

HASTINGS AND ST. LEONARDS BICYCLE CLUB,

The quarterly meeting of the above Club was held on Thursday evening at the Seaside and Pier Hotel, under the presidency of A. J. LOVETT, Esq. A good muster of members were present.

The CHAIRMAN first of all called upon the Secretary (Mr. William Carsell) to read the report, the substance of which was follows :

Financial report for the half-year from April 4 to October 3, 1878.

	£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward.....	4	8	0
Receipts	3	7	6
Total	7	15	6
Expenditure	1	5	0
Balance in hand.....	6	10	6
	7	15	6

The report showed that 11 members had joined during the half-year, and one resigned, the present number being 31.

The CHAIRMAN, in thanking the secretary for his report, said he had one little thing to mention, for which he was extremely sorry, and that was that their captain (Mr. Edward G. Gilbert), who had given the club so much attention, had had the misfortune of meeting with an accident, which would incapacitate him from riding for some time. He wished to thank him for the manner in which he had attended to the various meetings of the club.

The CAPTAIN thanked Mr. Lovett for letting them have his name upon their club programmes, and for the attention with which he had favoured them. He proposed that gentlemen should continue his office as vice-president of the club. He would be unable to hold the captaincy for some time, owing to his recent accident, as he would not be able to ride for some two or three months; however, he hoped some day to be able to ride again, and moved that the captaincy should be left open for a month.

The CHAIRMAN thought it would be better to leave it open for three months, when he hoped Mr. Gilbert would be restored, or that he should continue his office during the three months.

The CAPTAIN ultimately agreed to remain in office until the next meeting.

SUB-CAPTAIN.

Respecting the election of sub-captain, it was agreed that that office should be raced for.

SECRETARY.

Mr. WILLIAM CARSWELL was re-elected secretary of the club, and presented with the thanks of the members, for the efficient manner in which he had discharged his duties.

TREASURER.

Mr. ALFRED J. WHITE was re-elected treasurer of the club.

COMMITTEE.

The following is the result of the balloting for the three members who should act on the committee of the club: Messrs. Weilerd 7, Stile 7, Cutting 6, Haman 4, Venes 4, Packton 4, and Skims 4.

A RACE FOR AN OFFICE.

The CAPTAIN proposed that Mr. Stile should preside over a race to be held on Wednesday, the 16th inst., at four o'clock, for the sub-captaincy, the riders to meet at Carlisle Parade, after which the members and friends should meet for a social meeting at the Seaside and Pier Hotel, at half-past eight o'clock.

PRIZES.

It was agreed that the sub-captain should be presented with a bicycle bugle, and that a second prize be offered to the second rider, of a bicycle lamp and bells.

CLUB MEETINGS.

The social meetings of the club were proposed to be held every Thursday at the Hotel, at half-past eight o'clock, for the members and friends of the club. The third Thursday in the month, however, was to be reserved for the business meetings.