FOOT BALL, KING OF SPORTS

Reign of the Pigekin Culminates During the Thanksgiving Season.

NEW INTEREST IS MANIFESTED IN GOLF

Western Base Ball Association is Assured, with Omnha the Leading Member-Destiny of Cricket Is Discussed.

have little difficulty in subduing the husky Dakotans, Captain Williams of the Nebrasteam and did not accompany it on the northern trip. Left Tackle Pearse is now acting as captain and most of the players expressed

the hands of Kansas. The weak spot on that clent guaranty is offered to cover the exdevolving upon his position.

The game with Kansas was one of the most spectacular contests of the year. Benedict, one of the two veterans who played on the 'varsity a year ago, immortalized himself by kicking four goals from field, a record which has never been scored as far as known on any foot ball oval. Nebraska was indebted to these four kicks for twenty of the twenty-two points scored against Kansas' made a sorry showing. One of the kicks was from the Kansas forty-yard line and another passed between the posts from a distance of forty-two yards. Benedict also made several notable runs with the ball and all of Nebraska's gains in fact were made by open plays. Kansas relied upon its bulk rather than sprinting ability to cover ground and the captain sent his backs through the Nebraska line almost at will. The visitors outweighed the local team twelve or fifteen pounds to the man and had the advantage of excellent team work in mass plays.

The management of the Ames avenue park is making extensive arrangements for the Nebraska-Grinnell game on Thanksgiving present with a supply of purple and black ribbons, and a Council Bluffs contingent will as usual swell the ranks of the Iowa supwith Iowa City, they may outnumber the local rooters.

The Grinnell players are looked upon as formidable opponents, having made a better did the Nebraskans. They held Iowa to a score of 12 to 0, while the Lincoln boys allowed the Hawkeyes to reach 30. Grinnell has vanquished Drake university this season by a large score and has had equal success with Missouri, so that the Nebraska Since the breach has been healed in the Nebraska ranks a great improvement in team work is expected and the Thursday game promises to be the most evenly contested local match of the year.

The High school eleven put in conscientious work during the week for the game with Tekamah yesterday. The continued rain of Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday was not regarded as an obstacle and the first and second squads gathered regularly to go through the signals in the mud and water. This awakened zeal indicated that any overconfidence, which may have been excusable after an unbroken list by the defeat at Lincoln.

Tekamah is considered a formidable foe and worthy of all possible preparation. During this season it has run up 123 points against opponents and in return has suffered no hostile runner to cross its goal line. The team has been trained carefully under the direction of . Coach Hopewell, formerly a University of Nebraska guard, and is made up of heavy material.

The local High school is bending its chief energies, however, to attaining perfect form for the game with Red Oak on Thanksgiv-That eleven has a clean record for the season and is easily the first High school team in the state. The game will but Iowa has the proud distinction of being organization. Replies were so encouraging expect to accompany their men to the scene is made up. Many more than that numiber were easily secured for the excursion to foot ball captain in 1894. He is an ardent more than pleased with the outlook. Lincoln two weeks ago.

The Nebraska-Iowa Interscholastic championship, according to the rules of the works like an automatic machine. league, was decided by the game between Red Oak and Lincoln at the latter city yestuits, eastern and western, consisting of Red Then the alumni were shut out by a score would be a winner can be formed. It is ex

percentage of 1,000. Council Bluffs having This is the only score made against lowa completing preliminary arrangements and lost to both Omaha and Red Oak, scores a this year. of the equality in the percentages of the Ne- played in Omaha.

The Nebraska 'varsity eleven passed Interscholastic league will assemble in strong game they put up. One of Iowa's he has not the slightest doubt. Added to through the city Thursday on its way to Omaha on December 2. A schedule of games players, speaking of the Nebraska game, this will be a stock subscription of \$1,500. meet the South Dakota university men at will be arranged for next season, the cham- declared that in spite of the score of 30 to 0 Each subscriber will become a shareholder

this city during the Christmas holidays.

arrangement. The lack of harmony in the victory over the Creighton collegians one score of about 24 to 0. the ascendency in university athletics, and as a result the feeling was altogether absent that its team work is being perfected. A generous proposal has been received from the second team will try for Williams' place at left end. Next year lows will hunt for the Young Men's Christian association of the Young Men's Christian association of bigger prey. Games with Wisconsin, Michiston. for the defeat one week ago in Lincoln at Salt Lake City for a game there and a suffioccasion was through left guard and tackie. pense of the trip. The students, however, Pearse, in the latter position, invariably contrary to the usual custom of their kind, broke up the interference, which was his begrudge the time from their studies. Anduty as prescribed by orthodox rules, but other proposal has been received from the Captain Williams, at left half, failed for Kansas City Medical college team, one of some reason to ctop the runner, the task the strongest aggregations in the west, and a counter proposal has been made inviting the Missourians to this city. Negotiations are also under way with Tabor and Doane colleges.

A great deal of interest centers in the game between the two great government institutions at West Point and Annapolis articles for a camping-out experience sevon December 2. This is the first meeting eral days ago and betook themselves to a of the naval and military academies since favorite haunt at Kelley's lake, up the river thirty-six, and without them would have 1893, and their comparative merits are there- about sixteen miles. The climatic condifore an unsolved problem. West Point has tions were ideal for a pleasant outing, but, had the advantage of playing with Harvard, to use the words of Mr. Saunders, "the Yale, Princeton and Columbia, and has weather was too fine to permit of any hunttrained rigorously under alumni coaches, ing." Despite this fact, the outing was while Annapolis has depended upon a resi- hugely enjoyed. For three days Messrs. dent instructor with outside assistance. Saunders and Sharpe divorced themselves West Point is not up to its usual weight from all thoughts of municipal or other this year and its backs have not displayed affairs and devoted their attention entirely the dash characteristic in the past. An- in quest of rest and recreation. In this they napolis, on the other hand, has been for- were successful until Sunday rolled around, tunate this season in its original material Then a number of Omaha friends, having

took place at West Polnt, when the visitors visitors a sumptuous repast, arranging a could call its own and it is a fact that if won by a score of 24 to 0. The soldiers, bent menu for dinner which would arouse delight on retrieving themselves, turned the tables in the most pronounced epicure. Even day and expects an attendance of 4,000. A the following year with a score of 36 to 16. though they had been disappointed in not large delegation of Grinnell students will be In 1892 and 1893 Annapolis developed rapidly bagging a few choice pieces of game, their in strength and generalship and won by the friends envied them the pleasant experience and Emmett streets, on a vacant lot owned the strength and generalship and won by the friends envied them the pleasant experience and Emmett streets, on a vacant lot owned by Mr. Kountze, and which, through the year the authorities at Washington felt that loath to break up camp and return to town porters until, as in the case of the game the annual game was interfering in some that night, unimaginable way with the duties of the cadets and forbade the custom. No object- PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL tion was made, however, to the cadets playing with other elevens, and they have acshowing against the University of Iowa than cordingly kept abreast of the times. The game will be played on Franklin field, Philadelphia, as objection was made to a meet

partisans have no reason to hope for an exhibition of foot ball ever set before the ward the reorganization of the Western as-American public. Harvard pressed its scoring on three occasions by the desperate rallies of old Eli's sons. With its inimitable interference and team work the crimson players advanced the ball to Yale's twoyard line, but were unable to push it over. An attempt to gather in 5 points was also made by a place kick from the twentyfive-yard line and a drop kick from the twenty-five-yard line, but neither passed between the posts.

ing on the local ovals.

Yale accomplished in a large measure what t started out to do, namely the disruption of the famous Harvard interference, and its backs sifted through the line and reached of victories, had been effectually removed the runner with amazing agility. In its kicking game Yale also excelled, McBride gaining an average of fifteen yards on every exchange of punts. The Yale ends, however, could not prevent the Harvard men from carrying back the ball more than far enough to make good the deficiency.

No Hostile Runner Crosses Their greatly increased by a professional team.

Goal During the Sseason. IOWA CITY, Nov. 25 .- (Special.)-Iowa is occur at Red Oak and local enthusiasts the only team which has not had a touch- that Hickey soon started on a circuit of special train. A low round-trip rate the result of luck, but of hard work under base ball leaders and investigate the conhas been secured, providing a party of 250 able coaching. Dr. A. A. Knipe, Iowa's ditions as they existed. He was in Omaha

electrical treatment you want the BEST.

Omaha, Lincoln and Tekamah on the other, of the season, played with Chicago univer- from each of these cities will be held in have him in our midst. Red Oak entered yesterday's game with a sity, and resulting in a rie score of 5 to 5. Omaha next Thursday for the purpose of A word with your anonymous correspond

cipher. Omaha's mark is 500, having won | Chicago made its points on a place kick, from Tekamah on forfelt, and lost to Lin- while the Iowans carned theirs on a touch- suggested or even thought of in connection coin; Lincoln's is 500, having won from down with the ball in the hands of little with the managerial position of the Omaha Omaha and lost to Tekamah on forfelt, and Edson, left halfback. Just a week later team. He has been the godfather of local Tekamah's is likewise 500, having won and Penn college of Oskaloosa added 35 points base ball for several years, and with the lost two games, both on forfeit. Lincoln to Iowa's list, and was followed by the Rush somewhat limited material available has had the least number of points scored against Medics of Chicago with 17. Five more were been able to provide Omaha fans with some it and was accordingly qualified to meet Red taken from the Iowa Agricultural college of really good base ball organizations. Buck's Oak for the interstate championship in spite Ames, and then came the Nebraska game, plan to raise the necessary funds to enable

It is definitely anounced that Omaha and of Galesburg, Ill., followed one week ago able to get together enough stock so that kans has practically withdrawn from the Council Bluffs will meet a second time in by raising the figure to 33. The final game they will have the privilege of runoing the his letters in misrepresenting what I really The Omaha Medical college eleven feels Rock Island. Illinois foot ball experts have \$2,500 can be raised by the sale of ticketsthemselves as well pleased with the new new confidence in its prowess after its easy already conceded the game to Iowa by a 5,000 in number at 50 cents each. With the

contracted. Dr. Knife will remain as coach and will pursue the same methods as those of this year.

WEATHER KEPT GAME AWAY

Climatic Conditions Ideal for Camping Out, but Saunders and Sharpe Unable to Do Any Shooting.

Charles L. Saunders, deputy city treasurer and Harry Sharpe, deputy comptroller, gathered together certain divers and necessary and has faithfully developed its team play. learned of their retreat, descended upon The four games played previous to 1893 them and necessitated the obligations inciresulted in favor of the naval cadets, with dent to entertaining hosts. Saunders and one exception. The first enecting, in 1890, Sharpe bustled about and prepared for their

Reorganization of Western Associa tion with Omaha as Leading

City of Circuit.

Local base ball enthusiasts-and there are many of them in Omaha-are overjoyed at The game between Harvard and Yale one the prospects of having a professional team casions. week ago was probably the most scientific in this city next season. Plans looking tosociation have been under way for so adversary hard and was only prevented from | weeks and present indications warrant the prediction that no obstacle will be presented sufficient to frustrate them.

When the project was first broached word was sent out from Omaha that this city could be depended upon first, last and all the time, and because of this encouragement given the promoters in the beginning, Omaha is likely to be the most important city in the circuit. Shortly after the local season closed last summer Buck Keith, the enthusiast of all enthulasts, entered heartily into preliminary arrangements with T. J. Hickey of St. Joseph and other western base ball magnates for the resuscitation of the western association. He was encouraged in this matter by reason of the great local interest manifested during the season then just closed by Omaha and South Omaha fans in the mediocre article of ball put up by the several local teams. If such enthusiasm were aroused by teams having no especial CLEAN RECORD FOR THE IOWANS, talent in the art of ball playing, Buck and

other local leaders argued that it would be Thomas Jefferson Hickey, the Nick Young of western base balldom, was persuaded to one of the three college foot ball teams of undertake the reorganization of the Western the country which has not met defeat this association. He carried on correspondence year. The other two are Harvard and Chi- with a number of cities eligible by reason cago. All three have been scored against, of their location to membership in such an down scored against it. This record is not several cities to interview personally the coach, is a Pennsylvania graduate and was last week and expressed himself as being

believer in team work and has no use for At this time assurances have been given its requirements. This matter should be "stars." As a result of his systematic that Omaha, Denver, Lincoln, Sioux City, coaching a term has been produced which St. Joseph and Des Moines may be depended upon as members of the circuit, with To-The first game of the ecason was with the peka, Pueblo, Cripple Creek, Davenport and State Normal school of Cedar Falls, which Feoria anxious to gain admittance. From terday. The league is divided into two cir- went down to defeat by a score of 22 to 0, this number an eight-club circuit which

No person other than Buck Keith has been Omaha to become a member of the new as-Of this game the Iowa boys speak in the sociation is to secure a voluntary donation highest terms, especially of the gentlemanly of \$2,000 from the financial nabobs who pa-Delegates to the annual meeting of the conduct of the Nebraska players, and the tronize the sport. Of his ability to do this Vermilion. The boys were in good spirits pionship will be awarded and officers will be Nebraska played a game nearly as hard as on payment of \$5, and no one will be perand fine physical condition and expected to elected. down to defeat by 16 to 0, and Knox college \$10 worth. In this way no clique will be of the year will be played with the Uni- organization, but its division among many did sayversity of Illinois on Thanksgiving day at will insure the best success. Besides this, \$6,000 raised by these means an aggregation team has been responsible in a large measweek ago and expects to accumulate other
lowa's team for next year will probably of players can be secured which will make
use for the wretched showing made during laurels before the season closes. The team
be exactly the same as it is now, with one the present season. The eleven has been at shows up for daily practice on its oval at exception. Fred A. Williams, who lives at est, if not the strongest in the entire as the mercy of two factions contending for Tenth and Pierce streets and has sufficient Neola, will graduate from the Law depart- sociation, and base ball in this city will the ascendency in university athletics, and bulk to make it a dangerous adversary, now ment next June. Plenty of candidates from then forge to the front and occupy a post-

Sportsman Denies that Local Interest in the Game Shows Signs of Subsiding.

Considerable controversy has occurred this all as to the best method of arousing a general interest in cricket. Several of its dherents have abandoned hopes of making he game a popular pastime. They point out that its movement is too slow and there a too little chance for individual play to nterest the American boy and that without his aid the game is eventually doomed. One active partisan takes a more hopeful view and writes as follows:

"OMAHA, Nov. 25 .- To the Sporting Edtor of The Bee: I was glad to see in last Sunday's Bee that some one else besides myself ventured to combat Mr. Lawrie's statement that cricket is a back number. This demonstrates at any rate that I am not the only champion of the game in Omaha. If the Omaha Cricket club was made up of enthusiasts of the Simms caliber the game would flourish with a vengeance.

"Hitherto I have confined my suggestions to the feasibility of increasing the membership of the club, but there is another question of vital importance and that is the question of grounds. The Omaha Cricket club has never yet had a 'home' which it cricket is to be put on a firm and permanent footing in the city the club must have a ground of its own. For some years the grounds of the club have been at Twentieth kindness of that gentleman, has been at the disposal of the club at a very nominal charge; indeed, if I am not mistaken, it has cost the club nething for several years. Surely this state of affairs is not satisfactory has no protection whatever and consequently tion may be a pronounced success. is constantly being damaged by mischievous . When the links are put into thoroughly boys, who have free access to it on all cc- good condition it is certain that the Kountze

the general public from walking all over the ground, and, for that matter, procuring a seat in the club house from which to Sixteenth and Emmet streets. watch the game, all free of charge. This state of affairs cheapens the game in the eyes of the general public and when a game becomes cheap it loses its prestige and

"It is safe to say that the present financial state of the club will not admit of its pursuited to its wants. The prospect, therefore, of procuring a ground just now does not e done without money and the present inome of the club is barely sufficient to buy material and pay any little incidental expenses which crop up. It therefore seems to ne as if the subscription of the club should be raised to \$10 per annum. This step may cause a few to drop out, but only those who are of no assistance to the club, for surely a cricketer who is worthy of the name will give \$10 a year for the pleasure he gets out of the game. If the club can raise the number of its members to 100 this oming year and the committee appropriates half the subscriptions received for a ground fund there would be \$500 as a starter and the entertainment committee could also help the fund along this winter with half the proceeds of the entertainments given by it. It may not be practicable to procure a new ground for next season, but by creating a fund and getting some money together it will be only a matter of a short time before the club can get a piece of land suitable to CRICKETER." looked after at once.

AUSES OF DECLINE IN CRICKET.

Rules Must Be Made More Popular in Order to Receive Support. OMAHA, Nov. 24 .- To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: When you asked me to give a ew thoughts relative to amateur sports in here, and still less did I think that any one would accuse me of words I never uttered. Mr. Simms would do well to carefully read what I did write, and not imagine what I

I did say that in Scotland the pepole were dissatisfied with the present rules of cricket and that in England, to a lesser degree, the same feeling existed. I say so still, and Mr Simms merely corroborates my statement when he acknowledges that complaints have been made in the newspapers relative to rules. I never said cricket in England "has declined in public favor;" that is what Mr. Simms imagined I said. "As an Englishman" Mr. Simms may find cricket as it is at present played to his liking, but I beg to differ with him, and hold that the game is too slow for the average American citizen and will never have the support of the

Mr. Simms' main reason for the decline of cricket in Scotland is evidently based on too long sojourn in England and Council Bluffs, when he says that it is owing to 'the conformation of the ground." For Mr. Simms' benefit I might mention that there are several hilly spots in Scotland, but also some few patches suitable for a cricket

Mr. Simms' logic is somewhat faulty when he declares that the rules of the game should not be changed for the spectators' sake, who know nothing about the game and contribute nothing to its support. He puts the cart before the horse. I say change the rules so that for both players and speciators the game will be faster and more interest-

terially in its financial support. establish itself in the good graces of amateur

Oak and Council Bluffs on the one side and of 35 to 0. The next game was the hardest pected that a meeting of representatives outlived croquet, we shall be very glad to

His ideas of raising interest and money for the Omaha Cricket Club have been tried and found wanting. Past experience has shown that cricket as at present constituted has not enough of interest in it to draw the outside public, and as a consequence putelders will not support the game, financially or otherwise. Let "An Admirer" begin at the root of the evil and work up, and not at the other end and work down.

In my letter I never stated that cricket was becoming a back number either in Omaha or the United States. What I said was that for various reasons given cricket was fast becoming a back number in Scotland, and in view of that fact it was not surprising that in Omaha the game was not full of life and energy.

I have no wish to enter into any controversy with Mr. Simms or others on cricket matters, and only desire to correct any false impressions which may have been formed by

NEW GOLF CLUB IS LAUNCHED

Ideal Links Will Be Laid Out is Kountze Place-Many Women Enter Their Names.

Last Thursday evening the Kountze Plac Golf club was organized and the following officers were elected: Captain, H. Lawrie secretary and treasurer, Miss M. Brolliar; green committee, R. Young, Miss H. Jaynes and E. V. Lewis. These officers will form affairs of the club under its control. The meeting was very enthusiastic and

indications point to a successful club in the immediate future. This club is the second to be formed in Omaha and does not in any way interfere with the Omaha Golf club with links at Happy Hollow. In fact it is considered that with an additional club is Omaha much more interest will be manifested in the game and will lead in the future to friendly competitions between the two clubs. One pleasing feature of the new organization was the interest displayed by the women members, who are quite numerous and bid fair to rival the sterner sex at the game.

Mr. Kountze has generously allowed the use of Kountze reserves, in the center of tances between holes varying from 150 to 300 yards. The course is not a large one, but at the same time is sufficient to allow of fair number of shots to each hole, and the hazards, although not of the most difficult, will give the players plenty of work and trouble in avoiding and get out of them. To those who are not familiar with the game of golf it may be stated that each participant plays his or her ball against that of an opponent, and the party taking the least number of shots to reach a hole wins that hole, and so on to the end of the game Each player is dependent entirely upon himself, and any trouble he gets into is entirely his own making. The skill displayed in making fine shots is duly credited to him. One or more rounds of the links can be

game a pleasure and not a burden. It is the intention to enlist all the golfers in Omaha in the club and also to invite all to the members as a permanent thing. The those who wish to learn the game to join ground is an open piece of land and the the club, so that both from a golfing standclub house which has been erected on it point and numerical etrength the organiza-

played at the players' option, making the

Place course will be almost an ideal one, persons desiring to join may send their applications to the secretary, Miss M. Brolliar,

Basket Ball Grows in Favor. With the approach of cold weather, when athletes are obliged to relinquish foot ball, are now twenty teams organized among the various classes at the Young Men's Christian association and a number of excellent playchasing or even leasing a piece of ground ers have been found among the number A picked team will meet the University of Nebraska team in three games, two at Linseem very bright. Of course nothing can coin and one in Omaha. There are twenty candidates for the local team-a keen competition for the five positions-at the athletic director's disposal. A game is also being arranged for with the Kansas university team on January 1. The Kansans will pass through Omaha about that date on their way to Chicago, where it will meet Yale,

IN THE WHEELING WORLD.

)-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-**4** The bicycle trust does not differ from other trusts in methods of business. It has not yet touched the jobber and probably because the fall is not a favorable season to tighten the screws. But the combine has already shown its purpose to 'economize" by closing two bicycle fac tories at Toledo. The Lozier, Colton and Viking factories in that city were absorbed by the trust and assurances were given that they would be operated as usual. A dispatch from Toledo says that during the recent campaign "Manager Colton of the Colton company declared in a published card that he trust would greatly increase the amount of bleycle labor employed in Toledo. Last week an agent of the trust arrived in the city and a few days after the announce ment was made that the Colton company Scotland I little imagined that I would and the Viking factory are to be permanentstir up a hornet's nest in cricketing circles ly shut down and that the machinery will will be transferred to the Lozier. The downtown store of the latter factory is also closed. This will throw out of employment 500 workmen. Mr. Colton will leave the employ of the trust at the end of the month.

"A peculiar fact in relation to the deal whereby the tiremakers in the cycle trust were awallowed by the Flint rubber trust," he bicycle men are bound not to make any ires they are not on the other hand obliged o buy them of the Rubber Goods Manufacturing company. In this particular the deal would seem to be one offering a big loophole to the cycle makers, but the spirit of the deal will be observed, and riders who have found wheel makers equipping their machines with certain tires and advocating them will probably find the same cycles fitted with the same tires as previously. The technicality, however, will enable the cycle makers who desire a change to make it. At any rate, the privilege permits of an open competition in the market. As tires are the most costly adjunct to a bicycle and have to be renewed more often than any of cyclists as the changes in the cycle trade

it with Charlie Turville, the Philadelphian, asks that No. 13 be apportioned to him. Stevens has a superstition. He believes that won the contest. During the twenty-four the total the same. sporting circles in this city, and should Mr. hours he was the only rider who failed to Simms desire to join the club, after he is meet with some sort of an accident, and Dr. R. D. Mason, rectal and pelvic sur-

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the first time his foot had touched the track from the start of the contest.

There may be luck in numbers. Not only Stevens, but Oscar Aronson believes this to be the case. Aronson has asked for No. 7. This number has been worn by the win-Kountze place, for a golf links. The course ner of every six-day race held by the Amer- for Thanksgiving trade are now being prehas been laid out in nine holes, crossing ican Cycle Racing association. Years ago pared for market. It is quite probable they Twentieth street four times and giving dis- Albert Schock wore the number and took the will be the race. Then Teddy Hale came over from Ireland and asked for the number. He got it and won the contest of '96. Charles W. Miller ran second to Fred Schineer in the Chicago six-day race and entered the New York contest of '97 on the understanding only that he could have the lucky talisman. He got it and won the race. Miller also won the race of '98 with No. 7 on his back, and, going to San Francisco, he also won there Krug Cabinet beer-say fifteen minutes bewith No. 7. Aronson's application precedes fore the meal. It's the greatest appetizer any for the number and he will probably eceive it.

Wheelmen who have had more or less experience with the tricycle will be surprised o know that the English government has ordered a supply of these machines for use in the South African war. Prominent wheelmen are of the opinion that for war purposes the bicycle would be preferable to the threewheel machine. Good roads are absolutely essential for comfortable riding on a tricycle, while the wheelman on a bicycle can pick his way over almost anything, so long as he can find a smooth place only an inch or two wide. Under similar conditions a tricycle would be practically uselese. The owner of an "If the club arranges a match with not too difficult to a novice and hard enough a foreign club there is nothing to prevent for a good player to make it interesting. All motor fitted to the tricycle. He was inold tricycle called on a local dealer the other formed that it could be done, and that the cost would be anything from \$75 to \$175, acuse. The wheelman had not ridden the tri-

cording to the sort of motor he wished to cycle in years, and he was surprised when he tried it. It was like learning to ride popularity very soon. In plain words, the base ball and other active pastimes until all over again. The veteran explained that it club needs a ground of its own with a good the opening of spring, basket ball comes in was much easier for the novice to learn to ence around it and the sooner it gets it for an increased share of patronage. There ride the tricycle than it was for the expert bicycle rider. On a bicycle the rider's body sways with the machine, and he will invariably adopt the same tactics when he tries to ride a tricycle, and it wen't do. The veteran bicycle rider on a tricycle for the first time is more likely to wind up against a tree or a fence than he is to keep in the middle of the road. So if tricycles have been sent to South Africa for oldtime wheelmen to ride there will be some lively mixups until the ridere learn the peculiarities of the three-wheeled machine.

> The rights and privileges committee of the League of American Wheelmen is again deep n work, preparing bills for the state divisions to introduce into the legislatures and giving legal advice to the officials. The legal nactments secured by the league have done more than anything else to make the organization the creditor of all wheelmen, and the work being done at the present time indicates that there will be more activity in that direction this year than ever before But the league alone cannot accomplish everything for the benefit of wheelmen. It must have the support of individual memberships. Every wheelman is interested in the laws that govern his favorite pastime and for that reason should also be interested in the League of American Wheelmen.

Several of the leading officials of the League of American Wheelmen are seriously considering the matter of so changing the form of the organization as to make it more national in character. The idea prevalent is that much of the strength of the league is wasted because of the many subdivisions of working energy in it, and those who are of this mind would like to have a reorganization providing for an association more on the lines of many of the large secret societies, the difference being that there will be no secrets. It is probable there will be many suggestions on this line at the coming as sembly, and if the idea meets with sufficient favor to warrant extended discussion another will be added to the many important topics eports the New York Sun, "is that while that will be discussed before the annual

> The National Cycling association maintains that its first out-door season has been satisfactory to clubs, track owners and riders. The amateur feature of the sport has received careful attention and common sense rules have enabled this branch to flourish it a very successful manner, especially in cities and towns which were unable to secure pro fessional attractions. As a natural sequence in the order of progression, there will be the usual number of fast amateur graduates to the professional ranks in 1900.

Louis Gimm, the twenty-four-hour winner other part, the shifts of the market should in New York last season, has started trainbe quite as interesting to the general run ing on the road around Pittsburg. Grimm says that regardless of his almost fatal ac cident at San Francisco he is now in finer condition than ever. Providing he succeeds Il. D. Stevens, in filing his formal entry in mating for the six-day race, he will be a for the six-day race in which he is to team | competitor, and will also follow the indoo circuit.

The \$4,000 purse for the six-day race at ing, and the public will very soon not only the unlucky talisman for others is anything Madison Square garden next month has been understand the game, but aid very ma- but unlucky for him. In fact, he believes rearranged in such manner that the indiit the best of good luck to secure the "hoo" vidual efforts of each competitor will bring I thank Mr. Simms for his good wishes doo" number. His wish will be granted more substantial reward. The sum to be toward the game of golf. The Kountze Place Stevens were the number thirteen in the given the individual competitors will be golf club is now organized, and bids fair to San Francisco twenty-four-hour race and \$1,200, the sum to the teams \$2,800, making

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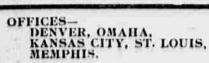
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