

and while talking with him we learned that a train passed through towards the city at 7 a.m., which three of us took next morning, while the others rose at six and wheeled in, thus finishing one of the most pleasant outings I have had this year. W. R.

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How to Construct "A Champion of the World."

A LA FRANCAIS.

The French were a bit disappointed
In the race that was run to Bordeaux,
For they found that the honor and glory
Was carried away by the foe.

And Gustave gave vent to a *sacré*,
And Goutran developed a tear,
When they found the bright stars of their country
Were scuffling along in the rear.

Said Gustave to Guy and to Gontran,
"We must wipe off this stain on our race.
Do you think 'twas the bicycle beat us?
Or was it the terrible pace?"

"'Twas a mixture of both," replied Gontran,
"And, altho' I confess it with pain,
If they rode it all over to-morrow,
The Saxons would win it again."

Cried Guy, "I've a grand inspiration!
Ha! ha! the revenge will be sweet;
Let's get up a race round the country,
And only let Frenchmen compete."

Which they did—and a Frenchman has won it!
The tri-color flags are unfurled,
And the Victor they name, with shouts of acclaim—
"Ze champion, sare, of ze world!!!"
—*Irish Cyclist*.

A writer in the *American Cyclist* suggests a century run by posts or relays of riders to see how quickly the distance can be covered by a succession of fresh riders at intervals of ten or fifteen miles along the route.

R. D. Garden, referee at Peoria, threatened to disqualify any man who looked around behind him on coming down the home stretch in a race. The accident in the quarter-mile, in which Zimmerman was thrown, was caused by one of the men looking around and then riding wild as a result.

Don't make a mistake and build a track with a narrow back stretch. The track at Springfield is only about twelve feet wide in that part, and the serious fall and shaking up that the scratch men got at the late Meet in a race that promised to be a perfect wonder in the times made, was due to the fall of one of the men in the field that was huddled together and fairly choked the way.
—*American Cyclist*.

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CLUB NOTICES.

The regular Monthly Meeting of the Toronto Bicycle Club was held in the Club House, Monday evening, Oct. 5, '91.

The new Rules and Regulations for the government of the Club were read and accepted. They will be ready for distribution shortly.

J. Wood,
Hon. Sec.

RUNS.

Saturday, Oct. 17th.—Half-Way House—Football.

" " 24th.—Lambton Mills.

" " 31st.—Thornhill.

The Germans have caught the long distance racing fever. Just now they are contemplating a race from Dresden to Leipsic, on to Berlin and back again to Dresden, a distance of 500 miles.

G. P. Mills, the English champion cyclist, who holds the English record from Land's End to John O'Groat's, has now beaten his record. Mills has just ridden on a pneumatic safety bicycle from Land's End to John O'Groat's in 4 days, 4 hours and 15 minutes, beating his previous record by 14 hours.

"Do you warrant this bicycle to be gentle?" "I don't understand you, sir." "I want to know about its habits. The last bicycle I had not only threw me, but whirled about as I struck the ground and jumped all over me."—*Harper's Bazar*.