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## OUR NATIONAL MUSEUM.

Better Known to the Public as the Smithsonian Institution.

Founded with Funds Left to the United States by James Smithson, an Englishman with a Terrible Grudge.

(Special Washington Letter.)  
That delightful reservation in Washington known as the "Mall," on Smithsonian grounds, there stands one of the most famous buildings in the world, the name being the "Smithsonian institution." Although it is not one of the largest buildings in the world, it is architecturally remarkable. It is built of Seneca brownstone, in the Gothic style of architecture, which it resembles unto the ancient feudal castles with towers and battlements and embrasures like loopholes, reminding one of the ancient battles of the nobles when they fought with arrows instead of guns.

Inside is another very different thing—a modern feudal castle, for there one finds fierce-bearded barons with their ladies crouching behind them in fear of the coming foe, with their array of soldiers, with vast arsenals, stores of hammers and mines. Next to the British museum, it is a museum not only of history, but of education and for the diffusion of knowledge.

Here comes the peculiar and one might almost say, romantic feature of this institution, for, at Genoa, Italy, on the 27th day of June, and in the year 1829, one of the noblest men that ever

tator of the will, James Smithson, left his nephew, to whom he had left his entire estate in his property and to whose heirs, if he should marry and have an heir or heirs, legitimate or illegitimate, he left all his property, except an annuity of £100 a year. John Elliott, (the nephew,) had died at Pine City, on the 5th day of June, and in the year of 1835, without heirs, and that as the will runs: "In case of the death of my said nephew, leaving a child or children, then let the said child or children have my property, subject to the annuity of £100; to John Elliot, and for the security and payment of which, I mean the trust to remain in this country, to the United States English attorney, to be advised what it would be proper for the United States government to send attorneys as their representatives to England to prosecute its case before the English court of chancery, and to make a suit and have done, and to report the results to the president on the 17th day of December, 1833. Andrew Jackson, then president, sent a message to congress advising the appointment of a minister to go to England to receive the money. After many wrangles and debates in congress this was accomplished, and Hon. Charles Buck was sent to England to prosecute the claim. Andrew Jackson, the racetrack owner, who declined on account of his wife's illness to accept the offer again when the reappointment was tendered him, made it necessary for the

(Special Chicago Letter)

Spectators are now regarding the national bicycle circuit for 1897. The indications point to the probable starting of it in the south instead of in California as last year. President Potteder, unavoidable delay in the race, and succeeded Captain Gibson, of the racing board, who declined on account of his wife's illness to accept the offer again when the reappointment was tendered him, made it necessary for the

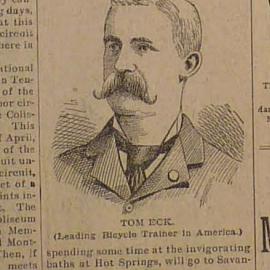


ALBERT MOTT.  
(Chairman L. A. W. Racing Board.)

other last winter. Even the very best of the men were disappointed, and Baird and Cooper were about the only racing men who had any success in the meetings then. James Michael and John S. Johnson may be said to be the only very prominent riders who have made contracts to ride certain wheels, but a number of racing men on the Pacific coast have signed with Dave Shafter on the West Coast. The racing season has been opened in the fairs, given in the country, but will go into training for the circuit, confident that when the time comes there will be a sufficient number to compete. It is anticipated that Tom Eck may secure Kiser for his team. This prostration on the part of the makers, due no doubt to the ultra conservatism engendered by last year's financial disaster, but also because of the small wheel, they are gathering new hope as the season progresses, and now predictions are heard on all sides that the racing season of '97 will be a most successful one. It certainly promises to be so in the New England states and in the middle states, while the National Cycle Transportation Association is organizing a grand circuit extending throughout the entire summer months, and will offer handiwork opportunities for the profession in many important cities on the line set out by the L. A. W. and which, however, special sanction has been obtained. To add to the attractions of this circuit, a special envoy has been deputed to go to Europe and bring back some of the most famous names to the American teams. Finally it appears that the central and western states will have no national circuit races before the 4th of July. There has been considerable talk of organizing two more circuits, one in the north and another in the south, to be followed separately during the early part of the season, but to come together at the national meet of the L. A. W. in Philadelphia in August. Jimmie Johnson, of Taylor Falls, is working in competition this year. The sturdy little Welshman feels quite confident of success in this sort of work, inasmuch as he won sweeping victories in competition in Europe, and also in America, where he was a favorite as an amateur. He now makes a specialty of the National Cyclists' union of England, which suspended him in February for his failure to appear at a race meet in Leeds last summer, before the season had begun. His present difficulty does not allow him to weigh heavily on the boy wonder, and he thinks the suspension will be quickly removed when his attorney pays an account demanded by the Leeds promoters for bill-posting an advertisement.

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his return to America, he has



TOM ECK.  
(Leading Bicycle Trainer in America.)

spending some time at the invigorating baths at Hot Springs, will go to Savannah to begin training.

While in Georgia a few weeks ago, Tom Eck, a veteran of a great many years, who is the largest team in the country, is also quartered in Savannah where he is endeavoring to draw teams for the training of the novices. Tom Cooper is in training the horses for the new team, and Tom Cooper, his trainer. The manager of the team of which these two stars are members, which is the largest team in the country, is also quartered in Savannah where he is endeavoring to draw teams for the training of the novices. Tom Cooper is the manager of the team of which these two stars are members, which is the largest team in the country, is also quartered in Savannah where he is endeavoring to draw teams for the training of the novices. Tom Cooper is the manager of the team of which these two stars are members, which is the largest team in the country, is also quartered in Savannah where he is endeavoring to draw teams for the training of the novices.

In 1881, a new library was built, at a cost of \$250,000, to accommodate the growing needs of the collection of millions, when collection of books and manuscripts were so large that the original building was no longer able to hold them. The bureau of exchange established communication with scholars in all parts of the world, by which their publications were accepted for publication in the Smithsonian.

Besides the original bequest of Smithson, congress every year makes an additional appropriation for the maintenance of the institution.

SMITH D. PRY.



JAMES SMITHSON.  
Founder of the Smithsonian Institution.  
days of his life in the solitude of Oxford schools, where, in the year of 1750, he was graduated with honors from the Pembroke college, receiving the degree of master of arts from the university. In early life, he became an atheist and denied the being of God. He did not assume his father's name, until he had acquired some scientific attainments. His brother had been Sir Hugh Smithson, before his marriage, the daughter of Lord Brougham enabled him to assume the title of duke of Northumberland; and thus we lose the early history of the man whose name, to this day, is mentioned in the records of the British army and navy. On the 25th day of July, in the year of 1855, John Forstry, the secretary of state at Washington, received information from the American chargé d'affaires at London that the originals

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