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was indulged in regarding bicycle paths in this vicinity. A path to Florence, another to Council Bluffs, and the improvement of short stretches of rocky roads were projected and discussed in clubs and with the authorities. But hope and enthusiasm have disappeared and with them the projected improvements. They have been relegated to the future

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The comfort and pleasure of the present. however, demand some consideration from the "powers that be." The chief source of pleasure in Omaha on summer evenings driving or riding. The north boulevard, from Lake street to Miller park, is the delight of horsemen and wheelers. Thousands speed over its attractive surface every evening. The number would be ten-fold if the street was sprinkled. The cost of sprinkling is insignificant in comparison with the in-

creased comfort. Two sprinklers could do ensuing three months. A prompt call on the park commission and the city council would There, are many times when women, esprobably do the business.

After all the talk in the east about racing sextets, quintets, and tandems against steam engines, it will remain for a St. Louis cyclist to attempt the feat of making a mile a minute near this city on August 9 on a single wheel.

E. E. Anderson, one of the most prominent Mound City cyclists, will on that date "tack on" to a Bluff Line engine between St. Louis and Albion and try to attain the remarkable speed of a mile a minute over

specially prepared board track. The Bluff Line runs through the American



Early in the wheeling season much talk | for accidents will happen among those who follow any kind of pastime. It is natural. Scorchers are the most dreaded of all evils which terrify the wheeling element. But lecided steps have been taken to abate nulsance, and the consequence will be that shortly the bow-backed fiends will be run to earth and suppressed entirely.

A MODEST PROFESSION.

London Women Cleaning Bleyeles by

Contract. During a recent flying trip to London as emphatically impressed for the hundreth time with the eleverness and tact of the middle class Englishwoman in seizing upon the advantages of any new element in trade, to create a small industry, build up a clitele, and carry on a thrifty little business that leaves her a sovereign now and ther over and above expenses to deposit in the savings bank.

work and they can be secured with teams trade," immediately suggests the bicycle. and drivers for \$150 a month. Here is a matter of comfort and pleasure which the horsemen and wheelers should take hold of at once and secure sufficient means to lay the dust on the boulevard during the

pecially the professional woman, would rather forego the much needed and greatly longed for "spin," than to prelude it with half an hour or more in the basement area cleaning and adjusting the noiseless steed It remained then for the enterprising Englishwoman to discover this widespread want, and rise to meet it with profit unto herself; and it was while gladly availing myself of the services of such a one that she sketched for me a little outline of her preparation and methods.

"My first step was practically a course in mechanics in a bicycle academy, where I made myself familiar with every piece Bottoms on the east side of the river, and that goes into the wheel, how they are is straight and level for a greater part of put together, the uses of the various tools Is straight and level for a greater part of the distance between here and Alton. At the Alton end it leaves the valley and runs along the bluffs and banks of the Missis-sippi river. The exact location of the two mile "straightaway dash" has not yet been chosen, but Mr. Williams says it will be about midway between Alton and St. Louis. Mr. Anderson is an old St. Louis rider: Mr. Anderson is an old St. Louis rider: go to a house and put one's machine in perfect running order-unless it was out of

repair-to have my time more than filled. "And how often should a machine undergo this thorough cleaning?" "My regular appointments averaged once a week. Where a bicyclist rides fairly fre-quently a wheel should be olled every hun-dred miles; but if she does not ride often or far at a time, once a fortnight will keep

the machine in good condition. All the parts which constitute the centers of revolu-tion must be kept scrupulously clean. The tion must be kept scrupulously clean. The dust of the road, as you know, enters these parts and combines with the oil in a way fatal to speed and ease in propelling. "Whenever the chain begins to look clogged. I remove it and give it a little soak in kerosene oil which removes every particle of dirt, then it must be thoroughly dried, after which I give it a good rubbing with graphite, before restoring it to the

with graphite, before restoring it to it.

"You seem to have quite an assortment of rags with you. They are for different uses, "Oh, yes; the professional bicycle cleaner

may be known by her rags. Cheese cloth, perfectly free from lint and well permeated with oil, should be used for the intricate and working parts of the wheel. This piece of soft cheese cloth is quite sufficient, how-ever, for the more frivolous and superficial leaning, such as keeping th oright and the enamel fleckless; while this bit of flannel is indispensable for giving the final polish to the nickel trimmings, after having applied to them a sort of paste such as is used on harness trappings. The last act in the process was the adjusting of saddle and handle bars, the test-ing of them and of the wheels to see that everything was perfectly firm, and the tight-ening of a nut wherever necessary, pumping up tires, then the filling, trimming and cleaning of the little lamp, the fastening of it firmly in place, so that no jolt or jar would disturb it, and I was sent upon my way rejoicing in a well geared taut little steed that went as lightly and easily as the vind More than once since my return have my companions of the wheel sighed for just such an institution in America-a nice, tidy, reliable woman, who would come to the house at regular intervals or by appoint-ment, and for a reasonable sum keep the good little roadster right up to the mark.

Monday, August 10-All-day register at headquarters in Hampton college building and obtain credentials and badges. The building will be open continuously during the week. 2:30 p. m.-From headquarters run to Fountain Ferry track; 8 to 12 p. m.-

state centurion of the Century Road Club of America. 7:30 a.m.-Leave headquarters for a run to New Albany, via K. and L bridge, to Mooresville Hill, Jeffersonville, over the new bridge to Shippingsport, the original settling point of Louisville; visit the cement mills, the canal and return; 9:30 a. m.—Business meeting of Kentucky Di-vision in Iroquois park. 3 p. m.—The annual parade, forming at the headquarters. 5 m.-Reception at the Iroquois club house 5 p. Thursday, August 13, 7 a. m.-Leave head-juarters for a run to Mount Washington, wenty-one miles, and return. 8:30 a. m.-Leave headquarters for a run to water works reservoir, St. Matthews, and return, via Cherokee park. 9:30 a. m .- Trial heats of the races at Fountain Ferry park; League of American Wheelmen members will be admitted free. 2:30 p. m.-Races at Fountain Ferry park. 8 p. m.—Informal entertainment at Fountain Ferry park; meeting of the veterans of the League of American Wheelmen at the same place; meeting of the members of the Associated Cycling Press of the United States.

for a run to Corydon, Ind. quarters. a. m.-Meet at headquarters for a visit at

3 p. m.—Steamboat excursion on the Ohio river for League of American Wheelmen members.

excursion to Mammoth cave. region of Kentucky, passing through Shel-byville, Frankfort, Lexington, Georgetown

The racing program has been arranged as follows:

novice; four prizes, merchandise, values \$25, \$15, \$10 and \$5. Quarter-mile, amateur, state championship; prizes, gold medal \$25. medal \$15, medal \$5. One mile, professional 2:15 class; three prizes, cash, \$75, \$50 and

prizes, merchandise, values \$35, \$25, \$15, \$10 and \$5. One mile, professional, open; three prizes, cash. \$100, \$50 and \$25. Half mile amateur, open; four prizes, merchandise, values \$35, \$25, \$15 and \$10. One mile, professional, handicap, five prizes, cash, \$100 \$50, \$35, \$20 and \$15. Half mile, amateur state championship; prizes, gold medal \$25, medal \$15, medal \$5. Two miles professional national championship; three prizes, gold

from official dies. One mile, amateur, state championship; prizes, gold medal \$25, medal

Sunder at Fountain Ferry track; 8 to 12 p. m.— Smoker at Fountain Ferry park. Tuesday, Angust 11, 7:30 a. m.—Meet at headquarters for a run to Shepardsville over the finest road in this part of the country. twenty-one miles. 9 a. m.—Meet at head-quarters for a run to the various parks in the city. 2 p. m.—From headquarters for a run to St. Matthews to visit the stock farms that vicinity, 8 p. m .- At headquarters or a mammoth smoker.

Wednesday, August 12, 6 a. m.-Leave headquarters for a Century run to Frank-fort and return over the original Century course, under the charge of W. A. Rubey.

Friday, August 14, 7 a. m .- Leave head-7:30

the tobacco warehouses and distilleries in the city and county. 9:30 a.m.-Trial heats for the races at Fountain Ferry park. 2:30 p. m.—Races at Fountain Ferry park.

Saturday, August 15, 9 a. m .-- Leave head quarters for a run to Blackiston mills, about six miles back of New Albany. 9:30 a.m.-Trial heats for the races at Fountain Ferry park. 2:30 p. m.—Finals of the races at Fountain Ferry park. 12 p. m.—Start of the Sunday, August 16, 7 a. m.-Leave head-quarters for a tour to Mammoth cave. 9 a. m.-Leave headquarters for a tour to Maysville, through the famous blue grass

and other towns.

Thursday, August 12-One mile, amateur

Two miles, amateur, handicap; fiv \$25.

medal, silver medal, bronze medal, from official dies. Friday, August 14-One-third mile, pro-fessional, national championship; prizes, gold medal, silver medal, bronze medal.

power to encourage their formation. They will be composed of bright, active, clean largely feit." THE LOUISVILLE MEET. Entertainment and Racing Programs of the L.A. W. Convention. The following is the official program for the national meet at Louisville, prepared by Chairman Castleman of the entertainment committee, and accepted by the executive committee. Monday, August 10—All-day register at Monday, August 10—All-day register at

lever and spring. The device looks practicable and when in sition it conceals the tool bag from view without adding to the weight of the wheel. WHAT THE CYCLIST MISSES.

he Mental Stimulus of the Quiet Con-

stitutional. It is to be hoped that the good old custom pedestrianism will not fall into disuse." The bicycle has, perhaps, gained more than this way of the air and exercise and the poetry and exhilaration of easy and rapid motion is delightful, but this sensuous sat isfaction is likely to be obtained at the expense of mental stimulus. The bicycie rider cannot tarry to study the tint or texture of the flowers or b. athe their

fragrance. He cannot listen to the songs of birds or the music of the brooks. His course is over the world's conventional tracks, and, though rature speaks in countless tongues, he hardly catches so much as the echo of any of them. The woodlands and the byways, where lurk the choicet mati-festations of leauty, he cannot visit. On his highly runs he sees only the shining road before him reflecting the light of the moon and stars, but he cannot lift his eyes to the milky way or view the still nore glorious ionantry of the neavens.

It does not seem a violent hypothesis that this condition of things must tend to weaken those habits of observation upon which so much that is great in art, science and literature depends, and that this will be deplorably apparent in the next generation, unless some counter interest can be developed. It is a serious question whether a White, a Selborne, a Burroughs or a Thoreau could have been produced on an exclusive bicycle basis. Their natural ten-

dencies might have overcome all obstacles of environment, but observation is a plant that starts early and grows by what it feeds upon, and amid surroundings and influences like the present they might not so easily have been inducted into those delightful and congenial labors that have so sweetened the literature of our time

The blcycle interest has come to stay and to grow until some more potent attraction shall supplant it. But to balance it and prevent social one-sidedness and mental deterioration we need the extension and mul-tiplication of such organizations as the Appalachian club, which will soon start upon an outing, not to annihilate space, but to be come acquainted with the wealth which occupies it, and in acquiring health and strength also to acquire information. It is something to know the world of men, but it is infinitely more important to know inti-mately the world of nature, for upon that knowledge rests all that man ever has ac-complished or ever can accomplish. The fastest scorcher may get to the end of life's journey the sconest, but he will not arrive with as much baggage as the more moderate and observant wayfarer.

Tourist Wheelmen Notes.

The continued rains of the past week prevented the club from visiting Plattsmouth ast Sunday and no long rides were indulged Mr. W. W. Watts, president of the 96 Meet club of Louisville, Ky., who came to the city to attend the law league, was the guest of the Tourist Wheelmen of Omcha. By way of giving him an introductory ride and showing him a small portion of the city the club pedaled over to the new fair grounds, where it was ex-pected that Gadke would give an exhibition ride, and other local racing men also, but owing to their absence a number of the boys who had never ridden a race before on this occasion. While we would like to yet several of the contestants do not care have thought he was performing his duty. o have their names given publicity, al hough a number of the events and the nade would reflect very creditably on those who participated. One of the most in-teresting events was a 100-yard foot race between Hosford, Arnout, Shrader and Guldner, who finished in the order named. Several snap shots were taken of the crowd luring the trip. Had there been any pictures taken of the finish it would have illustrated in several cases the riders heaving up "Jonah and the whale," or rather something which did not appear to set well after a not chase around the track. We offtimes ask ourselves the question "are the laws governing our city and state iny respecter of persons?" and, while perhaps they are not so intended, yet they are quite often enforced by those who, when they violate them themselves, escape without any kind of censure or punishment. One of our city detectives was out driving the other evening and while riding along on the wrong side of the street came in contact with a local wheelman, who, after learning whom the party was, visited his office in hopes of obtaining some kind of satisfaction, but was rewarded only by hav ing vile epithets hurled at him which would not look well in print. Here is a pointer for the committee appointed by the As-sociated Cycling club to investigate when looking up the standing of office seekers for re-election this fall. Should such a party be supported and is a man a fit candidate for office who will violate the laws him-self that he has been appointed to enforce and arrest those who openly violate? We would hardly think so, nor could we con-scientiously cast a ballot in his favor. The action taken by the League of Ameri-can Wheelmen in regard to Sunday riding has been very rigidly enforced in this sec-tion of the country by the racing board of late, and, while it has been received by the accused in anything but a pleasant manner, yet those who aspire to become shining lights in the cycling world, and especially on the track, must not be sur-prised when they do those things forbidden by the league if they are obliged to suffer suspension for a stated time or even expulsion from the league and from all track privileges The stand taken by the officials regarding the use of vulgar or profane language by racing men while on the track is very com-mendable and we are pleased to note that when the same is included in that the parties who thus violate the laws and rules of the order, as well as the laws of com-mon decency, are subjected immediately to the condemnation of those who have the race meet in charge and in due season the action is brought against them by the rules govern-ing the same. In abort, the League of American Wheelmen seeks to have all race meets free from anything which might re-flect discredit upon the order and in this

Mrs. Caunt did not move in his family circle The 5 cents did not seem to carry much reight, but the time did, and after waiting replied that he did not pretend to be a

Latin scholar, but his signature did not look as if it was executed with a pitchfork! Joe Choynski treats "Gentleman" James J.'s claims to blue-blooded aristocratic high-toned superiority with contempt. The bold and daring Joe says he, too, was educated at the College of the Sacred Heart and that

dred people, a rough estimate placing the number at 1,800 to 2,000, and a back was his father is as well educated a man as old Pat Corbett and that his father's son is as immediately sought for downtown. On reaching the depot, of course, as a matter of fact, the train had gone, but there were others, and after a feeble attempt was made good a man as James J. any day in the week. Joe has not only met all comers, but carried the war into Australia and to reach Omaha in time for the six-day race it was ascertained that no train would arrive until after the finish; there was noth-

ing left to do but make the best of it. A couple of the judges who desired to help Sandy Griswold out of the dilemma help sandy Griswold out of the dilemma caused by all three going out to Fremont to see the first of the state circuit races wired him that the train was behind time, and that they would be in Omaha about 3 The bicycle has, perhaps, gained unter that he has lost, but he has lost something, and that by no means unimportant, says the Boston Transcript. It is a great economic gain to minimize time and distance to so as the boys did not arrive until annual in they did not visit the park until \$15 in the evening, when the boys were going at a the evening. It's too bad to keep high rate of speed. It's too bad to keep them going it all night and day, too, but possibly Sandy didn't continue beyond the usual hour, r

Maxy said it was impossible to sleep coming home, and Fig Powder Shrader, William Lyle Dickey and a half-dozen more

who were on the same train will not at-tempt to dispute the assertion. Even "Faithful" Gadke, perched upon one of the upper berths, laughed up his sleeve to see the hows too the steeve to see VERDIGRE, Neb., July 21.- To the Sport-ing Editor of The Bee: To settle a dispute please answer the following question: In a the boys trying to sleep, while "Lilly" amused himself in a very original manner please answer the following question: In a game of ball with a man on third and one on second, with only one man out, the bat-ter hit a fly to left fielder, who caught it. The man on third stood on the base until and kept the balance of the car in an up road, furnishing an abundance of real fun "Gad" would eccasionally chime in with a the ball was caught, and ran across the plate. But the man on second started for third before the ball was caught and was vocal solo, which added to the enjoyment of the homeward trip, which was replete with many amusing incidents and mirth-provoking situations, while a long string in the hands of two or three of the mischiefdoubled at second, but not until after the man on third had scored. Did this score count?-Joseph F. Green, makers kept many from taking their ac-customed evening's nap. Once in a while, when some weary cyclist would doze away and commence snoring, the sound of which reminded one of a sawmill, the little string which soon encircled his hand, foot or throat, generally the latter would encode Ans .- It did. No questions answered by BOONE, Ia., July 20.-To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: What is the name of the black duck, about the size of the baldstate; also what is the name of the small bird, size of a cow blackbird, found in same throat, generally the latter, would awaken him from the horrible experience of a neck-tie party, in which he played the leading ocality; male is black and has white spot m wing; shows white on bow of wing when role, while the party at the other end of the string was tugging away as if hauling in a big catfish out of Cut-Off lake. Any

wing is closed; female gray, similar to fe-male cow blackbird?-Hunter, Ans.-(1) Frelix marila, scaup or blue attempt at giving a complete description Ans.-(1) Freix marina, scaup or bue bill, (2) Calamospiza, bi-color. Lark bant-ing or white-winged blackbird. Bobolink. PHILADELPHIA, July 19.-To the Sport-ing Editor of The Bee: Will you kindly give me Oscar Gardner's (the Omaha Kid) of the experiences of all the boys would fill a large volume, but Maxy thinks he has had state circuit races enough to last him until the finish at Omaha, about August S. We did not hear a single complaint regard record of fights in next Sunday's Bee? Also his weight and height, and was he recently defeated at Dayton, O., by Billy Welsh of this city? This is to decide a bet and if there is any charge for information required ing the manner of conducting the races, but on the contrary, those in attendance were oud in their praise, and expressed them selves as being well satisfied with the manner in which Referee Benson conducted th several events, and for the untiring efforts of the Fremont boys, who had labored hard for the success of the meet. The races were a pronounced success, despite lease let me know and I will remit same 7. D. Lawrence. Ans.-Know but little about Oscar Gard-DAVID CITY, July 20.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: Please answer the following question in next Sunday's issue the fact that a hard wind was blowing. which greatly retarded any fast time being made, although there were several very exciting races, and one or two new records

vere established.

and oblige: How many games has Barnes of Milwaukee pitched this season and how many has he won? Give decision up to date of July 46 - 4. Subscriber In addition to the instance cited in an Many has he won? Give decision up to date of July 16.—A Subscriber. Ans.—Have no record of Barnes' games. LINCOLN, July 18.—To the Spor i ig Editor of The Bee: Please give address of thor-oughbred horse register in next Sunday's Engage and oblige Basedar. ther paragraph here regarding the action f certain officers, who done those things orbidden by the laws of our city, which, if iolated by any one else, who were not themselves the suppressors, would hav-been arrested, and doubtless fined, the ac ssue and oblige.-Breeder Ans.--S. D. Bruce, 251 Broadway, New tion taken by the marshal of Florence the other evening in arresting a couple of wheelmen and holding them at bay with drawn revolvers, has caused no little amount of unfavorable comment, and his action has York GIBBON, Neb., July 22 .- To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: We want to build a bicycle track, three laps to the mile. We have a space 308 feet wide, and we want been loudly denounced by the citizens in general. The visiting wheelmen who were being entertained by the local clubs must have felt highly elated over the reception tendered them by the city marshal and those whom he had deputized to thus greet them on their return, but the wheelmen

have a space 30s feet wide, and we want about a 25-foot track (in width.) Can we put a practical track of that size in that space? What are the proper dimensions and grade for such a track, and what dis-tance from the pole should the measurement be taken? Please answer in Sunday's Bee and oblige.—Gibbon Cycling Club. Ans.—You fail to give full dimensions of the area you have. But you cannot not as well as the citizens of both Florence and Omaha endeavored to make a satisfactory explanation to the visitors for the action good third-of-a-mile bicycle track in the give those credit to whom honors are due, and conduct of one who might possibly width you mention. Write again,

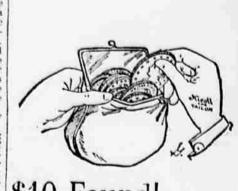
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The corbert and that his failing is on its as good a man as James J, any day in the week. Joe has not only met all comers, but carried the war into Australia and fought Goddard twice on his own ground. Sharkey says Choynski is the best man to Australia and that Corbett cannot lick one side of either Joe or himself. Joe deserves freat credit for meeting the big Australia Australia, best big men. He is better entitled to a monster benefit than some of the others. I saw it stated in print that Jim intends to tweak Joe's nose. If he tries to he will most assuredly find Joseph at home. There was quite a rush for last Sunday's Bee when it a trived here at 4.9 m. and the e aman— Take Ne-To-Bac! Get a cure or your money back. Over 400.000 have been cured, and millions use No-To-Bac. I four unerve and heart action is weak, no money back. Over 400.000 have been cured, and millions use No-To-Bac to regulate to be had in ten minutes after the states of the other of the states of the other of the sporting editor of The Bee states of the dispose of. The sporting editor of The Bee spose of. The sporting editor of The Bee spose a facts or induke in dispose of. The sporting editor of The Bee spose of. The sporting editor of The Bee spose facts or induke in dispose facts or induke in dispose facts or induke in dispose of. The sporting editor of The Bee spose facts or induke in disposed to the comman duilation of enervet and been and the cases, take No-To-Bac! Solid and guarantee and Smoke Your Life Away. '' where our famous booklet. 'Don't To-Bac's of the asking. Address The Sterding for the sking. Address The Sterding for the s



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Broome's name down on the bills to spar at his benefit without his sanction. Broome demanded his name to be crased and stated in the leading sporting paper that Mr. and Mrs. Court Mr.

CLEANING A WHEEL.

that is, he is old in experience, but is not more than 25 years of age. He has won very large per cent of prizes in all the local and state events in which he has entered, and is a very rapid wheelman. His friends believe that he is capable of great speed, and say that he has not entered in any event which has brought out his full speed

in this trial Anderson will use a wheel geared to 130 inches. It will cover about forty feet to one revolution of the pedais. To cover the 5.280 feet inside of sixty seconds will be required to make about two and one-half strokes or revolutions of each pedal

Wheeling has become so much a part of the life of its adherents that it is now common to have a regular cycling wardrobe. The man who a year or two ago started out in long trousers, bound at the ankles with steel hoops, now has several complete out-fits. A partly worn suit he will reserve for muddy weather, or for days when the clouds threaten rain. He will have other clothing for ordinary rides and long tours. and a fine suit for dress occasions, as when he rides out with women or goes to make a call on suburban friends on his bleyele. In addition he may provide himself with knickerbockers, coat and cap of crash for extremely hot weather. With a full com-plement of shirts, underwear, stockings and shoes, his cycling wardrobe may reach large dimensions.

Little Miss Annie Brain, who has made such a great hit in Iowa this summer by her charming manner in riding a wheel, is perhaps the youngest child riding a wheel She is the daughter of H. J. Brain of Des Moines, and is just 3 years and 6 months old. She was born in Wellsville. Mo., but has lived in lowa for three years. her parents moving to Iowa when she was 6 months old. This little lady rides a wheel specially designed and constructed for her, and it is the smallest wheel ever made by any manufacturer. It is as fine as the best cel made by this company, and cost about \$200. It is a twelve-inch frame, and is geared to thirty-six. It is provided with specially made tires and weighs but ten pounds. She commenced to ride about nine weeks ago, and in five days after receiving the wheel was riding over the streets of Des Moines with her father. She has ap-peared in public but twice, first at the Oakaloosa meet, on June 17, and again in Cedar Rapids at the state meet, July 3 and 4. At Oskaluosa she was presented with a silver cup as a memento of her visit, and while in Cedar Rapids was presented with a silver cup, suitably engraved, by the Ce-dar Rapids Cycling club and with an elegant gold watch by the Syracuse Cycle

It is estimated that there are in America 4,000,000 bicycle riders, who have invested \$300,000,000 in wheels, \$10,000,000 in bicycle clothing and \$200,000,000 in sundries and repairs. Two hundred and fifty bleycle manufacturers, five large tire makers and 500 manufacturers of sundries, having a total investment of \$69,000,000, have been benefited by this traffic. The estimated capi-tal invested in retail establishments, repair shops, race tracks and club houles is \$21,-000,000, making the total American incart making the total American invest ment in cycling equal to \$600,000,000. During 1896, it is claimed, 1,000,000 wheels and 2,000,000 tires will be produced, giving employment to 75,000 bicycle workers and 3,000 tire employes. Fifty thousand persons are employed in sundries factories and 22,000 as retail dealers and repairmen, making the total number of persons connected with the bleycle industry 4,250,000.

There has been a cry that the number of fatalities that have befailen wheelmen has been largely on the increase. Pessimists who look upon the sport with no kindly eyes do not appreciate that every day sees hundreds of recruits added to the ranks. Men, women and children of all sizes, ages and nationalities have taken to the wheel in a way that has steadily sug-mented the membership of the big order. Accidents must necessarily be on the increase. There is no way to prevent them, THE BIKE IN POLITICS.

One of the Biggest Features in the Campaign.

The bicycle will play an important part in the coming campaign. It is a new in duence in politics, but from its very nature it is swift and powerful and has a habit of getting to the front. Already the field in the cast and thus early has added a new feature to the campaign. Before November it will have materially changed the aspect of the outdoor political demonstrations.

All over the country, says the New York Journal, bicycle political clubs are rapidly being organized. These are not confined to men alone. The ladies are also forming clubs which will be used as auxiliaries in tie parades. Ownership of a wheel and payment of dues admit to membership in these clubs. Of course, enthusiastic adherence to party

tormed merely to participate in the parades, but the great majority are renting club rooms where election issues will be to the party leaders. They will be liberally super to the room is that made is the super to the party leaders. principle must supplement the first qualifi-

palgu literature, and the members on their Sunday runs and on their vacation outings will personally distribute the documents. In the country districts this method of distribution will be particularly effective. Circulars aunouncing country meetings will be taken care of in the same way. As election day approaches the members will attach to their bicycles patching mot-toes intended to influence votes.

In the United States the road house owner outrols many votes in his neighborhood. Through his wide acquaintance he is pow-erful in conventions. Today the road house owners are controlled by the bicycle men.

The political managers recognize that the majority of bleyclists are young men. Young men are enthusiastic. In a campaign en-thusiasm has a real money value. In the cities there will be torchlight pa-ades on wheels. Thousands of bicycliats

rades on will participate in them. With colored lights on each bloycle, with every rider carrying now, seem to be becoming popular. Sevon each bleycle, with every rider carrying a flaming torch, and with fantastic Chinese lanterns hanging from the handle bars, the bleycle torch parade will be one of the most spectacular features of the campaign. Already a movement is under way to have the republican whechen is under way to have the republican whechen of New York and Brooklyn join in a monster torchlight pro-cession which will start from Brooklyn, cross the bridge and proceed up Broadway. This will strikingly typify the legislative monor of the two offices accountinged under

union of the two cities, accomplished under a republican legislature. A Journal writer asked an officer of the A Journal writer anced an oncer of the republican state committee if the commit-tee had taken cognizance of the great activ-ity of bleycle political clubs. "Oh, yes," he replied. "They are springing up all over

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Saturday, August 15-One mile, amateur handicap: prizes, merchandise, values \$35, \$25, \$15, \$10 and \$5. Half-mile, professional, national championship; prizes, gold silver medal, bronze medal, from official dies. Two miles, amateur, state championship prizes, gold medal \$25; medal \$25, medal \$1 professio and medal \$5. Two miles professional handicap; five prizes, cash, \$100, \$60, \$40 \$30 and \$20. One mile, amateur, 2:30 class four prizes, merchandise, values \$35, \$25

\$15 and \$10. One mile, professional, open; three prizes, cash, \$125, \$75 and \$50. One mile, amateur, open; four prizes, merchandise, values \$35, \$25, \$15 and \$10. Five miles, professional, national championship prizes, gold medal, silver medal, bronze medal, from official dies. WHEEL NOVELTIES.

New Devices for the Comfort and Con-

venience of Wheelers. The latest bleycle saddle on the market

s composed of two individual parts, so pivoted as to move freely and automatically in response to every movement of the rider. A strong spiral spring, secured to the rear underside of the saddle, is the main feature

of the construction. The two parts of the saddle are pivoted together at their front ends, and adopted to open out at their rear ends. A latch is provided for holding the two parts of the saddle together when closed. When the rider mounts the wheel the saddle sinks under his weight, whereby the latch is operated, and the two rear ends open out. When so open, the longitudinal spring yields to every move-

it is said, there is a perfect circulation of air at all times, keeping the hands cool and preventing perspiring palms. The grip is very resilient and it is claimed it does away with all vibration to the arms while riding over rough pavements. If desired a leather cover is furnished for the grip. The device weighs three ounces to the pair, and may be easily attached to any make of handle bar.

What is said to be the simplest bicycle pump manufactured is fifteen inches long, with a nickelled brass cylinder, twelve b one and a quarter inches. The discharg The discharge outlet is provided with a ball valve, and air is taken through the piston. On the downward stroke all the air contained in

the pump is forced into the tire. It is also provided with suitable hose and improved swivel coupling, with which connections can be readily made. Means for operating the pedals upward

eral firms are beginning to provide their machines with a new appliance of this character. In this case semi-circular pieces that are adapted to slide in upright grooves impart motion to a sprocket wheel of the usual pattern. Foot rests are attached to these semi-circular pieces, and by simply pressing alternately on each foot rest the wheel is propelled. The advantage of this device is said to be in the amount of en-

simply up and down, and that barely more than three inches. A bicycle holder made of heavy wire and

matter every racing man should lend his aid and co-operation. Max Reichenberg was one of the many Omaha boys who attended the opening of the state circuit races at Fremont. last Wednesday, and in speaking of his experiences relates many amusing incidents which

securred while enrants. The outward journey was made without any incident worthy of note, and on arriving at the New York hotel the boys were found sitting around the office discussing the probable outcome of the day's races. They were agreeably surprised to see the smiling countenance of little Max, and he, too, was soon freely indulging in a little party. speculation as to the winners

Shortly after 12 o'clock dinner was an-nounced, and all made a scramble to cross the tape first. Mr. Reichenberg sat down with Lawson, "the terrible Swede." "Reddy" crgy it saves for the rider. The same speed is obtained with less exertion, and the feet are not obliged to travel in a circle, but simply up and down, and that barely more than three inches. dem failars in Minncapolis charged \$5 entry fees and then offered the magnificent sum of \$25 as first money, and the manner in which certain prize lists were stuffed." Before dinner was over the boys voted the replied. "They are springing up all over the country, and we know it. In Ohio they are more active than anywhere else, but Massachusetts is a good second. In New York state about 100 of these clubs are in process of organization. Fifty or sixty have their officers elected now. No doubt their paign. "The committee will do everything in its" of the const in the cross bar. It is con-"The committee will do everything in its" of the section of the cross bar. It is con-

Are you going to Louisville to attend the national meet? This question is about the first introductory remark which wheelmen greet one another with now-adays, and it s one which must be settled in the minds of those who are to compose the '96 meet of these who are to compose the '96 meet club very soon, as the proposed trip is sale by Kuhn & Co.

rapidly approaching, the promoters who were counting the number of months and ceeks are now cagerly watching the day which go flitting by, when, with banners floating to the breezes the Omaha delega-tion will bid their friends adieu and start

out on a trip that will be replete with many enjoyable experiences which those who fail

o go will ever have cause to regret. A special meeting has been called for next Wednesday night at D. J. O'Brien's place of business, 120 North Fifteenth street. at which time it is hoped that every one who thinks of going will be present without any personal invitation. The time has arrived for concerted action and every wheelman in Omaha should put his shoulder to the wheel and aid in making the trip a success and thereby strengthen the chances of Omaha as the proper place for the national most is they

the national meet in 1898. The Commercial club has kindly promised to aid us in our present undertaking and it only remains for us to go to Louis-ville and hustle. The location, which has in the past been designated at the meet-ings of the officials of the league, will hereings of the officials of the league, will here-after be made through a popular vote, whereby each member will have something to say about it. It therefore remains to be seen that considerable personal work must be done between now and that time. With a good prospect for an Exposition which will bid fair to equal the world's fair, which was held in Chicago, Omaha will have much in her favor toward at-tracting fifty thousand wheelmen to this

tracting fifty thousand wheelmen to this city, aside from the special inducements which the promotors of the meet will also make. Let's make the Omaha delegation one worthy of more than passing notice. Come out to the meeting Wednesday evening and show your willingness to make the thing a howling success.

If you have any suggestions to make the committee on arrangements will be only too glad to receive them. If unable to make them in person jot them down on paper and mail them to the secretary, W. A. Messick, or D. J. O'Brien, chairman of '96 Meet club. the

The special car which will convey the party will leave Omaha Saturday, August and arrive in Chicago Sunday, August where the members and their friends will become the guests of the Chicago wheelmen for a day, and after a day's sojourn in that beautiful city will resume their trip ouisville

Will there be any ladies on the trip? Yes; the more the merrier. Already sev-eral have signified their intention of takin their wives, mothers and sweethearts, and the invitation is extended to every one who has the best interest or Omana at heart to join the party and partake of Kentucky's hospitality, which Mr. W. W. Watts, the president of the '96 Meet club of Louisville, has been dishing out to the boys here for the past week. Mr. Watts boys here for the past week. Mr. Watts is a very pleasing gentleman, and he may be taken as a fair sample of the kind of people that compose the officers and members of the club, who are making arrangements to entertain the visitors there in August, to meet him will be sufficient. His attractive manners will act like the magnet does to a piece of steel, and those who have given the matter any consideration will decide immediately to join the

Any information desired will be cheerfully given to those who are not fully posted as to the objects and purposes which fully have been given through these column from time to tim, but sufficient to say that it should receive the hearty support of every citizen in this city, as the returns which will undoubtedly accompany the efforts now being put forth will more than for the time and money expended repay to get the meet and see that it is properly

A Letter from Old-Timer

NORTH PLATTE, July 17 .- To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: The claims of : of our modern play-acting newspaper fight ers to social superiority over their brother bruisers reminds one of a squabble between two of England's ex-champions. Big Ben Caunt

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