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The next winter in price ought to be in the type writer market. It seems ridiculous that a machine which, outside of royalties, costs not more than \$15 should at retail bring \$100.

The Brightening Outlook.

While the new tariff bill which is now so near completion has made unprecedented progress, yet the peculiar circumstances which it was framed to meet occasion just indignation that it was not speeded through the senate even more quickly.

Reform of Our Minor Courts.

Among the several interesting papers read before the Pennsylvania Bar association at Cresson Springs, one by Thomas Patterson, of Pittsburg, on the independence of the judicial work of the average justice of the peace commands especial attention.

Boat Racing And Other Sports.

Boat racing holds a peculiar place among college sports. There is nothing essentially aristocratic about it, and any one may race who can find a tub, a sheet of water and a competitor; but in college sports, it has taken on a more serious character.

As Viewed from Afar.

That the reputation acquired by the recent Pennsylvania legislature has not been marred by the state press is shown by the following comment from a disinterested source, the Syracuse Post: "The lawmakers of Pennsylvania, who have earned a reputation during the recent session of being one of the worst legislative bodies that were ever inflicted on a much afflicted state, passed, in response to public sentiment, a good roads law after a great deal of agony, and before completing the work took care to add an amendment which makes the law practically good for nothing."

The Price of Bicycles.

General comment is made concerning the recent drop in bicycle prices and many ingenious theories have been constructed apropos; but the subject can be surrounded by the single statement that the bicycle-riding public finally got tired of paying \$100 for a piece of merchandise not worth more than \$75.

between that there is nothing in common between the two. To skate on rollers it was necessary to frequent certain crowded places and endure all the risks and discomforts of indiscriminate associations. The wheel, on the other hand, offers itself either as an instrument of utility to the busy worker or as a vehicle of pleasure to those socially inclined.

The discovery is being made that the alien tax law should not have been passed until there had been established in Pennsylvania a uniform policy governing naturalization and preventing the granting of citizenship to aliens of a low grade of intelligence and morals.

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townships, etc. In other words, the Hamilton law is not worth the ink it was printed in, and the people of Pennsylvania, like the people of New York, will have to wait another year, at least, before any attempt can be made to convert the ditches and sink holes over which they ride and drive, into highways.

If the people of Pennsylvania had to wait only one year for the beginning of good road making it wouldn't be so bad; but they will have to wait nobody can tell how long. It is very probable, however, that before the next legislature is elected the good roads advocates and the candidates for legislative honors will come to an understanding on this point.

The president of the Pennsylvania Bar association, P. C. Knox, in his annual address at Cresson Springs Wednesday, discussed at length the law in its relation to labor and trade. After showing that the right of contract as between employer and employe is fully safeguarded by law in this country, he took up the subject of trusts, or combinations through contracts in restraint of trade.

Wheelmen should be kept off the sidewalks. But the present condition of Mulberry street between Webster and Madison avenues is such that riders to and from the boulevard have to take to the sidewalks else run the risk of slipping in mud or going head over heels because of the bricks and stones that line the middle of the road.

Thanks to Secretary of Agriculture Wilson's effective boomer, a London firm has placed a big order for Iowa butter. But our European friends will never discover what the real thing in butter tastes like until they stock up with the golden product of Susquehanna county.

A Chicago councilman wants that city to stop spending so much money on vane stars, and spend more on sanitation and soap. The idea may be unscientific but the advice is sound.

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never of such cases among the foot ball men. The foot ball player enters a game of two 30-minute halves; the contest may be severe and abound in "hard knocks" upon arms or legs or nose, but the player is held for even five minutes in succession to an exertion that reaches every instant the maximum of his powers.

From the standpoint of the participant, furthermore, boat racing seems much inferior to foot ball or base ball, because the individual is so completely subordinated to the machine of which he is a part. The practice of an eight-oared crew is a mere cog in the mechanism; he has no opportunity for individual head work, no great crises to rise to, unless he drops overboard when his oar breaks.

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