

THE PEDESTRIAN FETE IN THE CRICKET GROUND.

A pedestrian *plé* was held in the Central Cricket and Recreation Ground in the afternoon of Monday, but owing, no doubt, to the dampness of the ground and the threatening aspect of the weather, the spectators were not nearly so numerous as on previous similar occasions. The several events on the programme were carried out under the management of Mr. S. Watling, of Brighton, Mr. G. F. Finn officiating as handicapper and referee, and Mr. H. Choul as starter. The band of the Hastings Rifle Corps was engaged, and played selections during the afternoon. Mr. H. Love, of the Pilot Inn, supplied the refreshments. The results of the racing were as follows:—

180 YARDS HANDICAP RACE.—First prize, £5; second, £2; third, £1, and 10s. for each one winning a heat and not gaining a prize. This race, in which there were forty-eight entries, was run in seven heats, the winners of these being as follows:—A. Bowers, Hastings, 77½ yards start; James Law, Wye, 77½ yards; F. Green, Deptford, 82 yards; J. Hayward, Wye, 84 yards; W. Arthur, Harlesden, 81 yards; A. Holland, Hastings, 82 yards; H. Ames, Sellindge, 75½ yards, and John Law, Wye, 79 yards, ran a dead heat, but on this being run off Law won. In the final heat A. Holland took the first prize, J. Hayward second, and A. Bowers third.

300 YARDS HANDICAP RACE.—First prize, £3; second, £2; third, £1; and 10s. for each one winning a heat and not gaining a prize. There were thirty-seven entries for this race, which was run in six heats, the winners being:—James Law, Wye, 82½ yards start; A. Bowers, Hastings, 84 yards; F. Green, Deptford, 88 yards; H. Ames, Sellindge, 74 yards; H. Hutchings, Hastings, 94 yards; J. Hayward, Wye, 94 yards. In the final H. Hutchings was first; J. Hayward and F. Green ran a dead heat, and shared the second and third prizes.

TWO MILES HANDICAP AMATEUR BICYCLE RACE.—This race was restricted to members of the Hastings Bicycle Club only. There were eight entries, and it was run in two heats. In the first Lovett, 20 yards start, won; and Gilbert, scratch, was second. In the second, Philcox, 10 yards start, was first; and Styles, scratch, second. The final heat was won by Lovett, Philcox being second, and Gilbert, third. Lovett, a young lad, rode remarkably well, and succeeded in overlapping his opponents, and passing them in splendid style, amidst loud applause from the spectators.

800 YARDS HANDICAP RACE.—First prize, £3; second, £2; third, £1; and 10s. for each one