

The boys race, 704 yards, or two rounds of the track, was very well contested and was won by E. Hannaford in 2.10, D. Holden, 2nd; C. Archibald 3rd. Six started.

The slow race, [club,] 200 yards, was a very slow affair, as indeed, it generally is. Sidey, Trotter and Lane starting, they all fell, Lane gave up, Sidey rode in quickly, taking second prize, Trotter first.

The 2 mile oven, 1st prize, diamond scarf pin, 2nd gold locket was won by F. C. Holden of ours in 7.52 against Hay of Woodstock, Moodie of Hamilton and W. Winter of Newcastle, Eng. Hay second by half one.

The 1 mile handicap foot was won by C. J. Paton in 5.02½, D. D. McTaggart 2nd, in 5.03. Five started.

J. Trotter had a walk over for the Fancy Riding Tournament and wound up a very good exhibition by attempting to stand erect on his saddle, from which exalted position he tried to sit down on the spokes of his machine, and succeeded beautifully.

The 1 mile green, [club] was won by H. McCulloch in 4.32, M. B. Davis 2nd, S. M. Baylis 3rd.

Baylis and Arthur collided at the start, but for which they would doubtless have made it warm for the rest.

The one-legged race, [club,] 704 yards, was won by F. C. Holden easily in 1.55. Prize, cup, presented by Messrs. Lunn.

The 100 yards, (foot) was won by G. H. Woods, of the Montreal Fire Brigade, (now a member of the Shamrock Lacrosse Club.)

The club drill was much applauded 12 riders taking part in it.

The field officers were Col. Whitehead and Messrs. Percival Tibbs and W. L. Maltby, judges; D. E. Bowie, Esq., starter; T. L. Paton, Esq., time-keeper; H. S. Tibbs, Esq., lap scorer; J. D. Miller, Esq., bugler and clerk of the course.

The meeting attracted a most respectable audience, albeit it was held in the middle of the week.

In the evening a dozen or so members entertained the visiting wheelmen at supper at the "Princess Louise," St., the only place which could be secured on short notice.

A 2 mile race was given by the Montreal Lacrosse Club at their spring games, won by F. C. Holden (250 yds. handicap), H. S. Tibbs, 2nd, by 100 yds.

The 3 mile championship of Canada was won by F. C. Holden in 12.14½ at the meeting of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, 1st October.

A. T. Lane won a good race and silver cup at Terrebonne on the 7th September, against Smith 2nd and Holden 3rd, time, 3.28; distance about 1635 yards.

Several other races were given by various societies at their picnics dur-

ing the season but none of them were very important.

Messrs. Trotter, H. Plow, G. Plow and A. Arthur went to Sweetburg, Que., and competed at a race on the "Course au Trot" there. A writer under the nom de plume of "K. K." writing an account of the trip to the *Bicycling World* avers, but with what truth I dare not say, that Mr. Trotter got off his machine during the race, oiled up, and tightened a few loose nuts, and then, remounting, came in first in something under 7.10, but there is always someone who will sneer at a successful man.

During the season our club received visits from Messrs. Greater of Louisville, Ky., Winter of Newcastle, Eng., Leming of Chicago, Ill., Moodie of Hamilton, Ont., Hay of Woodstock, Ont., Hayley and Cartuthers of Kingston, Ont., and Noble, Campbell and Herbert Judge of Quebec, Que.

The Kingston couple joined the M. B. C. as non-resident members, of which we have only one other, Mr. Blackburn of Toronto, our first and last Sub-Captain.

Moonlight riding was not an unmitigated success this year, as most nights when the "silent friend of the Gas Company" was due, she was not only silent but invisible.

The excursions on Saturday, staying over till Sunday night or Monday morning, were very enjoyable; there were several of these during the season.

On Aug 13th to 15th to Terrebonne via St. Vincent de Paul, which Messrs. Sidey, H. Plow, H. S. Tibbs and J. D. Miller attended, covering 38 miles in all; this proved so enjoyable that another trip was arranged for 27th to 29th, but as it rained hard at starting time only Trotter and Miller faced the journey, covering 46 miles as they visited the race-course near Terrebonne on Sunday.

On 3rd to 5th Sept. we started, ten strong, for Bont de l'Isle, Reptinguy, Lechenaie and Terrebonne: but five left us at Longue Pointe and the rest, Sidey, Tibbs, Miller and H. Plow and Whitham were left to complete their journey alone, getting as far as Back River (Petoquins) on return journey by Sunday evening, where they stopped over, but during the night, a heavy rain-storm put the roads into such a condition, that they were forced to make the trip home from there by buggy, Monday morning.

"Oh! they had horses, good and true,
As ever pulled in traces;
They drove to town, a glorious crew,
But amongst them some hard cases."

On 17th Sept. Messrs. Sidey, Tibbs Lane, DeSola and Miller, with their wheels and Mr. J. W. Davis as spectator attended the L. A. W. meet at Boston, and received the most gener-

ous hospitality at the hands of Boston's Club men.

Sidey and Tibbs went down ahead of the others and witnessed the races at Beacon Park, on Saturday, 28th May. On Sunday the others arrived and the whole party rode out to Waltham with about 60 others, 12½ miles in 1 hour and 5 min.

On Monday they joined in the parade of over 800 wheelmen and attended the dinner, meeting and exhibition of fancy riding and drill in the evening.

On Tuesday, at the invitation of the Boston Bi. Club, they rode out to East Milton and put up at the celebrated "Blue Bell," when they were introduced to a "plump and pleasing person" as the hostess of that snug little inn. After refreshing the inner man, they returned to Boston, which they reached just in time to settle their bill at the "Vendome," and "scoot" for the station. Shortly after their return home, strange rumors got around about their conduct while in Boston; which if true would not fit any of them for the position of superintendent of a Sunday school.

It was reported of one of the gallant six, that he imagined that he was standing on a bridge at midnight, and persisted in informing everyone in the hotel of the fact, at the top of a by no means despicable pair of lungs, and in a very unmelodious voice, and was only quited by the captain knocking him down with one of the "Pelican's" shoes, which, in the confusion of the moment, he mistook for a club and no one could blame him for the mistake, either.

Of another, it was reported that he narrowly missed being present at the grand parade, Monday morning, owing to his fruitless searches after a certain long John Collins, and when he got back from his hunt, hot, breathless and *dry*, the sight of his face was a study.

Lots of other little incidents were mentioned, but I am happy to state that they are not believed in now to any great extent, as the conduct of the "big six" ever since their return, now some 19 months, has been most exemplary.

We had this fall sincerely to deplore the departure of Capt. C. J. Sidey for Europe. Capt. Sidey was one of the founders of the club and a hearty well-wisher of it, and a right good fellow.

One of our most pleasant remembrances, however, of the season of 1881, though tinged with regret as to its course, was the farewell supper tendered Capt. Sidey, and to which some 26 members sat down, the evening before his departure; in spite of which and its somewhat somenolent effects a dozen or so struggled down to the depot to give him a right royal send-off next morning and when the