



Mutterings of rebellion against control of racing by the League of American Wheelmen have crystallized into open revolt...

In regard to the action of the League of American Wheelmen in connection with the future control of racing, Chief Consul Kiroker of New Jersey, and the former vice president of the league, said: "It is probable now that all this is left to be done by the League of American Wheelmen..."

J. B. Sheridan of St. Louis, member of the League of American Wheelmen Racing Board, has this to say of the row: "One thing is certain: There will be a fight to a finish for the government of racing..."

The Chicago Chronicle gives a boost to the rebels in these words: "Perhaps, now that the leading professional bicyclists have openly adjured allegiance to the League of American Wheelmen..."

Teddy Edwards, the century rider, will not continue his riding in pursuit of the perfect century record of 365 centuries in the year, with the consent of his employers...

Whisperings of the Wheel. The political pot of the Nebraska division, League of American Wheelmen, has commenced to simmer and in all probability will be at the boiling point with another chief contest...

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consecutive nature. Edwards lacks but three centuries to this record of mileage, and as soon as he gets well from his late sickness the lad will ride a few more centuries in order to secure...

The Puyallup Indians, near Tacoma, are making war upon bicycle riders. President John M. Bell of the Wheelmen's association has appealed to the county commissioners for protection...

A veteran dealer gives this advice: "When cleaning the chain of a bicycle be careful not to practice the general habit of turning the cycle upside down and holding a rag on the chain with one hand..."

The almost constant hunger that an athlete engaged in a protracted feat of endurance feels is well illustrated by Frank Waller in his twenty-four hour ride in New York. It is said that he got away with eighty-six pounds of food...

A simple pocket filter, which may save cyclists and travelers from disease germs, is a short rubber tube with a moulthead at one end and a wire netting at the other...

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O'Brien being made chairman of one of the national committees or at least being tendered a position on the national racing board. He was exceedingly popular at both the assemblies of '97 and '98 and should be sent again in '99...

Considerable interest is being manifested by local wheelmen in the coming road race convention, which opens in this city next Saturday. President Edwards and Chairman of Good Roads Committee Otto Dornier of the League of American Wheelmen are to be present...

The wheelmen of Omaha, Council Bluffs and other neighboring towns are talking of holding a grand annual road race next Sunday, and while no definite plans have as yet been made, it is quite likely that the affair will be held at Sargy Mills, where a program of races and other sports will be arranged for.

Colonel Albert A. Pope, the veteran bicycle manufacturer, and one of the first agitators of good roads in this country, has announced his intention of visiting the exposition during Jubilee week.

Fred Schinnerer is desirous of securing the twenty-four hour American record, and the white wheelmen to a high pitch of indignation. At this point the Indians began threatening the younger members of the association. Later the Indians became bolder and chased several bicycle riders off the reservation.

An Episode of the Sea Fight as Told by an Officer. The battleship "Oregon" possessed a very interesting relic of her experience in helping demolish Admiral Cervera's fleet of Santiago, when her hull was exposed to view in the dry dock at the Brooklyn navy yard the other day...

"It made us all flinch," remarked an officer who was there, dropping his shoulder and cowering his knees and shrinking into as small a space as his bulk allowed, in illustration of what he meant. "Everybody did it instinctively, irresistibly turned their heads away and lifted their right elbows if it were a blow with a club; and there was a second or two of awful waiting, while the roar and the scream seemed to still all the rest of the battle roar and to come straight to the ear."

"What had happened?" "We were never quite sure till we could examine the bottom here in the dry dock. Then we found an elongated, trough-like dent, perhaps two inches deep, in the plates of the starboard bow, about four feet below the water line, and we became sure of what we had previously suspected, namely, that a great shell, falling in the end of a curved trajectory, had struck, glanced and burst the impact was tremendous—the escape impossible."

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LIGHT IN DARK CONTINENT

Possibility of Africa Becoming the Third Great Anglo-Saxon Power.

PRESENT POSSESSIONS OF THE POWERS

Advantage of Great Britain's Position and the Superior Value of Its Holdings—France Playing a Losing Game.

LONDON, Sept. 20.—It seems only yesterday that public attention was attracted to the fact that the British flag was being planted in the Dark Continent...

The story of Africa as she is today is the oft-repeated story of British brains and British sand; the story of that greatest element in the Anglo-Saxon character, its colonizing faculty.

The principal rivers, lakes and harbors belong mostly to England. The only first-class harbor not under English control is Delagoa bay and on this the British lion has fixed a gaze which means that he will not be denied.

England has the fertile valleys of the Nile, which after fruitful mismanagement by the Egyptians and years of recuperation by the English, is now holding its own.

There is one more fact about England's territory, and an important one, because it bears directly on the railroad of Cecil Rhodes' magnificent plan.

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most other portions of the Dark Continent, because it affords such a splendid start. The district includes Cape Colony, Natal, Bechuanaland, Matabele, Mashonaland and other smaller provinces.

Almost surrounded by the land of the English and with nearly a half of their populations composed of that nationality, are two independent countries, the Transvaal and the Orange Free State.

What progress has Cecil Rhodes made with his railroads and does that progress warrant his claim of a railroad from Cairo to Cape Town? Here is another map showing the existing railroads in Africa today:



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line had been carried from Bulawayo to Zimbo on the Zambezi river. The natives now telegraph to each other in their own tongue. The last reports place the terminus of the line at Katakata on the western shore of Lake Nyassa...

Backbone of African Civilization. The railroads of South Africa have been in operation for a number of years. From Cape Town, from Durban in Natal and from Delagoa bay lines have been built to meet the demands of the Transvaal industries.

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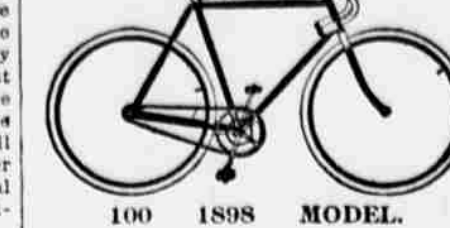
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at a comparatively trifling cost to develop all the natural resources. It is estimated that this capacity to develop thousands of horse power in the wilderness without the need of coal will hasten the development of Africa 100 per cent. It is suggested that even the railroads may be able to utilize this power in the interior.

THE WEST HAS WAVED.

Montana Objects to Former Geographical Classification. "We of the east," said a new York newspaper, "do not appreciate how the country has spread, as a result of the war with Spain, as our fellow citizens in the west appreciate it. I was in the office of my hotel, near the counter, when a new arrival wrote his name and town and said he wanted a room with a private bath. My business keeps me on the alert for people who live beyond the Mississippi, and as soon as I could do so with propriety I looked at the register and saw that the new arrival was from Helena, Mont. Then I made my advances by asking him how business was in the west. At this he stared and asked: "How do you know where I am from—what makes you think I am from the west?" "I explained that I had looked at the register, and in order to appease any suspicion on his part that I had a gold brick to dispose of I handed him my card and apologized for my mistake. He then said that he was a western man he is yours. "But I am not from the west," he protested. "You are from Montana?" I asked. "That's what; but you don't call Montana the west, I reckon," he replied with a combination of southern and western accent. "I said as mildly as I could that it was so classified in the geography I knew and so regarded by people in the east. "Not since the war," he replied. "For a moment I did not know where I was at." But he came to my relief. "I reckon you know where I've recently took the Sandwich Islands in out of the west?" "I acquiesced with proper American pride. "I reckon you know about that other island, Luzon, or whatever they call it? That's just as good as ours as long as Dewey's there." "I followed him in his enthusiasm, for it was infectious, and I assented. "Well, then," he asserted as a clincher, "if you want to know how business is in the west, you had better call up Honolulu or Manila. Strikes me, if there was no mistake made by Dewey—and I don't think there was—that Helena, Mont., comes pretty high being in the middle of the United States as they lay at the present writing." Benjamin Silliman, survivor of the whig convention which nominated William Henry Harrison for president, and John Tyler for vice president, has just celebrated his 92d birthday in New York City. Mr. Silliman is still vigorous of intellect, lively of imagination and happy of wit.