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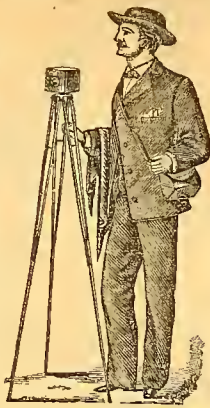
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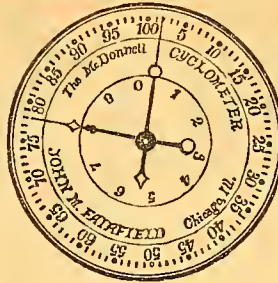
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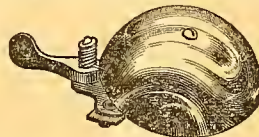
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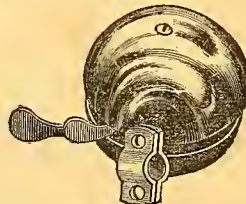
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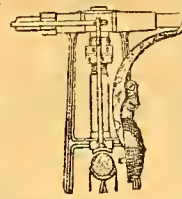
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BOSTON, 16 JUNE, 1882.

The L. A. W. General Meeting at Chicago.

OUR readers who are not interested in the affairs of the L. A. W. must bear with us for devoting almost our entire space this week to the national organization. The annual convention comes but once a year and it is but just that members who could not attend, by reason of distance, should be informed of the doings of their representatives and others at Chicago. Although the report occupies more space than our regular pages would allow, and its entire publication necessitates several additional columns, we deemed it best to make one job of it, and let all else that could be delayed as well as not lie over another week; for we shall print an extra large edition, that every member may receive a copy of the full revised constitution and by-

laws for immediate information and future reference, as it is not probable that a new hand-book will be published for a considerable period, and it would entail a much larger expense on the League, and considerably embarrass us, to extend the report through two or more numbers. With this apology for the omission of more varied, and perhaps more interesting matter, therefore, we respectfully submit for your consideration the report.

THE meeting was called to order at three o'clock, Vice-President Fairfield in the chair.

On motion, the Chair appointed Frederick T. Sholes of Cleveland, Ohio, recording secretary *pro tem*.

Secretary Putnam read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved.

In the absence of President Pratt, Secretary Putnam made the following statement: I suppose all present have noticed the resignation of Mr Charles E Pratt as president of the League of American Wheelmen, which was published in the BICYCLING WORLD. The board of officers saw fit to accept the resignation of President Pratt, with expressions of great regret at the decision that he had been forced to come to. He certainly had very good reasons for resigning, and he did not take this step hastily or without consideration. He gave me his reasons in full, which of course I cannot now give to the meeting, but which I assure the gentlemen were, so far as I was personally concerned, perfectly satisfactory, and justified him in the course which he pursued. This will explain the absence of the president's report, though I had hoped he would send one on, showing what had been done last year.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Corresponding Secretary Putnam presented his report, which was in substance as follows: —

During the year, over 2,000 communications had been received and answered. There had been nine hundred and seventy-nine applications for membership in the League received, two hundred and twenty-eight being from unattached wheelmen, and the remainder from forty-five bicycle clubs. Large accessions had been made from the West. Mr. Putnam in conclusion spoke of the pleasure he had had in his relations with clubs throughout the country, and said he thought if the League had done nothing else but to bind 2,500 men throughout the country together in mutual sympathy in the interest of bicycling, it had done a good work.

The report was received with applause and was unanimously accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

In the absence of the treasurer his report was presented by Secretary Putnam (published in full in our issue of 2 June).

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — In the absence of Mr. Wistar, I may say that the League might have searched far and wide to have found a better and more efficient treasurer than he has proved. He has systematized the work of his office so that his successor will have a very easy time of it. He has criticised every cent

expended, and every item of personal expense beyond his office has been submitted to the finance committee and approved before being paid by him. In accepting that report, I think the League should pass a vote of thanks to Mr. Wistar for his efficient services during the past year. His services have met with no approval anywhere, so far as I can learn. They have been purely gratuitous on his part; and as the only way in which the League can testify their appreciation of the work he has done, I move that the report be accepted, and that the League pass a vote of thanks to Mr. Wistar.

The motion was carried with a unanimity that would have undoubtedly made Mr. Wistar's heart glad.

CREDENTIALS.

The Chair appointed the following committee on credentials: Angus S. Hibbard, Milwaukee; L. J. C. Spruance, Chicago; and Alfred Ely, Cleveland

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS.

On motion of Secretary Putnam, the Chair appointed the following committee on nomination of officers for the ensuing year: Albert S. Parsons, Cambridge, Mass.; H. S. Livingston, Cincinnati; F. W. Weston, Boston; Fred. C. Aldrich, Chicago; and Fred. H. Benton, New Haven.

On motion of Mr. Edwards, the committee retired for consultation.

THE REVISED CONSTITUTION.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — As a member of the committee on revision of the constitution, I will report the constitution, as amended at the meeting of the board of officers yesterday. The report may be amended as the gentlemen here may see fit.

Secretary Putnam read the following: —

1. This organization shall be known as the "League of American Wheelmen."
2. Its objects are: to promote the general interests of bicycling; to ascertain, defend, and protect the rights of wheelmen; and to encourage and facilitate touring.
3. Any amateur wheelman in good standing may become a member of this League upon payment of an initiation fee of \$1.00, and approval by the board of officers or a committee thereof, after the publication of his name in a list of candidates in the official organ of the League at least two weeks previously; *provided*, that the entire active membership of any recognized amateur bicycle club may be received at one half the above-named initiation fee per member.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — The board of officers yesterday adopted the following amendment to Sect. 3: "*Provided*, that any club that has a rule in its by-laws to the effect that every member shall be and remain a member of the League as long as he is a member of said club, may be received at one half the above-named initiation fee per member." The only change in this rule is in inserting the clause regarding the rule in the by-laws to the effect that every member shall be and remain a member of the League as long as he is a member of said club. That is in order to make the League, as far as possible, an association of clubs, reducing thereby materially the work of the secretary and the treasurer,

and reducing the expenses in many respects. It only applies to active members of the club; it would not refer to the associate members. As it stands at present, the secretary of a club that has just been formed sends to the secretary of the League six names, with \$3.00, and says that is the membership of the club. The secretary of the League has no possible hold on the secretary of the club applying for members in enabling him to decide whether that is really the active membership of that club. A dozen members may join that club within the next week, and the League receive no advantage of it at all. If the League becomes an organization of clubs, all applications for dues are made directly through the club secretary, and the constitution and by-laws may have a clause to the effect that the dues of that club shall include entrance-fee dues to the League, and the members are relieved of trouble in the payment of League dues. That has been the cause of a great deal of trouble, and this amendment seems to the board of officers a decided change for the better.

MR. DEAN. — How in case a man belongs to two clubs? How would the rule act in that case?

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — Under the rule he is entitled only to one vote, as a League member. Of course he would only pay dues as a single member of the League. Of course that rule would apply to members of a club who are already members of the League. He could elect to which club he should pay his League dues.

MR. DEAN. — But the second club would be required to send his name in, and under the rules, without his entrance fees.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — I think the secretary of the League could keep that matter straight.

MR. HODGES. — He would merely be required to be a League member, and he is a League member of the other club.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — I move that these new rules of the League shall stand as approved and ratified by this meeting unless otherwise decided. The motion prevailed.

4. Its officers shall be a president, a vice-president, a corresponding secretary, a recording secretary, a treasurer, chief consuls, one from each State, and representatives, one for every hundred League members in each State; and these officers shall form a board of officers, of which eight shall constitute a quorum, who shall direct and decide in all matters not provided for in this constitution, and shall have power to fill vacancies.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — Rule 4 is changed completely, and on the changing of Rule 4 depends all the changes following in the constitution. Under it, if there are only fifty members in each State, that State will still be entitled to a representative. I do not know whether the members appreciate that we entirely change the system of the League as it is at present. It now provides for two directors from each State, such directors to be elected at the annual meeting of each State. This amendment provides for

democratic government. Every League man is entitled to his vote whether he leaves his home or not. The election of these officers is provided for in succeeding rules, and is held in this way: The corresponding secretary in March sends out voting blanks to every League member in his State, with instructions to such League member as to how many representatives he is entitled to vote for. Then when those votes for consul and for representatives come in, they are taken by the committee on rights and privileges, sorted and counted, and the man receiving the highest number of votes for representative and the highest number of votes for chief consul is elected. Of course this may work rather unfairly for some of the League States. There are at present only nine States in the Union in each of which there is one hundred League members. Massachusetts would be entitled to about ten or twelve representatives and a chief consul. As the rule stood at first, there was no provision made for any State having a representative which had not one hundred League members. As it was amended by the board of officers, each State is to have a representative, although it may only have, say, fifteen League members. Each State is to have one representative and one consul. This is based entirely on the method of representation in the United States government: the representatives corresponding to the House of Representatives, and the chief consuls corresponding to the Senate. There has been a great deal of discussion and a great deal of dissatisfaction in various quarters in regard to the old constitution of the League, and it was deemed advisable by the board of officers to make a new departure in some way; and this seemed to them to be the best way to treat the matter. It is only an experiment, and it may prove a disastrous one to the League. If it is unsatisfactory, it can be rescinded in a year.

Secretary Putnam read the following:—

RULES.

OFFICERS.

1. The president shall preside at all meetings of the League and of the board of officers; shall appoint all committees not elected by ballot; may fill *pro tempore* any vacancy in any office or committee until the next ensuing business meeting of the board; shall exercise a general oversight in the affairs of the League; and shall make a report at its annual business meeting next subsequent to his election.

2. The vice-president shall preside, in the absence of the president, at all meetings of the League or of the board of officers, and perform in such absence all the necessary duties of the president at the time; and in case of the death, resignation, or removal of the president, he shall be acting president until the next annual election.

3. A chief marshal shall be appointed by the board of officers, who shall make suitable arrangements and regulations for the annual parade of the League, shall take command at the same, and may appoint such aids and staff officers as he may deem expedient.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — This third rule is a change from the present method of having the commander one of the standing officers in the League. The old method does not work very well, as the commander might reside in a city a thousand miles from where the League Meet is held, and it would be unfair for

him to deputize a real worker to the office at the place where the Meet is to be held, and then the commander to come on the day before the day of the Meet and take all the glory of it; so it was deemed expedient to provide that when the officers decide where the annual Meet of the League is to be held and the time of it, they shall have the power to appoint a marshal to take charge at that Meet. Of course that marshal would in most cases be appointed from the city in which the League Meet is held.

MR. WOODWARD. — It seems to me to be much more satisfactory to have a yeas and nay vote upon each article. I move a reconsideration of the former vote by which it was decided that each article should be considered as ratified if no fault was found with it.

The motion was put, and the Chair being unable to decide, a division was called for, which resulted as follows: Yeas, 48; nays, 31; and the motion was declared carried.

The question recurring on the adoption of the third rule, it was carried.

The following rules were then read:—

4. The corresponding secretary shall receive, cause to be published, and transmit to the membership committee all applications for membership; shall keep a register of all applications and any action thereon; shall receive and answer any correspondence with the members of the board of officers, and any appropriate correspondence with non-members of the League; shall notify all meetings of the League or of the board, and act generally under direction of the board or of the president; and shall submit a report at the annual business meeting of the League succeeding his election.

5. The recording secretary shall make and preserve appropriate records of all meetings of the League, and of the board of officers, a list of all members and officers of the League, with notes of all changes in the same, and he shall report to the board of officers at their business meeting next preceding the next annual business meeting of the League after his election.

6. The treasurer shall receive and be accountable for all membership and annual fees, and other revenues of the League; shall keep suitable books of account thereof, and of all disbursements; and shall pay out of the funds of the League only upon order of the Finance Committee, or any two members thereof. He shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties whenever required by vote of the board of officers; shall make report in abstract at each regular business meeting of the board, and in full at the annual business meeting of the League next succeeding his election.

7. Each chief consul shall have general management and oversight of the affairs of the League in his respective State. He shall call and preside at all State meetings, shall approve and appoint one consul for each city or town in the State, and shall appoint League hotels.

8. Representatives shall forward to their chief consuls for appointment the names of members of the League to serve as consuls, and shall recommend hotels for appointment as League headquarters. They shall, in connection with their chief consul, have power to decide all local matters in their States, as provided for in these rules, and shall have a general oversight over the affairs of the League in their immediate districts.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — In connection with this eighth rule, I would say that it is giving the States all State rights, and it is really making an individual League in each State with the General League of American Wheelmen in control of them all, with this same scheme of reapportionment adopted.

The sections above read were then adopted.

The following sections were read and adopted without debate:—

MEETINGS.

There shall be an annual business meeting of the League on the thirtieth day of May in each year, or on the day following or preceding it if that occur on Sunday, at such place as the board of officers may determine.

at a meeting to be held at least two months previously, and of which general meeting at least one month's public notice shall be given. At this meeting the order of business shall be as follows:—

Reading of records of previous annual meeting; reports of president, corresponding secretary and treasurer; communications from the board of officers; reports of special committees; motions, votes, and resolutions.

Fifty members shall constitute a quorum; each member present shall have one vote on any question, and no proxies shall be allowed; provided, however, that clubs may choose by ballot one member of their club as delegate for each ten members of the club on the membership rolls of the League, to represent them at the annual meeting; and these delegates, upon presentation of credentials, signed by the president and secretary of the club, may cast ten votes each in all proceedings of the meeting.

10. At the date and place of the annual meeting of the League there shall be a general parade, to be arranged and commanded by the chief marshal, in which all members of the League shall be invited to participate. In this parade the clubs shall have precedence in the order of their joining the League.

11. Once in the autumn of each year there shall be held a race meeting under the auspices of the League, at which meeting suitable League championship prizes shall be offered, which shall be the property of the League until they shall have been won three times by the same competitor.

12. Two meetings of the board of officers shall be held each year; one in the spring, at least two months before the annual meeting, and one in the fall, at the time of the race meeting of the League.

13. The president and corresponding secretary may at any time submit any matter of business properly before the board, in writing, in the form of a vote or resolution to each member of the board by mail, upon which the members may indicate their approval or disapproval; and when replies in approval shall be received from a majority of the members, the president shall declare such vote or resolution carried, and it shall be taken as the action of the board as if done at a regular meeting; and at any business meeting of the board of officers, when a minority greater than six shall desire to appeal from the action of the meeting, they may take an appeal to the full board of officers for a vote to be taken in the foregoing manner.

14. At all meetings of the League, or of the board, the established law of deliberative assemblies shall be observed.

Secretary Putnam read the following:—

COMMITTEES.

15. There shall be a committee on membership, a committee on rules and regulations, a committee on racing (to be called the racing board), to be appointed by the president from the board of officers (except the racing board), to serve for one year or until their successor be properly appointed.

Each committee shall consist of three members (except the racing board which may consist of six), and no member shall be on more than two committees, and two shall constitute a quorum in each, and they shall report to the board or to the president thereof, within one month after reference of any matter to them by the president or by the board, or by the rules.

16. There shall be also a committee on finance, which shall consist of the president, the treasurer, and the corresponding secretary *ex officio*, to which all matters relating to revenue and disbursement, and League funds and investments thereof, not otherwise disposed of, are referred as they arise, and who shall report to the board of officers at each regular meeting.

17. To the committee on membership are referred, as they arise, all matters relating to the admission, resignation, suspension, or expulsion of members.

18. To the committee on rules and regulations are referred, as they arise, all matters relating to rules of the League or of the board, or for the direction of consuls and members.

19. To the committee on rights and privileges are referred, as they arise, all matters relating to the rights and privileges of wheelmen in highways and public parks, and to legislation of towns or States, and to suits by or against members of the League, and to the conduct of members of the League in respect to such matters.

20. To the racing board are referred as they arise all matters pertaining to racing, arranging for races, the standing of all members whose standing as amateurs is questioned as regards racing, and they shall also have charge of all races held under League auspices.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — The only change in this is the appointment of a racing board, which will consist of three directors or three chief consuls under the new rules, and these three chief consuls will each choose an assistant or a colleague who will live near him, in order that this racing board may always be

able to get a quorum together to discuss any matters pertaining to races. All League racing matters are referred direct to this committee, they to have charge of the racing rules and have jurisdiction over all such matters.

The sections last read were then adopted.

The following was read by the secretary:—

ELECTIONS.

21. Between the 1st and 10th day of March of each year the corresponding secretary shall send to each member of the League a voting blank for representatives and chief consuls.

Each member shall be entitled to one vote for chief consul for the State wherein he resides, and one vote for each representative that his State is entitled to under these rules; these blanks shall be filled out and returned to the corresponding secretary before the tenth day of April, and by him delivered to the committee of rights and privileges. This committee shall sort and count the votes, and make a return of the same to the president on or before the twentieth day of April; the person obtaining the largest number of votes in each State for chief consul shall be elected, and the persons receiving the largest number of votes as representatives shall be elected. The president shall on or before the first day of May declare the result of the election, and cause the same to be published without delay in the official organ; and also notify every member of the board of officers, and persons so elected, of the result. On the same day at the annual meeting (as provided for in Rule 9) the chief consuls and representatives so chosen shall meet and elect from their number a president and a vice-president, and from the membership of the League a corresponding secretary, a recording secretary, and a treasurer.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — If you approve the other rules in regard to this proposed regulation, this simply falls in with them. The only other change is that the president and vice-president of the League for the ensuing year shall be elected from these representatives and chief consul and by them instead of the members of the League. The recording secretary, the corresponding secretary, and the treasurer will also be elected by the representatives and the chief consuls, but necessarily from their number. They may be elected from the membership of the League, but the president and vice-president must be either chief consuls or representatives.

MR. LEWIS, of Philadelphia. — It would seem to me that action could be taken a great deal better by League clubs if the notice of election were sent to the secretaries of the clubs instead of being sent to the individual members. It would be brought up before the business meetings of the clubs, and the necessary vote taken.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — That point suggested itself to the committee. This matter of sending out the voting blanks would be left to the corresponding secretary, who would naturally wish to curtail his work as much as possible, and he would therefore send them to the secretaries of the club. If a League club had twenty members he would send twenty blank votes to the secretary of that club, who would obtain the signatures and return them to the corresponding secretary.

MR. DEAN. — It reads: "The corresponding secretary shall send to each member of the League"; it would be a question whether he could do that through the secretaries of the clubs. So far as Mr. Lewis's point is concerned, I should think that would be taken care of

by the clubs themselves. They could call a meeting and instruct their members how to vote.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — It is provided in these rules that all the correspondence with club members shall be done through the club secretary; that was the idea in providing this amendment to Rule 3 of the constitution. There is a further rule to the effect that any notification given to a club through its secretary shall be considered a notification given to each individual member of that club, as regards dues or voting or otherwise.

MR. DEAN. — The idea, as I understand it, is to assure to the member the privilege of voting and receiving a blank. If you send them to the secretaries you have to rely on their promptness in attending to the matter, and I know that all secretaries are not prompt in doing what they ought to do. That, however, was not exactly Mr. Lewis's point. I think his point could be taken care of by the clubs themselves.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — Then I understand that you object to this rule as it stands at present?

MR. DEAN. — No, sir; I don't object to your construction of it at all.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — The construction that the notification of the secretary is considered a notification of each member of the club?

MR. DEAN. — Yes, sir.

The section as read was adopted.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — There was an amendment to the rule in regard to voting at business meetings which I overlooked: "Fifty members shall constitute a quorum. Each member present shall have one vote on any question, and no proxies shall be allowed; provided however, that clubs whose entire active membership has joined the League may choose by ballot one delegate for each ten members of the club on the membership roll of the League, to represent them at the annual meeting; and these delegates, upon presentation of credentials signed by the president and secretary of the club, authorizing them to do so, may cast ten votes each in all proceedings of the meeting." That is changed, however, so that "League clubs may each choose by ballot one member of their club as delegate for each ten members of the club on the membership rolls of the League to represent them at the annual meeting, etc., but no one delegate shall cast more than one vote." That is to cover the ground where one member belongs to three or four clubs, as some members of the League do, and under this rule he would have no right to act as delegate or proxy from each of those clubs. He is an active member, and if there is no such provision made, each club might send him as a delegate to the League to cast their votes for them; but as this member only pays one membership fee, he is, as far as the League is concerned, only one man.

MR. MILLER, of Columbus, Ohio. — What is the reason that the number is

fixed at ten instead of the entire active membership?

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — That was the provision made in the first constitution, which I have not the honor to criticize.

Mr. MILLER. — But is it not a little one sided? You say "one vote for each ten members," if ten members can send one delegate, with their proxies, suppose they have only seven members?

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — Then, under this rule, they have no right to send a delegate.

Mr. MILLER. — Suppose a club has only seven members, should they be deprived of the right to vote?

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — That is all the more reason why the members of that club should exercise their ingenuity to rope in three more members and get a representative.

Mr. MILLER. — There are many places where it is difficult to get more than seven; we had only five.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — That works disadvantage to clubs that reside at a long distance from where a League Meet is held. The Eastern members have to travel a thousand miles to attend this Meet. The New York Club has thirty members. Only one representative could get here. Under the old rule he would be entitled to only five votes; under the rule as at present he is entitled to ten votes.

Mr. MILLER. — The number of members for a delegate might be made smaller with a little more justice, probably. I asked this for the purpose of getting the sense of the meeting more than anything else.

Mr. MOYES. — A way to obviate the difficulty would be to provide proportional representation. If a club has a membership of nine, let the member present represent the nine, or whatever number they have, but let no man represent more than ten votes. In that way full justice would be done to the clubs, and no one man would have more power to wield than he ought to have.

Mr. BATES, of Detroit. — I rise to move, as an amendment to that clause, that such delegate shall have power to cast the entire vote of any club he may represent, not exceeding ten in any case; that is, if there are more than ten members they must not send more than one delegate for each ten members. That would give the feeble clubs, with less than ten votes, the power to cast their entire vote as one delegate. If it is a large club it is able to send more than one delegate, and should send more than one. If it does not send more than one, it should have but ten votes. (*Applause*)

Mr. DEAN. — If we should insert "or fraction thereof," would not that avoid the trouble?

THE CHAIR. — Will you accept this change, Mr. Bates?

Mr. BATES. — Of course the delegates should have power to cast the votes of a club, not exceeding ten. If they have more, they can send more delegates.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — If that amend-

ment is accepted, it will not require anything more.

Mr. W. B. EVERETT, of Boston. — If a club has nineteen members, can one member cast ten votes and the other nine?

Mr. WOODWARD, of Boston. — How would this do? "Provided, however, that clubs may choose by ballot one member of their club as delegate for each ten members of the club, or fraction thereof, to represent them at the annual meeting; and these delegates, upon presentation of credentials, may cast ten votes, or as many votes as are provided for in his credentials, and no delegate shall cast more than ten votes."

The amendment was adopted.

The following were then read: —

M. MEMBERS.

22. All applications for membership shall be forwarded to the corresponding secretary, together with fees for admission, with such information as may be required.

23. Objections to the admission of any candidate for membership may be made to the corresponding secretary, or to any member of the committee on membership, within two weeks after the publication of the name of such candidate, and such objection shall be considered confidential. When no objection is made to the name of any candidate, the approval of the committee on membership shall be sufficient for an election. When objection is made to the name of any candidate, the committee on membership shall report it, with the fact of objection, to the president or the board of officers, who shall act thereon; and any rejected applicant may learn the grounds upon which his name was rejected by applying to the committee on membership, through the corresponding secretary; and any candidate or member of the League may take an appeal from the action of any meeting of the board of officers, in the method provided for in section 13, by depositing with the corresponding secretary an amount sufficient to cover the expenses of such appeal.

24. In passing upon the eligibility of candidates as amateurs, the membership committee shall be guided by the following rule, and shall take proper pains to ascertain and determine the facts in any case where objection is made to a candidate on this ground, or when the question may arise on complaint of any five members of the League, or otherwise, viz.: —

25. (a) An amateur is a person who has never competed in an open competition, (b) or for a stake, (c) or for public money, (d) or for gate money, (e) or under a false name, (f) or with a professional for a prize, (g) or with a professional when gate money is charged; (h) nor has ever personally taught or pursued bicycling or any other athletic exercise as a means of livelihood.

26. Bicycle manufacturers, importers, dealers, and agents as such are not to be considered as professionals, but are cautioned that to personally teach bicycle riding as a means to effect the sale of a machine will be taken as an infringement of clause h in Rule 25.

27. Any member suspended shall surrender his badge and membership ticket to the corresponding secretary; and in case of his reinstatement, these shall be restored to him.

28. Members shall observe all rules and directions of the League and its officers, and all laws in the locality through which they pass, provided the same be not prohibitory to bicycling.

29. Whenever any member of the League shall be expelled from any amateur club, or shall be protested in writing by four or more members of the League or by any member of the board of officers, his name shall be suspended on the roll of members by the corresponding secretary, and his case shall be considered without unreasonable delay by the committee on membership, and they shall have power to reinstate or expel him subject to the approval of the board.

30. Every member shall have the right to apply for and receive from any chief consul, representative, or consul for his State or district, such aid and information as may be in their power to give, and all circulars and other publications of the League or its officers, upon the terms provided therefor.

31. Members shall extend and accept mutual hospitalities, companionship, and assistance, whenever practicable and appropriate, and the production of a membership ticket or badge shall be sufficient introduction.

32. Every member shall receive from the recording secretary a card of membership bearing his name and number, signed by the recording secretary and the treasurer, good for the League year; these cards to be given up upon suspension or resignation from the League. The loaning of a card shall be sufficient cause for expulsion.

33. The League badges shall be furnished members

who deposit with the treasurer a sum fixed as the value by the committee on membership, but shall remain the property of the League, to be given up on demand of the recording secretary.

34. Each member shall pay to the treasurer of the League, on or before the first day of June in each year following his admission to the League, the sum of \$1 as a membership fee, and shall forward therewith his name and address and the membership number of his old ticket, and thereon shall receive a new ticket for that year, provided he be entitled to one otherwise, and subject to the conditions contained in the rules of the League. Any member failing to comply with the terms of this rule for the period of thirty days shall forfeit his membership, and his name shall be stricken from the roll, and he shall return his badge to the corresponding secretary.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — Rule 34 is amended as follows: "Any member failing to comply with the terms of this rule before the following 15 July shall forfeit his membership, and his name shall be stricken from the roll, and he shall return his badge to the corresponding secretary, provided he be not reinstated by the membership committee." That is altering that rule by the insertion of an amendment increasing the limit of the payment of dues to 15 July. Then there is this clause: "provided he be not reinstated by the committee on membership." The committee on membership at present have entire charge of the application of parties for membership and resignations and expulsions of members; and it was thought advisable to add that clause, so that if a man did have good and sufficient reasons for the non-payment of his dues 15 July, — if he happened to be out of the country or anything of that kind and failed to remit his dues, — he could be reinstated.

The sections read were adopted.

The following sections were then read and adopted: —

35. The League uniform shall consist of a Bedford blouse, with belt, close-fitting knee-breeches, polo cap or helmet, all of homespun gray, with stockings to match. The wearing of the uniform shall be optional.

36. Additions or amendments to the rules may be made after notice, by mail or otherwise, to every member of the board of officers, at a meeting of the board, or as provided in rule 14.

37. The board of officers shall be required through the corresponding secretary to publish from time to time, in the official organ of the League, any and all action taken by them, whether as a board or committee or as officials.

THE CHAIR. — This constitution has been accepted clause by clause, as I understand it, and it is now the constitution of the League.

REPORT OF RACING COMMITTEE.

In the absence of the chairman of the racing committee, its report was presented by Secretary Putnam.

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BADGES.

Mr. Hodges was called on to give information in regard to the new badge. He introduced the badge designed by Mr. Lamson, and stated that Mr. Lamson would forever assign to the League the right to make badges after his design without the payment of any royalty, Mr. Lamson holding the patent on the badge. In view of these facts, no other organization could adopt the badge. In silver the design would cost about \$1.50. A committee had been appointed to regulate an exchange of badges. This committee had ascertained that the old badges

could be exchanged for the new ones upon the payment of about fifty cents, the same deposit to be kept on the new badges. The committee on badges were of opinion that very few of the old ones would come back, at any rate very few of the nickel badges. Parties who had them would probably retain them as souvenirs of the early days of the League. The old League badges were worth \$1 as old silver, and they could be exchanged for the new badges at a cost of about fifty cents each without any loss of money to the League.

The committee appointed last fall had not acted, because they wished to be sure that Mr. Lamson would assign to the League the right to make the badge. This he had now consented to. Mr. Hodges thought that a mistake had been made in adopting the old badge. If any change was to be made, now was the time to make it, before the old badges were any more widely circulated. One argument for the change of badges was that very few of the old badges were being sent out.

THE CHAIR.—Does your committee, Mr. Hodges, report favorably on the adoption of this badge?

Mr. HODGES.—Yes, sir; the committee reported to the board of directors yesterday, and the board of directors accepted the report.

Mr. Everett inquired whether the badge produced by Mr. Hodges was simply to show the design, or whether it represented the actual size of the badge.

Mr. Hodges replied that they could be made of any size or any material.

Mr. Everett said that he had understood that Mr. Lamson had been selling the badges to any one, whether League members or not. He thought it was not quite right to adopt a badge which should be within the reach of purchasers outside of the League. He recommended that before adopting the design, Mr. Lamson should be asked not to sell the badges to non-League individuals.

Mr. Miller suggested that Mr. Lamson be requested to require from each person ordering a badge, a certificate from the secretary of the club to which the person claimed to belong; such certificate stating that he was a member of the League. Such a course would prevent outsiders from buying the League badge.

Mr. Hodges said this was a matter like that of Masonic emblems, which are sold in all jewelry stores, and to any one who chooses to buy. Wearing a Masonic emblem, however, was no guaranty that the party wearing it was a Mason. It was merely a convenient way of showing that he was a Mason, and the proof came afterwards. It was a well-known fact that nobody took pride in wearing a Masonic emblem unless he was a Mason. The badge produced was merely a League design; the object being to make a League badge which none but League members could buy. He thought that Mr. Lamson, in selling the badges, was careful to inquire whether parties proposing to purchase

were League members or not. The badges, however, would not be furnished by Mr. Lamson; they would be furnished by the League treasurer upon a deposit of \$1.50, or whatever the price might be. Mr. Lamson merely assigned to the League the right to make the badges, and the League could have them made wherever they liked. As Mr. Lamson had patented the design, it was a question whether the League should ask him to assign it to them absolutely. If Mr. Lamson assigned the right to the League to make and sell or control the sale of all badges, it would be the same as assigning his property to the League. As it was, he assigned the right to make them to the League, and no one else but himself and the League could make them.

Mr. EVERETT was of opinion that the assignment would not protect the League as it should, because in the League there were no grips or signs such as the Masons had by which to recognize each other. The only means League members had of recognizing each other was by the badge. "If," said Mr. Everett, "I meet a man in Boston wearing one of these badges, I should not think of asking him to show his card, before showing him some civilities. I have known of persons who have gone to several cities, representing that they were members of League clubs, and claiming civilities from League clubs on that ground. If these badges should be used generally, we might be taken in by any impostor possessing one of Mr. Lamson's badges. It seems to me we might adopt the design as a League design, and let it be made in silver or gold, or any other metal, by Mr. Lamson or any one else."

Mr. HODGES.—The badge has been adopted by the board of officers.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—I move that the board of officers' decision in accepting the report of the committee on badges be indorsed by the members of the League here present.

Carried.

Dr. COLEMAN inquired if the number of each League member was to be put on his new badge, as they were on the old ones.

Mr. HODGES.—I will state that this badge is in embryo as yet. One of the objections to numbering badges is this: supposing a badge is returned and it is numbered, a difficulty would arise at once. The Touring Club in England distinguish their officers by differently colored ribbons, so that it may be determined at once who the officers are. We might adopt this plan in regard to our chief officers; the number could be put on the badge; it would cost ten or fifteen cents to do it.

PREPARING FOR ELECTION.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—If I am in order, I would like to call the League members' attention to the fact that although we have adopted this new constitution, the election provided for in that constitution cannot be held now for the

reason that the clause reads that it must be by mail, by ballots sent out by the corresponding secretary to each member of the League. As the terms of all the officers expire to-day, there will be an interregnum unless we provide that the old officers shall hold over until a new election can be held. I would suggest that the five principal officers of the League, the president, the vice-president, the corresponding secretary, the treasurer, and the recording secretary be elected now for the coming year: then the election of consuls, chief consuls, and representatives will be held by mail ballot in June, the present board of directors holding over only until such new election can be held. That gives us the chief officers of the League for a year, and the present board of directors for about a month, until an election can be had of those officers under the new constitution of the League.

The motion prevailed.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—Before the nominating committee make their report, I would like to call the attention of the members to the action that was taken yesterday by the board of officers in relation to the National Association of Amateur Athletes. That organization submitted a proposition to the League to join forces with the association in giving championship races under the auspices of the League and the National Association. This was submitted to the secretary of the League three or four weeks ago, and he had a conference with the secretary of the National Association, at which conference an understanding was arrived at as announced in the *BICYCLING WORLD* of 19 May. By vote at the officers' meeting, a communication was sent to the secretary of the National Association that the League would lend its name to the National Association in advertising the two and five mile races as being under the auspices of the League and the National Association. It was proposed to have the one-mile championship League race on the same day; but as that requires two months' notice, the board thought it was not advisable to have that race at that time, especially as the present champion is disabled by a fall. The National Association have been trying to meet us fully and equally in this matter. They are under heavy expenses, having paid about eight times as much for the grounds as we did in giving the race meeting, when we lost about \$300. It seemed very desirable to the board of officers to meet them on this ground. I do not know as the board of officers' action has to be indorsed by the League, but I will ask the president to put the motion to the house that the action of the board be indorsed. Of course it is only an experiment for this year, and can be changed at any time we see fit. There is no doubt the association will accept the code of racing rules adopted here to-day; we will appoint three judges to take charge in behalf of the League.

The motion was unanimously carried.

NOMINATIONS.

Mr. Frank W. Weston, chairman of the committee on nominations, presented the following report: Your acting committee, acting for what we believe to be the best interest of the L. A. W., beg leave to present to you a majority and a minority report.

The following is the majority report:—

For President, W. H. Miller, Columbus, Ohio.

For Vice-President, John M. Fairfield, Chicago, Ill.

For Commander, Mr. S. A. Marsden, New Haven, Conn.

For Corresponding Secretary, Kingman N. Putnam, New York City.

For Recording Secretary, J. S. Dean, Boston, Mass.

For Treasurer, W. V. Gilman, Nashua, N. H.

MINORITY REPORT.

Mr. WESTON.—The minority report is the same as the majority report, with the following exceptions:—

For President, E. C. Hodges, Boston, Mass.

For Vice-President, A. S. Parsons, Cambridge, Mass.

For Director, C. L. Clark, *vice* Hodges nominated for the presidency.

DECLINATIONS.

Mr. DEAN.—I should like to withdraw my name as a candidate for recording secretary, because it will be impossible for me to accept the position. I cannot devote to it the necessary time, and I trust the committee will nominate somebody who will be able to discharge the duties of the office better than I can.

Mr. LEWIS.—I am authorized by Mr. Fergusson of Philadelphia to withdraw his name as candidate for director and to nominate in his place William E. Montelius of Philadelphia.

Mr. CROSS, of Providence.—As Mr. Richmond of Rhode Island is practically out of the business, I will nominate in his place Charles T. Howard.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—As Mr. J. D. Shepard has resigned, I nominate as a substitute, Henry H. Goddard of St. John, N. B.

Mr. PARSONS.—I desire to nominate as second director of the State of Minnesota, Charles W. Chadbourn of Rochester.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

THE CHAIR.—The committee on credentials report that there are delegates present to four hundred and ten votes, and individuals to thirty-three; total, four hundred and forty-three votes to be cast.

The Chair appointed the following gentlemen as tellers for the election: Andrew Hathaway of Milwaukee, J. A. Cross of Providence, R. I., and Alfred Ely of Cleveland. A motion that the first ballot be an informal ballot was lost. Pending the balloting, Mr. Dean moved that the report of the committee on credentials be made final.

Mr. PARSONS.—Before that motion is put, we would like to know something

about what the report of the committee on credentials is. There seems to be an impression that if any one is here with credentials that he is not entitled to, it should be brought up before the convention and settled by the convention.

Mr. WESTON.—This committee on credentials have decided that the credentials are correct, and that they have therefore been accepted: what possible question can there be? I move the question.

Mr. PARSONS.—I would ask for the reading of the report of the committee on credentials. (*Cries of "Question," "Question."*)

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—I think there should be a little more discussion in regard to this matter before it is put before the house. I put the question to you because something has come up which may materially influence the result of the election, and which will, if decided in opposition to the report of the committee on credentials, throw out about thirty votes.

Mr. PARSONS.—I move that the report of the committee on credentials be read.

Mr. DEAN.—The question has been called for on the motion before the house, and it seems to me the question should be put.

Mr. ARTHUR EDWARDS of Chicago.—It is always in order to call for the reading of a paper. One person in an assemblage composed of a million has a right to call for the reading of a paper. I second Mr. Parsons's motion for the reading of the paper.

Mr. PARSONS.—It seems to me that with the report before the house, to object to the reading of it shows something very much out of the way.

Mr. DEAN.—What I did was simply to save time, the report having already been read. I certainly did not desire to do anything unfair. I withdraw my motion and ask that the report of the committee, be read. (*Applause.*)

THE CHAIR.—I read to you that there were votes, four hundred and ten by delegates and thirty-three by individuals; but that was only a summing up of the report. I will read the report in detail.

The Chair here read the full report, by which it appeared that the Crescent Bicycle Club of Boston was represented by credentials for forty votes.

Mr. PARSONS.—The object I had in asking for the reading of that report is patent. There is a club represented here by forty votes, and I am confident that there is not a member of that club in this room or in Chicago. Now, before we vote on this report, I would like to know about this. The Crescent Bicycle Club in Boston has not a member in this city or in this room; I am very sure of it, and I would like to see these gentlemen who say they represent the Crescent Club of Boston stand up and say when they joined it, and if their names are on the book of the Crescent Club of Boston. (*Applause.*)

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—It is needless to say that Mr. Parsons has struck the point I have aimed at. I find forty votes credited to the Crescent Club, and I would ask if they have joined the League as members of the Crescent Club, and if they are authorized to vote for that club?

Mr. PARSONS.—Every one of these gentlemen is a friend of mine; but I say they have done a thing that they will be ashamed of as long as they live. (*Applause and hisses.*)

Mr. WESTON.—There is no necessity for getting hot on this question. It is a simple question of law and order. It is a simple question of the rules of the L. A. W. If the rules permit them to vote in that way, let them vote; and if not, they should not be permitted to vote. I call for the reading of the rule.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—I indorse what Mr. Weston has said. It is simply a question of whether they have the right to do it or not. We all know the members of the Boston Club are not going to do anything underhand for the sake of getting control of the League. As I understand, the gentlemen of the Crescent Bicycle Club asked several gentlemen to act as their delegates. If they had a right to do that under the rule, the Boston Club are authorized to vote for them. There are sixty votes in the Boston Bicycle Club, and sixty have been cast at this meeting. Four of the Boston Club have also cast forty votes for the Crescent Bicycle Club.

Mr. DEAN.—We put on ten men, and six of them were elected delegates for the Boston Club; the other four were elected at a regular meeting of the Crescent Club to represent them.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—The four men who represent the Crescent Club are four of the sixty active members of the Boston Bicycle Club in the League?

Mr. DEAN.—Yes, sir.

Secretary Putnam read Article 9 of the Constitution, which applies to the question before the meeting.

Mr. PARSONS.—It seems to me a very important point has got to be settled before we can elect any officer. When at the meeting of the board of directors this rule was made, it was one that was discussed more than any other rule brought before the board. The captain of the Boston Club, who is here to-day, was exceedingly opposed to any delegate representation whatever. All were willing to let them be represented; but the thought or the idea that they were to be allowed to send members not of their own club to represent them never occurred to anybody there. It was repeatedly said that no man could be entitled to more than ten votes. I fail to see any difference between this matter of voting the Crescent Club members here and voting by proxy; and voting by proxy has always been opposed in the League in the strongest manner.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—I call for the question as to whether the report of the credential committee shall be accepted as final.

Mr. WESTON.—I submit there is nothing in the rule which has just been read which will debar the Boston Bicycle Club from acting on behalf of the Crescent Club, who were unable to be present. If that interpretation of the rule is correct, I hope the ballot will be recorded. If it is not correct, the Boston Club should not so vote. If the intention of the rule is different from the reading of it, that is not the fault of the Boston Club or this meeting.

Mr. PARSONS.—It is well known that beside the rules of any organization, there is another element which always comes in, and that is precedent. When there is any vagueness in the reading of a rule, the only resort that I know of is precedent. Now, certainly there is no precedent for this. I do not believe that there is a representative of a club in this room who thinks he can come here and represent other clubs than his own.

Mr. MCCLURE, of Chicago.—I wish to call attention to just one word in that rule, and that is the word "delegate." I understand the meaning of that word to be a man who is chosen out of a body, or is a part of that body; and I think that this would be the first case that ever came under my observation of the construction of the word in any other sense. I have no interest in this matter whatever, but I should dislike to see any action of this meeting go on record which is not consistent with the action of parliamentary bodies; and I therefore wish to call attention to the meaning of the word "delegate," and have it used in our rules and by-laws as it is used in all rules and by-laws. (*Applause.*)

Mr. WESTON.—My understanding of the word is, a person with power to act for another; not necessarily a member of his family or a relative, but simply a person empowered to act for him.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—I think Mr. Weston of the Boston Club is rather befogged in his ideas of delegate and proxy. A man who represents another man is a proxy; under our constitution that is distinctly debarred. A man who is chosen to represent a club from that club, is a delegate. That is where the line has been drawn. (*Applause.*)

Mr. DEAN.—The argument of the gentleman on my right [Mr. McClure] is very pretty indeed, if we were voting under Crescent Club rules; but we are voting under the League rules, and the members of the League have a right to be represented in that body. I think probably his definition of the word is correct. League members could not go outside and choose outside persons to vote for them, or *vice versa*. (*Applause.*)

Mr. MCCLURE.—If the rule had said "errand boy," I think the gentleman's construction would be a good one. (*Applause and laughter.*)

Mr. W. E. GILMAN, of Chelsea, Mass.—In taking this vote, is it not necessary that all our votes should count? If we have a right to represent our clubs in one thing, we have a right to represent them in another. I am a delegate for ten votes in my club; I have a right to cast my ten votes on this question of accepting the vote of the committee.

Mr. McCLURE. — It strikes me that that involves a question as to whether the four gentlemen claiming to represent the forty votes from a certain club which they do not belong to, can expect to vote on a question which affects their own eligibility as delegates. Now, if I was one of the four gentlemen, — I merely state this in a private way (*laughter*), — I should refrain from voting on that question.

Mr. GILMAN. — I had no idea of anything different from what the gentleman has stated. I naturally supposed that while the question is pending, the four delegates who represent the Crescent Club will not cast their forty votes, but will simply vote here as individual members of the League on this question whether their delegate votes are legal or not. Until this question is settled of their being entitled to be delegates, they have a right to throw their four votes on their own account. But what I mean is this, that we have a great many here who are delegates, who can cast the votes of their club, and on this question we want to be allowed to cast it; because the probability is that it will make quite a difference in the number of votes counting.

Mr. W. W. STALL, of Boston. — In reference to this matter, I would say that the Crescent Club requested the Boston Club to represent them in this meeting, being unable to obtain proper representatives for their club. They saw the rule, and didn't understand it otherwise than has been read. They were gentlemen, and they did not intend to do anything that could be construed in any other manner. The Boston Club are gentlemen, but perhaps some of the other members are not quite as much gentlemen as they are. (*Hisses*.)

Mr. PARSONS. — Has the vote been declared?

THE CHAIR. — The vote has not been declared.

Mr. GILMAN. — I move that the vote we have just taken be thrown aside, and that we proceed to vote on this question as we voted on the election, with the exception that the four members of the Boston Club who represent the Crescent Club as delegates vote as individual members of the League; as we have the names of the delegates, and of the members of the League who vote individually, it would be well to call the roll and vote as they are authorized. If you call my name I vote ten votes.

Mr. PARSONS. — I would like to have that vote declared. We have voted on this question. When it is declared, the gentleman from Chelsea may ask a reconsideration; but before that I would like to hear the vote declared.

THE CHAIR. — The vote could not be obtained without a division of the house, and I will call for that.

Mr. GILMAN. — Before that is done, I would suggest, in answer to Mr. Parsons that we throw up one vote a little while ago, before it was declared. I propose to set this one aside as an informality. I think the desire of most of the members present is to throw it aside, and throw our full vote here that we know we have a right to throw.

A DELEGATE. — The Boston Club is represented by six delegates, and that would give them four votes in addition, which is sixty-four votes.

Mr. DEAN. — The Boston Club is only entitled to sixty votes.

Mr. PARSONS. — Our constitution all through says that our officers shall be elected by ballot. The delegates are to be put on the ballot the number they are entitled to cast; but in all deliberative bodies a question of this kind is settled by a ye and nay vote, and any person who wishes a vote by ye and nay can rise and ask for it. I ask that that be done, and after that is done, if any person ask it by ballot we can vote that way.

Mr. GILMAN. — My only desire was to save time. I wish to explain one thing, however: when I suggested that the four Crescent Club delegates should vote individually, I had the impression that the Boston Club represented sixty-four votes; that is, that they had sixty votes besides the four gentlemen who would vote as delegates for the Crescent Club.

THE CHAIR. — I am not well posted in this matter, and would like further time to consider it. We have invited the mayor of the city to our banquet, and I think we had better adjourn so that I can get a better knowledge of the rule in question before I make a decision.

Mr. PARSONS. — It is very simple. It is simply for the Chair to announce which way he thinks the vote went, and it can be reconsidered afterwards if necessary.

THE CHAIR. — I would prefer not to. As I say, the banquet is waiting and our guests are waiting, and I want to think over this matter further.

THE SECRETARY. — It is simply a matter of ye and nay, — the way that vote went.

THE CHAIR. — I would like some gentleman to move to adjourn so that we may have our banquet.

On motion, an intermission was had until 10.30 p. m. At 10.30 p. m. the League reassembled and was called to order by Chairman Fairfield, who addressed the assembly as follows: This may be quite a long session for this time of night, and for that reason I wish to say that I hope you will keep as quiet as possible, and push work along as fast as you can consider it well, so that the work may be done in a workmanlike manner.

THE SECRETARY. — Mr. President, I would like to inquire if you are prepared to give us a ruling on that vote.

THE CHAIR. — Gentlemen, I was puzzled and disturbed in mind, as much from my knowledge that we had invited guests outside that courtesy at least constrained us to attend to and meet with at eight o'clock as much as anything else. Now, I am as well satisfied as can be and not have it proved by a division of the house that that vote on the motion to make the report of the committee on credentials final was lost. I am satisfied that vote was lost; that is, I think it was. I could not decide it definitely without a division of the house; but as that division might have some influence on the action of the meeting afterwards, I think it is my duty to call for a division of the house on that question of considering the report of the committee on credentials as final.

Mr. WESTON. — It seems to me that with due deference to the Chair, a division will hardly be necessary. Speaking on behalf of the club whose action is in question, I wish to say that we simply desire to understand the decision of the Chair as to what is right and proper under the rules as established. If it is your decision that the motion was lost, the Boston Club will not object to it, and there will be no necessity for a division.

THE CHAIR. — I have not said it was my decision that the motion was lost, but it was my impression that it was lost. I would like a division of the house on that question. I will take the count in this manner, those voting in the affirmative will please rise. The affirmative of that question would be that the report of the committee on credentials was final.

There being no votes in the affirmative, the motion was declared lost.

THE CHAIR. — As the election of the president would be by delegates, I shall decide that this vote shall be cast by delegates in the same manner as the election of officers.

Mr. PARSONS. — I dislike very much to seem to criticize the action of the Chair, but you put the question by calling for a rising vote in the affirmative. I have seen no one rise. I would like to see the negative called for.

THE CHAIR. — I think that is right. I will call for the negative side.

The motion was declared lost, a majority of the delegates rising when the vote was called for.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — I move that it be the sense of this meeting that the reading of this Article 9 in the by-laws shall be construed to mean that the delegate who is appointed to represent a club, and to cast ten votes for a League club, must be a member of that club.

Mr. WESTON. — It seems to me that that motion is hardly in order. If we are going to make a parliamentary decision and to give a definition to a rule, the House should resolve itself into a committee of the whole, and we should vote individually and not as delegates.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — I understand we are acting then as a committee of the whole, as delegates and not as individuals. It is simply in regard to the construction of that rule.

The motion prevailed.

SECRETARY PUTNAM. — I move that we proceed to the election of a president for the coming year.

Mr. PARSONS. — Before we proceed to do that, I would like to do justice to a gentleman, and say a few words as to the candidate of a number in this meeting for president for the ensuing year. Mr. Miller of Columbus is a gentleman of wealth and position and decided ability. He is president of a large gas-light company in Columbus, and president of a society of gas-light companies. He is a man thoroughly qualified to be our president, but I think beyond this, residence and location should have a claim in this matter. For the last two years the office of president has been ably filled. Would that we could have that president as long as he lives; we would all vote for him (*applause*), but he has declined to serve another year. As a representative of a Boston club if not the Boston Club, I think it but right that they of the West should expect us to give them the presidency. I know that our club is emphatically of the opinion that the presidency should go to the West this year. Ohio is in a central position, although in Boston they sometimes speak of it as the West. As you are now going to reconsider the action of a few hours ago, I hope you will pay attention to the question of location in the election of one who is to preside over us, the one whom the nominating committee favor, one who will build up a very great interest in the League all through the West.

Mr. WESTON. — I wish to say a word on behalf of Mr. Hodges. We think that Mr. Hodges is a gentleman who will serve the League efficiently and with a whole soul. We know that Mr. Hodges is the proprietor of the exponent of bicycling in this country, — a journal which has the honor of diminishing his yearly income very considerably; and we know in various ways Mr. Hodges has always studied to advance the interests of bicycling. The Boston Club will agree with Mr. Parsons that whether we get Mr. Miller or Mr. Hodges for president, we shall have a good man, and that is what the Boston Club want. Whether Mr. Miller or Mr. Hodges will be the best man is the only point

upon which we differ. We think Mr. Hodges will be a good president. Mr. Parsons and his friends think Mr. Miller will be a good president. (*Applause*.)

Mr. PARSONS. — It seems to me the Chair should once more state how delegates should write their ballots.

THE CHAIR. — I am requested to state to you how ballots should be written. Those who vote as delegates will place their name and figure 10, as they vote for ten of their club, and the name of their club under it, or in any other form; but that information must be put on each ballot. Those voting individually will simply put their names down, and they will be counted individually. They might add the figure 1, but it would do no good.

The ballot for president resulted as follows: —

Total number of votes cast.....	363
Necessary for a choice.....	182
W. H. Miller, Columbus, Ohio, received.....	207
E. C. Hodges, Boston Mass., received.....	156
And Mr. Miller was declared elected.	

MR. FAIRFIELD WITHDRAWS.

THE CHAIR. — Last year the gentlemen from the East were desirous of giving the West an office. I looked upon Mr. Pratt as a very healthy risk, and I never contemplated a resignation. I knew I was not capable of presiding at this meeting in the way in which it should be done. Now I withdraw my name as vice-president, in favor of Albert S. Parsons. In the first place, there should be no question between us as to who should be elected. Furthermore, from the start, whenever there was a sacrifice to be made, it has been made by Mr. Parsons. (*Applause*.)

A VOTE OF THANKS.

Mr. Everett took the chair which was vacated by Mr. Fairfield, and addressed the League as follows: I desire to make a motion which I am sure will meet with the approval of every member here, whether he be an Eastern or a Western man, whether he come from the North or from the South. A few days ago, the Eastern men received an invitation from the West and the Northwest asking us to come to Chicago to join in the parade of the League of American Wheelmen and to attend its annual business meeting; that we have done, and as you all know the meeting and the parade and everything connected with it has been an entire success. That success, I think (and I believe you all think with me) is owing to the efforts and energies of one man; and I desire, in behalf of the Boston Club and in behalf of the members of the League of American Wheelmen, to make a motion that a vote of thanks be tendered to J. M. Fairfield of Chicago for the efforts he has made in behalf of the League of American Wheelmen and of this second annual meeting.

The motion was unanimously adopted, and three cheers were given for the gentleman named in the vote of thanks. In response, Mr. Fairfield said: Your good wishes and your good-will and your vote of thanks are very grateful to me. I know that you know it, for I have been with you from the very start, and my best friends are among wheelmen. But I tell you, you overdo this matter of praise. I have not done anything. (*Laughter and applause, and cries of "Oh!"*) "Oh!" I have simply sat back while others have done it. We have received here substantial aid from Milwaukee and Cincinnati, and the hearty support of all Western wheelmen. We said we were going to have you gentlemen out here, and we were going to give you a good time from the start; and if it had not gone off just as it has, I would have felt eternally disgraced. I would have crawled into a hole and stayed there. (*Laughter*.) No, there is no praise coming to me. We went to our citizens, to our press (*cries of "The Times," "The Times," laughter and hisses*), to the officials. All have given. Let us overlook little things like the rain of last Saturday. (*Laughter*.) We are here for a good time; and I do not want you to go away with the impression that I have done any great amount of work, for I have not. While we have been very fortunate in good weather and in good streets, and the whole thing has passed off pleasantly and without a hitch, the praise is due to the workers here; though, just as things go in this world, it is given to some one who has not been a worker. That is the truth of it. Gentlemen, I thank you for your good-will.

Secretary Putnam officially announced the result of the ballot for president, and moved that that three cheers be given for the newly elected executive.

PRESIDENT MILLER'S THANKS.

Calls were made for President Miller, who responded as follows: I feel something as Mr. Fairfield says he feels. I don't know what I have done that you should make me president of the League.

A DELEGATE. — It is what you are going to do. (*Laughter*.)

Mr. MILLER. — I thought my friends would hardly think I was capable of being president of the League; but to tell you the honest truth, I am very glad that I got it. (*Laughter and applause*.) At the same time, I will say that I really think you could have picked out a better man than, as I said to Mr. Parsons, a man who had no executive experience and who knew very little about parliamentary rules. I came among you a per-

fect stranger, as I might say, never having been in a League Meet before, and I knew but very few of the members. I thank you with all my heart for the honor you have just conferred upon me, and I hope I shall merit all your kindness. I can only say that as far as enthusiasm is concerned as a bicyclist, I think I can make you a very fair president. The balance of it will have to come afterward. I hardly know what to say, to tell you the honest truth. I really think I had not better say any more. (*Laughter and applause.*) So, thanking you with all my heart, I remain most sincerely yours, W. H. Miller of the Buckeye Club. (*Applause and laughter.*)

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—In view, Mr. Chairman, of your withdrawal from the field as a candidate for the office of vice-president for the coming year, I move that the secretary be empowered to cast the vote of the League for Mr. A. S. Parsons of Cambridge, Mass., for vice-president for the ensuing year.

The motion was unanimously carried.

MR. HIBBARD, of Milwaukee.—I move that we repeat this motion in favor of our present secretary, Mr. Kingman N. Putnam.

The motion was carried with a unanimity and hearty good-will which voiced the sentiment of the League towards their efficient secretary.

MR. DEAN.—I should like to nominate for recording secretary Mr. Angus S. Hibbard of the Milwaukee Club, and move that the secretary be empowered to cast the ballot of the League for Mr. Hibbard.

The motion was unanimously carried.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—I move that we proceed to the election of a treasurer, and second the nominating committee's nomination of William V. Gilman of Nashua, N. H.

The motion prevailed without a dissenting voice.

DIRECTORS.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—I move that the board of directors be elected as they have been recommended to the League by the committee on nominations.

The list of names of directors, as recommended by the committee on nominations, and afterward filled out, was declared elected, as follows:—

California.—Geo. H. Strong, San Francisco; G. L. Cunningham, San Francisco.
Connecticut.—T. B. Beach, Hartford; Dr. T. S. Rust, Meriden.
District of Columbia.—P. T. Dodge, Washington; Max. Hansman, Washington.
Illinois.—J. M. Fairfield, Chicago; H. G. Rouse, Peoria.
Indiana.—Harry Bates, Indianapolis; John O. Perrin, LaFayette.
Iowa.—D. R. Craig, Keokuk.
Kentucky.—H. Beddo, Louisville; C. W. Macklin, Frankfort.
Maine.—C. H. Lamson, Portland; F. H. Ellwell, Deering.
Maritime Provinces.—Clarence H. Dimock, Windsor, Nova Scotia.
Maryland.—Albert Trego, Baltimore; Clymer Whyte, Baltimore.
Massachusetts.—Fred. S. Pratt, Worcester; E. C. Hodges, Boston.
Michigan.—Frank H. Escott, Grand Rapids.
Minnesota.—Chas. N. Chadbourne, Rochester; C. H. Porter, Winona.
Missouri.—F. M. Gifford, Edina; Richard Garvey, St. Louis.
New Hampshire.—C. A. Hazlett, Portsmouth; E. M. Gilman, Nashua.
New Jersey.—L. H. Johnson, Orange; C. J. Wood, Hackensack.
New York.—W. F. Gullen, Brooklyn; J. O. Monroe, Buffalo.
Ontario.—S. W. McMichael, Brantford.
Ohio.—Fred. T. Sholes, Cleveland; J. G. Kitchell, Cincinnati.
Pennsylvania.—Chas. Bellz, Pittsburg; W. E. Montelius, Philadelphia.
Quebec.—H. S. Tibbs, Montreal; W. N. Campbell, Quebec.
Rhode Island.—Chas. T. Howard, Providence; A. G. Carpenter, Providence.
Vermont.—A. W. Childs, Brattleboro'; Geo. E. Styles, Burlington.
Wisconsin.—A. A. Hathaway, Milwaukee; A. C. Jones, Milwaukee.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Rules and Regulations.—W. H. Miller, Columbus, Ohio; F. S. Pratt, Worcester, Mass.; C. H. Lamson, Portland, Me.

Rights and Privileges.—A. S. Parsons, Cambridge, port, Mass.; F. T. Sholes, Cleveland, Ohio; W. V. Gilman, Nashua, N. H.

Membership.—K. N. Putnam, New York, N. Y.; W. F. Gullen, Brooklyn, N. Y.; L. H. Johnson, Orange, N. J.

Racing.—E. C. Hodges, Boston, Mass.; A. A. Hathaway, Milwaukee, Wis.; Clymer Whyte, Baltimore, Md.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—I move that the BICYCLING WORLD be appointed the League organ for the coming year.
 Carried.

THE B. T. C. AND THE L. A. W.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—Some little time ago we received a communication from one of our new League members in England, Mr. E. R. Shipton, proposing a plan for combining in some way the League of American Wheelmen and the Bicycle Touring Club of England. Mr. Shipton sent on a rough draft of the rules of government of the proposed association, and these were criticised in some points by our ex-president, Mr. Pratt, and by several of the League officers in Boston. The plan was substantially as follows: As it stands at present, if a League man goes to England he is naturally extended all the hospitalities of the B. T. C. there. If a B. T. C. man comes here, he naturally meets with the same reception. Mr. Shipton's idea is to have rather a pooling of the two associations in this way: that you have double dues; they send over two consuls here to correspond with our two directors in England, and those consuls will have to indorse all the League tickets, which tickets will be good either for the B. T. C. or the League, and the directors in England will have to countersign all the tickets issued there for the same purpose. The dues will be increased; that is, we have to pay the ordinary League dues and the ordinary dues of the B. T. C.; and a division of the money in the treasury is to be made by an after apportionment. This plan seemed to the officers to whom it was submitted to be rather cumbersome. Of course we want to meet the B. T. C. more than half-way if possible. They are the older organization, and it would be very pleasant and courteous for them to extend us a hand in this way. We want to show our appreciation of it, but we think the simpler the plan of association is made, the better it will be for the interests of both organizations. The plan that suggested itself to the gentlemen who talked this matter over was as follows: To have the two consuls of the B. T. C. appointed here to correspond with the two directors in England. When a B. T. C. man came over here, he should present his ticket to one of the consuls here, and the consul should issue to him a L. A. W. ticket which will be good for him as long as he remains in the country. That is for non-permanent residents. If a man comes over to make this his permanent residence, he is expected to join the League. These tickets will be good for two or three months. If a League man goes to England, he will present his League ticket to a director there and receive a B. T. C. ticket which will be good for as long as he remains in England, entitling him to all advantages and discounts at hotels and in information in regard to roads, and so forth. There will be no increase in dues, no pooling of dues. Of course as long as a B. T. C. man remains in England it will do no good for him to be a member of the League and as a League man remains here it will do him no good to be a member of the B. T. C. If it is in order, I would like to hear a discussion on this matter. If that plan as it suggests itself to the League directors, to whom it has been submitted, seems to be better than the idea of actually combining the two associations and having a pooling of dues and a division of membership fees and so forth, we should perhaps adopt it.

MR. WESTON.—The proposition which you have just heard is not a proposition exactly; it is simply a suggestion from a member of the B. T. C. to one of the executive officers of the L. A. W. It carries no more weight than would a proposition from me as a member of the League to the executive of the B. T. C. in England, to combine the two associations on such basis as that just presented. The combination, in my judgment, is exceedingly undesirable. I think the League can paddle its own canoe in this country without any help from the B. T. C. (*Applause.*) I think it can do so to very much more advantage than it could with any such combined arrangement as that which Mr. Shipton has proposed. Mr. Shipton is a consul of the B. T. C. and a friend of mine; but his enthusiasm in the matter leads him to suggest things which are rather extravagant. The League will be very glad if all the members of the B. T. C. will join its ranks, and I am glad to see that a great many of them have joined. The B. T. C. will be very glad to have the L. A. W. join *en masse* the B. T. C. This they will do as members, some of them, but not as an organization. One is the international club of the world, and the other is the national club of America, and each on its own separate and independent basis is deserving of the sympathy and support of every wheelman; and each can do better separately and independently than they can in any joint combination; that is simply my individual opinion. I have not heard any expression of a desire for change on the part of the executive in England. Mr. Shipton's letter was based on a desire to extend the usefulness of both organizations. I have no doubt that everybody around me is in sympathy with it.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—In answer to Mr. Weston, I will say that the English consuls' views substantially meet my own, and meet some of the other directors' views to whom this plan has been submitted, if it has not been submitted as an official proposition. If we thought there was any disposition on the part of the B. T. C. to extend us hospitality, it might be that some system might be perfected to accomplish that. We did not expect to join the two; it was simply that a League man, if he went to England, had a right to ask their courtesy and hos-

pitality. There is no doubt but what it would be extended to him whether we had any such plan or not; but at the same time it might be well to have some system of that kind.

MR. WESTON.—I think the B. T. C. and the League are in the position of two very warm friends living in different houses. When one goes to the other's house he will receive a very cordial welcome. A B. T. C. man coming over here has no right to receive the courtesies of the League unless he has paid his dues, and the same applies to a League man going to England. I do not think anything is to be gained by seeking to disturb the present state of things. I think on the contrary that by keeping the two clubs separate, and by keeping the same warm international friendly feeling which now prevails between them, as I think we shall, we will advance the interests of the two clubs a great deal more than by any scheme which proposes to give one club the benefits of the other at a reduced price.

SECRETARY PUTNAM.—I simply submitted this for discussion. I do not make any motion.

On motion of Secretary Putnam, the meeting adjourned.

The L. A. W. Officers' Meeting.

A MEETING of the board of officers was held at Grand Pacific Hotel, Chicago, 29 June, at three o'clock, Vice-President J. M. Fairfield in the chair, and the following members of the board being present: J. M. Fairfield, Chicago; K. N. Putnam, New York, corresponding secretary; E. C. Hodges, Boston; J. O. Monroe, Buffalo; G. H. Lamson, Portland, Me.; Alfred Ely, Jr., Cleveland, Ohio; J. G. Kitchell, Cincinnati, Ohio; Fred. T. Sholes, Cleveland; and Richard Garvey, St. Louis, Mo. The following business was transacted:—

The committee on membership rehearsed their action as reported in the March meeting of the board, in relation to the protest of the Æolus Bicycle Club of Worcester against the admission of F. S. Clark, and stated that in consequence of it the members of that club had each resigned from the League. They also reported that W. R. Pitman of New York had since that meeting again made application, but the committee declined to entertain it and gave reasons therefor; and the board discussed the matter at some length. The committee also declined to pass upon the admission of William Smith of the Bristol (England) Bicycle Club, because of misrepresentation in his application. The board indorse the action of the committee in all three cases.

Secretary Putnam submitted the correspondence between the president of the National Athletic Association and himself, as published in the BICYCLING WORLD of 19 May, and the board recommended action as subsequently taken at the general meeting of 30 May.

The report of the committee to revise the constitution and rules (see WORLD of 26 May) was then taken up and recommended as afterwards amended and adopted at the general meeting.

The Lamson L. A. W. badge was reported on and recommended as afterwards adopted at the general meeting.

The secretary brought up the subject of the resignation of President Pratt, and presented the correspondence on the subject as published in the WORLD of 19 May.

The Chair appointed committees as follows, after which the meeting adjourned: Credentials, A. S. Hibbard

of Milwaukee, L. J. C. Spruance of Chicago, Alfred Ely of Cleveland. Nomination of officers: A. S. Parsons of Cambridgeport, Mass., H. S. Livingston of Cincinnati, F. W. Weston of Boston, Fred. C. Aldrich of Chicago, F. H. Benton of New Haven.

The Crescent and Boston Clubs.

THE following correspondence will be of interest to members of the League:—

BOSTON BI. CLUB, 53 UNION PARK, 7 June, 1882.

ARTHUR E. BROWN, ESQ., *Sec Crescent Bi. Club*:

Dear Sir:—The four members of the Boston Bicycle Club—viz., W. B. Everett, C. L. Clark, C. Barrows, and J. S. Dean—elected by the Crescent Bicycle Club, in accordance with Rule 9 of the by-laws of the League of American Wheelmen, to represent the Crescent Club at the second annual meeting of the League held in Chicago, 30 May, 1882, presented the credentials furnished by you to the committee appointed to examine them. On their acceptance by the committee they proceeded to cast ten votes each for the only Eastern candidate for the office of president, Mr. E. C. Hodges of Boston. Before the result of the ballot had been announced, Mr. Parsons of the Massachusetts Club questioned the right of the Crescent Club to be represented at the meeting by others than members of their own club, and proceeded to assail the position of the Boston Club, and to open a question which had been settled by the committee in accepting the credentials, and had been acted upon by the meeting, which had voted by virtue of the credential committee's report. After considerable discussion, in which with a few exceptions all parliamentary rules were disregarded, the meeting decided that Rule 9 should be construed to mean that delegates must be members of the club which they represent. The meeting then proceeded to a new ballot without announcing the result of the first; your delegates of course not being allowed to vote. The discussion which took place when Rule 9 was adopted seems to indicate that the intent of the rule was to furnish clubs whose entire active membership had joined the League with the means to be represented at its annual meeting although unable to be present.

Your delegates believe they had a right to vote, and that the proceedings of the meeting were unparliamentary. They defend the position they then took and take now for the following reasons:—

1. That the word "delegate" means a person appointed to act as substitute for another.

2. That a fair construction of Rule 9 of the by-laws of the L. A. W. would allow them to represent the Crescent Club on presentation of the proper credentials.

3. That they did present the proper credentials, which were accepted by the committee appointed to examine them.

4. That after the acceptance of the credentials by the committee, and the casting of ballots by virtue thereof, it was unparliamentary and out of order to object to their being counted.

5. That when a committee is appointed for the express purpose of examining the credentials of delegates, any objection to their right to be received should have been made to the committee.

6. That the construction of the rule should have been made by the Chair and not by the meeting, which could then on an appeal from the decision of the Chair decide whether or not the Chair should be sustained.

7. That on failure of the Chair to give a decision as to the meaning of the rule, it should have been referred to the committee on rules and regulations, in accordance with League Rule 18.

8. That when any action has been taken under a rule which is at all doubtful as to its meaning, it should be construed most liberally in favor of the party acting under it.

9. That even after the rule had been construed to mean that your delegates had no right to vote, the result of the first ballot should have been announced as the decision of the meeting, simply throwing out the forty votes cast for the Crescent Club. Your delegates acted as they thought would best serve the interests of the League, the East, and the Crescent Club, and regret exceedingly the circumstances which placed a wrong construction on their action and that of the Crescent Club, which has always maintained a position of honor among the bicycle clubs of the United States. They desire to have their action indorsed by the Crescent Club if it thinks it was consistent with their duties as their representatives. Please place the matter before your club, and inform me of their decision as soon as possible, and oblige

Yours respectfully,

J. S. DEAN, *Sec.*

BOSTON, 7 June, 1882.

J. S. DEAN, ESQ., *Sec Boston Bi. Club*:

Dear Sir:—I have this day received from you the report of the delegates—Messrs. Everett, Clark, Bar-

rows, and Dean—elected by the Crescent Bicycle Club to represent it at the annual meeting of the L. A. W. at Chicago, 30 May, 1882.

In appointing the above-named gentlemen its delegates, the club acted in accordance with its conception of Rule 9 of the by-laws of the League of American Wheelmen, which states that "Clubs whose entire active membership has joined the League may choose by ballot one delegate for each ten members of the club on the membership roll of the League to represent them at the annual meeting; and these delegates, upon presentation of credentials, signed by the president and secretary of the club authorizing them to do so, may cast ten votes each in all proceedings of the meeting."

By this rule the club does not consider it requisite for a delegate to be a member of the club which he represents, and considers the action of the League to excluding its delegates a violation of said rule. The club thoroughly indorses the action of its delegates at the meeting, and fully sustains them in the position they have taken in the matter. It furthermore wishes to thank them most heartily for the zeal with which they upheld its cause; and in view of the fact that they are members of the Boston Bicycle Club, hopes that brother wheelmen throughout the country will not misconstrue their motives, but hold the Crescent Club alone responsible. Regretting that the execution of their duties as delegates should have caused them so much inconvenience, I remain yours respectfully,

ARTHUR E. BROWN, *Sec. Crescent Bi. Club.*

NOTES, QUERIES, ETC.

[We invite readers and correspondents to contribute questions, notes, suggestions, etc., to this department.]

Answers to Correspondents.

E. R. B., Cambridgeport, Mass.—From the somewhat meagre data we have been able to obtain, we estimate the grade of Corey Hill about as follows: Vertical height, 205 feet; length of road from base to summit on Brookline side, about 2,000 feet; average rise very nearly one foot in ten.

A. E. S., Somerville, Mass.—Apply to Director C. A. Hazlett, Portsmouth, N. H., for information respecting consuls in his State; we do not know whether there are any consuls between Concord and the White Mountains. We wrote you personally in respect to the roads from Concord to Plymouth.

"CYCLUS," Canton, Pa.—We can give you no positive information about Pennsylvania laws. We infer, for several reasons, that bicycles are not accorded there the same privileges as other vehicles. We know of no better method of removing rust from the bright parts than a combination of fine emery cloth and machine oil and elbow grease.

W. C. M., Ovid, Mich.—Under L. A. W. and N. A. A. A. rules, an amateur may compete in a race where an entrance fee is charged, under conditions expressed in Rule 25 of the former which see in this issue. We think the "winner's choice" prize violates the spirit of the rule respecting money prizes, although it is permitted in both the associations named above. The struggle where there are "winner's choice" prizes is not likely to be so much for the honor of getting ahead as for the chance of getting some needed article without the payment of money. We can give no information respecting the reliability of English firms.

Editor *Bicycling World*:—Does any person know of a head-light arrangement manufactured by E. F. Pfeuffer, Akron, Ohio? Is it of any use; and what is the price? O. G. BROWN.

PITTSBURG, PA., 7 June, 1882.

RACES

Coming Events.

17 June. Druid Hill Park Lane, Baltimore, Md. Ten-mile race; open to any Baltimore amateur. Half-mile race; open to any amateur. First and second prizes. Clymer Whyte, 87 W. Chase street, Baltimore. Close on 12th.

24 June. Pittsburg, Pa. Keystone Bicycle Club races at the Exhibition grounds. One-mile heat race for the championship of Western Pennsylvania; prize, \$40 gold medal. Five-mile dash and boys' races. John W. Pears, secretary, corner Penn and Homewood avenues.

24 June. Louisville, Ky., bicycle races under the auspices of the Kentucky Bicycle Club. One-mile handicap, two in three, for gold medal; five-mile dash (winner one-mile race not to compete) for gold medal; quarter-mile heat race for riders who have never won a race. Address the secretary.

28 June. Norwalk, Conn. Fairfield County Agricultural Society. One-mile amateur bicycle race, in heats, free, for gold and silver medals. 29 June, one-mile professional race, three in five, \$50 and \$25; 30 June, one-mile professional race, three in five, \$50 and \$25; 30 June, one-mile professional race, three in five, \$50 and \$25; 30 June, one-mile professional race, three in five, \$50 and \$25.

1 July. New York. Games of American Athletic Club. Two-mile bicycle handicap. Secretary American Athletic Club, P. O. Box 2,930.

4 July. Springfield, Mass., Skating Rink. Grand bicycle tournament. Half-mile, one-mile, two mile, and five-mile races, three prizes, and slow race of 100 yards, two prizes, open to all amateur bicycle riders, the prizes in each event being valued at \$50, \$70, \$100, \$150, and \$200, respectively; two-mile race, open to Springfield Club members only, for medal valued at \$70; best club drill of not less than eight members, prize, silk banner and bugle, valued at \$50 and \$10 respectively. C. K. Ferry, secretary.

4 July. Brooklyn, N. Y. Williamsburg Athletic Club games. Three-mile bicycle handicap. G. R. Smith, secretary, Wythe avenue, Penn and Rutledge streets, Brooklyn, E. D.

WHEEL CLUB DOINGS

WHAT IS TO BE.

[Club secretaries and other wheelmen are requested to furnish for this department announcements of coming races, meets, runs, periodical business, social meetings, etc., etc.]

Sunday, 18. Headquarters, 2 P. M. To Squantum Point via Milton L. Mills. Adams, Coleman streets, etc. Supper at Old Squantum House, or return to city, and supper at Providence Depot.

Sunday, 25. Headquarters, 10 A. M. sharp. To Cohasset via Meeting-House Hill, L. Mills, Quincy, etc. Dinner, Black Rock House. Return on wheel, or by boat from Downer's, ad lib.

Moonlight runs of short distances will be held, starting from headquarters, at 8 P. M. Friday, 23, Tuesday, 27, and Friday, 30.

Members are earnestly requested to be on hand for prompt starts. Members will appear in uniform during the June events.

CRESCENT BI. CLUB:—

Saturday, 17 June, seashore run. Trinity square, 8.30 A. M., to Marblehead via Lynn (from Central square, 11 A. M.), and Swampscott (dinner), and return by same route.

ROXBURY BI. CLUB, JUNE:—

June 17 and 18. To Gloucester, Mass. Start at 9 A. M. Walnut avenue and Warren street. Route: Brookline, Cambridge, Malden, Everett, East Saugus, Lynn, Floating Bridge to Salem (where dinner will be had at 1 P. M.), Beverly, Beverly Farms, Manchester-by-the-Sea, Gloucester (supper at 7 P. M.) Return via Marblehead (where dinner will be had at twelve o'clock). To Boston ad lib.

JUNE 25. To Brockton, Mass.

July 2. To Revere Beach, Point of Pines. Supplementary "spins," moonlight.

JUNE 27. To Reservoir.

JUNE 28. To Blue Bell.

MASSACHUSETTS BI. CLUB:—

On the 17th of June the Massachusetts Bicycle Club will make a run from its headquarters to Nahant and return. The club will dine at Hood Cottage.

OID BI. CLUB.—At a meeting of the wheelmen in this vicinity, a bicycle club was organized with the following officers elected for one year: President, Chas. S. Reeves; vice-president, F. A. Marshall; captain, Horace S. Keys; secretary and treasurer, W. C. Marvin. Will send you further particulars as soon as the club is fully organized. M.

OVID, MICH., 5 June, 1882.

WESTBORO' BI. CLUB.—The Westboro' Bicycle Club was organized the 28th of April, and consists of eleven members with the following officers: President and captain, Walter E. Blanchard; sub-captain, J. E. Balloch; secretary and treasurer, Edward C. Bates. The club has two rooms in Union Block, one for the bicycles, the other for meetings and social times. The uniform consists of a dark-green cap, light-olive shirt, dark-green knee-breeches and stockings, and low rubber-soled shoes. There is a lively interest in bicycling now in this town: several have recently bought or ordered machines who contemplate joining the

club, which will probably have double its present membership soon.

EDWARD C. BATES, *Sec.*

WESTBORO', MASS., 8 June, 1882.

L. A. W.

AMATEUR BICYCLERS everywhere are cordially invited to join the League of American Wheelmen. The admission fee is \$1.00; or 50 cents for members of a club whose entire active membership joins, — provided such club has a rule in its by-laws to the effect that every member must be and remain a member of the League as long as he is a member of the said club. Make checks, drafts, or postal money orders for admission fees, payable to Kingman N. Putnam, 54 Wall street, New York, and address all communications in regard to applications for membership to him. Write names of applicants plainly, with first names in full, giving full address, and on one side only of separate sheet from letter of advice. Applicants should notice names as published in the BICYCLING WORLD, and notify the corresponding secretary if any error is made. Bicyclers generally should notice the names, also, and inform the secretary (confidentially) if any professional or otherwise objectionable person applies. Circulars, etc., regarding the League will be sent to any address on application to the corresponding secretary. Every member should endeavor to extend the influence and benefits of the League by inviting desirable bicyclers to join.

The rules of the League are given in full in the BICYCLING WORLD of 16 June, 1882, and may be obtained, post free, by sending ten cents to the office of the WORLD. It is important that every member should be familiar with these rules.

All League Clubs and unattached wheelmen should subscribe to the BICYCLING WORLD, which, as the official organ of the League, will contain all important notices to League members.

The "LEAGUE HAND-BOOK," containing list of members, directors, consuls, etc., can be obtained from the BICYCLING WORLD, 3 Pemberton square, Boston, Mass., or Kingman N. Putnam, secretary, 54 Wall street, New York, and will be sent postpaid upon receipt of fifteen cents.

APPLICATIONS.

Editor Bicycling World:—The following names have been proposed for membership in the League of American Wheelmen, and are sent you for publication, as required by the Constitution.

KINGMAN N. PUTNAM,
Cor. Sec. L. A. W.

UNATTACHED. — A. W. Stuart, Belleville, Ill.; Henry W. Merchant, 1208 South Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; Henry Parsons, Gloucester; Joshua Paine, Provincetown, Mass.; Wm. R. Mitchell, Provincetown, Mass.; Edgar L. Davenport, Canton, Bradford County, Pa.; Charles H. Imhoff, care First National Bank, Lincoln, Neb.; Fred. G. Wiese, 96 Farnsworth avenue, Bordentown, N. J.; Edward R. Vail, 54 Wall street, New York City; Wm. C. Scribner, 1108 E street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Notice to Members.

LEAGUE OF AMERICAN WHEELMEN.
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
54 WALL STREET, NEW YORK, 1 June, 1882.

Dear Sir,—I beg to call your attention to the following rules of the League in regard to the payment of the annual dues, and request that you mail yours as soon as possible to William V. Gilman, treasurer L. A. W., Nashua, N. H.:—

34. Each member shall pay to the treasurer of the League, on or before the first day of June in each year following his admission to the League, the sum of \$1 as a membership fee, and shall forward therewith his name and address, and the membership number of his old ticket, and thereon shall receive a new ticket for that year, provided he be entitled to one otherwise, and subject to the conditions contained in the rules of the League; secretaries of League clubs being notified and required to pay the dues of the entire active membership of said clubs. Any member failing to comply with the terms of this rule before 15 July, 1882, shall forfeit his membership, and his name shall be stricken from the roll, and he shall return his badge to the corresponding secretary, provided he be not reinstated by the membership committee.

Your attention is also called to the new rule of the League in regard to the election of officers:—

4. The officers shall be a president, a vice-president, a corresponding secretary, a recording secretary, a treasurer, chief consuls, one from each State, and representatives, one for every hundred League members in each State: *provided*, however, that no State in which there are League members shall have less than one representative; and these officers shall form a board of officers, of which eight shall constitute a quorum, who shall direct and decide in all matters not provided for in this constitution, and shall have power to fill vacancies.

ELECTIONS.

21. Before the first and tenth day of March * of each year the corresponding secretary shall send to each member of the League a voting blank for representatives and chief consuls.

Each member shall be entitled to one vote for chief consul for the State wherein he resides, and one vote for each representative that his State is entitled to under these rules. These blanks shall be filled out and returned to the corresponding secretary before the tenth day of April, and by him delivered to the committee of rights and privileges. This committee shall sort and count the votes, and make a return of the same to the president on or before the twentieth day of April. The person obtaining the largest number of votes in each State for chief consul shall be elected; and the persons receiving the largest number of votes as representatives shall be elected. The president shall, on or before the first day of May, declare the result of the election, and cause the same to be published without delay in the official organ, and also notify every member of the board of officers and persons so elected of the result. On the same day, at the annual meeting (as provided for in Rule 9), the chief consuls and representatives so chosen shall meet and elect from their number a president and a vice-president, and from the membership of the League a corresponding secretary, a recording secretary, and a treasurer.

Please fill out the enclosed voting slip, and send it as soon as possible to A. S. Parsons, chairman committee on rights and privileges, Cambridgeport, Mass.

The following list shows the number of representatives each State is entitled to:—

California.....	One chief consul, one representative.
Connecticut.....	" " " "
Dist. of Columbia, " " " "	" " " "
Illinois.....	" " " "
Indiana.....	" " " "
Iowa.....	" " " "
Kentucky.....	" " " "
Maine.....	" " " "
Maritime Provs.....	" " " "
Maryland.....	" " " "
Massachusetts....	" " ten "
Michigan.....	" " one "
Minnesota.....	" " " "
Missouri.....	" " " "
New Hampshire....	" " " "
New Jersey.....	" " " "
New York.....	" " three "
Ohio.....	" " one "
Ontario.....	" " " "
Pennsylvania.....	" " two "
Quebec.....	" " one "
Rhode Island.....	" " " "
Vermont.....	" " " "
Wisconsin.....	" " " "
England.....	" " " "

The enclosed circular contains the names of the directors who were elected to hold office until the chief consul and representatives could be selected.

Your prompt attention is earnestly requested in this matter, so that the new hand-book may be issued early in the season. Yours fraternally,

KINGMAN N. PUTNAM,
Cor. Sec. L. A. W.

Wheels at Hamilton, Canada.

Editor Bicycling World:—The Hamilton Bicycle Club held their monthly meeting in their club-room, Friday evening, 19 May, the first vice-president in the chair, and a good turn-out of members. Three new members were proposed and admitted to membership. The committee appointed to wait upon the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society reported that they had made arrangements to hold a grand bicycle tournament in connection with the picnic of the society, to be held here on Dominion Day, 1 July. The programme so far arranged was: one-mile race, two prizes; first, gold medal; second, silver medal. Five-mile race, two prizes: first, gold medal; second, silver medal. Fancy riding, two prizes: first, gold medal; second, silver medal. Club drill, a handsome silver cup with suitable engraving, together with a beautiful badge to each member

* This rule not having been adopted until 30 May, it was decided to have the election held in June for the present year.

of the winning club. Races open to all amateurs. The bicycle parade will form on the Gore in the morning at ten o'clock, headed by the 13th Battalion Band, and will proceed to the Crystal Palace park where the races will take place. In the afternoon a grand procession will form at the same place and proceed to Dundurn Park, in the following order: Bicycles, 13th Battalion Band of Hamilton, Royal Encampment of Uniformed Patriarchs of Rochester, N. Y., Toronto, London, Brantford, Goderich, and Hamilton, Can. Encampments, 7th Battalion Band of London, friends in carriages. In Dundurn Park the bicycle club drill and fancy riding will take place, besides an attractive programme prepared by the I. P. B. S. In the evening there will be a display of fireworks, and a band concert in which both bands will take part. Invitations have been sent to the different clubs in Canada, and the secretaries will confer a great favor if they will send in a definite answer at as early a date in June as possible. We would like to make this bicycle meet a grand success, which can be done if every club in Canada will take a hand in it, and see it through. American wheelmen wishing to unite with us on that day will be cordially welcomed, and are requested to signify their intention not later than 20 June. EUREKA.

Brooklyn Wheelmen.

BROOKLYN, 5 June, 1882.

Editor Bicycling World:—A very delightful run by a number of the Kings County Wheelmen and Brooklyn Bicycle Club (twenty-four in all) was indulged in on Decoration Day, starting from Brooklyn at 8.40 A. M. via Annex and Pennsylvania Railroad to Newark, and on arriving at Central avenue were agreeably surprised at meeting three members of the Orange Wanderers, and recognized the genial faces of Capt. Johnson, Consul J. Warren Smith, and Mr. Browning. Capt. Johnson had been made acquainted with the fact of our intended visit, but we did not expect he would come so far to meet us. We were then escorted by them to Orange, over the finest roads in the United States, where all were invited by Capt. Johnson to partake of soda. After ordering dinner for the party at the Mansion House for 1.30 o'clock, started for a run to Montclair, headed by Capt. Johnson, where we halted and refreshed ourselves with milk and soda. A number of the party ascended a very long hill and indulged in a first-class coast of about one half mile, after which we started on our return to Orange, which was reached in plenty of time for dinner. Capt. Johnson and party were invited to dine with us, but much to our regret, gracefully declined on account of previous engagements. After dinner a number of the party started on short spins, trying to make the best of the good roads around Orange, while others contented them-

selves with a quiet smoke on the piazza in the shade. Just before it was time to start on our return trip, Consul Smith and Mr. Browning called on us, and when we were ready, escorted us back to Newark; and on parting, three hearty cheers were given for the Orange Wanderers. Leaving Newark by train, and reaching Brooklyn at 6.50 P. M., all declared that this had been one of the most enjoyable runs they had ever taken.

EDWARD A. CANER,
Sec. Brooklyn Bicycle Club.

Bremen Bicycle Club.

OUR last meeting was held the 21st of April, as usual, at Siedenburgh's Hotel. Mr. Norman Leete, our energetic and worthy secretary, tendered his resignation, which was accepted with great regret. He is now in London, and the club which finds his name on its roll may well feel proud of possessing such a genial and open-hearted gentleman. Mr. Robert Carew occupies the honorable secretary's position now (address care of Messrs. Bodendest & Co., Bremen), and Mr. W. Lohmann is treasurer. The first club run for 1882 was out to Obernland *via* Horn and return; the second, to Vegesack and back, where an awful head wind and bad roads were encountered; returning, the wind was in our favor, therefore the speed and comfort the greater. Distance, twenty-one miles. Thursday, the 18th of May, was the third run, attended by three members. We started from Bremen at 7.40 A. M., and after passing sundry "dorfs," arrived in Worpedorf at 10.30, where half an hour was spent in refreshing the inner man. The roads up to this point were bad enough, but were found better on to Kirchtimbken, 11.10; from this village to Steinfeld we struck a road, the counterpart of which we never hope to meet with again. It would lay a stigma on the word to call that stretch a road; it was simply a sandy, stony, up and down hill, badly ploughed piece of land, about fifteen feet broad, with places where we found difficulty in even walking or carrying the machines. To heighten the effect this produced on our spirits, as far as the eye could reach it encountered but this bleak, desolate moorland, which abounds in the vicinity. Thankful we were, after an hour and a half of this fatiguing work, to strike a sandpapered macadam chaussée, leading from Steinfeld to Ottersberg, and ridden without a dismount to latter place, in fifty-seven minutes. The hands on the old village church clock pointed to 1.30 as we wheeled up to Hotel Gieschen; a good dinner and an ample rest soon restored us when at 3.20 we once more climbed into the saddle, arriving eventually without mishap in Bremen at 6 P. M. Distance traversed, forty-five miles. PUMPERNICKEL.

BREMEN, GERMANY, May, 1882.

IT is proposed, in the concourse to be established on the ground which has been

occupied by the main centennial and the machinery buildings in West Park, to lay it out so that there shall be a wide carriage drive, say of not less than one hundred feet; a riding or equestrian circuit, of about thirty feet in width; and a pedestrian walk, of twelve to twenty feet. These will be probably arranged in the order named, beginning with the exterior drive. Along the walk will be placed numerous seats, as doubtless the concourse will always draw numerous spectators. In addition, it was proposed at the last meeting of the Park Commission that a space be set apart for bicycle divertimento; but it was not disposed of, though it will doubtless come up again with a favorable result, as it would greatly add to the attraction. Probably an avenue inside of all the others, of not less than fifteen feet in width, would be best adapted for this purpose, it being a sufficient distance from the other avenues as to remove all *danger from the frightening of horses*. In order that the public may enjoy the benefit of the concourse the present season, councils should without delay appropriate the necessary funds. One thousand dollars has been voted by the commission out of the park appropriation, to clear away the debris of the buildings, and level off the ground preparatory to constructing the avenues, planting the necessary trees, trace, grating the seats.—*Philadelphia Paper*.

A Tour through Ireland. V.

HOW IRISHMEN RIDE. BY ONE OF THEM.

SATURDAY and Sunday we remained anchored in Longford, at the earnest solicitation of many friends, who could hardly believe us when we told them we had ridden four hundred miles through Ireland before visiting their part of the country. On Monday we left them, and amid a waving of handkerchiefs and shower of good wishes started for Dublin, determined to cover the distance—over eighty miles—in the one day. It was nine o'clock when we started, and soon the high tower of the Roman Catholic church of the town was far in our rear. It was a glorious day, not hot, and what little wind that was stirring blew almost altogether in our favor. It was almost a straight streak into Edgeworthstown, where we arrived by half past ten. This little town boasts of having been the birthplace of Maria Edgeworth, the well-known writer. It is a pretty little town situated among fields and trees, but the want of high ground takes much interest away from its appearance, in a picturesque point of view. This centre portion of Ireland is mostly level; in fact, we met no hills of any note the whole distance across to Dublin. Some miles beyond Edgeworthstown we entered Westmeath County, and crossing the river Inny, passed the prettiest scenery on the road to the capital. Westmeath is a fine, rich pasture county, and contains several lakes, one of which, Lough Owel we wound

alongside of for nearly three miles. It is a broad sheet of water about five miles in length, well wooded round the sides, and having a hill on the side farthest from the road, memorable for one of those fatal agrarian outrages, so many of which sully the present-day history of the unfortunate "Green Isle." About three miles beyond the lake we ran into Mullingar, one of the chief central business towns of Ireland. Here, as in Longford, we noticed the great number of troops that were about the place, and they appeared to be on good terms with the people. One stalwart dragoon passed us carrying two pails of water for a couple of old women, who followed his long strides, jabbering away to each other as if it was no unusual event with them to have a footman in uniform, and a six-footer too. It was half past two ere our backs were turned on Mullingar, and we had fifty miles before us to get over before night. The road, however, was magnificent; for thirty-five miles it was just as smooth and level as a private carriage drive, and the first forty-five minutes' work saw twelve miles left in our rear, and with them the ancient and rickety old town of Kinnegad. This rate of going, however, could not be kept up. Accordingly, traversing the distance to Enfield, ten miles farther on, occupied us for over an hour, and we felt rather inclined to dismount amid the pretty white cottages of this little place, and ask some benevolent old dame to honor us by asking us to tea. We got over the yearning for the bicyclist's great stimulant, however, and worked away with a will. Five miles farther on appeared Kilcock, the "Thatched City," as Maxwell christened it; for it is mainly, in fact altogether, composed of thatched houses, a sight which is becoming rare in Ireland now on such a large scale. Another five miles, and the granite buildings of Maynooth College appeared through the trees on our right. Winding round the college grounds, and then turning to the left, the lofty and solid masonry of the ruined old castle, one of the strongholds of the Geraldines, rose above our heads, thickly covered in parts with a splendid growth of ivy. We were in the town now, and my machine refusing to go farther until its rider had partaken of "the cup that cheers but does not inebriate," I allowed it to come to a stand before the threshold of the "Leinster Arms"; and then, entering the well-known door and springing up the broad old staircase, with its Geraldine motto of "Crom-a-boo" impressed on every step, we were soon stretched on the holland-covered sofas that were the familiar old friends of many previous rides. It was pretty near half past six ere we were prepared for the road again. But whence once under way, the

"Landscape sped away behind
Like an ocean flying before the wind,"

and soon after leaving the little village of Lucan, the smoke cloud in the distance seen from every piece of rising ground,

the various outlying buildings, and as we approached nearer, the spires and towers that loomed up in the twilight, all told us we were approaching dear old "Dirty Dublin." Why the Irish capital has acquired the above appellation in a distinctive degree, I do not know, for all large cities appear on about an equal footing, and many, I can vouch for, are much worse off in respect of cleanliness than poor old Dublin; and as for street paving, why, the Irish metropolis is as a paradise to some of the cities of the States. But after all, it is not in a city that the bicyclist seeks for enjoyment; it is in the open country, where he can breathe in the pure fresh air, and look on the wonders of creation, without having his eye offended or his brain sent whirling with smoke and dust or the roar and bustle of the streets. It was nine o'clock when we dismounted to shake hands after our big ride, and I fancy each of us was an extremely great man that night within the circle of our respective families, and our anecdotes and descriptions were a source of interest to many of our riding friends for some weeks after. And now it is time for me to wind up with a few practical remarks and conclusions derived from experience. When on an extended tour, thirty miles a day ought to satisfy the most enthusiastic rider; if you do more, you are pretty sure to feel fatigued, and also for a certainty to miss many objects of interest on the road. And after all, if not for practical use as an agent in travelling, and making one's self acquainted with his native land, of what utility is the bicycle? If only of use for racing, why then the steel horse falls far behind its brother of flesh and blood, — one of the world's greatest and most patient and valued workers. Then, when on a run, if possible retire to rest early and rise early; the best time for work is during the morning hours. When going on a long tour, be satisfied with one companion, or at the most two, and no the road be civil to, and respect the rights of, every man.

CURRENTE CALAMO

THE WORLD is really the League organ this week.

The Troy and Albany Clubs will unite on a run to Stillwater, 4 July.

THE Boston Club membership has renewed its subscription to the L. A. W.

THE Massachusetts Club announces an enjoyable run for to-morrow. See "What is to be."

ABOUT twenty members of the Boston attended Barnum's, Wednesday evening, and made a gas light run around Jumbo. He had to squint awfully to see the secretary.

ONE of our valued correspondents, Capt. H. S. Tibbs, of the Montreal Bicycle Club, has recently met with a sad bereavement in the death of his little daughter, Alice Ethel, not quite five

years of age. He has our earnest sympathy.

MEMBERS of the Boston Bicycle Club made a run to South Canton Saturday, and returned Sunday morning, as per announcement. The runs to "Cobb's" are becoming a favorite feature of the Boston's pleasure trips, as the roads are good, and the tavern furnishes excellent accommodations at a reasonable price.

EX-RECORDING SECRETARY L. A. W. SAMUEL T. CLARK, of Baltimore, who has recently returned from a business visit to the bicycle manufactories of England, evidently means to help the cause, as well as himself, by the most active and approved methods, having imported a comprehensive stock of some of the best English makes of bicycles and their parts. See the announcement in our business columns.

ENGLISH RECORDS.

WE have been looking over the records made on the race track by English bicyclists, and while we have been surprised at the speed they have shown, we have been no less astonished at the discrepancies between the figures put down as "the best recorded times" by the different authorities. The *Cyclist and Wheel World Annual* has a table of the best amateur times, compiled by G. P. Coleman, official timekeeper to the Bicycle Union, an excellent authority; the *Wheelman's Year Book* puts forth a table by G. Lacy Hillier, also good authority; the *Bicycling Times Annual* also has a table, and is good authority. Below we give the figures presented by the different tables for one, two, and five miles:—

Miles.	<i>Cyclist.</i>	<i>Year Book.</i>	<i>Times.</i>
1	2.46 $\frac{3}{4}$	2.47	2.46 $\frac{1}{2}$
2	5.36 $\frac{3}{4}$	5.36 $\frac{1}{2}$	5.36 $\frac{1}{2}$
5	14.39 $\frac{3}{4}$	14.39 $\frac{3}{4}$	14.39 $\frac{3}{4}$

There is no disagreement regarding the parties entitled to the records above.

The tables of professional times differ as widely as the above. The *Cyclist Annual* publishes no table; John Keen furnishes the figures for the *Times Annual*; the *Year Book* has a very good table. These are the figures:—

Miles.	<i>Times.</i>	<i>Year Book.</i>
1	2.46 $\frac{3}{4}$	2.46 $\frac{3}{4}$
2	5.36 $\frac{3}{4}$	5.36 $\frac{3}{4}$
3	8.55	8.54 $\frac{3}{4}$
4	*11.52 $\frac{1}{2}$	†11.58
5	*14.59 $\frac{1}{2}$	†14.59

* Cooper.

† Keen.

Though the annuals quoted are dated Jan. 1, 1882, and issued in February, the *Cyclist* alone includes the records made in 1881, and has no professional table.

We fail to find in any record, including the New York *Clipper Almanac*, credit to De Civry, who beat John Keen Aug. 18, 1881, and took the best professional record for eleven to sixteen miles, inclusive. As to the accuracy of English records, there have been many who doubted them; and while we will not say that they are questionable, it is worthy of note that John Keen, who boasts a mile in 2.40 $\frac{3}{4}$, and Fred Cooper, who claims a mile in 2.46 $\frac{3}{4}$, have thus far failed to beat Howell (with whom they have raced two or three times), and Howell has never yet done his mile in 2.51. The English authorities unite in giving the "best on record" to G. W. Waller for the miles from thirty to one hundred; but Mr. Keen, who compiled the *Times* record, knows that the track on which Waller ran was short, and that not more than ninety-six miles were covered. We hope our English cousins will straighten out their records and let us have the correct figures.

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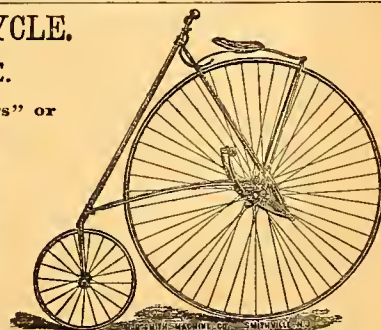
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