



The six-day bicycle race at Madison Square garden begins at midnight Monday night. Attempts to prevent the show collapsed with the refusal of the city council to take immediate action on an ordinance drafted for that purpose.

The National Cyclists' union of England, which affiliates with the League of American Wheelmen, has issued a special order regarding the forthcoming six-day race at Madison Square Garden, in which all English riders are warned of the penalty for competing in any American races given under auspices other than those of the nationalized cycling body, the League of American Wheelmen.

With such strong allies as the National Cyclists' union and the Union Velocipedique Francaise, two of the strongest cycling organizations in the world, the League of American Wheelmen makes out a pretty strong case, and one that is quite sure to have considerable weight with the riders who intend to compete in America.

A model of the '99 wheel is on exhibition in New York. It does not show any novelties, but the changes in its construction in which makers are moving toward a general standard. The short head and low frame characteristics are present, and the tubing is an inch and a quarter, which is an eighth of an inch larger than this maker used last year.

Internal binders are employed, although this make of wheel did not have them last year. The model also marks the tendency toward a three-crown construction of the frame, although strictly it has not three distinct crowns, as so many wheels of 1899 will have. The defecator to this style is shown, though, by the manner in which the rear forks and backstays are brought together at the seat post lug and the crank hanger.

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thing to land the latter on the top round of the championship ladder. The rivalry among the featherweights who are thriving to rob Dixon of the championship is practically narrowed down to a tri-gardner, Dave Sullivan and Ben Jordan.

Last week's investigation of the Corbett-Sharkey affair might just as well have been omitted as far as any new results go. It did, however, give to Corbett a chance to make an oration and to Sharkey an opportunity to deny Corbett, and another chance to Corbett to cast publicly for Sharkey's blood.

Thomas G. Allen, Jr., one of the authors of "Across Asia on a Bicycle," has written an article on "The Boys of Siberia" for the December St. Nicholas. Mr. Allen says: "During a bicycle journey through Siberia one summer I had occasion to travel several thousand miles along what is called the Great Siberian Highway."

It is the contention of the "devil" who spread like wildfire through the village and the postman was soon awarining with village boys pestering the station-master to let them have a peep at the marvelous "devil's carriage."

The following communication was received from Lee Edwards of Lincoln, regarding his game in the chess tourney with Dr. Seelye of Kearney: "The Chess Editor of The Bee: Enclosed please find my game with Dr. Seelye of Kearney, which I claim should be forfeited to me. He has used more than his three days."

Dr. Seelye was notified of the claim and requested to see his side of the game, but he has not complied. His postal card to Edwards, admitting the fatal error, has been received from the contestant, and now, after a reasonable interval, the game is awarded to Edwards, and Secretary De France instructed to place it to his credit.

From an impartial point of view," continues the Sun, "it seemed that the men fought evenly so far as any material advantage was concerned, and that both were equally effective when the battle ended. Dixon was, perhaps, more scientific than the westerner, and he had probably landed more clean blows. He did not have such a pronounced advantage, however, as to warrant a defeat for Gardner. The latter gave the champion the hardest fight of his career, and should have been entitled at least to a draw, the sporting men believed. The fight was a scientific contest from start to finish. There was nothing but a hard and natural struggle, and it was not until the decision was rendered."

From a critical standpoint, the accounts of the stuffed-mitt bout do not seem to give Chocolate a bit the best of it over the Omaha lad. In the first phase Dixon showed proved the charge that he is on the Hasbeville. He was in superb shape and displayed the remarkable generalship that has been the feature of his fighting for years. In fact, it was this generalship, as fine as he has shown in his career, that saved the colored wonder. Gardner did most of the leading and repeatedly rushed Dixon, but Dixon managed to extricate himself several times from embarrassing situations. Dixon may have landed more time, and on this the referee gave the decision to him, but Gardner was the possessor of the mightier punch. And Dixon did not escape Gardner's onslaughts any more easily than did the Omaha Kid. Little Chocolate's famous rush that has done as much as any-

CONTESTS OF THE SESSION

How the Fusionists Stole Five Seats in Nebraska's Legislature.

DISFRANCHISING OF DOUGLAS COUNTY

Republicans Fairly Elected to House and Senate Deliberately Ousted Because They Would Not Vote with the Popocrats.

CULBERTSON, Neb., Nov. 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: In view of the fact that there are five republican candidates for the legislature who appear to be defeated at the late election, and who intend to contest said election, and in view of the fact that the "pops" will raise a great hue and cry over the matter, a short history of the contests waged by the members of the last legislature against the Douglas county delegation, published in The Bee, would be both interesting and beneficial just at this time. I am sure I should like to know how many seats were contested, the grounds alleged for the contest, the names of contestant and contestee, who were ousted and something of the facts as to the sustaining of the charges. The Bee gave us all this at the time, but many have forgotten it, and its publication at this time would be of value to many.

The history of the case in brief is this: The election in Douglas county in 1896 resulted in the selection of a senatorial delegation composed of two fusionists and one republican, and of a legislative delegation which included five fusionists and four republicans. The vote received by each candidate follows:

SENATE: Howell (d.) 12,111; Jefferson (p.) 11,064; Hanson (r.) 11,073; Noyes (r.) 10,910; Evans (r.) 10,823; Southworth (r.) 9,782. HOUSE: Smith (d.) 12,148; Meyers (r.) 11,551; P. R. (d.) 11,371; Selvers (r.) 11,172; Butler (d.) 11,333; Yousler (r.) 11,629; Cox (r.) 11,366; Fitzroberts (d.) 11,544; Luedel (p.) 11,899; Baldwin (p.) 11,522; Burman (r.) 11,899; Singleton (r.) 10,916.

Majorities Are Clear Enough. Evans was elected by a majority of 339 over Jefferson and the four republicans elected to the lower house were endorsed by majorities of 171, 161, 160 and 160. Year and by still larger majorities over the other fusionists who were subsequently given seats.

In the face of these figures the suggestion that the defeated candidates proposed to make a contest was abandoned by even their political associates. It was not believed that the legislature could afford to commit such a blunder as practically to disfranchise the most populous county in the state on such flimsy pretenses as those on which the contestants relied.

Soon after the election J. O. Yelzer, John Fitzroberts, C. W. Baldwin and J. H. Taylor began proceedings to contest the election of John Butler, Joseph Crow, Levi Cox and Frank Burman to the house, while John Jefferson brought a similar proceeding against John Evans. The grounds based on the allegations of fraud in connection with the elections which rested largely on the charge that the republican party had expended a large amount of money in Douglas county during the campaign.

The hearing of evidence was begun in the rooms of the Jacksonian club early in December and was protracted through the month of January. The only object of the contestants was to have the election set aside and a new one held. The contestants were not to be heard until the hearing of evidence had been brought out and advised the contestants either to get down to business or quit. But the hearing continued until the 13th of February, when the legislature assembled a huge block of typewritten manuscript was shipped to the capitol to serve as a basis for future operations.

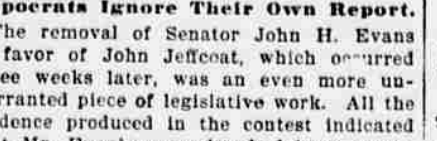
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