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ON
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The Company consists of the most
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GRAND
PERFORMANCES EVERY NIGHT,
At Eight o'clock precisely.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

- The Spring Meeting will take place on Wednes-
day, 11th Nov., 1868. The following is the Pro-
gram subject to alterations:
1-High Jump, Standing.
2-Running.
3-100 Yards Race.
4-Running Hop, Skip, and Jump.
5-Mile Race.
6-Vauling.
7-Throwing the Hammer, 16 lbs.
8-100 Yards Race. Interval of one hour.
9-Boys' Race: 150 Yards: allowing 3 yards
start for each year under fourteen. No Sub-
scription. Entry, \$10.
10-Broad Jump, Standing.
11-Do, do.
12-150 Yards Hurdle Race: 10 flights, 3ft. 2in.
13-Putting the Stone, 16 lbs.
14-100 Yards Race.
15-Half-Mile Steeplechase.
16-Race upon Stilts.
17-200 Yards Race: Consolation Stakes.
8-Entries will be received until Saturday,
24th of October, at Messrs. Mackinnon's, 44, San
Martín; or by any of the following Gentlemen,
who compose the Committee:—Wilson Jacobs,
Jr.; T. B. Smith, P. Galbraith, A. J. Howden,
F. Jacobs, and D. Willock.

The following Resolutions were passed at the
last General Meeting—
1. All Entries are subject to the approval of the
Committee.
2. The minimum Subscription for Competitors
is to be \$100, and each entry \$20.
3. The Committee are empowered to disqualify
any Competitor not appearing in suitable costume.
4. The present holders of the Champion Medals
for Putting the Stone, Hammer-throwing, and
Hurdle Race have been challenged.

GRAND REPRESENTATION OF DIS-
SOLVING VEWES.
Performed by Mr. A. HELLMANN,
On SATURDAY, 24th of OCTOBER,
In the spacious Hall of the German Club "Con-
cordia."
CALLE RIVADAVIA, No. 274.

FIRST PART.
1. Views of the most interesting Towns, Land-
scapes, and Buildings of Europe, Japan, and
India.
2. Comical Metamorphosis.

SECOND PART.
3. Statues and celebrated master-works of
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4. Exhibition of various shining colors and
their effects.
Tickets of admission may be got in the New
Library, San Martín, No. 39; Grieken's Casino,
San Martín, No. 81; and the English-German
Hotel, Mejico, No. 64.
Price \$20 mg.—Children, \$10.
At Eight o'clock precisely.

RIVER PLATE HANDBOOK
FOR 1869.

ADVERTISEMENTS and INFORMA-
TION received at this Office.

SUBSCRIPTION TO THE STANDARD
\$30 PER MONTH.

ADVERTISEMENTS not exceeding Five
Lines inserted SIX Times for \$10.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.
No notice can be taken of anonymous com-
munications. Whatever is intended for
insertion must be authenticated by the
name and address of the writer; not
necessarily for publication, but as a
guarantee of good faith.

The Standard.
"Ni falsi audire, nil veri non audiam dicere."
Cremona.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1868.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM
FOR "STANDARD."

Montevideo, Oct. 23, 6 P.M.
No sales in Bank paper to-day.
Bank paper quoted on the Bolsa at
1 1/2 dis.
Exchange on London, 51 for gold,
43 1/2 paper.
Import market: better feeling, and
more doing.
Coal per Beatrice, from Swansea,
fetched on board 960 gold for four
months.
Weather fine.

THE BONNE AMELIE.

Public attention has not been suffi-
ciently called to the loss of this fine
vessel, with captain, crew and two
hundred emigrants,—not a soul saved
to tell the melancholy tale, and from
the saturated garments of the bleached
corpses which strewn the shore, is ga-
thered the history of this appalling
disaster.
The contemplation of misfortunes
so stupendous chills the heart, and
perhaps the most philosophic course
to adopt, is to pass over in silence
events which cause such widespread
gloom. The elements mock our science,
our progress and our vaunted power.
Poor mortals that we are! we awaken
to our insignificance when the slight-
est volcanic shakings tumblers hamlets
and palaces, and shivers cities, towns

and districts—the tiniest fish which
sports in the deep, derides the wave
that beats upon the shore, carrying to
eternity hundreds of human beings
full of life, hope and ambition—the
sea gull screeches over the opening
billows which close upon husbands,
wives, mothers and sons, and when all
is over, the waves play as ever upon
the spot where prayers the most fer-
vent were offered up, and grief the
most poignant experienced. The
ocean is one vast grave, and the bil-
lows are the leviathan grave diggers—
'Tis false—human depravity and cor-
ruptive omnipotence. Avaunt hypo-
chrisy and dissimulation—the billows
which closed over the Bonne Amelie
are the unconscious instrument of
man's work. Two hundred and fifty
human beings have been sacrificed
upon the altar of private lucre which
pays tribute to a government, and is
sanctioned by law.

Our colleagues the Tribuna and Na-
cion, with praiseworthy zeal have called
attention to the fact that the Bonne
Amelie perished, not by a tempestuous
gale, not by a fearful collision, but
simply and solely by the insidious
lights upon the Maldonado coast. We
cannot allow so afflicting a disaster to
pass with a casual notice. The crime
that has consigned two hundred and
fifty human beings to a watery grave,
cries to Heaven for retribution. It
still exists, is tolerated, and this ap-
palling "Moloch" of the nineteenth
century cannot be abolished, because
ten thousand pounds a year is the an-
nual tribute of the ruthless fisherman.
It was a high honor to Mr. Buckley
Mathew, our late Minister here, that
none worked harder to have the Lobos
light restored to its proper place than
that much esteemed gentleman. Keen-
ly alive to the dangers of that coast, he
used every exertion compatible with
his position, to induce the Montevi-
dean government to cancel the fishing
contract, but the efforts of diplomacy
were in vain, and the awful calamity
which now speaks to the heart, is but
the realization of Mr. Buckley Mathew's
repeated predictions.

The spot where the Bonne Amelie
perished, is well known to every pilot
in the Plate. Doubling Cape St. Mary,
the mariner finds himself entering on
the channel of the River. Slightly
ahead and near to the shore are the
rocks called Punta de Carcotas; further
on and on the mainland is the Maldo-
nado light; beyond this is Punto del
Estero in front of which is the Lobos
Island. The coast hereabout abounds
with fish, and the seal fishery off
the little Lobos Island is so remunerative
that it yields to the Montevidean Gov-
ernment a handsome revenue.
In former years the principal light
was placed on the Lobos Island, as it
is the very best point to ward off ves-
sels at night from hugging too closely
the shore, but soon it was discovered
that the same light which betokened
danger to the mariner, frightened the
seals from the rocks—and the fisher-
man finding that the interests of hu-
manity clashed with his speculation,
refused to continue the contract unless
the light was removed. To the shame
of the government the importunities of
the fisherman prevailed, the large
light was placed on the main land, and
after much exertion a small light hard-
ly visible a mile off was put on the Is-
land.

This change of the lights has led to
repeated shipwrecks, all the influence
of the commercial marine of the River
Plate has been brought to bear on the
Montevidean Government to restore
the large light to its proper site the
Lobos Island, but to this hour nothing
has been done, and Heaven grant that
the cries from the deck of the Bonne
Amelie on that awful night when two
hundred and fifty of our fellow beings
went down in sight of land, may reach
the hearts of those who sway the des-
tinies of the Oriental Republic.

The rocks of the Maldonado coast,
could they speak, would indeed tell a
fearful tale,—ruthless destroyers, they
lie in the most treacherous ambush,
and the sand-banks which surround
them can only be compared to one vast
cemetery, of which they are the gloomy
tombstones. The light at Maldonado
lures the ships to certain destruction:
the destroyer is no longer in ambush, he
bears a lurid light in his hand, which
the doomed and confiding mariner
seeks in the horizon as a protector and
a guide. That Maldonado light can
only be compared to a sentry whose
post is to rob, to assassinate pitiless
enemy of our race, which a civilized
government maintains. Against the
furious powers of the elements, man
is impotent, but against insidious
traps such as the Maldonado light—
there is a remedy—unfortunately un-
known in these countries.
Our grief at this disaster can only
be equalled by our indignation at the
conduct of the Montevidean Govern-
ment in tolerating this deceptive light.
It may be compared to the Cephalop-
tera described by Buffon, and which
Victor Hugo calls the devil fish. "The
devil fish does not only swim—it walks,
it is partly fish, partly reptile—it
crawls upon the bed of the sea—it has
no blood—no bones—no flesh—it is
soft and flabby—a skin with nothing
inside—no grasp can equal the sudden
strain of the Cephaloptera. It is with
the sucking apparatus it attacks, the

victim is oppressed by a vacuum
drawing at numberless points, the
talons of the wild beast enter in your
flesh, but with the Cephaloptera it is
you who enter into the creature, the
hydra incorporates itself with the man,
the man becomes one with the hydra,
the spectre lies upon you, the tiger
can only devour you, the devil fish
draws you to him and into himself."
The devil fish of the River Plate is the
Maldonado light.

LATEST FROM ROSARIO.
[OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT].
Rosario, Sept. 20, 1868.

The brick-and-mortar fever still
rages here with unabated violence;
as yet it has not taken a theatrical
turn, although three schemes for such
buildings are on the tapis, each pro-
ceeding from men of influence. Noth-
ing can yet be said to be definitely
settled.

Señores Corvalan, Gonzalez, and
Navarro have schemes for theatres,
in Calles Comercio and Puerto, and
according to "La Nazione Italiana,"
in Calle Cordoba, wherein, it states,
a plot of ground has been given by the
"Sociedad del Progreso" of Rosario.
One large theatre for the town is
enough, but it would be desirable if a
concert room or hall were built, to
prevent a complete monopoly, as peo-
ple wishing to give a concert in this
town have been prevented by the ex-
orbitant demands made by the man-
agement of the late theatre. In an
earlier article, the commencement of
a large building at the corner of the
Calles San Lorenzo and Aduana, was
referred to; the fall of a considerable
portion of it on the morning of the
13th inst., brings the matter in a dif-
ferent light—under the notice of the
public. The structure was commene-
d early in the month of August, and
its completion, which would have
probably been consummated at the
end of the month, is deferred to a
later date, although the debris were
quickly carted away, and the build-
ing is already again being proceeded
with.

Of the untoward event ample notice
was given, by the sinking of the founda-
tions, which, assuming their solidi-
ty, was caused by the undermining of
the brickwork by the rain, an under-
mining which might have been pre-
vented by efficient drainage; notice
was further given by the deflection of
an arch of the structure, occasioned
by a too early removal of centring.
An unsuccessful attempt had been
made to prevent the unfortunate is-
sue, by propping up weak parts; a
further alteration in a part of the
pile took place shortly before the
crash, and full opportunity was al-
lowed for the workmen to escape,
though the contractor, in his agita-
tion, consequent from what he con-
sidered would be the loss of his repu-
tation, was only forcibly prevented
from giving a tragical end to the
occurrence, by burying himself in the
ruins.

The contractor prepared the draw-
ings, which an architect saw, and says
he gave as his opinion that the build-
ing would be of short duration; the
owners say they do not remember
that such an opinion was passed, at
anyrate the suggestion, if given, was
not acted upon. The appearance of
the mortar was not good, very little
lime being observable in its composi-
tion. The weather, for a few days
previous to the event, was not favour-
able to the setting of any mortar gen-
erally, nor to this particularly, it
having been found out that the water
with which this mortar was made
contained salt.

It is generally believed that the
immediate cause of the collapse was
the sinking of the foundations, and
the removal of the centring. What-
ever was the cause, great sympathy
is felt for the contractor, who has
successfully carried out works for the
Railway Company, and others, and
the owners of the property in ques-
tion, who state that they yet have
unlimited confidence in the builder.
The work was done by contract, and
the whole loss occasioned by the event
may fall on the contractor; though
some believe the owners will give me-
ditary assistance in the matter.

It may be remembered that exten-
sive improvements, going on at the
Barraca del Progreso, were lately no-
ticed, now an entirely new place of
the kind, owned by natives and for-
eigners, is being enclosed by a brick
wall, a little higher up the river, hav-
ing a river frontage of 52 metres, an
area of 1,000 yards, flanked on the
other three sides by the entrance to the
station, and the Calles Entre Rios
and Jujuy, the whole of the arrange-
ments of which will be very similar to
the establishment of Cabal, of which
a short description has been previous-
ly given.

On the 8th inst., Capt. Luigbeck,
of the Dutch Brigantina Alberta,
loading provender for Humaita in this
port, mysteriously disappeared. On
the evening of the day named he was
known to have been on board, and
gone to his cabin for the night; later
in the evening his presence was re-
quired; someone went to call him, but
the unfortunate man was not forthcom-
ing, and though the vessel was search-
ed, it was with the same result. The
supposition remained that he had

fallen overboard and was drowned.
On the 18th inst. this surmise received
verification by the finding of the body
a few leagues down the river. Whether
his death was brought about by the
act of another, by accident, or suicide,
is unknown, and likely to remain so,
though there is every hope that the
affair was the result of accident, as he
was not known to be in difficulties,
and he was much liked by his crew.
The burial took place in Rosario on
the 20th inst., and thus ended the
matter.

As there has been no official an-
nouncement in this town for the re-
demption of the Commercial Bank
notes, as has been the case with the
Cordoba branch, a few tradesmen in
Rosario have advertised that they take
the bills at par; but it is self-evident
any deterioration in the value of the
notes could be compensated for by
increasing the prices of their goods,
or a variety of deceptions could be
resorted to, which would be a good
advertisement and possible gain to
speculating tradesmen.

A capital postal arrangement has
been lately made by which the public
benefit much: all letters directed to
the post office are advertised in both
native papers.

In a number of small matters, it
has lately been shown that the com-
fort of the Rosario public is being
more considered than was formerly
the case; how this is appreciated was
exhibited on Sunday evening in the
pleasing seats provided by the Muni-
cipality. Seldom has such a crowd of
persons been seen in the Plaza on an
ordinary occasion; after a certain time
it was impossible to get a seat: the
natives evidently like comfort as much
as any European. The success of the
thirty benches now placed in the Plaza
will cause an addition to be made to
the number. Besides the military
band, which played on Sunday even-
ing in the public square, the first
performance of an Italian band was
given on the same day in the Jardin
del Recreo, a kind of lilliputian Cre-
more much affected here. The Italian
nation is naturally so musically gifted,
it was no surprise to hear good indi-
vidual performance by the instrumen-
tals: the defect noticed was a want
of unanimity in the body, which prac-
tice will rectify—this done, the music
will be excellent.

A communication from Posario sel-
dom appears in the Standard that does
not contain news of improvements or
entirely new projects so far as that
town is concerned. There is every
probability that an Alcazar will shortly
be established here, as also a new
race club, cursorily referred to some
weeks ago.

EDITOR'S TABLE.

Yesterday the James T. Brady
came up from Montevideo. The tele-
grams published by our contemporar-
ies, and the letter of our correspon-
dent, inserted in another column,
bring rather disquieting advices from
the sister city. The libel case against
the Orden has assumed a political
colour, and the Government has seen
the necessity of taking precautionary
measures, by having the garrison un-
der arms.
The pleasure party on board the
Tycho Brahe, given by our friend Mr.
Boyd, although merely having the
character of a family reunion, was a
very successful affair. Mr. Mrs., and
the Misses Boyd, Mr. Kemble, Mr.
Mortimer, Mr. Warden, Capt. Perry,
Mr. Craufurd, and several others
were present. After minutely exam-
ining the whole of this magnificent
mail steamer, and admiring, not only
the unparalleled accommodation for
passengers, but the great cleanliness
and excellence of all her inward and
outward arrangements, the party sat
down to a profuse luncheon, due to
the kind hospitality of Captain Peel,
the commander of the Tycho Brahe.
Messrs. Lamport & Holt may well be
proud of owning such splendid vessels
as the Tycho Brahe, the Humboldt,
the Hipparchus, &c., in whose con-
struction the predominant idea has
been to consult the comfort of passen-
gers, as well as of having them officer-
ed by such gentlemen as Capt. Peel,
Capt. Perry, Capt. Hairby, &c, who,
by their courtesy and ability, have be-
come so deservedly popular on the
line. The Humboldt sailed yesterday
evening for Liverpool, and the Tycho
Brahe will sail to-morrow. When taking
early leave of Capt. Peel, we could not
help heartily seconding Mr. Boyd's
toast of "many happy returns."

Shearing at present continues to go
ahead, notwithstanding the heavy
rains. On Tuesday and Wednesday
nights it rained copiously in all dis-
tricts. Wools will be decidedly lighter
than for many years past and we ex-
pect that some known lots will attain
last year's prices, as the difference in
weight is fully 10 per cent. The far-
mers are paying for shearing, \$40 per
hundred at the Capilla, \$50 at Lujan
and Mercedes, and even \$60 in some
parts.

Sheep will be in better condition this
season [Nov. and Dec.] than they
have been for many years past. Fat
capones and sheep find ready sale at
\$34 to \$40 in the camp. Prices after
shearing will be \$24 to \$27. We know
of one instance in Lujan where a
"caponero" parted 500 out of a flock

at \$35, and offered \$25 for the entire
flock after shearing.
We are requested to remind intend-
ing competitors for the Athletic
Sports that the entries will close on
Saturday week, the 31st inst. Our
readers will see by advertisement that
the railway accommodation for the
11th prox. will be most complete—
three special trains each day in addi-
tion to the ordinary.

Some time ago we announced that
Messrs. Huergo had established in
Caseros a graseria. The first 1,000
boxes of tallow produced there have
just been sold at the very remarkable
price of 14½ silver reales per arroba.

An organised gang of robbers who
had carried on for some time past ex-
tensive deceptions at the Constitu-
cion Station of the Southern Railway,
were yesterday seized, thanks to the
active vigilance of the police officer
attached to the station. Two of them
were caught in flagrantly carrying off
bags of feathers and horse hair, and
on being apprehended and pressed to
declare the names of their accom-
plices, they gave five names, among
whom was a cartman owning a cart.
These were immediately arrested in
their respective domiciles; and the
preliminary inquiry (sumario) is going
on before the Comisario Calderon.

Great reserve is maintained by
brokers and consignees about the
price obtained for the new clip of wool,
and nobody can with certainty learn
how it has been sold. Mr. Arias sold
yesterday three deposits at the sta-
tion, about 1,500 arrobas of new wool,
at reserved prices. Our special rep-
orter, whose extensive connections with
all the frequenters of the South Plaza
market enable him to be always well
informed, assures us that the sum of
59 dollars has been obtained in more
than one instance.

The Committee of Ladies who had
been appointed to carry out a Charity
Bazaar for the wounded and invalids
from the war, have we are happy to
say, conceived the idea of carrying out
the object entrusted to them, by a
public ball instead of a bazaar, and
are at present actively engaged in ar-
ranging the preliminaries. The ball is
to be held in the Coliseum.

Notwithstanding the large atten-
dance at the Colon theatre every
night that the Japanese have perform-
ed, the whole arrangement of that
theatre are so defective that we do not
believe the profits of their able and
enterprising manager, Mr. Smith will
be at all commensurate with the
great success of the undertaking.
When the Norma was given not long
ago, the house produced 75,000 paper
dollars, and on Sunday last with a
much better house, only 50,000 dollars
was said to have been taken at the
door. Mr. Smith has not only this
great drawback to contend against,
but having wished to introduce a
salutary reform in checking the un-
fair pretensions of an insignificant
portion of the press with regard to
free entrances, has had to submit to
the fate of all innovators, and been
made the butt of a most unbecoming
and unjustifiable attack on the part
of some of our colleagues, who do not
hesitate to use the most barefaced
falsehood to gratify a spirit of mean
revenge. Such conduct would be in-
ditable in any other country—and will
ever merit the most unqualified disap-
proval of all right thinking persons,
and we must ask their cooperation
as well as that of the public in general
to suppress a practice that is a dis-
grace to the country.

The Japanese will give their two
last performances to-night and to-
morrow night. Although some of our
colleagues assert daily that one or
other has died, or is laid up, we had
the pleasure of seeing them all yester-
day in the enjoyment of robust
health. We overheard, a few nights
ago, a spiteful "cronista" say that he
would make them all die before he had
done with them. Mr. Smith, however,
can afford to laugh at such outrageous
opposition. He is obliged to leave us
next week, and we advise our friends
in Chascomus, Chivilcoy, and other
popular centres on the line of our
Railways, not to lose this chance of
seeing the astounding Japanese per-
formances.

In consequence of the resolution
taken by our authorities, imposing
five days quarantine upon vessels
from Humaita, the undersigned are
compelled to announce that the steam-
ers of this agency, employed in that
line, will cease running from this
date.
A. MATTY & PEREZ.
Buenos Ayres, Oct. 23, 1868.

The last box of machinery for the
San Fernando works was discharged
the day before yesterday, as well as all
the timber. As soon as the machinery is
up, the driving in posts will commene-
ce, and the construction of the docks
and moles will be carried to conclu-
sion with activity.

A fire on an unprecedented large
scale broke out on Thursday night at
twelve o'clock, at the houses num-
bered 34 to 38 Calle Artes between Piedad
and Brivadavia, by which not only the
premises were destroyed, but almost
the whole stock of Mr. Locheagaray's
wholesale store was lost. The fire
began in the back of the house, but
the origin of it has not been ascertain-
ed. The Chief of Police was early on

the spot, and in his courageous and
untiring exertions to lessen the evils
of the moment, he got twice hurt. We
are sorry to say that with few excep-
tions he was not seconded by the vigi-
lantes under his orders. All the stock
from Mr. Locheagaray's store that
could be got out in time was brought
out into the streets and piled in the
middle, but instead of setting some
guards to watch over it, the vigilantes
that should have protected it were
seen carrying off bottles of gin and
other articles. In the meantime the
fire-engines brought to the spot were
useless, both from their diminutive
power and the great scarcity of water.
The total loss is estimated at two and
a-half millions of paper dollars. Mr.
Locheagaray was only partly insured;
but the house, we understand, was
insured in the Providencia and Union-
Americana offices. The fire was almost
completely got under by four o'clock
in the morning, but the debris were
still smouldering at a late hour yester-
day.

The Parana arrived at last yester-
day. Her delay had been caused by
her having got aground near La Paz,
on her way up. The only news of any
importance brought down by her from
the seat of war is that Marshal Caxias
has obtained leave to publish all his
correspondence with his Government,
by which he wishes to contradict all
the reports of his having been in com-
munication with Mr. Washburn during
that gentleman's stay in Asuncion.

I.M.S. Greyhound, Captain Stir-
ling, left yesterday for Montevideo.
Admiral Ramsay is expected in Mon-
tevideo on the 12th inst.
The Bourgoine has postponed her
departure to Monday next. Mr. Gould
and Count Joannini have taken their
passage in her. The new Italian Mi-
nister, Count de la Croce, is expected
out by the French mail.

We call the attention of the Direc-
tors of the Gas Company to the bad
light given by the gas, particularly
for an hour after it is turned on. We
are constantly hearing complaints,
which we have reason to know are
well founded, from experience in our
offices. Its bad condition is particu-
larly trying to the eyes of our
printers.

PUBLIC LANDS IN CHACABUCO.

At the request of a wealthy estab-
lishment—a would-be subscriber of the
Standard, if he could only read Eng-
lish, we willingly reproduce the follow-
ing which has already appeared in the
Tribuna:

Gentlemen:
Having no doubt that the Gov-
ernor of the Province reads daily
your enlightened newspaper, we beg
through your columns, to call the at-
tention of that high functionary to an
abuse that is being committed with
regard to public lands in the partido
of Chacabuco.

In the greater number of cases the
applications are said to be mislaid;
in others, the lands have been mea-
sured more than two years ago, but
not settled for, &c. All these were
applied for when the price was fixed at
four hundred thousand dollars, and
not only has this price not been paid,
but neither that of 250,000 to which it
was reduced by the last but one law,
nor that of 200,000 established by the
present law. You will ask me what
they wait for? They wait to have them
gratis, or that at all events a new law
will put them at 100,000 dollars.

The first applicants who were holders
of the land were made to lose their
right, because they thought the price
was too high at 400,000 dollars per
league, and the present holders got
the preference because they offered to
pay that price, which they have failed
to do and have no intention of ever
paying. Under these circumstances
it would be fair that the original
applicants should recover their rights,
or that the lands should be put up to
auction.

Hoping that you will take up this
matter, which is of great interest to the
fisco, and the public, and which affects
the good name of the administration,
we have the honor to remain
Your obed't servants,
SEVERAL CHACABUCUANOS.

ASTRONOMERS.
TYCHO BRAHE.

Tycho Brahe came of a noble
Swedish family which had settled in
Denmark, he was the eldest of ten
children, born at Knudstrop on the
14th December, 1546, he was intended
by his father for a soldier, but an
uncle took some interest in his educa-
tion and he was sent to the University
of Copenhagen in 1559. Here his at-
tention was called to Astronomy by
the total eclipse of the sun on August
21st 1560.

He was sent to Leipzig to study law,
but his mind was too much immersed
in astronomy to give attention to any
other study, and he spent all his time
and money on astronomical instru-
ments; and, while his tutor slept, he
used to watch the constellations by
aid of a small globe not larger than
his fist. With these slender means
he was able to see that both the Al-
phonsine and Prutenic tables gave
the places of the planets visibly
wrong; and particularly so, in the
case of a predicted conjunction of
Saturn and Jupiter in 1563.
He took strongly into his head the

correction of these tables, and his
was a pair of common compasses,
which he used as an instrument for
observing the angles between stars.
By drawing a circle with the same radi-
us as the leg of the compasses, and
laying down angles upon it he was
able to find the Alphonsine tables
more than a month in error and the
Prutenic several days. He procured
a better instrument and corrected the
deficiencies of its graduation by a
table. This instrument was on a par-
allastic rule, or radius in the manner
of Germana Frisius. Tycho Brahe
afterwards went to Wetemberg, but
on the appearance of the plague re-
moved to Rostock. While in this
place a quarrel arose between him and
one Pasberg, a Dane of family, at
a public festival. The affair was de-
cided by single combat and Tycho
lost all the front part of his nose.
He always afterwards wore an artifi-
cial nose of gold, but so well formed
and coloured as to be hardly distin-
guishable from the one with which he
began life; and he always carried a
small box of ointment, with which to
anoint this artificial member.

Tycho pursued his studies in various
places making important observations
which were published and described
in lectures.

In 1575 he left home again to travel
but was recalled by his Sovereign
(Federic II) who offered him the pos-
session for life, of the Island of Hven,
taking upon himself all the expense of
his settlement. The offer was gladly
accepted, and the first stone of the
Astronomical castle called Uraniberg
was laid on August 13th 1576. Be-
sides this there was an observatory
sunk in the ground, and named Stel-
berg. These two buildings contained
twenty-eight instruments, all extra-
meridional, but distinguished, by
many new contrivances for avoiding
error, and by a size and solidity which
rendered graduation to a single
minute attainable. Tycho's instru-
ments are vaguely said to have cost
200,000 crowns; the king allowed
2,000 dollars a year, besides a fief in
Norway and a caucery in the church
of Roeskilde.

In 1577 he began his observations,
and on November 13th 1577 saw the
comet. This luminary and others of
the same kind, gave occasion to his
discovery that the spheres of the
planets could not be solid, since they
were cut in all directions by the orbits
of comets, which must be called the
first decisive blow against the received
notions. And Tycho was the first who
proved comets to have such a paral-
ax as was incompatible with their
being atmospheric or even sublunary
bodies.

He observed altogether seven
comets, the last in 1596.

Tycho continued at Wrabreg dur-
ing the life of Frederic and up to 1596
under the next king (Christian IV.)
until 1596 when a petty quarrel with
the Minister Walckendorf led to his
being deprived of his appointment
and he removed to Copenhagen. His
fame was now too great to allow him
to remain long in retirement, and in
1598 he yielded to the pressing invita-
tion of Emperor Rudolph the II. to
settle in the Imperial dominions
giving him a pension of 3000 ducats
with a choice of residence; which
Tycho fixed at Benatch five miles
from Prague.

The celebrated Kepler joined him in
1600, and they conjointly labored at
the production of Rudolphine tables
for about a year, but Tycho was not
destined to survive the publication of
this vast work, which was ultimately
given to the world by Kepler in 1627.
Tycho died on the 13th Oct, 1610 from
mortification of the bladder, aged 55-
Before dying he expressed a hope
that he had not lived in vain, nor
will he be thought to have done so,
by those who have found the longitude
at sea or slept in quiet while a comet
was in the heavens. The student will
find that the observations of Tycho
Brahe form the first great step of the
moderns in astronomy.

BRAZIL

tion. The garrison, which is said to number 4,000 men, had retreated without loss into the district called the Gran Chaco, a large province traversed by one of the great affluents of the river Paraguay.

war at pleasure by discontinuing the invasion; or, if they wish to extort concessions, President Lopez may probably find it for his interest to pay a considerable price for the restoration of peace.

opinion, however, of an Accountant is but a limited one, and generally confined to one particular view of the subject, whereas the Government, to whom the representation of the country's interests is confided, and on whom the full responsibility rests, is called upon to take a far wider field of observation, in which many mere technical objections, must naturally become matters of secondary importance.

NEW LAW ON HOUSE-BUILDING. The mania for building has of late been carried on with such an utter disregard for the commonest laws of science or health, running up as many as three, four, and five stories in our narrow streets, that although adverse, as a general rule, to all Government restrictions, we gladly make room for the law, which comprises the following articles:—

- 1st. No house built on the public street, can have a greater elevation than 50 per cent. of its frontage.
2d. The dwelling-rooms of each block-building must have at least five yards of light in proportion to its height.

ON CHANGE. October, 23 1868.
Ounces 400.
Sovereigns 122.
Patapicos 25.
Nat. Bonds 45.

THE LOYAL "FLOR DEL PLATA" LODGE OF ODD FELLOWS. A Special Meeting of the above Lodge will be held in the Lodge-room, No. 104, Calle de la Victoria, on Monday Evening, 24 NOV., prox.

THE FAMILIAR GROCERY STORE. 60 CALLE SAN MARTIN. Front of the Provision Bank. Has just received ex Plata, Prime Belfast Smoked Bacon, and New Season Cheese.

THE GERMAN GENTLEMAN formerly residing at 234 Calle Pasqua, is requested to call and deliver up the key of the house to the Landlord, who will otherwise be obliged to have them opened, and the contents deposited in the hands of the authorities.

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Grease—An important sale of 1000 boxes at 14s. silver, and one lot in pipes at 14s.

Wheat—10,000 arrobas from the rivers at 18s.

BIRTH. October 20, at the Quinta de los Olivos, the wife of E. Glover, Esq., of a daughter.

STEAMBOAT AGENCY OF MATTI AND PRIERA, 363 CALLE CUYO. The Captain, Taday, at 10 a.m., for Rosario, Paraná, and Santa Fé.

STEAMBOAT AGENCY OF M. DOWSE, 67 CALLE 25 DE MAYO. The steamer Beau, every Wednesday and Saturday, at 10 a.m., for Colonia.

METROPOLITAN EXCHANGE.—The Creditors of Thomas D. Freedland, whose accounts have been approved by the Commission named, to investigate the affairs of the Metropolitan Exchange, can now receive their final and final dividend upon application to Mr. Webb, Calle Defensa, No. 11.

MALCOLM STEWART. The above-named, or any person acquainted with him or his whereabouts, are requested to communicate their address to this Consulate.

BRAZIL AND THE RIVER PLATE. Showing the Progress of those Countries since 1853. By William Hadfield.

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ADVERTISEMENTS Received at this Office. IMPORTANT TO CAPTAINS OF VESSELS CALLING AT ROSARIO DE SANTA FE.

FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT. The First-class Regular Trader British Barque LA ELOR DEL PLATA, Captain TUNNEY.

ENGLISH TAILOR AND CLOTHIER. 39-CALLE DEFENSA-39. Just Received, suitable for the Coming Season, a Large and Good Assortment of YOUTH'S, BOYS', and MEN'S SUITS; WHITE, COLORED and GRIMES' SHIRTS, SOCKS, STOCKINGS, NECKTIES, HATS, and every description of UNDERCLOTHING, for all Sizes.

BUEN NEGOCIO.—En una de las principales calles de esta ciudad se vende una mercadería bien situada, por tener dueño que ausentarse del país. Se hará una rebaja en las existencias. En la Calle Victoria N. 176 darán razón. 265,9p,021

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Formerly in the Dresser, 297 Rue de la Martin, is requested to call at or send his Address to the British Consulate, Buenos Ayres. PHILIP J. BROWN, B.M.'s Consul, 121 Calle 25 de Mayo. 272 3p,021

LA FAVORCIDA.—Para Lobos, Jueves y Domingo, regresa a Victoria y Lónes; al Salado los Jueves, regresa los Lunes. SANTAMARINA CALVO, Empleado.

LA NACIONAL.—Para la Capilla del Señor y Zúrate, los días pares, regresa los Jueves. S. GUILLEMIN HROS, Empleado.

LA URUGUAYANA.—Para Navarro, sale los pares, regresa los Jueves. P. DUFOUR, Empleado.

EL COMERCIO.—Para el Monte, sale de la Estación Argentina, los días 1, 13, 19, y 25 de cada mes, regresa los 4, 10, 16, 22, and 28. E. BALDOVINOS, Empleado.

MENSAGERIAS NACIONALES.—Para Gües y San Antonio de Areco, sale los Jueves y pares. Para el Baradero—Sale los 1, 7, 13, 19, 23, y 27, regresa los 4, 10, 16, 22, 28, y 30. CRISTOBAL BELLILO, Empleado.

FLOR DEL OESTE.—Para el 25 de Mayo, sale los 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, 21, y 27, regresa los 3, 7, 11, 15, 19, 23, y 29. SANTIAGO IHALDE, Empleado.

THOMAS KENNY AND BROTHERS, Wool and Produce Brokers, PLAZA ONCE DE SETIEMBRE. 49, 1m, 7.

TO CAMP PEOPLE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF CHASCABON. GEORGE HIBBONS has to inform his customers that he has removed to the opposite corner from where he was formerly, Calle Progreso, and where parties visiting Chascabon will find good cheap and comfortable lodgings. Fine dining and billiard rooms. Charges extremely moderate. Sign—Gibbons' Fonda, Chascabon. 87, 12p, 013

F. B. DE G. R. V. A. L. H. O. Public Translator. 81—CALLE DEL TEMPLO—81. (Translations from and into English, German, French, Portuguese, and Spanish, promptly attended to. Letter-press at the Libreria Nueva y San Martín.

J. PAUL, POET, and CO., have moved their House of Business from the Calle de Rivadavia, 165, to the Calle de la Florida, 17, the Store formerly in the occupation of Messrs. Glover, Darbyshire, and Co. 74, 10p, 010

BARTHOLOMEW PAROLA. 73 RIVADAVIA. Merchant Tailor and Clothier. FANCY TWEEDS. SCOTCH, ENGLISH, AND GERMAN CLOTHS. For Dress Suits, Longing Suits, Walking Suits, &c. Ready-made Department. 220, 1p, 011

REWARD.—A Case of Tooth Instrument has been lost or stolen from 37 Defensa. Any person bringing same to the Standard Office will find good receipt. In such articles are cautioned against purchasing same. 285,9p,021

QUINTA to LET, in Belgrano, agreeably and centrally situated. The House contains five large airy rooms (all papered and having boarded floors), chimneys, kitchen, &c. Good water, and large garden, with peaches and fruit trees. For terms apply to 201 Suipacha, B. Ayres. 304,6p,024

WANTED, within five minutes' walk of the Colon Theatre, a nicely furnished Room, for a single gentleman. Rent not to exceed \$400 per month. Apply by letter to J. Standard Office. 315,9p,024

WANTED, two or three furnished Rooms, with Attendance, not too far from the centre. Apply at Calle Masip, 16. 281,9p,021

BOARD AND LODGINGS WANTED, by a married couple, with a little girl, three years of age. As it is for a permanent residence, reasonable terms are expected. Address P. F. J., Standard Office. 280,6p,021

FURNISHED APARTMENT.—To Let, Calle Parquet 234. 269,9p,021
TO LET, a furnished Room in Calle Parquet, 244. 268,9p,024
TO LET, unfurnished, two rooms papered and furnished. Calle Parquet 81. 308,9p,024
A TEACHER is required for the Camp, Apply at Mackern, Brothers, 4, Calle San Martín. 338,9p,021
A Young Man, wishes a situation as Cook, in an English family. Apply 131, Calle Florida. 285,9p,021
A FRENCH GENTLEMAN, sixty years of age, who can give most unexceptionable references, offers to give lessons in French, Spanish, or English, in exchange for a furnished Room, with Attendance, in a respectable family, living within seven squares of the Standard Office. Address B. L., at this Office. Buenos Ayres, Oct. 20. 274,6p,021
A Single Gentleman (Merchant), wants an unfurnished Room, with Attendance, not too far from the centre. Address R. W., 201, at this Office. 217,9p,017
An English Lady wishes for employment as Needlewoman, or would take charge of children, assist in housekeeping, or travel. Apply E. S., at the Office of the Standard. 240,6p,017
A Middle-aged Widow (English), who has brought up a large family in great respectability, and now has the care of some Orphans, wishes to take charge of a few more children. She can be highly recommended by many persons long resident in the country, among them the English Chaplain, to whom reference is permitted. For further particulars, apply at 44, Calle San Martín. 16, 1m, 03
COOK.—Wanted, by an English family residing in the country during the summer months. Parquet, 136. 232,6p,018
LAUNDRESS and WAITRESS wanted, in an American family. Apply at the Quinta Consuelo, Calle Caseros, before One, or after Five o'Clock. References required. 231,6p,016
WANTED, a good Female Cook, in a small English family. Apply 15, Calle Florida 302, 12p, 023
WANTED, for an English Store in town, a steady, active lad, able to speak Spanish and English. Address B., Standard Office. 300, 9p, 022
WANTED, a good female General Servant, for a small English family. Apply 364 B-liver. 229,6p,021
WANTED, a Housemaid, to wait at table, at 76 Calle Bolgrano. 286,9p,021
WANTED, a General Servant, in a small English family. Apply at the Family Grocery Store, No. 60 San Martín. 278,9p,021
WANTED, a Second-class Engine, of from Two to four horse power, with Office, with price underneath, addressed to C., at this Office. 246,6p,017
WANTED, a Female Cook. Apply at 364 Calle Caseros. 286,9p,021
WANTED, a young Woman, German who has managed for eight years one of the best Estancias in Buenos Ayres, wishes for employment. Apply L. G., Rivadavia, 540. 276,9p,021

