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The C. W. A. and "Wheelman."

And so at last the members of the C. W. A. have a real original article from the pen of the editor of the *Wheelman*, and CYCLING has apparently been the cause of awakening this grand old organ from a liturgy which has lasted for many, many months. Our good friend tells us that in advancing our arguments we are "treading paths which have already been deeply trodden before." Perhaps we are, but since those who have "gone before" passed over the highway and created such a furrow, new vegetation has grown up around the pathway, in fact so much so, that the growth has even encroached upon the beaten path and almost obliterated the tread of the sturdy pioneers of Canadian cyclingism. Whatever inferences we have made are not directed at those who, surmounting the difficulties attendant upon any new enterprise, forged ahead, overcame the obstacles one by one as they presented themselves, and established the Canadian Wheelmen's Association on a firm and substantial footing. To these gentlemen let all honor and praise be given. But we would like to ask the questions: Have we, Canadian cyclists, the same ideas now, regarding our popular pastime, that existed five or eight years ago? Would we be satisfied with the wheels we then possessed? If road books then existed, do we not doubly require them now, and who among the riders of the last two or three years have even seen one of these guide books? What do the hotel arrangements amount to?—absolutely nothing. A few hotels, throughout Ontario, were placed on a list (we suppose in the

guide books) some years ago, but little has been done with them since; a great many have changed hands and the new proprietors know or care little about the C. W. A., beyond securing the patronage of the members at regular rates. As an illustration, which will come home to a considerable number of wheelmen, the "Welland House" at St. Catharines is supposed to be a C. W. A. hotel, and how graciously and generously it treated its C. W. A. patrons on the occasion of the Meet of '89. The contract with all hotels should be renewed every spring, and in this way, if any changes occur, we will be up with the times. With regard to the stringent custom laws, while a system of pertinacity without visible result is, no doubt, discouraging, still we will succeed ultimately; we are growing so rapidly that it is only a question of time before our numerical strength is recognized.

Now, while our remarks may be considered as rather straightforward and to the point, there is absolutely no personal reflection intended for the heads of the Association or the editor of its gazette, but we think that while, as the *Wheelman* puts it, the Association is doing its work quietly, it should not be so comatose that it is unable to recognize that improvement is the order of the age. We do not know that the C. W. A. was ever organized to perform acts or frame laws to merit the applause or attract "the gaze of an astonished world"; all the cyclists of Canada want is an association that will forward to the best of its ability and opportunity the interests of the cyclists of Canada.

The Wanderers' Nominations.

On Thursday the 26th February the nomination meeting of the Wanderers' Bicycle Club was held, when the following were nominated as officers for 1891: Hon. President, E. Havelock Walsh (accl.); President, Frank McCausland (accl.); Vice-President, A. P. Taylor (accl.); Secretary, W. J. Darby (accl.); Treasurer, W. A. Hunter (accl.); Captain, J. H. Gerrie (accl.); 1st and 2nd Lieutenants (Ordinaries), W. A. Harston, G. M. Wells, H. T. Wilson, F. Brimer, R. G. Galbraith, F. Till; 1st Lieutenants (Safeties), W. J. Moodey, N. Read, J. H. Nash; 2nd Lieutenants (Safeties), W. J. Moodey, N. Read, J. H. Nash, T. A. Brown, H. B. Brownlee; Standard-Bearers, H. S. Scott, Frank Till; Buglers, A. D. Brown, Victor Lee, A. B. Brownlee; House Committee, F. J. Murphy, F. Brimer, G. M. Wells, Jas. Hay, P. L. Bailey, Bert Thompson.