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The *Western Cyclist* for June is very newsy and interesting. Its own drivell is offset by numerous piracies from the last few numbers of the WHEEL.

We are told by the *Western Cyclist* that John S. Prince made an attempt to beat Oliver Ward's record of 2.39. 'Come now, who is Oliver Ward?

Why is the ordinary bank cashier's trotter like a bicycle? Because it's a stead of steal. [N.B. No offense to the 465 bank cashiers who subscribe to the WHEEL.

At Boston, on the evening of May 30th, Kenneth A. Skinner, the professional roller skating champion, skated a mile in 3m. 14s., beating the previous record, his own, by four seconds.

A bicycle club has been organized at Wheeling, West Va., with thirty members. The president is Mayer Grubb. This club ought to be happy, for though they may not often need the mare, the grub will often come in handy.

The late Intercollegiate Games programme announced that "a bell would be rung on the commencement of the last lap of all races." This is a good idea, and the much discussed racing rules must at least get credit for it.

A female recently horrified the good residents of Oxford Street, London, by appearing in the middle of the day astride a trike. She wore long trousers, a shirt not quite down to the knees, and an ordinary cyclist's jacket. Some women's rights fanatic, probably.

Mr. Richard Garvey of Duryea saddle fame has opened a bicycle shop, corner Boulevard and Fifty-ninth Street, just at the Central Park entrance. Mr. Garvey will rent, repair, store and buy and sell wheels of all kinds. He should do well at this stand and we wish him every success in his new venture.

Nearly 2,000 people witnessed the third contest for the twenty-five miles professional championship of England, which was decided on Saturday, May 23d. Fred Wood finished first by a yard, beating T. Battensby, T. Birt, J. Gose and R. James. The times were, five miles, 15.40; ten, 31.29; twenty, 4m. 57s.; twenty-five, 1h. 22m. 5s.

The clerk of the weather is evidently not a Chicagoan. He caused their track to be deluged and washed away, and the brick wall surrounding the grounds was struck by lightning, tearing down a large section of it and necessitating a postponement of the races till June 3d. But on that day he again bobbed up serenely and the races are now announced for August 8th.

The Waltham Bicycle Club enjoyed Decoration Day by a series of races. In the morning a twenty-five mile road race, out to Maplewood and return was contested. C. E. Tracey won in 1h. 47m. 44s., beating G. W. Chamberlin, 2h. 29s., and three others. In the afternoon some races were contested on Beaver Street. Hugh Duddleston won the half mile in 1m. 40s., with O. I. Davis second. A 100 yards slow bicycle race was won by William Emerson.

In the visitors' book of an English inn, kept by a man named Berry much frequented by cyclists, may be found the following:

"Owed" to the Proprietor.

I am no man of straw, Berry,
My feelings why thus rasp, Berry?
I'm waiting for my bill, Berry;
Now pray don't be so slow, Berry—
I'm sure it's over dew, Berry,
And in it make no mull Berry,
To prove yourself a goose, Berry!

Monday, May 25th, was Bank Holiday in England and the cyclist was abroad in force. It rained on that day. It poured, in fact, and this is one result of the deluge, taken from the *Tricyclist*.

BORROWED GARMENTS.—The hostess of the Red Lion, at Handcross, will be glad to receive by parcels post the garments lent by her to the cyclists on Sunday. She also has on view a selection of

dilapidated flannels and jerseys, which can be obtained on application by the owners.

The National Association of Amateur Athletes will hold its annual championship games to-morrow at the Manhattan A. C. Grounds, 86th Street and Eighth Avenue, at 3 p. m. The grounds may be reached by the Ninth or Sixth Avenue "L" roads to Eighty-first Street and Ninth Avenue, or by the Eighth Avenue horse cars which pass the gate. The admission is fifty cents. This is the athletic event of the year, and as a kindred sport it deserves the patronage of all cyclists. In addition to a long and interesting list of athletic events, there is a four-mile bicycle race for the championship of America. Among the entries for this are Hamilton, Rich, Hall, Hoffman, Baird and other flyers.

The Birchfield Cycling Club held its annual sports at Aston Lower grounds, Saturday, May 16th. The path is a three and a half lap cinder track, and when this and the strong wind are taken into consideration some of the performances might truthfully be called noteworthy. In the final heat of the one mile tricycle race R. Cripps beat S. Lee and W. J. Lowndes in 3m. 14s. The one mile bi. handicap brought out a flying phenomenon in the person of William Illston, a sixteen year old brother of G. A. Illston, of Hartford, Conn. This youngster won his heat from scratch in 2.52, and the final in 2.51. Fred Wood, won his trial of the one mile bike in 2.54, and the final in slow time. A. P. Englehart won the mile safety race in 3m. 4s.

Brooklyn appropriates the biscuit for the unique in wheeling. Among her other possessions (The Bridge, Beecher, Rapid Transit and the King's County Wheelmen) she boasts of a gold band cycling fiend. He rides a convertible tricycle, accompanied by a lady, whose dress is trimmed with inch-wide gold braid, and who wears a cap decorated with a heavy gold band. The fiend himself has gold bands down the seams of his knickerbockers, a gold band on his hat, and a belt of bright red ribbon circumambulates his waist. His shoes are laced with red ribbons. These two are a symphony in color, and we are given to understand that they are rapidly becoming one of the sights of Brooklyn.

A Bridgeport druggist has invented a preparation which, when applied to baseballs, renders them luminous when in

motion, and makes night playing possible. This preparation might well be adopted by cyclers intending to tour at night. For instance, if the uniforms were dipped in a bath tub filled with the luminous liquid, they could be hung up to dry, ready for the tour. The machines might also be treated. Imagine a number of "prepared" tourists mounted on "prepared" machines out on a club run in the dark. As soon as they hit it up they begin to present a wondrous sight. The captain calls a halt, and when the motion ceases the men disappear, filling the minds of any unfortunate pedestrian with pictures of devils, ghouls and ghosts. A man perhaps might ride along at a swift pace. The velocity of the pace makes him radiant; he takes a header; he disappears, seemingly into the bowels of the earth; two females faint; several males go take a drink, and the local papers print wonderful "strawberries" "about the ghost of Griffith's Hollow," and other miscellaneous trash. Oh, yes. It's a splendid wash for cyclers.

In describing the finish of Hendee's May 30th record, half mile, the Springfield *Republican* says: "As the timers read their watches a hysterical shriek came from one of them; it was his ecstatic failure to announce that Hendee had done it; but the crowd understood and men cheered and chuckled to the verge of hysterics in their attempt to do justice to the situation." We think it is about time that timers, judges and other officials became used to Hendee, and omitted their usual hysterical war-whoop, Indian war-dance, take-him-up-and-carry-him-around act. Nothing is more disgusting than to behold several men, ordinarily sane and well-behaved people, lose their heads and hallelujah whenever a record is beaten even a fraction of a second. It would seem to us that these time fanatics are only waiting for an opportunity to gas, and no sooner does their pet finish than they carry him 'round on their shoulders, to his physical discomfort and his personal indignity, if he is mentally well-balanced. Yes, we should like to see Hendee make a record without the usual performance. Although a deep and quiet satisfaction might and should be indulged in by all the officials, the avoidance of any violent and erratic demonstrations, would prevent the spectators from leaving the grounds with the idea that the record-breaker had fainted, or that the field officers had had a sudden visitation of delirium tremens.

Asa Dolph has a class of amateur riders in training at Cleveland, Ohio.

Notwithstanding the reports concerning Sanders Sellers' retirement he competed at a race meet on May 25th, but was unplaced. He has entered several important handicaps.

The Bay City wheelmen will hold a race meet on July 28th for the purpose of raising funds to send F. R. Cook east to compete at Springfield and other prominent race-meets.

Colonel Pope has called a run of the "old stand-by" of the Massachusetts club to Woodlawn Park Hotel, Auburndale, for next Thursday. A good time, rather than fast time, will probably be the motto of their run.

The Victor Bicycle—On this bicycle two notable performances have been recently accomplished. F. R. Cook of San Francisco rode 207½ miles over give-and-take roads, part of it in a rain storm, in twenty-four hours, less two minutes. On the path Hendee rides a wonderfully fast half mile at Springfield, beating all records. The machine is manufactured by the Overman Wheel Co., 179 Tremont Street, Boston, Mass.

On receipt of a communication from Wilcox G. A. R. Post, protesting against the holding of a race meet by the Springfield B. C. at Hampden Park, thus turning a day of hallowed associations, into one of sport, the club sent the Post a set of resolutions, assuring it of its regret that existing arrangements prevented any postponement of the race meet. The S. B. C. assured the Post that in future years no race meet would be held on that day.

12 Rue de Vesey, N.Y. Arny Hethrington—Please remit us five shillings on account of two columns of matter which you have lifted bodily from the WHEEL and inserted in *Wheeling* of May 27th. We cannot afford to have you steal the productions of our funny man, whom we have engaged for a limited period only at a salary of \$1,000 per week, besides the additional expense of a page, whom we have constantly on hand to fan him with a club, whenever his poor brain needs stimulation.

Salem, Mass., is rapidly attaining a peculiar reputation. First, we hear that a burglar recently robbed a house and rode away on a bike. Then we read of a cyclist who runs into a harmless tub that was resting peacefully near a curb stone. Again we are told that two wheelmen named James Welch and George Bachelder collided last Saturday morning, while riding on Bridge Street. Result: One machine and two men laid up for repairs. Salem lemonade must be very strong. Karl Kron, please make a note in "X.M."

We have received a large yellow poster which represents a bicyclist and a trotter contesting an apparently close race, and which announces the following: The Great Event of the Year; Chattanooga Base Ball Park, June 2d. First appearance in these parts of John S. Prince, the renowned Worlds Champion Fast Bicyclist in a five mile race against the fast trotter, etc. Nature's band of music, viz. the cheers of the people, will be in attendance. No gambling will be allowed. Ladies of Chattanooga please attend in a body. We have put this in our museum.

Several bicycle races were on the programme of the games of the Woodstock, Ontario, Amateur Athletic Association, which was held on May 25th. One mile, H. W. Clarke beat C. F. Lavender in 3m. 15 4-5s. Two miles, novice—W. C. Mackey, 7m. 29 3-5s.; S. Mackey, second; H. W. Clark also won the three miles record race and the five miles championship of Ontario, 18m. 2 3-5s. The four miles open was won by W. Bietteson in 15m. 4-5s.

The Buffalo B. C. has removed its headquarters to 388 Virginia Street, within a block of the asphalt pavement on Delaware Avenue.

Among the events decided at the Manhattan Athletic Club games last Saturday, was a two-mile bicycle race. The starters were P. M. Harris (40), C. E. Kluge (75), D. H. Renton (75), E. S. Robinson (80), C. T. Murphy (110), W. R. Veitch (110), M. H. Bridgeman (120) and E. C. Parker (130). Bridgeman quickly ran into the lead and being joined by Renton the two rode away from the field even gaining on Harris, the virtual scratch man. Murphy and Veitch, who were gaily attired, red pants, yellow jerseys, etc., were almost lapped. Turning into the home stretch, Renton came up on Bridgeman and a neck and neck struggle ensued, about 80 yards from the tape the two butterflies were taking it leisurely, not in the least perturbed by the attentions of the crowd when increasingly yelled out, "Lemons!" Renton and Bridgeman lapped these in their final spurt, but in attempting to pass them, Bridgeman pushed Renton into the fence, both taking bad headers. Bridgeman got up and ran with his machine over the mark in 7.05. Harris then rode in followed by Robinson, Parker and Kluge in a bunch. The referee promptly disqualified Bridgeman and Harris was given first and Robinson second prize. Renton was severely bruised.

Mr. W. I. Harris, who furnishes a Boston letter to an E. C., has considerable to say of the League in a late number of this paper. He says that the League cannot afford to do anything in the North Carolina case. He supplements this statement with a forecast of the League's financial condition. These figures are at variance with the forecast given in the *Cyclist and Athlete* some months since, which presented a more roseate hue than does the statement of Mr. Harris. Besides his statement that the League cannot help the North Carolina people seems rather contradictory, when we are told in the *Official Gazette* of the week previous to which the letter appeared, that "the League will gain the day or die." Mr. Harris also informs us that at the annual meet he will propose that but 20 per cent. of the dues be given to the State Division Treasurer, and that 80 per cent. be paid into the general treasury. He asks that his proposition be supported by League members, but we fail to see the advisability or advantage that is to accrue from an increase in the general treasury, when it is the State Divisions that must accomplish the work of benefitting League members. If there is to be a change, let 30 per cent. be given to the general fund and 70 per cent. to the division treasury, and if the League is unable to meet its obligations, let the amount needed to discharge them, be drawn from the divisions.

HUB HAPPENINGS.

As I stated in my letter of last week, the result of the Memorial Day 50-mile road race was not at all satisfactory, either to the contestants themselves or to their friends. So great was this dissatisfaction, and so confident did the friends of several of the defeated competitors feel that their men could have done better under different circumstances, that an effort was at once made to get up another race. The wheelmen of Essex county were particularly dissatisfied, they feeling confident that had it not been for Rowe's accident he would have won the race. It has now been decided to hold another race some time this month, probably on the 17th. The prizes, which will consist of a \$50 gold medal for first and a \$15 medal to second, will be given by the manager of the Hotel Boscobel of Lynn, and the race will be run under the auspices of the Cambridge club. The course will be from Lynn to Rowley and return. From Lynn to Wenham the route will be over the same course as the Memorial Day race. The route is a much better one than that of the previous race, and some faster time is therefore likely to be made. Getchell, Danforth, Haartz, Rhodes and several other of the contestants in the Cambridge club's race, in addition to Rowe, for whose benefit the race is chiefly given, have signified their intention of entering. As the men have learned by experience from the last race how to take care of themselves, some exciting contests are looked for. A strong effort is to be made to get Burnham to enter, but it is understood that he has announced his intention of keeping out of long distance road races. For the latter's own reputation it is to be hoped that he will enter. I had a talk with Corey a few days since about the race. He said that he regretted greatly his inability to enter. His employers objected very strongly to his entering, and until the day before the race he was in New York. He was not aware that Burnham was going to enter until his return, when it was too late for him to enter. He scarcely thought that he would enter the next race, but there was a possibility that he may. He will probably ride in the 100-mile road race of the Big Four. I understand that Gideon Haynes is also to compete in that race. Boston will thus have two good representatives, and it will be a surprise indeed if one of them cannot bring the first prize to the Hub.

The Big Four tour is about the most interesting topic of discussion in local circles at present. Captain Whitney keeps the affair booming, and so enticingly sets forth the delights of the tour that those who are unable to go are fairly wild with disappointment and chagrin. From all accounts those who are going are getting their muscles in prime condition by long daily rides. I trust that the members of the other divisions are doing equally as good preparatory training, for I myself intend being one of the party, and should not like to be crowded out of the ambulance.

An abstract of the report of the League *Gazette* committee is given in yesterday's *Boston Globe*. The abstract is, not complete enough to warrant a criticism of the report, for it is not stated what the proposed "scheme to meet the requirements of the proposed postal laws" is.

The statements regarding the proposed incorporated publication board are rather indefinite, and it might, therefore, be well to defer comment until more is known regarding the scheme. The report recommends that the publication board be empowered to pay the Secretary-Editor any additional compensation out of the profits that it may see fit. There may, of course, be no profits, but whether there is or not, I think that the secretary's salary of a thousand dollars a year and expenses is sufficient, and all that the League can afford to pay. I think that a better name than that suggested—*L. A. W. Bulletin*—could be found. *L. A. W. Gazette* would be preferable. However, that is a matter of little importance.

Messrs. Hodges, Harrison, Overman and Toombs of the Boston Bicycle Club have decided upon a summer cycling tour of England. The project has been under consideration for some time, but was not definitely decided upon until a few days ago. The party will sail from New York on July 4. The tour of England will be made on tandem tricycles, the machines being purchased in that country. It is proposed to make the celebrated trip from Land's End to John O'Groat's, which route will take them through the most beautiful part of the country. Mr. Harrison intends making sketches of the scenery and incidents of the trip, and will probably write a book of their experiences on his return. It is expected the trip will occupy about two months. A large party from their club will go to New York in order to see them off in the regular Boston Club style.

I have been reading "Health upon Wheels," an admirable little work by W. Gordon Stables, M. D. I was greatly pleased with it, especially with the practical ideas expressed and the absence of mere theory; and also from the fact that it departs from the usual custom of such books, not only telling one to do a certain thing, but explaining why it should be done. A perusal would well repay any wheelman.

The first regular carrier tricycle ever imported into this country is now on exhibition at the rooms of W. B. Everett & Co. I understand that the machine is to be used by Jordan Marsh & Co., or some other large concern for delivering small parcels.

The Mass. club will have its first breakfast run of the season some morning this week. These runs are said to be very enjoyable, but for my part I can see little enjoyment in forcing ones-self out of bed at sunrise, an hour when dreaming is most pleasant.

Chief Consul Frank W. Weston has been presented with an elegant album by the members of the American branch of the C. T. C.

A tire heater of a very novel and practical design has just been brought out by W. W. Stall. It is called an "automatic blow pipe," and in appearance resembles an ordinary spirit lamp. Above the flame is a reservoir containing a quantity of alcohol; connected with this is a small escape pipe, which opens back of the flame. The gas generated by the heated alcohol, escaping through the pipe, forces out a long flame of intense heat.

At the last meeting of the Massachusetts club, Messrs. Margot and Kimball were elected to carry the club colors.

The associate members of the Boston club are having made a badge of neat design. They are not allowed to wear the star of the active members, and have long wanted something that would designate them as Boston club men.

Gideon Haynes is going to Buffalo for the purpose of bringing home the first prize of the 50-mile road race there next week.

One of the many pleasant features of the Boston club during the winter was the weekly chop suppers. They were always well attended and a jolly good time was the result. The supper itself was always excellent, being prepared by the club's own cook. The final supper of this season was held last Wednesday evening, when there was an attendance of about 25. The suppers will be resumed in the early fall.

A novel tricycle race was run on the mile ground one evening last week. The race was between two prominent wheelmen of this city, one riding his machine backwards and the other forwards. The race resulted in favor of the former, amid the cheering of enthusiastic friends.

A story is going the rounds to the effect that the senior partner and head salesman of one of the local cycle firms went to Cambridge on Memorial Day to start one of the leading "amateurs," whom they understood was to ride a machine of their make. Much to their surprise and chagrin, however, when the protegee arrived at the scratch they found him mounted on a rival maker's machine. Another good friend is thus lost to this popular amateur.

A. D. Salkeld has been elected temporary sub-captain of the tricycle division of the Massachusetts club.

BOSTON, June 7, 1885. C. S. H.

THE KENTUCKY L. A. W. DIVISION MEET.

LOUISVILLE B. C. RACE MEET.

This division of the L. A. W. held its annual meet at Alexander's Hotel, Louisville, Ky., on May 29th. No business of importance was transacted beyond the election of Mr. C. F. Johnson as secretary-treasurer for the ensuing year.

In connection with the meet the Louisville B. C. held their annual spring meet on May 30th and June 1st. The first day opened discouragingly, the rain steadily descending till near the commencing time, ruining the track and keeping away numbers of spectators.

Five miles scratch.—Chas. Monsch, 18m. 36s.; Percy Bettison, second; J. D. Macauley, 0; W. M. Foreman, 0. Macauley led till near the mile, when Monsch moved forward and was never afterwards headed.

Half mile novice.—George Zoller, 1m. 37s.; Harry Lewis, second.

Time race, 3.21—J. D. Macauley, 3m. 26 4-5s.; C. F. Johnson, second.

One half mile heats—First heat: Monsch; 1.33; Johnson second, and Macauley third. Second heat: Macauley, first; Monsch, second; Monsch finished first in 1.33, but he was disqualified for crossing a competitor's path. Final heat: Monsch, first; Macauley, second.

One quarter-mile, boy's race.—A Robertson and W. Wells were the only starters. They collided, finishing on foot. The referee decided that the race be run on June 1st, when Robinson won by a few feet in 55 1/2s.

Fancy Riding—Prince Wells gave an excellent exhibition of fancy riding, concluding by riding a quarter mile on one wheel in 1m. 20s.

One-quarter mile dash—Charles Van Overbeke, 46s.; George Zoeller, by a few feet.

Second day, June 1st—The second and last day of the meet was marked by a larger attendance than on the day previous. The track was dusty and much cut up, and a strong wind militated against fast time.

Three miles, open—Macauley, 10m. 03 1/2s.; Monsch, second; Bettison, 0. The last named led till the mile, when Monsch assumed the lead, and was not headed till the last lap, when Macauley spurred past him, and won by a few feet.

One-half mile, riders of 1885—F. Schmweler, 1m. 45s.; W. Raibee. A mere procession.

One half-mile, time race, 1.50—Van Overbeke won by doing the exact time, with R. L. Jordan, second.

One mile, open—Macauley, 3m. 17s.; Monsch, second, by a few feet. Won on the tape.

One-quarter mile heats—Monsch won in two straight heats; Van Overbeke, second. Times, 45 3-4s. and 46 3-4s.

One half-mile, consolation—Bettison, 1.40; Lewis, by six inches.

AT FIRST SIGHT.

"Oh where are you going,
My pretty little maiden;
Oh where are you going
My pretty little maid?"

"I'm going a tricycling
O'er leafy-covered roads, sir;
Past budding trees and daisied fields,
My kind sir," she said.

"Oh, may I ride beside you?
My pretty little maiden;
No harm will then betide you—"
"You may, kind sir," she said.

"How sweet it is to ride along,
Just as the sunbeams fade;
And hear the birds their song prolong,
From out the dark tree shade.

"To hear the chimes in distant tower,
The song of farm house maid;
With friends along to speed the hour,
What say you, sir?" she said.

"There's joy supreme, in meadow's green
And fields of nodding grain;
To hear the birds from nests unseen,
Send forth their sweet refrain.

"To hear the low-toned evening bell,
To breathe the perfumed breeze,
To wheel your love o'er hill and dell
And 'neath new budding trees,"

The maiden blushed a rosy red,
And to the cyclist bold:
"How can you talk of love?" she said,
"I must be going." "Hold!"

"Oh! let me be your lover true?"
The gallant wheelman said;
"I scarce could live without you,
My pretty little maid."

"I know not what to say, sir,
I've known you but an hour;
Not now, some other day, sir,
I hear the distant tower.

"I think I don't dislike you, and
If pa and ma will say,
That you may be my own true love,
I will not say you nay."

FRANCIS P. PRIAL.

THE YALE RACES.

Nearly five hundred people visited Hamilton Park on the afternoon of June 6th to witness the first day of the Yale College Bicycle Club's race meet. But they were doomed to disappointment, for Jupiter Pluvius not only opened his flood-gates wide, but he opened them suddenly, and disastrous was the result, especially to that portion of the audience that was not under cover. In a few moments the track was a ditch, and the committee postponed the races till the next day.

On Saturday, the 6th, the weather was fine, but a heavy wind greatly interfered with the riders, and though the track was in good condition no remarkable times were made. About 1,500 people were present.

Three miles record race, 10 minute class—D. E. Hunter, Salem, first; time, 9.44 1-5; H. S. Kavanaugh, Cohoes, N. Y., a close second; time, 9.44 4-5. E. A. Hoffman, Jr., New York, third; C. B. Ripley and F. C. Jackson, of Hartford, unplaced. Kavanaugh led to the quarter in 40s.; Hunter then went into the lead and held it to the finish, doing 3.05, 6.21, for the first and second miles.

One mile, open.—L. B. Hamilton, Yale, '86. 2.45 3-5. G. E. Webber, Smithville, a close second, and A. B. Rich, Brooklyn, a close third. G. H. Illston and H. E. Bidwell, of Hartford, and C. H. Parsons, of Springfield, unplaced. Parsons led to the quarter in 44 seconds, Webber then wen to the front and led at the half in 1.24 2-5, three-quarters in 2.05. Coming into the home stretch all spurred, but Hamilton came away and won easily. Considering the wind, his performance is almost if not quite up to record form. Webber also did an extellent performance.

One mile tricycle tandem exhibition—W. C. Palmer and A. Thomson, of New Haven, covered this distance in 53, 1.38 and 3.12, all of them American records. One mile handicap—A. B. Rich, scratch, 2.58 2-5; H. H. Stockden, Meriden, came in a poor second, 3.06 3-5; H. J. Hall, Jr., Brooklyn, F. F. Ives, Meriden, B. J. Smith, Yale, unplaced. Rich won easily, but was disqualified on Stockden's claim of foul.

Two miles without hands—F. F. Ives, 6.35; N. P. Tyler, New Haven, second, 6.39 1-5; H. E. Bidwell, third. The intermediate times of the leaders were: Quarter, Tyler, 49 seconds; half, 1.36; one mile, 3.16 3-5; mile and a half, 5 minutes.

One mile, 3.10 class—E. A. Hoffman, Jr., New York, 3.07 1-5; Stockden, second, 3.07 3-5. C. B. Ripley, F. C. Jackson, C. H. Moore and Kavanaugh unplaced. Kavanaugh looked an easy winner but lost through a header near the finish.

One mile match race—George M. Hendee rode against Sellers' record of 2.39, but his two enemies, time and wind, combined to defeat him, and after doing the first half in but 1.20, he slowed up and crossed the line in 3.44. He received the usual ovation.

Twenty miles Pope cup—D. E. Hunter, 1h. 14m. 05s.; G. H. Illston, 1h. 14m. 06 3-5s.; A. B. Rich, 0; H. J. Hall, Jr., 0. Hamilton got the best of the send-off but Illston soon caught him, and led him for four miles. At this point the men were riding close together, and when Kavanaugh attempted to take the lead by a

sudden spurt he upset his machine, bringing down Hamilton and Hunter. All three were severely bruised, but Hunter remounted and finally won. Hamilton was bruised and stunned, and after Hunter had finished it was discovered that he had dislocated his wrist.

Monday, June 8th, second day.—A large crowd attended the races on Monday. The wind of the previous day was wanting and some good performances were shown. Hendee rode a great mile—2.39 4-5—and Webber and several others cleaned the record table from 11 to 25 miles, with the exception of one or two intermediate miles.

One mile, State championship—G. H. Illston, 2m. 49 4-5s.; F. F. Ives, Meriden, second.

Five miles, record race—Geo. Webber, 16m. 54 2-5s.; A. B. Rich, K. C. W., second.

One-half mile, boys' race—H. H. Stockden, Meriden, won in 1m. 30 1-5s.

Two miles, handicap—A. B. Rich (scratch), 5m. 59 1/2s.; G. R. Bidwell, second.

One mile club—G. P. Townsend, '86, walk over. Time 3m. 36s.

One mile intercollegiate—E. A. Hoffman, Jr., Col. Coll. walked over in 3m. 5 3-5s.

Twenty-five miles, championship L. A. W.—Upwards of a dozen fast amateurs had entered in this race, but a superfluity of headers on Saturday had induced many of them to prefer a seat on the grand stand to one in the saddle. The following men started: Bidwell, Hall, Rich, Webber, Ives, Illston and Tyler. At the first mile, Tyler, Hall and Bidwell dropped behind. Rich was compelled to drop out on account of a loose spoke. The leaders at each mile will give a good idea of the race. Times marked with an asterisk are now the best amateur records. The figures following asterisk denote the number of seconds the old record was beaten. (1) Webber, 3.06 3-5; (2) 6.08; (3) 9.10 2-5; (4) 12.17 1-5; (5) Illston, 15.40 1-5; (6) Ives, 18.55; (7) 22.03 3-5; (8) 25.19; (9) 28.37 2-5; (10) 31.59; (11) 35.16*28s.; (12) Webber, 38.24*31s.; (13) Illston, 41.29*5 3-5s.; (14) 45m.*34 3-5s.; (15) Webber, 48.11 *44s.; (16) Ives, 51.37 1-5 *34 2-5s.; (17) 55.02 2-5*05 1-5s.; (18) Webber, 58.27 2-5*27 1-5s.; (19) 1.1. 55 1-5*30 2-5s.; (20) Illston, 1.5.22 *24 2-5s.; (21) Illston, 1.12.46 1-5*4 4-5s.; (25) Webber, 1.23.4 4-5s.; Illston by two seconds; Ives by four seconds. The old record was Fraziers. Fastest mile, the last in 2.57 1-2 last half mile, 1.18 3-5s.; last quarter, 41 4-5s. This time also beats the American professional record by a second.

One mile exhibition.—Geo. M. Hendee made an attempt on Sellers' 2.39 record. He rode the first quarter in 38s.; the half in 1.16 1-5; the three-quarters in 1.55 4-5s., and the one mile in 2.39 4-5. First half, 1.16 1-5; last half, 1.23 3-5. Quarters, 38s.; 38 1-5s.; 39 3-5s.; 44s. This is the most phenomenal mile ever ridden by Hendee or any one else. The remarkable falling off in the last quarter was due either to the fact that Hendee started out too fast or as he himself claims, he had been riding a two-inch smaller machine in practice. The three-quarter mile time is startlingly fast. The best previous records were: Quarter, Hendee, 38 1-5 and half in 1.17 2-5; three-quarters, Sanders Sellers, 1.59. Hendee will certainly do 2.35 this year.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE MOTHER-IN-LAW.

A writer in the *C. and A.* gets off a chestnut about his mother-in-law. When we were quite youths, vapid reporters and professional funny men regarded the mother-in-law as a noble institution, inasmuch that they could always work her on the gullible public whenever the "comps" yelled for copy. But like many another feature of the "good old times" the mother-in-law, in common with "old maids" and "Yankee school marm," has ceased to yield material for inane jokists. From time immemorial, youthful benedicts have resorted to all manner of expedients to decimate the ranks of the noble army of M-in-L. He has sprinkled orange and banana peels in her path, and has taken her out to promenade in cold weather, taking care that she step on every slippery surface on the route. And though she sometimes came a cropper, she seemed to rise up more glorious than ever. Indeed, of late years, she has come to be regarded as a desirable fixture in every well regulated domestic circle. This has been evidenced by the fact that a well-known dealer in brick-a-bat recently disposed of 2000 wall mottos, which asked this easy one in staring green and gold worsted letters: "What is a home without a mother-in-law?" But regard for the truth compels us to state that by an ingenious device the motto can be made to revolve, the reverse side presenting the blasphemous word, "Paradise." However, a recapitulation of the functions of the mother-in-law must lead one to conclude that the inventor of the atrocious motto must have been dominated by a step-mother-in-law.

Does she not with the utmost disregard of her own personal discomfort, assume entire charge of your domestic economy; telling you what not to eat, and preventing your delightfully ignorant better-half from purchasing a meat-market when she only needs two pounds of sirloin. Who superintends the preliminaries of the advent of your first olive branch; who manufactures the wardrobe, etc.? Why, the mother-in-law. And when the King does arrive, who makes you discard your shoes at the door, and then sit in a corner, something after the style of Mr. John Horner, minus the pie? Why, the mother-in-law. Yes. You tread on her trail at every step through life, but you are comforted by the reflection that, "every medal has its reverse," and even a beautiful young wife may bring with her a mother-in-law as a sort of dowry.

So; to come back to the starting point, we say to the funny man of the *Cyclist and Athlete*, leave the mother-in-law severely alone. M-I-L jokes are retailed at ten cents each, one dollar per dozen. You will never become wealthy by working up this lode.

A FLASH FROM DENVER.

DENVER, COL., May 27, 1885.

Editor of *The Wheel*:

In THE WHEEL issue of May 22d I notice an article commenting on the races recently held by the Colorado Wheel Club, in which a doubt is implied as to the genuineness of the time made, and in regard to which I thought

a few words of explanation might not be out of place. The track, which is fourteen laps to the mile, has been frequently measured for walking matches, skating races, etc., and while we do not believe it to be absolutely correct, we do not think it is *more than one lap short*, which would still leave the time pretty fast considering the sharp and frequent turns which are not raised. In this connection I would say that the first mile in the five mile race was made in 2.53 by M. N. Donaldson. We have in process of construction at the base ball park here a six lap gravel track which has been surveyed by the county surveyor, and for which we have his certificate as to its exact measurement 18 inches from the pole, on which we intend having races during the summer, and also intend to add a two days race meet in September, at which time we expect to entertain a large number of wheelmen from the surrounding States and Territories, and at which we expect to make a few records for western wheelmen to buck against, which will be absolutely beyond question. Bicycling is steadily on the increase here, some fifty wheels having been sold by one agent since the first of the year, most of them experts. We have had good roads for the last three months, and hold club runs at regular intervals, which are well attended.

CAP.

[The italics in the above are our own.—ED.]

CANADIAN WHEELMEN'S ANNUAL MEET.

The third annual meet and races of the C. W. A. will be held at Woodstock, Ontario, on Wednesday July 1st.

Woodstock is described as a lively (what means that?) little city of 8,000 inhabitants in the centre of the great touring district of western Ontario. It contains a bicycle club and a quarter-mile asphalt track that has few superiors even in America. In addition to the usual Canadian championships, some events have been left open in the hope of attracting American wheelmen. The committee extends a cordial invitation to its Yankee brethren to attend their meet, promising them a right royal welcome. A special train will leave Woodstock for Buffalo at midnight with sleepers and baggage cars for the special use of wheelmen. The programme of the races is as follows: Open to Canadian amateur wheelmen—one mile bicycle championship, two mile bicycle championship, five mile bi. championship. Open to members of C. W. A.—Half mile dash, two mile novices, on road machines, three mile record race, one mile safety race, bar "Stars," half mile without hands. Open to the world—Five miles bi., \$125 gold watch and \$20 medal; one mile bi., \$45 silver stop watch and \$20 gold chain; ten miles, \$65 silver water pitcher and \$20 silver cup. The prizes for the Canadian races will be gold medals ranging in value from \$15 to \$50. Entrance fee, fifty cents, and close June 29th, with D. A. White, Woodstock, Ontario.

The New York Sunday *Tribune* is the only daily paper that devotes any space to cycling. Last Sunday it contained a full prospectus of the Big Four tour. Wheelmen should patronize this paper.

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The annual catalogue of this enterprising dealer is just to hand, and Mr. Perego is to be congratulated on the thoroughness and completeness of the pamphlet. Mr. Perego, who has long been recognized by the cycling world as its leading outfitter, sets forth in this catalogue complete descriptions with illustrated cuts and prices of his different lines of goods.

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After the cycling comes full descriptions of the tennis, rowing, running and bathing outfits. In all of these departments Mr. Perego is ready to give his customers anything and everything that they could possibly need, from a shoe-lace to a complete uniform.

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A word of praise is due to the printer's Mess. W. N. Oliver & Co., 12 Vesey Street, for the splendid manner in which they have gotten up the catalogue.

FORT SCHUYLER WHEELMEN'S TOURNAMENT.

This club proposes to hold a grand two days' race meet at the Gentlemen's Riding Park, at Utica, N. Y., on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 30th and July 1st. The prizes are triple plate silverware of the prettiest designs obtainable. The programme is as follows: First day, June 30—One-half mile, open; cup and match receiver. One mile champion. Oneida County; gold medal. Two miles, "Star" machines; cup and berry dish. One mile tricycle open, cake basket, cup. Three miles bicycle, ten minute class; rod and tackle, flower stand, pickle dish. One mile novice; jewel case, silver medal, bronze medal. Three mile New York State L. A. W. championship; gold medal. One

mile club race; "Broadbent" medal, and five miles record race, tilting water set, gents' toilet set, goblet.

Second day, July 1—One mile open; gold, silver and bronze medals. Two miles tricycle open; flower stand, goblet. One mile tug-of-war, four men from each club; French clock, bicycle bugle. Three miles open; cup, fruit or nut bowl, card receiver. One mile safety, 42 inch and under, individual castor, cup. One mile time race, 3.24; silver goblet. Five miles handicap; statuary, epergne, berry dish; and one mile consolation; silver medal, napkin ring, cup. On the evening of the 30th there will be a competitive club drill, a slow race of 100 feet, and an exhibition of fancy riding at the Casino. Entrance fee, \$1 for each event, and close June 20th, with W. T. Damon, Chairman, Utica, N. Y.

THE ILLINOIS DIVISION ANNUAL MEET.

The annual business meeting of the L. A. W. division was held at the L. Grand rink, Chicago, on May 30th, at 12 m. Upward of 200 wheelmen from all parts of the State and a large number from St. Louis had come to attend the meet, the parade and races at the new track, but the rain poured all the morning, destroying the track and keeping the wheelmen indoors. The first business of the meeting, the election of officers, resulted in the election of the same officers for the next year as served last year. Burley B. Ayers, the secretary-treasurer, read an exhaustive report for the past year showing a membership of 265, and a balance of \$78.79 in the treasury. He reported that the wheeling population of Illinois was estimated at 1,500, of which Chicago claimed 1,000, also that the estimated wheel population of the United States was 40,000. After this report the racing board of last year was elected to serve for the ensuing year. The races were postponed from Saturday till Wednesday, but the clerk of the weather ordered otherwise, and Messrs. Powell, Nicholson, Brooks, Dolph and Woodside were compelled to leave without trying to break any records.

Concerning John S. Prince's 2 35 1/2 mile, W. J. Morgan writes us that the day was calm and clear, and that the track was a half-mile clay trotting track in good condition. It has no defined border except a foot deep ditch, and is one mile and four feet to the two laps, as measured by ex-city engineer Osborne. On account of there being no border, Prince will not claim this as a record.

We have received a letter from T. T. Gilmer, a member of the Charlotte B. C. and one of the timers of Prince's fast miles. He says, "Neither of us were experienced time-keepers, and though we could not be more than a second out of the way at the start or finish the absence of a curb determined Prince not to claim 2.35 1/2 as a record." In regard to Prince's 1.17 half mile he says, "Prince could not get a trotter fast enough and he was given a hundred yards flying start on a running horse. He finished in 1.07, and as it was estimated that it would occupy 10 seconds to cover 100 yards, from a standing start, the time was announced as 1.17." Comment is superfluous.

FROM THE CLUBS.

FIXTURES.

June 13.—National Association championship games at New York City.
 June 17.—Race Meet at Troy, N. Y.
 June 20.—Kings County Wheelmen Annual Race Meet Brooklyn N. Y.
 June 20th.—Three mile L. A. W. Championship at K. C. W. race meet.
 June 24.—Interstate Meet at Youngstown, Ohio.
 June 30. July 1st.—Two Days Race Meet of the Fort Schuyler Wheelmen, at Utica.
 July 1.—Third Annual Meet and Races of Canadian Wheelmen's Association. at Woodstock, Ont.
 July 2. 3.—Sixth Annual Meet of the L. A. W. at Buffalo.
 July 3. 4.—Race meet of Bartholomew County Wheelmen of Columbus, Ind.
 July 4.—Race Meet at Union A. C. Grounds, Boston, Mass.
 July 6.—Big Four Tour starts from Buffalo.
 July 17.—Down East Tour.
 July 18.—Annual Meet of New Jersey Division L. A. W., at Orange.
 July 20. 21.—Ohio State Division L. A. W. Meet and Tournament at Springfield.
 July 23.—Penn. L. A. W. Division meet and race meet of Scranton B. C. at Scranton, Pa.
 July 23.—Race meet of Pine Tree Wheel Club at Bangor, Me.
 July 25.—Bay City Wheelman's race meet at San Francisco, Cal.
 August 5. 26.—Clerical Wheelmen's Canadian Tour.
 August 8.—Race meet at Chicago.
 Aug. 13.—Berkshire County Wheelmen, Pittsfield, Mass. Third Annual Race Meet.
 Aug. 27. 28.—Annual Race Meet Cleveland B. Club, at Athletic Park.
 Sept. 1. 2.—Connecticut B. C. Race Meet at Hartford.
 Sept. 8. 9. 10.—Annual Tournament of Springfield, Mass. B. Club.
 CLOSING OF ENTRIES.
 June 29.—Entries close for the C. W. A. meet with D. A. White, Woodstock, Ontario. Fee, fifty cents returnable to actual starters.
 June 20.—Entries close for Fort Schuyler Wheelmen's tournament. See regular reading columns.

UHRICHSVILLE, O., W. C.—At the annual meeting of this club, May 22d, the following officers were elected: President, H. S. Francis; captain, Maurice Moody; first lieutenant, H. S. Soller; second lieutenant, Frank Maguire; secretary treasurer, D. B. McMillin. The club proposes to have regular club runs and do considerable touring this season.

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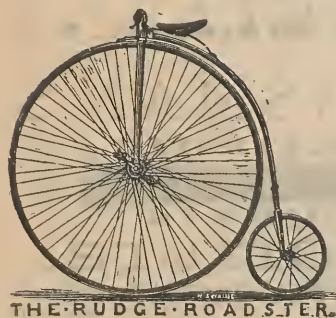
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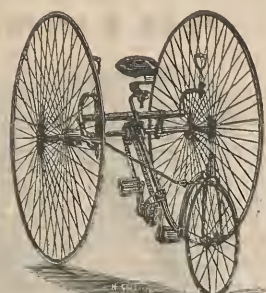
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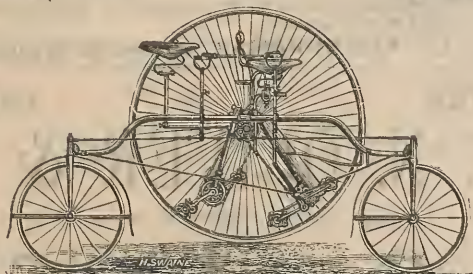


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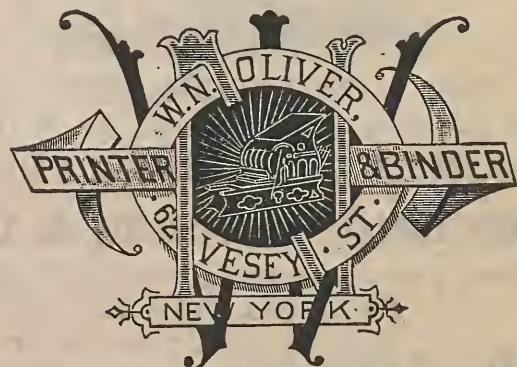
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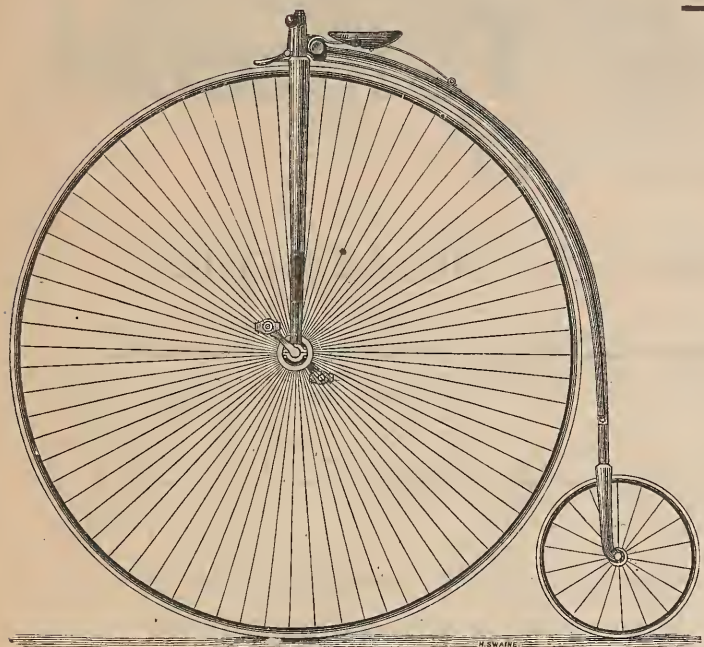
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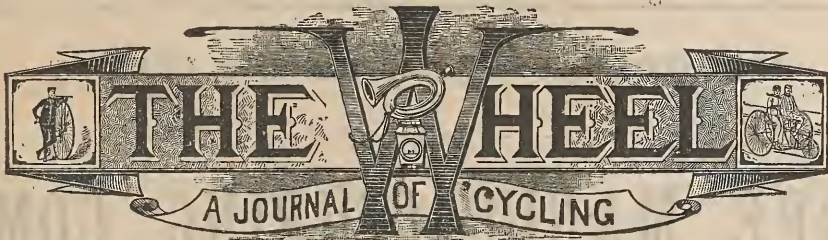
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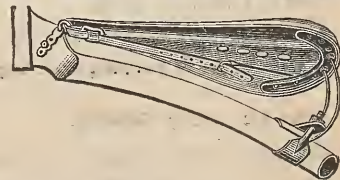
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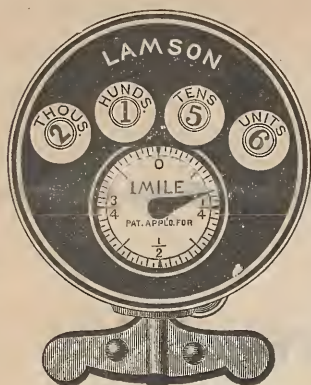
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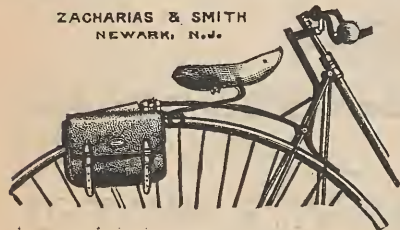
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