

# TRIPS A WHEEL

Where to go and  
How to get there

means of intercommunication a wheel. Two miles from Fairview, when you find the roadbed notably modernized, do you see the picturesque ravine on your R, with a broad stream at the bottom? That is Big Timber Creek.

This hamlet is "Good Intent," a name of good omen, if nothing else. The road on L this side of the creek leads to "Almonesson, Woodbury or (as a resident informs me) "most any place you want to go to."

In spite of that, however, we must turn our back to it, cross the creek, climb up the hillock beyond it, and across the railroad tracks, for our destination is Blackwood (late curdled in "Blackwood"), and we strike the centre of it, at the hotel, exactly 2½ m. from Fairview.

MT. EPHRAIM AND BLACKWOOD-TOWN PIKE

For the benefit of readers who may not follow the itinerary of the round trip suggested here, it may be convenient if the description of the third side of our proposed triangle began at the start of the pike in Camden; I therefore adopt this latter plan.

As shown in our Map No. 21, the Mt. Ephraim pike begins practically for us at Starr's crossing on Tenth street,

mile and a quarter from here with the Woodbury pike at Westville; go straight on.

(3) Should you care for an eighteen-mile round trip take the L. road. A continuous footpath will take you to the railroad bridge above Haddon Heights Station, and 100 yards farther you will strike the White Horse pike.

There is a healthy look about this little Mt. Ephraim. By the way, does not its Hebrew name convey the meaning of "abundance, increase, fortitude, and the like?"

Away we go down this hill and up the next, and past the Henning M. E. Church on our left, and on to this other little toll gate, where you recognize R. and L. of us the Browning's lane mentioned repeatedly in our previous trips.

TO RUNNEMEDA.

We keep straight ahead. You should have seen this road the last time but this time I travel on two winters ago and silt and slipped and yanked my way for three-quarters of a mile to Runnemeda, through a regular slough of despond. Would you believe it, seeing us spinning along now?

At the crossroads in this hamlet of Runnemeda the turning R goes to Woodbury (5 m.), and the other L to

with the exception of possibly a couple of discounts, rideable on the whole at the present date).

BLACKWOODTOWN AND GRENLOCH.

Let us follow this gravel road on R. One and one-half mile of easy ups and downs will bring us to Moonsville. Here at the store L. to Brown's Village, 3 m., and to "Pt. Pleasant" (as the sign has it, 5 m.) R. to "Woodbury" (as the sign has it, 5 m.); and ½ mile farther we reach the crossing, by the Blackwoodtown Hotel, which we struck from Fairview in the first part of this trip.

The road to Grenloch I have not gone over this season; the path wide and easy riding when last I used it. The park is practically 15 miles from Camden.

FAIR PLAY AND LAW.

Every other portion of this trip I did go over this week; and one thing I noticed, en passant, which I cannot refrain from jotting down here.

I took this run in the early hours of Tuesday morning. I struck the Blackwoodtown Hotel, with its tightly closed shutters. I took it for granted that some illness in the family was the cause of the appearance. By and by, however, an unwanted stillness around the Blackwoodtown Hotel struck me. I was about to turn back when I saw the door of the hotel open. I entered the closed door led me to make inquiry, whereupon I then found out for the first time (prayer excuse my blissful ignorance of politics) that Tuesday was a special election day throughout the State of New Jersey.

Well, now, I speak disinterestedly in this case, for in my cross-country ramblings I have seen the operation of all State or municipal liquor regulations, carrying, as I usually do, my liquid supplies in my pocket flask. I have seen here without getting into trouble with the advertising manager of The Inquirer—but I do not wish to repeat a traveler who sallies forth unprepared on a hot and dusty day and finds that he cannot obtain whatever beverage he may be accustomed to, because the law so wills it on that particular day in the ward, township, county or State which he happens to traverse.

That ninety-nine out of one hundred intelligent human beings being so harassed from the "use" of any whole some drink because forsooth one basotted individual out of the one hundred "abuses" it, does not tally with my notion of honest fair play. I am candid to confess, as Friend Shakespeare has it, "In your nice sharp quibbles of the law 'Good faith, I am no wiser than a daw,' but when it comes to matters of justice, I really believe I am there."

A. E.

P. E. GORDON AT WRIGHTSVILLE.—A Reading (Pa.) reader, whose name I regret not to see affixed to his communication, does me the kindness to correct a misstatement in the anecdote I quoted in Trip No. 20 from the "Columbian Spy." The lady who engaged General Gordon when he was in Wrightsville was not Mrs. Lloyd, he says, but the wife of Dr. Rewall, who was assistant surgeon of the Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry. Her brother was Colonel Magee, of Wrightsville, so it was not husband and son, but husband and brother. General Gordon always refers to the incident in his lecture on the "Last Days of Rebellious America." THE SUREQUHANNA CANAL. In Trip No. 24—Doubtless my readers understood that the stroke line on the map between Long Level and Wrightsville had been accidentally clipped off, and easily supplied the deficiency with their own pen.

CORRESPONDENTS will please not expect any answers from the undersigned for two weeks from to-be owing to the absence "over the hills and far away." of the said A. E.

RACING AND THE L. A. W.

A Suggestion. It being assumed that the control of cycle racing by the L. A. W. is not given the study and attention by the League legislators that it should have, and that radical changes are necessary in order to place it upon an ideal basis, American Wheelman came out last week with a scheme which recommends itself at least by the honest and careful study of the case which it evinces.

Proceeding upon the hypothesis that for the proper government of cycle racing the authoritative body must be composed of men whose entire interest in it is a desire to keep it clean and

## ACROSS THE CONTINENT ON A BICYCLE

Frank Richardson Was the First to Accomplish the Journey.

A COMPASS AS HIS GUIDE

Traveled Over Hundreds of Miles of Trackless Wilderness Picked Out With Savagery.

The island continent of Australia has lately been crossed by cyclists in a double sense, for the tracks of the pneumatic tire now extend from west to east, and from south to north, intersecting at a point a few miles north of Adelaide, South Australia. It is not half a dozen years since such journeys were regarded as hazardous enterprises, even for the experienced bushman, and though Lord Kintore accomplished the transcontinental trip during his tenure of office as Governor of South Australia, he was accompanied by a camel train of well-armed and determined attendants, and all the paraphernalia of the professional explorer. Yet within the past three months no less than three solitary cyclists, and of them practically unarmed, have safely covered thousands of miles of trackless wilderness, and have emerged from the savages and strewed here and there, with the whitening bones of the unfortunate who have fallen victims to the pitiless sun or the spear of the aborigines. The peculiar utility of the bicycle for exploration purposes is ably proved by these successes, and especially in such a country as Australia, where the scarcity of water is the most deadly and most powerful enemy of the pioneer.

The first rider to cross the central here and there was a man of civilization, so far, failed to penetrate, was Frank Richardson, the eldest son of a medical man at Port Augusta, South Australia, who had for two years been residing in Coolgardie, 1700 miles distant, measuring a bee line across the desert. Richardson never mounted a bicycle until he lived at Coolgardie, yet he made such good use of his time, and profited so much by his experience on the virgin earth surrounding the town, that toward the end of last year when the "exceptions" were granted, he decided to spend his Christmas with his family in Port Augusta, and take a "short cut" across the continent on his bicycle.

Richardson steered his way by a compass toward the telegraph line which crosses the line some half dozen telegraph stations, in hazard of solitary operations. From one to another of these Richardson made his way, safely crossing the terrible desert, and crossing the Byre's Sand Patch, which consists of thirty miles of loose, undulating sand dunes, and reached the border of South Australia without mishap.

Three parts of the journey were now accomplished, and Richardson, keeping close to the center line of the great Australian night, was able, as he put it, to eat his Christmas dinner at Port Augusta without having received the slightest injury to himself or his machine.—San Francisco Chronicle.

"AROUND THE CIRCLE" A Gigantic Century Run Round About the New York City Riding

Boston wheelmen have an annual popular run around their city which they style "The Wheel Around the Hub." It was fated that history should repeat itself more. The laurels of the "Hub" were won by the late of Gotham; and our New York brethren announced for Sunday, October 24, a grand Fall Century Run, to be known as "Around

Park Row, East River bridge, Brooklyn, Albany, Clinton St., Schermerhorn St., New York, East St., Flatbush ave., Sixth ave., Hudson river, Ninth ave., Prospect Park cycle path, Eleventh ave. and Crosey ave. .... 1.30 8.00

Dinner at Avoca Villa, Bath Beach. 08½—Prospect Park cycle path, to Eleventh ave. and return cycle path 4.00 4.10

80½—Dunton, via Prospect Park, to Eleventh ave., via Glenmont Park, Eldert lane and Broadway 8.15 5.30

90½—Long Island City, via Van Wyck ave., Fulton st., Hoffman boulevard, Thompson ave., Jackson ave. and Borden ave. .... 6.20 6.25

100—Circle, via 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 152nd, 153rd, 154th, 155th, 156th, 157th, 158th, 159th, 160th, 161st, 162nd, 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