

### Rochester Letter.

The Ramblers have had their field day which was a success, many local events taking place. There was to have been a team race between Buffalo and Rochester for twenty-five miles, but for some cause the Buffalo team did not show up according to agreement. This was a great disappointment as a fine race was expected.

On Thursday night the West End Club held a harvest social. A fine musical and literary programme was rendered. The house was decorated with farm products. A huge jack lantern decorated the piazza. After the programme was rendered a delightful lunch was served.

On Friday Wm. LeMesseur, of the West End, made the run from Buffalo to Rochester, a distance of seventy-four miles, in the very fast time of 4 h. 55 m. This beats the record made by Ivan of two years ago by forty-five minutes.

The wheelmen of our city are very busy obtaining the registration of and the number plates for their wheels in compliance with the new ordinance.

October 19, 1891.

CRANKSLINGER.

### Doings of the T. B. C.

The members of the T. B. C. have been taking advantage of the fine weather with which we have been favored this fall by attending the Saturday runs in goodly numbers, and the old Kingston Road has had to give way to other routes which ordinarily at this season of the year are not rideable. And it adds much to the pleasure of the trip to be treated to new stretches of scenery, and if our captain is in the company his artistic eye is sure to discover any choice bit of landscape which may present itself, and for the information of the boy (?) who rides the pony will in all probability say, "You would make that with a dash of green and a little squirt of yellow." And another advantage to be gained by getting out on new routes is that it gives us an opportunity to get acquainted with the different towns and townspeople in the immediate vicinity of Toronto, and it is a pleasant fact that wherever the name of the Toronto Bicycle Club is known its members are always welcome. Boys, will any of us who were present at the time ever forget the reception and kind hospitality we received from almost entire strangers at Streetsville a few weeks ago? We did not receive a warmer welcome at our own homes on our

return from that trip than we did at the hands of those friends on that occasion. And, then again, in the matter of hotels. We find plenty of good clean hotels where the landlord is pleased to see the arrival of a dozen or so of the T.B.C. boys as they wheel up to his door, and will do all in his power to make it pleasant for us while we remain. Who among us wants any better treatment than we receive at Steele's at Thornhill, or Lemon's at Aurora, or the Revere at Brampton, or many such places, the names of which will be found on the back pages of this paper, places which we can with pleasure recommend to all wheelmen. And it is a notable fact that there is a sort of fraternal feeling among wheelmen that if one of their number is well used they all feel it, or if one is insulted or ill used the whole body take it as a personal matter. And we fear that the proprietor of the Queen's Hotel at Brampton was not aware of this when he treated the members of the T.B.C. in the insulting way in which he did a short time ago—treatment that was entirely uncalled for,\* and which resulted in their leaving his house in a body to take up their abode at the Revere, a hotel which we are pleased to recommend to all wheelmen visiting Brampton, a hotel at which at least they will be free from insult.

Next Saturday the run is to Thornhill, and as Yonge street is in fine condition the road officers are desirous for as large a turn out as possible, for we cannot expect this fine weather to continue much longer and the boys should take in all the runs they can while it does last, for there is no more pleasant season of the year for wheeling.

CLUBUS LIARUS.

### 2.15.

On Saturday, October 17, at Hampden Park, Springfield, Mass., Willie Windle, on a Columbia Pneumatic, and paced by Geo. Taylor, H. C. Tyler, and H. B. Arnold, covered the mile in 2.15, thus lowering Osmond's famous English record by one second. The pace between the first and third quarters was terrific, as the distance was ridden in 1m. 48s. Windle also captured the three-quarter record in 1.41. H. C. Tyler afterwards smashed the half-mile record with the aid of pacemakers, covering the distance in 1m. 6s.

The Edinburgh to London record of F. W. Shorland—44 h. 49 m.—has been reduced to 43 h. 25 m. by P. A. Ransom, of the North Road Club.