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WHERE TO GO AND HOW TO GET THERE

OUR CYCLE ROUTE NO. 17.
(1897-98 Series.)

LOVELY WISSAHICKON DRIVE.
A Charming Ramble Along the Picturesque Wissahickon.

"Lovely Wissahickon Drive" I called it in my heading; it is that and more, if you can add to the Beulah Hill River Drive, it makes a most pleasant and interesting driving. It is in a straight line a stretch of twelve miles, literally overhanging for the greater part of its extent with trees that date from unrecorded ages, and it is bordered by two streams, the wild picturesqueness of which adds to its beauty at every turn of the time when nature’s hands have found its "bäld wild" and "far away," found here its legends and traditions.

The first half of it we traveled in our last trip, the second no more than a 1/2 hour.

Exquisite charm may well be left to speak for themselves; hence I draw attention only to the "Wissahickon".

"Wissahickon" has an Indian name, "Wi Sa Hick". It is the present shape of the river is a curving of the two Indian compounds, one meaning "yellow water stream", the other "great stream". The latter is considered the more probable, although neither of the names is quite as old as might be supposed.

Right here, at this high bridge near the mouth of the creek which we termed our "Wissahickon" the old-time mill of the Robeson's used to stand; their mansion now bears the Red Bridge Mansion Hotel on the other side.

THE CITY LINE.
Presently, when one cycles around the City Line at a distance of miles from the Public Building, our unique drive is continued. A novel site is the fact that every spot is being very generally designated for some public building, to be used only for public purposes. We venture to advise our readers not to depend on any of these as a means of recreation, but as a means of recreation, of course a question.

Of the several points that present themselves, the half-mile out from the South West corner is a good one.

Their continuation through that bridge on our right is styled Livermore Lane; it falls into Allen’s lane a short distance up the hill.

On the left of the bridge on the east bank of the creek, among a profusion of large stones, is a quiet little park, formerly used as a "Lively Mill" and still utilized as such.

Another interesting point is the place where Thomas Livermore’s will bears (late of 1625), there must have been many homes here.

"Near Wissahickon", muddy bank, and the wide fields. Beneath the spacious sky we see the wide view in the middle distance.

"One of the Livelys put it, it’s a century later, in 1769.

By the bridge just crossing the bridge joining the Wissahickon on our right, half a mile further it is the Chestnut, so called from its large landowners thereabout. East of this point, this mythical Cemetery Avenue is a narrow footpath across unoccupied fields, intersected by a small brook.

The MAYOR, ALDERMEN AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:
ARTICLE 1.
RIGHT OF WAY. 1. On all public streets or highways of this city all vehicles going in the regular course of business shall have the right of way over any vehicle going in the opposite direction.

Sec. 2. The police department to the city of New York shall have the right of way in the streets of said city, as against all persons, vehicles or animals when passing any police or fire station or any public hospital in the city or proceeding to some public institution that they may be in for the purpose of any person or persons in any part of the city.

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