WONDERS OF THE WHEEL | brium for a moment. The bicycles | himself and his five sons hundreds of miles. He has even taken them on seem almost endowed with life. The riders evidently have forgotten that they are not on steeds of flesh and blood.

Parry and thrust, clever defence, blows that seem powerful enough to cleave the mask in twain-all these ocour with lightning-like rapidity.

Then like a flash of light one cyclist Wheelmen of England and France now fight mock duels on bicycles. It is not a mere imitation, but a genuine contest with the foils, which calls for more active wheelman has touched his as much skill as the combats which antagonist over the heart with the buttook place on foot. The first qualifi-cation for a duellist of this sort is to weapon. The cyclist who is thus



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

be an expert cyclist. must be able to perfectly manage his point, machine without the assistance of his genera hands. One of the first principles of exercise with the foils is to keep constant watch on one's opponent. The slightest negligence of this sort may give a fencer tremendous advantage.

If his wheel distracts his mind from the object he is trying to attain he gives his opponent just so much advantage which he otherwise would not is that the man who wishes to fight his duel on a bicycle must leave the man-agement of his wheel to his feet and

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. stockings worn are usually faced with a very fine quality of chamois skins. The shoes are of the regulation bicycle fashion, with rubber soles.

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. The object of this rubber is to give the rider a firm pressure upon the ma-chine, just as the rubber soles of his shoes act as a safeguard against his feet slipping on the pedals.

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

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 CHEIF NUMA TIPLE AND HIS WHEEL, mounted on American wheels, twentyof what is called the new folding pat- senting insult. tern. 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. It is claimed that a wheel of this sort enables the rider to turn more quickly, and thus forms the best possible wheel for the mock duellist.

Whoever at- touched is forced to dismount his tempts one of these combats on wheels wheel, and his opponent has scored a This is the method that is generally followed, and, as may be seen from the description given, is exciting in the extreme.

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



eight pounds each. The wheels were men with a method of his own for re-

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



FIGHTING DUELS ON BICYCLES-A NEW SPORT IN EUROPE.

steeds of steel and slowly circled about 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 fortyfive degrees. Slowly the two circle about, until suddenly one ridder dashes forward as if from a catapult; there is a clash, clash of steel, and the first passes are over. The circling movement is contined by both men, who grow more and more wary as the

"Look out!" calls the director. "Gentlemen, no foul, if you please."
This makes the duellist 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 world of sin and wheeling. He is would seem sufficient to throw him about six months old. The boy seated from the saddle. He sustains the just behind the baby is five years old. shock gallantly, and the sparks fly as the foils beat upon one another. Mr. Vom Scheidt is as muscular as that I could reach up to the top shelf he is kind hearted. He has wheeled in the jam closet."

Each man took up a position about all of them too small to stride the fifteen feet from his antagonist. At a paternal machine, it is difficult at first given signal both mounted their to imagine the connection between Mr. Vom Scheidt's six possessions. one another, just as we have seen men 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

several occasions to Niagara Falls and back. It can readily be believed that, as a contemporary remarks, "This bi-cycle load is the centre of observation wherever it goes."

An Indian Chief Who Rides a Wheel. This Indian chieftain is on his first an interpreter and naval officer. He was taught to ride last year by C. C. Hopkins, and is an excellent bicyclist.

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 Servian. plains stretch for miles in an endless expanse of perfectly flat country. mud is fathomless, its women's daily task of scouring and fighting against the dirt that the "men folks" bring in from out of doors on their shoes is never done. Between times there is the mangle.

This is a stout plank about seven feet long, raised to a height of two feet upon rough hewn logs. The mid-dle of the plank is gripped by a frame-work rising from the floor to a height of five feet, with three great beams running across it, the whole fastened together with pegs. Upon the plank are laid two rollers, and on these rests a half log of wood just fitting between the sides of the frame. This weight is smooth on its under surface, rough hewn above, and is provided at each end with three pegs which serve as handles:

The ironer, when ready to begin,



A BLAVONIAN 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. Then the sheet is removed, folded and put away, and the next "ironing"—perhaps another sheet or three or four towels, or half a dozen handkerchiefs-substituted. The sec ond roller acts merely to balance the log, although two ironers can work the machine, one at each end.

The woman who irons is as picturesque as her tools, when she wears the Slavonian peasant costume. Her shoes are flat and heelless; she has no stockings, but winds linen about her lower limbs and binds it in place with thongs, leaving a space of two inches or so bare below the edge of her kilted skirt of coarse, undyed linen. Her yellow, sheepish jacket is ornamented with patches of red and purple leather, quilted on with bright yarns, and her head is covered with a gaudy kerchief. Almost as often, however, she is stripped of her finery, except on Sundays, and wears at her work bedraggled clothing of western Europe's unattractive work-a-day pat-

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. The log was taken to Kamtchatka after Cook's death by a Russian warship, thence to St. Peters burg, and from there to London.



HELPS FOR HOUSEWIVES.

Eggs in Sait.

To pack eggs in salt, use "coarse ne," cover the bottom of tub first with three inches salt. On this place the eggs, large end down, far enough apart so they will not touch each other or sides of tub. Then cover this layer entirely with salt; follow by another layer of eggs, and so on until the tub is full. Keep in a cool dry place.—R. G. Buffington, in New Eng-

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. Arrange the bed nicely over the boiler; it can easily be done by doubling. Turn the bed, that the steam may thoroughly permeate all parts, then hang or expose in the sun and air. This will not enliven feathers, but surely exterminate moth.

Nice Way to Serve Oranges.

Here is a nice way, though just a little troublesome, perhaps, to serve oranges. Make a rich, thick syrup of sugar and water in which you have boiled orange peel till it is tender. Put the peel aside to use when dried for seasoning other things. Select large, rather tart oranges, peel and divide them into single sections without breaking the skin. Drop a dozen or so of these sections into the boiling syrup at a time, leave a few minntes, and then lay on a sieve to drain over a deep dish. Treat all the sec-tions this way, and by the time you have finished the lot the first batch will be ready to dip again. It will take about half a dozen dips all around to do the business. When cold serve piled up in little glass dishes.

True Rule for Cooking Potatoes.

So simple a thing as a potato is insulted by half the cooks in christenlom. When potatoes are to be boiled, pure and simple, only a vandal will ocel them before cooking. Potatoes to boil should be of uniform, medium size, so that one will be all that one person wants to eat; and not any more than a healthy appetite will demand. Cutting them injures the flavor for boiling. They should be smooth and plump, and should be scrubbed with a clean sea-grass brush that is used for no other purpose. They should soak for half an hour in cold water before being put in boiling water, and should not cease a good steady boil in a covered vessel until they are ready to serve. Pour off the water, and set on the back part of the stove with the lid off to let them dry thoroughly before serving, and then you will have a nice, mealy potato well worth the trouble you have taken. The same rules should be observed for baking. The oven should be moderately hot, increasing to a good heat rapidly When done, which you ascertain by testing with a fork, take in a napkin and break the skin on one side, to let the steam escape, drop a lump of but-ter in the break, if you like, and return to the open oven for a moment or two, till ready to serve. —Washing-

Recipes.

Gravy Omelet (Mrs. McKinley's re cipe)—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.

Cardamom Cookies-Three eggs, one pint of sugar, half a pint of shorten-ing (half butter, half drippings may be used), one saltspoonful of salt, onefuls 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. These proportions will make a week's supply.

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 teaspoonfu 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 cup-ful 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 cup fuls of cornmeal, half-cup of boiled rice (cold), one pint of boiling water, one teaspoonful of salt, one table-spoonful of lard, three eggs, one cup-ful of sour milk, one-half teaspoonful of soda; sift meal, salt and soda to-gether, 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 saltspoonful 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 MISTARE

Well Known Harrisburg Man Takes Strych nine and Dies.

Herman J. Wolz, a well-known Democratic politician of Harrisburg, took strychnine by mistake to-day, and died several hours later in great agony. He was 40 years old, and until recently held a position in the international revenue service. Mr. Wolk was at one time publisher of the "Harrisburg Sunday Capital," and afterwards one of the proprietors of the "Evening Star." He was for several years chairman of the Democratic city committee. A widow and one child survive him.

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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 trade last week showed decided signs of improvement, 77 ovens being added to the active list, making 10,315 ovens in blast and 8,062 idle. The production amounted to 102,778 tons, an increase over the previous week of 2,363 tons, The total shipments from the region amounted to 6,162 cars, a gain of 147 cars over the previous week.

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The following pensions were granted: Pennsylvania—Joseph R. Wickline, Sharpsburg: Thomas W. Dyott. Erie, Andrew J. Foy, Bellwood: Jonathan Wiser, Hopewell: Arthur Colville, Pittsburg: Elizabeth B. Littell, Allegheny: Minor Q. George, Zellenople: Elizabeth Launtz, Conemaugh, and Jacob L. Recce, Pennsville, Fayette county; William Berwinkle, Apollo; Adam Leake, Altoona: John Lancaster, Braddock; 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 Reymer, Scranton; increase, David Comfort, Blairsville: reissue, Christopher F. Yockey, Chicora.

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Daniel J. Slattery, the Eric 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. The body was taken from the water soon after. He had removed all papers from his body and even cut the initials from his shirt front.

The body was interred at public expense. A mark and the number on his shoes led to his identification.

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Martin Mauer, of Erie, walked out on the breakwater, sat where he thought he would fall 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, but overstepped himself in the enlargement of his factory and failed. 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 which will make it one of the biggest furnaces in the United States. The capacity will be about 450 tons. The Enterprise Company of Youngstown will build the stack and the New Castle engineering works do the iron work.

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Capt. J. W. Reynolds and John Kyler of Espy. Pa., were burned to death, and Maurice Reynolds was fatally burned on the Susquehanna, at Pittston. 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.

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The bark peeler strikers, angered because certain Frenchmen would not join their ranks at Croyland, com-menced 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' solltary confinement

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 flery ordeal. He was rescued by a boat from the shore, but was so badly burned be cannot recover. The dredge 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 pleces.

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 Potistown iron company has as-

signed. It failed in February, 1893, since which time it has been in charge of receivers. Its capital stock is \$1,000,-

Reports from many sections of Fay-ette county show the 17-year locusts are multiplying at a rate to cause ap-prehension 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.

Paul Hughes, aged 8 years, and James Faddis, aged 11 years, of Rices 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.

The highest bridge of any kind in the world fs said to be the Leo river viaduet on the Antoragasta Railway, in Bolivie, South America. The piace where this highest railway structure has been erected is over the Molo rapids in the Upper Andres, 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 \$5-100 of a cent the duty on refined sugars. Mr. Jones, Democrat, Arkansas, argued that the proposed schedule would increase the profits of the refiners. Mr. Vest, Democrat, Missouri, said the sugar trust had a capital of \$75,000,000 common stock and \$75,000,000 preferred stock, an aggregate of \$150,000,000, with profits of 12 per cent, on its common stock and 7 per cent, on the preferred stock. He said there might be some doubt in the Senate as to what the new schedule did for sugar, but there was no doubt in Wall street. The sugar stock went up from \$4 to \$5 a share as soon as it was known what the new schedule contained. Mr. Caffery, Democrat, Louisiana, placed the profits of the trust at ½ cent a pound on 4,000,000,000,000 pounds of sugar, which would be \$20,000,000.

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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 875-1000 to 95-100 cents per pound. The provisions relating to the Hawaiian treaty went over by mutual consent.

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

June II. 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 LHGISLATURE.

June 10. The bill taxing bleyles went through second reading in the house, but the outlook for its success finally is far from bright. The club license bill was deteated 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 \$2,900,000 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 undertakers, 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, 1893, to enable borough councils to establish

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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.

PITTSBURG.				
Grain, Flour and Fe	nd.			
WHEAT-No. 1 red	1	85%		86
No 2 red		84		85
CORN—No. 2 yellow, ear		80		31
No. 2 yellow, shelled		28		29
Mixed ear		27		28
OATS-No. 1 white		25		26
No. 2 white		25		26
RYE-No. 1		42		43
FLOUR-Winter patents	4	35	4	40
Fancy straight winter	- 4	85	- 4	45
Rye flour	- 6	80	9	50
HAY-No. 1 timothy		75	12	00
Mixed clover, No. 1	9	50	10	25
Hay, from wagons	18	00	14	00
FEED-No. 1 White Md., ton	19	00	îğ	50
Brown middlings	17	00	iï	50
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Dairy Products.		
BUTTER—Eigin Creamery	16@	17
Fancy country roll	16	17
New York, new	7 9	10
Fruits and Vegetables	00	
BEANS—Hand-picked, & bu	90 28	95
CARRAGE Home grown bld	1.00	1 55

CABBAGE—Home grown bbi. 1 50 1 55 ONIONS—Yellow, bu.......... 1 55 1 75 Poultry, Etc.

CINCINNATI.

PHILADELPHIA. FLOUR • 3 25@ 4 75
WHEAT—No. 2 red 83
CORN—No. 2 mixed 28 29
OATS—No. 2 white 24 25
BUTTER—Creamery, extra 15
EGGS—Pa. firsts 11

NEW YORK. FLOUR—Patents. \$ 3 50@
WHEAT—No, 2 red.
CORN—No, 2
OATS—White Western
BUTTER—Creamery
EGGS—State of Penn.

LIVE STOCK.

CENTRAL STOCK YARDS, EAST LIBERTY, PA. CATILE.

Prime, 1,300 to 1,400 lbs. \$ 4 90@
Good, 1,200 to 1,300 bs. 4 55
Tdy, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs. 4 55
Fair light steers, 900 to 1000 lbs. 3 90
Common, 700 to 300 lbs. 3 40