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A UNIQUE BOOK.

We have received from Colonel Albert A. Pope the president of The Pope Manufacturing Co., of Boston Mass., a unique little volume, handsomely printed upon tinted paper, and the contents made up of selected cycling literary bits of fact and wisdom, and much information concerning the "Wheel." In almost every possible question on bicycling and tricycling, internally or externally, past, present, prospective, is answered in concise and plain language. "WHAT AND WHY" really might be called the "Wheelman's Catechism and proverbs." "A Preparation of Iron," from the pen of the author Charles E. Pratt, Esq., occupies the front page of the book, and is a sprightly semi-humorous, romantic, pharmaceutical, medical, locally historical sketch in three chapters, with a strong bicycle moral, not drawn at the end but running all through it. The chapter on "Some Common Questions Answered," divided into "Definitive," "Mechanical," and "Practical," is a catechetical way of getting at the true inwardness of the bicycle,—its history, growth, variety, quantity, quality, usefulness and popularity.

The chapter on "Facts and Accomplishments" gives interesting data on riding times, and contains a table of comparative best records on walking, running, rowing, skating, trotting, tricycling, and bicycling.

"Legal Lifts" plainly explains the legal rights of wheelmen and cites every bicycle case brought before courts. The chapter on "What to select," gives valuable information, and a list of bicycle dealers who have riding schools. A summary of cycle literature and periodicals occupies a prominent place, and there is a page on the League of American Wheelmen. A chapter on "Dress and Conveniences" contains valuable suggestions on the matter of wearing-apparel, and mentions many of the little conveniences which might not occur to the wheelmen. The closing portions of the book are taken up by extracts from the words of prominent persons on the value of cycling, and golden sayings of physicians, professors, ministers, and others, who have enjoyed the exhilarating pleasure of riding the bicycle or tricycle.

A NEW CLUB FOR HAMILTON.

Mr. John Moodie, Jr., is our authority for stating that a new club has been formed in Hamilton. Already, he says, they have a membership of twelve, and have secured the finest club rooms west of Toronto. The new club is to be called the Ambitious Bicycle Club. They will attend the 24th of May tournament in this city in full force.

On page fifty-nine third column, we have warned wheelmen to beware of the policeman. Alas, the foolish often give the best advice. Reader peruse this:—

J. B. Dignam and W. K. Evans, two bicyclists pleaded guilty to riding their bicycles on the sidewalks on Good Friday. They explained that the roads were impassable and therefore they took to the sidewalks. The P.M. fined them \$1.25 each.—*London Free Press, April 19th.*

Since penning the article on the "C.W.A. Meet," we have learned that the date of the semi-centennial celebration which was to have taken place in Toronto, from 19th to 24th of June, has been postponed until the week commencing June 30th. It is not yet known what action the C.W.A. Board will now take in the matter—whether they will again postpone the meet, or, will have it on the day appointed, June 19th; but in either case there will be the same numerous difficulties to overcome that have been mentioned in the editorial.

Outing for April, beginning its fourth volume, is to hand, and is quite an improvement on the March number.

The Mirror of American Sport published in Chicago, is devoting a large amount of space to our sport, bicycling, the last number containing an extra amount of interesting news.

The *London Free Press* knows whereof it speaks:—

"The CANADIAN WHEELMAN, published at London, is improving every successive number, and has a large circulation among the bicyclists of Canada."

The Editor of the *Western Cyclist*, who recently published a paragraph against the integrity of W. J. Morgan, disclaims any responsibility for it. As it was printed under the head of "communications," we think our friend, the *Cyclist* has been imposed upon.

We have on our exchange list a bright and new publication called the *Archery and Tennis News*, New York, being published semi-monthly from June to December and monthly from December to June. It is well worth the price of subscription, viz., \$1.50 to those interested in either archery or tennis and contains many interesting articles.

The poem by Will Carleton is certainly a gem, the papers on canoeing and archery being equally interesting. The publication of a London, England edition of *Outing*, by Illiffe & Son, of 98 Fleet St., is also begun with this number, and the magazine on this side of the water seems to show a healthy and substantial growth in circulation and business.

The Overman Wheel Co'y. have just issued one of the most attractive catalogues we have seen this season. It contains a very handsome, illuminated cover, and is typographically perfect. Besides a full description of the "Victor" Tricycle, it contains a list of bicycle records. A catalogue, gotten up as it is, cannot fail to secure a large increase in sale of their popular machines.

We have in our For Sale column this month notices of a great number of machines for sale, all of which we can guarantee as being splendid bargains, also the reasons given us for selling being perfectly satisfactory. Consult the for sale columns before investing.

We welcome after an absence of eight months Vol. II. No. 1. of the *Amateur Athlete*, published in New York. We hope it has come to stay and are sure it will be well read.

Mr. Lloyd Harris, Captain of Brantford Bicycle Club, paid us a short visit on Thursday, April 11. He reports bicycling as booming in Brantford.

We had the pleasure of a call this week from Mr. A. F. Webster, of the Toronto Bicycle Club, who reports bicycling booming in the Torontos. Mr. Webster is a very enthusiastic cyclist, a good worker, and last but not least, we can commend him to all wheelmen as a "bail fellow well met."

FOR CHIEF CONSUL.

ED. CANADIAN WHEELMAN:

DEAR SIR,—With your permission I would like, through your columns, to respectfully solicit the votes and influence of the C.W.A. members, No. 1 District, for the election of our Captain, Mr. J. A. Muirhead, as Chief Consul for 1884-5.

Mr. Muirhead, since his appointment as Consul for London, has worked very earnestly for the Association in working up road-reports for the guide-book, procuring advertisements for the same, etc. His long experience in bicycling, and his desire to do all in his power to further the interests of the C.W.A., together with the fact that his business requires him to frequently travel over the greater part of the District, which would enable him to have a general supervision of the affairs of the C.W.A. in this District, make him both a worthy and desirable candidate.

Thanking you for this space, I remain
Yours truly,
W. M. Bagg,
Sec'y. Ariels.