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Separation of the A. A. U. and the L. A. W.

Nilsson, the Canadian Champion Skater, Wins at New York.

Illustration of How Bicycling Pays—Hockey, Curling and Other Sporting News.

THE WHEEL.

BICYCLE RIDING PAYS.
It pays to be a speedy bicycle rider. Less than four years ago two Welsh lads, the Linton brothers, worked in a colliery near Northern Wales, earning less than 50 cents a day each. One of them was taken up by a shrewd cycle trainer, and broke all records for a period of two years, at the end of which time he died, leaving a fortune of \$20,000. His younger brother, Tom Linton, is the greatest long distance rider in the world. He has ridden 21 1/2 miles in a single hour—that is to say, in each of the 350 seconds he has traveled over 90 feet of space. This must have been done, of course, with a wheel of abnormally high gear, probably 100. He has been riding only about two years, but his earnings are estimated at \$20,000.

AGREE TO BE DIVIDED.

New York, Jan. 8.—The conference committee of the Amateur Athletic Union has decided to sever relations with the League of American Wheelmen, and the secretary of the Amateur Athletic Union has been instructed to serve 30 days' notice of termination of the articles of alliance between the Amateur Athletic Union and the League of American Wheelmen in due form as required.

WOMEN RIDERS.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 8.—In the women's six days' bicycle contest, at the close of last night's racing the score stood as follows: Anderson, 152 miles 6 laps; Keys and Brown, 152 miles 5 laps; Kallgren, 151 miles 12 laps; and Linton, 151 miles 1 lap. In the spur for the tape at the finish this evening Brown finished first, Keys second, and Anderson third.

Fred Loughhead, of Sarnia, is going to California, as a member of a racing team for a Chicago firm. The mileage medal will probably be awarded to E. Roth, of Chicago. In 24 days he has ridden 24,380 miles, an average of 100 miles a day.

SKATING.

THE CANADIAN WON.
New York, Jan. 9.—William T. Lettis, Hoboken's champion skater, was defeated in a three-mile contest in the Ice Palace by John Nilsson, the champion of Canada. Nilsson won the championship of a lap. His time was 2:24.3. He made the first mile in the fastest time of 2:57.

ATHLETICS.

Flanagan, the pugilist, who was stricken with paralysis after a fight with Katskill, is dying. He is suffering with congestion of the brain and the spinal column.

Dan Cresson says that as soon as his match with Jim Williams is decided he will go to South Africa and meet Kid McCoy for the \$15,000 which a club in Johannesburg has offered. Assemblyman Horton, who drafted the present law in New York State governing boxing, says he does not think that the death of Duffy will reveal the law. But the death of Duffy may prevent the fight between Barry and Kelly being pulled off on Jan. 20.

WRESTLING MATCH.

Martin Burns, champion catch-as-catch-can wrestler, and Edward Atherton, of New York, met at Rock Island, Ill., for \$500 a side and 75 and 25 per cent of the gate receipts. The match was won by Burns, who took the first and third falls.

CURLING.

THE DETROIT BONSPIEL.
Detroit, Jan. 9.—Sarnia won the Cadillac trophy at the bonspiel yesterday morning by defeating Embury by eight shots after a close game. The gold medals for second prize go to Embury. The results in the first drawing in the single rink competition for the Russell House trophy were: Ridgeway 17, Detroit 9; Thameville 10, Windsor 8; Toledo 23, Grand Rapids 7. The series between Ridgeway and Grand Rapids for the Cadillac trophy resulted in an overwhelming defeat for the second team, Ridgeway winning by 22 shots. Sarnia found a hard nut to crack in Windsor, and won by only three, losing by two in one rink and winning by five in the second. Windsor did splendidly for a new club, and St. Marys won by one shot. The first Windsor rink was downed by two, and the second won by one, having shot out St. Marys in

seven straight ends. Embury beat Toledo by ten, having a majority in both rinks—seven in the first, and three in the second.

BASEBALL.

IN HAMILTON.

Hamilton Herald: The Herald ran up against a well-known baseball enthusiast today. "What are you doing for next season?" asked the scribe. "We ain't through with last season yet," was the response. "Several good players on the other side have offered to come here, among them Bohene, of the Genesee team, Gallagher, Sullivan and others, of last year's Maple Leafs. The trouble is the management is still in the hole. If we only had a clear sheet we could face the coming season with confidence. As it is, we are too busy thinking about our present liabilities to give much thought to next summer's campaign."

FLYS.

Detroit has not yet signed "Bob" Allen, of the Philadelphia club, for captain and manager for next season. Dave Foutz may be appointed a National League umpire.

Second Baseman Love, of the Boston, is anxious to coach Princeton's baseball candidates.

"Tip" O'Neill, the Browne's old outfielder, has been offered a franchise in the Western Association.

The home uniforms of the Detroit next season will be white, with black trimmings. For the trips abroad the old uniforms will be retrimmed with seal brown.

Amos Rusie has begun a suit against the New York baseball club. The allegation is that the company is illegally restraining him from earning his living at ball playing, and that the constitution and agreement of the National Association and the rules of the New York club are devoid of law.

Rusie wants an injunction restraining the New York club from a continuance of its claims for his services.

The Chicago club will not release Decker, and all chances of that player being the long-lost-for manager have vanished.

Louisville is going to make a desperate effort to get out of the last place. Harry Pulliam has been elected president, and he was given \$10,000 to strengthen the club. McGinnis was deposed as manager and First Baseman Rogers appointed in his stead. If the club lands seventh in the race, \$2,000 will be divided among the players; if eighth, \$2,000, and if ninth, \$1,000.

HOCKEY.

PARIS BEATS WOODSTOCK.

Ingersoll, Ont., Jan. 9.—The hockey match played here last night between Woodstock and Paris resulted in a score of 4 to 2 in favor of Paris. Woodstock got two goals in the last ten minutes.

NOTES.

The hockey clubs of Petrolia and Sarnia will meet for the first time this season on the ice at St. Andrew's Rink, Sarnia, on Monday evening.

"Diamond Jubilee"

(Continued from Page 4.)

Gen. Sir Redvers Buller, Rev. Godfrey Bidolph, Madame Melba, Sarah Bernhardt, John Strange Winter and W. T. Stead.

OTHER PROFESSIONALS.

Sandow, who met with a slight accident recently, has entirely recovered and was able to resume his performance at the London Pavilion last Monday.

The action for breach of promise of marriage brought by Mabel Duncan, of "The Geisha" Company, of Daly's Theatre here, against Capt. Arthur Bligh, late of the Third and Eighth Hussars, and now of the Royal Irish Regiment, has been set for trial on Monday next. Miss Duncan, who is a very pretty young woman, with a limited experience on the stage, asks for \$5,000 damages. She is only 18 years of age, and is the daughter of Adam Seymour Dickson, a well-known actor.

Seymour Bayley's illusion, "La Mort," which aroused so much interest in Paris, is now being shown at the Royal Aquarium. Any member of the audience who chooses can, by entering a coffin, be transformed into a skeleton before the eyes of the spectators.

Exposure to Disease

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ROAST MONKEY AND SNAKES.

Pittsburg, Jan. 9.—Davis' Eden Museum burned yesterday morning. All the snakes, monkeys and other curiosities were burned. The fire was caused by the explosion of natural gas connected with the cage of "Old Rubie," said to be the largest snake in captivity.

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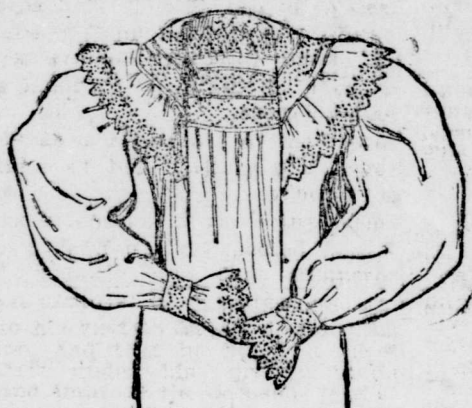
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75c Our own; Roman embroidery trimmed cascaded front and collar, a very full sleeve, box plaited and finely tucked yoke; a handsome, large and full garment, cheap at \$1.

Skirts.

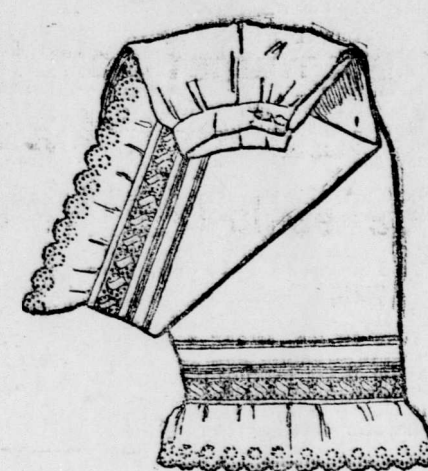
50c Plain, but of good cotton, finely tucked, deep hem and extra wide.

75c Skirt, with deep flouncing of slightly embroidery and five fine tucks. This is a full, well-made, gored skirt, and can't be duplicated short of \$1.

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Burial of the Remains of the Seven Nuns

Who Perished in the Roberval Fire—One Small Box Held Their Ashes.

Quebec, Jan. 9.—A resolution granting the Ursuline nuns financial aid to the amount of \$5,000, was passed unanimously in the Legislative Assembly last night. Eleven nuns of the Roberval convent returned here last night by the Quebec and Lakes St. John Railway. The remains of the seven deceased nuns were interred in the convent cemetery. Their bodies were contained in a box three feet long. Three of the bodies were found in the basement of the chapel and four near the convent door. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Cure Lizotte, of Roberval. Monseigneur Labreque, bishop of Chicoutimi, giving the absolution.

BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH.

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Trains leave London for the east—3:35 a.m., 4:20 a.m., 8:20 a.m., 12:40 p.m., 2:35 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 7:55 p.m.

MAIN LINE—GOING WEST.

Trains arrive at London from the east—3:35 a.m., 11:07 a.m., 11:20 a.m., 1:40 p.m., 6:25 p.m., 9:50 p.m.

Trains leave London for the west—7:00 a.m., 11:20 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 6:45 p.m.

Sarnia Branch.

Trains arrive at London—3:30 a.m., 8:05 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 6:35 p.m., 7:50 p.m.

Trains leave London—3:40 a.m., 8:10 a.m., 11:40 a.m., 2:40 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 8:00 p.m.

London, Huron and Bruce.

Arrive at London—1:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m.

Leave London—8:15 a.m., 4:45 p.m.

St. Marys and Stratford Branch.

Arrive at London—9:45 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 6:40 p.m., 10:25 p.m.

Leave London—7:15 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 2:40 p.m., 6:55 p.m., 8:30 p.m.

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Going South—Trains leave London, 6:25 a.m., 10:05 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. Trains arrive at Port Stanley, 7:25 a.m., 3:35 p.m.

Going North—Trains leave Port Stanley, 7:45 a.m., 4:40 p.m. Trains arrive at London, 8:15 a.m., 5:35 p.m., 10:35 p.m.

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