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WORKING FOR MOSHER'S MANAGERS IN MOSHER'S this city and elsewhere **RELEASE** are not nearly so smooth as persons entrusted with such duties should be. There is no longer any doubt that an organized effort is being made to secure a reduction of Mosher's term of imprisonment. But instead of working quietly, Mosher's agents very foolishly resort to newspapers, attempting to arouse the sympathy of the public. The following are extracts from a recent article in the *Omaha Bee*:

"He says he cares nothing for himself and feels that his punishment is no more than he deserves, but is sensitive upon the question of his family. It is not the four or five years' service that troubles him so much as it is the reflections cast upon him in the future. He claims that to a man of previous good character and right living a conviction, sentence and one day's service is the acme of punishment that can be conferred upon him, for he then goes out into the world an 'ex con' and is branded as such throughout all future years, whatever his conduct may be. All his family connection must bear the stigma of being related to a convict, even unto the third generation. He manifested much feeling in talking of this side of his existence, indicating beyond question he sincerely felt the extent of the blight he has brought upon himself and family. While on this line he said he felt sorry for W. W. Taylor, the defaulting treasurer of South Dakota, for, from his own experience, he knew Taylor had been punished as much already, in his forced flight, hiding, return, humiliation and family disgrace, as any number of years' sentence in a penitentiary could inflict.

"During the conversation Mosher appeared very restless, although he talked freely and almost incessantly for one and a half hours, the duration of the visit. He appears to have the confidence and good will of the officers of the prison, and looks eagerly forward to the time of his release. When that time comes it is more than possible he will return to Lincoln, the scene of his triumphs and misfortunes. His relatives are generally people of means, and they will doubtless assist him in starting again in business. Then, with the shrewdness and sagacity all know him

to possess, and with the advantage of his past painful experience, he will try and live down the scandal now attached to his name, and in a great measure undo the wrongs now laid at his door."

Apropos, the *News* justly remarks: "It is a remarkable fact that a man will for years violate the laws of God and with impunity, will endeavor to amass wealth and gain influence by the most despicable means without ever once thinking of his family, but the minute he is called to book and forced to face the ignominy and punishment he deserves, he whines about the shame that will fall on his family. Every man who seeks to have some record of his criminality or sin kept from newspaper readers urges as a reason that it will bring shame and sorrow to a wife, daughter or mother, but their thoughts of them always come after and never before their misdeeds. No one wishes to add willingly to the burden of disgrace and obloquy resting upon innocent members of a criminal's family, but the criminal himself ought not to be permitted to assume the coward's role and seek refuge behind the skirts of a wife or mother."

It is not exactly clear that Mosher is in any way entitled to clemency. His sentence fell far short of being commensurate with his crime, and to shorten that sentence would be an insult to the people of Lincoln and Nebraska, and an outrageous departure from justice. There are a good many men in the federal and state penitentiaries who are much more deserving of consideration than Mosher—men who are serving sentences of ten years and upwards for comparatively trivial crimes. We are not specially considerate of the men who steal our coat and clothes to keep themselves warm, and there is no reason why we should be particularly indulgent to the man who despoiled a whole town. The effect of these newspaper movements on the part of Mosher's managers will be to arouse a greater indignation against the convict. They will fail of their purpose.

THE PAPERS ARE CAREFUL For a couple of weeks there has been more or less talk of a scandalous character affecting prominent persons in this city, and it is to the credit of the newspapers that they have not hurried into print the hearsay particulars. The papers have made a thorough investigation and they have been unable to find any foundation for the reports that have been circulated, and it is the prevailing opinion that innocent persons have been grossly injured by the talk that has been indulged in.

FROM THE CYCLE EDITOR.

THE COURIER has received the following communication this week from the gifted associate editor of the *L. A. W. Bulletin*, Boston: "Dear Sir:—You credit our 'Questions by a Beginner' jingle to the *Bicycling World*." Put on your speckless specks, old boy. Mighty glad to have you reprint our stuff, but don't give it away to some other paper, and thus send the children of our brain out into the newspaper world with some other name blown in the bottle, so to speak. By gosh, it ain't right. Now, honest injun, is it?"

NIXON WATERMAN.

"Nix" is not only a poet but a gentleman, and the Cycle Editor of THE COURIER remembers him as a very affable, kind hearted, jolly sort of a gentleman, too, from whom he received a number of appreciated courtesies during a visit to Chicago some years since. And he

CYCLE CONTEST

THE COURIER this week inaugurates another of its popular contests. This time it is two valuable high grade bicycles.

THE PRIZES

GENT'S '95 MODEL VICTOR WHEEL, Value \$100.
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These wheels are positively High Grade and worth all the effort

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The Contestants

must be members of some cycling organization in this city.

The Conditions

are as follows: Every yearly subscription to THE COURIER turned in by a contestant will count as one hundred votes, six months fifty votes, three months twenty five votes. No coupon will be counted unless accompanied by an amount to cover at least three months subscription. And to the lady and gentlemen receiving the highest number of votes up to 6 p. m., September 14th, the wheels will be awarded.

WHO WILL BE THE WINNERS?

Go to work at once.

The early worker has an infinite advantage over all others.

assures Mr. Waterman that the memory of those courtesies is so pleasant as to compel him to forego doing even the shadow of an injustice or rather omitting to do justice to him, I simply, in a moment of absent mindedness wrote *The Bicycling World* for the *L. A. W. Bulletin* and I bow in humble apology to the man who has written some of the most popular newspaper poetry of the day. No, "Nix" pon honah, sah, it ain't right and was not intended.

HOW THE CONTEST STANDS

There are some small changes in the cycle contest this week. Some new names appear in both lists and a slight increase in the vote of some of the contestants published last week. There are a number, as THE COURIER knows, quietly at work whose names have not yet been sent in, and the contest promises to be a spirited one.

In answer to a number of notes, telephone messages, etc., THE COURIER will say. Any person who is a member of any cycle organization can enter the contest. You can enter at any time up to 5:30 p. m. September 14th.

Votes will be counted that are received up to 6 p. m. Sept. 14th. You must belong to some cycling organization but it matters not to which one.

By noting the vote it will be found that 300 votes were cast for the editor of the wheel column of THE COURIER and 200 for Mr. Will Allen of the *L. A. W. Bulletin*. Neither Mr. Allen nor myself are eligible in the contest. Both are connected with THE COURIER and as no COURIER employee is allowed to take part in the contest these votes are misplaced. Hereafter no vote cast for any person connected with this paper will be counted. Mr. Allen and myself make our best bow to those who voted for us but please observe in the future that "we are not in it." The vote up to 6 o'clock last night stands as follows:

FOR THE LADY'S WHEEL

- Miss Lena Brockelmeyer 500
- Miss Stelia Kirker 400
- Miss Effie Steen 350
- Miss Sterling 300
- Miss Crow 300
- Miss Maude McCain 250
- Mrs. Rose Cochrale 250
- Miss Josie Tremain 200
- Miss Emma North 150
- Miss Clara Carmody 100
- Miss Ida Herpolsheimer 100

FOR THE GENTLEMAN'S WHEEL

- Jule Benson 450
- Ray Edmiston 400
- Harry Sullivan 300
- Ray Lease 300
- Fred T. Dean 300
- Geo. McArthur 250
- W. L. Crandle 290
- Will Allen 200
- Captain Frank Hoagland 175
- Harry Harley 150
- Fred Yule 100

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NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANTS

(First Publication June 29)
To Benjamin A. Gibson, John W. Mitchell, Adaline M. Swan, Alexander S. Porter, non-resident defendants:

You and each of you are hereby notified that on June 13, 1895, Francis C. Faulkner as an assignee of the Connecticut River Savings Bank of Charlestown, New Hampshire, as plaintiff, began an action against you and other defendants in the district court of Lancaster county, Nebraska, the object of which is to foreclose a certain mortgage on the following land in said county, to-wit: All of block four (4) in Lincoln view addition to the city of Lincoln made by Thomas Hanlon, dated July 7, 1891, to secure the payment of a promissory note of said Thomas Hanlon to said Benjamin A. Gibson for \$6,500 on which there is now due \$6,955.60 with interest from July 1, 1894, at ten per cent per cent per annum pursuant to coupons; Plaintiff prays for decree of foreclosure and sale of said land to satisfy said liens as aforesaid, for deficiency judgment and general relief.

You are required to answer plaintiff's petition on or before the 5th day of August, 1895.

Francis C. Faulkner, assignee,
Plaintiff.

By S. L. Geisthardt, Attorney.

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