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NOTES FROM THE SADDLE OF A VELOCIPEDA.

"Verily this world is in a state of advancement;" things that were known and received with favor in the last decade, as being fresh, vigorous and progressive, are looked upon as old, foggyish, and out of style, and not at all suited to the lightning progress of the present spirited age. Dexters at a 2 1/4 and a half gait are well enough in their way. John Stewards, that trot twenty miles an hour, will in part, satisfy the demands of the times, but they eventually tire, and at best, only do the work occasionally. Lightning would be the thing, but unfortunately, it is too fiery and will not be harnessed like steam to do heavy work. Mankind are at fault and a despairing cry of "mans impotence" rises like incense through the clouds till it reaches the nostrils of the mighty Jove; who in 'pitty for their woe' invests a poor Frog-eating native of La Belle, France with the "wonderful idea" now in vogue of "independent locomotion" called Velocipede.

This was a train of reflection we fell into the other morning as we were about to mount our borrowed Velocipede for a trip through town in search of items. On our way past Cornell and Syke's we read that same old sign that has astonished so many, "Boots HALF SOLD for sixty cents" and rapidly passing from there to Seymour's Drug store we heard the efficacy of BURTONS TOBACCO ANTIDOTE discussed, by some young men who had invested in some of

that article in its purity as sold by the aforesaid Seymour. Reaching J. Boak's pea-nut refinery, we paused and took a birds-eye view of the new oven which that energetic RHEUMATIC is erecting to supply a town need. Passing the man's with the unspellable name who keeps a Furniture store, who stood before his door admiring us on our "independent locomotion" we bore down under a full momentum of speed upon the SHYLOCKS of Chatham Row, who were discussing the "Princeton Charder" and its beneficent effects when largely diluted with water, upon the stomachs of their PECULIAR cusotmers. Going through them like a streak of electricity, we found ourself in front of DR. BAKER'S, saw the Doctor in the door Tin bugle in hand ready to give us a blast. The Doctor, though a magnificent fellow in his way don't appreciate the STAR as much as it is to his interest. Whirr and we are before the well filled store of A. Hood. A gentleman of refinement and culture. This gentleman is now selling out one of the LARGEST and BEST ASSORTED stocks, ever brought west of Chicago, at a figure much below cost as he wants to close up his business and leave for California or elsewhere. Farmers and towns people will do well to call upon him if they want the best goods in the Dwight market, at half what they can buy them elsewhere for. But space will not allow us to detail our experience farther and we will therefore retrace our run on the Velocipede through the large crowd that even block the road to look at our ANAMILE. In trying to steer clear of them we run into the plows of our friends Newell and Flaherty who are now laying in a large stock of Agricultural Implements for the

spring demand, and here we are once again at the door of our Sanctum and like poor Harper for reasons best known to ourself, we touch our hat to this article and bid it good-bye.

RIPPLES.

On Monday evening the Dwight Cornet Band serenaded Mr. J. G. Strong, and were invited in, to a splendid supper. Every one enjoyed theirself until a late hour. — We had the pleasure of beholding the smiling countenance of our friend Jones of the FREE PRESS, who called upon us on Saturday last. — We understand that the Band intends giving one of their musical entertainments on Monday evening next. — The original Baker family are billed to give a concert in Dwight on Wednesday eve. March 3d. As singers they have a world-wide reputation and we hope the people will patronize them. — J. H. Warner of Odell INDEPENDENT called upon us on Monday last, he was in good spirits and reports good business thus far, and informs us that he is going to enlarge his paper four columns. We wish him all the success that he merits. — Jas. Stout of the SENTINEL, we are told, is soon to publish a paper called the JIM STOUT, with the moral and appropriate motto "TO H——I. OR BUST." — The COURIER office is being divided, part of it is going to Gardner and the rest is to remain here, we do not know what Mr. Rutan's arrangements are, but we understand he is going to publish a paper in that place. We wish him success, but the old saying "a house divided in itself must fall" may prove to be "more truth than poetry" in this case — We have several communications that are unavoidably crowded out this week.

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