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С. W. A.

In another column will be found a letter from the Secretary of the C. W. A., Mr. Hal B. Donly, in reply to some of our criticisms of the C. W. A.

Unfortunately, Mr. Donly is under the impression that we are after the editor of the Canadian Wheelman, but such, however, is not the case, and any criticism of Mr. Brierley was merely an incident by the way, he having taken up the cudgels in defence of the Association and its officers, and if we have said anything therein which has reflected unkindly upon Mr. Brierley we sincerely regret it, as nothing of a personal nature was intended.

As to ourselves and other members of the C. W. A. booming the Wheelman, by lending our assistance, we think each issue of the paper is an evidence of the fact that the private members of the Association are doing much more than its officers in that direction, because every issue contains correspondence, etc., from the different club secretaries and reporters, though rarely a line from the officers.

We are very much pleased to find that our articles have induced the Secretary to place on the Agenda for the general meeting of the 27th inst. the items in regard to Guide Book and Customs Regulations, and we trust that they will not be "taken into serious consideration" and then allowed to drop, as they have been in past years.

Having replied to Mr. Donly's letter, we would like to ask him one or two questions relating to the C.W.A.

1. Has the C.W.A. a constitution?

2. If so, how is it that the members are not each supplied with a copy?

3. Are any certificates of membership in the Association issued?

4. If not, how do members identify each other?

Among the matters to be brought before the Association meeting is the reduction of the fee. We think it would be more to the point to increase the fee, so as to enable the Association to provide its members with certificates of standing and copies of the constitution.

Editorial Notes.

In the last issue of CYCLING, on the fifth line of the article relating to "The C. W. A. and Wheelman," the printer made us say "liturgy" for "lethargy."

In view of the recent wholesale suspension of American cracks it will behove the officers to place on record their views of the matter, so that the Racing Board may know exactly what action to take.

Owing to the prevalence of "La Grippe" in the Windy City and the consequent illness of "One of the Party" we are compelled to defer to a later date the continuation of "A Summer's Cycling Reminiscence."

Messrs. H. P. Davies & Co. have imported for J. H. Nash, of the Wanderers, a Rudge pneumatic racing safety, with an extra pair of cushion tyred wheels for road riding. Mr. Nash evidently means to lower the Canadian record this summer, and we trust the Racing Board will not decide to handicap pneumatics and cushions, but give the enterprising purchasers of fast wheels an opportunity of winning some of the prizes.

We understand that in addition to the subjects mentioned on the official agenda of the annual meeting of the C. W. A., a motion will be made to alter the conditions relating to novice races so as not to debar the winner of a slow or combination race from competing. It is also intended to ask the Association to assume the legal expenses incurred by Mr. English in prosecuting the expressman who ran him down and smashed his wheel last summer. As the decision in this case was one in which cyclists throughout the country are equally interested we have no doubt but that the Association will assume the account.

The "novice" race of America is known in Australia as the "maiden" race.