

WHEELING.

THE L. A. W. OFFICERS.

Meeting of the L. A. W. Officers in New York. Report of the reorganization committee.

The semi-annual convention of the League of American Wheelmen was held March 6 in the parlors of the Grand Union Hotel, New York City.

Treasurer Brewster's report showed a small cash balance on hand. Secretary Bassett presented an extensive report, showing that the League was never before on such a sound basis.

John A. Wells, of Philadelphia, who had not been allowed a seat at the October meeting, appeared Monday as a delegate with credentials signed by Chief Counsel Jessup, of Pennsylvania.

W. E. Child, the crack amateur bicyclist, of Washington, will go to England with Crocker, Knapp and Eck in about a month.

Another lesson learned from the great Stanley Show is that the modern cycle, two and three wheels, has practically reached the possible limit of improvement.

Dingley has proved himself to be one of the fastest long distance men in the country. Hollingsworth, in condition, would make a hot race for the Minneapolis man.

President Finch and F. S. Miller, of the Union County Wheelmen, are, with several others, engaged in a project to erect an \$8,000 athletic club house in Westfield, N. J.

The "Liberty bill," relating to the use of bicycles and tricycles on the roads of New Jersey, was passed by the Senate on last Wednesday afternoon and now becomes a law.

F. W. Allard, the world's tricycle champion, and W. M. Woodside, the American, have been matched to ride a ten-mile bicycle race at Coventry, England, on Easter Monday, April 1, for \$25,000.

The Cambridge, Mass., Bicycle Club, last Monday, elected these officers: President, John Ames; vice president, and captain, George Perkins; secretary, G. A. Nash; treasurer, J. H. Daggett; executive committee, J. H. Grimes, F. A. Underwood, Edmund Ellis.

A new cycle champion race will be run in this season, which will have the novelty of being attached on the under side of the left pedal. The mechanism is worked by a cogged wheel acting on the fork. The principal objection to this cyclistometer will be its price, \$10.

Louise Armand, offers to ride four hours per day for six days against the combined scores of any two runners for \$250 to \$500 a side. The challenge has been accepted by Messrs. Vint and Norwick.

The Brooklyn Club, the oldest cycling organization in Brooklyn, has decided to build a new house at the location within half a mile of the city.

The preliminary are being arranged and the project will be pushed through with all possible speed. When the Brooklyn's new house is built Brooklyn may justly be called the city of club houses.

The Rochester Bicycle Club met in Boston Tuesday and elected the following board of officers: President, Willard H. Forbes; vice president, F. L. Ralphy; treasurer, F. E. Fowler; secretary, W. A. Clapp; captain, Arthur P. Benson; first lieutenant, J. P. Clarke; second lieutenant, G. W. H. Brown; third lieutenant, A. S. Rennie; third lieutenant, Geo. Tovey; secretary and recording secretary, H. J. Sylvester and J. H. Taylor.

The attempt to prohibit road racing in England is meeting with lots of opposition, and several leading record breakers and hard road riders have signified their intention of ignoring the action of the ruling body. We hope our League will consider well before it takes too strong a stand in the matter of teaching upon the personal liberties of its members.

The Hudson County Wheelmen, of Jersey City, N. J., have elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Dr. R. W. Johnson; secretary, Theo. F. Metzler, Jr.; treasurer, Carman Nichols; captain, E. P. Baggio; first lieutenant, W. E. Eldridge; second lieutenant, F. J. Gabelman; secretary, C. Sheldon; G. W. Robertson, Jr.; L. G. H. C. Parnall; tugler, G. L. Bettecher; color bearer, N. E. Feary.

A British firm exhibited a war cycle at the Stanley show. It is of the Victoria pattern and it will carry twelve men with kit, rifles and a large quantity of ammunition. The same firm shows two safes, which carry cartridges in a patent clamp forward of the seat pillar. A war tricycle (the ordinary S. S. type) carries a carbine and a capacious ammunition box behind the axle, so that the weight is carried by the driving wheels.

A track composed of clay and cinders is to be built by the Hudson County Wheelmen along the right side of the road from Rochester, N. Y., to the lake, the company having been guaranteed \$200 by F. L. Hughes, E. A. Putt, Wilmet Castle and Thompson & Kaufman. The track is to be finished by June 1. It is to be four feet wide, and it is proposed to charge two cents for each round trip, the guarantors taking \$200 worth of tickets and disposing of them as they see fit.

Cycling is a favorite sport in the Antipodes and cycling racing is as well patronized as is base ball in this country. The great Australian handicap, the first prize in which is valued at \$2,000, attracts thousands of spectators. The race is run in tiers entirely around the inclosure, and every one can get a full view of the entire race. The main roads are very good; the cross roads are poor. Ordinary wheels are very generally used, safety being practically unknown.

An English writer highly recommends knitted woolen socks to cyclists for long purposes. In the spring, summer and autumn. He adds that the material should be manufactured from purely woolen yarn, i. e., without any artificial dye. The color is in itself a great recommendation, but it is not readily made. The firm, smooth nature of these knitted socks renders them very durable and pliable to the form, and the fact of the material being absolutely pure

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The following members of the Toronto Lacrosse Club have been booked for the steamer "Furzeville," sailing March 17: Messrs. A. B. Mackenzie, P. Felchold, A. E. McHenry, John Garvin, R. Eckhardt, J. S. Garvin, S. Southers, J. Dryan, J. Sewell, John Irving, F. E. Martin, E. Gordon, James Mackenzie and R. D. Hamilton, captain. They will play throughout England during the coming season.

The well-known professional roller skater, Carrio A. Gilmore, has applied for a divorce from her husband, William E. Lively, also a well-known trick skater and polo player, on the grounds of intemperance and neglecting to provide suitable maintenance. She was married to Lively in Worcester, Dec. 2, 1884, and since that time they have resided there. At the present time Lively is in Danbury, Eng.

An interesting race for a prize for first class yacht racing will be held on the Hudson river by the yacht club, which is being held by the Hudson river yacht club, was sailed at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., March 5. Six boats participated. The prize was won by the Northern Light, owned by J. C. Barron. The course about 12 1/2 miles, and the time was about one hour.

The Tecumseh Lacrosse Club, of London, Ont., has chosen new officers as follows: President, D. Smellie; vice president, W. Milcham; captain, Dave Furness; secretary, A. Brown; committee, H. Bennett, A. Lawson, Bruce Richmond, H. Walker.

The ten mile skatin' record was beaten on Monday, Feb. 2, at the Dominion rink, Montreal, Can., the race being one of the most exciting of the season. E. Irwin defeated Chas. Gordon, G. Douglas, D. Brown and J. Taylor in 35m. 5s.

The Central Bowling Club, of Syracuse, N. Y., has elected these officers: President, George Turpin; vice president, William Friedl; secretary, R. Fritzsche; treasurer, H. Gaedner; bowling masters, H. Miller and H. Seitz.

Dan F. Ester, a well-known trainer of greyhounds and other dogs in the North of England, was knocked down and killed by a railway train while attempting to cross the track at Stanningley Station, near Leeds, Feb. 18.

The Cape May Driving Park, it is stated, has been leased for the season of 1888 to Messrs. A. H. Black, J. H. Edmunds, et al., for \$9,000. This, it is said, will pay the interest on the bonds and a dividend on the stock.

Shoun, the lawn tennis player, will not enter any of the spring lawn tennis tournaments, as he intends to play base ball during April and May, but he will enter for the championship at Newport.

The Columbia College Lawn Tennis Association was formed March 7. Officers were elected as follows: Secretary, B. Sloan, '88, president, and O. S. Crambell, '91, secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Charles Holt, of the Whittier Golfing Club, is 72 years old, and challenges any man of his age in Canada to curl a three-pair stone match, to shoot pigeons and to play chess.

The Show Shoe Club stephens at Montreal, March 3, was won by J. G. Ross, with F. H. Johnson second. There were sixteen competitors.

Tom Pettit, the English tennis champion, will not go to England this spring.

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