SKATERS AID RELIEF FUND.

Ice Palace Rink Crowded During the Contest for the Journal's Cup.

HANDSOME SUM REALIZED.

Unbeaten New York Hockey Club Defeats a Picked Team from Across the Bridge.

GREAT TWO-MILE SKATING RACE.

Reynolds and McClave, Cheered by Their Friends, Have a Hot Contest—The Former Finally Wins in the Last Lap.

Fifteen hundred people braved the weather last night to witness the games at the Ice Palace, One Hundred and Seventh street and Lexington avenue, in aid of the Journal Relief Fund. The gathering was one of the most representative ever seen in the rink and the size of the crowd was limited only by the capacity of the building. The evening was a doubly enjoyable one to all those who were present because of the fact that by their attendance they were aiding a noble charity, the need of which has been acknowledged by all.

The two events, the hockey game between the New York Hockey team and the picked team of the Brooklyn Skating Club and the Crescent Athletic Club, and the two-mile race between McClave and Reynolds, were sufficient to draw a crowd, all lovers of ice skating turning out in full. The fact that the Journal Relief Fund was to be the gainer, was another guarantee of an immense audience. Those who predicted a record breaking crowd in the Ice Palace were not mistaken.

The hockey game, which was the first of the events, was one of the best games of the year. While the score of "three-nothing" in favor of the New York Hockey team, would seem to indicate a walkover, the game was far from it. The Crescent and Brooklyn men made an excellent showing, and individually their work was thought to be equally as good as that of their opponents.

The team play of the New Yorks, however, was perfect, their passing and interference being frequently applauded, the work of the men about the goal on the New York team was exceptionally clever and time again it was thought that the Brooklyn team would score the play was carried to their end of the rink. The work of the Brooklyn team about the goal owing to lack of practice, was not as good as that of the New York team, and to this more than any one thing was the cause of the defeat. The contest was for the Journal cup, and the New York's team's victory adds another one to their unbroken list of victorious games. The line-up of the teams was as follows:

N. Y. H. C.	Position.	B. and C.
O'Donnell	Goal	Hallock
Leckie	Point	Randall
B. Phillips	Cover Point	C. Jacobs
Knowlson	Forwards	McKenzie
S. Phillips		Wright
Townsend		Post
		Jacobs

The teams were about evenly matched as to weight. The New York team, however, showed the advantages of good training. Two halves of twenty minutes each were played. The first goal was made by Knowlson, who, after six minutes, succeeded in getting the puck past Hallock. The second goal was made by Townsend, who, when play had been resumed, scored in five minutes. The third was made by B. Phillips after seven minutes of beautiful play, which was cheered time and again.

At 9.30 the two-mile race between A. Earl Reynold and Charles McClave was called. The contest was one of the best ever seen in the rink, and until the last lap was in doubt. Reynolds took the lead at the start and held it for the first mile, cutting out a pace for McClave that made the latter's friends declare Reynolds could not last. McClave remained a safe distance behind to avoid danger at turns until the first lap of the second mile, when he spurted and took the lead, while his friends shouted that it was all over with Reynolds.

For the first minute after gaining the lead McClave let himself out, but Reynolds held on like a bull dog, and a glance over his shoulder always showed McClave that he had no time to spare. In the last laps Reynolds gained and finally passed McClave, getting the inside on the turn and winning in 6m. 17 2-5s., with McClave a second later. The race was one of the most exciting ever witnessed, the friends and admirers of each man urging him to do his best and encouraging him as he passed.

Mr. De Witt acted as superintendent and announcer, while W. Spooner, Robert A. Duncan and John H. Bone added much in the way of personal effort to make the evening an enjoyable one. After the race the skaters took possession of the rink and enjoyed themselves. The music for the occasion was furnished by Rosati's Naval Band.

To-night a polo game between the Brown University team and the Montclair Athletic Club is scheduled at the rink. Members of both teams were in evidence last night watching the hockey game. The Journal's relief fund, through the kindness of Manager Allen, of the Ice Palace, was materially swelled by last night's exhibition.

LORILLARD ENTERS HEAVILY.

Ten Rancocas Bred Yearlings Named for a Stake to Be Run in 1898.

Mr. Pierre Lorillard again appears as a heavy nominator in the entries to stakes published in the last issue of the English Racing Calendar to hand. In the Kempton Park International Breeders' Two-Year-Old Stakes, to be run for in August, 1898, he enters five in his own name, while an equal number of Rancocas-bred yearlings appears in the name of Lord William Beresford.

The lot nominated are as follows: Brown colt, by Sensation—Dolores; Elfin, b. c., by Sensation—Equality; ch. c., by Pontiac—Lima; b. f., by The Sailor Prince—Saluda; ch. c., by Locohatchee—Ssarg; b. c., by The Sailor Prince—Joy; ch. c., by Pontiac—Sprinter; b. f., by Pontiac—Turbouche; Chinook, ch. c., by Sensation—Breeze, and b. f., by Sensation—Rizpah.

In the Sandown Foal Stakes, of 2,000 sovereigns, for three-year-olds, at about a mile and a quarter, to be run for October 21 of this year, two are eligible in the name of Mr. Lorillard, viz.: Lamerock, by Sensation—Lizzie Cox, and Astolpho, by Sensation—Alcina. In the Lingfield Autumn Stakes, of 1898, to be run for by then three-year-olds, at one mile, Mr. Lorillard names three—[illegible] Bayard II. and Beryl, while Lord [illegible] Beresford names Pan II. and Do-[illegible].

Calendar contains a full report of the [illegible] of the Jockey Club, January 19, at [illegible] the recently discussed amendments [illegible] Rules of Racing were confirmed, [illegible] the rules restricting handi-[illegible] from officiating at more than one [illegible] during one week, and further reg-[illegible] of handicaps, and a rule which pro-[illegible] half of the agreed retaining fee [illegible] a jockey shall be paid in advance, and the remainder at the termination of the retainer.

Naval Battalion Boys at Hockey.

The first of a series of match games for a silver cup will be played at the St. Nicholas Rink next Friday evening between the Second and Third Divisions of the First Naval Battalion. The game will be hotly contested, as the teams are evenly matched and have been practicing regularly. The rivalry between the two divisions has always been very intense. Commander Miller and his staff have been invited to attend.

HELPING THE WHEELMEN.

Bill for Many Improvements of the Public Highways Introduced in the State Senate.

Albany, Feb. 2.—Senator Higbie to-day introduced his Good Roads bill, which was prepared in conjunction with Chief Consul I. B. Potter, of the National League of American Wheelmen. The bill provides for a "State Highway Commission." Among other things the commission shall compile statistics regarding the public highways throughout the State, and prepare a map of such highways, indicating thereon such as they deem of sufficient importance to be subject of State aid; it shall determine upon the best method of constructing roads, and shall advise county, city, town or village officers thereof; it shall report annually to the Legislature all recommendations upon the subject of highway construction and maintenance.

A Board of Supervisors may order the improvement of any road or section of a road in its county, which may be required by the public interest, or such improvement may be ordered by the petition to the State Commission of the owners of one-third the lineal foot frontage on any public highway. Such roads to be improved shall be leading market roads or commonly used. The Commission shall determine whether or not such roads petitioned for shall be improved. The improved or permanent highway or roadway of all roads so improved shall not be less than eight nor more than sixteen feet in width, and in the construction of such roads the State Highway Commission shall endeavor to meet local wishes so far as good judgment permits, and shall, if required by the resolution or petition hereinbefore provided for, include provision for steel plate or other flat rail construction in single or double track for public use. The Commission shall designate what road improvements shall be subject to State aid. No county shall receive more than 5 per cent of the State appropriation in any one year.

This proposed law is to take effect immediately, and provides for the levying annually of State tax of one-tenth of a mill, to be known as a State highway tax. The money thus raised is to pay the state share of the expense of highway improvement. The tax provided in the bill would raise annually $436,000.

POTTER HELPING JERSEY.

Chief Consul Goes to Trenton To-day to Work for the Passage of the Cyclers' Bill.

While President Sterling Elliott is electioneering in the West, in an effort to succeed himself in his chief office of the League of American Wheelmen, Isaac B. Potter, the other candidate, is working for the cause of good roads, a matter which is always of vital interest to cyclists. He is making arrangements for the good roads day, to be held at Albany next week, during the National Assembly meeting, and to-day will journey to Trenton, N. J., to assist in the passage of the Gledhill Bicycle Baggage bill, which comes up in the New Jersey Legislature. This bill provides that railroads shall carry bicycles as baggage, and is similar to the Armstrong bill now in force in this State.

When seen yesterday, Mr. Potter was not inclined to speak of the coming election, but one of the members of the New York State Board of Canvassers said he had received authentic information which clearly shows that the New York Chief Consul will be elected by a majority of thirty-five or forty votes.

A story was current in this city yesterday to the effect that Elliott and Bassett, having learned to a certainty that their defeat is sure, will throw their forces to a Western man, in order to beat Potter. It is well known, however, that the West will come to the assembly unpledged, but largely favoring Potter.

Curling.

There will be a three rink curling match played at the Clermont Avenue Rink, Brooklyn, to-morrow between the Thistle and Caledonian curling clubs, of this city, for prizes offered by the Brooklyn people. It will be the first match that has been played in the City of Churches for several years.

It is expected that over one hundred curlers will take part in the big bonspiel to be held Monday next at the Thistle Rink, Hoboken, for the benefit of the sufferers of the recent big fires in Hoboken. The curlers have paid their entrance fee of $1, which helps swell the fund. There will be an admission fee of twenty-five cents charged the public. The curling will occupy the entire afternoon and evening.

Betting on the Kentucky Derby.

A Louisville (Ky.) firm has opened a book on the Kentucky Derby, to be run in May. No horse is made a decided favorite—Typhoon II., Yorkmont and Dr. Catlock being held at 6 to 1 each. Some of the other prices quoted are: Ben Brown, Carnero, Lord Zeal, Meadowthorpe and Moncrieth, 15 to 1 each; Buckvidere, 20 to 1; Arlington, Belvadell, Scottish Chieftain and Wabash, 25 to 1 each; Dr. Sheppard is at 30 to 1, Elpolon at 60 to 1, Haphazard 100 to 1 and King's Counsel 100 to 1.

COLUMBIA MEN ARE ELATED.

Joyous Over the Fact That They Are Sure to Have a Crew This Year.

BUT WHO WILL COACH?

Neither Peet nor Meiklehan Can Be Counted Upon to Occupy the Position.

SEVENTEEN CANDIDATES TRAINING

Captain Pressprich Will Direct Affairs Until Some One Is Secured to Act as Coach—Union May Lose Control of Rowing.

The news that Columbia was to have a 'varsity crew after all was welcomed with genuine joy around the college yesterday. The students had been worked up to that pitch that they were determined to have a crew at any cost, but the fact that the crew would now enjoy the official sanction of the union, and hence that also of President Low, afforded increased satisfaction.

But little regret was expressed at the resignation of President Taylor. The general opinion seemed to be that he had acted conscientiously in opposing the 'varsity crew and evidently believed that he was doing so in the best interests of athletics, but that in taking this stand against the entire undergraduate body and the greater part of the alumni and refusing to listen to reason he had carried the thing too far.

The statement of F. S. Bangs, '72, that it would be a wise move to take the control of aquatics from the union and place it in the hands of the newly organized boating club excited considerable comment. As a big rowing man who was holding forth in the college basement said yesterday afternoon: "I think it would be a mighty good move. The union acted all right this time, but its record in the past has not been a particularly glorious one. I suppose they have done their best, but what do the representatives of the track, gun and what not teams know or care particularly about rowing? The boating club, composed of all true lovers of the sport, is to my mind the ideal governing body."

The happiest individuals around college yesterday were the crew men. Captain Pressprich, his face wreathed in smiles, said: "You can't imagine what a load has been taken off our shoulders. We have worked along day after day, never knowing where we would find ourselves the next one. The men have trained faithfully through all the uncertainty, and deserve great credit. The material at hand is very promising, and with proper coaching should turn out well."

Captain Pressprich would say nothing definite as to the coach, but hoped that one would be chosen soon. The students seemed to be certain that neither Peet nor Meiklehan would occupy the position.

Seventeen candidates are now in training, and more are expected to apply after the examinations. The chances are, however, that neither Pierrepont nor ex-Captain Prentice will be among the number. They have sided with Taylor and Meiklehan in this affair all along, and are not likely to help this year's crew in any way.

The first crew yesterday rowed in the following order: Stroke, B. B. Tilt, '99, S.; No. 7, O. Longacre, '98, S.; No. 6, G. Sheppard, Sp.; No. 5, J. L. Thompson, L. S.; No. 4, T. C. Collins, Pol Sc.; No. 3, G. Cochran, P. & S.; No. 2, C. H. Ellmer, '99, C.; bow, F. H. Machen, '98, S. This order is, of course, not permanent, and changes are made frequently. Captain Pressprich does all the coaching. It is likely that he will stroke the crew when a regular coach is secured.

Entries at Iron Hill.

First Race—Four furlongs and a half.—Franciscan, 115; Harry Warren, 115; Lilliputs, 115; Johnny, 115; Dumont, 115; High Point Belle, 110; Pocahontas, 110; Estelle J., 110; Kitty Scott, 110; Loretta, 110.

Second Race—Four furlongs and a half.—Mott Price, 115; Murray, 115; King Hero, 115; Chieftain, 115; Intimidad, 115; Princess Cora, 110; Wistful, 110; Lottie F., 110; Princess Alix, 110; La Prenta, 110.

Third Race—Five-eighths of a mile.—Jim McLaughlin, 115; Jo Jap, 115; Jerquet, 115; Britannic, 115; Nellie S., 110; Mollie May, 110; Schoolmarm, 110; Minnetonkas 110; Irish Lass, 110.

Fourth Race—Three-quarters of a mile.—Jack Lovell, 120; I'll Do, 120; Fernwood, 120; Farragut, 120; Gonzales, 120; Keeler, 120; Grand Prix, 120; Metropolis, 120; Southerner, 120; Ardo 115.

Fifth Race—One mile.—Vent, 114; Rama, 114; Forenzo, 114; His Grace, 114; Brooklyn, 114; Long Gain, 114; Miss Pearl, 109; Pocketpiece, 109; Walnut Ridge, 109; Monolith, 109.

Sixth Race—Three-quarters of a mile.—Vermont Bradford, 120; Illume, 122; Irish Pat, 122; Southernest, 117; Lady Richmond, 117; Jewell, 117; Queen d'Or, 117; Lalbah Rook, 114; Jeneola, 114; Aunt Sally, 99.

To-day's Probable Winners.

AT IRON HILL.

FIRST RACE—LORETTA, HARRY WARREN.

SECOND RACE—PRINCESS CORA, LOTTIE A.

THIRD RACE—JERQUET, MINNETONKA.

FOURTH RACE—METROPOLIS, I'LL DO.

FIFTH RACE—HIS GRACE, BROOKLYN.

SIXTH RACE—AUNT SALLY, QUEEN D'OR.

Hockey at the Ice Palace for the Relief Fund.

FLEETWOOD'S '97 STAKES.

Driving Club Leases the Old Track Again and Announces the Programme for the Season.

The Driving Club, of New York, has definitely chosen the worse part, and Fleetwood Park, with all its inadaptability to the requirements of modern racing, has been leased for another full year. And, moreover, the privilege—save the mark—has been obtained of retaining the use of the property for yet another year, providing that the city does not cut streets through it in the interim.

This was announced after the Executive Committee of the club had held a two hours' session at the Hotel Metropole yesterday afternoon. The matter had been virtually concluded last week, but the official confirmation was wanting. It is understood that the rental will be $6,000, which is very much less than the owner of the property, Mr. A. Newbold Morris, stipulated to start with. The Driving Club will in addition pay up a certain amount of back rent that is due, amounting to about $3,500.

Those present at yesterday's session were: James Butler, president; L. A. Burke, secretary; Captain C. H. McDonald, John Rogan, James McClenahan, W. G. Leland and S. B. Clark. Mr. Burke resigned the office of secretary, which he had temporarily held since the recent annual election, and S. B. Clark was elected to fill his place. A good list of stakes was announced for the coming season as follows: 2:12 class, trotting, purse $3,000; 2:17 class, trotting, purse $3,000; 2:24 class, trotting, purse $3,000; 2:30 class, trotting, purse $3,000; 3:00 class, trotting, purse $1,000; 2:50 class, trotting, for two-year-olds, purse $2,000; 2:40 class, trotting, for three-year-olds, purse $2,000; 2:30 class, pacing, purse $2,000; 2:20 class, pacing, purse $2,000; 3:00 class, pacing, purse $1,000.

The 2:20 class, pacing, takes the place of the 2:25 class for pacers given last year, else the stakes are virtually identical. The entries will close March 14. The conditions, too, are virtually the same as last year. The entrance will be five per cent of the purse, but as the events will close about a month later than usual, this will be payable in six instead of seven instalments.

Another stake is in contemplation on the lines of the Transylvania Stakes for the 2:15 class, trotting, but nothing definite has yet been made public about it.

STUART LEAVES TEXAS.

He Will Take an Architect to Nevada and Erect an Amphitheatre for the Fight.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 2.—Dan A. Stuart starts for Nevada to-night. He wired James J. Corbett at Kansas City to remain there until he could meet him. Stuart said to the Journal correspondent:

"It is no matter of dictation on my part, but I hope both Corbett and Fitzsimmons will do their training in Nevada, as I believe they will be better acclimated and prepared to give a better contest by training there than elsewhere. Mr. Wheelock is representing me in 'Frisco and Al Smith is attending to my efforts in the East to get Peter Maher at one of my St. Patricks's Day boxing carnival attractions.

"I feel a little partial to a match between Maher and Sharkey, but shall not press for it to the exclusion of any match that would please the sporting public better. Railroad matters are ranging up all right for the satisfactory transportation of the public to the battleground.

"I will take my architect, Mr. Silven, out to Nevada and have him put up a good amphitheatre. I have received hundreds of letters and telegrams in regard to the contests, and I believe Texas alone will send several hundred spectators to the contest."

ONE KNOCKOUT AT THE B. S. C.

Louis Cassidy Put to Sleep by Louis Oehrer. Three Other Contests.

At the Bohemian Sporting Club last night a large crowd assembled to witness the weekly boxing bouts. There were three events on the card, the star encounter being that between Louis Oehrer and Louis Cassidy at catchweights. The boys started in very lively, and in the second round Cassidy was clearly knocked out.

The other two bouts were six rounds each at catchweights: Charles Woodson vs. John Nelson and Harry Seaman vs. Tony Baker. Nelson and Baker were awarded the decisions over their respective opponents.

Jim Ennis and Nelson Fraxier boxed six rounds at catch weights. It was a good fight and Fraxier was given the decision.

To the Fight by Special Train.

The Bohemia Sporting Club, of which C. H. Genslinger is president, intends to charter a special car to take the members to the fight on March 17. It is proposed to start several days in advance, so that a stopover can be made at 'Frisco, where a tour will be made of the sporting resorts in the vicinity of the Golden Gate.

New Orleans Entries.

First Race—Seven furlongs.—Hano Belle, 102; Paskola, Pete Kitchen, Loyal Prince, 104 each; Mrs. Bradshaw, Trixie, 105 each; Gil Fordham, F. M. B., Davezac, 107 each; Van Brunt, 112.

Second Race—One mile.—Augustina, Bone Hope, 94 each; Jasper, 93; Sir Errol, Harry S., 99 each; Double Dummy, Oldham, 103; Senator Penrose, 105.

Third Race—Seven furlongs.—May Ashby, 92; Sir Maddox, 94; Dejure, 95; Pearson, Hardenburg, 97 each; Busrup, 102; Miss Rowell, Fonschway, Theodore H., 105 each.

Fourth Race—Six furlongs.—Fern, 91; Lt. Henrica, Full Hand, 95 each; Mamie G., 96; Glen Echo, 100; Strathrosi, 101; Lizzetta, 104; Charm, 106.

Fifth Race—One mile.—Harmony, C. C. Rumfill, 99 each; Sister Lone, 107; Jamboree, 109; Soundmore, Text, 112 each; Chloat, 114.

Sixth Race—Six furlongs.—Oilean, 91; Parmesan, 98; Pauline A., 101; Nanete, D. L., Rosny, 103 each; Elkin, Vencelor, 106 each.

MATCHLESS TO BE SOLD.

Electric Light Exhibition of Dr. Seward Webb's Horses in the New American Horse Exchange.

Though the American Horse Exchange still lacks a large part of its roof it was opened most successfully last night with an electric light exhibition of the hackneys from the stud of Dr. W. Seward Webb that will come under the hammer to-day. Had the weather been better the attendance would doubtless have been more representative, but, even as it was, a good turnout of prominent horsemen was seen.

The building is wonderfully improved in the rebuilding, and when the painters and plasterers are through with their work will present a very handsome appearance. The ring is much improved. A fine, roomy gallery, with seating accommodation for probably 1,200 persons, adds much to the effect. The skylight has not been finished, owing to the weather, and the place of much of the glass is taken temporarily by a heavy tarpaulin.

The stables, as rearranged, are light and airy, the majority of the stalls having a window apiece. The runways are covered with a new style of corrugated rubber, of a very heavy quality, that enables horses to be led down them without any danger of slipping, while a narrow staircase at the side enables foot passengers to make a comfortable ascent or descent. All the latest improvements in the way of a freight elevator that is as rapid as those usually found in office buildings, etc., have been employed.

Dr. Webb's hackneys, including that grand old stallion, imp. Matchless, of Londesboro, were exhibited. The ring was rather soggy as the rain had come into the building before the roof was covered, but at that the majority of the horses showed themselves well. Among those that will be present at the sale will be the Hon. Henry Fairfax, of Virginia, who sold Matchless to Dr. Webb.

NO RACES AT IRON HILL.

Monday Night's Storm and the Prospect of a Light Crowd Causes a Postponement.

Philadelphia, Feb. 2.—The Keystone Racing Association ordered a postponement of the Iron Hill races to-day. The announcement came at a late hour, and the reason given was that the track was unfit to race on. This excuse was, of course, well based, as last night's storm was very severe, but the real reason was probably a desire to avoid the loss that was bound to attend the attempt to run, for the crowd was sure to be light and the revenue from the ring small.

Some were inclined to think the close-down a permanent one, basing their belief on a rumor that the long looked for decision of the Supreme Court had been handed down, and that it was an adverse one, which would mean the end of all racing in Maryland other than that of regularly chartered fair and agricultural societies.

A dispatch to Annapolis, where the court is in session, failed to confirm these rumors.

The postponement brought no change of programme.

CHESHIRE ALUMNI BANQUET.

Former Students of the Academy Meet at a Dinner at the Waldorf.

The Cheshire Alumni Association gave a banquet in the Waldorf Hotel last night. About seventy-five former students of the Episcopal Academy of Connecticut, better known as the Cheshire Academy, were present. The horseshoe table in the banquet hall was profusely and tastefully decorated with flowers. At the curved end was a big floral piece bearing the dates 1794—1897.

Among the distinguished alumni present were: Professor Andrew W. Phillips, of Yale University; C. La Rue Munson, president of the association; Herbert B. Turner, Rev. John Williams, of the Church of the Heavenly Rest; Harold G. Cortis, James B. Dill, Dr. H. Holbrock Curtis, Dr. W. K. Simpson, Dr. Allen M. Thomas, Rowland A. Robbins and A. B. Abernethy, of New York; Colonel James B. Coryell, of Williamsport, Pa.; Rev. Edwin S. Lines, of New Haven; Gustavo Preston, Colonel P. H. Corr, of Providence, and Charles L. McNeil, of Torrington, Conn.

Cycling.

Regarding Bald's challenge to race any man in the world, a report comes from Boston that "Tommy" Butler is ready to meet the Bison. The race is to be for the championship of America and $1,000. It is to be in mile heats, best two out of three, paced or unpaced, and may take place at Jacksonville. Butler thinks that the experience which he gained while racing in Europe last Fall will be of special benefit to him in a contest with Bald.

The mileage contest of the Williamsburg Wheelmen, of Brooklyn, has been won by W. L. Baker, with 8,921 miles to his credit. J. H. Weixler was awarded a silver medal for second place, with 4,492 miles, while the bronze medal was captured by E. Campbell, who rode 2,263 miles.

The superior facilities for the coming cycle show to be held in Grand Central Palace, beginning next Saturday night, are such that the exhibitors will find everything ready for the reception of goods by to-day. This will give the firms plenty of time to arrange for the opening on Saturday evening, so that the hurry and excitement and the noise of saws and hammers will be lacking for the first time in the history of shows in this city.

Frank Waller, the "Flying Dutchman," and probably the best long-distance rider in America, said yesterday that he was making preparations for the coming continuous seventy-two hour race at Pittsburg, which is being conducted by Messrs. Kennedy and Hurst of this city. Among the entries is that of Louis Gimm, the Cleveland rider, who holds the twenty-four hour record of 488 miles.

Secretary Bassett's weekly report from Boston shows that the League of American Wheelmen gained 283 members during the past week, making a total of 74,026. The New York State Division added fifty-two members to the list, making its total 20,828.

On Friday evening at Arion Hall will occur the fifth annual entertainment and reception of the Bushwick Wheelmen of Brooklyn. High class talent has been engaged for the occasion.

The recent entertainment and reception of the Nassau Wheelmen of Brooklyn was such a success that it is not unlikely that another affair of the kind will be given before the riding season opens.

Captain Robert B. Morrison, of the Harlem Wheelmen, will sail for Europe on the steamship St. Paul to-day and ex-captain Engelhardt, and that popular club worker, Thomas A. Roe, are making up a party to see him off. While in Belfast, Captain Morrison will be the guest of Tom Mallon, a member of the Harlem Wheelmen's racing team, now residing there. Captain Morrison expects to be gone about two months, and during his trip he will pay particular attention to the manner of building roads and repairing them, with a view of advising the city authorities here as to the best plans to pursue in regard to our streets and highways. He will also inspect the bicycle tracks in England and France.

F. Ed Spooner, of Chicago, has a novel idea for racing men, which might be worth testing. He advocates the licensing of professional riders and registering them with numbers and distinctive colors, similar to the plan recently adopted by the A. A. U. for governing athletes. Thus he would have Bald No. 1, a number which he would retain in all his races during the season; Cooper would be No. 2, and so on. Spooner argues that it would be possible to carry this system up to four figures, which would cover all the professional riders of any prominence in the country. Race meet promoters could be furnished with a list of the men and their numbers and could make up their programmes according to the entries they received.

At the last business meeting of the Excelsior Cycle Club, held at No. 1786 Broadway, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, John P. Burke; vice-president, Mrs. E. M. Hitchcock; secretary, John Stewart; treasurer, Miss F. Tompkins; captain, A. De Julio, and color bearer, E. Ralsbeck; the lieutenants are Misses Yatman and Hunter. The gold medals offered to the members covering over 3,500 miles during 1896 were awarded to the following: Leon Woolf, 16,509; A. De Julio, 7,767; Miss Yatman, 5,454; Mrs. Hitchcock, 4,123; J. Mestgh, 3,800; J. Stewart, 3,579; Miss Lagasse, 3,561; M. Wheeler, 3,500; Miss Hunter, 3,500. Gold bars for over a thousand miles were awarded to Misses Ducy and Stoutenburg. The medal for attending the most club runs was won by Miss J. Yatman, while Miss C. Lagasse received the same reward for bringing in the largest number of new members. The club's total mileage for the year was 65,156 miles.

GOFF SHARPLY SCORED.

Lawyer Steinhardt Says He "Never Had a Decision Sustained by the Court of Appeals."

An application for a certificate of reasonable doubt and stay, pending appeal, on behalf of Bucket-Shop Keeper Walter D. Valentine, sentenced to six months in the penitentiary by Recorder Goff, was made yesterday before Justice Truax in the Supreme Court. Lawyer Benjamin Steinhardt, who appeared for Valentine, made the basis of his application a bitter attack on Goff, whom he characterized as "persecutor and prosecutor" of Valentine.

"Now, your Honor, when Valentine was accused of petty larceny the case was purposely put on Recorder Goff's calendar," Lawyer Steinhardt continued, "and he insisted on trying the case, notwithstanding the opinions he expressed concerning the defendant which I have read you from the record. In the course of the trial his rulings were manifestly unfair, and his instructions were such as gave the jury no option but to convict. Recorder Goff has been on the Bench about two years, and during that time has had the usual number of appeals taken from his decisions. But he enjoys the proud distinction among Judges of never having had a decision sustained by the Court of Appeals."

"Does that raise the presumption that there was error in this case?"

"No, but I have thought it well to call attention to the opinion which the highest court has persistently expressed concerning the learned Recorder's remarkable rulings. Why, even after he had manifested pronounced hostility to counsel for Valentine and showed marked prejudice, we asked him to charge that if the jurors thought he was prejudiced they should disregard that prejudice. He refused to so charge."

Assistant District-Attorney Lindsay, whose ill-fortune it is to represent the State in cases on appeal, defended the Recorder weakly. Justice Truax took the application under advisement.

Recorder Goff refused to comment on the lawyer's attack.

CABLE TROLLEY SMASH.

Both Cars Thrown from Tracks and Damaged and Tremennous Excitement Among the Passengers.

An eastbound cable car and a southbound underground trolley car tried to cross Lenox avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street yesterday morning at the same time. There was a crash and a chorus of cries from frightened passengers.

The trolley car was knocked off the track and turned around so that it headed almost west. Its rear platform was badly smashed, the side of the car was stove in and several windows were shattered.

The cable car's dashboard was smashed, and some windows were broken. The passengers were also thrown about in a very rough manner. Policeman Nolan was standing on the rear platform of this car. He was thrown fifteen feet, and the breath was knocked out of him. He was badly bruised and his uniform was torn. He was able to go home.

BLACKBURN'S SUCCESSOR.

Kentucky's Governor Will Appoint Major Wood a Senator and Call an Extra Session.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 2.—It is authoritatively announced that Governor Bradley will, on March 5, appoint Major A. T. Wood, of Mount Sterling, successor to United States Senator Blackburn.

The Legislature will be called in extra session a few weeks later, and the Governor is said to have received assurance that if he appoints Major Wood his man will be confirmed by the Senate, and that the election may follow when the Legislature convenes.

Major Wood is one of the best known politicians of the State. He was the nominee for Governor against John Young Brown, and made a dignified canvass. He is not prominently identified with either faction of the Republican party in Kentucky, and is therefore acceptable to both.

It is yet a matter of some doubt whether John W. Yerkes could be elected by the general Assembly, and therefore it has been deemed best that an appointment should be made at once, and if Yerkes can be elected he shall be, but if not Major Wood will continue to hold the office until the next regular session of the Legislature.

ROBBED HIS MATES.

A Clerk in a Railroad Office Cashed the Salary Checks and Forgot to Bring Back the Money.

When the checks for salaries in the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad office at No. 52 Wall street, are handed out each month, one of the clerks has been in the habit of taking all the checks to the bank and collecting the money for his fellows. He did it last Friday, but forgot to come back. In all about $1,400 was carried off.

It is said that the only two persons in the office who were fortunate enough to cash their own checks were M. S. Sykes, the vice-president and treasurer, and Samuel O. Howe, the assistant treasurer.

The clerk who was so forgetful is said to live in Harlem. He sent a note to his wife, enclosing $100, and told her not to worry but that he would care for her, no matter what happened.

It all resulted in the company giving the clerks new checks. The forgetful one is said to have made restitution.

JUDGMENT FOR $1,000,000.

Receivers Appointed for the Pennsylvania Lead Company.

Pittsburg, Feb. 2.—A judgment for nearly one million dollars has been confessed by the Pennsylvania Lead Company in favor of George S. Griscom, trustee for the creditors. The action was followed by a bill in equity, filed by Mr. Griscom, asking for the appointment of a receiver for the company, the board of directors joining in the petition. The court appointed George S. Griscom and H. E. Anderson as receivers for the company.

The corporation was chartered in 1890, and has a capital stock of $1,000,000, of which J. E. Schwartz is the owner of $958,000. The land and plant erected upon it are worth $667,000. Other assets include the advancement of $755,000 to the Pennsylvania Smelting Company, of Utah. The liabilities are about $1,400,000. The obligations are held in Utah, New York, London and this city.

Idaho National Bank Fails.

Moscow, Idaho, Feb. 2.—The Moscow National Bank was closed yesterday, under the orders of Comptroller Eckels. The last published report of the bank's condition included the following items: Cash on hand and in banks, $22,694.71; loans and discounts, $122,549.68; deposits subject to checks, $37,463; time certificates of deposit, $67,614.37.

Boston Brokers Go Under.

Boston, Feb. 2.—E. C. Hodges & Co., stock and grain brokers, 201 Exchange Building, assigned to-day. Mr. Hodges said: "The failure is due to no recent transactions, as our interests in the Board have been small for some time." It is said on the Street that the drop of twelve points in wheat was indirectly the cause of the failure. Mr. Hodges is a member of the New York and Boston stock exchanges and Chicago Board of Trade.

Dupont's Slim Senate Chance.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The chances of Mr. Dupont having his case reopened in the Senate appear to be against him. The Committee on Privileges and Elections considered the case this morning, and while it came to no conclusion, the drift of the sentiment was that the matter could not be reopened. A conclusion will be reached at a special meeting to be held Friday.

May Change Tennis Rules.

The annual meeting of the United States National Lawn Tennis Association will take place in the Hotel Waldorf to-night. Aside from the routine business, important changes in the rules are to be discussed.

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