

WONDERS OF THE WHEEL.

FIGHTING MOCK DUELS ON BICYCLES A NEW SPORT IN EUROPE.

It Demands Expert Riding.—Combatants Must Be Absolute Masters of the Wheel to Win Battles.—A Father and Five Sons Who Ride on One Wheel.

brum for a moment. The bicycles seem almost endowed with life. The riders evidently have forgotten that they are not on steeds of flesh and blood.

himself and his five sons hundreds of miles. He has even taken them on several occasions to Niagara Falls and back. It can readily be believed that, as a contemporary remarks, "This bicycle load is the centre of observation wherever it goes."

An Indian Chief Who Rides a Wheel. This Indian chieftain is on his first visit to San Francisco, and is the guest of T. H. B. Varney.

SLAVONIAN LAUNDERING. Mangle Consists of a Clumsy Log and Rollers, Propelled by Frail Women.

Slavonia is in Austria, or rather in the extreme south of Hungary, but its people are nearly all Serbian. Its plains stretch for miles in an endless expanse of perfectly flat country.

This is a stout plank about seven feet long, raised to a height of two feet upon rough hewn logs. The middle of the plank is gripped by a framework rising from the floor to a height of five feet, with three great beams running across it, the whole fastened together with pegs.

The ironer, when ready to begin,



A SLAVONIAN WOMAN IRONING.

takes a sheet, for instance, winds it tightly around one of the rollers and puts an old ironing cloth around the outside. Then, lifting one end of the log and placing the roller under it, she works the weight to and fro, until the wrinkles are all presumably smoothed away.

Cardamom Cookies.—Three eggs, one pint of sugar, half a pint of shortening (half butter, half drippings may be used), one tablespoonful of salt, one-fourth of a pint of milk, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder sifted in with the flour, two tablespoonfuls of cardamom seed, flour to roll out thin; cut into rings, and bake a delicate brown.

The original log of Captain Cook, of the ship Discovery, in which he discovered the Hawaiian Islands, has been found among the British archives at London.

He Envied the Giraffe.



"Father, if I had a neck as long as that I could reach up to the top shelf in the jam closet."

HELPS FOR HOUSEWIVES.

Eggs in Salt. To pack eggs in salt, use "coarse fine," cover the bottom of tub first with three inches salt.

Renovating Feathers. On washday when the boiler has soapy, steaming water in it place a stick across the top to help support the bed, pillows or whatever contains the feathers.

Nice Way to Serve Oranges. Here is a nice way, though just a little troublesome, perhaps, to serve oranges.

True Rule for Cooking Potatoes. So simple a thing as a potato is insulted by half the cooks in christendom. When potatoes are to be boiled, pure and simple, only a vandal will peel them before cooking.

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Gravy Omelet (Mrs. McKinley's recipe)—Make a plain omelet, fry, and dish it up upon a hot platter; have ready one large cupful of good beef gravy; heat this very hot; add one teaspoonful of minced parsley; pour over the omelet and serve.

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Baked Asparagus.—Boil until tender two bunches of asparagus; when cold cut into inch pieces; lay in a buttered vegetable or pudding dish; cover with a sauce made of two tablespoonfuls of butter, rolled in two of flour; pour two cupfuls of boiling milk over this, and season with one-half teaspoonful of salt; sprinkle three tablespoonfuls each of grated cheese and bread crumbs over the top and bake a light brown.

Orange Jelly.—To make a clear orange jelly, soak one-half a package of gelatine in one-half cup water for an hour; strain one cup and a half of orange juice into a bowl; add one cupful of sugar, one cupful of water, the juice of one lemon and the beaten white of an egg; put the mixture into a saucepan, with the soaked gelatine, and heat until the sugar and gelatine are dissolved; strain through a coarse cloth into a mold; a nice way to serve this jelly is in baskets made from the orange peel.

Southern Batter Bread.—Three cupfuls of cornmeal, half-cup of boiled rice (cold), one pint of boiling water, one teaspoonful of salt, one tablespoonful of lard, three eggs, one cupful of sour milk, one-half teaspoonful of soda; sift meal, salt and soda together, stir in the boiling water and beat in the lard and rice; now whip in the beaten eggs, lastly the sour milk; pour into a well-greased bread pan and bake about thirty minutes in a moderate oven.

Ham Macaroni.—Quarter of a pound of macaroni broken into inch bits and boiled slightly in salted water till tender; drain, and place in the dish in which it is to be served. Make a gravy of one level tablespoonful of butter, the same of flour, and three-fourths of a pint of milk; when smooth add one well-beaten egg, season with half a teaspoonful of red pepper and one of mustard; lastly, add half a pint of finely chopped lean ham; mix this sauce with the macaroni and brown on the top in the oven.

KEYSTONE STATE NEWS CONDENSED.

A TERRIBLE MISTAKE. Well Known Harrisburg Man Takes Strychnine and Dies.

Herman J. Wolk, a well-known Democratic politician of Harrisburg, took strychnine by mistake to-day, and died several hours later in great agony.

After the discouraging situation in the coke field near Dunbar, presented by the reports of several weeks past, the favorable reports of last week's trade will be hailed with delight.

The following pensions were granted: Pennsylvania—Joseph R. Wickline, Sharnsburg; Thomas W. Dyott, Erie; Andrew J. Fry, Bellwood; Jonathan Wisner, Hopewell; Arthur Colville, Pittsburg; Elizabeth B. Littell, Allegheny; Minor G. George, Zelleno; Elizabeth Lantz, Conomagh, and Jacob L. Reeser, Pennsylvania, Fayette county; William Berwinke, Apollo; Adam Louke, Altoona; John Lancaster, Bradock; Joseph Bryant, Erie; George T. Headrick and Margaret J. Croft, Pittsburg; Daniel W. Daugherty, Saltsburg; Hiram McCoy, Galeton, Potter county; John G. Stahl, Williamsport; George F. Miller, Lancaster; John R. Stevens, Eaglesmere; John Reymor, Scranton; increase, David Comfort, Blairsville; reissue, Christopher F. Yockey, Chicora.

Daniel J. Slattery, the Erie railroad supervisor who has been missing since May 28, committed suicide. After leaving Bradford he went to Falls Creek, took a train to Pittsburg and thence to Bellaire, O. On the evening of May 29 he was seen by a fisherman to leap into the Ohio river.

Martin Mauer, of Erie, walked out in the breakwater, sat where he thought would be in the water, and then shot himself through the head. He fell backward and was found. Mauer had been for twenty-five years Erie's leading wholesale confectioner, and had stepped himself in the enlargement of his factory at Erie. His next venture was in the Ohio oil field, and it cleaned up the balance of his wealth. He was a Knight Templar and leaves a wife and four children.

Contracts have been let for the reconstruction of the Rosena furnace at New Castle, Pa., which will make it one of the biggest furnaces in the United States. The capacity will be about 50 tons. The Enterprise Company of Youngstown will build the stack and the New Castle engineering works do the iron work. The furnace will be 95 feet high and 27 feet in diameter. The improvements will cost about \$150,000.

Carl J. W. Reynolds and John Kyler of Esby, Pa., were burned to death, and Maurice Reynolds was fatally burned on the Susquehanna, at Pottsville. The dredge was being used by the Spring Brook Water Company, in erecting a filter. The men went to bed in the cabin and soon after a fire broke out in the boiler room.

The bark peeler strikers, angered because certain Frenchmen would not join their ranks at Crolyland, commenced a riot, which necessitated the summoning of the sheriff of the county. Woodsmen from adjoining camps are also striking for advanced wages.

George E. Landers, ex-postmaster at Newberry, stood up to be punished for shooting Select Councilman Seth T. Foreman last fall. After reprimanding the prisoner, Judge Metzger sentenced him to two years' solitary confinement in the Eastern Penitentiary.

To get on deck, they had to run through the boiler room and only Maurice Reynolds lived through the fiery ordeal. He was rescued by a boat from the shore, but was so badly burned he cannot recover. The dredge burned to the water's edge and sank.

Benjamin Thornburg, a Washington county poorhouse character, famous in his day as a fighter, died at the age of 97 at the Washington county poorhouse from injuries received by being struck by a train.

H. J. Welsh, brakeman, was killed at Courtney. He had asked a young lady for a rose, and in reaching for it, as the train was moving, lost his balance and fell under the cars. He was ground into pieces.

At the words "two years" Landers fell to the floor as if shot, and his aged mother, uttering a piercing scream, dropped into the arms of a friend in a dead faint.

Burglars blew open the safe in the Armagh postoffice, Indiana, kept in D. R. Mack & Sons' store, and got \$350 in money and \$500 in notes and postage stamps.

The Pottstown iron company has assigned. It failed in February, 1885, since which time it has been in charge of receivers. Its capital stock is \$1,000,000.

Reports from many sections of Fayette county show the 17-year locusts are multiplying at a rate to cause apprehension of serious destruction to crops.

The general store of Henry & N. M. Dewalt, at Harrison City, has been closed by the sheriff at the suit of S. M. Ferguson and will be sold.

Paul Hughes, aged 8 years, and James Faddis, aged 11 years, of Rice Landing, killed a copperhead snake measuring 27 inches.

Mrs. Robert Mair of Latrobe, an aged lady, attempted suicide by drinking lye and is in a critical condition.

Cleo, the 12-year-old son of William Kinter, of Edinboro, was kicked to death by a horse he was leading.

John Mahley, aged 20, of Franklin, was killed by a train at Ashtabula, O.

The highest bridge of any kind in the world is said to be the Leo river viaduct on the Antioquia Railway, in Bolivar, South America. The place where this highest railway structure has been erected is over the Molo rapids in the Upper Andes, and is between the two sides of a canyon which is situated 10,000 feet from the level of the Pacific.

The Germans appear to be particularly liable to disorders of the digestive organs and to cancer.

CONGRESSIONAL.

June 10. The sugar schedule was then taken up, and Mr. Allison, on behalf of the Finance committee, offered an amendment making 95-100 of a cent the duty on refined sugars.

No final action was taken on any feature of the schedule. This leaves the House provisions of the bill, with an amendment increasing the House differential from 87-100 to 95-100 cents per pound. The provisions relating to the Hawaiian treaty went over by mutual consent.

James T. Lloyd, elected to succeed the late Representative Giles, of the First Missouri district, took the oath in the House to-day. A resolution was passed to pay the salaries of certain consuls. The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday.

June 11. The tariff bill was taken up, and consideration of the sugar schedule resumed. Mr. Gorman in discussing the bill remarked that the bill increased the burden of every man by 10 per cent. Mr. Allison held that the bill would be of no more advantage to the sugar industry than the Wilson bill was. Continuing he said it was the policy of this bill to establish the production of sugar in this country, and keep the \$100,000,000 annually paid for sugars by our people at home.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE.

June 10. The bill taxing bicycles went through second reading in the house, but the outlook for its success finally is far from bright. The club license bill was defeated by a vote of 95 to 48, but afterward reconsidered and final action postponed.

The amended direct inheritance tax bill, prepared by Attorney General McCormick to meet the adverse decision of the Philadelphia court, will, it is claimed, put upward of \$2,000,000 annually in the State treasury.

Senate bill for inspection of meat shipped into Pennsylvania from other States passed second reading after a half hour's debate.

Bills extending to boroughs the law enacting the State board of wardens, increasing the number of copies of the report of the Pennsylvania State college from 16,000 to 28,000, and regulating the location of burial grounds owned by cemetery companies, were defeated.

Bills amending the act of May, 1892, to enable borough councils to establish boards of health, and to allow councils of boroughs containing not more than 10,000 inhabitants to combine compatible offices, passed finally.

June 11. The Baldwin bill, amending the Brooks high license law, was considered in the house. The bill prohibits the sale of bottled liquors from wagons, except on order from the bottling concern. The direct inheritance law was up on second reading. Gov. Hastings estimates that the direct inheritance tax bill will yield \$2,000,000. The Young trolley bill, granting the right of eminent domain to country trolley companies came up. Discussion was prevented by an adjournment.

There are three hundred natives of India, chiefly students, now residing in England.

MARKETS.

Table with columns for Grain, Flour and Feed, and various market prices for wheat, corn, and flour.

Table with columns for Dairy Products, and prices for butter and creamery products.

Table with columns for Fruits and Vegetables, and prices for beans, potatoes, and cabbage.

Table with columns for Poultry, Etc., and prices for chickens, turkeys, and eggs.

Table with columns for CINCINNATI, and prices for flour, wheat, and corn.

Table with columns for PHILADELPHIA, and prices for flour, wheat, and corn.

Table with columns for NEW YORK, and prices for flour, wheat, and corn.

Table with columns for LIVE STOCK, and prices for cattle and sheep.

Table with columns for SHEEP, and prices for various types of sheep.



MR. VOM SCHEIDT AND HIS FIVE BOYS ON A BICYCLE.

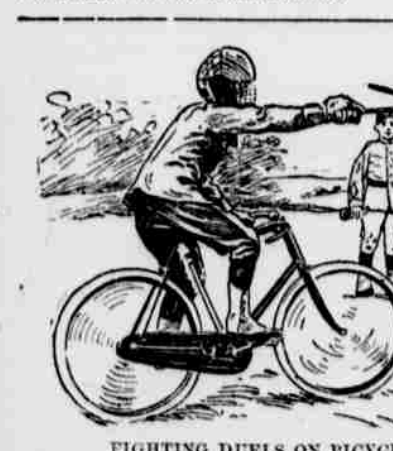
be an expert cyclist. Whoever attempts one of these combats on wheels must be able to perfectly manage his machine without the assistance of his hands. One of the first principles of exercise with the foils is to keep constant watch on one's opponent.

The combatants in a mock duel of this nature are dressed in the ordinary outing costume of the cyclist. Their hands are clothed in gauntlets. The stockings worn are usually faced with a very fine quality of chamois skins.

On the inner side of the trousers, just above the point where the leggings and the bottoms of the trousers meet, is a round piece of rubber about an eighth of an inch thick and seven and one-half inches in circumference.

Each duelist wears a mask which has over each eye a projection of wire, similar in form to a small inverted tea cup. This gives absolute freedom of vision.

A short time ago I was fortunate enough to witness a contest with foils between two of the most expert riders in the United Kingdom. Both were mounted on American wheels, twenty-eight pounds each. The wheels were of what is called the new folding pattern. That is, the frame is so constructed that it is possible to fold the wheels so that they come side by side, the centre of the frame working on a hinge.



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Each man took up a position about fifteen feet from his antagonist. At a given signal both mounted their steeds of steel and slowly circled about one another, just as we have seen men fighting with knives seek an opening in which to make an attack.

The left hand rests lightly on the handle bar. The right hand grasps firmly the foil, held at an angle of forty-five degrees. Slowly the two circle about, until suddenly one rider dashes forward as if from a catapult; there is a clash, clash of steel, and the first passes are over. The circling movement is continued by both men, who grow more and more wary as the circle narrows.

"Look out!" calls the director. "Gentlemen, no foul, if you please." This makes the duelist more wary, for a foul by either means the loss of the honor of the conflict.

"Ware!" cries one of the combatants, and a thrust is aimed at his opponent's helmet with a force that would seem sufficient to throw him from the saddle. He sustains the shock gallantly, and the sparks fly as the foils beat upon one another. Neither cyclist has lost his equilibrium for a moment.

One interesting result in France is that it is likely to become something more serious than mere pastime. Duelling is the vogue there. At the same time a duel about which there is a novelty, is something to be cultivated. Therefore, the mock duel on wheels, which the fencing exercise is called, has suggested to the volatile Frenchman a chance to furnish wheel-



CHIEF NUMA TIPLE AND HIS WHEEL.

men with a method of his own for re-senting insult.

SIX ON ONE BICYCLE.

How a Fond Buffalo Father Takes His Five Sons Wheeling.

Mr. Vom Scheidt, of Buffalo, has five boys and a bicycle. As the bicycle is an ordinary wheel intended for the use of one person, and as the boys are

all of them too small to stride the paternal machine, it is difficult at first to imagine the connection between Mr. Vom Scheidt's six possessions. A glance at the illustration, which we reproduce from the columns of the Buffalo Express, will, however, show that there is something in common to all, and that there is something very vital to the enjoyment of the Vom Scheidt youngsters.

The spectacle of Mr. Vom Scheidt and his family enjoying a spin upon his bicycle must be edifying indeed, especially when the family tackle a sharp hill on a warm day. At this distance from Buffalo, says the New York Herald, we can almost hear the paternal muscles groan and see great drops of perspiration rolling down the Vom Scheidt brow.

The boy in front of the family group is twelve years old, and so is the boy in the rear. No. 2 on the wheel is the latest Vom Scheidt to enter this world of sin and wheeling. He is about six months old. The boy seated just behind the baby is five years old. The next is seven.

Mr. Vom Scheidt is as muscular as he is kind hearted. He has wheeled