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TO THE INTERESTS OF CYCLISTS
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Mr. Peard Retires.

DEAR BRYERS,—I feel that the time has arrived when my name should be withdrawn from association with yours as one of the editors of CYCLING. For the past year or more, in consequence of the demands of business, I have been able to devote but little time to our paper; you doing the lion's share of the work, and I participating in whatever honor there was attached to the editorship of a cycling journal. If for no other reason than that of fairness, I deem it but right that you should permit me to drop out of active connection with CYCLING. I shall always esteem it a privilege to be considered a contributor to the paper that, in the face of much opposition and some discouragement, I had the honor of editing when its initial number appeared. So, my dear Bryers, let me see your name alone appearing at the head of the editorial page in the first March number of CYCLING, and with kindest regards and best wishes, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

Baltimore, Feb. 20, 1892. F. F. PEARD.

In accordance with the above CYCLING will hereafter be under my sole charge—a responsibility which, personally, I feel; for though, on account of Mr. Peard's absence, he has not been able to afford as much assistance as he otherwise would have done, yet I have always felt that the opinions expressed by me were in some manner the opinions of the Editors of CYCLING, and not those of an individual.

Mr. Peard's withdrawal will not in any way alter the course we have been following with regard to Canadian wheeling, and I am sure the readers of CYCLING will be pleased to know that we are still to be favored by sketches from his pen, which will be of interest to us all.

FRED. BRYERS.

The T. L. C. and the Cyclists.

A month or so ago we expressed the opinion that the Toronto Lacrosse Club were not anxious to cater to the cyclists. A day or two later the *Empire* contained an answer which appeared on the face of it quite satisfactory, particularly as it was followed up by an invitation to the cyclists to meet the lacrosse men for the purpose of making some satisfactory arrangements; the outcome of which, while perfectly satisfactory no doubt to the T.L.C., was by no means so fair to the wheelmen. Stripped of unnecessary wording the offer of the Lacrosse Club is:—"You build a track on our grounds and we will allow you the use of the said grounds three days each year; or, We will build the track and charge you for the use of the grounds, provided you guarantee us against any loss. In either case, of course, we are to own and control the track." Ham or bacon is "not in it" with this fair offer. A whole carcass would be required to express appreciation of it.

It is very evident that the Lacrosse Club are of the opinion that they possess the whip handle, and that the cyclists will either have to accept their offer or go without. Such, however, we believe is not the case; and while the wheelmen would be only too pleased to support the Lacrosse Club, still overtures have been made to them from other sources much more equitable than the offer made by the T.L.C.

T. B. C. Meets.

In a recent issue of the *Empire* it was stated that the Toronto Bicycle Club had taken more out of the Lacrosse Club track than they had ever put in. This may possibly be the case, but we have been making inquiries in regard to the matter, and find that the Toronto Bicycle Club have paid the Lacrosse Club over one thousand dollars for the use of their grounds;—in other words, have more than paid the cost of the present cinder path. Add to this the fact that cycle races are a feature of many of the athletic entertainments given on the grounds, including those of the Bank Sports and Canadian Amateur Athletic Association, and it will easily be seen that the wheelmen pay the T.L.C. for all they get. It may be added that it is only within the last three or four years that the T.B.C. have cleared the expenses of their meets.