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IF IT'S HERE IT'S RIGHT

ELLY SAYS HE WAS A SICK MAN

cord Breaker Still Explaining Why Second Raters Beat Him.

ortland, Ore., Sept. 26.—That he ran 100 in 9 4-5 seconds, the day after he ved at Jamestown, that he went to scene of the Olympic games ten days soon and that the climate and anxiety r his rapidly failing condition wore down till he was too sick and weak make a showing, is the explanation Kelly sends to Oregon of his defeat Huff, Eaton and Parsons. Kelly's si- e was prolonged, Oregon waiting nwhile in varying moods for his ex- e. When Kelly finally did come ough, it was in a belated letter to his ents at Baker City, Ore.

e letter is one of human interest, wing both in and between the lines bitterly the defeated athlete took his , particularly since so many doubts been cast on the validity of his 9 3-5 nds record in the North A. A. U. nts at Spokane, where he broke the rld's amateur record for the 100.

ere in part is Kelly's pathetic story father and mother of his dragging at charlot wheel:

Blames It On Water.

The day after we arrived at James- n I stepped the 100 in 9 4-5 seconds. I t working each day, but in two or e days began to feel weak. I drank water for two or three days before I nd out it was almost poisonous. The m weather came about four days be- the meet and after trying to sleep in hotel two nights, I gave it up and t to a tent. Here I caught a peach of old and didn't sleep well either.

All this misfortune made me worry a l deal about my physical condition, the day before the meet I was eight nds lighter than before starting on the , and very weak. There is no doubt that I could have beaten the best 10 feet had the race taken place the I went down to Jamestown. I was ply sick on my feet—that was all there to it.

n the 220-yard dash I ran my head off first 150 yards, and did not have ngth to finish. My great mistake, ch was responsible for losing, was in g south to soon. All the other ath- s came in the day before the meet and climate did not have time to get to m. I was there in the heavy, humid osphere 11 days too long. I do not w how the people in the west took defeat, but at Jamestown they under- d pretty well that I was sick and e was not much criticism."

elly writes that he is undecided ther to go to the Western university Pittsburg or to Ann Arbor.

G MONEY FOR JOCKEY

ler Signs Contract to Ride in California This Season.

ew York, Sept. 27.—Walter Miller, the ey, has signed a contract to ride next son for Thomas H. Williams, presi- t for the new California Jockey club. papers become effective after the e of the Benning meeting. Williams aid to have paid $18,000 for the boy's chase.

H. Stanton has had first claim for boy's services, but the owners of the astle stable have been his chief loyers for two years. Stanton has however, been active in racing this son. This gave the New Castle stable etically first call on the jockey's serv- , for which they gave him $10,000 a r, it is understood.

mes R. Keene gave a retaining fee 5,000 for third call on his services.

e contract papers held by Stanton the New Castle stable on Miller ex- at the end of the fall meeting at the ning track. This leaves Miller free dispose of his services wherever he ses. As three or four owners were ne- iating with him for his services, Pres- t Williams, by the offer of a big , secured him. He will ride for Mr. liams in California this winter and in east in 1908.

TCHELL'S FUTURE PLANS

s He Will Do Dictating of Terms In All Future Matches.

an interview at San Francisco ng Ketchell, the welterweight scrap- said:

had to work hard to get to the It was a long, tough pull, with y backsets, but I was confident that ould eventually be champion. Thom- s a game, heady boxer, but I knew I had it on him after our Marys- meeting. The people thought that punch I landed on Joe in our Fourth July battle was a fluke, but I think onvinced them in my last bout that d a little bit of class at least.

Thomas tried to rough it with me, kept rubbing his stubby beard on sore eye. He also attempted the rope dodge, but I was wise to these ks and didn't lose my head. I am to fight any man in the world at weight, which is 145 pounds. I have tackling heavyweights right along. I think I am entitled to dictate what weight will be from this time on."

oung Ketchell started his career in te, Mont. His first was won against unknown in the preliminary to the elia Herrera and Louie Long contest. chell was a bellhop and drifted into pavilion one night to see Maurice mpson box. What he saw convinced that there was easier money in the efight game than an answering calls, the next afternoon he called upon y Nolan, who was managing the club, asked to be matched. Nolan put the gloves to try the youngster out, one right-hand jolt was all that No- wanted. Dunk McDonald, the re- l heavyweight, then gave him a try- with the same result.

e kid made good from the jump. He ed through all of the fighters they ched him with like a knife cutting ese. His first important go was with rice Thompson, which was declared aw. In all he has had fifty-five bat- and fifty-one were won on a knock- the other four being draws. The boxers who drew with him were rward jolted into slumberland—Mau- Thompson, Hines, Jack Sullivan and Thomas.

OULD CUT OUT REFEREES.

os Angeles, Sept. 21.—As novel a as ever was conceived to discour- prizefights is that drawn up by ncilman Wallace here. It limits all ts to ten rounds, does not permit a sion and specifies that only two shall be in the ring during the gress of the contest, doing away the referee.

e last annual journey of the survivors Drake's Veteran Zouaves, a famous Jersey civil war organization, will be e next month in touring cars. The rans in this manner will visit the es of several battles in which they ticipated.

S-P-O-R-T-O-L-O-G-Y

BY W. D. RISHEL.

That is the greatest fight ever witnessed in the history of baseball that is going on down east at the present time in the American league. Last season it was thought the climax of a fighting finish had been reached, but this year it is even more nerve racking. Imagine if possible the feeling in Detroit, a town that has for years tried to capture the rag in the American league, and now being one of the most important factors in the greatest race of the century. Interest must be something astonishing. Reports from Detroit, Philadelphia, Chicago and Cleveland indicate that the entire population has gone crazy over the fight. Thousands gather around the newspaper offices to read the bulletins, and more baseball is talked on the streets than all other conversations put together. Even here in Salt Lake keen interest is taken in the race, and for several hours each evening the 'phones in The Herald office are kept busy giving anxious fans the scores of the day's games.

What other sport could hold the public as baseball does? Here we are thousands of miles away from the scene of action, many have never seen the teams in action, yet the thousands of baseball fans in this city can not wait for the morning papers to get the reports of the games. It is a great institution, this baseball, and it is a clean sport that deserves all the attention it gets.

Many Coming to Coursing Match.

The average Salt Laker probably does not realize the importance of the coming coursing match, or the attention this event will attract in sporting circles around the country. It would not be going any too strong to say that the two weeks' coursing will attract more outside people to Salt Lake than any sporting event ever pulled off in this city. While the game is comparatively new in Salt Lake, it is asserted by those who are in a position to know, that once it is established, it will take its place as one of the big sporting events of the year in this state.

The meet is attracting more attention through the country than any like event for years. In Butte, where there are many coursing fans, they are figuring on bringing down a special train of coursing fans for the two weeks. Reports received from Secretary Smith are to the effect that many will come from different points on the coast and Colorado is sending over a crowd. Others are expected from as far east as New York and when they all get here it will probably make some of the old-timers in this town sit up and take notice at the interest there is in this branch of sport.

Dan Kelly's Famous Record.

Ever since the dispatches announced that Dan Kelly, of Portland, ran the 100 yards in 9 3-5 seconds there has been a doubt in many persons' minds as to the authenticity of the time. Kelly was practically unknown, in fact, was unknown outside of Portland, and yet he had accomplished a feat which trained athletes for years have been striving to do. At this time the A. A. U. was having its troubles with Arthur Duffy, the holder of the record of 9 3-5, over some criticisms Duffy had made of their way of doing business. When Kelly's mark was announced the A. A. U. took advantage of the occasion to give the record to Kelly and attempt to take away the mark made by Duffy, as a punishment to the latter for calling that august body to time for some of its rulings. Since Kelly was given the record he has never shown form that would indicate he ever came near the 9 3-5 mark given him. Repeatedly he has dodged ten-second men, and in the Jamestown meeting a couple of weeks ago, could not even qualify against some of the second raters. In the face of these facts, the amateur sporting world will always have its doubts about Kelly's performance, in spite of the fact that it is given official recognition by the A. A. U. This body is being censured for accepting the record without some good proof, and probably never would have done so if it had not seen an opportunity to take some of the laurels from Arthur Duffy as a sprinter.

Salt Lake's Ball Players.

About every so often the showing made by Salt Lake and former Salt Lake players in fast baseball company emphasizes the fact that Salt Lake has seen some mighty good baseball in its day. Last spring an individual named Powers visited Salt Lake in an effort to form a state league and create a meal ticket for himself during the summer months. His argument was that Salt Lake had never seen anything but brush league ball and that the state would go wild with "his" league. He was told to go ahead, but after failing to interest any person hereabouts in his knowledge of the great national game he left for Nevada.

During the past week Clyde Hall, a Bingham boy, returned home after a most successful season with Omaha, the pennant winner in the Western (Class A) league. Hall was on the pitching staff and was rated by many of the sporting writers as the best twirler in the Western league.

Word from the coast this week is to the effect that Bert Delmas has been sold to the Boston Nationals by Los Angeles, where he has been playing short for the past year. Both Delmas and Hall are familiar figures on the local diamond and both are well and personally known by a large number of Salt Lake fans who have seen them play. And yet there are some, like Powers, who don't know better than to insist that Salt Lake has never seen real baseball.

Coffroth Has One Good Idea.

It is seldom that Jimmy Coffroth, the 'Frisco fight promoter, has ever proposed anything for the good of the fighting game; in fact, Coffroth's connection with the sport is noted more for the shady battles that have been pulled off under his management. He now comes out with the statement that in the future all fights at his club will do away with ring-side weighing. This is a move in the proper direction and should be insisted upon by the fight managers all over the country. It will mean that fighters will then enter the ring in much better condition, as they will have time to eat a square meal and take a short rest before entering a contest which requires all their strength. It will also give the promoters a chance to see that the men are down to weight and, if not, the fight can be called off in plenty of time before the crowd gathers, and prevent squabbling at the ringside, which usually ends up by the promoter and fighters agreeing to make it a draw to get the money that is in the box office.

DONAHUE BEATS SCROGGS.

Fails, However, to Land Knockout Punch.

"Young" Donohue of Boston easily bested Harry Scroggs of Baltimore in a ten-round bout at the Paddock Athletic club last week. Donohue displayed the most knowledge of the game and was Scroggs' master throughout the entire proceedings. No decision was given.

The Boston boy carried the fight to Scroggs throughout the ten rounds, feinting the latter into some awkward openings, appearing to be able to land at will.

In the second round Donohue raised a bad lump on Scroggs' eye with a vicious swing and then continued in succeeding rounds to play for that spot.

Scroggs contented himself with hanging on during the early rounds, and it was not until the sixth that he woke up and, taking the aggressive, made the clever Bostonian hustle. The latter, while he displayed much cleverness, seemed to lack the necessary punch, for his blows landed often enough to end any ordinary fight.

QUICK THINKING NECESSARY.

On the diamond, quick thinking pays 1,000 per cent interest. Speed is a necessity at the extremities. Not only the feet, but the mind, must work with lightning-like rapidity.

"In these days of speedy, fast baseball," says Sam Crane, "players' minds have got to be working overtime looking for advantages, and if they don't the other fellows will—that's all. Any diminution of speed with either mind or feet causes havoc.

"There is no excuse for a player nowadays not to sprint with his mind as well as his feet, and they both have got to work in unison. There is as much necessity for teamwork between a player and himself as between a player and his fellows."

RECORD GOLF DRIVE.

London, Sept. 27.—W. H. Horne, a professional golfer, made a drive of 381 yards at Beckenham today. This is claimed to be a record. The longest drive hitherto known was made by Travis, 374 yards.

The motorist who runs amuck on the public highway is an Ishmael against whom the hands of all good citizens are turned.

BAT HANDS BILLY NOLAN A BUNCH

Has Not Quit His Manager, but Says He Will Have to Do Better in Future.

Butte, Sept. 28.—Battling Nelson, who has been in Butte for several days, has received an offer to appear at one of the local playhouses for a week and may accept it.

"While I am here on a business trip I might as well pick up some expense money," was the way he put it this morning. "I have been on the stage before and can do a fifteen-minute stunt that should make a hit in this city. I have not yet decided whether to accept the offer or not, but if I can arrange my business affairs so that I can stay here for another week I might consent. Butte is a busy town in spite of the reduction of the copper production, and it looks good to me. I have often considered making it my permanent home and starting in some business here and may do so when I am through with the fighting game.

Refers to Nolan.

"I find a great many people here who greatly dislike my manager, Billy Nolan, and while I will admit that he has many faults, I find him to be a shrewd fellow who has done me a great deal of good. Since coming to Butte I have learned certain things for which I will call him to account when I get back to San Francisco. He has shown me where I could make money in the past, but I notice that he never forgets Nolan, and he has turned several tricks that have been to his advantage in the money line. I am not in a position to state whether Nolan and I will remain together much longer, but if we do he will have to change his tactics to a certain extent and figure for Nelson first and then for Nolan, as he is simply working for me as my manager and I want him to work for my interests more than his own.

Wants to Fight Again.

"I am after a fight with Joe Gans, but he must meet me at my terms, which are 133 pounds ringside with fighting togs on. Why should I allow him to come in at 133 pounds stripped when I can do 139 pounds ringside easily? I figure that I am still the card, and while I can get more money fighting Gans than any other man I can get plenty of money fighting around Chicago. I have been offered some big purses to meet men like Herman, Yanger and Neary, and I think they are all easier than Gans, and I will accept these offers if a match with Gans at the terms I have named is not made very shortly. I expect to remain in Butte for a few days more, as I have a special reason for staying in this city, which has nothing to do with the fighting game, and then I will go back to San Francisco and talk shop again."

YALE MEN FEAR PRINCETON

Wonderful Back Field of Tigers Has Walter Camp's Team Guessing.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 28.—Although only about half of the candidates for football honors at Yale have turned out for practice, the local followers of the sport predict an unusually fine team for this year. A strong line and fast ends are left from last year, but a new backfield will have to be developed.

So far there have been very few new plays worked out by the Yale coaches, but it is expected that they will meet early next week to consider plays and plan the campaign. Veeder, Owsley and Shevlin, besides Head Coach Knox, will be the only men present who did not aid in the coaching last year.

Early as it is, talk of championship chances are afloat in New Haven. Harvard is not feared, but Princeton's wonderful backfield material will cause most of this year's work of preparing a strong defense for Yale to meet McCormick, Rulon-Miller and Dillon.

Fourteen hundred more taximeter cabs will be placed on London's streets within the next three months.

Where magneto ignition is employed about the only difficulty likely to be encountered arises from the soiling of the contacts of the distributor and the accumulation of fine metallic dust which has been abraded from their surfaces. If the case be cleaned out periodically and all connections and contacts kept secure and bright there should be no danger of roadside failure.

L. V. Elliott, head of a telephone and electric company of Indianapolis, who has suffered for years from spinal trouble and has been compelled to use a hand-propelled tricycle, is now using a tiny electric automobile, so small that it can be run from the street into his place of business and up to the side of his desk. The little machine cost $600 to construct.

TALES OF THE DIAMOND

Del Mason's Wit.

Del Mason, the Cincinnati pitcher, who once played in Washington, is one of those dry, ready-witted characters who never lose an opportunity to turn some incident into a jest.

Del is also known among the baseball fraternity as being the easiest proposition in the business to "touch," and though it is a fact not generally known, yet baseball players are assailed in every city by people who consider them legitimate prey when it comes to begging money.

Very often it is the old down-and-out player, who gave his coin to the barrooms when he was getting the long green in bunches, who tries to get a five-spot off of the present-day ball player. But generally it is some one who claims to come from your home city.

The other day at Cincinnati a fellow called at Mason's hotel and after handing Del a whole string of hard-luck stuff, he struck him for the kale and he got it.

When he was leaving the hotel Mason turned to Miller Huggins, the second baseman, and said:

"That fellow reminds me of a carriage cleaner."

"Is that so?" queried Miller, "and in what way?"

"Oh," drawled Mason, in that lazy manner he always had, "because he sponges for a living."

Jack Chesbro's Explanation.

Jack Chesbro of the New York club is noted for his immense appetite, and on account of it he is subjected to a lot of good natured kidding on the part of the other members of Clark Griffith's ball team.

But the good natured Chesbro doesn't mind the guying a little bit, for Jack, though a gourmand, is by no means a dummy.

At the Victoria hotel the other night in New York, where Laporte, Elberfeld, Iiams and Chesbro were having a late supper, after a visit to the theatre, the enormous inroads which Jack was making on the viands caused Laporte to say to him:

"Great Scott! Jack, what an enormous appetite you have! How do you account for the fact of your being such a great eater?"

"I dunno," replied Ches, as he began tearing a half of chicken into shreds, "unless it's because I have been practicing all my life."

What Waddell Thought.

The Athletics felt so good over their prospects of taking the pennant that when they were returning from Detroit a quartette, composed of Monte Cross, Harry Davis, Lord and Oldring, got together and began singing some of the popular airs of the day.

But Monte Cross, who has a cultivated voice, and who threatens to appear on the vaudeville stage, has a distinct liking for music of a classical nature, and so he at last called a halt on the songs the quartette were warbling and, finding that each of the men knew the opening chorus from "Carmen," he switched them on to this melody.

All the players got an even start, and they all sung the music with national independence—that is, each man for himself and at the topmost pitch of his voice.

The effect was something startling, and the other players in the next car paused in the poker game they were playing in order to listen.

"What in the name of all creation is that they are singing?" cried Waddell, after listening to the quartette for a few moments.

"That's something taken from 'Carmen,' I believe," replied Manager Mack, with pride in his knowledge.

"Well, from the sound they are making," coolly replied the big pitcher, "'Carmen' sure does seem to be giving up hard."

What Ed Walsh Wished.

During the recent series of games between Chicago and St. Louis, Tim Hurst was the indicator handler. In the first part of one of the contests Ed Walsh was loud in his commendations, regarding Sir Timothy as an umpire.

"Why, Tim is a regular angel," cried Ed as he came to the bench after the third inning. "I never saw any one who could call the balls and strikes so perfectly as Tim," added the big pitcher, whose face glowed with the delight he felt at the fine work of Umpire Hurst.

After the fifth inning things began to break badly for the famous spit-ball artist, and he could be heard growling at Tim by the fellows who were seated on the layers' bench.

This kept up until the last half of the ninth inning, when Ed came to the bench, raising all kinds of kicks about the work Tim was doing.

"Why, you said some time ago that Hurst was an angel," exclaimed Manager McAleer.

"Well," replied Walsh, as he bit savagely into a wad of chewing gum, "I wish to goodness that he was one now."

What Case Thought Would Happen.

When the Washington team was coming back to Washington from its last trip to Boston Case Patten and Ganley occupied seats together and their talk devolved on what they would do were they blessed with a sufficient amount of the coin of the realm so that they could live at their ease and would not be compelled to take irksome trips about the country in order to pay the board bills and meet other expenses.

"What," said Ganley, as he slowly proceeded to insert a toothpick in his mouth, "would you do were you to become the possessor of a million dollars' worth of stock in this railroad, Case?"

"That's an easy question," replied Case. "I suppose that I would immediately wake up."

NOTES FOR AUTOISTS.

There will be over 300 exhibitors at the Madison Square garden show, New York, Nov. 2 to 9.

By his majesty's permission a portrait of King Edward has been added to the emblem of the Royal Motor Club of Great Britain.

A tourists' exposition will be held at Bergen, Norway, next year, at which automobiles and accessories will play an important part.

The New Jersey Automobile and Motor club, of Newark, has elected 72 new members since May, 54 of whom are active and 18 associate.

Charles J. Glidden, who has resumed his globe-girdling automobile trip, on Aug. 10 passed the 40,000-mile mark at Aker's Road, Halifax.

An experienced English driver gives this advice: "Don't race at top speed around corners, curves and bends, even on a quiet country road, unless it is a matter of life or death. It is better for the machine and the tires to slow down and take the bend comfortably."

After an exhaustive inquiry a committee of the Motor Union of Great Britain reported to that organization that, sooner or later, the supplies of every fuel except alcohol must be exhausted. As a result the union is bending its efforts toward perfecting an alcohol motor.

Former Congressman Powers, of Boston, is of the opinion that laws should be passed in every state providing that all fines for violations of the motor vehicle regulations be levied by state officers and turned into a fund for the construction and maintenance of improved highways.

"Slow down to ten miles an hour" is the sign that will greet all motorists as they enter the city of Toledo, O. These signs will be placed at the corporation limits at every entrance into the city for the benefit of tourists and visiting motorists, who otherwise might violate the speed ordinances of the city.

Before starting out on their Cape to Cairo automobile trip through Africa, Lieutenant Graetz and Baron von Roeder, the daring Belgian motorists, were abliged to arrange for gasoline supplies by means of carriers sent in advance, there being no stations on the route from which it could be obtained.

The tremendous value of the automobile in the free rural delivery of mails was never better illustrated than by a recent test of an electric car on a route of twenty-five miles, supplying 115 families, running out of South Bend, Ind. Whereas the carrier usually covered the route in eight hours, the automobile did it in three.

Hunterdon county, New Jersey, will spend $26,468.42 on stone roads the coming year.

Reading, Pa., has purchased a twenty-horse power automobile for its fire chief, George W. Miller.

Short automobile trips and motor luncheons have been the rage this season in the White mountains.

The New York Automobile Trade association now has a membership of sixty-one local dealers, branch houses and garages.

All the dash races at Trenton, N. J., Sept. 30, will be handicaps, so many yards being allowed for horsepower and price.

While trying out a big car on the Bowery, New York, the son of Mayor Tom L. Johnson, of Cleveland, O., was arrested by a bicycle cop.

Paris' autobuses are using a 50 per cent mixture of alcohol in their motors with complete success. Gasoline is the more expensive fuel in France.

In California owners who sell cars are required by law to send back the registration seal to the secretary of state, under penalty of fine or imprisonment.

A California motorist says that if the air is let out of the rear tires when fording streams with a soft or sandy bottom, the going will be much improved.

For a town of 1,500 population, Fortville, Ind., takes the candle. Not a single resident owns an automobile, nor does a single merchant carry gasoline in stock.

After nearly a year of prediction taximeter cabs at last are an accomplished fact in New York city, thirty-one 18-horse power machines having been placed in service Friday.

According to a Connecticut statistician automobile tourists, four-fifths of them from outside the state, so far this year have spent more than $2,000,000 within its confines.

Three alcohol-driven cars designed expressly for the use of traveling salesmen went through the recent industrial motor vehicles contest without a penalization, and, as a result, a series of trials for cars of that character, to cover 5,500 miles, will be held.

Akron, O., noted as the rubber city, which recently celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of its founding, has one rubber concern which has increased, owing to the growth of its auto tire business, from 250 hands nine years ago to 2,750 today; in ground area from six to twenty-four acres, and in capital from $50,000 to $5,000,000.

SPARK PLUGS AND SPEEDOMETERS

"A good thing; push it along," was the definition of an automobile which won the prize in a contest recently conducted by a San Francisco newspaper.

The Pennsylvania railroad is planning to establish an electric motor cab service at Washington, D. C., when the new union passenger station is opened.

Thieves who stole a mile and a quarter of feed wire from a suburban trolley line near Wilmington, Del., used an automobile to pull it from the poles.

An association has been formed in Richmond, Va., under the name of the Virginia Automobile association, to succeed the Richmond Automobile club.

Massachusetts seems to have become the hotbed of motoring legislation, and the solons of the Bay state are confronted with many legal angles and tangles.

The Automobile Club of France is looking for a first class racing circuit on which to hold the 1908 Grand Prix, and has sent broadcast a request for applications.

Don't make electrical connections by using simply a stripped wire; always use a regular battery terminal, and see that the wire is securely fastened to the terminal.

When J. H. Gerrie of New York, recently was arrested for speeding in that city, and his check was declined as bail, he offered a spare tire, which promptly was accepted.

To prevent dust entering baggage carried on the back of cars, thereby damaging the contents, it is well to have a canvas cover made that will fit snugly over the baggage.

Careful computation of the figures of the Pekin to Paris race shows that the cars made an average of 120 miles a day, despite the almost unsurmountable difficulties encountered.

An automobile renting company has been formed at San Francisco by ten chauffeurs, who saved rather than threw their money away, formed a corporation and bought ten cars.

Tubes, motor busses and taximeter cabs have so completely ruined the business of London's characteristic institution, the cabby, that he bids fair to soon be an extinct type.

A dust contest has been grimly suggested by a joker in view of the placing of 18,000 gallons of Mr. Rockefeller's product by the Motordrome club on the Morris Park track, New York.

Several German capitalists tried to obtain the sole right to commercial car traffic in Greece, but were unsuccessful. Now a Greek company has been organized to carry on the business.

With a steam car on the Readville (Mass.) track, Sept. 14, L. H. F. Baldwin, by winning a mile race in 54 2-5 seconds, established a new competitive record for that distance.

Latest obtainable figures for the export of automobiles from the United States show that for the first seven months this year the total value was $4,245,490, representing 2,052 cars.

The local authorities of Washington, D. C., intend to overcome the mud and dust nuisance by coating all the macadam and dirt roads in and adjacent to the city with a tar preparation.

An armored tire, in which copper-plated steel disks, so placed in a strip of rubber as to form a practically continuous band of steel, has been brought out by an inventor at Buffalo, N. Y.

A company which is not a member of either of the rival organizations will exhibit at neither big New York show this year, but will hold an exhibit of its own at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel.

In three years of their existence the two schools of automobiling in New York have instructed 2,700 students in the running and repairing of motors. Many women have taken the full course.

The Metropolitan Automobile association of New York is planning a two-day road contest for stripped 1908 stock touring car chasses next month, to be held the week before the first New York show opens.

Great Britain during the first half of the current year imported 3,210 cars, valued at $6,822,630, and parts valued at $7,850,810. The exports were 1,062 cars, valued at $2,003,295, and parts valued at $1,460,315.

Motor car engineering is rapidly developing into a profession in itself, and several engineering schools and universities are considering the establishment of special courses as a part of their regular curriculums.

A contract has been closed between the Standard Oil company and a transit company, whereby the latter will convey workmen on the pipe lines between Cygnet and Lima, O., to and from their work in automobiles.

Extensive use is being made by motorists of incandescent lamps to illuminate the side and tail lights of their cars, the lamps being run either from the ignition accumulators, special storage batteries or even from dry cells.

The active life of a modern motor car has been so extended, owing to the superior workmanship and materials employed, that there is every reason to believe that it will exceed that of the average piece of machinery.

The list of exhibitors for the Chicago shows contains 250 names, as compared with 222 last year, and it is probable that the Coliseum and two armory exhibitions will have at least 300 names on the roll by the first week in December.

At Philadelphia on Sept. 14, in one of the most exciting track races ever witnessed, the 100-mile record for stock touring cars was broken by J. W. Parkin, jr., who covered the distance in two hours, two minutes and 46 4-5 seconds.

According to Indiana's new highway law a county must improve a road on the application of thirty property owners if it be less than three miles long, be traversed by a rural free delivery route and connect with the two other improved roads.

The Western Union people are anxiously looking for the autoist whose machine broke down on the boulevard near Atlantic City and who pulled down a section of telegraph wire and used it as a tow line, another machine kindly lending aid.

During the recent German army maneuvers more persons were killed and injured by the cars of the Imperial Automobile club, which carried dispatch-bearers, than by any other cause. There were three fatalities and over fifty lesser casualties.

If a nut persists in working loose despite frequent tightening, paint the end of the thread on the bolt, or drop on a little varnish. To slacken the nut a little extra force will have to be used, but not enough to damage either the thread or nut.

It has remained for Hugo E. Bremer to find a way around the rule of the Swiss council prohibiting motoring in the beautiful valley of the Engadine. Procuring four horses he drove his machine through the valley, despite the cantonal law.

The Automobile Dealers' association of Marseilles has passed a resolution that the relations between manufacturer and agent should be modified. The agents are dissatisfied with being obliged to contract definitely for a fixed number of cars each season.

History records the gradual extinction of species of animals whose existence ceased when their life value ended and they became a burden to nature. So in the motoring sphere there is room only for the good, the feasible, the scientific and the necessary.

As an experiment in the long-distance transportation of freight by automobile a 22-horse power truck is on the way from Chicago to New York with a 3,000-pound load of patent medicines. The driver is allowed to make 80 miles a day and to rest at night.

Prince Scipio Borghere, winner of the Peking-Paris race, has been chosen mayor of Rome. For some time the office was vacant, rival factions being unable to agree upon a man, but the prince's recent rise to fame made him popular with all parties.