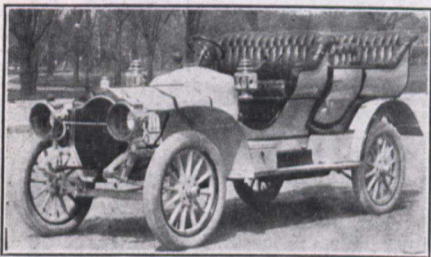


Thomas Flyer with Non-stop Record

IN entering cars for a gruelling contest like the Glidden tour of this year, which has just been completed, it is usual for manufacturers to put in cars that have never been used before, but one car was entered this year that has an historic interest. This car is the 60 horsepower Thomas Flyer, with which Ernest Kelly established a new non-stop motor record of 21 days 3 hours and 29 minutes in January of this year, his run having been made under the most adverse circumstances for weather and roads. Reduced to hours, the car's non-stop record was 507 hours and 29 minutes.

When Kelly's run was concluded, after he had taken the Thomas from Harrisburg to Philadelphia, thence to New York, and from New York to Chicago through a raging blizzard, it was returned to the factory



Thomas Flyer which ran 11,000 miles before taking part in the Glidden Tour Contest. This car holds the non-stop motor record of nearly 3,000 miles in 21 days and 3 hours.

at Buffalo, where it was turned over to the students in the chauffeurs' school conducted by the E. R. Thomas Motor Co., where it was used as an instruction car.

The car had been run 4,000 miles before it entered on its record-breaking experience; it ran almost 3,000 miles then, and a conservative estimate would place its mileage at 4,000 since that time, a total of 11,000 miles before it began its long trip for the trophy.

Mark Twain in England

MARK TWAIN has won everyone's heart in England. He was much heralded before he came, and many were prepared for a disappointment, but his simple, unaffected manner and his keen delight have made a general appeal. He began with a quaint, characteristic speech at the Pilgrims' dinner, replying to the English wit, Mr. Birrell. The newspaper posters on the day of his arrival read: "Mark Twain Arrived. Ascot Cup stolen."

Laying aside the cap and bells, he closed with a serious word of deep personal feeling. And then he came on to Oxford on the real business of his visit, for the reception of his degree. Everyone at the splendid function, from the gowned members of the university on the floor of the Sheldonian Theatre to the ladies resplendent in the galleries and the undergraduates crowding in topmost seats, was won by his quiet, dignified bearing, by his happy smile, and the scarcely concealed twinkle in his eye. As he waited to be called upon, bystanders thrust their programmes into his hand for his autograph, and he signed cheerfully, while Rudyard Kipling, who was beside him, consented with ill-grace.

From the gallery came the query of the undergraduate: "Mark, what have you done with Ascot Cup?" An excellent sally in view of his recent speech. And again, as he stood with his splendid white hair beside a bald professor, "Mark, could you spare him a little of your hair?" At all the other ceremonies on June 26th, the degree day, he was gladly received. With the pageant he was especially pleased, saying, to the delight of Oxford people, that he would gladly have crossed the Atlantic for that alone. Rumour has it that at the great garden party at Windsor he was very much at home, patting the King affectionately on the left shoulder as he told his stories. Needless to say, Edward VII. was delighted, and the English public, which is good-humoured like its sovereign, rejoices in the success of the American humourist.



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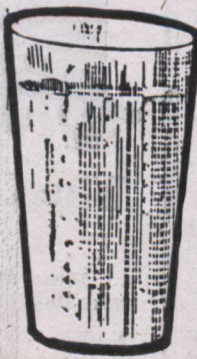
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