

A CHEERING PROSPECT.

We are not among those who look upon the rapid growth of the bicycle movement with disapproval. This is not because we are fond of bicycling or that we admire bicyclers as such. The reason why we like the bicycle and are pleased to see it growing into favor is because we regard the "machine" as a harbinger of good roads, and we delight in a clean, smooth, hard road. It is easy to see that when all the world and his wife ride on the bicycle good roads will be a necessity—not one good street or one favorite promenade—but good roads everywhere in both town and country. When everyone is deeply interested in having a good road to ride on, as will be the case when every one, or nearly every one, is a bicycler, there will be such a strong public opinion in favor of good roads, and such a general demand