

Minor Mention.

The Automobile Club in La Crosse, Wis., is to be reorganized, according to report.

William Canfield, of Canaan, Conn., is about to erect a factory which will be used for the manufacture of automobiles.

Parker & Burton, patent lawyers, of Detroit, have moved their office to the Moffat Block, corner Griswold and Fort streets.

According to the firm's United States agency, Michelin & Cie, of France, will shortly begin the manufacture of tires in this country.

A committee from the Automobile Club of California have secured permission from the park commissioners for the use of the parks by motorists.

The York (Pa.) Automobile Company completed their second car last week, a touring car of 20 horse power, and have laid plans for the production of a lot of ten.

Gray & Davis, lamp makers, of Amesbury, Mass., call our attention to the fact that they have been allowed patent No. 27,724 in Great Britain on their Bullet lamp.

Chas. W. Roe, the automobile dealer, of Buffalo, whose injury through the overturning of his car we recorded in our last issue, died last week from the effects of the accident.

The Louisville (Ky.) Y. M. C. A. will conduct an automobile school during the months of May, June and July. Lectures will be delivered by E. W. Roberts, of Clyde, Ohio.

An effort is being made to hold a meeting of all the motorists of Maine on Auburn Heights under the auspices of the Lewiston and Auburn Automobile Club some time during the summer.

Plans are under way to form an automobile club in Battle Creek, Mich., and a meeting of a number of enthusiasts was held last week, at which the initial steps were taken towards organization.

The Peerless Motor Car Company, of Cleveland, inform us that Miss Emma Eames, the grand opera singer, has purchased one of their cars, in which she will tour in Italy during the summer.

Caps Brothers, automobile manufacturers, of Kansas City, Mo., are said to have purchased a plot of ground in that city upon which they will erect a factory capable of accommodating a force of 150 men.

It is reported that Mayor Finch, of Toledo, has received a letter from the St. Louis Motor Carriage Company, of St. Louis, stating that the company is looking for a new site, and considers Toledo favorably.

According to a New York daily, the family hotels in New York city are feeling the effects of the automobile by the removal of many of their guests to homes in the suburbs, from and to which they travel in their cars.

The Aurora Carriage Top Company, of Aurora, Ill., have completed their first automobile, which is of the gasoline touring car

type and of 30 horse power. A company is being formed which will take up the manufacture of these vehicles.

The Correspondence School of Automobile Engineering has recently been opened in Akron, Ohio. Courses are offered in elementary and advanced theoretical work and practical studies of the construction and design of automobiles.

Fire broke out in a warehouse of the G & J Tire Company, of Indianapolis, on the night of May 12, but was discovered and extinguished before much damage was done. The company write that the fire will not interfere with their deliveries.

The Federation of American Motor Cyclists have recently issued a booklet, entitled "The F. A. M. Helping Hand Book, being a presentment of the symptoms of those ills that sometimes afflict motors cycles and of the simplest remedies to apply." It is prepared for members of the Federation.

The Ford Motor Company, of Detroit, Mich., will soon commence the construction of another building at their plant on Piquette avenue. It is announced that the company plans to devote this building to the manufacture of a new runabout combining light weight with power and a low price.

The Massachusetts Highway Commission has found it necessary, in view of the increased demand for automobile registration numbers and licenses, to move from their old quarters into new ones in the Pemberton Building, which will be fitted up especially for the use of the automobile department.

The Electric Vehicle Company, of Hartford, Conn., make use of a series of metal plates arranged within wooden cases, which are partially submerged in a river running near their plant and form a large water rheostat for consuming the energy developed by the dynamos when their gasoline motors are being tested.

It is said that the Maxwell-Briscoe Company, of Tarrytown, N. Y., will erect a factory in Minneapolis within a short time, and that A. F. Chase, a local dealer, who has had their sales agency in that locality, will act as manager. It is understood, however, that the company will continue to use their plant in Tarrytown.

Representatives of the Matheson Motor Car Company, of Holyoke, Mass., were given a hearing last week by the board of directors of the Springfield (Mass.) Board of Trade. They stated that it was their intention to enlarge their business, increase the capital stock, and to locate in Springfield if a suitable location can be secured.

Teddy Edwards, of the Hartford Rubber Company, recently made a tour in an 18 horse power Columbia car from Hartford to New York city, Albany, Troy, Schenectady, Saratoga, Utica, Binghamton, Kingston, New York city by way of west side of Hudson, and back to Hartford, where he arrived on April 30. The roads, he said,

were in very bad shape, and in many parts next to impassable.

The trustees of Mill Creek Park, Youngstown, Ohio, at their meeting last week passed rules governing the use of automobiles in the park, which specify a speed limit of 8 miles per hour, and that motorists must always keep to the right, except that when passing a horse on a bluff they must run on the outer side near the edge to minimize the danger of the horse's taking fright and jumping over the cliff.

Letters patent have just been issued by the Quebec Legislature for the incorporation of a Franco-American Automobile Company, of Montreal. The petitioners are Thos. Craig, S. Page, H. B. Rainville, Allen Patenaude and G. Husson. The capital of the new company is \$20,000. The object of the company is to buy, sell and manufacture motor vehicles. They have secured quarters on Guy street, near St. Catherine, in Montreal.

Racing Notes.

It has been announced that a race meet will be held at Overland Park, Denver, Col., on May 30.

A sanction has been granted by the A. A. A. for the race meet of the St. Paul Automobile Club on July 6 and 8.

Arrangements are being made for a two days' race meet to be held at Charter Oak Park, Hartford, Conn., under the auspices of the Hartford Automobile Club. It is thought that the event will occur in the latter part of June.

At St. Louis on May 7 A. C. Webb won two heats of the triangular match race between Barney Oldfield and Earl Kiser. Webb's and Kiser's racers did not arrive in time, so the event was transformed into a handicap race, the two drivers using stock cars.

Chas. Basle, driving H. L. Bowden's 90 horse power Mercedes, with which he established track records at Providence last year, will be matched against Barney Oldfield and the Peerless "Green Dragon" at the opening of Morris Park (N. Y.) race track on the 20th. It was originally announced that Oldfield would meet H. W. Fletcher with the 90 horse power De Dietrich.

In the hill climbing contest, which will be held by the Worcester Automobile Club on Dead Horse Hill, Worcester, Mass., May 25, there will be eleven events. One for steam cars, six for gasoline cars (stock), divided on a basis of price; three for cars divided as per A. A. A. weight classification, and one free for all. Entries close with Asa Goddard, Bay State House, Worcester, Mass., on May 21.

The committee in charge of the race meet to be held at Readville, Mass., on May 30, by the Bay State A. C., consists of President Lewis R. Speare, Harry Fostick, W. H. Durphy, Dr. Julius F. Hovestadt, F. E. Thompson, A. D. Perk and W. T. Helfer. The program includes a 10 mile race for the Boston Herald Cup, now