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LOCAL ITEMS.

Our Brass Band, under the leadership of Bandmaster Madill, gave a complimentary concert to the inmates of the House of Providence on the afternoon of July 25th. It was on the occasion of their annual feast. The Staff as well as the inmates were greatly pleased with the programme provided.

The Bicycle Meet on the K. A. A. A. track on the Civic Holiday, August 10th, was a success, only marred by the two unfortunate accidents to Axton and McColl. Our Club representative, Charlie Clarke, rode his novice race in a style that surprised his most ardent admirers, and with experience, gives promise of giving the best of them a race and a beating.

The "Daily News" of August 4th, states that a new boiler was received on that date, to be used in the New Wing. This certainly is news to us, as well as to the patrons of our contemporary. It is really too bad that the bright young man who culls spicy locals for that sheet, can't tell the difference between a boiler and our new washing machine.

A jolly party of twelve ladies and gentlemen enjoyed Reeve Fisher's hospitality on his Yacht Wildflower during Belleville's Regatta week. The outing was a pleasant one, Stella, Glenora and Desoronto being also visited. The Regatta, however, was a failure both from a sporting and financial point of view.

Mr. Frank McIlwaine, who was injured last month by the falling of a transmission wheel from the new coal shed, is making a slow recovery.

Mr. Nelson, well known as the "Egyptian Juggler," paid Rockwood a visit this month. He gave our patients a complimentary exhibition in our Amusement Hall five years ago, when connected with the Zera Semon Specialty Co. Mr. Nelson has given up the stage, and is now engaged in the stamp business. During our short conversation, he grew reminiscent of his old profession, and among other good stories told the following one. There was a comedian in one of the companies with which he was connected who always introduced his act in this manner:—

"Ladies and gentlemen, the act which I am about to perform, I have played with immense success in all of the prominent cities of America. Last week while performing in Chicago, my enthusiastic admirers presented me with a brick house—one brick at a time."

It is needless to say his introduction was a success.

The first regular run of the Rockwood Bicycle Club took place to Bath on July 30th, the members taking the steamer Hero up, and riding home. The trip developed the fact, that the only clerical member of the Club is a firm believer in "muscular Christianity," as his offer not only to stone the farmer's dog, but thrash the farmer himself, clearly shows. Nobody seriously injured. Selah!