CENTURY CLUB IDEA

TO MAKE THE 100 MILE RUNS A LITTLE MORE POPULAR THIS YEAR.

JUST INSIDE TIME LIMIT.

BELIEVED THAT EXPERIENCED CENTURY RIDERS CAN COACH THE UNTRIED ONES.

NEW STATE CYCLING BOOKS,

With Maps and Other Useful Information Are on the Press Soon to Be Published.

Last Sunday a dozen or more St. Paul and Minneapolis riders tried the trip to Northfield, but only two of that number succeeded in completing the trip within the time limit. C. H. Vanderhoof, of Minneapolis, made the fastest century this year, finishing in 9 hours and 50 minutes. Allen Underwood finished with a little time to spare. There were also hundreds of riders out for short runs. The most popular trip seemed to be out Summit avenue to the river, as there was a string of wheelmen going out that way all afternoon. If Mr. Lyons is able to make good his prediction, tomorrow will see even a larger number of pleasure parties out for an afternoon spin on the hill.

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The big state meet which is being looked after by Chief Consul Ovitt is being given considerable impetus these days. The officers of the Capital City Cycle club are corresponding with a number of crack riders in the East with a view to getting St. Paul in the circuit this year for a three or four-day meet. Judge Ovitt will call together before the season opens fifteen representative cyclists from all parts of the state, to arrange for the matter. It is proposed to make this one of the most successful affairs of the kind ever pulled off in the Northwest. If efforts which are being made to secure for St. Paul dates with the circuit followers is successful, such men as Bald, Cooper, Sanger and others will participate in the professional events. The meet will be an amateur one, open to all, but to secure a large attendance of wheelmen from Duluth and other parts of the state professional events will be added. The Capital City people, who have the arrangements for the Eastern attractions under way, will report to the L. A. W. people as soon as anything definite is learned. One of the most important things connected with securing a date with the circuit men is the guaranty fund which is usually necessary to secure the attendance of fast professionals. If they cannot be secured without the guaranty, the committee of fifteen which will be appointed in the near future will take steps looking towards the raising of the necessary guaranty fund. Judge Ovitt says they have not decided whether the meet will be held at the fair grounds or not. Mr. Ovitt says the matter is meeting with the support of the St. Paul wheelmen, and he expects to have advices from the circuit riders soon. If they are not able to secure professional riders, they will go on with the arrangements for the meet, as it is thought, if liberal prizes are hung up, it will attract wheelmen from all over the state.

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The national convention which convenes at St. Louis Feb. 9, is the absorbing topic of discussion among the L. A. W. men, as the West is really anxious to get a representation on the board. Minnesota men will support any slate which includes a place for either Illinois, Wisconsin or such a thing of Minnesota getting a representation is not impossible. Probably no man has done as much in any of the states for good roads as A. B. Ovitt, who is well known among the most influential L. A. W. men in the country. In case of a deadlock on some of the other offices which is not altogether improbable, Mr. Ovitt will make a good compromise candidate. One day during the convention will be set aside to the discussion of ways and means to better the highways of the United States. One of the Minnesota delegation will read a paper on the subject. It is understood that A. B. Choate, of Minneapolis, has been selected.

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A mail vote has been in progress for the past two weeks among the state centurions of the several states and the officers of the Century Cycle club, in all the states, to ascertain the sentiment of the organization as to the admittance of professionals to membership in the club. The vote will be canvassed next Sunday in Chicago, by the executive board of the organization. State Centurion Mace will attend the meeting, and said to the Globe yesterday the vote would probably result in the admittance of professionals. The result is being eagerly looked forward to by the cycling world, as it is a question which has been constantly coming up for several years. Other amendments to the constitution of the Century club will be made in the same manner before the national assembly meet Feb. 22.

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The Local Century Road club is planning a series of short runs as soon as the season opens. Invitations will be issued to cyclists not identified with the club looking towards securing them as members of the club. These runs will be taken under the direction of members of the club and promise to be quite interesting, as it is also proposed to make century runs, so as to finish within a half hour of the time limit, which, when under the direction of an experienced century rider, will make it easy for most any rider to make a century. It is intended to invite some prominent men in the city who have expressed themselves as desirous of making a century to participate in one of these slow trips. One of the district judges, and an editor, living in his neighborhood, both of whom have more than the amount of flesh allotted to the average enthusiast, have both expressed themselves openly on the subject, and the Century club have taken them up, and set June 10 as the day when the fat man's trial will be made.

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The national committee of the L. A. W. on highway improvements have recently issued a circular asking for the names of the farmers living in the vicinity of the large cities. It is for the purpose of aiding the national committee in their distribution of the 1,000,000 copy edition of a pamphlet on good roads. The pamphlet is just from the printer's hands, and explains the advantages to the farmer of having good roads. The pamphlet is quite attractive in its presentation of the subject.

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A state pamphlet is being prepared for the information of wheelmen in the state. It will contain one general map of the state with a description of the roads in nearly all of the counties in the state. It will also contain maps of short trips, tributary to the large cities of the state. Part of the book is now ready for publication. It will also contain a list of all the L. A. W. hotels in the state. The state committee have been very busy lately preparing and revising the old list of local consuls. A list of these will also be contained in the publication.

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Various plans are now on foot to increase the membership of the L. A. W. in Minnesota. Mr. Ovitt was very conservative about the matter yesterday, when asked if he thought the season would see any material increase in the membership of the organization. He thought that at the end of the season there would be three times the present membership.

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Although a small matter, the subject of putting sign boards on the cycle path should be taken up by the Cycle Path association. The road on University until the cycle path is reached, is very rough and seldom used by wheelmen, most of the travel being out Martin street until the path is reached. There is no sign on Martin street telling the wheelmen where to turn off. The sign on Summit avenue, where the path turns off through the woods, furnishes little information to the wheelman, at night, and steps should be taken to protect the wheelmen who are unfamiliar with the locality, by putting a street lamp in front of the guide board. It would be a wise plan for the association to put signs on other paths directing the cyclist.

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St. Paul is not the only city where wheelmen have banded together to make their influence felt in politics, for the purpose of securing bicycle legislation and other recognization at the hands of public officials. Secretary Meyers, of the Associated Wheelmen, received a circular from St. Louis yesterday which outlines the object of an organization similar to our Associated Wheelmen, only they have not gone into the work as systematically as the St. Paul wheelmen have. The circular is signed by eleven prominent wheelmen of St. Louis, asking all riders of wheels to send their names to the club for the purpose of enrollment. This is the only action they have taken to secure the list of cyclists, while the St. Paul Associated Wheelmen have been conducting a canvass of the wheelmen of St. Paul for three weeks past, with a view to getting a complete list of all bicycle riders. The object of the St. Louis organization, as outlined in the circular, is much the same as the local Associated Wheelmen.

INDIANAPOLIS ALL ALIVE.

Preparing for the Big 1898 Meet of the L. A. W.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 15.—The '98 meet comes to the Hoosier village, and next August the wheelmen of this country will gather at the home of Benjamin Harrison, James Whitcomb Riley, "Kid" McCoy and a host of other celebrities.

The city was thoroughly aroused when the news was flashed over the wires that Indianapolis had the meet. Chairman Parry at once called the executive committee together and announced the selection of the following men as chairmen of the different committees:

Entertainment and reception, Charles R. Rockwood; finance, Albert Sahm; railroads, John Lazarus; accommodations, C. C. Foster; press, Hal W. Reed; racing, Hebert Foltz; track, A. C. Newby; information, John N. Navin; to prevent extortions, Russell Eckman; railway station facilities, J. R. Cavanaugh; veterans, H. T. Hearsey; badges, Tom Hay; souvenir programme, W. C. Babbs; condition of city, C. A. Kenyon; condition of country roads, John McGregor; credentials, Wallace Sherwood; tours and runs, Merril Moores; street decorations, John J. Appel; entertainment of ladies, Mrs. John C. Bean.

The officers of the Indianapolis '98 Meet club are D. M. Parry, president; Evans Woollen, secretary; C. F. Smith, treasurer.

The Indianapolis '98 Meet club has arranged to meet every Saturday afternoon throughout the winter and twice a week when the cycling season opens.

The Indianapolis L. A. W. Bicycle club, with 250 members, will constitute the committees on reception and entertainment during the '98 meet. Charles F. Rockwood, president of the club, is chairman of both committees.

One thing has been decided on for the Indianapolis '98 meet. The Hoosier wheelmen will give a gigantic smoker for the visitors, and an effort will be made to surpass the similar event in Philadelphia last August.

Herbert Foltz, chairman of the committee on racing, will probably go to Philadelphia in a few days to consult with the officials of the Citizens' street railway in regard to the tracks which will be built in Indianapolis in the spring. Mr. Foltz is a member of the racing board and has prepared plans and specifications for a track.

WHAT THE RACERS WANT.

Amendments Eck Will Submit at St. Louis.

Tom Eck has been selected by the racing men as their representative at the national assembly at St. Louis next month.

An important amendment to be offered by Eck will be the following:

That a limit be put on the size of pacing machines in middle and long distance pace races, confining them to tandems, trips and quads, ridden by men, and that no electric pacing machines shall be used except by special sanction from the racing board.

This is owing to the fact that quints and sextets have been found to be a source of danger to the riders, and that quads and triplets have been found to be fast enough for any racing man, are easier to handle and far preferable for pick-ups.

In order to give amateurs a chance to ride in middle distance racing and in paced mile races, and to give promoters a chance to put on a special feature for the amateurs, Eck wants a rule introduced which will allow professionals to pace amateurs in races and in trials against time.

The most important resolution that Eck will have introduced on behalf of the racing men provides as follows:

That every professional who races in America shall be entitled to join the League of American Wheelmen upon payment of $3, which shall be paid to the chairman of the L. A. W. racing board in order to sustain that branch of the league. That no amateur shall be allowed to compete in races until he becomes a member of the league, upon payment of the regular fee required from any applicant.

The money received from this source shall go to the board, and as there is fully 4,000 amateurs, this would give $8,000, while at least 2,000 professionals would pay $3 each, making a total of $14,000, exclusive of the money obtained from the sanctions, fines, etc.

This money, according to Eck, will go toward the paying of the running expenses of the racing board. The chairman shall be a salaried man, who could devote his time to the office, and whose salary shall be 40 per cent of all fees from the riders, and the remaining 60 per cent to be divided equally among the other six members of the board.

DID NOT MISS A DAY.

New York Trio Made Five Miles Daily Nineteen Months.

It came to pass in the history of men that prominent members of the New York Athletic club once discussed the possibility of riding five miles each day of the year upon a bicycle. Out of that discussion grew the offer of the Pendleton cup to be awarded to the man who should ride five miles each day from April 1, 1896, to November 1, 1896.

Fifty members of the club jumped eagerly at the proposition to obtain a silver mug with such wonderful ease. "It's a snap," said each of the fifty. "We'll have to draw lots to see which of us shall own the mug at the end of the competition."

Joyfully they rode forth, a goodly company, on April 1, 1896. From that time on some rode in one direction and some in another, but each recorded with the secretary his mileage, route and experience. One by one the fifty began to drop by the wayside. One man sprained his toe, another had an important business engagement and could not ride, a third went to Europe and the steamship company would not permit him to ride five miles a day on deck.

When the date arrived for the end of the competition there were four survivors. They were C. K. Allen, Dr. F. A. Myrick, J. C. Howard and E. Weinacht.

They continued to ride on and on through the mud, in the rain, over snow, on ice and murmured not. This programme was followed to Jan. 1, 1897. Then the illness of Mrs. Howard compelled one of the four to cease riding in the competition.

And they rode, and they continued to ride, and they rode some more. In heat or cold, in rain or shine, each day each of the three rolled up his five miles.

One day it dawned upon them that each was a man of determination, and that chivalry warranted such brave and gallant knights surrendering the one to the others. W. F. Pendleton, the donor, renewed the offer to give a cup to each rider. "We'll call it off," said they, and the contest ended on the beautiful winter night of Dec. 12, 1897.

Splan and Daly.

John Splan has been looking over fast trotters in Milwaukee.

Marcus Daly has bought of Milton Young the thoroughbred mare Lizzie B., by Onondaga, dam by Blue Mantle, price $2,500.

Mrs. Della M. Jones, Granville, N. Y., writes: "I have the highest praise to give to Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. We have used it in our family for five years with the best effects."

FARM IN DUBUQUE

COMISKEY'S ST. PAUL CLUB WILL HAVE ONE DURING THE COMING SEASON.

AT LEAST SO RUMOR SAYS.

TOMORROW THE MAGNATE WILL CONFER WITH EASTERN LEAGUERS IN BUFFALO.

TIRED OF BEING PREYED UPON.

The Two Leagues Will Endeavor to Get Together for Their Own Protection.

All the mystery that has pertained to the whereabouts of Manager Comiskey, of the St. Paul Base Ball club, has now been revealed. Commy has been in Dubuque buying the club there to use it as a farm for the St. Paul club during the coming year, and incidentally he took a run over to Des Moines to see whether or not the Iowa capital would be a good place for the Western league to plant its eighth club in. Then tomorrow Commy must be in Buffalo, N. Y., where the conference of committees from the Eastern and Western leagues is to be held to consider measures for their protection from the aggressive action of the big fish. It seems probable that several things of importance to base ball will be acted upon there. It was called ostensibly to arrange for a series of post-season games between the champion teams of the two leagues, but this will be secondary to other business. The subject of accepting or rejecting the proposed new drafting modifications of the National league is the question of prior importance. From the sentiments expressed by the individuals who will represent their leagues at this conference it would seem that the conference will most likely recommend a protest against the new clauses which permit the National league to recall a player after thirty days from any minor league team to which they may have loaned him, thus facilitating farming. If they do decide on this policy for the two leading minor leagues, it will be quite a question as to what recognition they will get at the spring meeting of the National league. In case Brush gains control of the St. Louis club, or a position by which he can influence the action of that club, it will be interesting to see whether he will favor any modification of the drafting and sale clauses which he and Hart, of Chicago, had inserted at the Philadelphia meeting. There are already objections to the way Brush has been able to manipulate things because of his connection with the Indianapolis as well as the Cincinnati club, and these objections are increased because of the increased opportunities he would have for storing up players, provided he had hold of both clubs. This would seem to be a far more important matter than the one objection that so far has been raised to Brush being permitted by the National league to dictate the policy of two club members, namely, that, while there was no direct evidence going to show the National league that there would be any hippodroming of games, yet the public would be suspicious whenever there were any contests between Cincinnati and St. Louis, especially if there was anything depending on the series.

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The Detroit Journal kicks on Hollingsworth leading the third basemen, he playing only fourteen games there to Steinfeldt's 125. It says: "The number of chances taken should enter into the computation, and upon this basis Myers should be first, with 4 per game, Steinfeldt second with 3.8, and Gray third with 3.2."

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After the close of the season of 1898, the Toronto and Montreal Eastern league teams will make a tour of England.

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Attorney Glover, of St. Louis, who is in charge of Chris von der Ahe's troubled affairs, states positively that the St. Louis franchise has not been sold.

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It is reported that the Philadelphia club offered $2,500 for the Reading franchise in the Atlantic league. The Phillies want a "farm."

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Billy Clymer, the center fielder, has bought his own release from the Buffalo club. He wants to catch on with a National league club.

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The Quincy club has signed James Pitts, of Chicago, as third baseman. He was formerly a Southern league player, and wore an Atlantic uniform last year.

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Now it is said Des Moines is to get that eighth franchise.

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Bill Lange dropped a snug sum of money on Dan Creedon's defeat. Within the last year Bill has sustained his reputation as a consistent picker of Queensbery losers, and among the dead ones that have given Bill a slow run for the elongated green were Pompadour Corbett, Creedon and Joe Walcott.

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Pitcher Weyhing is assuring his friends that he will be found in the big league the coming season, pitching stellar ball as of yore. He is now considering an offer from one of the major clubs, and will no doubt be found on its roster in the spring. Wehying is taking excellent care of himself at his home in the Highlands, and is anxious to breaw into fast company.

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Pink Hawley writes that for two months he has not used beer to wash down the rich beefsteaks served at Beaver Dam, and believes he will scratch the beverage from his bill of fare for a year.

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Frank Isbell spent a day or two in St. Paul last week.

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There will be no modification of the bunt hit not a shortening of the pitcher's distance, despite the clamor now going the rounds of the circuit. Some of the magnates want to have the bunt hit totally wiped out, chiefly beacuse the Baltimores have developed more skill in this branch of batting than any other league team. Other magnates believe that the only time a player should be permitted to bunt the ball is when the bases are empty. In that way the batsman would be compelled to hit it out when the bases had occupants, instead of working in the clever sacrifice bunts, which require skill and nerve. The committee on rules consists of Hanlon, Hart and Reach. Hanlon is opposed to making any change in the rule, because, of course, his own team would be the sufferer. Hart has been all along in favor of reducing the pitching distance, because he believes that the small score games of olden times, in which the pitchers were veritable kirgs, provided more excitement than the games of the present day, in which heavy batting streaks are liable to occur at any time. He also thinks that the strain on the pitchers from the 6-foot plate is too great and that the difficulty in securing good twirlers should convince the magnates that those now in harness should be handled with more care. With the pitcher's plate only 55 feet from the home plate, the effectiveness of Rusie, Meekin, Young, Nichols, Mercer, Hawley, Breitenstein and others in their class would be doubled. Hanlon and Reach take that view of it, and it is hardly probably that any change will be made.

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"President Soden, of the Boston base ball club, received a cane that was made by a convict of the Anamosa, Io., prison. The cane is a curiosity. It is made of maple wood, and on it are carved the likenesses and names of thirteen of the champion team of 1897, in the highest style of workmanship, says the Boston Herald. The top of the cane is of agate, and inlaid with mother of pearl. Above the likenesses appear the words: "Pennant winners of 1897," and following are two bats crossed, and a fac simile of a league ball and a catcher's mitt. Although the workman had to do his carving on a curved surface, he succeeded admirably in reproducing the lineaments of his subjects, each face being carved into the wood. It would be an easy matter to recognize most of the players. The faces on the cane are those of the Messrs. Selee, Klobedanz, Nichols, Lewis, Ganzel, Bergen, Yeager, Tenny, Lowe, Collins, Long, Hamilton, Duffy and Stahl.

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President W. H. Watkins, of the Pittsburg club, is not one of the advocates of sacrifice hitting. He believes in hitting the ball, and hitting it hard. If the players can stretch the hit into two, three or even four bases he finds no fault with them. In recently speaking about the sacrifice hit, Mr. Watkins said: "I gave only one order for a sacrifice hit while I had charge of the Detroit team. Sacrificing was not popular in those days, and certainly not with that aggregation of great hitters, and I could not see where the play came in. But one day in Washington a bunt was badly needed. Gilmore and Mack were the pitcher and catcher for the Washingtons, the former was bothering us, and in the eighth inning we needed one run. Ned Hanlon got a base on balls, and stole second and third. It was Brouthers' turn to bat, and I told Dan, who had been popping up flies all afternoon, to get the ball on the ground somehow, knowing that any kind of a tap would let Hanlon score. It was worth the admission to see Dan trying to bunt. Hanlon came half way in on every pitch, but had to be vary careful, as Connie Mack was as cold as ice, and prepared for a fast play. Dan passed up one good ball, but chopped at the next one. Did the ball go on the ground? Oh, no! It sailed on a line to the third baseman, who caught it and touched the bag. It was a lightning double play, and the comments upon sacrificing made by the boys on our bench were unfit for publication."

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James A. Hart, president of the Chicago club, said in a recent interview: "I do not think that Capt. Anson will ever get into the Western league, and I am morally certain that neither he nor anybody else will ever have anything to do with a Western league club in Chicago so long as the national agreement stands.

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The Quincy club has decided to trade Pitcher McGreevy for Pitcher Underwood, of the Rockford club. Both are good pitchers.

ONLY ONE RACE.

Capital City Club Will Race Twice This Week.

The Capital City Driving club held its first race meeting yesterday afternoon at Lake Como, with a good attendance, and considering it was the first time the horses have appeared on the ice this season, the time was fast. The free-for-all race was not run, the only regular event run being in the 2:35 class, which resulted as follows:

H. W. Fagley's Anteros Maid	1	1
Mr. Loman's Lady	2	2
George Bonney's roan horse	3	3

Time, :53¾ and :53.

Then came a special exhibition heat between H. W. Fagley's black mare, Anteros Maid, and William Salisbury's sorrel mare, Daisy Hester. Time, 50 seconds. The heats were all for three-eighths of a mile. In addition to these races for purses there were a number of exhibition heats between some of the best road horses in St. Paul.

The Capital City Driving club have decided to hold two meetings this week, the first Wednesday afternoon and the second Saturday afternoon. Both of these meetings will be called at 2 o'clock sharp. People desiring to see this sport, or desiring to take part, should be on hand promptly, as the afternoons are short and it is impossible to wait beyond that time to start the first class. The classes for Wednesday will be a race for road horses, a free-for-all and a 2:30 class. The entrance fee for these races will be $2 for members of the Capital City Driving club, and a special invitation is extended to all horsemen residing outside of the city. Entries must be made before 6 o'clock on Tuesday evening, so that the club may know how many classes there will be to start.

VON DER AHE'S MISSION.

No One Knows Just Why He Is in Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 15.—The utmost secrecy is being observed regarding the visit of Chris Von Der Ahe, of St. Louis, to this city. With the exception of the short talk he had with Charles Deplore yesterday, Mr. Von Der Ahe has seen none of the officials of the Louisville club. When seen this morning at the Louisville hotel, the St. Louis magnate expressed himself as being willing to talk on any subject except that of his visit to Louisville. He declined to say whether he wanted to buy, sell or exchange players. He says he is awaiting the arrival of President Pulliam, who is in Frankfort. Pulliam also declines to talk.

Dickerson May Be Named.

It is likely that C. W. Dickerson, of Chicago, will succeed A. L. Garford as president of the national board of cycle trade.

Garford, an Ohio man, and an extensive manufacturer of sadles, it is said does not care for another term at the head of the organization, as the work interferes to some extent with his business interests.

R. L. Coleman, a former president of the board, has been mentionad as likely to succeed Garford, but insists that he is not an aspirant for another term. Dickerson would be acceptable to the controlling interests of the board, and is reasonably certain to be elected.

NOTES OF THE WHEEL.

The quadrant chainless bicycle recently exhibited at the national cycle show in London is said to surpass any chainless machine yet heard of. It has many improvements. It is said to obviate all the troubles of the chain, and to spin free of the ground from three to six times as long as the chain gear. It does not distort the frame or cross-bind the bearings, and consequently climbs hills with about two-thirds the usual exertion. It responds instantly to the pressure of the foot, and, not being bevel gear, causes no spreading, friction of cogs or noise or jar to the feet. No adjustment is ever required.

The National Cyclists' Union of England has decided to abolish road racing in that country, and has issued instructions prohibiting open and paced contests on the highways.

The number of American athletes who declare their intention of going to England this year is remarkable. There never was such a desire to meet the Britishers on their own ground.

The bicycle is unquestionably in evidence in Italy as the cyclists are organized with a membership of 12,000 in that country. Three years ago the society started in Rome with 261.

Tom Foley's House-Warming.

Foley's private billiard room for ladies, theater parties and the like, at State and Adams street, Chicago, was thrown open Thursday night, Jake Schaefer entertaining the fifty or more couples assembled with fancy billiard shots. After this the room was given over to the women folk, who handled the cues for an hour or two. The room is designed for parties, and is entirely separate from the general billiard hall. It is an innovation in Chicago.

Ice Yachting at White Bear.

White Bear residents who own ice yachts are having some fine sport these days. Among the crack boats this year are those of Eugene Ramaley, J. M. Blakeley, Mr. Kirby, W. G. Noyes, F. R. Bigelow and the Markoes.

HE TOOK A TUMBLE

A SERIOUS FALL TAYLORE'S FINISH IN HIS RACE WITH STARBUCK.

LEADING BY OVER A LAP.

FRENCHMAN SO BADLY HURT HE WAS CARRIED FROM THE TRACK.

CONTEST FIXED FOR 20 MILES.

Brought to an End When Only a Quarter of the Distance Was Covered.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 15.—The twenty-mile paced race between Edouard Taylore, the French middle-distance champion, and J. Frank Starbuck, of this city, at Saenger hall tonight, was spoiled by an unfortunate accident to Taylore. The accident occurred on the sixth mile. Taylore at that time having gained a lead of a lap, at Saenger hall, which is one-tenth of a mile. On the next lap the tandem team took him at a terrific clip around the tureen-shaped course. As the foreigner turned into the homestretch the spill took place. Taylore's wheel dashed up the incline toward the outside of the track, and machine and rider brought up against a post, the wheel being smashed completely and Taylore rebounding and falling on the track. He managed to get out of the road just as Starbuck and his pacers came tearing around the turn, or otherwise more men might have been hurt.

Taylore was not seriously injured. His right shoulder was thrown out of place and his left knee was wrenched.

While the race lasted Taylore impressed the 8,000 spectators with his ability, many comparing him with Jimmy Michael. Starbuck, too, rode in splendid shape, as his time of 10:28 for five miles shows.

Taylore got the lead at the start, and for the first mile it was a regular procession. Then the foreigner began to draw away. At the end of the second mile Taylore was almost a lap to the good, and when the mishap occurred he was over a lap ahead.

After that Starbuck reeled off mile after mile at a steady clip, merely covering the twenty miles required to secure first money.

The one-mile international tandem pursuit race was won by Lamberjack and Gougolitz, the French team. Time, 2:03 4-5.

MICHAEL'S MOVEMENTS.

Little Fellow a Puzzle to the People of Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Jimmy Michael is still looking round town, and, except to a few, the little fellow is pretty much of an enigma From his answers this morning it was learned thta he was not having any special make of pacing machines built here, and that he will stay in town until he completes some arrangements of which he does not care to speak. Michael does not know as yet when he will start abroad, but says he will be back in time for the next racing season. When asked if he would make his home in Chicago, he said:

"Oh, no. We will go where the racing is and make our home there. There is lots of interest in the East now."

Michael thinks the report is true that Johnson and Eck have combined, but laughed pleasantly at the idea that Johnny is after him for a match race. It is the general opinion that the little fellow is dickering with some wheel firm. He will follow the plan of racing already outlined by him at the end of the season.

BILLIARD HANDICAP.

Ives and Catton Will Play the Opening Game.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Ives and Catton will face each other in the initial game of the handicap billiard tournament, to commence Monday evening at Central Music hall. Of the five entries, Ives and Schaefer each play 400 points to 260 for Catton, Spinks and Sutton. The scheme has been arranged to bring Ives and Schaefer against the other players in the evening games, on alternate nights, while the shortstops will fight each other in the afternoon. Sutton is the local favorite for third place.

The position of referee lies between Capt. A. C. Anson and John Matthews, and the veteran Charlie Matthews will be marker. Schaefer is a slight favorite in the betting, partly owing to his run of 151 in practice Friday night, but Ives has plenty of friends who are taking all the bets they can get at even money. There is no chance of a match between Schaefer and Ives at three-cushion caroms, as the former must go East as soon as the tournament closes to prepare for his match with George Slosson.

KANSAS CITY MAN BEATEN.

Gilbert Again Proves Himself the Champion Shot.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Fred Gilbert, of Spirit Lake, Io., defeated J. A. W. Elliott, the wing shot from Kansas ity, in a 100-bird match for the Dupont championship trophy and $100 a side today at Dexter Park, L. I., by a score of 96 to 91. The match was shot in a drizzling rain that did not deter 200 enthusiastic sportsmen from wading more than half a mile in a slough of yellow mud to see the contest. Elliott was a slight favorite before the start, but after the first twenty-five pigeons had left the traps every indication pointed to a victory for Gilbert.

The birds were unusually fast, and with any wind would have made high scores impossible. On the other hand, the dull, gray sky and the nasty atmosphere made the work of the shooters especially difficult at times. In the first quarter of the journey Elliott, who was first at the traps, missed his third and eighth. In his second string he missed his twentieth. His third quarter of the match recorded three, his seventeenth, twentieth and twenty-fourth, while in the last twenty-five he failed to stop his fourth, ninth and twelfth. The last two fell dead out of bounds.

JIMMY MURPHY WHIPPED.

Bested in Five Rounds by Kerwin at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Jack Bonner, of Philadelphia, and Australian Billy Smith met for six rounds in the gymnasium of the Chicago Athletic club tonight. George Siler, who acted as referee, gave the fight to Bonner in the third round. Neither man was in good condition. Bonner had the best of it throughout, knocking Smith down twice in the first round, once in the second, and three times in the third.

Harry Forbes, of Chicago, and Tom Cooney, of Providence, R. I., took part in the first bout of the evening, and although Cooney was the heavier man, the fight was stopped in the first half of the second round to save him from a knock-out.

Sprague, of Streator, Ill., and Ritchie, of St. Louis, came next, and Ritchie lasted just about as long as Cooney, Sprague putting it all over him. The fight was given to Sprague in the second round.

Jimmy Murphy, of Chicago, met George Kerwin, the club champion, for six rounds, for the wind-up of the evening. The decision was given to Kerwin in the fifth, he having knocked Murphy down repeatedly. The latter did more clinching and hugging than fighting.

RACING AT SARATOGA.

A Meeting May Not Be Held There Next Summer.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—It is not likely that the Saratoga Racing association will give a meeting next season at the Spa. A prominent officer of the association said this morning that with the dates allotted to it by the Jockey club it would be impossible to conduct a meeting with profit, and there was a strong probability that there would be a loss.

The matter has not been settled definitely. The officers of the Saratoga Racing association may change their minds when they see how well the fixtures for the Metropolitan tracks are filling.

It would not be too late, even if they waited until after all the other associations had announced their stakes, because the Saratoga meeting will come late in the summer. Horsemen generally believe that the Saratoga stakes will fill better than the Metropolitan races, because about the time that the meeting at the Spa is scheduled to begin the Westerners will be coming East in bunches, and they will want nothing better than to stop over at Saratoga to rest up for their hard fall campaign here. Horsemen, as a general thing, don't believe that Saratoga has been unfairly treated in the matter of dates.

AMATEUR OARSMEN.

Charges Against the Secretary of the Association Dismissed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—A meeting of the executive committee of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen was held tonight. Eleven of the twelve members of the executive committee were present, President W. C. Jupp, of Detroit, presiding. Julius D. Maher, Henry Whiting Garfield and James R. Doyle, the committee appointed by the president to investigate the charges made in the Schuylkill navy, "affecting the integrity of the secretary of the association and the conduct of his office," reported that they had used their best endeavors to investigate the matter, and that notwithstanding earnest efforts, had failed to find any evidence whatever reflecting upon the secretary, nor had they even been able to have these vague charges formulated. The report was accepted and a resolution unanimously adopted declaring "that the National Association of Amateur oarsmen hereby declare the charges referred to wholly unworthy of credence and without foundation in fact."

The following clubs sent in their resignations: Institute and Triton, Newark, N. J.; Chamounx, Quaker City, Barge Club, and West Philadelphia, of Philadelphia. A committee was appointed to confer with the clubs and request them to remain in the association.

A communication was received from W. C. Braddock, of the Columbia Boat club, of Allegheny City, requesting that P. P. Conley be reinstated. The communication was laid on the table.

It was decided to hold the national regatta of 1898 at Philadelphia, July 22 and 23.

The regatta committee was given power to have a college race at the regatta and to give a prize. The regatta committee was appointed as follows: Messrs. Garfield, Pilkington, Priesendanz, Doyle, Maher, Zappone, Fortmeyer, Dr. Hoot and W. C. Jupp.

A committee was authorized, of which C. R. Zappone, of Washington, was appointed chairman, to petition congress for an appropriation to send a delegation of oarsmen to the Paris exposition in 1900. The committee was instructed to co-operate with the A. A. U. in the matter if possible.

WESTERN TRACK MEETING.

Arrangements Discussed by the Intercollegiate Committee.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—The graduate committee of the Western Intercollegiate Athletic association met this afternoon in the association building and discussed preliminary arrangements for the annual track meet, which takes place in Chicago next summer. The colleges represented were: University of Chicago, University of Illinois, Grinnell college, Wisconsin; University of Minnesota, Depauw university, and Lake Forest university. Michigan and Leland Standford are also entitled to representatives on the committee, but none was present from either university. The application of A. H. Culver, the pole vaulter, of North Western, to have his record of 11 feet made at the meeting of 1895, recognized by the association, was heard and will probably be granted at the next meeting, provided he will be able to furnish the necessary affidavits from the judges and measurers who were present at the time.

CHALLENGE TO ALL.

White Bear Yacht Club After a Race.

The White Bear Yacht club held a meeting last night and decided to send a delegation to attend the meeting of the Inland Yacating association, which meets at Milwaukee next week. The delegates will be authorized to offer prizes for a race to be sailed on White Bear lake, open to any yachts in America.

California Coach.

OAKLAND, al., Jan. 15.—Garrett Cochran, the famous Princeton end, will coach the University of California football team next season. Telegrams just received announce that Cochran has promised to come to California. It is probable that Cochran will come to the coast in the spring to take charge of the preliminary work. Cochran is a senior at Princeton university.

CHAMPION HANDBALL PLAYERS.

Casey and Dunn to Visit the West in the Near Future.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Phil Casey and former Alderman James Dunn, of Brooklyn, will make a transcontinental tour in April, and will play the crack handball teams of all the big cities from New York to San Francisco.

It will be the most comprehensive trip ever made by a team of players at this particular game. These two men are each more than fifty years of age. They have met young and old season after season, and still they are first. They declare this to be their farewell tour.

At least a half dozen trips have been made by Casey and Dunn to St. Louis and Chicago. They have met the cracks of the middle West, and they are the champions. But the California journey is something new.

Thomas McGee Jr., and his brother, F. G. McGee, representing the Olympic club, of San Francisco, called on Mr. Casey today and took the measurement of his court in order that they might duplicate it on the Pacific coast.

Bobby Dobbs and Jack Fox.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Bobby Dobbs, of Minneapolis, who styles himself the colored lightweight champion of the world, and Jack Fox, have been signed by Matchmaker Jack Skelly to meet in a fifteen-round contest at the next boxing show to be given by the Palace Sporting club, of Trenton, which occurs on Jan. 24. They will meet at 140 pounds for a guarantee of $350.

Nat Goodwin Likes McCoy.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Comedian Nat Goodwin has bet $1,600 with Charles Rector, the restaurant man, on the outcome of the talked-of meeting between McCoy and Choynski. The actor is a great admirer of Kid McCoy, and is reputed to have won largely on the latter's recent victory over Creedon in New York.

Fencing Contest.

ITHACA, N. Y., Jan. 15.—The Cornell fencing team defeated the University of Pennsylvania in their contest here tonight by a total of 79 to 76. The representatives of Cornell were J. E. Cignoux, W. A. Tenney and A. Bassford; of Pennsylvania, L. J. Lane, P. X. Gire and H. H. Frazioli.

Twenty-Five Mile Race.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 15.—In a twenty-five-mile unpaced bicycle race tonight at the Exposition building track between Edward Aldridge, of this city, holder of the indoor and outdoor twenty-five-mile unpaced record, and Herman Kohl, of Chicago, Aldridge won by 125 yards. The time was 1 hour 5 minutes and 21 seconds.

Will Wrestle Jan. 28.

Articles of agreement were signed last night for a wrestling match, catch-as-catch-can style, best two in three, between Prof. J. L. Snyder, of this city, and A. F. Jasten, of Minneapolis, for $50 a side. The match is to be wrestled at the St. Paul Athletic club Jan. 28, and Police Gazette rules will govern. The club is to choose the referee.

Trotters at Terre Haute.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Jan. 15.—John Young has arrived here with twenty-five horses from the stock farm of William Russell Allen, at Pittsfield, Mass. He will give them their early preparation for the season on the Terre Haute track. Nearly all are youngsters, fourteen being colts of Kremlin, without records.

Bobby Surprised.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 15.—Bobby Dobbs, the lightweight champion, met with a surprise tonight when he tried to put Paddy Sheehan, of Bethlehem, out in four rounds. In the third Dobbs was knocked down twice, and the call of time just saved him. In the fourth he was badly punished, and again the call of time just saved him. Sheehan got $50 for entering the ring and $100 for staying four rounds.

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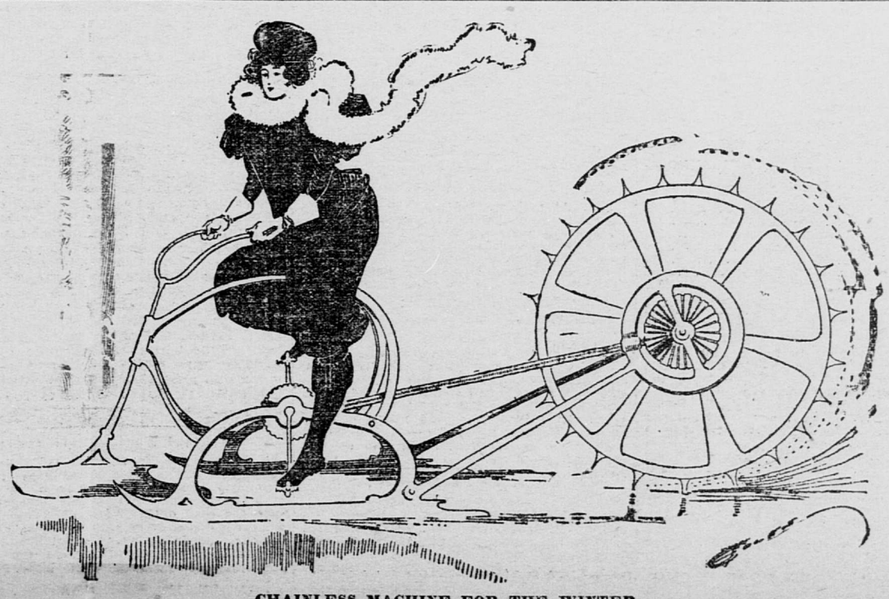

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