

various clubs, all of whom are in favor of a joint organization. Toronto is badly in need of a track owned and controlled by cyclists and for their special benefit, which could readily be built if the wheelmen of the city joined hands.

An International Circuit.

The idea of the *American Wheelman* and *Detroit Free Press* to form an international circuit next year is a good one, and we feel certain that our race-promoting clubs would be only too pleased to assist, and we would suggest Syracuse, Rochester, Batavia, Buffalo, Tonawanda, Lockport, Cleveland, Detroit, Sarnia, Hamilton, Toronto, Kingston and Montreal as places that would be able to support such a circuit as it ought to be. We have no hesitation in saying that if once started it will be a success, and we hope next year to see the international circuit in full swing.

A New Track.

We understand that a meeting of cyclists is to be called for the purpose of taking into consideration the procuring of grounds, upon which to build a first-class cycling track for this city. We have continually talked up this matter, both in *CYCLING* and privately, and we feel sure that, if the matter is once properly taken hold of, there will be no difficulty in completing arrangements and starting the work this fall.

Seeing that Nancy Hanks has reduced the trotting mile record to 2.05½, the average wheelman will probably forego his intention of taking a trip to Springfield for the purpose of seeing the cycling record brought to a level with the trotting record this fall.

In our last issue we mentioned the fact that Mr. Thomas Barnes, of Hamilton, had purchased a pair of wheels fitted with L-force tires which he intended for a racing sulky. On Thursday last, at St. Thomas, they were used for the first time, when his horse, Fides Stanton, won three straight heats in the 2.27 class, the times being 2.26¾, 2.27½, 2.27¾.

On Tuesday Zimmerman rode the half-mile on Charter Oak track, Hartford, in 1.01¾, the quarter being done in 27 seconds, world's records for both distances. He also defeated Windle, Taylor and Tyler easily in the mile.

A Canadian American-Circuit.

What a centre Buffalo has become for trade and racing, and it will soon be a dangerous competitor for New York. Buffalo has given as good a road race and race track tournaments as any city in America this year, and its fame as a cycling centre spreads accordingly. The secret of the success is seen by the hustling done, backed up by the powerful efforts put forth by this paper, which for a "young 'un" is doing great work, and its circulation a surprise to those who travel and see it read all over. Ontario and Buffalo must be drawn more closely together in cycling for the good of both, and tournaments in Buffalo can always be followed with profit and pleasure in the fair Dominion, whose boys are of the best, and the writer's heart goes out to them for favors of the past. Stretch hands across the Niagara, boys, and swear deep swears to work in the good cause heartily next year, as tournaments in Rochester, Syracuse, Tonawanda, Lockport, Batavia, Hamilton, Kingston, Toronto, London and Sarnia could make a nice string and secure the cracks from all over, providing dates did not clash. A sort of Canadian-American racing alliance could be formed for the benefit of all concerned.—"Kodak," in *Am. Wheelman*.

Osmond recently rode a mile handicap in 2.22 3-5.

It is satisfactory to learn that Zimmerman has smothered all opposition since his return to America, and has beaten Taylor, who rode a mile in 2.11, and the other American cracks, as signally as he did the cream of the English and Irish racing cracks at Leeds.—*Irish Cyclist*.

It is strange, but true—one never sees a young, pretty girl deliberately standing in the way of a sister on wheels, and forcing her into the ditch, or obliging her to dismount suddenly, when on a wide and almost untenanted footpath. Neither does one see a woman who answers to the above description stare rudely and scornfully at the feminine cyclist, and make sharp "stage-side" remarks. It is always the elderly ones, the plain, soured, over-dressed specimens, who look with disfavor upon, and act rudely towards, those who are favored with the youth and strength they do not possess themselves. We fear that the well-mounted, active, neatly-turned-out lady rider is very "sour grapes" to many of her sisters, and suffers accordingly.—*Exchange*.