THOMAS LIPTON HAS ARRIVED IN AMERICA

Amateur Shooting Tournament of the Dupont Club is the Principal Topic of Interest to Omnha Sportsmen-Good Prizes Offered.

All eyes in the yachting world are now for the America's cup, the first of which will probably take place on October 3. Since the arrival of Shamrock and Erin a week ago Friday thousands of persons have looked them over, either from row boats or other water craft, or at Erie basin. The verdict has been almost universally against it. Natfifteen days on the ocean, it would not look the trim racer which it will appear later, nor is this to be expected. Its lines above water all its races. power, and if the stories as to its depth are PALAVER OF THE PUGILISTS to be believed, great sail-carrying capacity as well. On the whole, there is no good reason why 3 to 1 should be laid on Columbia, at least so early in the season, nor is it believed that any yachtsman has made such a bet. Carried away by enthusiasm or patriotlsm, some such wager may have recorded, but that is all. Upon a gambler's chance the long end of the bet is certainly

Of course, it is known that Columbia is fast and its model is known to be good. It is also known that Shamrock is fast, although it has had but few trials, but not the first thing is known about its under body, as this is what it sails on, nor its freeboard to any extent. It may be modeled under water even better for speed than Columbia, for all that any one knows.

A great many silly stories have appeared with reference to Shamrock since its arrival here, but probably the silliest of them all is the one which states positively that it will be docked at night. It is difficult enough to properly dock a vessel of this character in broad daylight. With so short a keel-or, more properly speaking, fin-it is extremely difficult to place it properly and the variation of an inch or two might rack it badly enough to ruin its chances in the race. Neither Sir Thomas Lipton nor the docking authorities would take any such chances.

Foot ball weather is almost here and the time is fast approaching when the college and High school athlete begins to think, of foot ball and the fall campaign. So long as he is only thinking, no harm is done. It is when he begins to act and train that the trouble begins to brew. This may require a little explanation, lest you may think us opposed to the game, but the explanation is easily prepared. In no sport, professional or amateur, is there so much danger from too violent early work or so much liability to overtrain as in foot ball, and the early heavy work while the weather is yet too warm and before the player is at all hardened has been the ruination of many a player and team. In their anxiety to make an early start and to make a good showing in their first games some teams begin training long before the advent of fall weather. The result is that by the middle of October they have reached their best condition of the season, are showing already signs of unsteadiness, and a fortnight later they have gone to pieces altogether, before the big

games are really on.

The University of Pennsylvania was a good example of this a few seasons ago. The 'varsity squad were away early in The players for the most part were veterans and the eleven was rapidly formed. At the actual opening of the season it was in much better shape than any other of the varsity teams and monstrous scores were piled up against the minor colleges. Then the strain began to tell. The tension under which the players had been kept had its inevitable result. The men lost their ginger and played slow, listless foot ball. They revived somewhat before the final games, but not enough to ward off defeat. Penn's example in this instance should be due and sufficient warning against undue ardor on

the part of others. The Michigan team had about the same experience in 1892. With the best kind of material, the team was ordered back early and during the hot September days was put through the hardest kind of practice by the coach, who did not seem to know enough to watch the condition of the men. At that time Michigan did not have a trainer to watch the physical condition while the coach taught the science of the game, and the coach had to do it all. The regult was that all the larger men were overworked, some losing fifteen or twenty pounds, so that when the season fairly opened they were all dead on their feet.

From this it follows that the men must not be worked too hard during this hot weather, but must be gradually got into that they will be in the pink of form when

It is a sore disappointment to the crickhave been playing such pranks on the other | time. side, more especially with the all-England turn home via the Suez canal instead of 'Frisco, as has been the custom of former teams from the antipodes. It is true that minutes with Steffers. all the American teams that went up against coincide in this view of the situation and prudence, would rather field in the hot sun two days

Sir Thomas Lipton has arrived in America, busy man on account of his vast enverprises, his entire time and energy from now on to the Shamrock. Sir Thomas' first questions on reaching this side were as to the Columbia, as he realizes that he has a hard tank to carry back the trophy to the other Neither money nor time has been spared in the preparation of the Shamroel for the contests, as Sir Thomas save that if you are going to stop to consider the expense you might as well stay on the other alde. It was rumored that the skipper of the German emperor's yacht, Meteor, was not to be allowed to assist in sailing the turned toward the great international race Shamrock, but recent telegraphic reports and that he has already started for this day at Morrill for \$1.75.

country of all lovers of the sport by his manly Brooklyn, N. Y. utterances and it is a safe but that he will not squeal or offer excuses if his boat is stables cover a pretty large range. Aside urally, in its ketch rig and after a hard not successful. He will show us that all from caring for one or more horses he must challengers are not of the Dunraven stripe, serve as assistant cook, chief dishwasher Lipton will be on the Shamrock in person in and when the stable visits Kansas he is

Jeffries Can Find No Worthy Op-

ponent on the Other Side Who Wants to Meet Him.

disappointment to the patrons of boxing in London, who cannot draw a line on the llermaker's talents unless he "tries out" one of the English heavyweights, such as "Chawley" or the fat-headed Smlth. Articles of agreement were drawn by George Atkinson for the contest with Mitchell, but Brady and Foxy Chawley failed to agree do the gentleman, the gallant; to allow in the articles that Jeffries must not be Both of these foxy Britishers demanded not only a draw, but 50 per cent of the gross receipts, and Brady wisely de- | held at Chapman August 16, with a "tre clined to meet the demands of this precious menjus" crowd in attendance. As was to pair of worn-out has-beens. Mitchell and have been expected, local horses captured Smith are the only pair of heavyweights in sil the events upon the program and Junc-England who can make even a mild bluff at tion City fanciers were compelled to return putting up the stuffed gauntlets of war, with empty pockets. Chapman is the village Ted Pritchard never recovered from the set- where the merchants inaugurated Saturday back given him by Jim Hall. Acting on racing to draw trade. The scheme has the advice of his physician, Pritchard re- worked well and neighboring towns are seektired from the ring after the Hall affair. ing some method to retain their share of He was afflicted with heart disease, and trade. was in danger of death if he continued in the ring.

England has failed to produce a heavy weight of the champion mettle since the days of Jem Mace, and it is a question grade in the trade is known as cabbers, and whether Mace could have worsted his arch-

enemy, Joe Coburn. The featherweights reared by England within the last ten years have included such luminaries of the stuffed mitt guild as Billy Plimmer, Pedlar Palmer and Fred Johnson. Plimmer was the 116-pound champion of England, and the title was snatched from him by the clever little coster Pedlar him by the clever little coster Pedlar ment for cavalry horses as well as with Palmer, who is now training for his battle Uncle Sam, who wants mounts for the regiwith Terry McGovern for the international

Three times "Kid" McCoy has been by his own carelessness, and the second raise his limit or go without. time presumably from the same reason. A interesting, showing something of the na- to 151/2 and 950 to 1,050 pounds. The former, September and fairly jumped into the game. too much caution in the ring, and his com- a trifle too small for the latter, while the

temporary advantage over him. It happened in Cleveland in the gym nasium of the Cleveland Athletic club. "Billy" Steffers, now dead, was McCoy's opponent. He was a Toledo boy, very strong with his right hand, quite plucky and possessed of a little knowledge of boxing.

McCoy was then a stripling. He was the picture of health, fast on his feet, quick in his hand work and with much the same style that time has perfected to its present degree of proficiency. He was as confident that he could whip Steffers as he was that the sun was coming up the next morning. The men shook hands and the fight began.

McCoy danced around Steffers, fiddling and working his long arms just as he has done many a time since then. He grinned and chatted and tried to convey, as well as he could, the impression that he knew how easy the fight would be, and would let it run for awhile.

Suddenly Steffers lunged forward, shot his ight fist into McCoy's jaw, and the facetious fighter tumbled to the floor like a bag of oats from a ten-story elevator. He was flat on his back, arms wide outstretched, and never moved

The crowd did not know what to make o it. Some thought McCoy dead, so still did he lie. The referee counted ten and declared condition and worked up to the point, so Steffers the winner. Still McCoy did not move. He was picked up, limp and half the final big struggles are reached about lifeless, and carried to his corner, where he was revived. When he had fully recovered consciousness he slunk away the most crestfallen and sheep-faced young man who eters in America that the Australians, who had been in the boxing ring for a long

Then came another challenge to Steffers. elevens, should slight this country and re- another fight, and McCoy easily showed his superiority over the other man. His first knockout came before he had fought two

From all indications the knockout he rethem would probably have been swamped on ceived in Chicago was on the same order. every occasion, but say the cranks: "Who | When McCoy is in the ring with a boxer cares for that; we want to see the best there | whom he believes he can whip he is too is, regardless of a little leather hunting." likely to assume the part of the cat play-And the majority of the players who would ing with the mouse, and it takes a good, be called upon to indulge in these outings hard blow sometimes to teach him a little

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in succession than have the famous Aus- fleve that he might have whipped "Tom" fifteen birds, ties on high score to shoot October octo trailans pass us by in this shabby fashion. Sharkey had he kept at the sailor-citizen when he had him reeling like a drunken man, then on the floor, in the early part reaching New York Friday. Though a very of the fight at the Lenox Athletic club. Overconfidence has been a failing rather he has cast all business aside and will devote than a blessing to the ambitious Hoosler. If he thinks an opponent a little slower than himself he is likely to take all kinds grounds.

ABOUT HORSES AND HORSEMEN

Racing Season is in Full Bloom and the Borsemen Are Correspondingly Happy.

John R. Gentry, 2:00%, will probably never be seen on the track after this year.

The only evidence of hard times in Kansas state that this embargo has been removed is the statement that a horse sold the other

The old Nebraska gelding, Newsboy, 2-134; Sir Thomas has already won the hearts is doing service as a woman's road horse in The swipe's duties in some western racing

> supposed to rustle the "beer." In the cities of the Philippine islands here are found no mares. It is contrary to city ordinance to allow them within the city limits, as there are no geldings found in

that country, stallions being used for all An attractive circuit for owners residing Jim Jeffries' failure to get on with Charin western Kansas and Nebraska consists of ley Mitchell and Jem Smith proved a big meetings at Bertrand, Orleans, Indianola, Stockville and Elwood, Neb., beginning at the former place September 5 and ending October 3 to 6 at Elwood. While not large, the purses are sufficient to invite the attention of those having horses and colts that need some education in actual contests. As has happened so many times in the turf career of Joe Patchen, that gallant pacer was on the division of the receipts, and 'tis handicapped in his race against Gentry and to the contest unlers Jim Jeffries agreed amateur in the bike. Whether some owners believe so or not, the man "behind the Mitchell to make a draw. Smith also lines" has fully as much to do with winning stipulated that a peace statute be inserted horse races as the "critter" before the "breeching.

A long-planned horse-racing contest beween Junction City and Chapman, Kan., was

Horse breeders and trainers all over the country are viewing with pleasure the clow but sure advance of prices for what might be termed inferior grades of stock. This three or four weeks ago they were plentiful in the Chlcago market at \$80 a head, but at the present time \$100 is asked and the supply seems to be unequal to the demand, the tops being of better quality than ever before. There are several reasons given to account for this phenomenal state of affairs. Among them is that there are several big contracts standing with the French governments in the Philippines, and these alone would have been sufficient to raise values slightly, although not to such an extent. The United States is willing to pay from knocked out in the prize ring. Twice it has \$110 to \$125, while the Frenchman sticks at happened in the first round of a fight, once \$100, with the result that he must either

The situation might be summed up thus: third time he was knocked out after several | The government wants horses from 14% to rounds of fighting against "Tom" Sharkey. 1514 hands high, and 850 to 1,000 pounds, Of the three knockouts the first is the most | while the Frenchman wants them from 15 ture of a fighter, who often exercises none it will be seen, is willing to take animals antagonist who may have acquired some larger than the former wants, so that, so the league." long as our government is willing to pay more than the foreigner he has the pick, for

larger horses are scarcer and consequently higher in price. The orders aggregate only about 5,000 head, but in the present depleted state of the market it takes quite a while to get the required number together that will all come up to the high standard set by Uncle Sam. Two or three years ago these contracts could have been filled without raising the market more than \$5, but now an order for that number of horses is quite an important factor in the trade, and by the time that both amateur team in Chicago. are filled, medium grade horses will be

mighty scarce. The crop which is now being used is that of 1893, which was a much larger one than any of the three years that followed, 1894, 1895, 1896, when there was little or no breeding done in this country. If with the larger crop in our favor we are now at the end of our rope, what will we do for the pext three years, when the crops of the nothing-will be drawn on?

MEN OF THE ROD AND GUN

September 1 Saw the Opening of the Chicken Season and Many Parties Are Out.

Many groups of sportsmen started after against the Brewers, the added bleachers rairie chickens Friday, when the season for will not hold the crowd. prairie chickens Friday, when the season for this delightful sport opened, and many more have planned to go today. Reports from all plentiful and many large bags will undoubt- ers. edly be made, as there are only a few places the Hammonds play every week for a good in Nebraska where the nefarious market wager, ranging from \$50 to \$100. hunter has been getting in his work. These have been detected in several places and sames at Nonparell park is the well known many chickens have been seized in shipment local puglist, 'Irish' McGee. 'Irish' is the authorities, who seem to be using the terror of the "kids," to whom the fences offer no bar to seeing the games, and it is but how much better it would have been, their utmost endeavors to keep to a minimum due to his efforts that the irrepressibles are from the rider's point of view, had this cut this class of work.

The Cherokee Gun club will give its third annual anuateur tournament at the home grounds September 13 and 14. Good purses are hung up and the best kind of a time is promised to visiting shooters. For all kinds and was made a draw. Then Taylor had a of information as to the shoot write to J. D. whirf at it and made a draw in nine. Now Anderson, secretary, Cherokee, Ia.

The fourth annual amateur target tournament will be held at the grounds across the bridge for three days, beginning September under the auspices of the Dupont Gun all hope that the champions will finish first club. Besides the regulation purses, \$400 in this season. Yet it is not safe to fly a cash will be added by the club, to be divided pennant until it is won. The race may between the different events, as will also a assume an entirely different phase before considerable amount of merchandise. The championship trophy, or cup, will be con-tested for on the second day of the meet and there will be more rivalry for the possession than it deserves to be. It is playing secondof this cup than for some of the money division ball of a pronounced kind as its one events. For the guidance of shooters in the

Grounds will be open for practice Monday, optember 4. Expert traps, arranged on the Sergeant system, is the style of shooting that will prevail at this tournament, while flyer targets will be used exclusively.

trapped at 2 cents each. impetent and capable referees have been employed and their decisions will be final under all circumstances. Contestants will

please bear this in mind. American Association rules, modified to govern, with the modification "no bang, no But anyone wilfully refusing to a fair bird shall have the same scored as

All purses divided 35, 30, 20, 15 per cent. All ties to be divided. This tournament is open to all amateurs. To the professionals and manufacturer's agents a cordial invitation is extended to be present and shoot for the price of birds.

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They will be provided with ample facilities for displaying their goods.

Event No. 6 of the second day will be for the championship trophy. The second for the price of birds. my baby was terribly sick with the diarthe championship trophy. The race will be cure.

miss-and-out for the trophy. A first-class hot dinner will be served on

Ship your shells to the Townsend Wheel & Gun Co. and they will be delivered on the shooting grounds free of charge. Good reliable nitro powder hand and ma-chine loads, will be for sale on the shooting

withdraw, your money will be refunded in the events not shot. Those competing in all target events are eligible to the general averages and not

open to the world, and sportsmen from all the neighboring states have signified their Intention of being present for the whole three days, so the purses will be large and worth going after. The grounds are only about five minutes' run from the center of Omaha, and are also of easy access from Council Bluffs. Undoubtedly a large attendance of speciators will be on hand to witness the different events.

The following are the officers of the club and the managers of the shoot: H. S. McDonald, president; J. H. Davis, vice president; C. H. Young, treasurer; G. H. Moore, secretary; C. H. Curtis, captain; F. W. Dvorak, lieutenant; John Lewis, second Heutenant; board of managers, H. S. Mc-Donald, W. T. Brewer, Joseph Goldsmith, J. P. Smead, W. W. Wait.

There are more fish in the lagoon at the exposition grounds than in any body of water of the same size in this part of the country. The water is fairly alive with given them and still be around for more.

and three-quarter pounds

BRIEF BASE BALL GOSSIP Denver Here to Meet the Irrepressible

Buck's Aggregation of Local Amateur Ball Players. Pittsburg has not won a game in Baltimore this season.

The Brooklyns were whitewashed in four of the five games lost to the Bostons. The Brooklyns and New Yorks have each played eleven games without an error, Jack Crooks plays with a team at Alton, Ill., when he isn't on the road selling cigars.

McGraw was the first and Keeler the second league player this season to scor 100 runs. There will be a base ball game on the

xposition grounds between the linetypers and bricklayers on Labor day. Being "hit by pitcher" is a big factor in helping the Orioles to win this season. They have gotten this down fine.

Dan Whitney of the old University Club eam is playing with the Armours and is hitting in better form than ever. President Jim Hart always refuses to talk about the Dahlen-Demontreville deaf of last winter. It makes him sore to even think

of it Ed Lawler is able to play in the Sunday games for Buckerino and is a great help to the infield, as he fields exceptionally fast

and is an accurate thrower. Lou Camp, the old leaguer, is manager and captain of the Armour base ball team. which he is fast rounding into the best of declaring that they are not in the trust and condition. They have lost very few games. Umpire Swartwood says: "Take them all the way through—in batting, fielding, base There are several concerns which have plete confidence in his ability to whip an latter is satisfied with those that are slightly are playing the best game of any team in

> Mcllwaine, who returned home after the breaking up of the Atlantic league, is the mainstay of the Cudahy's Mac is pitching excellent ball and is a little too speedy for the local amateurs There's no discounting the honesty of the

players. The Cincinnatis to a man are pulling for Boston to win the pennant, yet players. beat them three out of four games last week without compunction. There are four of the strong Whitings of

Chicago on the Armour team, which is rapidly pushing to the front. The Whitings for several years been the strongest Denver is here for a return engagement with Buckerino's Brewers and will play three

games in the series. The first game was played yesterday, and the others will be pulled off today and temorrow. In explaining his failure to slug the ball more often the other day, Perry Werden said it was caused by a peculiar swing which he has cultivated while playing golf,

Perry says chinnery is a great game. Abbott and Crawford, the old University three last named years—comparatively of Michigan catchers, and afterward on the University Club team for several years, are practicing nightly with the Young Men's Christian association boys at the Ames

There is increasing local interest in base ball, as the Sunday crowds at Nonparell statement, in letter form, park clearly show. From 1,200 to 1,500 the proposition at length. people are out every Sunday to see the games, and today, with the Denvers matched

All of the packing companies represented now at South Omaha have base ball teams to represent them, and there exists consections say that the chickens were never so siderable rivalry between the different pack-The Stars and the Diamond C's and

One of the principal attractions of the kept within bounds and do not interfere

with the games. "That is three cracks we have had at that postponed game," said Breitenstein, after the last game of the Reds' double-header with Pittsburg. "I pitched the tie in the first place. It lasted twelve innings I have finally landed it in eight innings

Instead of slumping in the west the uperbas have steadily increased their lead and Boston's backers have almost given up two weeks have passed. Base ball is as un-certain as it is honest and the accidents of

the game are always to be considered. victory in four games with the bogus Washstate the following information has been ington team shows. The responsibility rests sent out as governing the shoot:

With Manager Tebeau, who has exclusive control of the players. He is not hampered or interfered with in any way. The record of his team since his retirement from active duty is not creditable to him and is a dis appointment to its patrons. Touted as prospective pennant-winners at the beginning of the season, they dropped steadily to the head of the second division. They climbed back to fifth place, only to lose it through their miserable work against the Washington club. Their only hope of finish-D. C., who rode the distance in 1:31. ing in sixth place is that the Chicago club's slump will continue. The record of the St. Louis team is a hard luck experience—for

"Ten days after Efkes' feat McDuffer rode a mile in New Bedford in the surprising time of 1:28, which by many was regarded se unapproachable, at least so far as concerned this year's performances. In less than "I take great pleasure in recommending Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea remedy to the people of this vicinity," says week afterward, however, 'Major' Taylor, whose skill on the track last year won for him almost uninterrupted applause, startled the cycling world by making a fresh one-

> "Among other feats of notable merit is the performance of Howney, a youth of 17 years, who on August 13 reduced the time for five miles by twenty-eight and four-fifths sec-

IN THE WHEELING WORLD

Little was done around the Omaha Wheel club during the month of August owing To assist the management please enter for to the excessive heat. September, however, the day, and if for any cause you wish to promises to be the banner month of the year. Autumn is coming and with the cooler breezes of fall it is expected that the club runs will be enthusiastically attended. As may be seen by a glance at the club run This is not simply a local affair, but is card, printed below, a greater diversity of enjoyable spins could hardly be thought of. There are two scorches, three short club runs, one fairly long one and a century.

Unlimited excitement is guaranteed by the management when President Tom Mickel takes the boys around the city for one hour for a dinner. Mr. Mickel is confident that he has found a little hill which no one but himself can climb and will buy the dinner for everybody and anybody who climbs it. The worthy president is to climb it himself first, according to the rules. There are a are equally confident that they can ride anything that Thomas Mickel can. event there will be some hard riding done. The blind run by moonlight on September 19 should be attended by every one, as Captain Muntefering has arranged a neat little

a good time is in store for all who some. They actually crowd one another right Mickel, Allen, Mierstein, Proulx, Welles, plete camping paraphernalia. German carp and they will eat all that is is rumored that a member of the fair sex is pitch their tent without serious discomfor boys will extend to her the glad hand of in the locker a large awning, which can be Albert Edholm spent two days last week good-fellowship and do their best to stay in spread on inconveniently hot days and will at Blue Lake, Ia., and made a catch of sight. The young woman is from Denver, protect all hands from the sun, thirty big bass, the largest weighing four rides a diamond frame red wheel and many of the fast boys whose colors she has lowered on the Florence cycle path will recognize her by this description. Following is the September run card:

Sunday, September 3-10 a. m., scorch, ten ing reduced both in size and gauge.

Sunday, Septmber 10-11 a. m., we follow President Tom Mickel one hour inside the city limits without dismount for a dinner. lieve that broken forks are due to the short-An extra piece of pie for tandems and scorchers; 5 p. m., Pries lake. Sunday, September 17-2 p. m., Blair,

twenty-eight miles. Tuesday, September 19-8 p. m., blind un by moonlight, five miles. Sunday, September 24-6 a. m., century, Tekamah course.

The bicycle combine is going against the hardest proposition encountered by any of bolted to the head tube, the steel straps the trusts organized in New Jersey this. fitting to each side of the fork. Should a year. The June frost, which nipped \$40. 000,000 of its proposed watered stock, had crown the wheel will not be released. The hardly melted before trouble arose about who should be president. It was supposed the fulcrum of the lever, the short end of the honor would fall to A. G. Spalding as a which is composed of the front wheel and proper reward for his services in organizing | fork. All strains act on the lever at the fulthe combine, but the plum has not yet fal- crum by the wheel striking obstructions and leu into his lap. The trouble is that Spalding's promotion throws Colonel Pope in the shade and friends of the latter do not take kindly to the plan. Evidence is abundant that the projected combine will not monopolize the bicycle market. New York papers report that several of the firms which gave options have issued statements to the trade are not going in, but are ready to compete in quality and price with all the world. steadfastly remained on the outside and have been standing like cats with arched backs ever since the "trust" began to form. These are by no means small concerns either, but at present it cannot be said whether they really intend to fight to the finish or to get their price. In some cases it looks as if only a finish fight can be expected, because the firms involved are ones that make their profits on other lines and manufacture bicycles as a side issue. Among the big eastern concerns "on the outside" are the Waltham Manufacturing company, the Iver-Johnson Arms and Cycle Works and the George N. Pierce company. The Iver-Johnson company has just come out with a preliminary cry of deflance. It was recently announced that a manufacturer in the corpoine had said that the price of high-grade wheels in 1900 will be \$50. In response the Iver-Johnson company has announced that its highest grade chain wheels will sell at \$35 and that they will

market a chainless at \$60. The product of this concern has always been recognized by the top-notchers. Another firm is out with blazing ads in the trade papers to the effect that it was not connected with the trust and had bleycles to sell and would compete with all comers. This was supplemented by a signed statement, in letter form, that dwelt upon The Waltham company has also declared its independence and defiance, the tone of all being the same. Each of these firms, under their different name plates, makes many cycles and

each is reputed to be wealthy. Two of them have plants in which cycles are only a side Whatever may be the ultimate outcome the conflict among bicycle makers is apparently to be of passing benefit to the wheeling fraternity. The big drop an-

ceme at the opening instead of at the close of the season. Record-smashing has been a notable feature of cycle racing so far this season. The "I pitched the tie achievements of the fast riders are all the more remarkable because previous records were thought to be as fast as possible In this, as in horse racing, there is always room for a shave of the best record. The results to date are thus summarized by the

New York Sun: "Perhaps greater interest has been centered in the attempts to lower the one-mile record than in any other single endeavor During the last twenty years the honors for 'doing the best mile' have been forfeited and regained several times by English and American riders; but, with all due credit to the former, it should be said that the record has been kept for the greater part of the time on Uncle Sam's territory, and that whenever fresh laurers were won by Englishmen they were quickly transferred to this country. For example, when Platt-Betts in 1898, brought the time for a mile down to 1:35, it required less than three months for an American, Taylor, to make the time 1:32 3-5. And when the same English scorcher recovered the one-mile honors on July 7 of this year by riding a mile in 1:21 2-5, he was obliged to relinquish them twelve days later to Elkes, at Washington,

paced record of 1:22 2-5 at Garfield mile park, Chicago.

record was excelled by Linton at Waltham, Mass, the new distance being 34 miles, 1,633 yards, or 410 yards better than the previous attempt. The world's one-hour record, 35 niles, 707 yards, is held by Taylore, i

Frenchman. Linton also clipped four-fifths of a second off the best time previously made in a paced race for twenty-five miles his record for that distance being 42:41 1-5. "The present racing season is a long way from its close, and it would not be strange if other efforts equally gratifying as those I the last two months are heard of before December. Last year the cyclists' most spirited performances did not occur until November, when they took place in rapid succession. But whatever surprises the coming fall may have in store for the wheel-

men and their friends, the competitions of

the riders will be exciting and, we hope, in-

structive likewise.

Perhaps the most curious use of the triyele as a conveyance is that made by b . Warren, a Philadelphian, who ass bad onstructed recently a machine for the use of his entire family. It is a peculiar conlarge number of our "rough riders" who struction, and will at once attract the attention of the passerby. While the wheel is a tricycle, it is built on a different principle from that on which most tricycles are constructed. It is in truth simply a tau dem bicycle with an auxiliary wheel on onside for the purpose of support. Between surprise for the boys. This will be a treat this third wheel and the machine proper. that should not be missed. A large number | there is a commodious crib, in which seats have already signified their willingness to are provided for the four children that follow their captain anywhere "blind" and compose Mr. Warren's family. These are not yet large enough to ride for themselves On the last Sunday of the month, when and Mr. Warren takes this means of carrythem and some mathematician has figured it the weather is expected to be much cooler ing them about. His wife rides the for out that one-tenth of the body of the lagoon and the roads in excellent condition, the ward seat of the tandem and he himself is fish. At any rate it is great sport to annual century of the club will take place occupies the rear seat. Another unique ride in a gondola and throw crusts of bread over the usual Tekamah course. That this feature of the outfit is a locker under the and other food overboard and see the fish run will be a record breaker there can be carriage which supports the smaller Warfairly scramble over one another to get at no doubt. With such men as Denman, rens, in which Mr. Warren carries a comout of the water to get at the crust which Muntefering, Mulhall, Livesey, Angell and blankets, stools and cooking utensils find many have nightly got in the habit of car- Croxton it is safe to say that the 100 miles a place there, so that overtaken at night whispered that Chawley would not consent Searchlight through the presence of an rying out for the fish. The fish are mostly will be made under six hours (or more). It on the road the family can conveniently eager to go on this run and if she does the Besides these things, there is hidden away

> The demand for lighter wheels is growing stronger in the east, and it seems certain that there will be developments in this direction in the near future. This will mean tubmiles; 2:30 p. m., club run, Irvington, eight will carry with it smaller hubs, balls, cups and sprockets.

There is also some talk of using a smaller front wheel, say, a 26-inch wheel. Many beened head, which was brought about through the demand for a dropped hanger. As a remedy for this trouble and a means for reducing the weight of a wheel the 26-inch steering wheel is entitled to some considera-

One of the most recent inventions to guara against a collapse of the fork crown is a brace to fit over the fork. The brace is collision occur violent enough to break the weak point of a bicycle, is there is any, is at depressions in its path. A break at the fulcrum will throw the rider so that he falls on his face or head, and there are numerous cases where accidents of this kind have resulted fatally. Cleaning the hubs of a bicycle is a thank-

ess job that has exasperated many a rider The arrangement of the spokes make then so hard to get at that much perspiration and patience is lost over the efforts to remove the seemingly undue amount of dirt that allegte on them A reporter caw work on some hubs in a shop the other day, and his idea may be valuable to many. He had a bit of wood about as wide and as thick on each side, was fastened a piece of chamois skin. By using one side for removing the dirt and the other for polishing he did splendid work. Next year being presidential election year

the League of American Wheelmen intends pushing various bills in the legislatures in the interests of wheelmen and thereby make the legislators of different parties place themselves on record as for or against wheelmen just previous to the great political struggle. These bills will include laws intended to improve the highways, force railroads to carry bicycles as baggage in such states as are not already compelled to do so, requiring uniform ordinances in each state and many other items of importance to the cycling fraternity.

An English cycle trade paper prints the following in its serious column: "The chief enemies of cyclists in India are the mosquitoes, which not only puncture the rider's flesh, but actually bite through the tires."



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