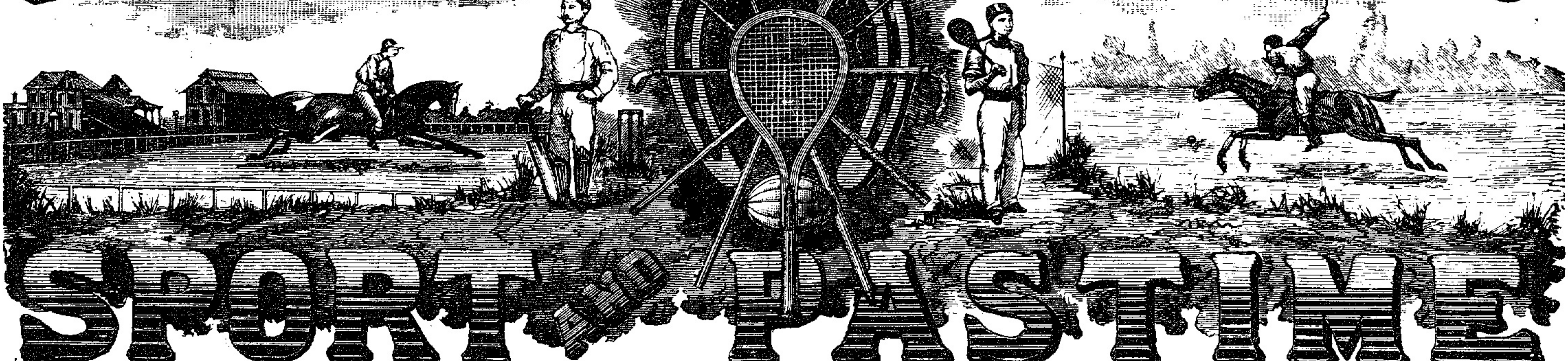


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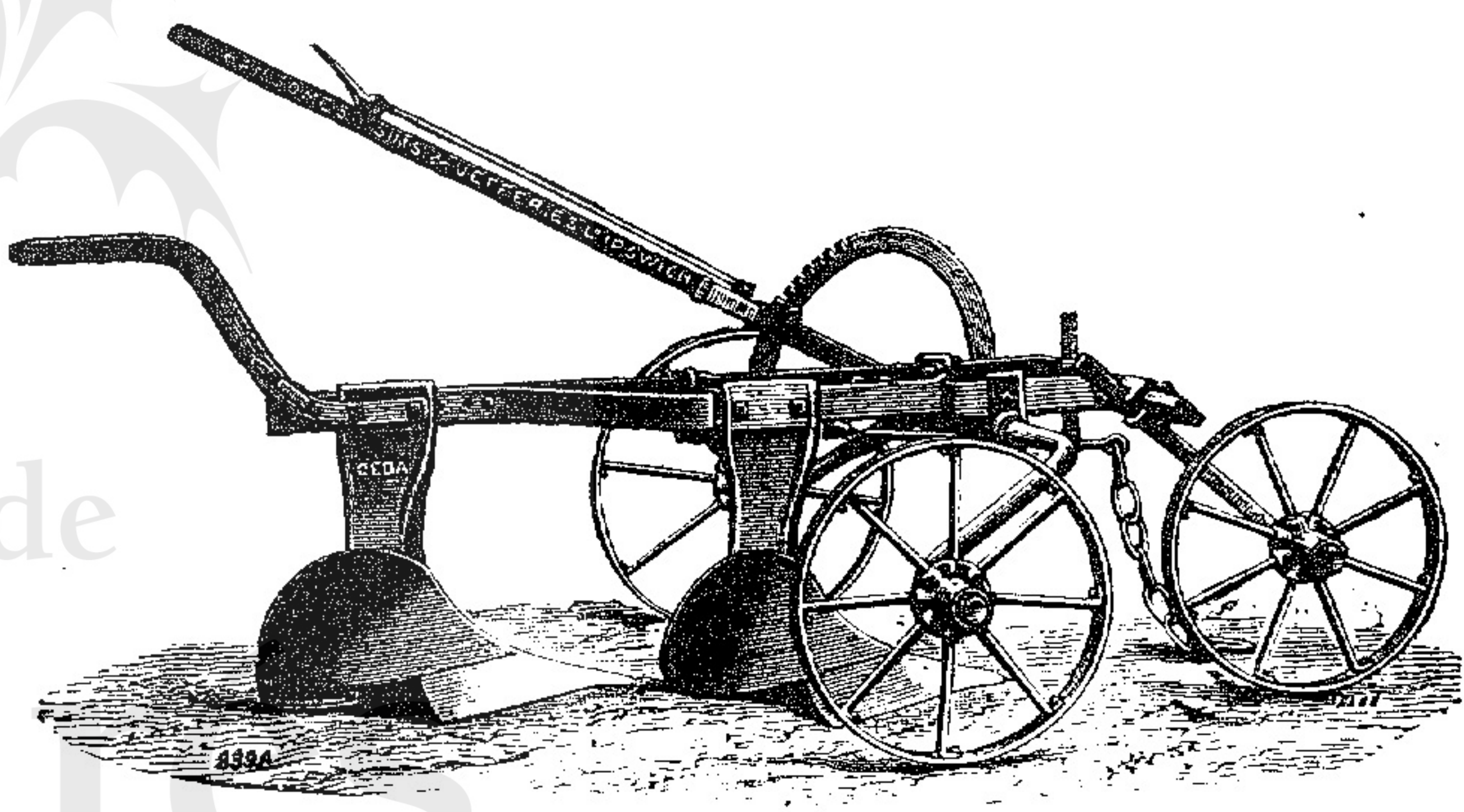
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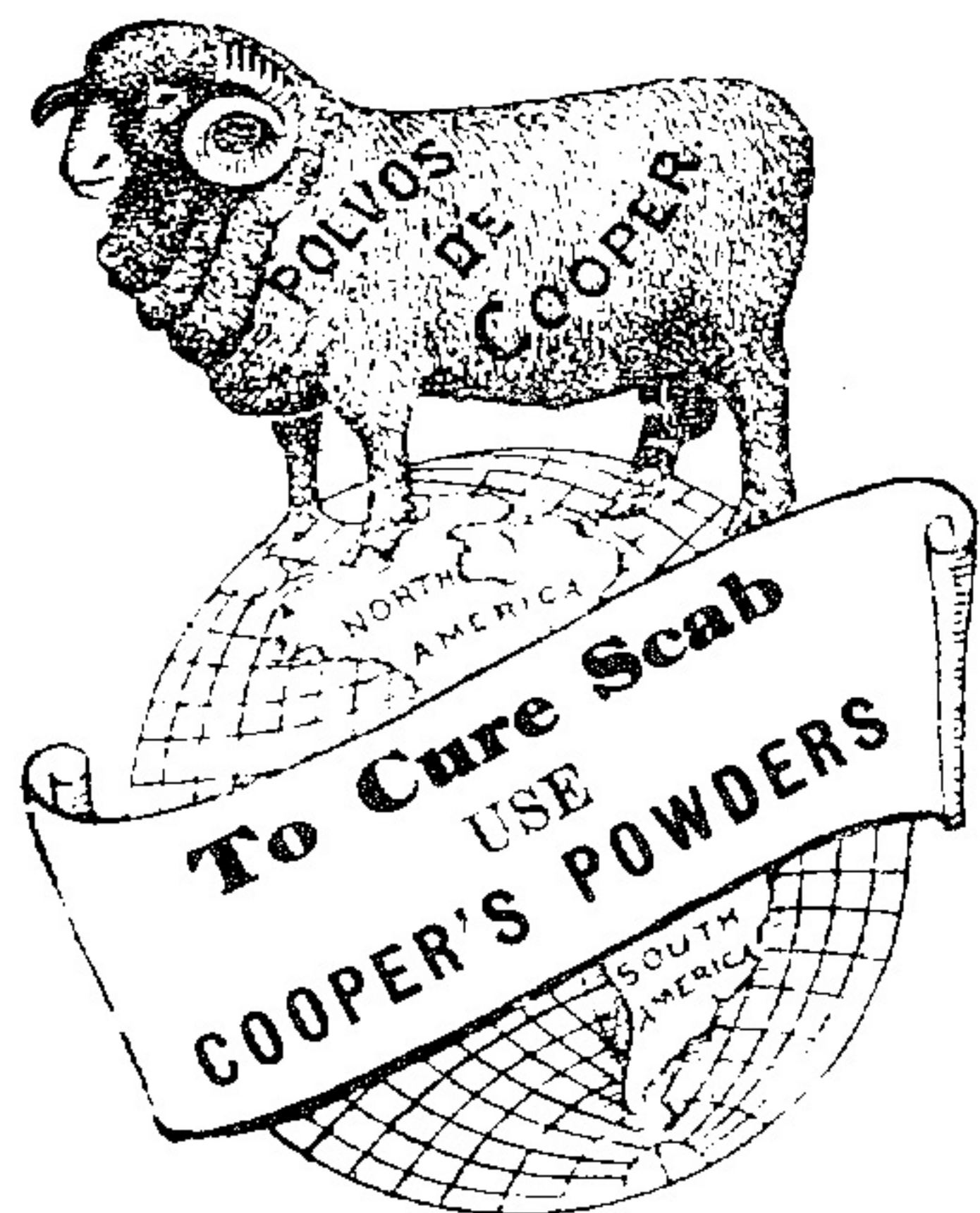
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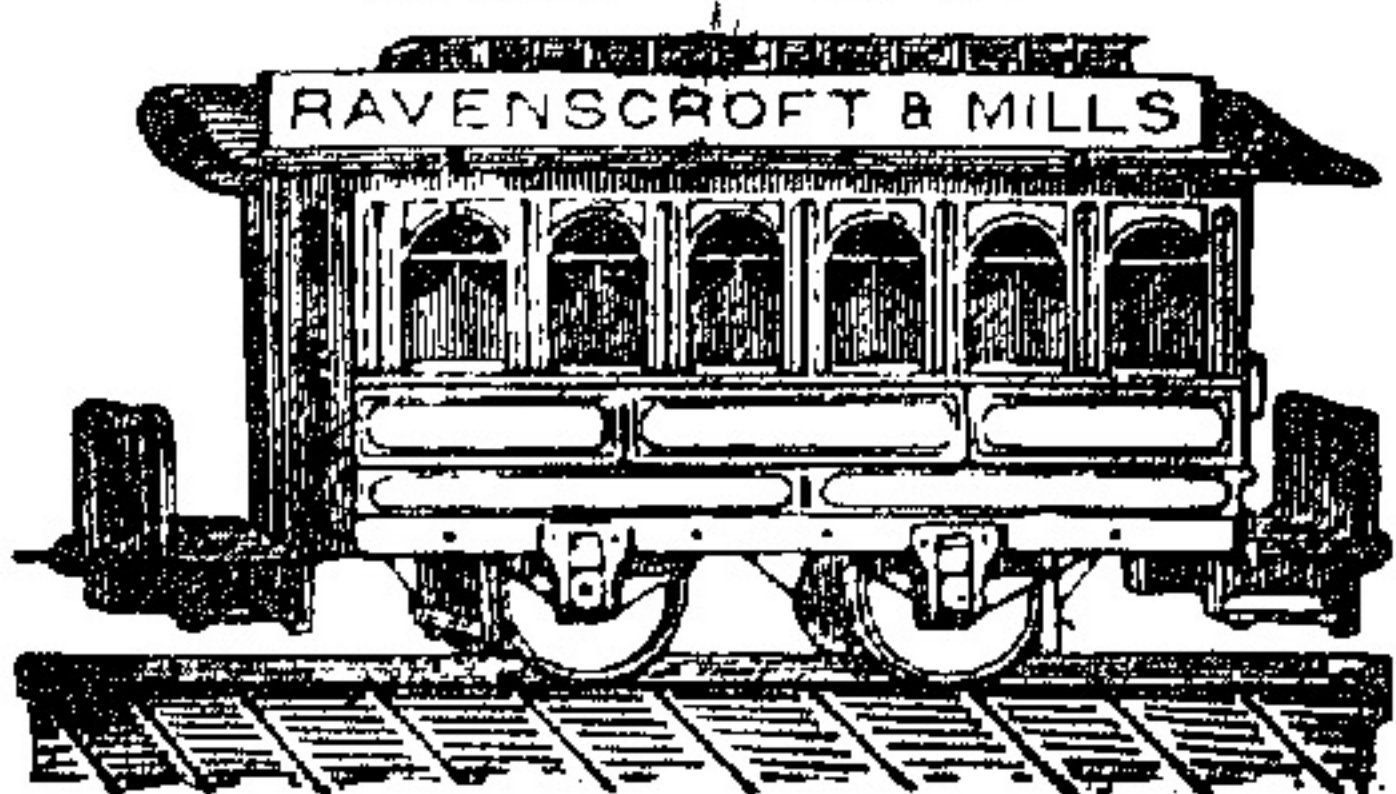
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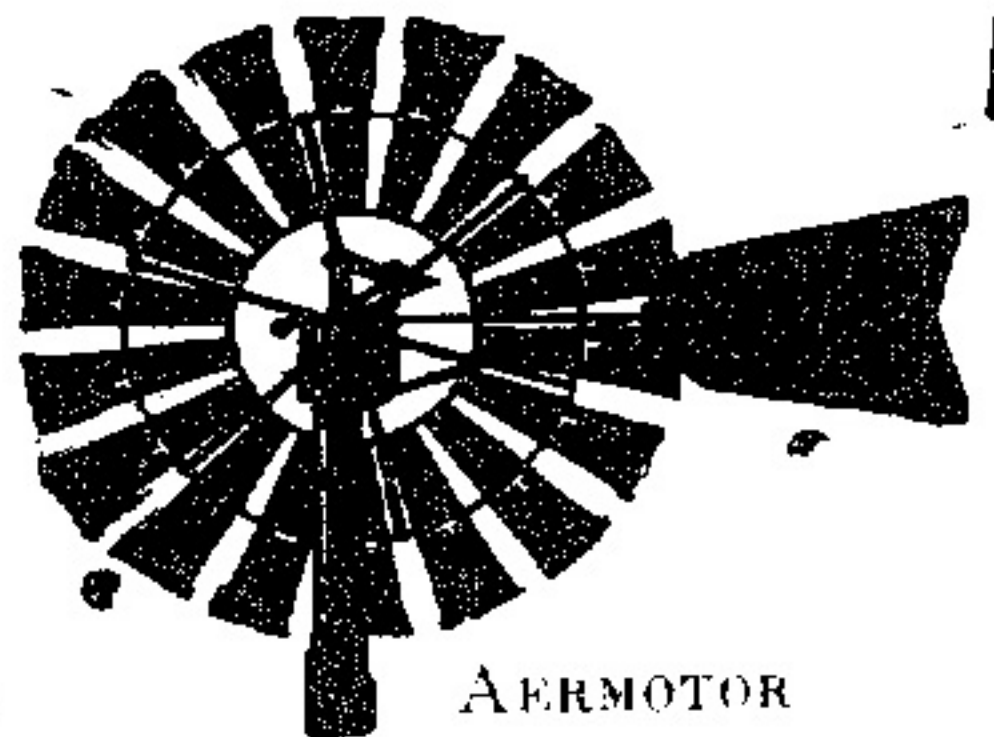
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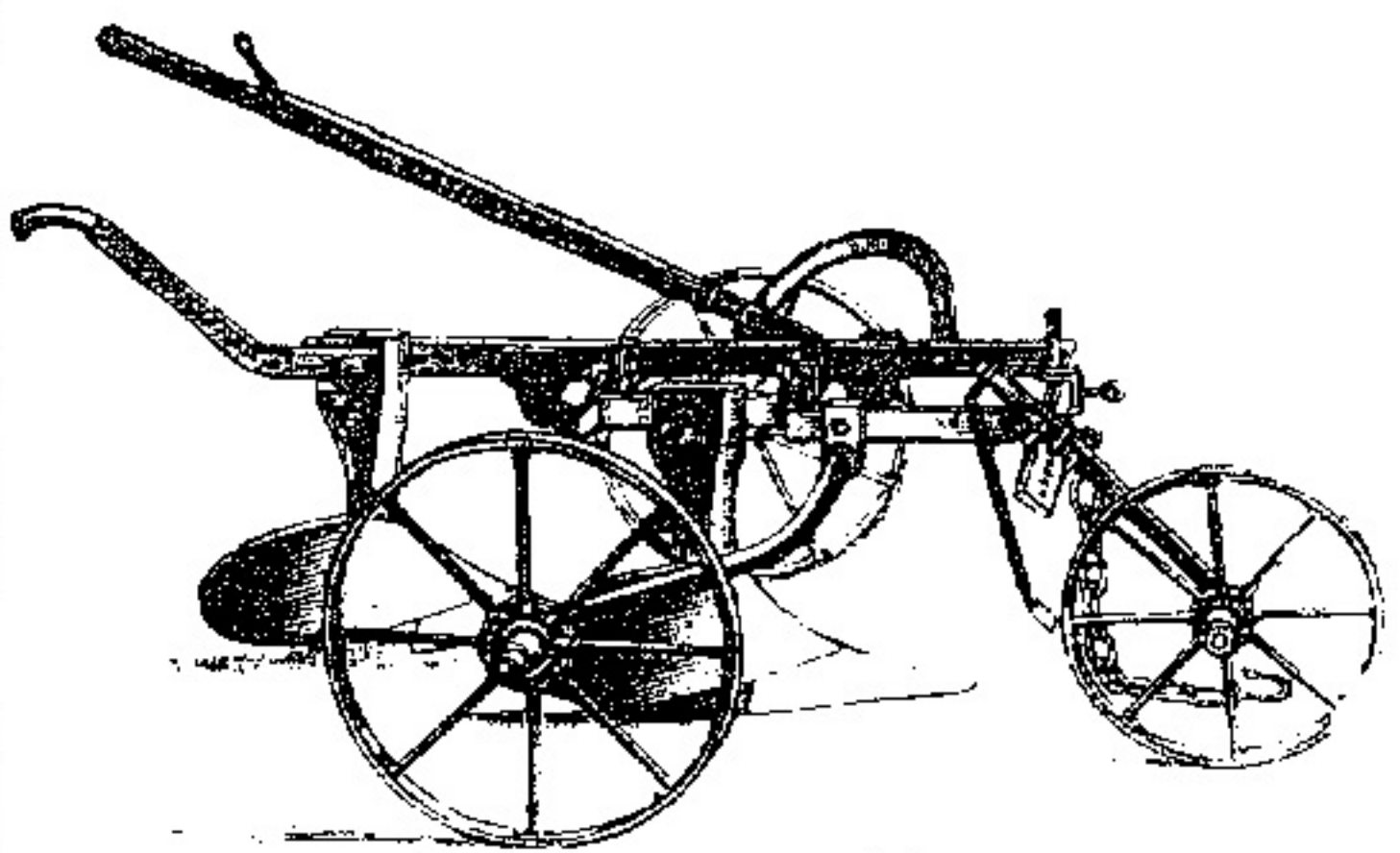
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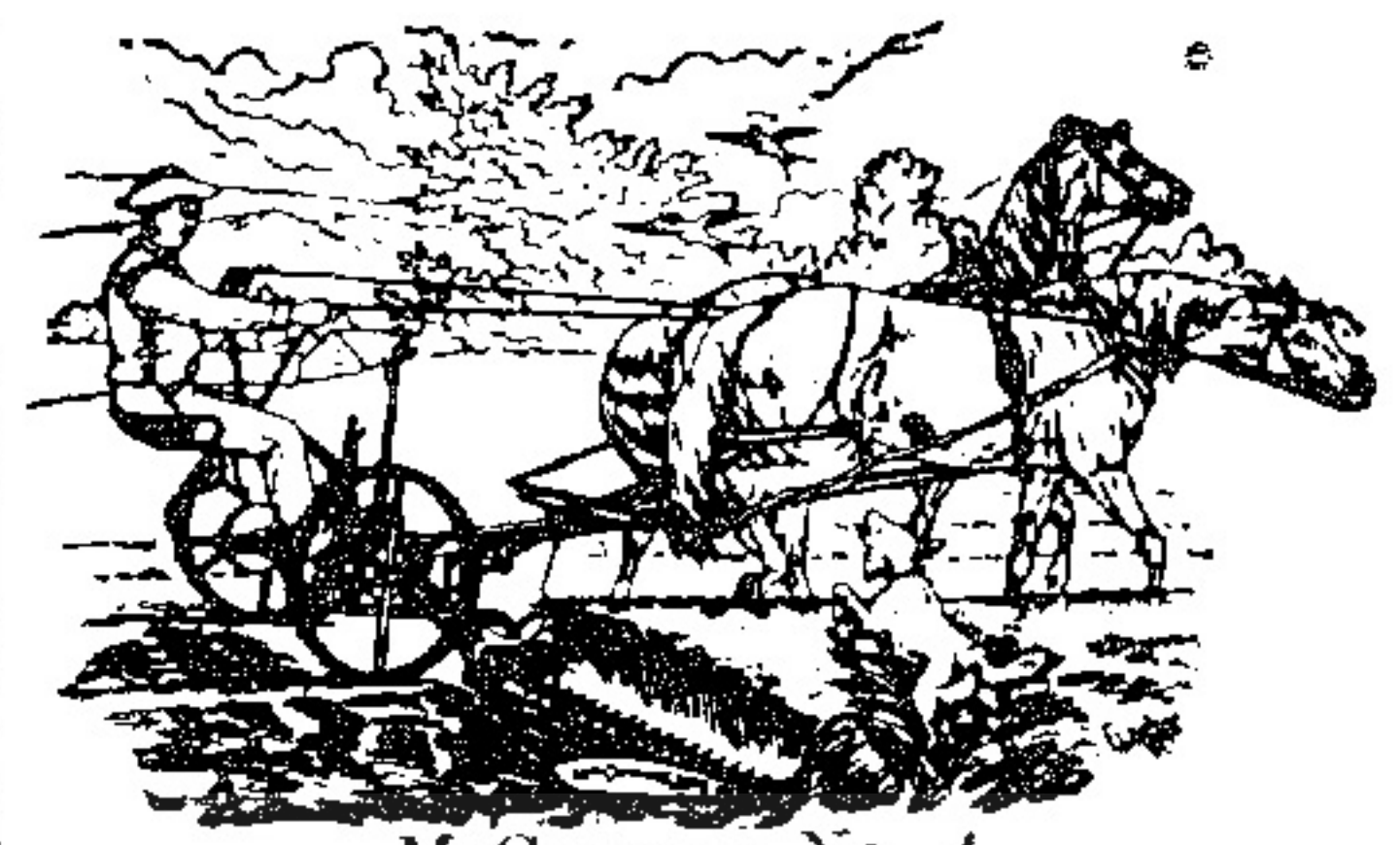
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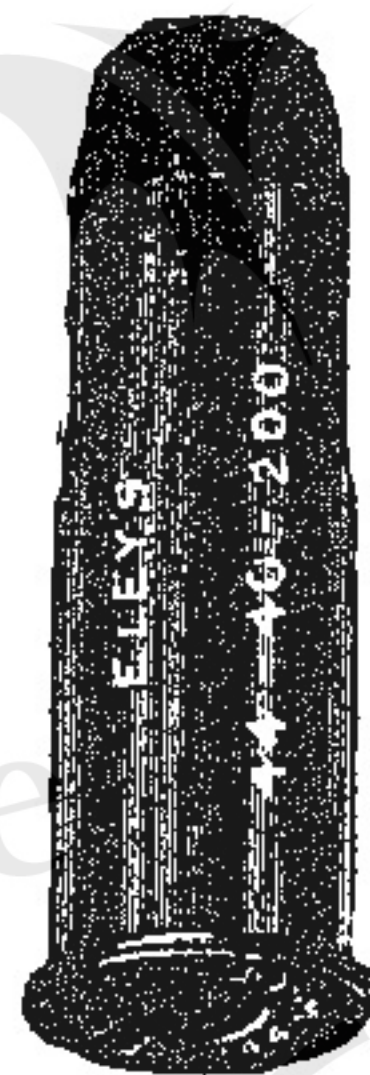
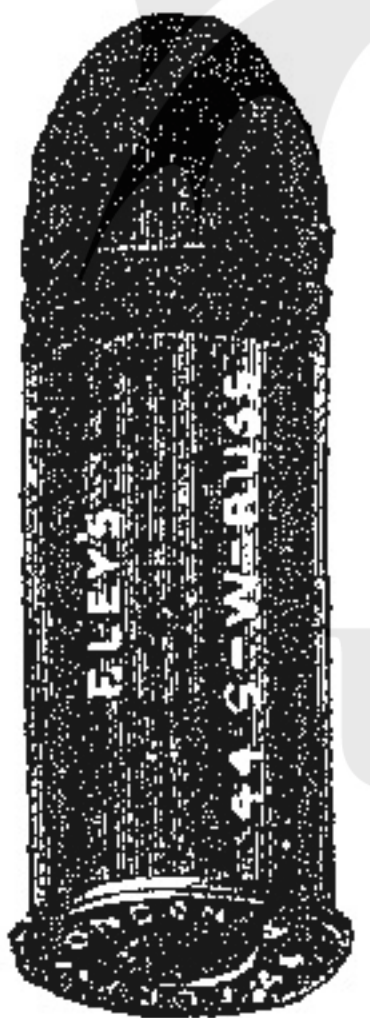
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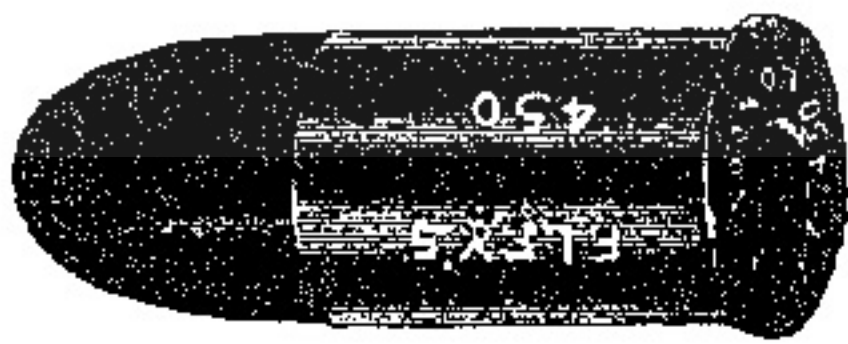
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RACING

Last week we gave details of the City and Suburban, undoubtedly the most popular of the early spring races, but we had no space to give to the other important races of the Epsom Spring Meeting. On the first day the Metropolitan, the Westminster, and the Great Surrey Handicap are the pick of the card, and of these the Metropolitan contains to us the most interest. The Westminster Plate went to Mr L. de Rothschild's colt Attar by Brag, and the Great Surrey Handicap to Col. Heyward's filly Marnovia by Ordovix, the more fancied Throatlash and Flos finishing unplaced. The result of the Metropolitan we give below:

EPSOM SPRING MEETING

Great Metropolitan Stakes of 1000 sovs; about 2 1/4 miles.

Sir J. Thursby's b c Paddy, by Skylark—Mavourneen, 5 y, 7 st 13 lb Calder 1
Mr J. H. Houldsworth's Bushey Park, 5 y, 8 st 4 lb M. Cannon 2

Mr Durward's Medici, 4 y, 6 st 10 lb H. Toon 3
Mr T. Jennings' Cypria, 4 y, 8 st 2 lb Bradford 0
Mr Dougall's Braemar, 5 y, 8 st T. Loates 0
Mr C. P. Shrubbs' Insurance, 6 y, 8 st G. Brown 0
Mr E. S. Freeland's Lady Margery, 6 y, 7 st 10 lb Allsopp 0

Lord Ellesmere's Gabrielle, 4 y, 7 st 7 lb JS. Loates 0
Duke of Beaufort's Gallant Queen, 3 y, 6 st G. Payne 0

Betting—5 to 2 agst Paddy, 4 to 1 agst Bushey Park, 6 to 1 each agst Braemar and Insurance, 100 to 12 agst Cypria, 100 to 8 agst Medici and any other.

Braemar refused to go off with the rest, in spite of the persuasions of an assistant with a long whip, and he bolted across to the rails of Barnard's stand, where he remained. The others went off at a steady pace, Cypria, Gabrielle and Medici in the front rank. Turning out of the course to commence the pretty serpentine route to

the furzes, Medici took the lead, with Cypria next, Gallant Queen joining issue wide on the left, this manoeuvre giving her the benefit of the inside of the next turn to the left, where Insurance was last, with Bushey Park, though directly afterwards Lady Margery tailed off rapidly. Medici and Gabrielle still held the two leading positions, and so came down Tattenham corner. Paddy having worked his way into third position, with Insurance fourth, and Bushey Park closing up fast. Once in the straight a ding-dong race took place amongst these five, Insurance on the rails and Bushey Park and Paddy outside. Paddy, going strong, soon had the lead, and maintaining it easily won by four lengths from Bushey Park, who headed Medici by a length and a half; Gabrielle was fourth, and Insurance fifth, Cypria being sixth.

On Primrose Day, April the 19th, and following day, the Sandown Park Club held their second Spring Meeting. The Princess of Wales' Handicap, the Tudor Plate for maiden two-year-olds, and the Esher Stakes and Walton two-year-old race were the plums. The Princess of Wales' Handicap went to an outsider in Pet of the Fancy, by Bendigo, who beat the favourite, Man of Ross, somewhat luckily. The Tudor Plate went to Ermonville, by Tristan, a hot favourite. Mr Houldsworth's Carrick, by Springfield, won the Esher Stakes; and Mr L. de Rothschild's Bragget, by Brag, the Walton two-year-old race.

The Derby Spring Meeting fell on Friday and Saturday April 27th and 28th, and of the first day's doings we have received accounts.

The Welbeck Handicap Stakes after an exciting finish resulted in a dead heat between Bill of Portland and Satirical, and stakes were divided.

Bill of Portland, by St. Simon—Electric Light, probably ran his last race in England at Derby, as after he had run for the Welbeck Handicap he was purchased on commission by Lord Marcus Beresford, and will be sent to Australia.

Bill of Portland started at 9 to 4, and Satirical at 20 to 1. The latter is Mr Arthur James', by Satiety out of Chaff.

The following is the result of the Dovebridge Handicap stakes:

The Dovebridge Handicap Stakes of 1000 sovs. One mile.

Lord Hastings' b c Sir Jacob, by Beau Brummel
Editha, 3 y, 7 st 2 lb (car 7 st 4 lb) F. Finlay 1
Mr J. H. Houldsworth's br h Carrick, aged, 8 st 7 lb (inc 10 lb ex) M. Cannon 2
Mr W. Chatterton's b m Grasp, 5 y, 6 st 1 lb (car 7 st 2 lb) O. Madden 3
Lord Ellesmere's Esmond, 5 y, 8 st 9 lb S. Loates 0
Mr Daniel Cooper's Juvenal, 5 y, 8 st 6 lb (inc 10 lb ex) Allsopp 0
Mr C. J. Cunningham's Tibbie Shiels, 4 y, 7 st 13 lb S. Chandley 0
Col. North's Lady Hermit, 5 y, 7 st 11 lb G. Brown 0
Mr E. Foster's Queen of Navarre, 4 y, 7 st 6 lb W. Bradford 0
Sir James Miller's Lord George, aged, 7 st 1 lb (car 7 st 4 lb) P. Chaloner 0
Mr Wallace Johnstone's San Giovanni, 4 y, 6 st 6 lb E. Hunt 0
Mr Arthur James' McCrankie, 3 y, 6 st 5 lb H. Toon 0
Mr H. M. Dyas' Delvin, 5 y, 6 st 5 lb H. Chaloner 0
Mr H. McCalmont's Whisperer, 5 y, 7 st 9 lb T. Loates 0

Betting—85 to 20 agst Whisperer, 4 to 1 agst Esmond, 7 to 1 agst Sir Jacob, 100 to 12 agst Grasp, 10 to 1 agst Carrick, 10 to 1 agst Queen of Navarre, 100 to 9 agst Lady Hermit, 100 to 8 agst Juvenal, 100 to 7 agst San Giovanni, 20 to 1 agst Tibbie Shiels, 20 to 1 agst Lord George, 20 to 1 agst McCrankie, and 20 to 1 agst Delvin.

The following are the results of the Babraham Plate and Craven Stakes, at the Newmarket Meeting on April the 24th and 25th:—

The Babraham Plate (handicap) of 500 sovs, added to a sweepstake of 20 sovs each; the second received 50 sovs out of the stakes; entrance 3 sovs. R. M. (one mile and 11 yards). Twenty-one subs.

General Owen Williams' Pensioner, by Royal
Hampton—Legacy, 5 y, 8 st 1 lb T. Loates 1
Mr J. Lowther's Heremon, aged, 7 st 2 lb (car 7 st 4 lb) J. Woodburn 2
Lord Ellesmere's Zaniel, 4 y, 7 st 2 lb Sydenham 3
Mr H. E. Beddington's Maundy Money, 3 y, 7 st 11 lb (incl 10 lb ex) W. Bradford 0
Mr Manton's Broad Corrie, 5 y, 7 st 4 lb Allsopp 0
Mr R. H. Combe's President, 5 y, 7 st 3 lb (car 7 st 4 lb) Finlay 0
Mr T. Jennings' William, 4 y, 7 st 3 lb H. Toon 0
Mr H. Oswald's Mena, 4 y, 7 st 4 lb Wall 0
Sir J. Miller's Lord George, aged, 7 st 11 lb (car 7 st 4 lb) S. Loates 0
Lord Durham's Ilium, 3 y, 6 st 10 lb W. Pratt 0
Mr L. Brassey's Pontillon, 3 y, 6 st 9 lb E. Hunt 0

Betting—Evens on Pensioner, 6 to 1 agst Lord George, 100 to 12 agst President, 100 to 8 each agst Maundy Money, William, and Mena, 100 to 7 agst Broad Corrie and Zaniel, and 20 to 1 each agst Heremon and Ilium.

The Craven Stakes of 500 sovs, added to a sweepstake of 10 sovs each h ft, the sweepstakes, except the winner's stake to go to the second, the forfeits to the fund, for three-year-olds; colts 8 st 10 lb, fillies 8 st 7 lb; with penalties, etc. An. M. (one mile 22 yards). (Fifty-seven subs).

Mr Douglas Baird's Sempronius, 9 st 6 lb M. Cannon 1
Baron de Rothschild's Bluff, 8 st 10 lb T. Loates 2
Mr E. C. Clayton's Simonburn, 9 st 1 lb G. Chaloner 3
Lord Ellesmere's Bolton, 8 st 5 lb S. Loates 0

Lord Houghton's Miss Hoyden, 8 st 7 lb Bradford 0
Mr T. Jennings' Marguerite II, 8 st 7 lb F. Pratt 0
Mr J. Lowther's Claro, 8 st 5 lb Wooburn 0
Mr J. Lowther's Carloman, 8 st 10 lb (car 8 st 11 lb) J. Watts 0
Prince Solytkoff's Lelio, 8 st 5 lb Ricaby 0
Betting—3 to 1 agst Sempronius, 7 to 2 agst Simonburn, 4 to 1 agst Bluff, 9 to 2 agst Bolton, and 100 to 8 agst any other (offered).

LATEST LONDON BETTING

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(Run Wednesday, May 2. Distance 2 1/4 miles).

4 to 1 agst Quaesitum, 4 y, 8 st (t and o)
9 to 2 — Cabin Boy, 5 yrs, 8 st 12 lb (t and o)
6 to 1 — Mimram, aged, 7 st 1 lb (and o)
10 to 1 — Rodomont, 3 y, 7 st 9 lb (t)

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8 to 1 — Siffleuse, 4 y, 7 st 10 lb (t and o)
10 to 1 — Golden Drop, 5 y, 8 st 1 lb (t and o)
10 to 1 — Comedy, 6 y, 8 st (t and o)
100 to 8 — Basildon, 3 y, 6 st 6 lb (t and o)
25 to 1 — Nobleman, 4 y, 7 st 1 lb (t and o)

THE TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS

(Run Wednesday, May 9. Distance 1 mile 11 yards).

5 to 4 agst Ladas (taken and offered)
6 to 4 — Matchbox (taken and offered)
10 to 1 — St. Florian (taken)

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Run Wednesday, June 6. Distance 1 1/2 miles).

2 to 1 agst Ladas, (o, 9 to 4 w)
100 to 30 — Matchbox (taken)
9 to 1 — Son o' Mine (taken and offered)
10 to 1 — Bullington (taken and offered)
100 to 6 — St. Florian (taken)
40 to 1 — Athlone (taken and offered)

GOLF

A new course of nine holes was opened at North Berwick last month with an exciting match between the professionals Kirkcaldy and Sayers. The former won by a hole only, his score being 83, which included three 3's and a 2, and Sayers' was 87.

The Hunts County Golf Amateur Championship resulted in a win for Mr F. G. Tait with scores of 83 and 79, his nearest opponent being Mr W. J. Duncan (87 and 80) and Capt. Wolfe Murray (85 and 93).

MONIFIETH GOLF CLUB V. ST. ANDREWS.

The strength of the St. Andrews club visited Monifieth on April 14, and engaged in friendly rivalry with the pick of the local players. The match is always looked to with a good deal of interest. On this occasion the homesters did their best to put a winning team on the ground, but there came from the "kingdom" as formidable a company as the St. Andrews club could produce. To meet them the Monifieth club had as powerful a team as they could well expect to muster. Except at the tail end, all were players whose averages were under 90. But against such players as the Auchterlonies, the veterans Greig and Kirk, and the sons of professionals, the best Monifieth teams were simply not in it. However, many of them played very creditably, and more than held their own. An idea of the quality of the play may be gathered from the fact that seven or eight of the strangers succeeded in completing the round at scores under 80. James Anderson, son of the well-known ex-champion, had 77, and James and L. Auchterlonie had a similar score. Thomas Robb, considered by many to be the "coming man" at St. Andrews, equalled; while Wm. Anderson was 78; James Duncan, 78; Robert Braid, 79; and W. Greig, 80. On the Monifieth side, Wm. Young came to the front with the fine score of 77, Alex. Simpson being 80, Thomas Brimer, 80; W. Still, 81; and George Pearson, 81.

The following shows the result of the match:

Monifieth	Holes	St. Andrews	Holes
W. Still	1	W. Greig	0
G. Wright	0	L. Auchterlonie	1
D. Dargie	0	J. Anderson	6
A. Simpson	3	D. Simpson	0
W. Young	6	J. Auchterlonie	0
W. Hutcheson	0	W. Anderson	7
T. Brimer	0	R. Braid	0
D. Dempster	0	J. Kirk	1
W. Coriner	3	T. Auchterlonie	0
G. Fox	0	W. Duncan	4
J. Hendry	0	T. Robb	8
J. R. Fairweather	0	J. Auchterlonie	5
J. C. Burns	0	L. Waters	0
D. L. Low	2	F. Herd	0
J. M. Walker	0	W. Rodger	4
G. Pearson	7	J. Liddel	0
W. Donaldson	0	A. Strath	3
W. Drimmie	3	R. McAndrew	0
A. Moir	0	C. Neaves	6
W. Harris	0	P. Craig	0
J. Ireland	0	J. Davidson	9
F. A. Begg	3	R. Black	0
W. N. Machau	0	A. Milne	0
J. S. Croudace	0	A. Taylor	2
J. Chalmers	0	W. Alexander	2
A. Osler	1	A. Lister	0
D. Hutchison	3	A. Herd	0
J. Pearson	0	J. Duncan	7
Total	32	Total	65

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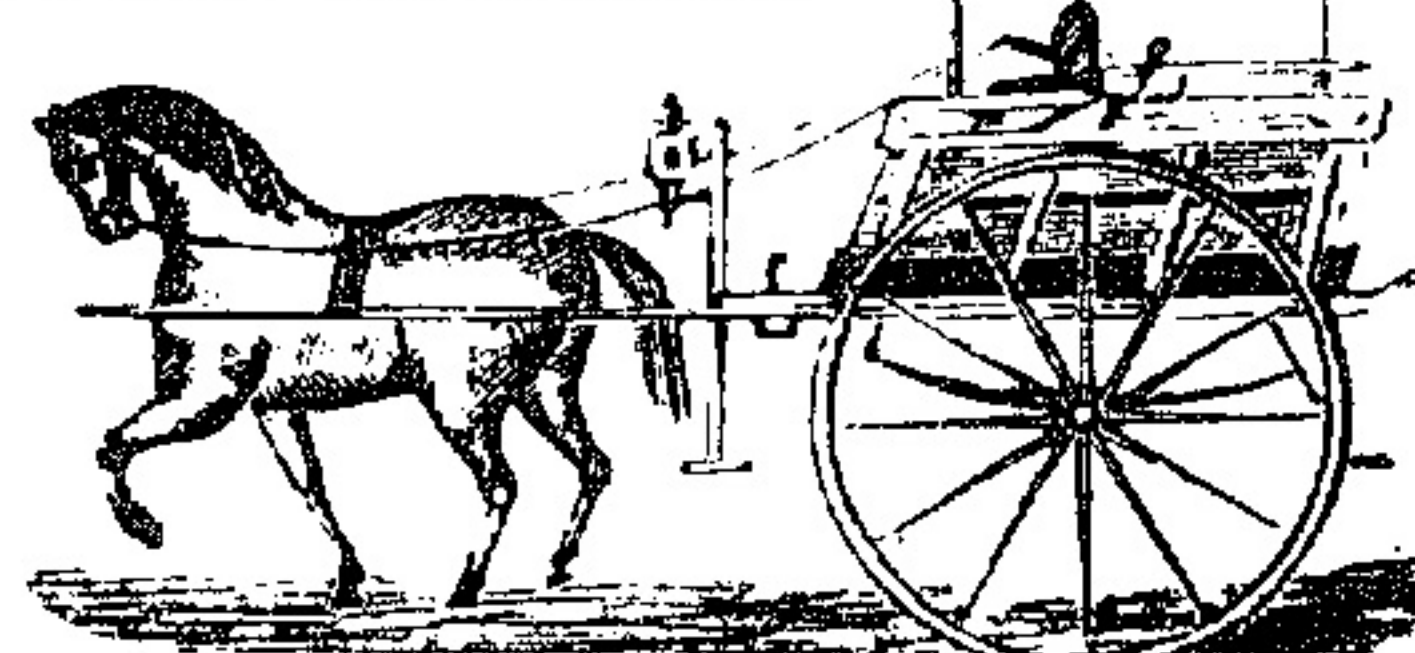
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THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

The semi-final and final rounds of the annual championship tournament were played on the links of the Royal Liverpool Golf Club at Hoylake, on April 27th, and attracted an immense gathering of spectators, play being at times carried on with the utmost difficulty owing to the crowd. The players left in were Mr John Ball, jun., Royal Liverpool Club, and Mr John E. Laidlay, of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers, both former holders of the title, and Mr F. G. Tait, who had throughout the contest played a wonderfully strong game, and Mr Mure-Fergusson. The match between Messrs Ball and Laidlay was regarded with much interest, but neither displayed his best form. Mr Ball had the best of the first half, and at the turn was leading by three. The next hole went to Mr Laidlay in four to five, and Mr Ball recovered and placed the next two holes to his credit, the match finishing in Ball's favour to the fifteenth hole by five up and three to play. In the round between Ferguson and Tait the former had all the best of play and won his way into the final by four up and three to play.

The final round opened in a thunderstorm and was carried through in a drenching downpour of rain. At the opening holes Ball carried all before him, winning the first four, whilst the fifth was halved, and for the distance point Mr Ferguson played with remarkable coolness, reducing his opponent's lead until at the fourteenth hole the match was square. The next two holes were halved, and the seventeenth Mr Ball won brilliantly in four to six, thus regaining the lead. The home hole was well halved in four, and Mr Ball accordingly won the championship for the fourth time, by one hole.

POLO

At the Annual General Meeting of the Indian Polo Association, held at Umballa on March the 14th, the following alterations in the rules of the game were passed:—

Rule 18.—To read: "To start the game and after each goal the ball shall be thrown into the centre of the ground from a spot by a person dismounted who shall be deputed by the Umpires to do so; the two sides ranging themselves opposite each other, not nearer to the side line than a point, which shall be marked eighty yards from it, the ball always to be thrown in from the same side of the ground."

Rule 33.—For the first four lines substitute: "A player is off-side when at the time of the ball being hit he has no adversary nearer than he is to such adversary's back line."

Rule 41.—At the end of the rule add: "and none of your own side to be nearer the back line than the ball is."

The following is the summary of the Inter-Regimental Tournament in India which was commenced on March the 12th and concluded on March the 16th. As will be seen the Queen's Bays won the final, for the third year in succession:

First Ties.—11th Hussars beat 5th Dragoon Guards by six goals and two subsidiaries to love.

Queen's Bays beat 7th Hussars by three goals and one subsidiary to two goals and one subsidiary.

Second Ties.—5th Lancers beat 11th Hussars by four goals and six subsidiaries to three goals.

Queen's Bays beat 18th Hussars by five goals and four subsidiaries to three goals and one subsidiary.

Final Tie.—Queen's Bays beat 5th Lancers by two goals and three subsidiaries to three subsidiaries, and won the Cup.

FOOTBALL

The final tie in the London Association Senior Cup, was played on April 14th at Leyton.

From the start to the finish the play ruled fast, the game was closely contested, and interest in it was maintained until the last moment. Both sides were represented by their full strength, and both played a hard game. On form the Old Carthusians were the favourites, but the Old Foresters delighted their supporters by winning by two goals to one. The Foresters had held the trophy once before, having come out the winners in the season 1884-5, but the Old Carthusians have never had the distinction of holding it. Notwithstanding dull and showery weather the company numbered some 3000, and the winners had quite an ovation upon returning to the pavilion.

In the final tie of the Lancashire Association Cup, Everton won by two goals to one, their opponents, the Bolton Wanderers, proving decidedly the inferior team though they played a wonderfully good game.

The Durham County Rugby Union Challenge Cup final tie resulted in the Hartlepool Rovers beating Tudhoe (the Holders) by three goals to one try. This makes the sixth time the Rovers have won the cup.

The final of the North Western Rugby League aroused great interest as it decided the championship of the North Western League Clubs. The match was played at Millow, between Millow and Kendal Hornets. Millow won the cup the first season, were the runners up last year, and they won it on this occasion by two goals and a try to nothing.

The final tie in the Yorkshire Challenge Cup Competition took place on Saturday at Leeds. Halifax, who won the cup last year, and Castleford were the two teams left in the final. Losing the toss, Fletcher started

the ball for Halifax, who had to play in the face of the glare of the sun. After ten minutes' play Rigg got possession, and succeeded in putting the ball behind. Keepings easily converted. Shortly afterwards Firth got behind, and Robertson scored cleverly. At half time last year's winners led by two goals to a try. In the second half Halifax had it all their own way, and finally won by seven goals one try to two tries.

The following were the teams: Castleford—E. Rowlands, back; S. Bonyne, J. Belterby, Jepson and Smith, three-quarter backs; J. Shaw and Burns, half backs. H. Speed, W. Walton, G. Nowell, A. Starks, T. Hambleton, C. Towend, J. Rhodes and R. Hanson, forwards.

Halifax—J. H. Bromwich, back; F. Firth, W. H. Kennings, W. Jackson and A. Chorley, three-quarter backs; A. Rigg and J. Arnold, half backs; O. Fletcher, B. Mellor, A. Wilson, J. Knowles, S. Ripley, G. Dickenson, A. Robertshaw and J. Riley, forwards.

The annual contest between representative elevens of the English and Scotch leagues took place on April 21st on the ground of the Everton F.C., Liverpool, and attracted an attendance of not less than 25,000 people. This was the third annual match, the first game resulting in a draw, and the second in a win for England. The visiting eleven won the toss, and naturally decided to play with the wind. The English forwards were not a bit dismayed at having the glare of the sun in their eyes, and soon gave Haddow, the Scotch goalkeeper, plenty of work. A half an hour elapsed before any score was made, when Goodall put the ball through for England, who led at half-time by a goal to nil. On resuming the Englishmen at once pressed, and more than one good shot was made. A good rush, however, was made by the Scotch forwards, from which Oswald scored. Both teams now tried all they knew, but no further score was effected, and thus the third contest ended in a draw like the first. The teams were:—

England—Sutcliffe (Bolton Wanderers) (goal), Crabtree (Burnley) and Holmes (Preston North End) backs, Reynolds (Aston Villa), Holt (Everton), and Needham (Sheffield United) half backs, Athersmith (Aston Villa) and J. Goodall (Derby County) (right), Devey (Aston Villa) (centre), and Wheldon (Small Heath) and Spikesley (Sheffield Wednesday) (left), forwards.

Scotland—D. Haddow (Rangers) goal, T. Adams (Heart of Midlothian) and D. Doyle (Celtic) backs, J. Begbie (Heart of Midlothian), D. Kelly (Celtic), and D. Mitchell (Rangers) half backs, J. Taylor (Heart of Midlothian) and J. Blessington (Celtic) (right), J. Oswald (St. Bernard's) (centre), and A. McMahon (Celtic) and R. Barker (Rangers) (left), forwards.

A great deal of interest was felt in the final tie of the London Charity Cup competition on April 20, when the Casuals and the Old Westminsters met at Leyton. The Old Westminsters had their best available team while the Casuals had also a representative eleven with the exception that Moorhouse took the place of Topham. The Old Boys started the ball, and for a time gave the Casuals' goalkeeper a lot of trouble. A free kick, however, brought relief, and then the Casuals had the best of it for a time. Some give and take play next ensued, both goals at times being in great danger. Just before half-time A. N. Guy succeeded in beating Moon, but the Casuals did not hold their advantage long as Sandilands almost at once equalised. The play in the second half was so evenly contested that it was thought a draw would result, but Barker scored a second goal for the Casuals just before the conclusion. The Old Westminsters were thus beaten by two goals to one. Teams:—

Casuals.—G. B. Raikes, goal; F. R. Pelly (captain) and C. O. S. Hatton, backs; R. R. Barker, A. G. Topham, and R. H. Foy, half-backs; H. C. Moorhouse and G. H. Cotterill (right), T. N. Perkins (centre), and A. N. Guy and H. A. Rhodes (left), forwards.

Old Westminsters.—W. R. Moon (captain), goal; A. H. Harrison and E. G. Moon, backs; A. W. Ferrers-Guy, W. N. Winchworth, and H. Wetton, half-backs; F. Street and J. A. Willett (left), R. R. Sandilands (centre), and J. G. Veitch and A. R. Woodbridge (right), forwards.

LAWN TENNIS

THE COVERED COURT SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP (HYDE PARK) April 12 and 14.

After postponement from the date originally fixed—March 12—on account of paucity of entries, this meeting was begun and ended in a couple of days.

When the draw came to be made, it was found that the entries numbered two only, probably the smallest entry ever received for a lawn-tennis event to which is attached the title of championship; Of the two entrants, Mr. E. G. Meers is the better known, in fact, he is known wherever lawn-tennis is played, and only on one occasion since its establishment in 1885 has he failed to put in an appearance as this meeting. This was in 1889, the cause being an injury. His opponent, Mr R. F. Doherty, is a young player of great promise, whose lawn-tennis future will be watched with interest. We read that he has a capital ground stroke, volleys hard and clean, serves a capital length, and keeps a cool head.

The match between these two players took place on Thursday, the 12th, and Mr Meers was returned the winner by three sets to love. The first set was fairly evenly contested up to the fifth game. Then Mr Meers, with two games, drew away, and although Mr Doherty retaliated with a love game, he could get no further, the set going to Mr Meers at six games to three. In three games score was at deuce, Mr Meers soon reached four games to two in the second set, and, despite Mr Doherty's exertions, the veteran player added this set also to his score, with a loss of, but three games. In one game only

was deuce called. Mr Doherty led for a while in the third set, but then a run of three games gave his opponent a clear advantage, which he maintained to the end, winning the set by six games to four, and, as already stated, the match by three sets to love. Deuce was called in two games in this set. The match lasted exactly fifty-five minutes, and some excellent form was shown during its progress. By his victory Mr Meers became entitled to challenge the holder, Mr H. S. Mahony, and the match between them took place on the Saturday afternoon in the presence of a goodly gathering of lawn-tennis players and admirers of the game. It was thought that the challenger would run the holder hard, even if he did not win outright, but such was not the case, for Mr Mahony carried off the championship, without great difficulty, for the second year in succession.

All Comers' Singles (the winner to play Mr H. S. Mahony for the title of covered court champion and the cup). Mr E. J. Meers beat Mr R. F. Doherty, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4.

Championship Round. Mr H. S. Mahony (holder) beat Mr E. J. Meers (challenger), 6-4, 6-4, 6-3.

Champions.

1885 Mr H. F. Lawford	1890 Mr E. W. Lewis
1886 Mr E. L. Williams	1891 Mr E. W. Lewis
1887 Mr E. W. Lewis	1892 Mr E. G. Meers
1888 Mr E. W. Lewis	1893 Mr H. S. Mahony
1889 Mr E. W. Lewis	1894 Mr H. S. Mahony

ROWING

PROFESSIONAL SCULLING RACE.

A race on April 23rd over the championship course, from Putney to Mortlake, between George Bubear and W. A. Barry for £49 a side, was not considered likely to be of much importance, but, strange to say it proved to be so. Bubear's performances are well known, and have been of an in-and-out character; and Barry's also have not been at all consistent. This contest was a most stubborn one, but Barry, who at once took the lead, was more than a length ahead at Hammersmith, and three lengths at Chiswick. Then, however, Bubear began to draw up, and steadily gaining, he was level at the Queen's Head above Barnes, having rowed Barry completely down, and going right away he won by two lengths. The most extraordinary part of the affair was, however, the time occupied. This was only 21 min. 44 sec., which is the fastest on record. For many years C. Brightwell held the record of 22 min. 18 sec., but in 1889 Neil Matterson made a new one of 22 min. 2 sec. The latter was not more than a fairly good sculler, while the former was very second-class, and now Bubear cannot be considered first rate. It is very curious that all these records should have been made by men who certainly would not have been able to hold such scullers as Hanlon, Beach, or Searle, and shows how very unreliable times are. They depend so much on the surrounding circumstances that little value can be placed on them. On this occasion, as on the previous ones, there was of course an exceptionally strong tide, smooth water, and little wind.

TENNIS

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

The match for the second prize in this competition took place on April 14, at the Queen's Club, between Mr W. H. Cohen, the challenger, and Sir Edward Grey, the holder. It proved rather an easy thing for the latter, who had more than half-15 the best of it, we read, throughout the match. The play was not very good, especially at first, when the rests were short and rather uninteresting; afterwards they became longer at times, though often somewhat wild and lofty in character.

RACQUETS

The Amateur Championship was decided at the Queen's Club on April 16th, when the holder, Mr F. Dames-Longworth, was beaten by Mr H. K. Foster. In the final tie of the competition Mr H. K. Foster (Malvern and Oxford) easily beat Mr G. F. Vernon, and he won in excellent form when he met Mr Longworth. His success was greatly due to his superior agility and resource. No hand of the match contained more than five aces. The result of the game was 3 games to one, or 53 aces to 48.

NOTES

A feat of endurance, unique in its way, was performed at the Aldershot Gymnasium on April 23, when Tom Burrows, the champion Indian club wielder and axe thrower of England and Australia, easily beat the previous best record of club swinging. He started at 7.24 a.m., and kept up the exercises without a single check of either hand for 8hrs 15mins. The clubs weighed 2lb 2oz each. He was fed during the day by his confrere Tom Williams. Colonel Fox, Army Inspector of Gimnasia, was chief referee, assisted by other officers.

In reference to a report of club swinging by the man named Tom Burrows, at Aldershot, lately, when he was said to have beaten the record, we read that W. J. H. Lawton, of Leamington, swung a pair of clubs of 4lb weight each for nine hours without a pause on September 16, 1893. This remarkable feat was accomplished at the Volunteer Armoury, Northgate-street, Leamington, in the presence of a few spectators and representatives

of the Press, Professor Tubb, of the Leamington Gymnasium, and a representative of the National Physical Recreation Society (Birmingham District) acting as judge.

A remarkable football arbitration has just taken place in Sheffield. Three players of the United Club claimed compensation from an accident insurance company in respect of injuries sustained on the football field. The company denied liability under the seventh condition of the policy, which provides that in the event of injuries occurring during the progress of a club match the injured shall at once leave the ground, and not resume play except by permission of a medical man. The arbitrator held that this condition had been violated, and found for the insurance company.

Here is a tale which Duster tells in "Land and Water." Lord Eglington's hounds were having a by-day on the Marquis of Bute's moors. Foxes are plentiful, and the moor always carries a good scent. The field on this occasion was composed of a few farmers and shepherds, and a good many miners. Auchlin Wood, a broad, long covert of considerable size, was the scene of action, and the huntsman was on foot in the middle, owing to the soft rides. Two miners followed him up and down, and to these he had given strict instructions not to say a word whatever they saw. Hounds ran with a tremendous cry for close on two hours, till their fox at last began to run very short, and was often viewed by the two miners. Their patience was sorely tried, as on one or two occasions hounds checked for a second, a sharp turn putting them wrong; then the chorus was louder than ever. After one of these checks the men of mines viewed the fox. This was too much for them, and livid with excitement one blurted out: "Man, Beevans, din ye na think ver dug's wud grip him far readier if they did na' mak' sic' a d—d noise?" And grip him they did just after, in spite of the noise.

We read that Sir Watkin William Wynn, of Wynstay, was lately summoned before the Albrighton, Shrewsbury, Bench, for cruelly beating a horse in the hunting-field on March 6 last. Sir Watkin on the day in question, was riding a horse from which he fell, owing to the animal rearing, whereupon he fastened the horse's head down to a martingale which it was wearing and struck it several times on the head and face, and five or six upper-cut blows on the mouth with the butt-end of his hunting-crop, causing blood to flow. He lost his temper so much that gentlemen present, members of the Hunt, interfered, expostulating with him, some of whom appeared as witnesses in Court. After a prolonged hearing the bench fined Sir Watkin the full penalty of £5 and costs.

The Bisley Meeting of the present year has been fixed by the National Rifle Association to commence on Monday, July 9th. The new Imperial competition, in which 150 prizes are offered to the troops of the Regular Army, the Navy, Marines, and Militia (the first prize being the challenge cup and £100), is to be shot for in the first week—the first stage on the Wednesday at 200, 500, and 600 yards; and the second stage (for the first 100 competitors of the first stage) on the Thursday at 800 yards. Competitors will be allowed to use either the Lee-Metford or Martini-Henry rifle, and will not be restricted to the weapon of the corps to which they belong.

EN PASSANT.

Keys seem to be affording a good deal of amusement at present. We heard of a most sporting chase taking place one evening last week after some keys belonging to a house in the 25 de Mayo. They were finally run to ground in a fashionable restaurant, and the irate Celt was able, with his posse of policemanymidons, to effect an entrance to his residence. In Monday's "Prensa" a most plaintive and amusing letter from a gentleman who had been robbed of his clothes and several other things by someone, he says, who must have got into his house "by mistake." He begs the person, or persons, if they don't care to meet him and admit their mistake, to send him back his keys by post. He further adds that he does not think the clothes or boots will fit anyone better than himself, so he is open to receive them, and treat about the price.

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There was an execution of a murderer in Rosario last week, he was shot. I merely record the fact as it is the exception of a rule that should unflinchingly be carried out in every case where a man murders another. I may be somewhat inhuman, but I am inclined to think it would be better to hang too many than too few men, where a happy mean cannot be struck. It would be a drastic measure, that would at all events make a man careful about doing away with another's life, knowing his own were thereby jeopardised.

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I am glad to see such a deserving institution as the British and American Benevolent Society has secured the services of Mr John Ravenscroft as secretary, vice Mr F. H. Mulhall who has resigned, after a most useful term of office. As a

body this society does an inestimable amount of good to those of our countrymen who are in trouble and out of work, its field is somewhat restricted owing to want of funds, which are obtained entirely by voluntary contributions, which fluctuate with the times; when business is good money can be got, but when times are hard (it is in these times there is more need of help), the subscriptions drop off. A great deal of money is wasted by people in general, in what may be termed indiscriminate charity, not only is it wasted, but it is actually in a great many cases, given to people who are well off, but who continue to amass wealth by posing as impotent or crippled paupers. If instead of giving odd ten or twenty cent notes to this class of people, everyone would make up their mind how much they intended to spend each month in charities, and then hand it over to such institutions as the Hospital and the Benevolent Society, who are organised for the proper administration of such monies, everyone would be then sure that their money went into the right channel, and that good was actually done with it. This plan would give the institutions more money, and increase their sphere of utility, while, on the other hand, it would help to do away with the loathsome and repulsive creatures that hawk cripples about the streets as a means of earning a dissolute living. The Mayor some time ago asked if he had power to expunge from the town this abominable class by sending them out of the country, but the municipal lawyer says it is not a crime to be a beggar, and therefore a beggar can't be sent out of the country. A law might very well be passed making it criminal for people having the means of living to beg, but why theorise about laws, we have plenty, what we want is order, this we can only get by standing shoulder to shoulder, and by refusing to support mendicants begging in the street, and making their profession unprofitable thereby. They would then apply to the societies and their cases would be sifted, and if they were found to be of the hardy class of "won't-workers" a home might be established where they could get a meal for a given amount of work, such as wood cutting, stone breaking, or anything required by, or useful to, the municipality.

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An enthusiastic admirer of Sarah Bernhardt has been collecting her photographs. The first one dates from the year 1867 when Sarah was playing at the Odeon in George Sand's "Francois le Champi," altogether he has collected 1007. He says the photos most admired of her are those done in New York and Sydney.

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Everyone, or rather most people appear to be pleased when they hear that the consumption of tea is annually increasing. A Miss Ellis has lately told a departmental committee that tea is destroying the physical strength of the Welsh mining class. Mr Wilson Fox, one of the assistant commissioners of the Labour Commission, reports that tea has lowered the general average of robustness among the navvies of the West of Ireland. Women, who are employed in manufacturing where lead is used, handicap themselves in the struggle against poison by drinking a weak, bitter, and pernicious brew; even domestic servants who get good food, rob themselves of its benefits with tea, and yet teetotalers in their narrow minded shortsightedness keep on preaching and encouraging the use of tea. If people would only discriminate between good tea and bad tea, and stick to the good, in moderate quantities, there is no beverage better or more refreshing, but inferior, badly made tea is worse than bad spirits, because it is insidious, and its effects are not seen immediately as in spirits. If enthusiasts about their fellows welfare would spend a little more of their time and money in preaching moderation and trying to educate the public taste to appreciate a wholesome thing and to refuse a bad one, be it meat or drink, they would be doing a great deal more good than by fanatically raving against the immorality of drinking beer or any things alcoholic.

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I see by telegrams just received that Yates of "The World" is dead, in his sixty-third year. For many years he was chief of the Missing Letter Department in the General Post Office in London, but his heart was in literature. As early as '54 he had written "My Haunts and their Frequenters." His father was a very well known actor and Lessee of the Adelphi Theatre. The son took after his father in the matter of acting, but he never went beyond being an amateur, though he was always in the thick of the best

actors of the day. He was theatrical critic for the "Daily News" for a number of years. To the present generation he will be best known in connection with his paper "The World," to which "Truth" takes such exception.

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The Anarchist Emile Henry, who caused the explosion of a bomb in the Rue des Bons Enfants, Paris, was guillotined on Monday last. He stuck to his creed to the end his last words being "vive l'anarchie." I have mentioned before to-day that more people ought to undergo capital punishment. I don't want to appear too bloodthirsty, but before sending an Anarchist, who murder, in a wholesale indiscriminate way, to his doom, I would have them publically whipped once a week for a month, before allowing them to die peacefully by the guillotine, or by hanging in a backyard, people would then get an idea of the sufferings such people cause to those they wound, to say nothing of those who die of their wounds.

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To-morrow being the feast of Corpus Christi we get a holiday and will be able to do honor to our Queen, whose birthday it is, by amusing ourselves in our favourite ways. It will surprise a good many people who will remember the jubilee as having happened quite a short time ago to hear that arrangements are already being taken for the celebration of the completion of another decade of Her Majesties reign, it seems somewhat long to look forward to, but I am sure it is the hearty wish of every Englishman that the Queen should, as we so often sing "long reign over us." As regards amusements for the Holidays they are legion. The Lawn Tennis Championship at the Cinco Esquinas Courts is likely to prove a great attraction to the ladies. Men will probably repair to Hurlingham where a very good bill of racing fare is offered. The Hunters steeple chase is expected to give some fun, great interest is taken in this race as the horses having been hunted regularly, ought to be of a better class of steeple-chasers than we have seen formerly at Hurlingham. On the 25th of May the National festivities are to be much the same as usual. Everything is being done to get Plaza Mayo in to order in time, over two hundred men have been put on this job. I see they are beginning to paint some seats and the new lamp posts, so I should advise anyone visiting the plaza on the 25th to be careful, as I remember on a former occasion when the authorities wanted to smarten up their plaza for a particular feast they chose the day before to do the painting with the result that every one who rested on a seat had their clothes spoilt.

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A telegram from Montevideo says the Uruguayan Minister of War has issued an order by which no officer, not in active service, will be allowed to draw full pay. This will mean the saving of a handsome sum of money every year and fewer men will be seen about in uniforms.

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I am not allowed by my austere editor to let forth my views on the current topic of present, past or future politics of this our, for-the-time being, adopted country, this is a pity, but I don't think it altogether accounts for, well to avoid the subject, let us say the price of eggs or potatoes. Where I free to give vent to my feelings I should like to have made some comments on the Presidents' speech in my column last Wednesday, especially on the point where our all pleasing Chief-Magistrate tells us, if needs be, we foreigners may have to leave these hospitable shores. It has since been explained, in a pretty and plausible way, that he did not mean what he said, that he used the word "foreigners" meaning "anarchists," so we who are foreigners and not anarchists may congratulate ourselves that we are to be allowed to remain. I am not at all fond of the argument as to whether this is a better, or worse country than the one we left to come here, we came of our own free will and accord, and most of us can go back again, while we are here a good deal of unhappiness might be avoided if we lived in a more contented spirit and allowed ourselves to realise the advantages of living here, and overlooked some of the disadvantages, we can't all be Mark Tapley's, but a certain amount of contentedness, or at all events an absence of fault finding and grumbling at every thing which is not as we remember it in the home we gave up for this, in order that we might get back again and enjoy the fruits of our labour and sacrifice during the time of our self imposed expatriation, is due to one's fellow

creatures; "In content," Powell, I think it is says, "Is greatness, power, wealth, honor, all summed up." To be merry is not always necessary, the man who will always be merry is distinctly "de trop" sometimes, but gaiety and cheerfulness are very infectious and go a long way towards making life a success from a social or financial point of view. If one can't be merry, and refuses to be content, one might at last remember that while here we are sojourning in a strange land and that politeness dictates we shall not cavil. This is one side of the question and puts forth our duties to ourselves and to those who invited us to come among them, but their duties towards us are none the less obligatory because we are their guests, and in their power as regards our comfort and prosperity. We Englishmen have the reputation of making ourselves remarkable by our exclusiveness wherever we go, we are insular I admit, but this argument hardly holds good in this country where foreigners are all mixed up together, and classed under one heading "gringo" which is not a term exactly of adulation, therefore if I recommend cheerfulness and adaptation by foreigners to the ways and ideas of those who govern this country, I think I have a right to suggest that those in power weigh their words before uttering them in public, so as not to lead us to think we are here on sufferance. If I am not allowed to give my own views on politics I should advise anyone interested in the presidential message to read the very well written leading article on the subject in that sparkling little journal the "Review of the River Plate."

RACING

PALERMO—MAY 20.

A poor card made the attendance at Palermo somewhat smaller than usual, yet for those who were there sport was not so bad as was expected. Bogey opened the proceedings by winning the first race in what appeared somewhat lucky fashion from Silvertail, and he scored a second win in the last race of the day easily, the extra distance appearing to suit him in his present form.

There was a good deal of money dropped over Luisita, who was thought one of the good things of the day, to be picked up by the backers of the St. Mirin colt, Alcalde, whose jockey rode a better race than we generally see at Palermo, where "catch me if you can" seems to be every boy's motto.

The classic race went to Primera, who was such a favourite that she paid her backers a few more cents for a place than to win.

Revancha won a good race in the Premio Chascomus, Silex had only to canter to win the Premio La Ensenada, and, as we have said, Bogey scored again in the Premio Punto Lara.

Below are details of the meeting:—

PREMIO SANTA RITA, a maiden handicap, \$1600 to the 1st, \$160 to the 2nd, 1500 metres.

Stud Orissa's br h Bogey, by King of Scotland—	
Chilton Girl, 3 y, 59 1/2 k	I. Sanchez 1
Ecurie Lucullus' Silvertail, 4 y, 59 1/2 k	R. Garrido 2
Stud Sultan's Hierofant, 5 y, 51 k	P. Lara 3
Ecurie Colon's Tartas, 4 y, 54 k	J. Garcia 0
Stud Floresta's Florista, 4 y, 51 k	J. Bayardi 0

■ Silvertail was first off, but was soon passed by Hierofant and dropped back last. In the straight Bogey drew to the front, and just managed to get home a head in front of Silvertail, who came with a rare rattle at the finish. Half a length separated second and third.

Tickets—Bogey with 837 win and 728 place, Silvertail 513—618, Hierofant 404—343, Tartas 837—777, Florista 323—318. Totals 2914—2784.

Dividends—Bogey \$6.26 win and 3.59 place, Silvertail 3.87 place.

PREMIO LA MAGDALENA, for two year olds that have not won before the day of the race. Colts 54 kilos, fillies 52 kilos. \$1800 to the 1st, \$180 to the 2nd, 1000 metres.

Ecurie Indecis' br c Alcalde by St. Mirin—	
Alice, 54 k	R. Garrido 1
La Petite Ecurie's Madreselva, 52 k	P. Torres 2
Stud Orissa's Luisita, 52 k	J. Bayardi 3
Ecurie Indecis' Indigo, 54 k	B. Pavon 0
Stud Pichiman's Dearest, 52 k	L. Gonzalez 0
Ecurie Gladiateur's Pichincha, 52 k	P. Aguilero 0
Stud Argentino's Spice, 52 k	L. Lasaleto 0
Stud Las Ortigas' Symla, 52 k	R. Bastiani 0
Stud Carpintero's Bonnie Boy, 54 k	J. Cardoso 0

Pichincha led from Luisita to the straight, when the latter assumed the command. When well in the line for home Madreselva and Luisita drew away and raced home together. At the stands Alcalde came with a rare rush, and won easily by two lengths. Half a length separated second and third.

Tickets—Alcalde and Indigo with 601 win and 794 place, Madreselva 1208—1646, Luisita 1904—1985, Dearest 391—401, Pichincha 529—338, Spice 147—187, Symla 854—914, Bonnie Boy 277—333. Totals 5916—6598.

Dividends—Alcalde \$17.57 win and 4.60 place, Madreselva 4.12 place.

PREMIO RIVALIDAD, for two-year-old fillies, 52 kilos, winners of one or more classic races to carry 3 kilos extra, \$4000 to the 1st, 500 to the 2nd, 3rd saves her stake, 1200 metres.

Sr J. B. Zubiaurre's ch f Primera, by Noe—	
Condesa, 55 k	L. Gonzalez 1
Stud Santa Fe's My Mary, 52 k	N. Sosa 2
Ecurie Indecis' Sweet, 52 k	R. Garrido 3
Sr Ramon Biaus' Deborah, 52 k	P. Torres 0
Stud Las Ortigas' Neblina, 52 k	R. Bastiani 0
Ecurie Azur's Norah, 52 k	A. Saavedra 0
Ecurie Indecis' Alexandrine, 52 k	B. Pavon 0
Ecurie Moises' Hironelle, 52 k	J. Cardoso 0
Stud Orissa's Moonstone, 52 k	R. Coll 0

Primera led almost from the start with Sweet second. In the straight My Mary drew up to Primera but could make no impression on the favourite, who only won, however, by half a length. Two lengths separated second and third.

Tickets—Primera with 5596 win and 4218 place, My Mary 271—691, Sweet and Alexandrine 1036—1996, Deborah 178—400, Neblina 390—815, Norah 24—79, Hironelle 32—73, Moonstone 65—157. Totals 7593—8429.

Dividends—Primera \$2.44 win and 2.63 place, My Mary 5.87 place.

PREMIO AJO, an open handicap, \$1800 to the 1st, 180 to the 2nd, 1200 metres.

Ecurie Gladiateur's ch m Alina, by Orbit—Absala,	
3 y, 61 k	L. Diaz 1
La Petite Ecurie's Danton, 4 y, 49 k	L. Gonzalez 2
Ecurie Titan's Cabula, 6 y, 52 k	P. Aguilero 3
Ramon Biaus' Nautilus, 4 y, 58 k	P. Almeida 0
Ecurie Anacoreta's Clarette, 3 y, 56 k	J. Cardoso 0
Ecurie Indecis' Artillero, 3 y, 49 k	B. Pavon 0
Ecurie Montevideo's Saeta, 3 y, 48 k	P. Lara 0

Alina led from Danton all the way and won by a length; half a length divided the next pair.

Tickets—Alina with 3245 win and 2226 place, Danton 1180—1340, Cabula 977—766, Nautilus 832—1036, Clarette 419—430, Artillero 1113—1054, Saeta 529—595. Totals 8295—7450.

Dividends—Alina \$4.60 win and 3.41 place, Danton \$4.34 place.

PREMIO CHASCOMUS, a free handicap for three-year-olds that have not won more than \$8000 before the day of the race, \$3000 to the 1st, 300 to the 2nd, 1900 metres.

Stud José Maria's ch h Revancha, by Whipper In	
—Lotus, 3 y, 59 k	F. Lacruz 1
Ecurie Avant Garde's Sebastopol, 3 y, 57 k	I. Sanchez 2
La Petite Ecurie's Alejandria, 3 y, 55 k	P. Torres 3
Stud Pobre's Ailime, 3 y, 54 k	R. Garrido 0

Revancha led from the start from Alejandria. In this order they ran till half way down the line for home, when Sebastopol drew past Alejandria, who could never improve her position, and collared Revancha, a fine race resulting in the latter managing to keep his head in front to the finish. A length separated second and third.

Tickets—Revancha with 3048 win, Sebastopol 6007, Alejandria 2689, Ailime 1582.

Dividend—Revancha \$7.86 win.

PREMIO LA ENSENADA, an open handicap, \$2000 to the 1st, 200 to the 2nd, 1600 metres.

Ecurie Gladiateur's ch h Silex, by Phoenix—	
Blissful, 4 y, 50 k	P. Aguilero 1
Sr J. B. Zubiaurre's Guerrillero, 6 y, 54 k	P. Aguirre 2
Stud A. Lincoln's General Grant, 5 y, 51 k	I. Ibizo 3

Silex led all the way, and won easily by a length from Guerrillero, who finished two lengths in front of General Grant.

Tickets—Silex with 3953 win, Guerrillero 3836, General Grant 918. Total 8707.

Dividend—Silex \$3.96 win.

PREMIO PUNTO LARA, a handicap for all horses that have not won more than \$8000 before the day of the race, \$1700 to the 1st, 170 to the 2nd, 1750 metres.

Stud Orissa's br h Bogey, by King of Scotland—	
Chilton Girl, 3 y, 47 k	R. Coll 1
Stud A. Lincoln's Libertad, 3 y, 48 k	N. Grigera 2
Ecurie Montevideo's Marioni, 3 y, 52 k	R. Garrido 3

Marioni made the running to the straight, when Libertad and Bogey closed up on her. At the paddock Libertad passed Marioni but Bogey drew out passing the stands, and won easily by two lengths. A length separated second and third.

Tickets—Bogey with 1612 win, Libertad 4063, Marioni 6170. Total 11,845.

Dividend—Bogey \$13.22 win.

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12.45 p.m.

THE PIGMY STAKES, a Handicap for Ponies of 53 in. and under; a Sweepstakes of \$15 each with \$50 added; 700 metres.

Mr E. Lambuschini's Inquieto, 53 in, 70 k
Mr W. Lacey's East Neuk, 53 in, 69 k
Mr T. W. Jefferie's Garryowen, 53 in, 70 k
Mr T. E. Preston's Orange Blossom, 53 in, 65 k
Mr G. E. P. Robson's Duke, 53 in, 62 k
Mr F. Franks' Baccarat, 53 in, 62 k
Mr W. Lacey's L. B. W., 53 in, 60 k

1.30 p.m.

THE MAIDEN HANDICAP, for Ponies of 56 in. or under that have run at Hurlingham but without having won; \$50 added to a Sweepstakes of \$20 each; 800 metres.

Mr J. Gonzalez' bay Salsifi, 56 in, 75 k
Mr J. Cotarell's black Baby, 56 in, 71 k
Mr F. J. Balfour's bay Patchwork, 56 in, 70 k
Mr W. Paats, jun.'s white Flecha, 54 in, 67 k
Mr R. J. Curtis' chestnut Rip, 56 in, 65 k
Mr J. Ravenscroft's bay Tiddledywinks, 54 in, 65 k
Mr T. W. Jeffries' black Garryowen, 53 in, 61 k

3.15 p.m.

THE POLO STAKES, a Handicap for Polo Ponies 56 in. or under; \$50 added to a Sweepstakes of \$20 each; 1200 metres.

Mr J. Ravenscroft, white Daiman, 54 in, 75 k
Mr H. S. Robson, piebald Moloch, 56 in, 75 k
Mr A. Mackill, bay Tommy, 56 in, 74 k
Mr M. de C. Findlay, black Dusk, 56 in, 70*
Mr T. E. Preston, black Orange Blossom, 53 in, 67 k
Mr F. J. Balfour, bay Patchwork, 55 in, 70 k

2.00 p.m.

THE HURLINGHAM DERBY, a Cup value \$1000 added to a Sweepstakes of \$50 each for Ponies of 56 in. or under, the bona-fide property of, and to be ridden by, members of the Hurlingham Club; weight for inches, 55 inches to carry 70 kilos; a winner of this race once to carry 3 kilos extra, twice 5 kilos extra; 2000 metres.

This race has to be won three times by the same owner before the Cup becomes his absolute property.

Mr G. L. McMorran's black Brandy Ball, 55 in, 67 k
Mr F. Frank's chestnut Cigarette, 55 in, 67 k
Mr H. S. Robson's dun El Pobre, 56 in, 70 k

2.30 p.m.

THE HUNT STEEPLECHASE, for Ponies or Horses that have been hunted with the Buenos Aires Hunt Club either this season or last; \$50 added to a Sweepstakes of \$30 each; 2800 metres; catch weights. To be ridden by Members of Hurlingham or the B. A. Hunt Club.

Mr J. Weinberg's chestnut g Pagliaccio, 5 y
Mr H. C. Thompson's bay m Felisa, aged
Mr H. H. Ewen's brown g Rama Negra, aged
Mr W. Paats' bay g Sultan, 3 y
Mr T. Wilzer's brown g Punch, aged
Mr F. Goeter's chestnut g Glengarry, aged

3.45 p.m.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HURDLE RACE, a Handicap for Ponies of 56 in. and under; over five flights of hurdles; \$50 added to a Sweepstakes of \$25 each; 2000 metres.

Mr A. Mackill's bay Tommy, 56 in, 78 k
Mr J. Ravenscroft's white Daiman, 54 in, 74 k
Mr J. Hicks' brown Whitelegs, 56 in, 72 k
Mr F. Goeter's bay Passe por Tout, 56 in, 70 k*
Mr J. Cotarell's black Baby, 56 in, 70 k*
Mr F. Pearson's bay Old Carthusian, 56 in, 70 k*
Mr F. J. Balfour's Newty, 53 in, 64 k
Dr Newman Smith's dun Crucifix, 54 in, 64 k

* Weight for inches.

A Galloway Handicap did not fill.

Trains leave the Central Station stopping at Retiro and Palermo Norte if there are passengers at 7.50, 9.40 and 11.30 a.m. and 1.15 p.m.

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River Plate Sport and Pastime

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 1894.

SPORTING NOTES

The Belgrano Club's first dance of the series takes place to-night, and bids fair to be a most successful function. The dance will take place in the same hall as last year, where everything has been done for the comfort of the dancers, and a capital band is engaged.

The Lomas A.C. have lent their ground on Friday for the Association football match between the Saint Andrew's and Rosario Clubs, which will be played before the Rugby match between Buenos Aires and Lomas. This latter match will commence punctually at three o'clock.

The Extraordinary General Meeting of the Quilmes Club, took place last night in the Hotel Universo, Quilmes. The business of the meeting was to discuss the state of the club's finances, which show a balance, though not a large one, on the wrong side.

The Retiro Club are holding a private athletic meeting on Thursday for which Mr Walker has given the prizes, some of them very handsome ones. The events are all closed to the members of the Club.

A polo tournament will be held under the auspices of the Cañada de Gomez Polo Club at Cañada de Gomez on the 7th, 8th, and 9th of July, entries for which close on Friday the 5th, on which day also the draw will be made. No doubt a goodly number of entries will be obtained, as Cañada is always a popular meeting place.

The hon. secretary of the Polo Association only received a very few answers to his circular to all the affiliated clubs asking for opinions as to the advisability of changing about the dates and locales of the two championship tournaments. This seems a pity, as whatever is settled must be decided in Buenos Aires, and without the local committee knowing the true opinions of the camp clubs, on the subject since so few of them have replied to the circular.

There seems to be no doubt that the suggested change would please the majority of our polo clubs. Holy Week is the only succession of holidays in the year during which many of us can get away from Buenos Aires for the requisite time for a tournament up country, and if the Santa Fé tournament is held there many more entries would be obtained. To the camp man general holidays do not matter; it is harvest and shearing operations that he has not to interfere with.

The circular in question, and which was sent to the secretary of every affiliated club, ran as follows:—

There is a general wish amongst the members of many Clubs affiliated to the Association that the locales and dates of the two Championship Tournaments should be changed—that is to say, the Autumn Tournament generally played in March or April should take place in Santa Fé, and that the Spring Tournament in October should be at Hurlingham. Would you kindly advise me if the members of your Club agree to this alteration? Should I not hear from you before the 1st of May, I shall understand your Club approves of the change, which, it is thought will suit every one very much better, and ensure larger entries for the Tournaments.

The following is the new committee of the Montevideo Rowing Club, elected at the general meeting lately held: President, Mr Baring; Vice-President, Mr R. Fisher; Captain, Mr W. Fraser; Vice-Captain, Mr C. Sturzenegger; Members of Committee, Messrs A. Davie, A. B. Hill, A. D. Dunbar, W. L. Poole, W. Cameron, M. Adam, R. Ludeke, J. Stewart, G. Miles, and W. J. Maclean.

The most important fixture on the Argentine Association League's card for this week is that between the Rosario and Flores Clubs at Flores on Thursday. On the following day a Rugby match will be played between the Buenos Aires and Lomas Clubs at Lomas. This latter should prove one of the best Rugby fixtures of the season. On the 27th Hurlingham and Lomas meet under Rugby rules at Lomas.

Competitors in the Lawn Tennis Tournament at Cinco Esquinas which commences to-morrow are particularly requested play off their ties punctually at the times given in the table published in another column, as otherwise it will be difficult to get them all decided in the one day. I expect the courts at Cinco Esquinas will be crowded each day, especially the two last, when some of the matches will be well worth seeing.

On Thursday and Friday there is racing at Belgrano and on Sunday at Palermo. For all three meetings the entries are a little better than usual. On Thursday the Premio Producto will be decided; twenty two-year-olds, including Primera, are left in for it. On Friday the Premio 25 de Mayo, an open handicap, will be the attraction, and for this thirty-five horses remain in. On Sunday, at Palermo, the Premio Luro will be the classic race on the programme. This last is for two-year-olds.

The programme of the Hurlingham Races to-morrow will be found in another column. It is a pity no more than three entered for the Derby Cup, and it is hard to understand why the entries are at any rate not as numerous as for the Polo Association Cup. Of the three entered I fancy Brandyball. He has pace and can stay, and is thoroughly trained. Cigarette might win if she liked, but she don't always like, and it is yet to be seen if El Pobre can stay the course.

The Hunt Steeplechase is sure to be a good race, as the horses entered are all good jumpers and most of them will get the course which is more than could be said some time ago of steeplechasers at Hurlingham. Felisa being a perfectly safe fencer will probably win, though if Sultan stands up and does not refuse, which he is apt to do, there is nothing to make him gallop in the race. The remaining four events are very open with the exception of the Polo Pony Race, which Moloch should easily account for.

After a most successful career on the Argentine turf Athos is going to be sent to the stud. The old horse was put into training for this sea-

son but it was found he could not stand work, so his owners, Messrs Ocampo and Garcia, decided not to race him any more. Athos won the Premios Internacional, Moreno, and Capital each twice. It was in the Internacional at Montevideo last year that his legs first went, as the going there was like adamant, and they never seem to have got over the shaking they received then.

A telegram arrived here on Sunday night saying that the probable starters for the Derby are Arcano, Athlone, Matchbox, Ravelston, St Florian, Saltator and Son o' Mine. No mention is made of Ladas, which seems strange, as we have heard nothing of the favourite's going amiss, and the latest papers we have received are all full of his chances for the great race and quote him as favourite in the betting on the Two Thousand. Ravelston, I suppose, is a newly named colt.

Sir Augustus Harris is certainly a wonderful man for originality. Some time ago he worked a Grand National winner into a play at Drury Lane, now he makes a real, live, champion prize fighter the hero of a piece, called Gentleman Jack, which has lately been produced for the first times at his theatre. The prize fighter is none other than Mr James Corbett, who is described as a fine, good-looking, modest young man, who at once got into the good graces of a decidedly meagre audience for a "premiere" at Old Drury, by his unaffected unpretentiousness. He is not an actor, and doesn't pretend to be. He does the wisest thing in his position, and makes on attempt to act, but says what he has to say with intelligence, fair lucidity, becoming modesty, and a strong twang.

Naturally a prize fight is the feature, or one of the features of the Show, and Corbett, whilst supposed to be in training for it, gives an exhibition of ball punching, which appears to be simply marvellous as an exhibition of dexterity, quickness and skill. The fight scene in the last act appears to be a very realistic and effective affair, until the fighting occurs, when it becomes a farce for obvious reasons, for if Mr John Donaldson, "the champion pugilist of Texas," who is Corbett's opponent, were by a chance blow to knock out the "champion," the effect would necessarily be extremely ludicrous. On the other hand, were Corbett actually to knock out Mr Donaldson the latter would most likely throw up his engagement, and there would be some difficulty in replacing him. Corbett would hardly care to take on the only man who would jump at the chance of filling such a vacancy, viz., Peter Jackson. Corbett's trainer, second, and the referee in the Mitchell-Corbett fight, Mr Brady, all take an active part in the play.

The rumour that the Queen is going to disestablish her breeding stud at Hampton Court seems to be a true one, and the intelligence will be received with regret by many. On occasions the Hampton Court stud has held its own in the matter of big prices, for in 1889 Col. North gave the sum of 3000 guineas for a yearling at the Queen's sale; while the sensational sum paid for La Flèche by Baron Hirsch is well remembered. For what reason the stud is being broken up has not transpired but most probably it is because the game is not worth the candle, or there may be other reasons pointing to the desirability of doing away with the breeding stud in which so many of her Majesty's subjects have taken an interest. There were few more pleasant Saturdays during the racing season than that on which one visited the historic paddocks at Hampton Court to witness the sale of the Queen's yearlings. The occasion was not merely one of Turf interest; it was also a kind of social gathering, attended by many who had not the remotest idea of buying a racehorse.

BOOTS.

STUD NEWS

The Stud Buenos Aires' two celebrated mares, Santa Lucia by Garrard, and Thalia by Whipper In, have both been served by Lohengrin, Sr Casares' grand looking horse at Vicente Casares. Lohengrin is by Town Moor. He won one or two good races here. Some of his stock will be sent up for sale this spring, and should attract buyers.

FOOTBALL

FIXTURES.

ARGENTINE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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 Sun. 10—Retiro A.C. v. St. Andrews F.C. at Retiro.
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SEPTEMBER
 Sat. 8—St. Andrews F.C. v. Lomas A.C., at Lanus.
 Sat. 8—Lobos A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Lobos.
 Sat. 8—B. A. and R. Ry. v. Rosario A.C., at Belgrano.
 Sun. 9—Retiro A.C. v. Rosario A.C., at Retiro.

RUGBY

MAY
 Fri. 25—Lomas v. Buenos Aires. at Lomas.
 Sun. 27—Lomas v. Hurlingham, at Lomas.

JUNE
 Sun. 10—Private Firms v. Public Companies. at Lomas.
 Sun. 17—Scotland and Wales v. England and Ireland, at Lomas.
 Sun. 24—Hurlingham v. Buenos Aires, at Flores.

JULY
 Mon. 9—Hurlingham v. Lomas, at Hurlingham.
 Sun. 15—Private Firms v. Public Companies, at Flores.
 Sun. 22—Lomas v. Buenos Aires, at Flores.

AUGUST
 Sun. 5—Rosario v. Buenos Aires, at Rosario.
 Sun. 12—Scotland and Wales v. England and Ireland, at Flores.
 Wed. 15—Old Bedfordians v. Buenos Aires, at Flores.

ARGENTINE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE

The following table shows the present positions of the clubs competing in the League Competition of this season:

Club	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points
Lomas	4	4	0	0	8
Flores	3	2	1	0	4
St. Andrews	3	2	1	0	4
Rosario	1	1	0	0	2
Lobos	3	1	2	0	2
Retiro	4	0	4	0	0

B. A. and R. Ry. have scratched their matches to Lomas and St. Andrews.

**ASSOCIATION
 LOMAS v. FLORES.**

This match, one of the series of the Argentine Association League competition, was played at Lomas on Sunday the 20th, before some 500 spectators. Baring the wind the day was everything that could be desired from the spectators' point of view, although somewhat warm for the players. Lomas won the toss and elected to play with the wind, defending the northern goal. J. D. Gifford kicked off for Flores, who from the first were overmatched. During the first 10 minutes Lomas repeatedly shot at the Flores goal, but Fothergill was always alert, and saved in a most masterly style; finally, however, from a well judged centre of G. Leslie, the ball was headed through by H. Anderson who was at least 12 yards from the goal. After the ball was restarted Lomas again renewed the attack, and Nobili made two successive shots, both being splendidly stopped by Fothergill. Two corners for Lomas followed in quick succession, but they were not improved

upon, both shots going wide. Fothergill's goal kick was well stopped by G. Leslie, who neatly passed the ball to his brother, who notched a second point for Lomas from a shot of at least 25 yards from the goal, eight minutes having elapsed since the last point was scored. Flores again kicked off, and Nobili getting the ball dribbled up to within 10 yards of the goal, when through an error of judgment he hesitated in his shot, and the ball was cleverly taken from him by Gordon. The leather was now transferred to the Lomas 25, but was rescued by Bridge and Jacobs, the latter kicking almost to the corner flag whence G. Leslie scored a grand goal with a left footed screw kick. From the recommencement the Giffords and Syer ran the ball down the field, and Rath missing his kick the ball crossed the Lomas line. From the goal kick, which Carter sent far beyond midfield, the ball found its way into touch, and on Bridger throwing out a pretty piece of combination between F. Jacobs and H. Anderson resulted in the latter scoring a fourth goal. An appeal for offside was made but not allowed. The remainder of the first half was noticeable for several long shots of W. Leslie's which only missed by inches.

After an interval of fifteen minutes, during which space of time signs of impatience began to manifest themselves among the spectators, play was resumed, Flores now having the wind, which had considerably abated, in their favour. From W. Leslie's kick off the ball found its way behind the Flores goal line, narrowly missing the posts from a good attempt by Jacobs, who, however, was successful a little later on, when he made a fifth goal fifteen minutes after the commencement of the second half from a scrummage in front of goal. On kicking off Lomas still seemed keen on scoring, and Fothergill was repeatedly called upon to defend. After some half way play G. Leslie, passing right across to F. Jacobs, enabled the latter to score another point thirteen minutes after the last. Williams being hurt now went into goal, Fothergill taking his place. Flores now woke up, and for the first time assumed the offensive. From this time until no side was called the game was much more even. Ten minutes before time Flores had two shots at goal, which were well stopped by Carter. When the whistle blew the ball was about mid-field.

Of the visitors the back division were certainly more deserving of praise than the forwards, for although the latter were well supplied with the ball they invariably failed to retain possession of it. Williams at half back, and Fothergill in goal were all that could be desired, though in the second half Ireland's play was decidedly brilliant.

The home team showed a good sound combination all through, the passing among the forwards having been seldom if ever equalled in this country. The brothers Leslie, as also Jacobs and Anderson, distinguished themselves both individually and collectively. Nobili dribbled well, and although a decided improvement is noticeable in his shooting at goal, there is still room for improvement. In the back division Bridger played a hard and useful game all through, and showed form far superior to that of last year's. Bridge in the first half played a dashing game, but his form seemed to fall considerably towards the end.

We do not think it a wise proceeding to have taken Reynolds from back, which is clearly the place where he does most service to his side, while Walker's game at back, although leaving nothing to be desired, by no means exceeds his performance at half. Rath did not seem to warm properly to his work till late in the game when he did sterling service, while Carter at goal though practically a spectator at first proved himself efficient when called upon.

The duties of refereeing were ably undertaken by Mr Wm. McEwen, who acquitted himself to the satisfaction of all. Messrs S. and D. Gibson officiated as linesmen. The teams were:

- Lomas—**
 F. X. Carter, goal.
 J. Walker and P. M. Rath, backs.
 P. L. Bridger, C. W. Reynolds and T. Bridge, half backs.
 G. Leslie, L. Nobili, W. Leslie, F. Jacobs, H. Anderson, forwards.
- Flores—**
 F. W. Fothergill, goal.
 J. E. Gordon and T. V. M. Knox, backs.
 W. Williams, Ireland and J. J. Murphy, half backs.
 W. Cowes, E. R. Gifford, J. D. Gifford, L. Gahan, B. Syer, forwards.

RETIRO A.C. v. H.M.S. SIRIUS.

A football match was played on the 20th, between a team from H.M.S. Sirius and the Retiro Athletic Club. Neither side scored during the first half, and only one goal was scored in the second, the Sirius men notching the point, and so winning by one goal to nothing.

**B. A. ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL FIRST ELEVEN
 v. QUILMES ROVERS FIRST ELEVEN.**

This match was played at Palermo on Saturday 19th May, and resulted in a win for the High School by three goals to nil. Quilmes lost the toss and had to kick against the wind, the School pressed most of the first half, but owing to the fine play of Clark and Muir only scored one goal. In the second half Quilmes played better and the play was far more equal, although the School made two goals, and a very pleasant game ended as above stated. For the School, Brown, Buchanan, Lea and Rose played well, while for Quilmes the backs played a fine game, also Tracey and Morgan forward.

The following team will represent Flores in their League match against Rosario at Flores on Thursday 24th inst., play to commence at 2.30 p.m.:

F. W. Fothergill, goal.
 J. E. Gordon and Ireland, backs.
 R. W. Rudd, W. Williams, J. J. Murphy, half backs.
 W. Cowes, E. R. Gifford, J. D. Gifford, L. Gahan, B. Syer, forwards.

The following team will represent the St. Andrews F. C. in the match against Rosario at Lomas, on Friday the 25th. The game will commence on the arrival of the 12.30 p.m. train from Plaza Constitucion:—

T. Dawson, goal.
 F. Muir and R. Clark, backs.
 D. Gibson, A. Perkins and W. Buchanan, half backs.
 J. J. Bridge, J. Buchanan, E. Morgan, J. Hudson and T. A. Greenlees, forwards.
 C. W. Reynolds, referee.

RUGBY

The following team will represent Lomas against Buenos Aires on Friday the 25th:

P. M. Rath, full back.
 F. Jacobs, A. Anderson, H. B. Anderson, three-quarter backs.
 Gwyther and Tait, half backs.
 G. C. Kennard (captain), L. Jacobs, Dolphin, Gibson, E. H. Liversidge, Casini, T. Gebbie, P. Bridger, Hannay, forwards.

The same team as the above, except that Mr H. B. Anderson will go forward in place of Mr Gebbie, and Mr Fothergill take his place at three-quarters, will represent Lomas against Hurlingham on the 27th.

The following team will represent the Buenos Aires Football Club against Lomas on Friday:

H. Webster, full back.
 R. E. H. Anderson, R. W. Anderson, F. W. Fothergill, three-quarter backs.
 E. Kinch, E. Rumbolt, half backs.
 G. S. Anderson, M. Caldwell, A. Brodie, W. S. Taylor, D. King, G. Hardman, P. H. Vargas, N. M. Whitworth, T. K. Gibeau, forwards.

LAWN TENNIS.

**THE BUENOS AIRES LAWN TENNIS CLUB'S
 CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT.**

The following table shows the order of playing on the different courts arranged for to-morrow (Thursday the 24th). Competitors are particularly requested to play off their ties at the time appointed for them.

- Court No. 1—**
 9 a.m.—T. W. Horn v. K. Moscrop.
 10 a.m.—Miss Burr v. Mrs Wallace.
 11 a.m.—Winner of T. W. Horn and K. Moscrop v. G. Gwyther.
 12 noon—Hon. F. Pakenham and Dr. J. O'Connor v. J. Sheehan and P. Sweetman.
 1 p.m.—F. M. Still v. C. C. Day.
 2 p.m.—Mr and Mrs Horn v. Miss Taylor and J. Weinberg.
 3 p.m.—P. Sweetman v. V. Ker Seymer.
 4 p.m.—Mrs Daniel v. Miss Pakenham.
- Court No. 2—**
 9 a.m.—S. Lyndon Owen v. Wilson Lamb.
 10 a.m.—F. Francis v. Dr. J. O'Connor.
 11 a.m.—J. J. C. Daniel and H. Rattray v. F. M. Still and H. A. Still.
 12 noon—Mrs Horn v. Mrs Williamson.
 1 p.m.—Mr and Mrs Daniel v. Miss Jacobs and A. Mohr Bell.
 2 p.m.—H. M. Rattray v. B. Verschoyle.
 3 p.m.—T. Forde v. J. S. Sheehan.
 4 p.m.—Mr and Mrs Rattray v. Mrs Livock and B. Gardom.

- Court No. 4—**
 9 a.m.—T. S. Boadle v. L. A. Fawsett.
 10 a.m.—F. L'E. Wallace v. C. S. Clarke.
 11 a.m.—Winner of B. Goldsmid and B. Gardom v. B. Verschoyle.
 12 noon—C. S. Clarke and L. A. Fawsett v. T. Forde and R. Sumner.
 1 p.m.—Miss Russell v. Miss Barfield.
 2 p.m.—Winner of F. L'E. Wallace and C. S. Clarke v. R. W. Romer.
 3 p.m.—Winner of L. A. Fawsett and T. S. Boadle v. winner of S. Lyndon Owen and Wilson Lamb.
 4 p.m.—J. J. C. Daniel v. T. W. Horn.

ROWING

The Tigre Boat Club are to be congratulated on having received as many as twenty-two entries for their race in Clinker fours advertised for June 29 next. At the meeting of competitors held to elect crews the following were elected:

Boat No. 1—A. J. Brown (bow), O. Norwood (2), J. Murphy (3), N. M. Whitworth (stroke).
 Boat No. 2—W. Mackern (bow), S. Francis (2), C. M. Turner (3), P. Squire (stroke).
 Boat No. 3—A. M. Wilson (bow), H. Wilson (2), F. M. Gilderdale (3), P. H. Vargas (stroke).
 Boat No. 4—S. Kay, jun. (bow), E. Gilderdale (2), F. Jones (3), C. Manifold (stroke).

P O L O.

The polo ground at Hurlingham did not lie idle for a great part of the day on the 20th. In the morning a practice game was played by two sides chosen from the following: Messrs G. S. Anderson, K. Moscrop, F. Pearson, A. C. Eyton, J. R. Garrod, E. L. Rumbold and Lacey. Most of those playing were new at the game and so were their ponies, but one or two of the new hands showed promise for the future and only appear to want practice and handy mounts.

In the afternoon the following sides played: Messrs F. Furber, F. Kinchant, A. I'Anson and G. S. Anderson, against Messrs J. Ravenscroft, F. J. Balfour, F. W. Clunie and Lacey. The latter team won by four goals to two after a very good game, during which the ball was kept travelling at a useful pace.

After the rain of Monday the Hurlingham ground will be in capital condition for the 27th.

ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

Messrs Funes and Lagos and Co. sold thirteen young bulls, all by Golden Hind, from the Cabana Laura, on Friday last, at prices ranging from \$60 to \$350. The thirteen realised \$1830. From the same estancia these auctioneers sold 1500 sheep, Lincoln, at \$9.60 each. Nine horses, quiet to handle, from Mr Hawes' estancia El Carmen fetched \$730, or an average of \$81 each.

Mr Tom Bell will hold his second yearly "Remate Ferial" on Wednesday, August 15, at his cabaña El Rincon, Villa Elisa. Full particulars will be published later in these columns.

The following three receipts for safeguards against mosquitos will be found useful, effective and not unpleasant:

One part oil of cedar, two parts citric acid, four parts Cologne.

Three oz. pine tar, 2 oz. castor oil, 1 oz. pennyroyal.
Half pint olive oil, 1 oz. creosote, 1 oz. pennyroyal,
1 oz. camphor, dissolved in alcohol.

To date eleven thousand animals have passed through the bretes at the various points on the coast in the Concordian district destined for the saladeros on the opposite coast of Uruguay. The traffic continues this month and during June, so some idea of the extent of the trade between Corrientes and Entre Rios and the Uruguay saladeros may be obtained.

The tobacco grown by Sr Naon on the plantations in Lomas de Zamora, mentioned by us some time ago, has only given the half of the amount expected on account of the drought. Sr Naon estimates that tobacco can be grown here at the rate of 2500 kilos per square, which at the rate of \$2.50 per kilo, the average price obtained by him for his harvest, gives a very large result. Sr Naon intends to extend his plantations this year.

Mr John Nash sailed last week for England. He leaves this country in a very poor state of health which we hope his stay at home will greatly improve. El Refango estancia has not been sold or lot but is being put under colony for Mr Nash's account.

On account of the drought and the scarcity of grass in some of the districts of Concordia, estancieros are having to make some great sacrifices. A buyer in Paysandú has just purchased four thousand cows for "invernada" at the price of \$3 each with a year allowed for payment. Excellent business for the man with grass, but a terrible loss to the poor breeder who has to sell at the value of his animals' hides.



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A new and effective means of dealing with the rabbit plague is achieving popularity among Australian agriculturists. This is Cave's carbon bisulphide rabbit-killer. It is portable, easily used, and has the great merit of being cheap. Each "killer" or "cartridge" contains a mixture of chemicals fitted with a fuse. When the fuse is lighted and the cartridge placed in the burrow, a strong smoke arises, which enables the operator to see that all the openings to the burrow are closed. The bisulphide of carbon is liberated, and speedily causes death to all the rabbits in the burrow. This is a distinct improvement on the provisional grain plan, once in such general use.

Some method to force bidders to bid a little faster than they are accustomed to do at auctions in Buenos Aires would be indeed welcome, and we recommend some of the old customs in vogue still in parts of England as an incentive to make bidders hurry up. One of these curious and ancient customs we refer to has just been observed at Bourne, Lincolnshire. In accordance with traditional usage, the White Bread Meadow was, by direction of the Charity Trustees, let by auction. A number of boys started in a race, the bidding going on while the boys were running, and the field was ultimately let to the bidder who had made the highest offer at the time the winner breasted the tape. The rent of the meadow was then expended in "white bread" loaves, which were distributed among the poor of the town. A somewhat similar system of auction obtains in a town in the south of Scotland, where the bidding is regulated by the burning of a candle.

The attendance at the seventh remate held at the Estancia General Paz, could not be compared with that of the 12th of November of last year. But, perhaps, although the crowd were few, the buyers were more in proportion, and they met with some rare bargains. Prices ruled low throughout, despite the efforts of Sr Lamas, who officiated. The animals were not very good in class, but for their class they went very cheap. The horses deserve better mention than the cattle, but they were mediocre, with exceptions of course. Moss Trooper, whose pedigree I tried to obtain but unsuccessfully, a horse imported by Sr Casas, and described as a six-year-old, was sold ridiculously cheap at \$1300, to Sr Leandro Gomez. This horse is a bright chesnut, long and low; he would barely touch 16 hands. He is a blood like horse, and looked like racing. A good looking mare, served by Conchita, by Phoenix, fell to the bid of Sr Lobet, at \$400.

Amongst the intending buyers present were Messrs Hansen, A. Bantle, Miller, Pyne, Pain, Colson, Hill, Wasey, Sheehan, Martin, Heine, Petre, Larachea, Maderna, Moderno, Matamoros, Vojeman, Ferreja, Ochea, Gomez, Ochunga, Carballo, and Casas. The weather was fine and hot, making the galpon in which the horses were sold, an oven; the strong breeze blowing served to cover everyone with dust, and had not a cooling breath in its favour.

The cattle were sold in the potrero. Lot 34 "Vaquillonas Durham de Campo," very much "de Campo," went to Sr Casas at \$16, and they at all events could not be said to have been undersold. Lot 37, a thin, ragged looking lot of 200 novillos, criollos of 4 years, which it was said would just make oxen, more probably might make oxen, fell to the nod of Sr Carballo at \$25. They may make a profit, sold to the chacareros who want bullocks, but it is doubtful. Better in size, and more in keeping as to colour, reds and rosillos, was lot 45. After an offer of \$26 each Sr Larachea took 100 at that price al corte, the remainder went to Sr Lobet at \$22.50, "Barato, muy barato," was deard on all sides, but those who shouted had not bid. Lot 38, 200 3 year old novillos, red, white, black, overo and rosillo, a lot perhaps more likely to make bullocks than the other found no bid. Lot 39, small for their 2½ years, but in better flesh, seemingly well pastured, had the same fate. Another six months will certainly make these look more like money. A hundred novillos, not in the catalogue, of any age, big but poor, started at \$27 and went up to \$38, at which figure Don Arturo Pain of Los Hermanos secured them.

Sr Carballo got a good looking red and white cow. 7-8 Durham, at \$65, and another, tostada overa, cost Sr Heine \$67. Sr Bantle took a fine lot of young novillos at \$15, the cheapest lot sold. Six hundred and eighteen rambouillet sheep, good and fairly fat, found no buyer, and then 800 borregos from the flock of Sr Torres, Pergamino, went terribly cheap to Sr Buchman of Roldan at \$2.10. A fine flock of Lincolns were not looked at.

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A hundred fat cows, so described, heard the hammer fall at \$42. Twenty-six dollars a head bought 100 novillos for Sr Ochea. A herd of white cows found no bidder. A small but good-looking dark bay mare, Mimosa, by Harold, which ought to win a race some day, Sr Moderno took away at \$120, and a filly of the same stamp but with ugly head and bad action cost Sr Ochea \$50. Estela, also by Harold, a brighter bay than Mimosa, brought \$90 from the pocket of Sr Ferreja; she lacked good shoulders and girth, but was well worth the money. Mira, a small, pretty roan, by Theseo, came to \$88. Two fillies from the Rafango, and one by Harold, all of an ordinary class were bought by Sres Ochea, Moderno and Carballo at \$60. A bay, by Theseo, covered by Harold, Sr Vojemann had cheap for \$30; she appeared a good useful mare. A pair of really good-looking and well-matched black mares went for \$135; \$80, 82, 115 up to, in one case, 300, bought the remainder of those sold on the first day. Our informant of the above does not describe the sale as successful.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals have laid a proposal for a new law relating to the transport of live animals by rail before Congress, some of the articles of which run as follow:—

That horses, sheep, cattle and pigs be carried so that plenty of room is allowed them to rest and lie down, and that food and drink be given them every twenty-four hours. That it be prohibited to confine animals more than twenty-four continuous hours without allowing them rest, food and drink, to get which, if necessary owing to the size of the trucks, they must be unloaded for at least five hours.

Messrs Adolfo Bullrich and Co. sold some useful hackneys from Sr Agustin de Elias's estancia last week at the following prices: A pair of bays, \$1500, to Sr Mendez Paz; a dark bay horse for \$300, to Sr. C. N. Huergo; two bays for \$700, to Sra. de Avellaneda; and a roan mare to Dr Hanley for \$400. The same auctioneers also sold a hundred novillos and five hundred cows from Sr. Quirino Costa's estancia in San Antonio de Areco, the Elcira, the novillos at \$16.40 and the cows at \$9.80 each.

The sale of stock we mentioned last week as soon to be held on the Cabaña Santa Rita, the property of Sres. Mariano Marengo and A. Fayon, will take place on June the 10th. The sale will include some very valuable horses and cattle.

WOMEN'S GOSSIP.

DEAR KATE,—

I suppose with you, as at home, oatmeal porridge is a favourite dish both in the nursery and for the breakfast of "the lords of creation," and if so you doubtless find it sometimes, for delicate children especially, rather indigestible?

If so here is a recipe said to prevent all evil effects and to make it possible of digestion by the most delicate people. Put your oatmeal into cold water and leave it to soak there for three quarters of an hour. Then put the water and meal into a pan and boil it thoroughly for about twenty minutes stirring it all the time, soaking the meal in cold water has I am assured the merit of making it more nutritious and at the same time less indigestible.

I had the charming gift of a very good French cookery book with some rather good old private recipes added in M. S. on the blank pages given me by a dear old lady the other day, who is one of the best house-mistresses and amateur cooks I know. And when we have tried some of the recipes, I hope to find them very good and to send you one now and then.

The Stewart Duplex safety pin is a recent invention which you will find very useful for your own and especially for nursery use as the guarded spring prevents it catching or tearing knitted garments or any tearable material and also ensures perfect safety from pricks and scratches, a great comfort especially where babies are concerned!

The use of ribbon, especially moiré ribbon, is quite a feature of the present season and ribbon chatelaines are very much worn, they consist of one or more long loops or ends of pretty ribbon hung from the belt and these have any of the useful articles usually worn on chatelaine chains attached to them. Another form of the same fashion is to have the ribbon of the belt drawn through a pretty buckle and allowed to hang down either in a long loop or a long end in front. Some belt ribbons are worn rather broad, tied at the back in a bow and allowed to hang down in two long ends.

Stiff shirt fronts are still very fashionable, worn with tailor made coats, but various forms of blouse are permissible. Of these there is little change from last year, so that at present one can wear last summer's blouses and shirts if they are in good condition.

Moiré is used for capes and mantles, and also for very smart parasols and "en-tous-cas." Among the clothes likely to be much worn besides those I recently told you of are York cloth, fine habit cloth, and hopsacks with wool creeps, and a pretty material called crepe armuir, so that for your cold weather you can have a great variety of nice woollen materials to choose from, and of course tweeds and serges are always in excellent taste, and are as useful as they are fashionable.

Some very pretty stockings, in a light not too warm make of cashmere, have nicely embroidered insteps; the embroidery is either in white or coloured sprays or spots, and looks very dainty worn with a pretty smart shoe.

For outdoor wear tan and dark brown shoes are to be as fashionable as ever, especially for golf and all outdoor amusements, and with these shoes tan or dark brown stockings are worn.

The recent production of the clever and successful society play, "Mrs Lessingham," at the Garrick, is specially interesting to women, as although it is signed by the masculine nom de plume of George Fleming, it is really the work of a woman, Miss Constance Fletcher, who gives us in it so much power and promise that one feels that hers will by and by be a notable name among dramatists. It has been excellently staged and acted by a strong company, and has been, as it deserves, very well received.

As to books, one of the best written, as to style, I have lately seen is Miss Harriden's "Ships which pass in the Night." I do not remember if I have already mentioned it to you, but it is well worth reading, and although sad, as all books dealing with life at such a health resort at Davos Platz must be, it is full of human interest, the characters are particularly well drawn, and the whole tone is very much more pleasant and wholesome than very much of the present day fiction.

The "Times" and the "Standard" come down heavily on that evidently unpleasant book "A Yellow Aster," which is making a stir in the libraries just now. It seems to be written in most indifferent English, and to be anything but agreeable reading. I have not read it, and don't intend to, as personally I don't think modern novels of the type "Dodo," or new theories a la Sarah Grand are either pleasant or edifying, and I am old fashioned enough to think the world wagged well enough, aye better perhaps than it does to-day, before women novelists, in the zeal no doubt of a good purpose, took to giving us a maximum of unpleasantness and a minimum of common sense, and smart writers made the society woman a type of all that is heartless and objectionable in her sex; but as these books are the fashion at present, and one seems to be behind the age if one does not like them and cannot glibly theorise about them, it is my duty as a purveyor of news to tell you of them, but it is yours to form your own opinions on them, and I hope you are old fashioned enough to prefer a novel without a purpose, and prefer not to be educated up to some new philosophy or some soul-saving theory in the fiction by the reading of which one wishes to be amused and not sermonised.

Sermonising makes us think of "Barrabas," that marvellously clever novel of Marie Corelli's—it is splendidly written, terribly dramatic, and, to old fashioned folk just a little profane—though certainly not meant to be so—but one cannot feel that the New Testament is a fitting place wherein to find material for a story or the Crucifixion, a fitting theme for even the most solemn of novels.

For those who admired the Great Dean, and enjoy biographies, the "Life of Dean Stanley" will be full of interest.

In music Dr A. C. Mackenzie's oratorio "Bethlehem" is the great event in London just now.

And now, ta-ta, you shall have a cooking receipt next time.—Yours ever,
MARGERY.

ROUND THE TOWN.

Members of the Belgrano Polo Club and their friends should not forget that the first Cinderella dance of the season takes place in the saloon of the Operaio Italiano of Belgrano to-night, commencing at 8.30 p.m. These pleasant little reunions are so well known as to render any eulogy unnecessary, and I can only express a hope that they will be as successful as in former years. The same gentlemen are in charge of all the arrangements, which fact is in itself a guarantee of a pleasant evening.

The only trouble last year was that at times the room was somewhat crowded, and it is to be hoped that in this instance the committee will have restricted their hospitality within the limits of the accommodation at their disposal.

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The first subscription dance of the season held at the Pabellon Argentino on Wednesday last was a most enjoyable affair, and proved to be the most successful ball held for a very long time. Both floor and music were excellent, and after all are these not the principal elements of success? As, however, perfection is really obtained in this world, it is my duty as a veracious chronicler to record that the supply of champagne fell short at a somewhat early stage of the proceedings, much to the disappointment of many who had delayed going into supper till late, and who had to opt between the somewhat cheerless claret cup provided and the alternative of paying \$7 for a pint of the sparkling wine of France. This was a repetition of the old question of the supply not being equal to the demand, and I have no doubt that the excellent committee of management will see that no such small matter occurs in future to mar, even in a slight degree, what was otherwise a truly memorable evening.

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A noteworthy feature of this dance was the presence of a large number of Argentine guests who were not among the regular frequenters of

the Cinderella dancers of last year, and it is satisfactory to note in the columns of our Argentine contemporaries that nothing but praise is given of the arrangements and animation of a ball given purely by a foreign community. The person who stated that "English people took their pleasures sadly" must have been mistaken, and I note that the reporter of the "Vida Social" of the "Diario" informs his readers that Argentine Society would do well to imitate the British community in this respect. Selfconsciousness and love of criticising necessarily render social gatherings somewhat stilted and formal, and possibly in the utter absence of these two defects, the true reason of the unqualified success of our subscription dances will be found.

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To-day at 11 a.m. at Calle Belgrano 666 the drawing of the prizes in the big lottery will be commenced. The total amount of money to be distributed in prizes is considerably over one million dollars, and one cannot help wondering where all the money comes from for the purchase of the tickets, more especially as lotteries, duly authorised by Law, have become lately of almost weekly occurrence. Possibly this will account for the fact that the present lottery has not fulfilled the expectations of its originators, and the tickets far from being at a premium, are now at a discount. I believe nothing is known as to what will be done with the surplus tickets that remain on the hands of the Lottery administration, but there will be much wailing and washing of teeth if the "grande" of \$600,000 is found amongst them. The Administration is much to blame, as whatever be the result, if it has failed in placing all the tickets it must also fail to keep faith with the public, which state of things is as unsatisfactory as it is discreditable.

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There have been great doings at the Columbia Skating Rink lately, and all amateurs must have been much interested in the remarkably close races between Messrs Ridgely and Snowden for the short distance championship of the world. The latter proved to be victorious in three events out of the five decided upon, and will now remain in Buenos Aires a few days to give an exhibition of his powers in jumping on skates. To-night he has undertaken to jump twelve chairs, and this should be a feat well worth being present at. By the same occasion, the champion figure skater, Mr Simmonds will also make his bow to the Buenos Aires public, and I am given to understand that a benefit performance will shortly take place at the Columbia in aid of the funds of the British Hospital. The present is just the weather for roller skating, and from the above it will be seen that this pleasant pastime promises to keep pace with its sister sport of bicycling, which has suddenly sprung into such favor with the Buenos Aires public.

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Messrs Ridgely and Harris have not been idle lately, and have converted the Arcadia Gardens into a bicycle track which was inaugurated by some of our amateur riders on Sunday last. Although necessarily somewhat cramped, the track appears to be a remarkably well laid one, and its central position should ensure of its being well patronised. These popular empresarios always manage to attract the public, and I have no doubt that the races to be held at the Arcadia to-morrow will attract a large concourse of competitors and their friends.

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To-morrow is also the seventy-fifth birthday of Her Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, and on that day the thoughts of Englishmen in all countries will turn to home and the gracious lady who has reigned over us so beneficently for so many years, expressing a hope that she will be spared many years to continue a reign which is without parallel in the annals of English history. Our friend Georges Mercer, who is becoming quite an Anglo-maniac, will give his annual concert in honour of the event, and the National Anthem will be played during dinner with the customary honors. I have also heard it said that an edict of some former Chief of Police of Buenos Aires is still in force, whereby no British subjects who should prove to have been celebrating the occasion somewhat too generously is to be arrested on this day. I cannot guarantee the truth of this rumour, and only give it here for what it is worth, and if any of my compatriots should receive proof to the contrary, I hope they won't blame me.

Friday next is also a day of general rejoicing, and the usual preparations are being made for the due celebration of this National holiday in South American fashion. Fireworks will be fired off in the day time, the President and his Ministers will put on their dress clothes directly they get up, and a large number of malefactors will be let loose on the long suffering Buenos Aires population. The populace will invade the Plaza Victoria and spoil all the nice lawns lately laid out, tramways and other means of locomotion will be entirely suspended, and pickpockets will have a field day. I have heard it said that Englishmen cannot celebrate a National occasion without getting intoxicated, but really it seems almost a sensible thing to do.

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The theatres always reap a golden harvest during the national fetes, and I doubt whether a finer sight could be met with in Europe than the Opera House on the 25 de Mayo night, and this year will doubtless be no exception to the rule. It is the prerogative of the President of the Republic to decide what opera shall be played on that occasion, but at the time of writing nothing has yet been resolved upon. There will be "gala" performances at all the theatres, and the National Anthem will be played before the raising of the curtain. It is a pity that a census is not taken on these occasions of the attendance at the fifteen theatres at present open in this city, for the statistics would be most interesting, and would doubtless prove that this is the most theatre-going public in the world.

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Admirers of Miss Ada Thompson, the Serpentine dancer, will be glad to hear that she has returned to the Zarzuela Theatre after a most successful visit to Montevideo, and made her reappearance last night. Frank Brown's circus at the San Martin Theatre has also been well patronised during the last week, and the antics of Tony continue to delight the juvenile portion of the audience. This worthy comes down a rope suspended from the gallery to the entrance to the stables balancing on his chest, which I should imagine was a much more difficult and risky feat than Mr Snowden's much advertised descent of the toboggan at the Arcadia Gardens last summer.

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The British community will be very busy enjoying itself during the next few days, and there are many and varied attractions on the tapis. I learn that the races at Hurlingham are especially interesting, and will be sure to attract all lovers of a good day's sport, more especially when combined with a pleasant day in the open air. The attendance at the Lawn Tennis Club's Tournament will also be very large, judging by the demand for tickets, and I hear that the courts are in perfect order after Monday's rain. Every suburb is also preparing to take advantage of these days, and I have no doubt that my readers will take due advantage of the approaching holidays, which are welcomed by all of us as a pleasant relief from the monotonous and work-a-day life we are nearly all of us obliged to lead in Buenos Aires.

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4. CANOE RACE, 300 metres.
5. PAIR OAR RACE, in Clinker Boats, 1000 metres.

Entries close on June 23rd next.

P. H. VARGAS, Hon. Sec.
Calle Piedad 390.

Cañada de Gomez Polo Club

A LOCAL POLO TOURNAMENT will be held on the above Club's Ground on SATURDAY, SUNDAY and MONDAY, JULY 7, 8 and 9.

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Entries close on Thursday, July 5th, when the draw will take place.

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RACING

Thursday, May 24—Hurlingham Club's Meeting.
Thursday, May 24—Hipodromo Nacional, Belgrano.
Friday, May 25—Hipodromo Nacional, Belgrano.
Sunday, May 27—Hipodromo Argentino, at Palermo.

FOOTBALL.

ASSOCIATION

Thursday, May 24—Flores A.C. v. Rosario A.C., at
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Friday, May 25—Retiro A.C. v. B. A. and R. Ry., at
Retiro.
Friday, May 25—St. Andrews F.C. v. Rosario A.C., at
Lanus.
Sunday, May 27—B. A. and R. Ry. v. Flores A.C., at
Belgrano.

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Sunday, May 27—Lomas v. Hurlingham, at Lomas.

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Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 24, 25, 26—Buenos
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POLO

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T. S. BOADLE,
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25 de Mayo 149.

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| 12. Spaniels (Irish, Water,
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| 13. Dachshunds | 30. Great Danes—Dogs |
| 14. St. Bernards | 31. " —Bitches |
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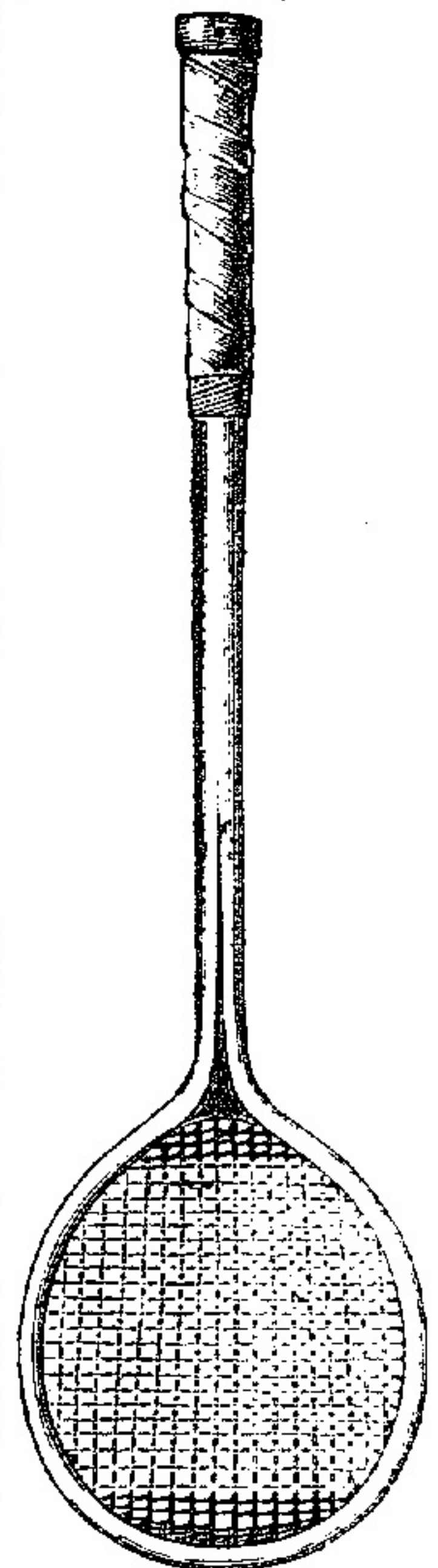
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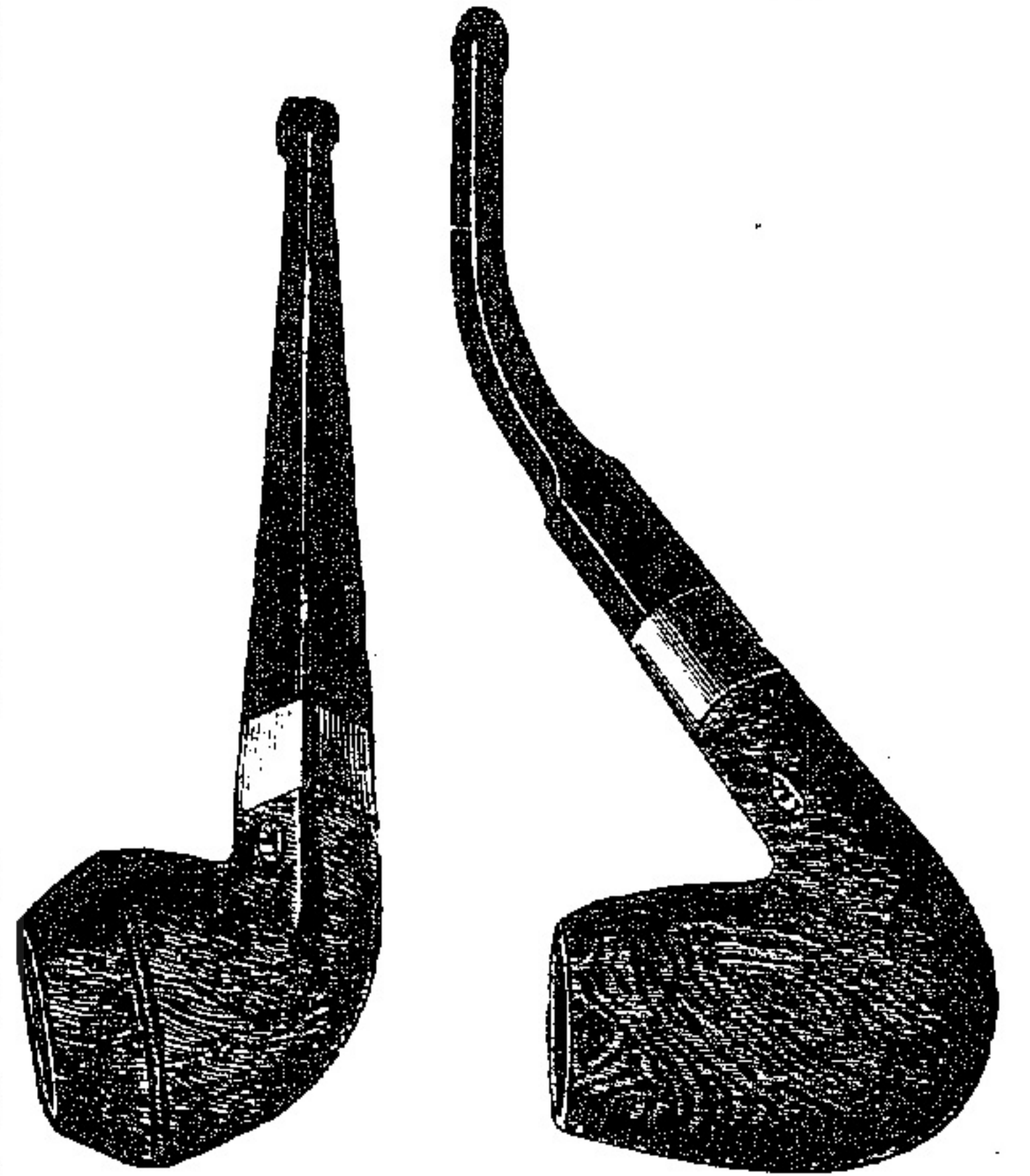
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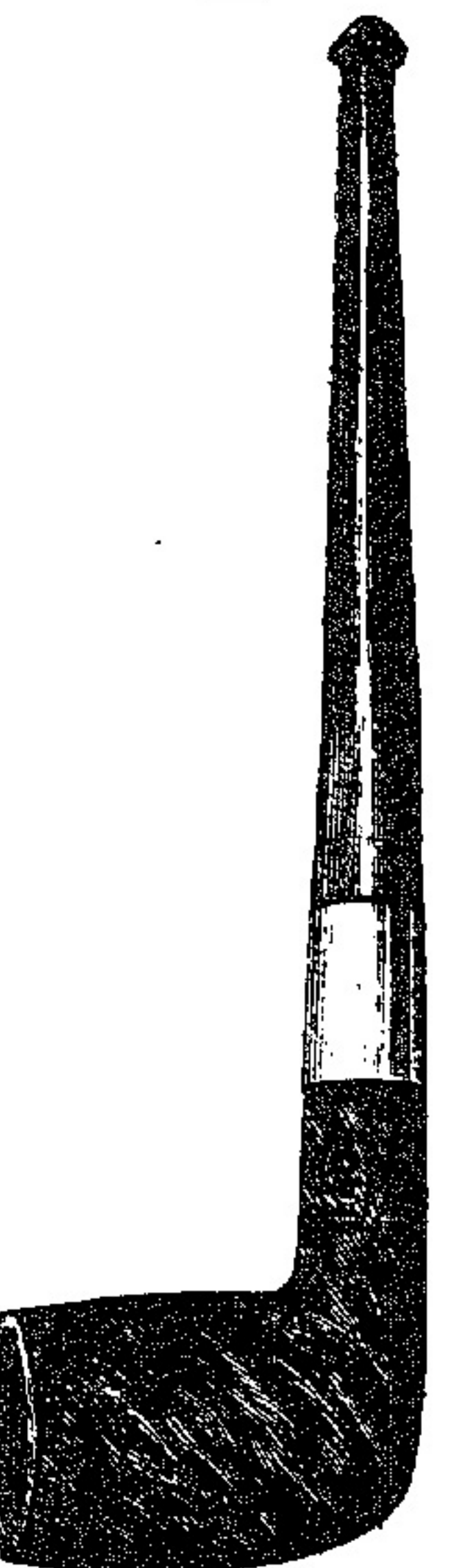
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TOWARDS THE SUNSET.

(Continued).

Had ever any one heard the like, thought I to myself, as he finished speaking. Truly it was the most wonderful tale that ever had been breathed into the ears of mortal man. And yet it smacked of truth, for if 'twere as he said an extinct volcano, what more likely than that the fierce heat of subterranean fires, escaping through that narrow flue, should come with such concentrated heat and force, as to melt not only the precious metal that lay hid amongst them, but even the very rocks themselves. I fear the lust for gold came over me as I sat silent a moment or two, pondering on these things, if so, may the sin be forgiven me, the more so as my thoughts quickly turned from self, and I thought of the good I might do the holy cause of our religion if only possessed of the wealth this my cousin offered me, and that decided me, I was surely called by heaven to carry out this undertaking, and by this means further her cause upon earth. There was only one difficulty, I was alone, and I dare not leave my flock for so long a time as would be required for the carrying out of this scheme, therefore before I left it would be necessary for me to go to Valparaiso, a journey of twenty days, first to obtain leave from my superiors to absent myself from my cure for a term say of two months, and secondly to procure a man to act as my substitute during my absence. And this I explained to my cousin, and it caused him chagrin, so much so that he gave vent to many blasphemous expressions, for which I reproved him so severely that we came near separating in anger, thereby nearly causing the business, at least such part as I afterwards took in it, to fall through. But at length, he, fearing to lose my help, which truly speaking he could not well do without, passed the matter off with a laugh, saying I was too squeamish, and finally apologised. By this time, however, my cousin and the man Mateo were far too good to be able to reason with any degree of coherency, so bidding them good night I left them to finish their carouse alone. When I had gained my chamber I sat down to meditate on the curious story I had heard, my cousin's earnestness was a guarantee for his veracity, besides the lump of gold, which I had brought away with me, was visible proof that the treasure he had spoken of, did really exist. So that now the matter which occupied my mind was not so much the probability of the existence of it, as the best and easiest manner of getting it out upon the upper surface of the earth. I lit my lamp, and taking out a piece of parchment, sat down to make some drawings of the suspended platform, which must be made both light and strong, and the least area I could give for the windlass and two men to work at ease would be four yards in length by three in breadth, for the windlass must have a cylinder four feet broad by at least a foot in diameter. This would require a solid frame, by which it would be suspended by chains. Four chains would be required, each one of ten metres in length; for as there was nothing to which to secure the end of the chain, we must bore a hole in the rock two metres from the mouth of the old orifice, at least a metre deep; and then after firmly attaching a good sized block of stone to the end of the chain, bury it, and pound it well in, and the other end could be hooked on to the corner of the platform, which being suspended below the buried stone, could never pull it out, before that happened the chain must break, or the side of the crater give way, and against either of these contingencies I could easily provide, the first by choosing a chain strong enough to withstand any reasonable weight, and the second by boring the hole where I found the stone solid. As for rope for pulling the men up and down that I could easily procure from an old friend of mine, Don Tomas Velasquez, whose ship, built by my father, was now lying at anchor in front of the town. For making the frame I had a chest of tools, provided by the church when I came here first to build the chapel, and being a good carpenter from having formerly been a shipwright, I had also instructed several of the Indian peons as to their use, and wonderful workmen they became after a little teaching. And I decided to use none but Indian workmen, for now that I had become a partner in these riches I had become wonderfully suspicious, fearing to trust a European lest he should betray me, but such was the ascendancy I had maintained over the minds of those uncivilised and uneducated men, that I preferred to trust our joint secret to them, rather than to one of my own countrymen, and after events proved that I was right. Of wood there was luckily a good store over after we had finished building the church and my house, and this consisted of logs of over six yards long, by a foot square, sawn in lengths, and properly squared, so that it only wanted sawing again into lengths the proper thickness, both for the frame of the platform and also for boards, and this could be done by my Indian workmen while I was away obtaining leave of absence, so that on my return we could put the whole thing in pieces of the crater. I made my drawing as plain as possible, noting the lengths and widths of the pieces required, in a manner I had taught my peons to understand, so that they might work at it during my absence, and have it all ready by my return. Next morning I was up before my cousin was awake, and went off to see Velasquez. He promised me the twenty fathoms of chain I asked for, and also four stout hooks, such as are used for lashing into the decks and bulwarks of ships for, tightening up ropes on. But while talking to him a lucky thought, as it afterwards turned out, came into my head, and it was this. As my journey to Valparaiso would take me a month and a half, the wood work would certainly be finished long before my return, and judging that my cousin was not an over scrupulous man, he might try to get it carried up to the mountain

before I returned, reckoning on after making use of me to further his own ends, he would rob me of my share of the gains, so to prevent this I made Velasquez promise on no account to yield up either the chains, or hooks, until I came in person to ask for them. When I got back on shore, I found that my cousin's ten companions had arrived, and that they were in very truth as I had suspected the night before, the band of men who called themselves The Twelve Apostles; and in order to render the precautions I took plausible, I must just mention here what I knew about them. For upwards of five years they had been the terror of Peru, their thirst for gold was as insatiable as their manner of obtaining it unwarranted; when they heard of one of the Incas reported to be rich in the precious metal, and they always did hear, for those poor people, in order to shield themselves, were always ready to tell of their neighbours, they would bide their time until the master of the house was absent, and then coming suddenly in, would carry off his wife and daughters, for experience had taught them that with the men they could do nothing, torture them as they would, they could find out nothing from them, but when their wives or daughters were carried away, they were ready to give up everything they had, to get them back. Many times they had joined together against these twelve men, had sought them out and fought them, but what could even fifty of these poor badly armed weaklings do, against twelve great, strong, well armed, resolute men? the fight had always gone against them, until at length they submitted in silence, the more so as the Spanish authorities closed their eyes to their doings, for the man sent out to Lima by the Spanish king as apoderado, Don Manuel Garcia y Acuña was an exceedingly unprincipled, though clever and avaricious man, and he seeing what was going on argued thus. If I take them all and cut their throats at once, I shall get little by doing it, but if I let them go on until they have got a good store of gold and jewelry together, I shall at one stroke not only enrich myself, by confiscating to my own use the gold they have acquired, but also get the credit of having exterminated a band of ruffians. And this was what had happened, and this was why the Twelve Apostles had been allowed to go on ravaging the country for so long, until at length Don Manuel thought they had enough, and fearing lest they should leave and carry their ill acquired wealth with them, had determined at once on laying them by the heels, but they getting wind of it, buried most of their riches, and came down here to look for a fresh hunting ground. And my cousin was chief of the band, and these are the men with whom I have now to deal. Nevertheless I consider that I am justified in this my undertaking, since I am enabled to obtain a great amount of wealth for the church, without robbing anybody, especially as the tools put into my hands are not of my own seeking. Thus having made all my arrangements, and given instructions to my men as to the size and dimensions of the platform and windlass, and cautioned José Maria as to the conduct of his men during my absence, I set out that same afternoon for Valparaiso, which town, however, I did not reach, for having of a necessity to pass through Santiago, I found the bishop there, and obtained the necessary leave and also an old man to take my place during my trip to the mountains. I told nothing, however, of my project, giving only my failing health as an excuse, for which falsehood I have been justly punished, though hope through God's mercy to obtain His pardon hereafter.

When I got back here to Valdivia I found that as I had expected the work was not only finished, but actually carried up to the mountains, and had it not been for my precaution in telling my friend the skipper not to give the chains up, I should probably never have seen my cousin again, for he would have gone to the mountains, and I should never have found him. So there he was awaiting my return. We went on board the ship and got the chain cut into lengths of ten yards, the four hooks for the corners of the platform, and the rope for use on the windlass. The next day we started, and marching towards the mountains in a south-easterly direction for the space of four hours, came upon a small river running out of a ravine between the hills, at the entrance to which there was a dead tree, struck by lightning.

"Now," said my cousin, "We have to follow this brook for about five leagues and then turn off to the south, get round the base of the mountain, and then climb up the ridge, and it is a damned lot better travelling now, than when we came here first, for now there is no snow."

And that was true, for now it was getting on towards the middle of December. But I was disquieted in my mind for the behaviour of my men, for I saw that they greatly feared these ruffians, and as we walked I now and then caught looks of dread, and also of hatred in their eyes, which caused me to wonder what had been doing during my temporary absence. But José Maria never left my side from the time I returned until we started, and what is more, neither he nor any of his men were, so far as I could see, in any wise intoxicated. He told me that he had bought provisions sufficient for twenty men for three months, and sent them by carriers, hired by him, up to the crater. Also a great quantity of warm rugs, and piece of a sail, and this last gave me more pleasure than all the rest, for it showed a thoughtfulness which I had not credited him with, as also a kindness of heart, and I began to entertain the hope of reclaiming him from his evil life, and so we journeyed on, amicably conversing, though as I afterwards discovered, he was only trying to pump my brains, and get my theories and ideas from me, so as to turn them to his own advantage should he see fit later on to do without me. I know now that he was a thoroughly bad man, though then we were as nearly on friendly terms as might be. Though bound by my oath to relate

the most trivial things, all the conversations we had (and there is little fear of my forgetting those), my own ideas and impressions, and also to describe faithfully the way we took, I cannot describe this latter better than by saying that after finding the blasted tree by the side of the brook, to follow this, and you cannot go wrong, since it runs through the hills from east to west. All that afternoon we travelled over stones and among rocks, and as evening drew on we entered a narrow defile, which looked as though some giant hand had slit a mountain in two, and here, as we were closed in where probably the sun never shone, for the sky appeared as a mere line showing out clear between enormous perpendicular cliffs, many thousands of feet high, it soon grew dark. I became anxious, for I was little used to sleeping in the open, and I knew that to sleep a night in that cold, damp, ravine, with no other clothes except such as I had on, might, or indeed most probably would, bring on a sickness, and this I mentioned to my cousin.

"Fear not," he cried, "for you will find that I have made such preparations for your comfort as though you were the Grand Turk himself. You are very valuable to us, and you will find I have spared no expense or pains to ensure your health and comfort. I know what gentlemen of your cloth are made of, but your education just at this present moment is worth all our brute strength put together. You must be the head, and we will be the hands, if it were not for you we should probably all break our necks down that cursed shaft, but patience only a little longer, and we shall be at our encampment."

And so it happened, for only a few minutes later, on turning an angle of rock, we came upon his eleven companions, some seated, some standing round a great fire, lit on the banks of the stream, and by the side of the fire was a tent made of the sail he had procured.

"That is for your special use," said he, pointing to this, "no one will interfere with you there; there you will be entirely alone, and to-morrow night we shall be at the mouth of our golden well."

There I slept that night on a pile of skins and rugs, and next morning as soon as it was light, for the sun never rose on that dismal defile, we started afresh, but now we left the stream and turned off up another rift in the rocks, many hundreds of feet it seemed to me we climbed before we came to the top of a high ridge, which seemed as though it had been built up by human hands, almost to the top of a tall mountain, and this both my Indian peons and my cousin told me was the extinct volcano of Tupunaires. Up and further up we climbed all day, only halting at midday to eat some cold meat which they had brought, though the exertion tried my legs sorely, and caused me often to have a fit of coughing. My cousin and the others seemed used to mountain climbing, for it affected them not at all, but I who had never climbed a mountain before in my life, besides being then in my fifty-fourth year, felt myself sorely tasked. At length, however, a little before sunset, we reached the summit and glad I was to sit down on a big stone, sheltered from the wind, to rest my weary limbs and cast my eyes around. Far away to the west, between two enormous mountains, I could see the blue waters of the Pacific Ocean, tinged with gold by the setting sun, to the east I got a glimpse of a level dark horizon, which my cousin said were as yet unexplored forests. And below me lay the crater, shaped as my cousin had told me like a cup with a dark orifice in the centre. There, too, I saw the logs and planks that had been cut and levelled off for the platform, and there, also, was the windlass, and I saw that they had built a small house of stones, and covered it in with boards. And that was all I saw then, for I think I must have rubbed my forehead with snow, which he had brought out of the crater as I afterwards found, while the Indian peons stood round, gazing on me with wondering, anxious eyes.

"Come cousin," said he putting his hand under my arm to help me rise, "you must not stay here any longer, my men are erecting your tent down there, lean on me, it is only a few paces and then you can lie down, and rest comfortably; we will give you a hot brew of our own invention, which will bring life into your blood, and send it dancing through your body, and to-morrow we will begin our work."

His kindness affected me, for I did not know then what I found out later, that my life was only valuable to him until I had fulfilled my mission; had he been able to fix the platform for himself, he would not have cared whether I died that minute, nay, I rather fancy he would have preferred it, as I should have been one less to share the spoil; again I knew somewhat about minerals and precious stones, and he had as I afterwards learnt, heard this from some of my people while I was away on my journey to Santiago. But men's characters are not always to be gathered from their words, or their actions, and at that time I misunderstood my cousin, for far from feeling any affection for me, he looked on me only as a necessary tool.

From a shipwright to a bookworm is a long stride, though from a bookworm back to a shipwright, is but a short one, as I found next morning, when I busied myself among my men, measuring off the logs that had to be sawn, mortised, and fitted into one another, and it seemed not more than a month since I left my father's yard in Cadiz, for the saw, and the adze, came as handy to me, as they had done in the days when I finished my prenticeship. My men worked well, and cheerfully, too, under me, though I could see, from a chance look now and then, that they cared but little for my cousin and his crew. Three times that day did I see the little white puff of steam, or vapour, arise out of the whole by which we worked. First in the morning soon after we began to work, again just before midday, and again towards evening. 'Twas as merely a puff of white vapor or steam, for it dissolved as soon as it reached the upper

air. Whence came it? What did it portend? I knew not, and though I racked my brains for all I had heard or read concerning volcanos, I could come to no satisfactory conclusion. I did not for a moment suspect that the volcano was about to break out into activity again, for I knew that before that could happen, we should be warned by subterranean rumblings, or movements of the earth, but this ejection of steam was accompanied by no such things, for barring the noise of the hammer, the saw, and the adze, and of course the voices of our men, there was no sound, for nature up there was a silent as the grave.

That night we finished putting together the framework of the platform, fixed the legs of the windlass, and bolted on the iron hooks to each corner, and for the following day only remained to dig the holes to bury the ends of the chains which were to support it, and to nail on the floor. My cousin and his men were delighted with the progress we had made, and treated me with the utmost kindness, and consideration, but what surprised me most was, that though they had caused two good sized kegs of strong waters to be conveyed up there, none of them got drink. My cousin served out a panikin to each man at midday, and another at sunset, and beyond that not a man of them touched it. Neither did I hear a profane, or obscene expression from their lips, and I began to think that my influence was beginning to tell on them. Fool that I was! how little did I know them.

That night, for some reason I know not what, I could not sleep, my mind was busy with thoughts of the treasure which lay so near, wondering whether it were for good, or evil, that it had been put there, and why the Divine Power should have chosen these men from among the thousands who inhabit the earth, to find it. While thus pondering on these things, and turning uneasily on my couch of skins, I was startled by a sound outside my tent, the like of which I had never heard before. The moon was shining brightly, and the night was still and warm, for there, inside the cup like cavity of the crater, we were sheltered from the wind, which in those high regions never ceases to blow. So being restless and urged thereto by curiosity as well, I rose, and pulling open the door of my tent, looked out.

There on the very edge of the crater, and directly in front of me, sat three huge birds, which from their colour, and the attitude in which they were sitting, I knew at once to be condors. Their wings were half spread open, and their heads craned forward, staring at the sleeping men. I being a priest, should have no superstitious fears, but, I must confess a feeling of dread came over me, as though I had seen an omen of evil, but as I looked, they, all with one accord, threw their heads back over their wings, and again I heard the old half croaking, half cackling sound I heard when in my tent, and then they all took wing. Straight over us they flew, and circling round soared higher with each circle that they made, until at length no longer could I see them, though once again I heard the same wierd, wicked sound. Soon after this I slept, nor did I awake until my cousin, shaking me by the arm, told me that my peons were waiting to begin their day's work. Carefully we measured an exact square, at the four corners of which I marked the holes which we had to make to bury the ends of the chains which were to support the platform; and there we met with great difficulty, since the holes had to be made in solid stone, and this work took eight men, two at each hole, two days, for they had to be made each one a full yard deep, and pounded in with earth, so that by no possibility could they pull out, the other four men, for I had only kept twelve to help me, having to go down to the river to bring up earth in canvas buckets. On the afternoon of the following day the chains were fast, and my cousin to test their strength, got his eleven companions and they all hawled on to them, but the strain not being a straight one, but a pull at right angles, made no impression, they could not move them by the hundredth part of an inch. The following morning we hooked two opposite corners of the platform to the hanging chains and with ropes attached to the other two hooks, both to support it, and prevent it turning over and hanging upside down, we lowered it gently over the edge, to the full length of the two attached chains; and then one of my men swarming down gained the platform, and hooked on the two remaining ones, and there it hung as firm and solid as the mountain itself.

"Bravo, cousin," shouted José Maria, as he stood gazing at the hanging platform, "I see you have not forgotten your old trade, though you have donned clothes of an unbecoming cut and colour, and well do you deserve your share, the thirteenth part, an unlucky number though, and I mistake not, but you shall have it good or bad be which it will.

We soon knocked together a ladder so as to make the descent on to the platform easier, and then my cousin and the man Mateo went down and arranged the rope on the windlass, and all was ready. He had thought of everything, provisions were in abundance, cooking utensils and firewood, lamps and oil. The twelve Indian peons he also decided to retain, saying that they might be useful in case anything was wanted from the village, and also to do the cooking, carry water when the snow, of which there was still a little left in the more shaded parts of the crater, was used up.

Two of his men were always to remain above ground to keep them in order. When all was ready he first made the descent into the dark black hole. Mateo, who seemed to be second in command, went next, and then followed three of his men, and next he shouted for me to come, and as I seated myself in the sling to be lowered I must confess that curiosity got the better of my fear. It was as I had been told, after leaving the mouth of the hole the sides widened out, and as they lowered me I saw that I was in a large room or cavern, the sides or walls of which were of solid blackened stone.

It was impossible to see everything in the short space of time occupied in my descent, for though they all held lighted lamps the space was far too large for their feeble light to illuminate it all. But as I felt the solid rock once more beneath my feet I saw quite plainly the two openings or tunnels my cousin had discovered, and lying round the bones of several men.

Great God, I thought to myself, my cousin has told the truth, but why of all men in the world should such a thing have been revealed to him. But there came a time, and that before very long, when I no longer wondered, for heaven has reasons, often not to be seen by men, for all it does.

"Welcome, cousin Peter, to the realms of darkness, to the treasure house of the world, when we go hence we shall be the richest men on earth, how our friends will puzzle their heads to find out where our wealth comes from. But come, and I will show you where we got that piece of gold from which I showed you the other day."

And as he spoke he moved towards the round hole or tunnel which lay on the left hand of the cave, but just as he was about to enter there came a sudden gust of wind, warm damp and with a quantity of white steam or haze which put out all the lamps and left us all in darkness. Several of the men fell on their knees in their terror, invoking the aid of the saints, but my cousin in great wrath and with much blasphemous language bade them get up again and light their lamps, for he alone among all his men was consistent: never once did I hear him call upon the Saints or even name them except to curse them for some piece of bad luck which he invariably laid to their charge. And he it was who first obtained a flame by which the other lamps were lit. And then once more we turned towards the mouth of the circular cavern. The steam had gone out with the breath of wind, and we knew from having seen it for three consecutive days that it would not come again for four or five hours, and in that space of time we could see much. He soon found the place from which he had cut the piece of gold I had first beheld in my own room, and the marks of the knives where they had hacked it off were still apparent. Further on we found another small piece bulging out in shape somewhat like a fig, for it seemed that as it had run out it had suddenly cooled. The men were now scattered up and down all about the tunnel searching for gold, and finding it everywhere in greater or lesser quantities, but presently one of them called my attention to a matter which otherwise I might not have noticed, and this was that only on one side of the place had the gold run out, and I found that on looking on the opposite wall that though there were plenty of cracks they were all empty. This puzzled me exceedingly for a time, though the explanation of it was simple enough when I found it out, which I did by thrusting my knife into one of these cracks, for then I found that they slanted downwards away from the outside, and looking up to the roof or ceiling I at once saw that the stratum of the rock ran across the cavern in a slanting manner from right to left, so that while the molten metal on the right hand ran out from the side, that on the left must naturally have run further in or away from us. But now that we had found gold, and there was no longer any doubt about it, my cousin called a council to determine what was best to be done. Should we remain where we were, or should we explore the place to the very end? "Who knows," said he, "but what we may find some place where it has run out in such quantities that we need not trouble to pick these small bits from the wall, but find as much in one slab as a man can lift." Some were for remaining, others for going on, so as it seemed difficult to come to any agreement about the matter, he decided to put it to the vote; those who wished to explore, to hold up their hands. Five were for exploring and four for remaining, but I urged there by curiosity, for I was exceeding anxious to know where the mist or steam came from, held up my hand with those who wished to explore, and thus decided the matter, for even had my cousin wished to remain mine would have been the deciding vote.

"I believe you are right, Pedro," he said, when he had counted hands, "I think that down below we shall find a richer haul than this, so come along, let us decide the matter at once."

We started walking very slowly, for the descent was steep, and as we went we passed many large pieces, though sometimes only very small specks showed, but as we got lower the walls, roof and floor shone with moisture and the air felt hot and damp. Several times we passed pieces hanging from the roof like icicles, while on the floor were large flat lumps like cakes. Down, down we went, always turning to the right, at no place could we see a greater distance than forty paces in front, so that I knew we were descending by a spiral tunnel into the bowels of the earth. At one time, having then been, so far as I could calculate, about one hour's march from the cavern where the bones of the dead men lay, we came to what seemed to be the end of the rock, for there the tunnel suddenly opened out, the floor beneath our feet was slippery with the damp, and on pushing my knife into the side I found the earth was tolerably soft and quite white, but this we soon passed through; in this we found no gold. The next stratum of rock we reached was blacker than the first, more ragged with cracks and far more gold had melted out, since in some places it had run out of the side and down to the floor, where it had cooled in flat slabs. My cousin and his men were overjoyed at this.

"God's Truth," said he, "trust a priest for scenting out gold, your fortune grows, cousin, with every yard you go, the only pity is you don't know how to spend it."

But I was unaccustomed to so much exercise, and my limbs were getting weary, so I begged them to halt a while that I might rest, to which he agreed, and I sat down to meditate on the wonders we had found. My cousin came and sat down by me and began to discuss

the means of getting all this gold away. He suggested getting it out of the mountain and having it carried down to the sea shore by my peons, and buried there until some favourable chance came for them to get clear away with it. "For," said he, "were it to get abroad that I and my men had found it, there would not be wanting men to hatch up some story of our doings in Peru to have us cast into prison in order to confiscate it all, and that would also include your thirteenth part."

So seeing that what he said was true, and not wishing to lose my share to which indeed I considered myself fully entitled, I agreed, only suggesting that instead of burying it on the coast where at any time it was liable to be discovered, we should hide it in a cellar I had caused to be made under my own house, but to this he, doubtless judging me by himself, refused to agree, saying that perhaps it would be better after all to leave it in the first cavern under the crater, as no one would be likely to ascend the mountain for mere pleasure and the Indians would be afraid to come down.

I asked him whether he intended returning to the surface that night, for I felt as though I should never be able to make the journey in one trip, for if it had been hard work coming down how much worse would it be ascending that spiral road. He laughed at this.

"No," he cried, "neither you nor I will probably see the light of day again for a month, now we are here we will finish our work and while the gold lasts out we will remain where we are. I will send four men back from here to bring fire wood, provisions, and skins and rugs to sleep on, for while the gold lasts I don't mean to move outside, nor I expect would my men care to do so either, and as for you, why you are so exceedingly useful to us that I am afraid we must keep you too."

A deadly terror came over me at his words, for I knew, although up till now he had treated me with kindness, that he had the reputation of being a cruel and blood thirsty man. What, I thought, would prevent him from leaving me down there alone to perish miserably when no longer of any use to him, and by this means save my share for himself. But this latter argument, when at length I could think calmly I cast aside as absurd, for there was for more there than either he or all his men could ever spend. He now got up and ordered four men to return for the necessary articles, and for this duty they drew lots, none of them choosing of his own accord to go, and then we once more started on our downward journey. After about an hour the tunnel grew wider and less steep the floor more level and the roof considerably higher though the air at every step we went grew warmer and more damp, until at length on turning a corner we saw before us a wide level opening and at the end what seemed to be a sheet of water. The men all shouted in amazement, and so in truth did I, for none of us had expected anything of the kind, for my part I expected to find large open caverns, but then what one expects so seldom comes to pass. But here we saw no gold, nor indeed had we seen any for some time.

As we approached the lake, for such it turned out to be, we saw that the roof extended up for a considerable distance, though how far we were unable to discern, for steam continually rose from off the water, and rising hid it from our view. The tunnel ended here, for the sides abruptly widened out on either side, and though we held our lamps aloft above our heads we could see no land or rocks or further side whatever; before us stretched the water, and beyond, one dark mass of gloom. One thing I noticed and that was that the bank sloped away from us in a gentle decline, and on this the water advanced and receded continually, each time coming up about three paces, but not a sound of any sort could we hear, and when I put my hand in it, it was quite warm and tasted perfectly fresh.

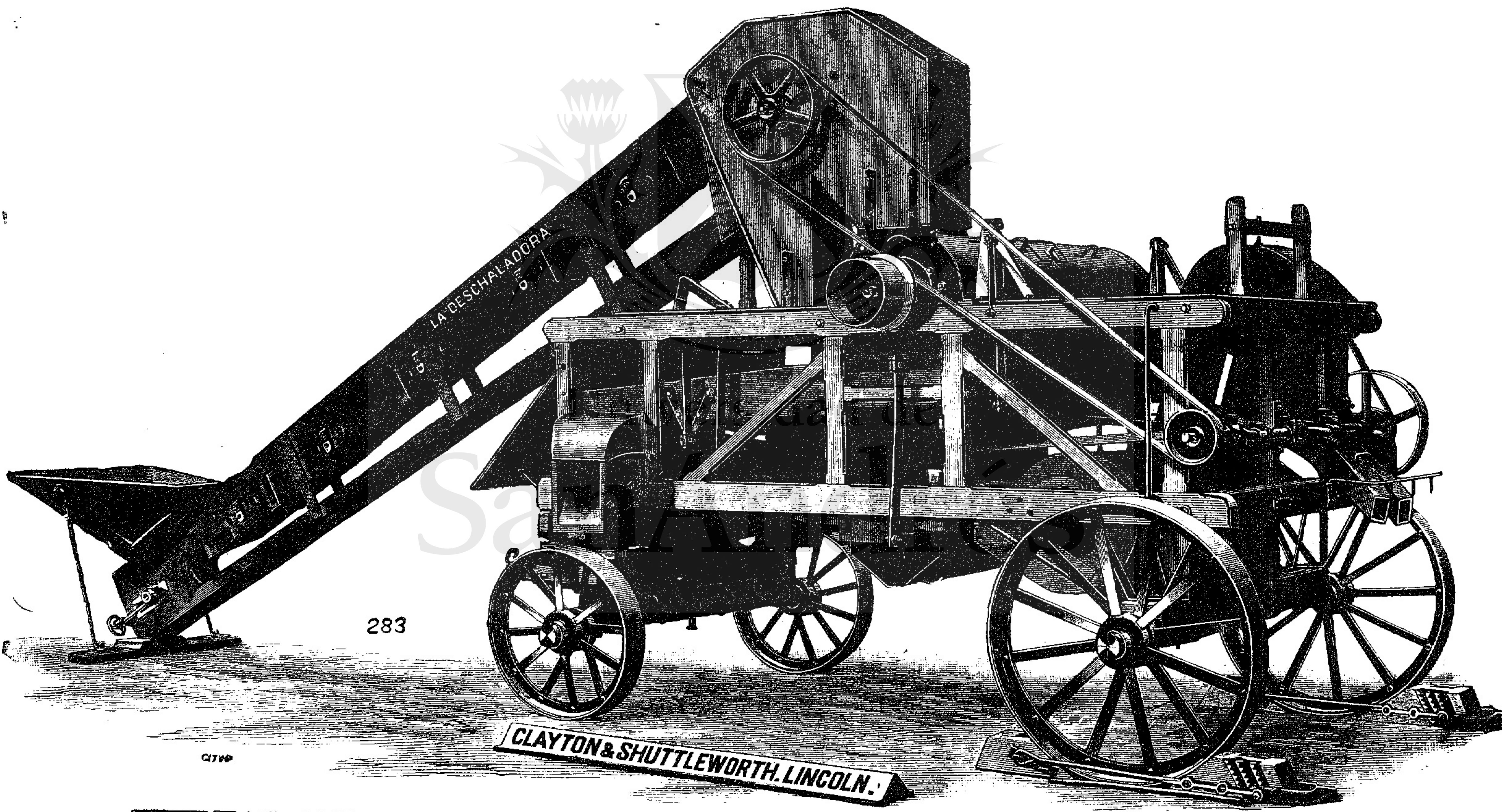
My cousin walked backwards and forwards along the edge, for on either side the walls of the tunnel came perpendicularly down, searching for a way to get round what seemed merely a pillar of rock on our right hand, and seeing the gradual slope and apparent shallowness of the water, he boldly advanced until the water came half way to the knee, almost had he reached the outer edge of the rock, another two yards or so and he would be round it, when on a sudden with a curse he disappeared, down into the water. Three men ran in, and feeling the bottom carefully with their feet, soon found the ledge over which he had fallen, and he coming up almost immediately they seized him by his clothes and dragged him out. He sputtered and cursed for some time after we had seated him on the shore, for he had lost his lamp and swallowed more water in that short space of time, than ever he had done before wine in a day. Cursing he fell in, cursing he was when we dragged him out, and now he sat there and cursed us all for not having pulled him out sooner. But Providence had heard his blasphemies, and speedily punished him in a manner which came near causing us all to lose our lives. Not wishing to listen to him, and not daring to reprove him, for I knew not but that in his rage he might even do me a personal injury, I picked up my lamp and walked a few paces along the edge of that solitary lake. Suddenly I stood still listening, for me thought that in the distance beyond, or over the water, I heard a low humming sound, and then with a gurgling noise the waters muddily receded several yards, thereby laying bare the ledge over which my cousin had fallen. For a moment I stood thus, and then turning my eyes forward and upward, I saw a sight which caused me to turn and fly, screaming out in my terror to my companions to do the same; and well it might strike terror into any heart however bold. Right in front of me and some feet higher than my head, was a wall of water black as ink, rolling steadily in our direction, above it a cloud of white haze rushed on towards me, and the humming I had heard now became a mighty roar.

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