manu-factured by high-priced American labor at a profit in competition with the starvation-priced labor of Great Britain and other foreign coun

Mr. Overman does not export over half a dozen the iniquitous divisible cash prize scheme

will go the demnition bow-wows-provided the L. A. W. or any other wellorganized association takes care of the scheme. Of course we of the cash prize persuasion would not like to see the genial Hartford colonel dead-too dead to oppose us-but a colonel would not be missed in L. A. W. politics or in the nation's affairs, for, in the words of the imortal Garfield, "the government at Washington would still live." I faucy the L A. W. would also. The danger with the L. A. W. seems to be a centralization of machinery power, but it never will be a one-man concern. The president should and will do the bidding of his employes, the rank and file, and not the few salaried favorites, who receive divisible cash prizes for their services. and who are conspicuous for their devotion to the teat of the national organiza-I do not know what President Burdette's idea is now on the amateur question, but last summer in Hartford he told me the only difficulty was in " proving to the satisfaction of the racing board." Well, here is something that may help the racing board solve the question-an extract from a prominent eastern manufacture to a racing man not far removed from the L. A. W. racing board's machinery. In order to prove the genuiness of the letter the original was shown to the secretary of the League of American Wheelmen, and it remains to be seen if the L. A. W. will allow manufacturers and racing men to go on in the present way, or to come out for cash flatfooted, and not perjure themselves and . et the money in a way that cannot improve their manhood or selfrespect.

"Of course the leading men would still ride for manufacturers, and ride their best, or they would not be retained long, if cash prizes were introduced," said a prominent tradesman last week, "and the only change would be in giving the cash openly instead of the behindthe-back method." This man, who knows all the best men, and knows something of the cost to his firm for racing. was right.

Here is the letter referred to, or at least an important portion of it:

"We would like to know whether or not you care about going to California with the Sporting Life team, to ride one of our bicycles. The trip, of course, will cost considerable money, and as you probably know, six of the representative racing men of the country, including Zimmerman, Windle, Taylor and Tyler, and one or two others, will go. As we have agreed to furnish and to pay for one man, we would like, if your arrangements are such that you can accept, to have you go. The trip will last about three months, and there will be racing twice a week through California, Mexico and Texas and the southern states. The writer asks you to keep this in strict confidence, and to mention it to no one. Let us hear from you as soon as possible, as we wish to settle who is to go for us. Yours very truly."

Notwithstanding such letters being public property, the racing board has failed to enforce the beautiful amateur rule. Where does the iniquitous part of the programme come in, President Burdette? Keep your eye on that divisible car load of pure ones which will shortly sally forth under the protection of the L. A. W. racing rules.

Mrs. Peck's New Club.

Mrs. M. L. Peck, L. A. W. 40,914, is a hustler, if that term can be applied to the fair sex. Mrs. Peck was marshal of the fair squad of the cyclists division in he late New York parade, and ran He keeps up his veterinary knowledge, spectators the Philon show will attract. World's Fair grounds Oct. 14.

I don't believe the country and its cyclists things quite correctly. Now Mrs. Peck too. For instance, Mike Quinlan had the Price will also ride a Telegram, and Mr. the REFEREE office to ask the assistance of the paper in booming a club formed of both sexes. The first meeting towards forming an organization was held last Wednesday evening on Seventysecond street, when several officers were chosen as follows: President, Mrs. M. L. Peck: vice-president, L. P. Dosh: treasurer, George F. Adams; secretary, Emma C. Owen; assistant-secretary, J. Charles B. Smith; first lieutenant, Mrs. Bessie D. Farman; second lieutenant, Mrs. Seers; color bearer, Mrs. W. Smith. The object of this club will be to encourage the sport of cycling among the ladies and to cultivate a stronger feeling of sociability among the women riders of the wheel.

It will be noticed that a captain was not chosen-he will be a brave man who tackles the position. Anyhow, the REF-EREE is invited to a moonlight run next Wednesday in Central Park, and will train on "Nervine" between now and

Fees For Handicapping.

E. C. Carter, the national Amateur Athletic Union handicapper, it disconsolate and will not be comforted and happy until things are evened up in handicapping fees. Said E. C. to the REFEREE man: "Wouldn't I like to be a bicycle

has another scheme, and she called at gout and "Doc" recommended a mustard poultice. Quinlan had to wear a carpet slipper for a whole month after using it. Frank Ray, the G. & J. New York manager, complained that his two-months' old infant was not in record-breaking condition, and bought a baby carriage from the Gendron Wheel Company. Alex sells all New York and Brooklyn cyclists carriages, and allows a discount if a father or mother is an active rider. With Ray's carriage he sent the following note:

"I know what is the matter with your kid; he wants a change of diet. Stop feeding him with catmeal and beefsteak, and other food suitable for record-breaking; you just feed him with the bottle of sterilized milk I sent in the carriage. Wheel him out twice daily and show him the Columbus monument, which will give him hope and inspiration, while the milk will do the nutrition part of the business. When he grows up let him ride a Gendron."

Ray believed in all the advice and will act on it. * *

Luscomb's Workers are Hustling.

Mr. Luscomb has appointed his nominating representative committee, and the committee in turn has nominated the ticket representatives, who are expected to vote as they are directed. A well-

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The Bidwell Tire Factory, New York.

handicapper for a yearl All the Union allows me is \$5 for 100 entries; over 100, \$10; under 400, \$15. At the Passaic games, for instance, the handicapper, Prial, got \$50 for 200, and I got \$10 for the same number in the athletic events. Is it any wonder I am getting thin? I complain, not because I begrudge Prial his \$50, but because I want a little more generosity displayed toward me by the Union." With that Carter moved slowly and mournfully down Broadway. Speaking of the fees of handicappers, it is said that Prial made the past season as much as the secretary of the L. A. W. gets per year, \$3,000, and Goodman was close up. The sum of \$50 charged for a few events at a small meeting of a small club does seem high. But it is the club's own fault; it should give class races. What does a man in New York know about the form of a man in a country town near Buffalo? Handicaps in the United States have been more or less a failure and will continue to be so.

" Doc' Schmalbach.

Alexander Schwalbach, of Brooklyn, and likewise of Chambers street, New York, is a very versatile young man, with a large and interesting family. Alex looks young, but is old in wisdom. He was a horse doctor before going into the bicycle business, and is now called "Doc" by the majority of his friends.

defined ring can be seen by looking closely at the paper called a ticket. One of the representatives nominated, however, seems to be from the outside, as he stated the other morning that the honor was a surprise to him, and he immediately asked two cyclists what was expected of him and what would his duties be. One of the young men volunteered the information that the best thing he could do would be to "vote with the gang." He thought he would.

Off For the Indies.

Achille Philon, the spiral tower man who created such a sensation in London two years ago, and at San Francisco last winter, called at the REFEREE New York office last week and outlined an extensive South American and West Indies trip. Philon rides a Century Columbia his wife rides a Premier, and he will take along with him Charlie Price, the Milwaukie amateur, and Lillie Williams, the Omaha cycling scubrette, for exhibition racing purposes. The party will sail for Jamaica next week, and will give exhibitions through the Indies. Price will act as engineer of the steam road carriage, a Philon invention, and will race against amateurs where they can be found, while the fair Lilly will ride her Sercombe & Bolte Telegram safety against Mrs. Philon to the edification and instruction of the numerous

Philon assures the Milwaukeans that their cyclist will remain a pure amateur on his travels with the professional aggregation. There is another side to the trip. Philon proposes to give the tournaments with a view of starting a cycling boom in the islands of the sea, and will, if possible, establish agencies He says for cycles in the larger places. the roads in the British West Indies are the best that can be found, through the manipulation of native and criminal labor. The roads are for the most part macadam, with a layer of cement. Stretches for miles in the country form an ideal road for cyclists. A column notice in the leading Jamaica paper welcomes Philon and his troup.

* * * Sullivan's New Company.

The American Sports Publishing Company, with Colonel James Sullivan of the Sporting Times as president and E. C. Newell secretary and treasurer, has been incorporated for the purpose of publishing an athletic library, and will treat all branches of athletics in a monthly book the company will issue. The extensive knowledge of athletics of the president of the concern, assisted by the athletic and sporting editors of the New York dailies, will assist in giving the athletic world something reliable and interesting, The company will also control the advertising of several large concerns in the athletic goods business.

Guy Wilson a New Yorker.

Guy P. Wilson, late of the Baltimore News, has forsaken the Oriole city and will in the future make New York his home. He will become connected with one of the big dailies. Mr. Wilson has been a prominent Baltimore cycling figure, and worked hard for the sport in Maryland. He thinks, however, that there are more kicks than honor in being a worker in the cause of cycling, and doesn't yearn for any more distinction on that score. He will join the New York Cycling Press Club when the latter is reorganized, and it is hoped the club will have the active assistance of the clever writer and hustler. What is Baltimore's loss is New York's gain.

MORGAN.

A Good Scheme.

A 'starting" novelty is about to be tried on the new Paris track. Instead of the historic man with the pistol, a series of posts, each being fitted with a sonorous bell, will be placed at distances of twenty-five metres round the track. Electric wires will connect these bells, and the starter, instead of risking death by explosion from an old blunderbuss, will merely touch the button and set the whole (including the riders) in motion. Now, Herne Hill.-Wheeling.

There's a Difference, You Know.

The "Yankees" are endeavoring to obtain a portion of the grounds at the Chicago exhibition, which will be held next year, for a comprehensive exhibit of roads and their construction and maintenance. The rural highways in the land of "stars and stripes" are, be it said, most atreclously irregular and uneven, and while a considerable improvement has been manifest of late years, there is still much to be accomplished ere the cyclists of the States will understand the pleasures of travel as they are known to their cousins on this side of the "herring pond."—Cycle

And notwithstanding this knowledge, the Britishers wonder why we can not make road records.

William E Hunter of Lynn, Mass., has just reached his home, having ridden to Chicago. He covered the 1,200 miles in sixteen days, arriving at the



Successful Texas Meet.

The first annual meet of the Dallas Wheel Club wi'l go down in history as the largest and best ever held in Texas. The races were deferred a week, owing to incessant rain during the past two weels On the 27th, the first day of the races, the wind blew a gale and the track was miserable, but Old Sol beamed forth in all his glory, and the boys were full of good cheer. Fast time was impossible, but the quarter was ridden in 33 1-4. W. A. Parker, of Waco, had everything his own way, being beaten but once. Friday evening the club entertained the visitors with an elegant banquet and smoker, mingled with songs speeches, Mr. McGarvey, of Kentucky. rendering a quantity of the latter. The summary:

One-mile, novice—G. A. Roach, Dallas, 1; W. A. Springfield, Dallas, 2; G. A. Harmon, Dallas, 3; T.

B. Clark, Waco, 4; time, 3:10. Quarter-mile, open—W. A. Parker, Waco, 1; R. E. Patterson, Gainesville, 2; T. N. Parker, Waco,

3; G. W. Hubbard, Sherman, 4; time, 33 1 4.
One-mile, Texas Wheelmen — W. A. Parker,
1; W. B. Tackaberry, Ft. Worth, 2; R. E. Patterson, 3; time, 3:05.

One-mile ordinary-L. Andrews, Denn'son, 1;

One-mile, ordinary—L. Andrews, Denn'son, 1; Atwell, 2; McConnell, 3; time, 3:59. Three-mile, open—W. A. Parker, 1; G. A. Roach, 2; R. E. Patterson, 3; time, 10:40. Trick riding—G. Hubbard, Sherman, 1; Gaha-

Half-mile, handicap—R. E. Patterson, 1; G. W. Hubbard, 2; A. Leverdale, Dallas, 3; time, 1:30.

SECOND DAY.

Half-mile, open—W. A. Parker, 1; G. W. Hubbard, 2; G. A. Roach, 3; time, 1; 20.
One hundred yards, slow race—W. A. Parker,

1: G. W. Hubbard, 2: time, 2:45.

1; G. W. Hubbard, 2; time, 2:45.
One-nile, Dallas Wheel Club—W. Springfield, 1;
John Truel er, 2; G. A. Harmon, 3; time, 3:20.
Half-mile, juvenile—G. N. Hope, Sherman, 1;
Sam Seidenbetel, 2; time, 1:40.
One-mile, Texas Wheelmen—W. A. Parker, 1;
(I.W. Hubbard, 2; Par Spore Heusten, 2; time, 1; One-mile, Texas Wheelmen-W. A. Parker, 1; G. W. Hubbard, 2; Roy Spore, Houston, 3; time,

2:59.
Five-mile, open—R. G. Roach, 1; W. A. Parker
2; G. W. Hubbard, 3; time, 17:22.
Trick riding, ordinary—Temby, Houston, 1;
Hubbard, Sherman, 2; Andrews, Dennison, 3.
One-mile, consolation—Chabot, San Antonio, 1;

Carruthers, Houston, 2; Woodurnth, Dallas, 3; time, 3:19 2-5.

The officers were: Referee, L. W. Hope, Sherman; judges, T. L. Lawhon, John B. McCraw, Hugh Blakenee, all of Dallas; timers, L. A. Cohn and G. Harris of Dallas, and A. Q. Nash, of Sher-

The De Soto Record Broken.

Bert Harding, of the St. Louis Cycling Club, tackled Hal Greenwood's De Soto round trip record Sunday, and the way he took that record down was a caution. Quite a number of things were against him on the trip. The roads had just been repaired and Harding encountered a good deal of new gravel It was a cold, raw morning when he started from the club house, the start being made at 8:02 a. m. Point Breeze was reached at Maxville, 9:24; Bulltown, 10:05; Hillsborough, 11:08, and De Soto at 11:57. Here he stopped for a lunch, leaving at 1:10 p.m. He passed through Bulltown on the return trip at 2:45, Point Breeze at 4:26, and reached the club house at 5:25 p. m.

His time on the down trip was 3 hrs. 57 min., only about seventeen minutes behind his time the day he broke the sin-

w lked Frisco and Kimmswick, as, owing to a break in his wheel, he was afraid of breaking the frame. The t me for the round trip, 9 hrs. 25 min., is 2 hrs 31 min. ahead of the record made by Hal Greenwood in his celebrated race with Perce Stone five years ago. Harding practically made his own pace the entire way, though members of the cycling club kept with him at different stages of the trip, mostly for the pursose of checking at points along road. Harding was prety tired when he reached the club, and showed it very plainly, but after a good rub-down he seemed to feel all right. He rode an In perial light roadster.

The timers were G. M. Wilder and W. P. Laing at the start; Thomas Coburn at Frank Ayers at Point Breeze, and Wilder, Laing and Rule at the fin-Saturday forfeits were posted with U. C.

daily. The racing board of the Milwaukee Wheelmen has the meet in charge, and is working hard to make it a suc-Chairman Schroeder states that the prize list will be first class, as many valuable prizes have been guaranteed, and the club will add many others.

If the Sporting Life's excursion to California and the south proves a go, assurances have been given by Mr. Troy that the car, with all the great racing representatives of the country, will be in Mil aukee during the tournament to participate in the races. Zimmerman. Windle, Tyler, Taylor, Berlo and others would prove great drawing cards and make the meet a doubly-assured suc-JACK ROYAL.

Buffalo Race Matters.

"To be or not to be" seems to be the question regarding "that" road race. The Buffalo erd of the dispute is willing, from all accounts, to concede any or all courses if the Rochester end will only come in; but it won't, and the Buffalo end may suit itself regarding detail. On

was won from scratch by the former in 13:28 1-2, while Rhodes dropped out. Neither man was entered and got to the track just in time to start in the race, the referee having allowed them to ride. Some of the Nashville people didnt understand this and thought there was something wrong. At any rate, Johnson had not received his prize at last accounts. The results were as follows:

FIRST DAY.

One-mile, novice—J. B. Farmer, Nashville, 1; R. E. Bennett, Nashville, 2; O. B. Gardner, Nash-

ville, 3; time, 3:10.

One-mile, handicap—J. H. Gardner, Nashville, 1; J. L. Newsom, Jr., Nashville, 2; W. S. Pearson, Nashville, 3; time, 2:43 2-5.

One-mile, scratch—J. H. Gardner, 1; J. L. New-om, Jr., 2; W. C. Payne, Evansville, 3; time,

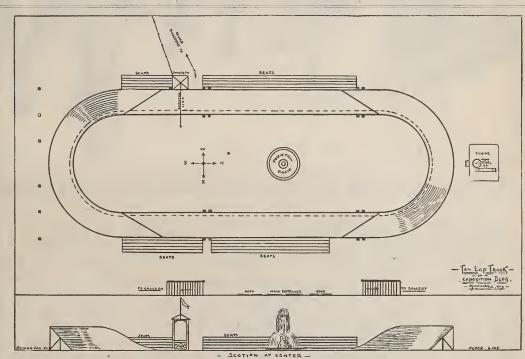
Quarter-mile, open, flying start—J. H. Gardner. W. C. Payne, 2; J. M. Raines, Nashville, 3; time,

Half-mile, flying start, Capital City Cycling Club members—J. L. Newsom, Jr., 1; J. C. Gard-ner, 2; W. S. Pearson, 3.

Five-mile, handicap—J S. Johnson, Minneapolis, 1; J. L. Newsom, Jr., 2; J. B. Farmer 3; time, 13:231-2.

SECOND DAY

One-mile, scratch, open—J. H. Gardner, Nash



Milwaukce Wheelmen's Indoor Bicycle Track-Exposition Building.

ish. on its books.

Milwaukee's Coming Tournament.

During Thanks.iving week the Milwaukee Wheelmen will hold a tournament at the exposition building. A race track will be built, and when completed will be the fastest indoor track in the country. The designer of the plans, Martin Palitz, visited Minneapolis, Chicago and New York for the purpose of obtaining all the information possible in regard to the way tracks had been built The track will be built in those cities the same as the ove in Madison Square Garden, New York, and will be ten laps to the mile One especially meritorious feature of the construction is that a rider going at a 2:15 gait will find it impossible on the turns to strike his pedals, while it will be necessary for him to go at a three-minute clip if he wants to keep on the track
is now in progress

Work on the track
is now in progress

It will be built of one-inch boards, with a regular covering of flooring, and when completed, which will be some time this week, all gle trip record. Every hill was climbed racing men who have entered the races Capital City C. C. Johnson and Rhodes race was held Friday last, twenty-five on the way down, but coming back he will be allowed the free use of the track started in the five-mile handicap, which men starting and finishing before a large

A claim will be made to the Cen- Martin by the Press C. C. an I the Ramtury Road Club to have this record put bler's B. C., so the prospects for a race are a little more encouraging than before. The time now agreed upon is Nov. 5, and all interested are hoping and praying for good training and racing weather. The Press C. C.'s men are training for this event under the direction of C. H. Callahan. The Ramblers B. C. boys are not saying very much just now, but they have their working clothes on, and the amount of training going on is enormous. The team for the road race next Saturday is hard at work under the care of Captain Klipfel, and the men are in the pink of condition. Captain Klipfel is sure that he has the winners in the team, and Callaha is equally sanguine. Willie Dunn.

Johnson Won at Nashville.

Nashville's big two-day meet last Thursday and Friday did not pan out very extensively. Dan Canary, who returned Saturday, said there must have been seventeen people in the grand stand the first day and twenty eight on the second. The meet was given at Cumberland Park, under the auspices of the

ville, 1; J. M. Rains, Nashville, 2; W. C. Paine, Evansville, 3; time, 2:52 4-5. Half-mile, handicap—J. M. Rains, 20 yards, 1; Jay Newsom, Nashville, 10 yards, 2; W. S. Pear-son, Nashville, 30 yards, 3; time, 1:12 1 2.

One-mile, handicap, open—J H. Gardner, Nash-ville, 20 yards, 1; J. M. Rains, Nashville, 40 yards, 2; R. E. Bennett, Nashville, 100 yards, 3; time. 2:41 4-5.

Two-mile, handicap; open—Jay Newsom, Nashville, 50 yards, 1; R. E. Bennett, Nashville, 250 yards, 2; J. B. Farmer, Nashville, 100 yards, 3; time, 5:33 1-2.

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Half-mile, open — First prize, J. H. Gardner,
Nashville, 1; W. C. Paine, Evansville, 2; J. M.
Rains, Nashville, 3; time, 1:10 2-4.
One-mile, handicap—O. B. Gardner, Nashville,
250 yards, 1; W. S. Pearson, Nashville, 250 yards.

2; Jay Newsom, scratch, 3; time, 2:55.

One-mile, handicap—Fitz Bachmann, 575 yards, 1; W. J. Potter, 500 yards, 2; Jay Newsom, 100 yards, 3; time, 1:59.

Two-mile, handicap—Jay Newsom, 400 yards, 1; J. H. Gardner, 350 yards, 2; J. S. Johnson, scratch,

The officials were: Referee, J. C. Combs; judges, C. H. Bader, J. M. Gardner and William Cox; timers, T. C. Petri, J. I. Newsom, Jr., and Charles W. Woodward; clerk of the course, Henry J. Stack; starter, J. Elmer Pratt, Chicago.

Newton Won from Scratch.

The Beloit, Wis., twelve-mile road race was held Friday last, twenty-five



An illustration of Racing Board methods, adopted for the benefit of the official organ to the de riment of the league at large.

crowd of people. The road was in good shape, but a strong, cold wind prevailed. E. A. Newton finished first from scratch in 55 min., thus securing first place and time. F. N. Pratt was second and George Whitford third.

The M. & W. Road Race.

The M. & W. Cycling Club held an eight mile road race last Saturday over the Oak Park course. W. Whitman, the fourteen-year old office boy, won handily. His handicap was twenty min tes. F. W. Morgan was a contestant. The summary follows:

Name,			Hand'p.		Time.
W. Whitman				20:00	35:35
B. F. Campfield.				:45	30:47
E. Ulbricht				ser.	5,:00
J. Herkenhoff				7:30	33:49
C. B. Van Dyke.				7:30	33:52
T. Morris				7:30	83:55
J. E. Hammond .				4:00	30:27
F. W. Osmun				:45	27:25
H. S. Mallory				2:00	23:58
F. W. Morgan				:45	29:24
II. Voigt				4:00	32:33
George Stenile				7:30	36:12
J. Rau				4:00	33:40
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Chicago C. C. Ordinary Run.

The road officers of the Chicago C. C. have called an "ordinary run" for Sunday from t e club house to Pullman and return. None but solid-tired ordinaries will be permitted on the run. It is a novelty surely, these days, and there is now a demand for the g. o. o. Safety riders will not be permitted to accompany those on the ordinaries under pain of having the valves taken off their machines and a walk home. It is proposed to impose a fine of twenty-five cents for every header and ten cents for dsmounts, the "pot" to pay for dinners at Pullman.

Race Chat.

Wheelmen, and will be arranged for some time in December.

The Baltimore club will hold its annual ten-mile road race Thanksgiving day.

The Capital City Cycling Club of Lincoln, Neb., has arranged for a ten-mile road race. The course will be to Havelock and return. The race will take place Nov. 10, with perhaps thirty-five entries. Fifteen prizes will be given.

Last week Fred Hatch of the St. Paul C. C. broke the local hundred-mile record, going from St. Paul to Northfield, and then to Minneapolis and St. Paul, in 7 hrs. 52 min. This is three minutes betterr than the mark made by T. L. Bird two weeks ago.

Races will be held by the Washington Wheelmen of Tremont, Pa., election day, on the Westchester course, con isting of mile, novice; mile, handicap; half mile, handicap; 100-yard, slow race; two-mile, handicap; ten-mile, handicap, and mile consolation.

The Centaurs of Baltimore will hold a sealed handicap ten-mile road race election day. The club championship medal will go the man making the best time, while other prizes will go to those finishing first, second and third. If permission can be obtained, the race will be held in Druid Hill park, otherwise on the shell road.

Saturday last Worth & Sterner, the West Madison street cycle dealers, gave a youths' century race. Five of Chicago's sturdiest young riders started. Earl Hamilton, whose age is 18, and Harry Geer, 16, allowed Ralph Kinney, 17. Fred Henderson, 14, and Lawrence Reed, 16, an our's handicap. Harry Geer came in a winner in 8:30, clipping off two hours from the best known youths' Clarden is talked of by the Harlem 9:40, Lawrence and Kinney rode 45 miles of 'oof' to put up."

and Hamilton completed a half century befor stopping. Harry Geer is not unknown in the local cycling world, this being his fourth century the present season, all ridden on a forty-ix inch pneumatic tired Eagle. Henders in has rid-den too centuries this season. Both men finished apparently fresh Harry Geer rides under Minnette club colors. and is a hardy long-distance rider.

The New York papers say that in the race of the Newark Letter Carriers Cyclerathe third man was Robert Clunich, a one-armed postman. This is the first instance of a one-armed man competing in a bicycle race, and, as the distance was five mi es, his showing was a good one. Mr. Clunich rides a wheel while erving his route, and is a fan iliar figere ın Newark.

More About Johnson's Records.

John W. Evans of the American Trotter, writes the Referee as follows about the records made by Johnson on the kite track at Independence, Ia .:

"I notice in your issue of Sept. 30 under the headi g of 'One mile in 1:56' 3-5, the following: "There were only one or two watches which were over 1:57, while several others were well under 1:56 3-5.' I would like to contradict this. When Johnson went his wile not one of the official timers had it over 1:56 3-5. Two had 1:56 1-5, two had it 1:56 2-5, and two had it 1:56 3-5. I was in the stand when they compared watches, and they decided on the slowest, which was 1:56 3-5. We can put up from \$1,000 to \$10,000 that he can come back and do the very same thing he has done. This will be a good chance for the people who doubt these performances to come here and make An indoor meet at Madison Square time. Henderson completed the run in money if they have anything in the way Harris." That, however, is another story.

ENGLAND'S EX-CHAMPION.

Osmond the Disapointment of the Past Season.

Longfelloe in Sport and Play.

There can be no disguising the fact that Osmond has been the disappointment of the past season. All his friends have been hoping that he would do something before the frosts came again worthy of his great reputation; this friendly patience has gradually given way to disappointment, his most faithful adherents have ceased to find excuses, and to day it has to be acknowledged that it is hopeless to expect the brilliant rider of 1891 to add to the laurels won so handsomely in the days that are past. The reflections of those who have honestly believed in his prowess and his capability of accomplishing a really great feat on the path may not be pleasant; but they are inevitable. It is out of my province to attempt to make excuses: but I may perhaps be allowed to add my keen regret to those which have been expressed in all quarters at his recent failures.

Our American visitor has proved himself such an exceptionally good rider that any attempt to deprive him of a vestige of the halo with which the American press has invested him would be unchivalrous. No! Zimmerman ha won his honors; let him wear them as a conqueror should. They might have fallen into less modest and more unworthy hands. But although our cup of disappointment was well nigh filled when the championships were carried once more into distant climes, it was not overflowing, and we were all hopefu that Osmond would rise to the occasion, and, at least, uphold the reputation of English cyclists. We must not forget the one brilliant burst of "plucky little Some have given it out that Osmond's

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@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@ system of training has been the wrong one; and other excuses have been made. is, probably, not constitutionally strong, but when in August we saw him

set himself going something after his old style, and leave his fellow competitors in the last lap of a mile handicap as though they were standing, we were amongst those who held the opinion that at last the hour and the man had come. When the great crowd at Aston cheered him to the echo, as he flashed past the tape a winner, we felt a thrill not often experienced.

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Since then we have waited for his onslaught on the records at Herne Hill in vain, and we feel that it is too late for anything to be done this season. Of late we have heard a good many harsh expressions used concerning his comparative failures-nothing at all unusual from hero worshipers-but we may expect the same people to go to precisely the same extremes if Osmond should ever succeed in doing a big ride. Just now he is the recipient of plenty of advice-cheap, too. Forgetful, I suppose, that cycling champions are only human, all manner of "quacks" are prescribing, whose nostrums will, of course, he religiously avoided. Most of his Midland friends are bitterly disappointed; but most of them will wait a little longer before they begin to "throw stones."

The "Wheel" in Chicago.

The Wheel has decided to open an office in Chicago and has placed in charge Andrew Cahill, who has for over a year been connected with the advertising department of the Bearings. Mr. Cahill is well acquainted with the trade throughout the country and particularly in the west, so that the venture should prove advantageous both to himself and the paper he represents.



THE LATEST-TRIPLETS.

ALL FOR GOOD ROADS.

Legislative Candidates Place Their Views on Record.

Under date of Oct. 20, Secretary Prime, of the Illinois Highway Improvement Association, sent to the candidates for the Illinois legislature a circular asking for their views on the road improvement question, and a large number of answers were received. The circular explained its own mission and said: "The road question is above any politics, but we would like to know who are the men we can depend upon in the next legislature to help us in the direction indicated.' The following questions were asked:

Are you in favor of convict labor to be used either in preparing material or for actual labor on our highways?
2. Are you in favor of, or opposed to state aid

for road improvement?

3. Would you favor a modification of our present road laws that would enable townships and counties to raise money for road improvements by the issue of bonds?

Give us your general ideas on the road ques-

Every candidate who answered the questions was most decidedly in favor of using convicts for improving, the highways of the state, and all were greatly in favor of good roads. A few of the answers are given in full to show the feeling on the subject, and in addition a the consumer and producer.

list tollows of those who have expressed themselves in a similar way:

William H. Olsen (Rep.), Chicago—Am in favor of convict labor to be used in preparing material or actual labor on our highways. Just as important for state aid in building roads as of other great improvements. Am in favor of a road law to enable townships and counties to raise money

for road improvements by issuing bonds.
S. D. May (Dem.), Chicago—Am in favor of convict labor being used entirely both in preparing material for use of and actual labor on the roadways of the state. We have our board of agriculture, horticulture and railways. Why not our board of highways, possessing authority under the act creating it to enter on a speedy but permanent improvement of the roads?

J. Wiley Howey (Pro.), Newton—I have no sympathy with the idea that a lot of criminals should

be kept wholly at the expense of the state. Let them earn their grub. Yours for less criminals and better roads.

J. H. Hackett (Rep.), Jacksonville - See no other J. H. Hackett (Rep.), Jacksonville—See no other solution of the vexed question in regard to convict labor except they be employed in some way looking to the improvement of our highways. Agitate, educate, and something better than we now have will result. The people are ready for a change and are seeking information so as to be

change and are seeking information so as to be able to act wisely when the time comes to make a change in our laws regarding highways.

Samuel Wood (Pro), Quincy—Am in favor of convict labor, to be used both in the preparation of material and actual work on our highways; favor any reasonable measure looking to the state aiding road improvements. Also a law enabling townships and countries to refer more. state adding road improvements. Also a law enabling townships and counties to raise money for the same purpose. This enterprise should in all legitimate ways be fostered and encouraged. Good roads are a necessity to the best interests of

Albert Campbell (Rep.), Effingham — Am in favor of employing convict labor, both in the preparation of material and in actual labor on the roads of the state. This will give employment to the large number of convicts without bringing their labor in direct competition with non-criminal labor. Also in favor of state aid for road improvement where necessary. No objection to empowering counties or townships to issue bonds to improve their roads.

George W. Minier (Pro.), Minier—What better can we do with our convicts than put them to

can we do with our convicts than put them to work for the good of the people? It will be for the good of those unfortunate men to give them labor in the air.

lator in the air.

E. H. Griggs (Rep.), Chicago—Will be glad to co-operate with the friends of the bighway improvement in any practical measure that promises to give us better roads in the country districts of the state.

C. J. Schultz (Pro.), Elgin—Use convict labor on

our highways wherever practical. Favor state aid in road improvements; also law to enal e townships to raise money for road improvement.

Others who had answered the circular and expressed themselves in favor of convict labor in road improvement were:

convict Jacor in Foad Improvement Were:

J. W. Drury, Dem., Waterloo; U. S. Ellisworth, Rep., Deer Park; W. C. Dean, Dem., Ava; L. K. Byers, Dem., Altoona; George Murray, Rep., Elmira; Thomas H. Creighton, Rep., fairfield; James Boston, Rep., Duquoin; J. Zimmerman, Dem., Mount Carmel; S. H. West, Dem., Arrowsmith; S. W. Seawell, Dem., Greenville; J. Huston, Dem., Blandinsville; John Holmes, Dem., Alta; C. A. Ambrosius, Dem., Collinsville; J. E. Miller, Dem., Belleville; J. H. Baer, Pro., Sterling; William Stuart, Dem., Dakota; A. G. Moqueen, Peoples', Flora; P. Paddock, Pro., Raymond; E. T. Potter, Dem., Wilson; D. S. Berry, Rep., Savanna; George Pickle, Rep., Plainfield; George B. Winter, Pro., Onarga; George W. Curtis, Dem., Stockton; E. L. Henning, Dem., Plano; Hugh Greig, Pro., Oneida; J. M. Jones, Pro., Lafayette; J. A. Hoopes, Pro., Ipara; W. A. Moore, Dem., Morton; George W. Lucas, Rep., Mound Station; William Thieman, Rep., Itasca; B. A. Gower, Rep., Odell; W. I. Guffin, Re., Paw Paw; Henry M. Dunlap, Rep., Savoy.

The St. Nicholas Manufacturing Company has sold its entire output for next year to Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Company and the George R. Bidwell Cycle Company,

FAILURES IN ENGLAND. Messrs. Maycock and Browett, of the Cov

SEVERAL SMALL MAKERS ARE FORCED TO THE WALL.

Trade Generally Quiet Abroad, Though Brisk With Many-All Are Building Front Drivers-Preparing for the Stanley Show.

BIRMINGHAM, Oct 22,-The threatened "bad time" in the cycle trade would seem to be upon us. During the last week or two quite a number of failures have been announced and several more are already talked about. Besides this several agents have been effecting pri vate arrangements. The failures at this season last year were, as a rule, confined to agents who had stocked too heavily and were unable to meet their engage ments. This year it is the manufacturers who are putting up the shutters, al though those who have gone have not up to the present been people in a very large way of business. The biggest fail ure so far is that of the Basford Cycle Company, of Nottingham, people who only began trading last season and were supposed to have plenty of money. Their liabilities are a little short of £5,000 and their assets are estimated at about £2,200. Among the creditors are, I believe, the Pneumatic Tire Company, for an amount of something like £600. Maxim Steel Tire Company, the Orient Cycle Company (T. T. Sims) and the Cornbrook Cycle Company, all of Birmingham, have also failed and executed deeds of assignment, and Frankenstein & Company, the saddle and accessory makers and platers of Covertry, have within the last few days stopped pay-In this case the liabilities are over £2,000 and the assets reach £900. The firm had an overdraft from the bank of something like £1,100. There are several other affairs which are very shaky, and I should not be surprised to hear at any moment of another halfdozen failures.

OTHERS DOING WELL.

In the midst of all this it is very satisfactory to hear of the good business which is being done in a quiet way by several firms. Among these is the Quinton Cycle Company, which, with an order of two thousand machines from the Bretz-Curtis Company of Philadelphia, to be going on with, has already all its hands on at full time. What with a fire which destroyed its premises just as it had got a fair hold on the trade, and other misfortunes, the Quinton firm has had more than its share of bad luck, and I am pleased to see that it is now obtaining the success which the perseseverance and conscientiousness of its principals deserves. Instead of paying a big dividend this year the directors have been content with a moderate return and have placed a substantial sum to the reserve fund to provide for future emergencies.

HUSTLING FOR BUSINESS.

There has been quite an exodus this week srom London of the cycling journalists and advertising representatives. They have with one accord fled to the Midlands, where they have been scurrying round to the factories in anticipation of the Stanley show. At present a cycle manufacturer's lot is not a happy one. He is doing nothing all day besides describing his novelties for next year-of which, practically, he has none-to the reporters and declining to listen to the blandishments of the canvassers who wish to book his order for advertise-

entry Machinists' Company, who have clubs have passed resolutions promising returned well satisfied with the result of their visit to America. B. Riley is also sion trains have already heen arranged back from his travels on behalf of Bonnick & Company, and expresses himself as being very well pleased with the outlook of the trade for City cycles in the

TIRE MAKERS VERY BUSY.

The tire makers are probably the busiest people in the cycle trade just at present. This week I had an opportunity of trying the new Clincher tire, which is being put on the market by the North British Rubber Company. It is a great improvement on the old pattern. It is two and one-half pounds lighter, and is these advantages it is just as easy of repair as the Clincher always was from simple than it originally was. Yet although the opposition is so much greater the Dunlop people have already taken and its success has proved phenomenal. books this time last year. George Ducros, the youngest of the family who are

ous feature. Hundreds of provincial for on the northern lines. The invitation Bohemian concert, given tthis week by the Stanley club, aroused great interest amongst the metropolitan clubs, which were well represented.

Gov's is the name of one of the oldest and best known cycle agencies in the city of London. Twelve years ago it was hither I went to order my first bicycle. To-day the flourishing west end cycle depot, situated in Praed street, near the Edgware road, forms an important local centre in the London wheel faster and is more resilient. In spite of trade. For at Goy's one may view a good selection of most of the best makes found on the viaduct, besides the Fleur the first. The Fleetwood has also been de Lis and Witch, two machines made much improved, being lighter and more and sold by the firm. The Witch appeared at the beginning of this year, as a sound, up-to-date, second-grade mount, far more orders than they had on their With one or two trifling modifications it so much concerned in the company, is at the Stanley show. In response to in-present over from New York and is quiry I learned that the firm would take

LONDON'S CYCLING LANDMARK.



This wheel has, in its short life, received a great name. The frame is very rigid and does not have "that back "woggle," as the maker, the Eadie Manufacturing Company, Hunt End, Eug., says. The machine was specially designed by R. W. Smith, the works manager. This company also makes several other handsomely-designed wheels, and may, another season, try for American trade.

tire at the Coventry factory.

NEW SCHEMES TAKING

There seems to be a "boom" coming along in two-speed gears, affairs which a couple of years ago were laughed at and classed with gear cases as unnecessary fads. There also seems to be little doubt that there will be a shoal of geared ordinaries and front driver safeties on the market next season, and in this connection it is worthy of mention that a firm of Birmingham engineers is sending out hubs beautifully made with Caypto gear, and charging just £1 each less than the Crypto firm is getting for theirs. The Birmingham people declare that there are no patent rights in the gear, and from what I know of the matter I am inclined to think they are right.

[From another correspondent.]

LONDON, Oct. 22 -- Over 310 firms have taken space at the Stanley show, which will be by far the largest on record. A large amount of space will be occupied by firms exhibiting machinery, whilst the photographic section, containing displays of photographic apparatus and materials, as well as a show of work by ments. In Coventry this week I saw medals are offered, will form a conspicu- and weighs thirty-six pounds.

learning the whole mysteries of the new up the geared f. d. safety in 1893. Some geared ordinaries would also be required. Nothing was yet definitely settled as to the safeties, but thirty-six-inch and twenty-inch wheels with Crypto gear would most probably be their ultimate

OTHERS SHOWING THE F. D.

For a long time the viaduct gave no sign that anything in the form of a front-driving safety occupied the thoughts of riders - except, of course, at No. 1, where Marriott & Cooper's geared ordinary was to be seen. The second firm to expose on view the novelty was the Rudge Cycle Company. During the last week two more well known houses have been awakened from their indifference towards the rear-driver's rival, and have each displayed samples of frontdrivers in their windows. These are James Vallentine & Company, ltd., makers of the Spartan and agents for the Whitworth, and the Coventry Machinists' Company. The Spartan front driver presents an excellent appearance, being on almost identical lines with the Crypto-with whose gear, by the way, it is fitted. It is a full roadster with brake, Preston Davis tires, thirty-six inch (geared amateurs and professionals for which to sixty) and twenty-four-inch wheels,

A SWIFT F. D. SAFETY.

The other front driver, which has been tried by both Holbein and Shorland, is also fitted with the Crypto gear. It has thirty-six-inch and twenty-two-inch wheels and scales about thirty-six pounds as a full roadster. It has a neat appearance and will be on view at the Crystal Palace show in January. The Coventry Machinists' Company contemplates, I hear, opening a factory at Richmond, Ind., U. S. A., for the production of their present English patterns for the American market.

Stepping eastwards the other afternoon I had a brief chat with the manager of the Metropolitan Machinists' Company, of Bishopsgate street. Like the peacock popinjay proudly born in the "Yeoman of the Guard," this gentleman "turned up his noble nose in scorn" only a few months ago at the idea of a front-driver proving a generally adopted model for 1893. Now, however, he has been led to alter his views, having already had to execute orders at the request of customers. The company will make a Cryptogeared f. d. safety for next year, and will show the same at the Crystal Palace.

HANDLES PERRY'S GOODS,

Messrs. Brown Brothers, of Great Eastern street, E. C., had several novelties to show me when I recently called. It will be remembered by your readers that this firm is the London agent for Perry's fittings, and supplies everything that can be mentioned in connection with cycle making. Of course, in addition to the Crypto gear, they stock the Perry gear. The latter, however, is about to be withdrawn from the market, The latter, however, is as Perry & Company have adopted an improved form. In the meantime orders received for the gear so extensively advertised of late are being held over. Perry's new light pattern cheap hubs are marvels of good finish and excellent quality, and make the old pattern feel very heavy and clumsy by comparison. Then there is the new Perry pen steel bush chain for Perry Humber racing hubs. This is light, perfectly finished, strong, moderate in price, and where a Carter gear case is used, suitable for road work.

TO REPAIR BOOTHROYDS.

The Boothroyd tire for 1893, when examined in sectional torm, is found to be slightly thinned at the sides. For the relief of those unfortunates who possess porous tires, (i. e. Boothroyds which, owing to an internal defect, undiscoverable by test, leak at countless spots from one or two interior pin-holes and refuse to be repaired), Brown Brothers bave produced Boothroyd's solution sold in tins at thirty-six cents. A tin full of this jelly is heated in hot water and pumped into the tire, which never leaks again until punctured de novo. Something of this kind has long been wanted and will prove welcome alike to riders and agents. Stand No. 198 at the Starley show will see Brown Brothers and all their wares in bewildering variety.

Mr. 7. H. E. Cooke, of 40 Brunswick Square, W. C., has patented and is placing on the market a new powerful pump for pneumatic tires. It is not too long to be portable and its novel feature consists of a chamber in which may easily be carried a sufficient quantity of repairing materials to serve the needs os any user of the 1893 Dunlop. STANLEY.

L. S. Kingman, son of Martin Kingman, returned last week from a six months' trip through Europe. Kingman visited all the cyc ing centres, and the information gained will be of advantage to him in his present position with Kingman & Company, Peoria.

RED RIMS FOR 1893—THE RUDGE

As has been announced before, we are now the exclusive manufacturers and importers of the RUDGE for the entire United States, and are rapidly getting things into shape to turn out the American Made Rudge in the highest style of the art. We now have in transit parts and materials for 500 machines, which we shall put together in the very best possible manner immediately upon arrival, thereby giving us enough machines to furnish our agencies with samples before the first of January. Every possible care will be taken to build the very highest grade machine that has yet been turned out by the Rudge Company, and special pains and care will be taken in

the finish of same. In this department we thing that has yet been done in America. polish before the nickel is applied, and will peeling nickel, thus assuring an everlasting highly polished frame by expert carriage finest point. The machines will all be striped have Red Rims.



have made every preparation to surpass any-Each bright part will receive a regular silver be plated with a very heavy coat of nonluster. The enamel will be applied to a finishers, who have that work down to the with a fine gold line and the Racers will all

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The Cook County Wheelmen give an ovster supper this Saturday evening.

The Cook County Wheelmen give a hare and hounds chase on Thanksgiving

A hare and hound chase will be given by the First Regiment Cycle Corps Thanksgiving day.

The Lincoln Cycling Club has postponed its Japanese smoker, scheduled for this Thursday evening, for one week.

Englishmen would probably never bethat at Chicago's recent tournament Messrs. Sheridan, Rouse and Lennie varied only once in timing the great number of contests; yet this is so.

The Century Road Club holds a meet-"A" of the Grand Pacific hotel, to adopt a mail vote for officers.

Kinkead of the Lincolns has thirteen an eqnal number, Newman of the Lincoln's has fourteen, and thus far tops the list of Chicago centurians. John Erick

for five popular concerts at the Auditorium, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

te or, will appear in vocal selections at winter for the big race. the concerts. begin Thurday, Nov. 8.

Members of the Lincoln club who present record, 421 miles. finished the annual century Sept. 4 have souvenirs given this season.

the Chicago club foot ball team for the annual game Thanksgiving day with the south side Illinois Social Club the following well-known cyclists: E. Lumsden, J. P. Bliss, W. C. Anderson, James W. Thorne, Harry Hanford, H. Bingham, H. Tobey, M. Hunt, Mc-Gilvery, Sherman and Ritchie.

The Minnette Cycling Corps will shortly put a team in gymnasium training, under John West, who will represent them on the track next season. It is said they have captured C. D. Cutting, ing this Thursday evening in club room the Cook County Wheelmen's best man, and Otto Maas, of the Illinois Club, who constitution and by-laws and authorize has the right stuff in him but needs a man like West to bring it out. H. M. Stringer, the likely young Elgin flyer, century bars, Porter of the Illinois' has and J. B. Woolas, winner of this year's Pullman, are the other two

son of the Columbia Wheelmen has an San Francisco, came into town last week. Mr. Waller intends making Chicago his Gilmore's celebrated band is announced home and training ground for next year, when it is his intention to go to London for the great Cuca Cocoa cup twentyevenings, and Tuesday and Wednesday four hour race, July 24. Mr. Waller matinees, Nov. 14, 15 and 16. The band does not belie his pictures. He is a tall, now numbers 100 musicians, and is the good-natured German, large of bone largest organization of the kind in Eu- and sinew and scant of flesh, weighing rope or America. Mi-s Ida Klein, sopra- only 156 pounds. Harry Leeming, an no, Signor Tagliapietra, baritone, and A. old friend, took charge of him at once

The sale of seats will satisfied with his own showing thus far, is most ambitious and hopes to have and thinks he is capable of lowering the fifteen men in good condition and in

The "Two-Fifty Club" of Chicago has received from their club solid gold scarf resolved itself into an organization of Decoration day. pins, embossed in chased gold letters, veteran racing men. The original score "Century, 1892." These are the hand- of members who won the honor of a veteran racing men. The original score somest and costliest century survivor membership did so at a time when to ride under 2:50 was a great honor Now-W. C. Anderson is gathering together adays, when to ride in that time is only ordinary, the members refuse to admit tions offered by the club house. more and will only admit a member providing he wins the annual New Year's ington Park. In the team will be found day scorch to Pullman, an unlikely occurrence this year at least. The annual run will be held next New Year's day, to which all cyclists are invited, the winner being decorated chief scorcher for 1893.

Buffalo Club Doings.

BUFFALO, Oct. 31 —The Comrades C.C. held its donation party on last Thursday evening. It was well patronized, and many handsome and valuable presents were received from the friends of the club. The room on which these articles were displayed resembled a fancy fair, the collection of tidies, pictures, table scarfs, banners, clocks and other articles of furniture giving the place that appear ance. The guests were many, and well-appointed dance hall at the top of Frank Waller, ex-champion of the the building was comfortably filled. A world at twenty-four hour riding, of programme of dances kept the large San Francisco, came into town last week. supper was announced. was supplied with a kazoo, and the march to supper was, as may be imagined. quite inspiring and tuneful (?). Taken all-in-all the entertainment committee has good reason to feel satisfied with its work. The Comrade C. C. next season intends leasing the entire floor, of which it now occupies but a part, and to fit up the rear room with baths and lockers. L. Guille (late of the Patti opera troup), and is going to train him during the The location b ing lose to the training print again."

Waller is dis- grounds is most desirable. The captain such shape that they will be eligible for entrance to the Martin road race next

The Buffalo B. C. is in for a jolly time on election night, as it has made arrangements to receive returns by special wire, and will entertain its invited guests with luncheon, music and the many attrac-

The condition of the streets was such that wheeling about town was fairly good yesterday, but that was about the extent of it, as the rain of the previous night had dampened the roads and prevented all attempts at country riding.

WILLIE DUNN.

League Membership to Date.

The total league membership is now 31.970. Last week California sent in 115 new names. The standing of the leading divisions follows:

Massachusetts	4,586
New York	4,146
Pennsylvania	3,404
Illinois	2,610
Ohio	2,566
Connecticut	2,546
New Jersey	1,780
Michigan	1 259
California	\$68

Mr. Snell and the Typewriter.

Samuel Snell tells a good typewriter story. A year ago, while returning to England, he became acquainted with typewriter agent, who presented him with a machine. Mr. Snell got a girl who soon mastered the "Yankee notion," and her first task was to send out bills. One was sent to a young Irish tradesman, who evidently had not seen a typewriter or its work, for he sent back a prtoest to the effect "that he would sue the firm-if they ever put his name in



Mr. Snell Is Here.

Samuel Snell, of lamp fame, is in New York, arguing with Uncl. Sam's tariff employes, and threatening Uncle with a damage suit if he don't rush some very excellent samples of parts, saddles, etc., through the customs line. Mr. Snell is throughly cosmopolitan, and rushes around Wall street and Broadway with the same unconcern as he would the famous Birmingham "Bull Ring." Mr. Snell will settle in this country and will shortly send for Mrs. Snell and the little Snells, who are expected to grow up with the country. Incidentally Mr. Snell will remind you that his change of residence was not exactly determined from a health standpoint. Mr. Snell is out for ca h prizes and will get them, too. Keep your eye on the ex-Birmingham illuminator. J. B. Brooks' saddle for '93 is one of Mr. Snell's specialties, which weighs twelve ounces, and is covered by American patents. A pa'ent adjustment to save | pin, saving four ounces in weight. A patent tilting arragement, which is claimed to be the most correct yet introduced. A skeleton frame made of best s'eel, and a really clever sliding device for shifting the saddle to suit the rider. being operated by thumb pressure. The saddle is called "Brooks' '93 Scorcher Racer Saddle." It is a gem, like all the Brooks saddles.

An Eye-Opener Coming.

From the Triumph Cycle Company, Coventry, we learn that Mr. Bettman has something startling in the 1893 pattern Triumph. The new Triumph bottom bracket, dust-proof and air-tight, will be an eye-opener. The ladies' Triumph, a cut of which is shown herewith, and which weighs but thirty-six pounds, all on, is a beauty in the opinion of connoisseurs. They have christened the new racer the Chicago Triumph.

Ready for Business.

The Eclipse Bicycle Company is get ting its new factory at Beaver Falls, Pa., into shape, and will have the first wheel out in a few days. With the facilities which this company will have for turning out wheels, and with the full determination that its wheel shall be inferior to none, the trade may expect to see the Eclipse standing in the front rank. Special steel has been made for use in this wheel.

Prosperous Buffalo Dealers.

The dealers are rubbing their hands, patting complacently their fat pocketbooks, admiring their swollen bank accounts, and dream of palatial residences to build at the close of next season's profitable career. Yes, quick sales, prompt attention, rapid delivery after purchase or order, and few repairs have had a great effect upon the past season's investments in wheeling trade, and there is a general satisfaction among all deal Of course there are some who are not all happiness at this time of year. There must be some of this kind, and they will tell you all about how through injudicious contracts, advertising, sales and poor clerks, this season has been

another boat, as they will certainly profit by their mistakes and poor management.

The firm composed of Vincent and Broadbent, under the title of the Vincent Cycle Company, has been dissolved, Mr. Broadbent continuing in the retail cycle business at the old stand, at least for the present. Mr. Vincent will engage in the manufacture of cycles at Gardenville with the Schoeflin Brothers.

H. C. Martin & Company have had a most profitable season, and they have been carefully looking out for the next, and will be equipped with a large supply of all the first-class wheels, enabling them to meet all the demands, both wholesale and retail.

of all weights, for the path and road. pany have all had a good trade this sea-The Overman company having decided racing wheel of twenty-four pounds, a road wheel of thirty pounds, and an allround wheel for general use of forty pounds.

was not a complete destruction of the and splendidly constructed. While on works, and that they were able to start up on the 28th. In a couple of weeks they hope to be well under way. Just previous to the fire a large part of the machinery had been moved into the new building, which was not affected by the fire, and which contained a separate engine and boiler.

Michigan Trade Affairs.

The bicycle trade in Detroit still holds on firmly. Dealers have just passed through an excellent season, in fact the best ever experienced. Huber & Metz ger handle the Columbia, Hartford and Hickory, and on these wheels they report a laage sale. George Hilsendegen handles Centaurs and has done an enormous business the past season. much pleased over last year's business. and will push the sale of his wheels in '93. He will do a general jobbing business, and has already secured the state agency for two well known makes. Pe-G. C. Sweet will still be agent for the terson Brothers, the Anderson Manufac-Victors, and next season will have them turing Company and T. B. Rayl & Com-Detroit has some of the finest to send out in the "D" model a track or drives in America, and the bicycle business has indeed a very bright future. Woodward avenue is now being paved with asphalt, three miles of it being already completed. A boulevard twelve Castle, agent for the Singer and Hum- miles long, extending around the city, is ber line of wheels, feels that he might now almost completed, and by next

his travels Mr. Weaver attended several meets and always found some one anxious to ride his sample wheel. The result was that this one racer has captured almost every race in which it was ridden. It was on this same wheel that Mont Scott captured second time in the Boston A. A. twenty-five mile road race. and defeated such cracks as Berlo, Van Wagoner and Hazleton. The company will build about 3,000 wheels this season, but will turn out more if necessary. Mr. Weaver has been very successful so far, having placed orders for several hundred machines, one being for 500. He is now on his way south.

A New Western Production.

A chainless safety was shown in Chicago to a chosen few last week. The inventor, a southern Wisconsin man, wished his name withheld. The machine as constructed consisted of two crank brackets. These were connected on the left side by two cog-wheels turning into each other. On the right side of the back bracket and opposite the smaller cog-wheel a two inch crank was passed, which by means of a lever working in a ball-bearing socket attached to the bar frame, turned a two-inch crank that drove the rear wheel. The joints were simple and all ball-bearing, and the entire apparatus, brightly nickeled, presented a handsome appearance. Held away from the floor and started, the wheel ran much longer than the average chain safety and perfectly free and noise-

A Fine-Looking Wheel.

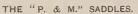
Charlie Gorman, now with the Quadrant Cycle Company, has constructed as a model, with a view to future manufacture, one of the handsomest and best proportioned safeties seen this season. It resembles in but a very slight way any wheel on the market. The wheel base is forty-four inches; the frame deep, being twenty-two inches from the seat post to the crank bracket, and yet the crank bracket is fourteen inches from the ground. The pedals clear the floor nearly eight inches. The wheels are twentyeight-inch rear and thirty-inch front, constructed of light wired spokes and light rims, and fitted with Morgan & Wright tires. The fork crown is double, similar to that of the Quadrant, and the forks are oval. The head has a depth of twelve inches. The tread is narrow and very well braced, as is the frame in every way. Stripped and with a scorcher saddle and racing dropped handlebars, the wheel weighs but twentyseven pounds. Every atom of workmanship on the machine was done by Mr. Gorman, even to the hubs and other parts. The wheel was constructed during odd moments and of evenings, and represents his views after an ordinary lifetime in the cycle business.

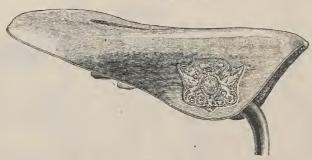
Victors for 1893.

In the recent long-time sale of Victor and Credenda wheels inaugurated by A. G. Spalding & Brothers, about equal numbers of Credendas and Victors were sold. The sale was the most succesful ever held by A. G. Spalding & Brothers. No samples of the '93 pattern Victors have been received. The traveling men will start as soon as they come. So great a branch has their cycle business grown that W. T. Brown, a member of the firm, has decided to take charge of the wholesale portion of the trade.

Increasing the Facilities.

Morgan & Wright are now building a pany was not as serious as some people interest of his company. He showed a large addition to their factory in which thought. Mr. Smith has written to a twenty-seven pound straight diamond the offices will be located. Immediately





The "P. & M." Century saddle has been received with great favor this year by some of the The "P. & M." Century saddle has been received with great layor this year by some of the racing men—for instance, Windle, Taylor, Tyler, Taxis, Murphy, Wheeler, Hess, Berlo and others. The saddle weighs under a pound and is guaranteed. Many of the big eastern makers have adopted it for their 1893 wheels. Mr. Persons, of the Persons & Muller Manufacturing Company, will be at the Grand Pacific hotel, Chicago, with samples. He will also show a splendid three-coil spring saddle, light and very simple.

have done better if he could have had a season Detroit will have more miles of larger supply of Humbers, but hopes that for the coming year the output will be large enough to satisfy all demands.

The Bison Cycle Company will have a centrally located store on the east side of Main street, and will dispose of the entire output of wheels manufactured by Messrs. Gibson & Prentiss. This company is made up of B. M. Ripper, H. C. R. Jenke, William Tepe and J. F. Stenzel, and will have control of the entire western and central part of New York state. The middle of January will undoubtedly see this company fully established in its new home. Mr. Ripper is now making quite an extended trip through the company's territory looking up its interests. This new firm will be permanently located at the fine, large store, 561 Main street. It is needless to remark that the Bison for next season will have several improvements, and changes will be made in the frame, making, if possible, a finer and better wheel The firm starts out under very favorable than that of the past season.

WILLIE DUNN.

The Damage Was Small.

this issue that the burning of the ma- facturing Company of Torrington, Conn., chine shop of the Indiana Bicycle Com- has been in Chicago this week in the most unsatisfactory. But next year will thought. Mr. Smith has written to a twenty-seven pound straight diamond the offices will be located. Immediately find these very same unsatisfied-ones in house in Chicago saying that the fire frame wheel, exceedingly neat in design, upon the completion of this building the

streets for bicycling than all the rest of the state's cities put together.

Hodson & Howard of Detroit have about decided to close out their bicycle department. They are heavy hardware dealers and handle wheels only as a side line. They have been very succes ful with what wheels they did handle, but lack of room compels them to drop out.

The Grand Rapids Cycle Manufacturing company of Grand Rapids will soon have samples of its new scorcher. The wheel weighs thirty-four pounds and lists at \$125. It is a very fine wheel, and Mr. Wilmarth, the manager, says their output is almost sold. They found a eady sale for their '92 product.

The Detroit Cycle Company is the name of a new bicycle company which is about to open its doors in Detroit. will handle a full line of high and medium grade bicycles, and will carry a complete line of sporting goods and sundries. C. COLUMBUS.

The Eagle For 1893.

F. E. Weaver, the popular young rep-We are in a position to announce in resentative of the Eagle Bicycle Manu-



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Unlike some people in the Bicycle business (who are not satisfied with less than 100% profit) we always try to make—



GLOSE FIGURES on all of our Wheels, knowing that we are giving full value for the money, and that—





A GOOD JUDGE can readily see we are



A BIG OFFER when we sell a High Grade Pnenmatic for \$90.00 that elsewhere.

COLD DRAWN WELDLESS STEEL

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No. 123-20 inch Boys' and Girls', Enameled and Nickeled, Tangent Spokes List, \$22.50 Net,	12 60
gent spokes List, \$22.30 Met,	
No. 121—22 inch Boys' and Girls', Enameled Frame, Nickeled Trimmings List, \$25.00 Net,	13.80
No. 1-24 inch Boys' and Girls' Combination, Cone Bearings.	1000
Tangent Spokes, Solid TiresList, \$35.00 Net,	18.00
No. 130-24 inch Boys' and Girls', Combination, Ball Bearings all around, Solid Tires, SPRING FORKList, \$40.00Net,	24.00
No. 125-25 inch Boys', Cone Bearings, Solid Tires List, \$30.60 Net.	18.00
No. 124-25 inch Boys', Cone Bearings, Cushion Tires. List, \$35.00 Net.	21.00
No. 128-26 inch Boys' and Girls', Combination, Ball Bearings to	
Wheels, Cranks and Pedals, Cushion TiresList, \$50.00 Net,	30.00
No. 3-28 inch Ladies', Ball Bearings all around, Yost Saddle,	
Dress Guard, SPRING FORK, Cushion Tire to rear Wheel, List, \$75.00Net,	45.00
No. 3-28 inch Ladies', Ball Bearings all around, Yost Saddle,	
Dress Guard, SPRING FORK, Cushion Tires to both Wheels, List, \$80.00 Net,	48.00
No. 4-30 inch Gents', Ball Bearings all around, Yost Saddle,	
SPRING FORK, Cushion Tire to rear Wheel List, \$90.00 Net,	54.00
No. 4-30 inch Gents', Ball Bearings all around, Yost Saddle, SPRING FORK, Cushion Tires to both Wheels List, \$100.00Net,	60. <u>00</u>
No. 201-30 inch Ladies' and Gents', Combination, Ball Bearings	
all around, Tangent Spokes, Nickeled to intersection, Diamond Frame, Cushion Tires to both Wheels List, \$90.00 Net,	63.00
No. 210-30 inch Dunlop Gents', Ball Bearings, Garford Saddle,	PO 00
Cushion Tires, Cork Grips List, \$120.00 Net,	72.00
No. 221—28 inch Ladies' 2-inch Dunlop Pneumatic, Ball Bearings, all around, Garford Saddle List, \$150.00 Net,	90.00
No. 250-Meacham Dunlop Pneumatic, 30-inch wheels, Ball Bear-	
ings all around, Cork Grips, Garford Saddle, Diamond Frame, List, \$150.00 Net,	90.00
No. 8-Meacham Scorcher, Gents', Wheels-30 inch Front, 28 inch	
Rear, 2-inch HT. Perfection Pneumatic, Ball Bearings all around, HT. Saddle, Weight 34 lbsList, \$160.00 Net,	96.00

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MORGAN & WRIGHT TIRES

Have now been before the public for one year, and it is upon the record which they have made on road and path that we must base our claim to further patronage. We trust it will be remembered that we have never made exaggerated claims for our tires. As we have always held the opinion that such claims, in the present state of the art, would be premature. We are still seeking improvement in our tires, and have the satisfaction of seeing those we have made during the past year imitated and copied by a number of makers whose ideas as to what constitutes a good tire have not in the past met with public approval. We have seen letters and heard trade arguments put forth by our competitors, who are now copying our tires, to the effect that they are using better material and making better tires than we can produce. We are perfectly willing to leave these claims to the test of time.

We ask our friends and patrons, however, to consider carefully these claims of superior quality and material. The selection of material for the Morgan & Wright Tire has been the work of over a year, and after innumerable tests in our factory and on the road, we have made such changes as experience has shown to be needful. During the past year we have made all repairs free of charge, and this has enabled us to learn from the experience of thousands of riders throughout the United States the weak points in our tires, and the public can rest in confidence that we know more about the quality of our goods and what is necessary to produce a perfect article than competitors who simply copy our methods and depend upon the stretching of a SAMPLE of rubber, before the eyes of a customer, to convince that they have more ability as rubber manufacturers. The head of our concern has been an experimenter in rubber fabrics for twelve years, and the business of our concern has been built up from very moderate beginnings, under the pressure of necessity. We do not claim superiority over every one on earth, and we are still experimenting, as we wish to keep up with the times. We shall never descend to detraction of the goods made by others; and what we have to say is in self-defense, against trade arguments being used-by competitors, which, should they appear in public print, would give good grounds for an action for libel. We can assure our friends that we use the best material obtainable, that we shall improve our tires just as often as experience points the way, that we have manufacturing facilities and abundant capital to fulfill all our contracts, and with this we know we shall receive all the patronage which our product may deserve.

We have applied for patents on our tires and have every reason to believe that our work of the past year has discovered patentable features, and that our claims to such will be allowed.

All tires made by us after November 1st will be branded with our firm name and be marked "Patent applied for."

MORGAN & WRIGHT, CHICAGO.

are now located will be torn down and ings, and of wonderful strength and to pay for them, so Bowman held his a new building built on the site. In many other ways the plant is to be enlarged to keep in line with the vastly increased trade. Morgan & Wright have been engaged in exhaustive experimenting and will soon present to their friends improved tires.

The Novelty Trouser Hook

Kingman & Company, Peoria, have the exclusive sale of the Novelty trouser hook, a cut of which is shown herewith



We have not seen the hook, but judge it to be a very handy little affair, as it folds to a very small space. They are put up in a neat case and sell for twenty cents a pair.

To Build a Racer.

The Marble Cycle Company, of Plymouth, Iud., is reported to be in preparation for placing ou the market 6,000 wheels next season. A racer recently completed weighs twenty-two pounds, and is one of the handsomest yet seen. The Scorcher is to weigh twenty-eight pounds, and road wheel thirty-five pounds. Next year's design is to be somewhat changed from the present. The crank hanger will be lowered to a level with the axle of the rear wheel, the wheel base will be shortened a few inches and the frame is to be an exact counterpart of the Humber. The Marble Cycle Company, in securing George K. Barrett as representative, has a hustler, and other good men are being corresponded with. Frank Waller, exchampion twenty-four hour rider, is now iu their employ at the factory, and will push their wheel next season.

A Strong, Light Rim.

Probab'y no rim now on the market excels the new rim of Barton & Loudon, of Coventry, for strength and lightness.



The brace in the center prevents a chance be made extremely light.

The New Starley Gena.

Arthur A. Taylor, of the Taylor Cycle Company, of Chicago, landed from the Teutonic at New York Thursday last, and reported a rough passage. Mr. Taylor had among others for fellow passengers, Millionaire John W. Mackey Marshall Field, Wilson Barrett, the actor, Dan Lamont, ex President Cleveland's secretary, and Peter Jackson, the elony prize fighter. In a talk with the REFEREE the successful young agent said his trip to England had been a delightful one, and having secured nearly all the territory in this country for Starley Brothers' revelation in an 1893 safety, he felt good, and was confident he had the right thing for America in safe ies.

The REFEREE man was allowed a peep at the latest Starley gem, and it is really a wonderful twenty-eight-pound road when built did not answer the purpose United States agent for the manufacture son street. He sold fifty Greyhound

simplicity. The spokes and hubs look heavy enough for a forty-five-pound wheel. The '93 Psycho will be seen in many a road scorch next year. Starley had a nineteen-pound racer Taylor loved very much and wanted to buy, but it was not for sale. Mr. Taylor has appointed the Bidwell Cycle Company his New York agents.

Stokes Did a Bly Business.

The C. F. Stokes Company has sold over 18,000 medium grade wheels this season and has cleaned out all the great stock of ordinaries ou hand early this season. On Tuesday a purchaser wanted a 16x5-8 solid tire and Herrick offered to sell him the tire at the old list price. throwing iu the machine to bind the bargain. Poor g. o. o. !

Rouse, Hazard & Company in Chicago.

It is rumored that Rouse, Hazard & Company, of Peoria, intend opening a magnificent retail store in Chicago for the purpose of pushing the Rudge, which wheel they manufacture in this country the coming year. Fred Patee will probably be installed as manager, and rumors say further that the factory is also to be in Chicago.

To Increase the James Output.

The James cycles are in great demand in the Stanes, and strange as it may seem, when manufacturers are now for the most part crying out alout the slack_ ness of trade, Mr. James is in an entirely different position, having cleared out nearly all the machines from his works in Simpson road, Birmingham. James is a cute man or business, and in order to get over the difficulty and evil effects of laying in a large stock of machines during the close season, he undertakes to build and turn out wheels of the most modern type within seven days from the date of order - Northern Wheeler.

All Are Hustling.

E. J. Day, manager for R. L. Coleman & Company, New York, is in Chicago, looking at the Western Wheel Works 1893 effort for his company's trade. George H. Pixley, the head traveler for the Coleman company, is on the road in New England, and reports business as good. Pixley is no relation to the Omaha Pixley, but is quite a flyer, and will enter races next season in the lightweight class. H. L. Drullard, of the same company, has just returned from a southern trip. He says election excitement is felt there in trade.

The New Raleigh Factory.

The new Raleigh factory, on Bank and of buckling, and becan e of this it may Green wich streets, is a bu-y places these Manager George S McDonald days. piloted the REFEREE man through re-He commenced at the office, which is directly at the entrance, and a view of all the factory can be obtained from its windows. The new machinery is all in place and the nickel-plating plant is ready, while the two large enameling ovens are yet in a state of construction. Mr. McDonald says in case more room is needed the main floor will be used, but he thinks the company can handle all the 1893 demand in its present quarters, which are large, light and airy.

Maltby Fooled Bowman.

Sydney Bowman, successor to Bowman, Malthy & Collins. is angry at W. S. Maltby. It seems Maltby ordered some outriggers for his new beginner, maccer, Burtlett & Company, resigned chines, to be built to his orders, but Nov. 1 to open an office in this city as

part of the factory in which the offices machine, with a frame devoid of forg- and would not work. Maltby declined ers of the Irwell safety, and as western trick wheel. Maltby, in Bowman's absence, procured a key from the office, searched the cellar, found his wheel and marched off. Bowman is wrathy and promises to make it warm for "the professor" when he returns to New York. In the meantime Maltby is sniffing the balmy air of the Pacific, en route to Honolulu, but will return to New York in the spring.

A Big Saddle Contract.

Rouse, Hazard & Company, Peoria, closed a contract last week with Rich & Sager, Rochester, N. Y., by which they secure the exclusive sale of their entire line of saddles for all territory west of Pennsyluania and south of the Carolinas.



The Sager saddles have rapidly sprung into prominence owing to the special features they possess. Each aud every one is hand-lasted and therefore perfectly formed, while the adjustment is simple and effective. They are light



and neat in appearance and are made in both spring and scorcher patterns. Rouse, Hazard & Company have placed an order and will push the sale of these already popular : addles in their territory.

Chicago Trade Jottings.

The Taylor Cycle Company has the United States agency for Psychos.

George K. Barrett has an idea in tire construction and has applied for a pat-

The C. F. Stokes Company closes its Drexel boulevard store on Nov. 1 for

Tuesday, Nov. 1, the cycle houses along cycle row began closing at 5

The Stover ladies' wheel for '93 is to be a straight frame similar in design to the Humber.

John O. Blake, manager of Gormully & Jeffrey's retail store, is in the east on

Horace Bell is again managing the Humber-Rover Cycle Company, vice, John G Hoitt.

The March-Davis Cycle Company moved to Canal street this week, where it has more space.

Manager Hughes of the Quadrant company returned from Philadelphia on Tuesday of this week.

Frank Lincoln has left the employ of the Taylor Cycle Company, and W.C. Anderson is now with them.

Last week a Wabash avenue dealer disposed of a cushion-tired wheel for \$130, and spot cash at that.

The Chicago Bicycle Company has closed a contract with an eastern firm for 1,000 Lady Werth whee.s.

A. W. Moore, with Hibbard, Spen-

agent for William Read & Sons.

Harry Pound, of Gormully & Jeffery's retail store, is very sick with dyphtheria at his house, 216 Cass street.

James Josephi left Saturday last for an extensive trip east in the interests of the Ames & Frost company.

W. H. Hence, of Freeport, was in Chicago last Thursday on his wav home from a two weeks' trip in the east.

Kirkwood, Miller & Company's line of wheels will be handled in Chicago by Ralph Temple, Twenty-second street.

Chicago is to have another cycle factory next season, the formators of the company wishing little said at present.

The Woodruff & Hanchett Company, of this city, will handle Monarchs this season, and have placed an order for 500 of these wheels.

The Chicago Bicycle Company has recovered the wheel recently stolen from 305 West Jackson street, and the thieves are now in jail.

A. Featherstone is showing a Road King in his Wabash avenue window which is enameled in terra-cotta. Even the tires are of that color.

Robert B. Abbott, late secretary-treasurer of the Clark Cycle Company of Baltimore, has entered the employ of the Hill Cycle Company, of this city.

Fred Donle, formerly connected with Rankin & Company, Providence, passed through Chicago Tuesday for St. Louis, where he will in the future reside.

Gormully & Jeffery have ordered tires to the amount of \$150,000. Their tire is being infringed on and suits will be started soon to protect their rights.

C. B. Tewksbury, of Westboro, Mass., representing J. A. Hunt & Company, is in the city this week with an extensive line of saddle and cycle accessories.

Thorsen & Cassady have concluded arrangements with the Western Wheel Works for 1893, and will, as last year, be one of the five firms to handle the entire output.

The new Worth ladies' wheel will weigh thirty-two and a half pounds with twenty-eight inch wheels. The company has booked one order for 1,500 of its

Abbott, late secretary-treasurer R. B. of the Clark Cycle Company, Baltimore, has accepted a responsible position with the Hill Cycle Manufacturing Company, Chicago.

An unfounded rumor found its way into the mouths of habitues of cycle row last week that Schoverling, Daly & Gales had bought out the Humber-Rover Cycle Company.

J. Hoyle, the veteran repair man, 5 and 7 East Madison street, has secured the western agency for Bayliss, Thomas & Company's Excelsior wheels, and expects to sell 5,000 of them.

Mr. Strans, of the New York Belting & Packing Company, has been soliciting patronage for his tire among Chicago manufacturors for the p st ten days. Representatives of nearly every tire manufacturer are now in Chicago.

II. J. Cas-ady, of Thorsen & Cassady, says that the repairers scattered throughout the country need instruction in tire repriring before the pneumatic can prove a success universally. Now it is a case of send every punctured tire to the manufacturers, and a long, stormy wait for its return

E. L. Ferguson, manager of the Western Cycle Company, 253 Ogden avenue, says the season's business has been fully up to expectations, and as good as the former season in the old stand on Madi-

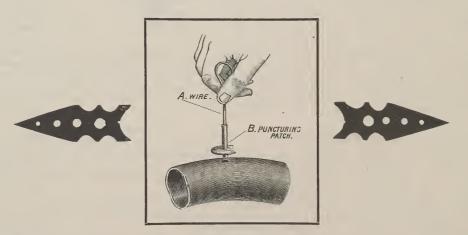
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cancelled, being unable to obtain them.

Charles H. Sieg says branch stores are by no means a paying investment, and that his five were closed in time to clear expenses. Mr. Sieg declares he has done a business of \$134,000 this season, his sale of Imperials alone numbering 476. Mr. Clementi is not a member of the new company, but is about to embark for himself in this city with several lines of wheels which he controls in the west.

Recent Patents Granted.

The following is a list of recent bicycle patents, reported especially for the REF EREE by W. E. Aughinbaugh, patent attorney, Washington, D. C.

484,786, tires for cycles; Thomas Fano and Charles F. Lavender, Toronto, Can.; filed Nov. 18, 1891; serial No. 412,330.

484,857, bicycle; Arnold H. Kempe. Oakland, Cal.; filed Jan. 5, 1892; serial No. 417,063.

484,941, bicycle suppprt: Joseph J. Muller, Lucerne, Switz.; filed Jan. 12, 1892; serial No. 417,859; patented in Germany June 7, 1891, and in England June

484,945, combined cape and cap; Albert T. Aldrich, Worcester, Mass.; filed May 16, 1892; serial No. 433,105.

484,962, wheel for cycles; Rimmon C. Fay, Illion, N. Y., assignor to the Remington Arms Company, same place; filed March 28, 1892; serial No. 426,776.

485,047, exercising machine; Edward Leamy, Syracuse, N. Y.; filed March 38, 1892; patented in England Oct. 6, 1891.

485,094, bicycle; Harry E. Dey, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Frederick B. Griswold, Hartford, Conn.; filed March 5, 1892; serial No. 423,806.

485,110, tire for vehicle wheels; Louis McClymonds, Cleveland, O., assignor to the Peerless Manufacturing Company, same place; filed July 22, 1891; serial No. 400.340.

Trade mark, 21,891, lubricating oil for bicycles; Akam Cook's Sons, New York; City; filed Aug. 27, 1892; essential features, the representation of two winged wheels connected by a chain, and the word "Bicycline."

General Trade Notes.

The Pawtuxet Valley (R. I.) Wheelmen made \$133 out of their tournament.

Bush & Paul, Fort Wayne, Ind., have commenced to manufacture bicycles on a large scale.

C. E. Schaff, the G. & J. B. ston manager, was in New York last week attend ing to some tire business.

The Staten Island Wheelmen now have over sixty names on the membership list, though the organization is quite young.

The Sperry Cycle Company has two stores, one at Champaign, the other at Denver. The former will soon be closed.

Peterson Brothers of Detroit are, so it is reported, forming a new company, will manufacture bicycles for the coming season.

On a Mariott No. 15 racer, M, Hazleton broke the twelve hour road record of France two weeks ago, covering the distance of 292 kilometres.

Herman Gute, formerly with Kingman & Company, has taken the management of the Detroit Cycle Company, lately organized in Detroit.

Tuesday night the Peekskill (N. Y.) wheelmen held a lantern parade. Riders from Yonkers, Mount Vernon, Tarrytown and Sing Sing took part.

Were all sulkies used entirely on the track only racing tires would be needed, but in the country districts horsemen drive from town to town with their sul-

The entire output for 1893 of the Buffalo Cycle Works has been disposed of to H. C. Martin & Company, to whom correspondence should be addressed.

The Chapman Hardware Company, of Toledo, has issued a handsome portfolio, containing colored pictures and a description of the World's Fair buildings.

The annual reception of the Riverside Wheelmen will be held at the Manhattan Athletic Club theater in January. The social features of the Riverside Club are too well known to forecast anything but an enjoyable time.

W. C. Werum of Los Angeles, Cal., arrived in Pendleton, Ore., last week, after traveling 1,300 miles awheel over the mountains and valleys. Mr. Werum will spend the winter in Pendleton, going in the spring on his wheel to Toledo, O.

The Nebraska Cycle Company of Lincoln, Neb., has commenced the manusacture of a high grade wheel to be called the Lincoln. Two hundred will be made and they will be marketed promptly in the ext eme western states.

Thomas Saunders left Liverpool on the City of New York Oct. 26, and expects-

safeties and had orders for fifty more designing a shoe for pneumatic tires for dent, M. Furst; second vice president, J. of 204 3-8 miles this being H. Mellor; secretary, P. Snyder; treasurer, John Benninger. A meeting of the executive committee will be held Nov. 7, and a general meeting of the organization Nov 15.

> The Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Company will push its Evertite tire, and is reaching out among the trade with a view of bidding for next year's tire business. This company is one of the solid New England institutions, and its other branches of the rubber business are extensive, each department being presided over by a practical man.

physiological examination of four cyclists, after a run of 246 miles, has been made by two French scientists. This distance was covered by the youngest of the party, an Englishman of eighteen, in seventeen hours. It was found at the end of the run that his temperature was rather below than above the normal, and that one result of his excessive fatigue had been a decided waste of nitrogen. The nutriment taken during the course consisted of alcohol, champaign, beef tea and kola solution. winner was much tired at the conclusion; the next man, a Frenchman of twentya kind provi-ence favoring, to be at the eight, not at all. His pulse was beating

other score for the Glasgow machine. On the same track a week later Voght broke the fifty-mile scottish record, his time being 2 hrs., 27 min., 2 3-5 sec., and his mount a New Howe.

Kingman & Company, Peoria, will handle the Centaur and Featherstone line next year. They report this year's trade as very satisfactory; the only difficulty was in not being able to secure King of Scorchers in large enough quantities. They are now having a special high grade wheel built to be called the Kingman. This will be pushed principally in the eastern states.

The relay saddle made by the Relay Manufacturing Company, of Reading, Pa., caught on last season, and deserve edly so, as the article made was of exceptional merit. The Relay saddle for 1893 will have many admirers, as the workmanship is excellent. It is withal a simple, durable and good-selling saddle. Agents will do well to bear this in mind. See the cut of the Relay in our advertising columns.

Who Were the Cyclists?

The cyclists have a friend in the local detective department. This on account of the deed of two wheelmen whose work, however, came to naught through the stupidity of a park policeman. J. Kelly, sergeant at the central station, is the official in question. One day last week his daughter, while out driving, was run into by a man in another buggy, The cyclists, who saw the accident, gave chase, caught the reckless rider, and turned him over to a park policeman, from whom he finally got away through some mysterious way. lady in question was severely and permanently injured, and her father desires the addresses of the cyclists that he may gain a description of the man. His address is J. Kelly, Central Station, city.

Is Bassett a Professional?

Abbott Bassett, once upon a time, was a racer, and in a race won a pair of lamps. Two old racing board members have made yearly requisition on the L. A. W. secretary to produce those lamps, but up to now he has failed to comply with the demand. One of the two gentlemen declares that those lamps no longer light the secretary on his way, and that they are no longer a part of his assets. The question is, if Bassett can-not produce his prizes—won in contest before the act to exchange came in.o effect—is he an amateur now? That's what several of his friends want to know.

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MERELY A SAMPLE.

This is the kind of letters received by division secretaries, yet the addresses are not given to the c. The name and box number were omitted—it would be cruel to print them.

Imporial Hotol, New York, Wednesday (Nov. 2). Thus writes J. Friedenstien, secretary of the hustling Anglo-American Company, to our New York office.

The Standard Manufacturing Company, of Mar.insburg, W. Va., will have everal new ideas in its next year's Standard, and is looking out for good live agents. This wheel met with a cordial reception in the south last year, and the company will increase the production next season

The new book just published by the American Sports Publishing Company— "Life and Battles of James J. Corbett"is sure to have a big sale. The price has been made ten cents, so that every one can afford to buy a copy. James E. Sullivan, well known in athletic circles, is fifth of a second above that for Germany, president of the new company.

route to the Pacific coast. His branch over the wrong road. store at Denver has paid splendidly this season and he is now moving it from a racer on Tuesday, Oct 11, went for the side street to 1758 Stont street, Denver's cycle row. Charles F. Stokes, Jr., went track in Scotland. Starting at 7:30 in the morning he commenced to break stalled as manager of the concern.

The Good Roads Association of Brookkies. For this reason road tires are gen-erally used. An inventive genius is President, I B. Potter; first vice-presi-lished a twelve hours' Scottish record formal.

at sixty, that of the former at eightyfour, though, as in the former case, this champion had lost much nitrogen.-Ex.

The bicycle business at Ft. Wayne. Ind., was all that could be expected this season. All the dealers report sales as being large and everybody seems well satisfied. Ft. Wayne has about twelve miles of concrete pavement and is putting more down. By next season the boys expect to have one of the finest cities for cycling in Indiana.

The Austrian championship for 100 kilometres (62 1-2 miles) on the road was decided in the environs of Vienna on the 9th inst., and was won by Wilhelm Fred rich on a Raleigh in 3 hrs. 36 min. This is also a reco.d of Austria and only onewhich would have been badly beaten if Charles F. Stokes is now in Denver, en Fredrich had not gone some distance

Lacaille, mounted on a New Howe +welve-hours' record on Hampden Park records at thirty-five miles, and at half time had covered 104 miles 220 yards,

Interest in Good Roads.

An Indianapolis dispatch says: "A great deal of interest is being taken by the local wheelmen in the coming road congress, to be held at the State house in this city, Dec. 6, 7 and 8. The Commercial Club has invited them to have a representative present, and they will send one in the person of Isaac Potter, who is the editor of Good Roads, a paper published in New York by the L. A. Mr. Potter, besides being a writer on the subject of highways and their improvement, is a practical road maker, and his experience will doubtless be of some aid in the coming assemblage."

W. P. Laing and Miss Kate Healy, both membe s of the St. Louis Cycling Club, were married last Wednesday at the residence of M. H. Hanley, an exmember of the club. The wheelmen attended the wedding and the members of the cycling club presented the newlymarried couple with a handsome silver tea service. The wedding was very in-



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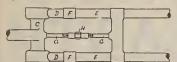
New and Useful Designs in Frames. Tires and Wheels.

These abstracts are prepared immedi ately after the complete specifications are published by G. Douglas Leechman, consulting engineer, patent expert and cycle designer, 19 Hertford street, Cov-

[All persons interested in opposing the grant of a patent on any one of the undermentioned applications may, at any time within two months from Sept. 14, give notice in the prescribed form of such opposition.]

such opposition.]

No. 18,474. R. S. Lovelace's "Improvements in and relating to velocipedes." Oct. 27, 1891.—This invention relates first to a chain guide and secondly to a chain adjustment. In carrying out the first part of the invention there is mounted on the prong of the back fork on that side of the machine on which the chain runs, a bracket carrying a depending fork, the prongs of which are adapted to fit over the lower run of the chain and so guide it in its travel. The prongs either have rollers mounted on them or are covered with some suitable soft material. A similar fork may be suitable soft material. A similar fork may be used to guide the top part of the chain, but this is not so necessary, as the driving strain keeps the top run of the chain taut. The second part of the invention is carried out as follows: The pedal crank axle is mounted in the usual way in a bearing bracket (C), which has two tubular arms (D D) formed or fixed on it. These arms are adapted to fit and slide in extensions of the prongs

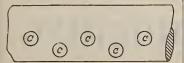


(E E) of the lower back fork. On the ends of these extensions are mounted clip sockets (F F), capable of gripping the arms carrying the bracket (C) after adjustment. To adjust the chain-screw bolt passing through a lug on the bracket is threaded into a cross bar fixed to the extension of the prongs of the lower back fork or their equivalents. As a modification, the bolt (G) may be made in two parts, coupled together by a right and left hand nut (H) as illustrated. Another modification consists in using only one arm, in which case it is placed centrally and is preferably of oval section, and it is adapted to engage with a similar tube carried by the lower back fork. this construction of frame it is obvious that the members of the upper back fork must be pivotally attached to the other members of the frame to the axle of the driving wheel, to allow of the riation in the length of the lower back fork.

C. S. Stone's "Improvements No. 19,116. No. 18,116. C. S. Stone's Improvements in rubber three for velocipede and other wheels," Nov. 5, 1:91.—This invention consists in providing the under side of the tire with a number of lat-



teral grooves (B) extending throughout its length at a slight distance apart. Instead of grooves, lateral holes (C) may be employed or both may be used together. When both are used the holes



are placed between the grooves a little distance above them, at the thick part of the tire. If holes only be employed, they are preferably placed in two rows, one slightly above the other,

placed in two rows, one signify above the other, each row alternating with the other.

No. 19,838. J. B. Dunlop's "Improvements in and relating to wheels for velocipedes and other vehicles." Nov. 16, 1891.—This invention is intended to lessen vibration and facilitate propulsion and is applied to wheels. The rigid rim (A) is preferably made somewhat broader than usual, and a continuous band. (B) of which westernal is preferably made somewhat broader than usual, and a continuous band (B) of pliable material secures an inner flexible hoop (C) to the rim (A). The said band (B) is passed over on the inner surface of the rim (A) and the inner surface of the hoop (C), and crossed between them after the form of the figure 8 or the letter x. As a modification, a number of continuous or endless bands were heaven the model the citizen of the state of may be used; the sides of the said bands are joined between the rim and the hoop where con-venient, or they may be bound or laced in vari-



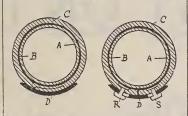
ous other ways, The bands (B) are coated with ous other ways. The bands (B) are coated with india-rubber and vulcanized and also with cement, so that they may be protected from wear and moisture, and caused to adhere to the rim and hoop. An outer flexible hoop (E) is secured to

the inner hoop (C) by means of a layer or pieces the inner noop (U) by means of a layer or pieces (D) of elastic material cemented in position between the said covered rings (? hoops), preventing friction between the said hoops. If desired, the said hoops may be more firmly secured to each other with strips of cloth or the like, covered with cement. The hoops may be made of waved or corrugated bars, or in place of two or more hoops a single hoop may be formed of two or more layers made from a continuous strip, after the manner of a child's wooded hoop, the several turns or layers being secured to each other in a similar way to that above described for the two separate hoops. The bands (B) are drawn sufficiently tight to maintain the inner hoop (O) in position, but not so tight as to prevent the compound rim (E C) from yielding when weight is borne upon the wheel. An elastic tire (F) is secured on the outer hoop (E). The resiliency of the wheel is mainly dependent upon the flexible hoops which act together, and the object of using two or more instead of one is to increase the resiliency of the wheel.

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No. 16,659. P. L. Renout's "Improvements in the prescribed form of such opposition.]

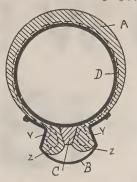
tires for velocipeds and other carriages." 1891.—The object of this invention is to construct pneumatic tires in such a manner as to render them easily attachable without the use of solution, lacing, or similar devices (though such de vices may sometimes be added for additional security); to render them easily detachable; to avoid the too sudden lateral deflection of the air chamber where it is no longer supported latterly by the rim, and cause the section of the air hole



to change gradually from a true circle to an oval when under varying pressure from the road. The air chamber, when in a normal state and not subjected to external pressure, is quite round in sec-tion, and the canvass or other fibrous restraining material is so constructed and proportioned that the inflation of the tire when in position makes the tire a perfect fit on the rim. In the case of double tube tires the outer covering is sometimes wrapped around the inner tube (A), the edges overlapping on the inner circumference to such an extent that they are kept firmly in position on the rim (D) by the pressure of the inner tube (A) toward the rim. These edges are preferably formed out of canvas or are strengthened by canvas and so shaped that they interlock. In other cases, whether the tire be of the single or the double tube type, adhesion to the rim is secured by the variation of the rim and that part of the tire which is in contact with it from a purely tree which is in contact with it from a purely cylindrical section, the arc of the surfaces being broken by grooves, corrugations, indentations or perforations. For instance, the surface of the rim may be corrugated longitudinally and the corresponding parts of the cover shaped to fit these corrugations, or as a modification the same tire may be fitted to an ordinary concave rim into which is secured a strip of leather, rubber or other material furnished with the longitudinal corrulations. Again, the rim may be provided with a series of pairs of depressions or holes, and the outer cover furnished with a corresponding number of pairs of studs or projections fitting into the said holes or indentations. In conjunction with such a rin, studs (R S) of metal or other hard substance may be fixed firmly into the tire directly onto a layer of canvas solutioned to the tire. The studs are furnished with small heads and the holes in the rim just admit the insertion of these heads. When the tire is inflated the studs will tend to get slightly further apart, the heads of the studs will then lodge under the rim, and if will be impossible to detach the tire rim, and it will be impossione to detach the tre-without deflating it. On all other tires, where a separate air chamber is required, it may be of pure rubber, rur ounded by a canvas bag (B), or may be of the "insertion" variety, in which the rubber and canvas are vulcanized together.

No. :0,968. R. S. Lovelace's "Improvements in and relating to velocipedes." Dec. 1, 1891.—The provisional specification of this invention refers to a detachable crank and a pneumatic tire, but the latter only is referred to in the complete specifi-cation. The objects of the improvement are to facilitate the removal of the outer cover to get at the air tube, and the firm interlocking of the cover with the rim when in place. The cover (A) is made of rubber or other suitable material, and it is moulded to assume somewhat of an arch or equuivalent shape in cross section, that part adapted to form the tread being thicker than the that when the cover is placed in the rim (B) of the cycling press the elegant roasts

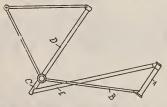
the wheel there is a V-shaped space between the said edges. In this space a ring (C) of rubber or other suitable material of a dovetailed or wedge shape in cross section is placed into the space between the edges of the cover, and so binds the said cover to the rim. The locking ring (C) may,



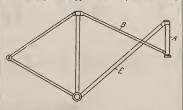
piece with the air tube (D), or it may be attached thereto, in which case it is preferably made on or fixed to a strip of canvas, the said strip being then solutioned or otherwise fixed to the air tube. When the lock-ing ring is made of vulcanized or other hard ma terial, it is preferably made in short lengths, in which case they are threaded on a cord or its equivalent This cord may either be an elastic one or an non-elastic one, in which latter case it is provided with any suitable means for connecting its ends, when it is drawn up taut, when the ring is in position in the rim.

The rim (B) of the wheel is made of any suitable section, and it has in some convenient position short vertical sides or flanges (Y Y) of any suitable shape to engage with the enlarged or thick ened edges (Z Z) of the cover (A). These ver tical sides or flanges (Y Y) may either be located at or near the center of the rim, as shown at the edges thereof, in which case they are preferably made in the form of tubular beads. These sides or flanges (Y Y) may also be slightly inclined to-wards one another, as shown, to enable the edges (Z Z) of the cover (A) to get a better grip thereon. Either the outer cover (A) or the air tube (D) is reinforced with canvas or its equivalent in the well known manner.

No. 17,821. J. W. Kennelly's "Improvements the construction and arrangement of cycle framings." Oct. 17, 1891.-The objects of this invention are: Obtaining strength with lightness imparting steadiness and rigidity to the ped axle bracket, distributing more evenly the weight



of the rider and reducing cross strain. of the invention will be readily seen from the illustrations. It consists primarily in crossing the upper and lower backbones of a diamond frame, Either the lower backbone (E) is made of a single tube and passes between the two horizontal members (B) of the upper backbone, as illustrated,



or the arrangement may be reversed, the upper backbone being single and the lower double. In applying the invention to a ladies' safety bicycle, applying the invention to a ladies' safety bicycle, a projection (C) is produced downward in the line of the diagonal tube (D). The tube (E) starts from this and runs to the top of the head (A), passing between the tubes (B) on its way. This construction also may be reversed (B), being a single tube passing between two tubes constitutional to the proper (T). ing the member (E).

They Idolize Sanger.

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 31.—As a lover of justice and fair play, and without any desire to enter into a controversy over the matter, the writer would like to tell the public how W. C. Sanger is regarded among his clubmates and friends who have associated with him since childhood. Few, if any, of the newer class

that have been served up to Sanger on all occasions. He has been severely criticised on every hand, accused of being a kicker of the chronic kind, an ingrate, devoid of all feeling of appreciation, and also of a cross and surley disposition. Looking over the situation with the calm eye of a critic, unfamiliar with the true state of affairs, it may seem possible and the verdict just; but there is another side of the picture and extenuating circumstances, which give the subject an entirely different aspect.

There is an old saying, "Save me from the folly of my over-zealous friends," which aptly applies to Sanger. That he has been unfortunate at various meets. no one will deny; and that on several occasions, at least, there was just cause for complaint, all will agree. But Sanhas not made the alleged protests - they have in almost every instance come from his friends, whose enthusiasm for him led them to think they were doing the proper thing, when in reality it only increased an unpopular feeling towards him. His experience has no doubt taught him that a racing man cannot expect to ride at a race meet without taking the chance of an accident. Every racer of prominence has his scars. Sanger, although young and comparatively new on the track, has a right conception of how things should be, and if I am not mistaken uses his best endeavors to that end. If his friends will only exercise a little judgment and not be so profuse with their bombastic talk, it will not take the racing fraternity and everyone with whom he comes in contact very long to find out his true worth. Sanger at home is noted for his unassuming ways, and is of a modest, retiring disposition, and, withal, a gentleman.

The entertainment committee of the Milwaukee Wheelmen has found a very unique way of advertising the minstrel show. It is a photo, 14x17, the background of which is made of local papers and bicycle journals. Seventeen heads protrude through holes punched in the paper, all of which are splendid pictures. The cut is so distinct that you can read all the names of the papers and some of the printed matter, which makes it all the more interesting.

Frank Morawitz, secretary and treasurer of the Wisconsin division, travels for Welham & Company, wholesale grocers. He reached home Saturday morning to find that the entire plant had been consumed by fire the night before.

George Kendall, a popular member of the Milwaukee Wheelmen, has returned from an extended visit in the east.

It is rumored that next season a western circuit will be formed which will include Indianapolis, Springfield, Cleveland, Columbus, O., and New Albany, What is the matter with Milwau-Ind. kee getting in the circuit? She can hold her own against any of the above cities, and is a live, progressive cycling centre. JACK ROYAL.

Tuis is "Rot," Pure and Simple.

Walter Sanger's friends say he was fouled in the two-mile, 2:20 class race. Milwaukee riders who witnessed the events there say that both Sanger and Johnson could easily have defeated all the Chicago riders entered in the races had they been given a fair show. It is said that so manifestly unfairly were they treated that it is a wonder that either of them succeeded in capturing a place in an event.

In regard to Johnson, the Milwaukeeans say he was not given a chance to show his speed, but was boxed up by Chicago riders in each race and blocked it was impossible for him to forge to the front. -Milwaukee News.

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The National Columbian United Wheelmen's Association has received from the architects the plans for the building to be located on Madison avenue near Fifty-



seventh street. The plans are very complete, and the new building, a cut of the front of which is shown, will be all that the promoters of the enterprise have claimed.

Asphalt From Chicago to New York.

That gigantic scheme to build an asphalt road for cyclists from Chicago to New York has been revived. According to Peter Gendron of the Gendron Iron Wheel Company, who was recently interviewed on the subject by a Toledo reporter, the first idea was to build a pathway five feet wide of asphalt. This was the New York Recorder's scheme, but when Mr. Gendron was in New York, he had a talk with the promoters, and all thought a road thirty or thirty-five feet wide would be better. It is figured that all cycle makers and wheelmen, merchants in towns through which the road would pass, and even Congress would contribute to build the road. The government could use it as a mail route and for the transportation of troops by foot or awheel. There would be no tolls and a commision or board would manage it from one end to the other. scheme is gigantic, will cost a fortune, and it is improbable that it will ever amount to more than talk, Still, it would be a great thing and without doubt everyone interested in cycling would contribute generously to a fund to be used in putting it through.

New English Records.

During the past forteight or so Schofield and Osmond, English cracks, have been almost living on the Putney track, with a view to record-breaking. The weather has been all against them, but on Thursday Schofield at last got a favorable opportunity, and the result was that he rode a quarter-mile in 31 1-5 sec. two-fifths seconds faster than Zimmerman's Herne Hill record, and brought the half-mile record from 1:05 down to 1:02.

Elliott Mason's Positive Proof.

Elliott Mason and Arthur E. Pattison are having a lively correspondence over the correct distance between handlebar and saddlepost on women's bicycles. Mr. Mason claims that what suits a Connecticut woman will not answer for a New York or New Jersey woman, and follows up his argument by showing a chart giving the dimensions of space required by the women of those states. Mason has always been considered as a "ladies man," in the vicinity of New York, but what puzzles the genial Pope Manufacturing Company's secretary is

how did Elliott Mason procure his infor- Athletic Association of Newark to join, mation about the dimensions required and will now become members of that by the Nutmeg State women. It is a delicate subject, so Mr. Mason has been invited to take his charts and other proofs to Hartford. Here a secret meeting "for men only" will be held. It will be presided over by Col. George H. Day and attended by all the bring men of the Pope Manufacturing Company. The outcome will be awaited with anxiety by Elliott Mason's friends, as his reputation

The "Referec" Was Right.

The Wheel and the REFEREE, like all the special bicycle papers, are fond of roasting the cycling work of the daily papers, but as the above-mentioned sheet publishes entirely different of the Independence kite track, one of them must certainly be wrong.-Evansville Standard.

The Referee's picture of the track was a half-tone cut—an exact reproduction. It came from Mr. Williams, the owner of the track. Draw your own conclusions as to which "special bicycle paper" was right.

Duryea Will Fly.

organization.

Owing to bad weather the much talked of parade of the wheelmen of Leavenworth, Kas., was postponed indefi-

At Kearney, Neb., an amateur athleti association has been formed and a quarter mile track will be made at once. The track will be converted into a skating rink this winter.

In Outing for November Frank G. Lenz continues his description of his tour "Around the World with Wheel and Camera." The article is illustrated from instantaneous pho'os taken by Mr. Lenz, who is an expert photographer.

Chicago is to have a 16,000,000 candle power search light. It will be taxed by the effort to find a specimen of the pure amateur which some people still persist in believing exists somewhere in this wide, wide world .-- Cleveland World.

The wheelmen of Minneapolis are to have an elegant club hous, work upon which will begin in the spring. A thousand shares of building stock at \$10 per share have been subscribed. The Flour City club, the originator of the move-Fred Patee, of Peoria, in conversation ment for a club house, has formed of in New York recently, predicted that itself the Flour City Track Association. the first man in America who would It is intended to spend \$5,000 for a bicyThe Little Schoolmaster in the Art of Advertising:

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It Would, for a Fact.

It would be a matter of great satisfaction to bicycle riders if that eliptical sprocket wheel question be settled one way or the other before the beginning of next season. - Detroit News.

Notes.

The Can on C. C., of Long Island City, N. Y., gives its first reception Dec. 6.

A. H. Perrigo and H. K. Smith are candidates for the chief consulship of

So enthusiastic a wheelman is Charles Roth, of Cincinnati, that he lives on Wheeler street.

Omaha is to have a century club, while Council Bluffs is to have a World's Fair wheel club.

The Roseville Cyclers of Newark, N. The Roseville Cyclers of Newark, N. J., a new club of sixty members, have accepted the offer made by the Roseville but first-class, reliable concerns use this medium to make known their goods.

olis the headquarters in the northwest for wheelmen. The club has hope to induce some public-spirited citizen to give it a building site.

The Ramblers B. C. of Denver has issued an attractive pamphlet called an "Invitation to Membership," which sets forth the details of the proposed club building. Cuts of the proposed building are shown and descriptions are given of the wheel room, bowling alley, natatorium, reception rooms, gymnasium, running tracks and billiard robms.

On Tuesday of last week Henry H. Hollister, of Manchester, Conn., was instantly killed by the cars. He was riding a bicycle along the platform at the depot when he came into collision with a boy. Both fell beside the track, Mr. Hollister, seeing the train coming at full speed, heroically pushed the boy from the track. His own arm was caught and he was dragged under the whoels.

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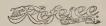
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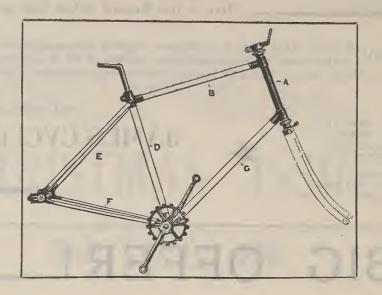
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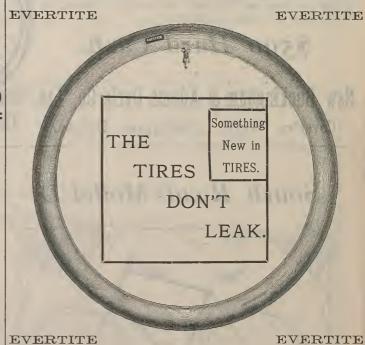
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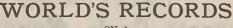
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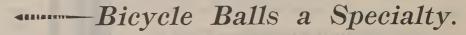
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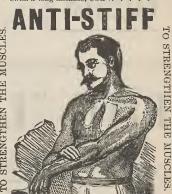
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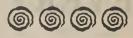
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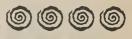
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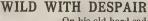


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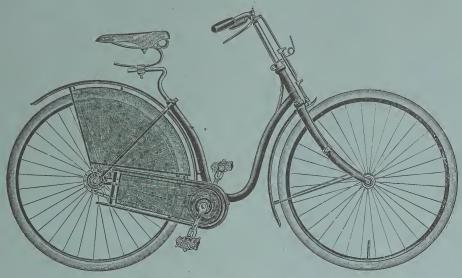
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