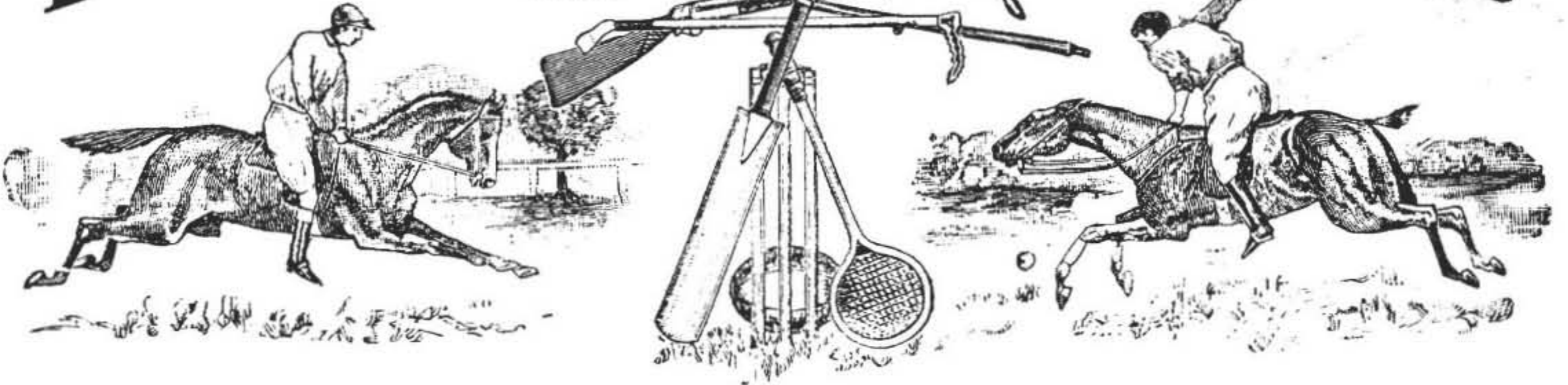


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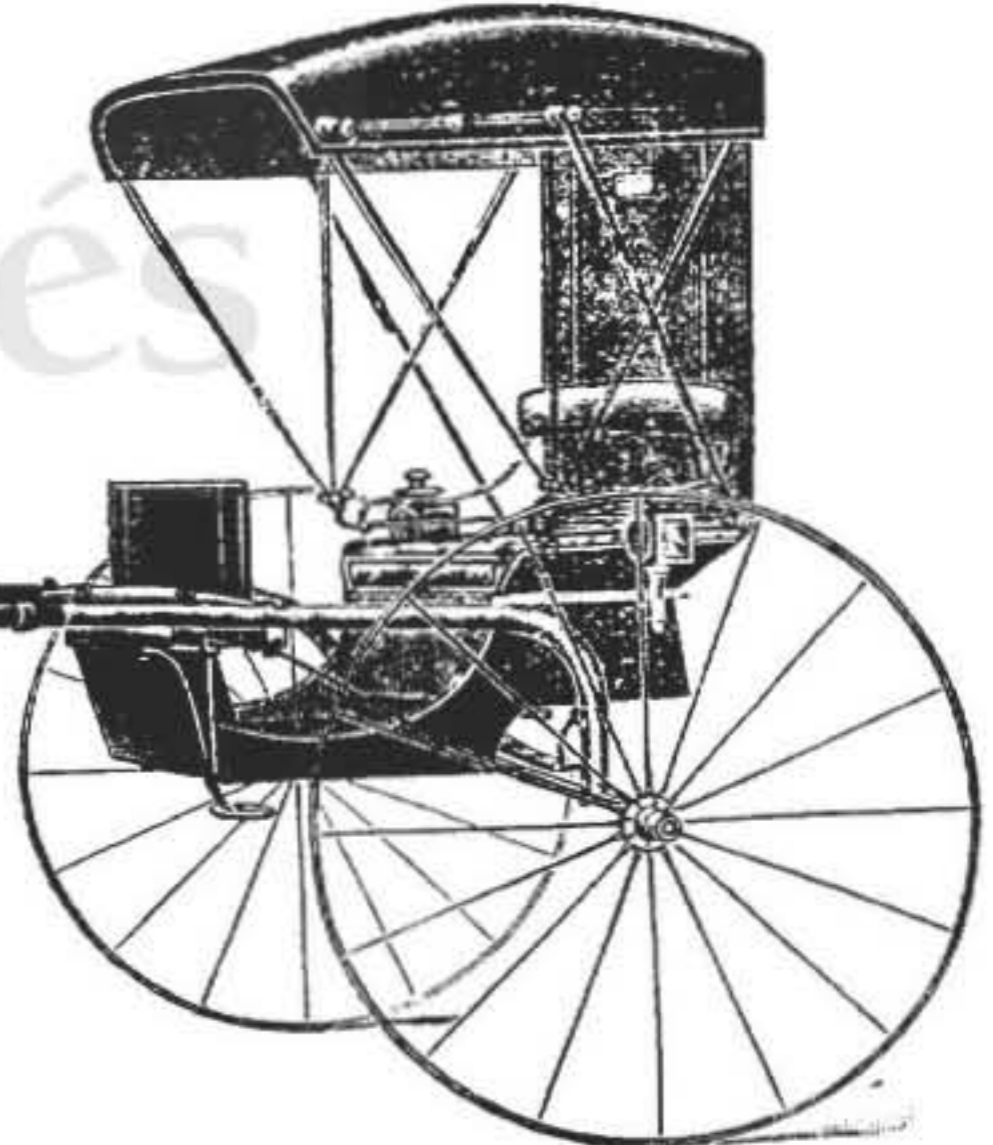
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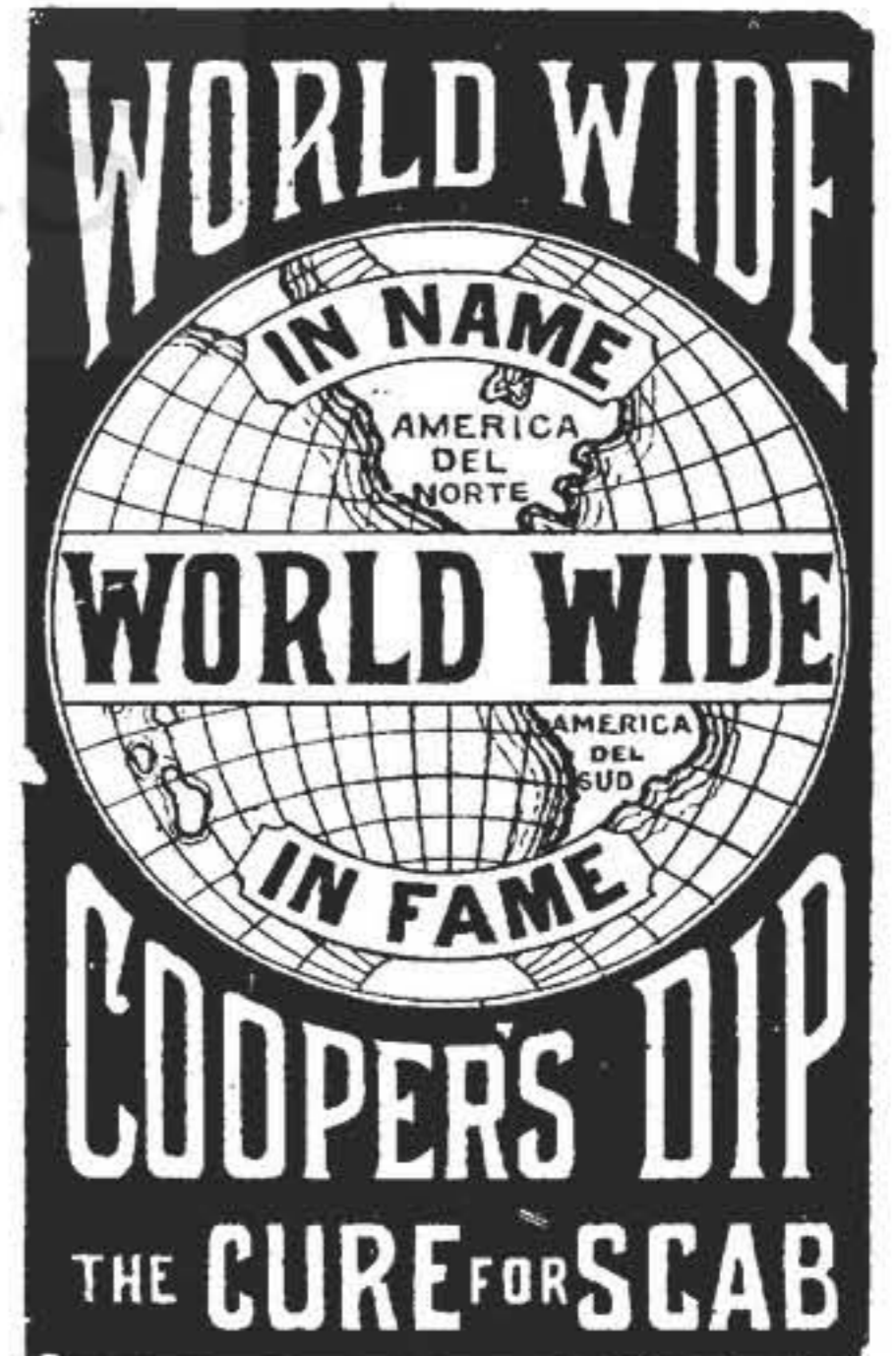
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# River Plate Sport and Pastime

BUENOS AIRES, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1900.

## RACING.

### PALERMO—DECEMBER 31

A good programme provided by the Jockey Club for the last day of their season, and of the year, was considerably interfered with by the awful heat. Not only was the sun very powerful, but the north wind felt like a veritable Sirocco and not a mouthful of fresh air was to be obtained during the whole afternoon. So hot was it that the jockeys after shewing on the course were allowed to come back to the paddock and stand their horses in the stalls till it was time for the race. The card was not spoilt by desertions and the racing was very good, but there could not be the usual animation.

In the Classic, the Stud Oriol with Orizon and Oribe were made great favourites with Cacique for second string, but none of them were placed. Vivaracho made the pace too hot for the field, but a strong challenge at the finish from Pillastre and Cyrano gave the race to the brother of Pillito, who seems inclined to emulate his great relation.

The useful Athou disposed of the light weights in fine style in the 2000 metres for youngsters, and the grand Coquimbo, who has at last got back his form, did the same for a crowd in the 1400 metres handicap.

The sensation of the day came from Gonin, who won the 2200 metres easily from Guttemberg, Leon, and Uropo, and being pulled out for the final 2400 metres carrying 62 kilos carried it off also from Don Pepe, Eúskaro, Balcarce, etc., and this is the horse that was beaten by Uropo the other day!

The following are the details:—

**PREMIO TERMINUS**, for three-year-olds that have not won. Weight 57 and 55 kilos. \$1800 to first, 200 to second. 1300 metres.  
 Jorge Atucha's Princesa, by Esperanza—Condesa, 55 k.....I. Diaz 1  
 Stud Monti's Eva, 55 k.....G. Palacios 2  
 General Paz' Arica, 55 k.....S. Urrutia 3  
 Also ran—Terminus, Westfalia, Rataplan, Americano, Triunfo, Reba to, Masaniello, Dalila, and Salamandra.  
 Dividends—Princesa \$18.60 win and 6 place, Eva 3.65 place, Arica 20.20 place.

**PREMIO A RECLAMAR**, for horses that have not won more than two Selling Plates, and have not won more than \$8000. Weight, three years 58 four years and more 60 kilos. The winner to be sold for \$2500. Those entered to be sold for less to be allowed 3 kilos for each \$500 reduction, 3 kilos extra for every win. \$1800 to first, 200 to second. 1600 metres.

Petite Ecurie's Laprida, by Eridan—Lise Fleuron, 1 y, 51 k.....I. Diaz 1  
 Stud Las Piedras' Julia, 4 y, 46 k.....F. Liceri 2  
 A. Lincoln's Rústico, 3 y, 52 k.....J. Cardoso 3  
 Also ran—Soliman, Piloto, Libertador, Punilla, Atico, Bambola, and Corsaria.  
 Dividends—Laprida \$4.60 win and 3.15 place, Julia 13.45 place, Rústico 13.25 place.

**PREMIO TERMINACION**, for horses that have been a year in the country and have not won more than \$20,000 in 1899. Weight, three years 50 kilos, four years and more 55 kilos, 3 kilos extra to winners this year of \$4 to \$1000 5 kilos of \$8 to \$2,000, and 7 kilos of more than \$2,000. \$2300 to first, 200 to second. 2200 metres.

Ecurie Pichiman's Gonin, by Gay Hermit—Ante Diem, 5 y, 60 k  
 P. Aguilera 1  
 Stud San José's Guttemberg, 5 y, 60 k.....P. Aguirre 2  
 Stud Calchin's Leon, 3 y, 57 k.....M. Peñalosa 3  
 Also ran—Uropo.  
 Dividend—Gonin \$4.55 win.

**PREMIO CLAUSURA**, for horses that have run in Classics during the year and have not won more than \$8000. Weight, three years 50 kilos, four years and more 56 kilos, 3 kilos extra to winners of one or more Classics of not more than \$5000, 3 kilos allowed to those who have not won in 1899. \$4000 to first, 500 to second, 1600 metres.

Stud Don Gonzalo's Pillastre, by Neapolis—Picardia, 3 y, 50 k  
 J. Sarthou 1  
 Stud Los Andes' Cyrano, 4 y, 56 k.....S. Urrutia 2  
 Petite Ecurie's Vivaracho, 3 y, 50 k.....I. Diaz 3  
 Also ran—Pildora Azul, Chicharron, Alarife, Graco, Oribe, Orizon, and Cacique.  
 Dividends—Pillastre \$16.65 win and 4.85 place Cyrano 6.50 place, Vivaracho 5.90 place.

**PREMIO CLOTURE**, handicap for three-year-olds that have run. \$2200 to first, 200 to second. 2000 metres.

Mr Ipso's Athou, by Acheron—Rosy Cheeks, 57 k.....J. Olmos 1  
 Stud Gordon's Lybia, 47 k.....F. Liceri 2  
 Ecurie Nautilus' Lord, 53 k.....F. Olivera 3  
 Also ran—Maravilla, Caprice, Aurore, Judío, Lady Ortiga, and Iris.  
 Dividends—Athou \$5.90 win and 2.70 place, Lybia 3.50 place, Lord 3.45 place.

**PREMIO FINISH**, handicap for all horses. \$2000 to first, 200 to second. 1400 metres.

Ecurie Agraciada's Coquimbo, by Orbit—Columbia, 6 y, 60 k.S. Urrutia 1  
 Stud Don Gonzalo's Travieso, 4 y, 56 k.....J. Olmos 2  
 Ecurie Royal's Royal, 4 y, 60 k.....H. Valdez 3  
 Also ran—Calvino, Redoutable, Palermo, Veneno, Austerlitz, Iron King, Guña, Porthos, Fagotin, Rivera, Bohemio, Corsaria, and Clamor.  
 Dividends—Coquimbo \$26.35 win and 9.30 place, Travieso 5.35 place, Royal 4.95 place.

**PREMIO FINAL**, handicap for all horses, limited between 62 and 50 kilos' \$2500 to first, 200 to second. 2400 metres.

Ecurie Pichiman's Gonin, by Gay Hermit—Ante Diem, 5 y, 62 k  
 P. Aguilera 1  
 Petite Ecurie's Balcarce, 5 y, 52 k.....I. Diaz 2  
 Stud Escobedo's Eúskaro, 4 y, 59 k.....J. Olmos 3  
 Also ran—Don Pepe, Dante, Guazunambi, Octubre, Ovacion, and Chacabuco.  
 Dividends—Gonin \$17.95 win and 5.45 place, Balcarce 5.40 place, Eúskaro 3.05 place.

### BELGRANO—JANUARY 1.

The first meeting of the year, and of the Belgrano summer season, took place duly, with a good programme and tolerable weather. The sirocco of the previous day was replaced by a cooler breeze which, however, became somewhat stormy as the day advanced, and the dust made things very unpleasant for the last two races. The attendance was better than we have been accustomed to, and there was enough animation to make a good beginning for the Club. Mr Hoewel having resigned, a new starter was tried, who gave signs of shaping well with a little practice.

Uropo took the opening mile comfortably from Portugal, and seems to like winning now he has begun at seven years old.

Chato won the maiden easily from Rataplan, who did the running, the unlucky Leopardo being relegated to fourth this time.

Galette, who has been absent for some time, came out strong in the Selling Plate, doing all the running and being able to resist a strong challenge from Querandie and Tormenta, though if the former could have got through sooner, the result might have been changed.

Evangelina tried the same system in the mile handicap, but was run down at the paddock by Calvino, who went into win by a length from Abrojo, these two being clear away from the rest.

Emir, who has been down on his luck for some time, shewed that there is still a kick left in him by winning the 1200 metres in his old style from a field of seventeen.

Picquart, who seems to be following in the footsteps of his brother Ecarté, won the young ones' mile with great ease.

The day wound up with a good win in the 2000 metres by Octubre, who was by no means thought, on late form, to be equal to Guttemberg at even weights, and paid a good dividend in consequence.

The following are the details:—

**PREMIO GUAMINI**, for horses of four years and more that have been a year in the country and have not won more than \$5000. Weight 52 kilos, 3 kilos extra for every win, 3 kilos allowed to losers. \$1200 to first, 100 to second. 1600 metres.

Stud Junin's Uropo, by Stiletto—Mariposa, aged, 58 k.....I. Diaz 1  
 Stud Navarro's Portugal, 5 y, 58 k.....M. Suarez 2  
 Stud Oriol's Mandrin, 4 y, 49 k.....M. Coll 3  
 Also ran—Yapeyá, Libertador, Ayacucho, Punilla, and Falstaff.  
 Dividends—Uropo \$4 win and 2.40 place, Portugal 3.10 place, Mandrin 3.20 place.

**PREMIO ISMENIS**, for three-year-olds that have not won. Weight 54 and 52 kilos. \$1400 to first, 100 to second, 1200 metres.

Stud Navarro's Chato, by Rusticus—Mare by St. Simon, 54 k  
 M. Suarez 1  
 Stud El Derby's Rataplan, 54 k.....P. Aguilera 2  
 Stud Ituzaingo's Motin, 54 k.....P. Aguirre 3  
 Also ran—Rebato, Gurupi, Leopardo, Dora, Armenia, Regalia, Tandilera, Dalila, Raina del Salado, Arica, and Culebrina.  
 Dividends—Chato \$8.20 win and 3.75 place, Rataplan 4.95 place, Motin 5.70 place.

**PREMIO REMATE**, for all horses. The winner to be sold for \$3000. Those entered to be sold for less to be allowed 3 kilos for each \$500 reduction, 3 kilos extra for every win in a Premio Remate in 1899. Weight, three years 57 kilos, four years and more 60 kilos. \$1400 to first, 100 to second. 1900 metres.

Ecurie Galette's Galéte, by Gloriation—Carmeline, 5 y, 52 k  
 C. Bustos 1

Ecurie Sans Souci's Querandie, 4 y, 51 k..... S. Urrutia 2  
 Stud Los Cardos' Tormenta, 3 y, 46 k..... J. Rivas 3  
 Also ran—Juncal, Piloto, Reyezuelo, Samory, Reserva, Tula, Bambola, and Mundano.  
 Dividends—Galette \$54.65 win and 11.45 place, Querandie 3.80 place, Tormenta 10.60 place.

PREMIO DIXERO, handicap for all horses, \$1600 to first, 100 to second, 1600 metres.

Stud El Derby's Calvino, by Camors—Tottie, 4 y, 45 k..... C. Bustos 3  
 Ecurie Jupiter's Abrojo, 3 y, 52 k..... I. Diaz 2  
 Stud Carhué's Huapi, 5 y, 55 k..... S. Urrutia 3  
 Also ran—Tantalo, Veneno, Doblete, 9 de Julio, Evangelina, Victoriosa, Casuarina, and Reduccion.  
 Dividends—Calvino \$21.45 win and 5.70 place, Abrojo 5.25 place, Huapi 3.65 place.

PREMIO ROYAL, handicap for all horses, \$1500 to first, 100 to second, 1200 metres.

Stud Revolution's Emir, Emir, by El Amigo—Empress, 5 y, 54 k..... P. Aguirre 1  
 Stud La Confianza's Friolera, 1 y, 52 k..... S. Urrutia 2  
 Stud Calchin's Ameliana, 5 y, 55 k..... M. Peñalosa 3  
 Also ran—Alarife, Palermo, Redoutable, La Negra, Frontin, Chingolo, Porthos, Mein Herr, Copeda, Egypcia, Don Carlos, Vulcano, Diana and Coracero.  
 Dividends—Emir \$13.80 win and 4.95 place, Friolera 12.40 place, Ameliana 9.80 place.

PREMIO LE PAYS, for three-year olds that have not won Classics, Weight 50 and 48 kilos, 3 kilos extra for every win, \$1600 to first, 100 to second, 1600 metres.

Stud Don Gonzalo's Picquart, by Asturian—Soledad, 53 k..... J. Olmos 1  
 Stud Carhué's Seida, 54 k..... S. Urrutia 2  
 Stud Floresta's Hortensia, 51 k..... J. Olmos 3  
 Also ran—Le Pays, Pájaro, Pito Ué, Tres Arroyos, and Guirapirú.  
 Dividends—Picquart \$3.90 win and 2.45 place, Seida 2.95 place, Hortensia 4.90 place.

PREMIO ORIZON, handicap for all horses, \$1800 to first, 100 to second, 2000 metres.

Stud Recuerdo's Octubre, by Mivoin—Thetis, 4 y, 53 k..... J. Olmos 1  
 Stud San José's Guttemberg, 5 y, 53 k..... P. Aguirre 2  
 Ecurie Lomas' Rob Roy, 5 y, 50 k..... H. Trejo 3  
 Also ran—Dinero, Lanza Seca, Lunfardo, Libertador, Victorioso, and Molécula.  
 Dividends—Octubre \$15.65 win and 4.35 place, Guttemberg 3.10 place, Rob Roy 7.25 place.

## POLO.

### HURLINGHAM.

Wednesday, Dec. 27.—Six members turned out at 6.30 a.m. on the above day and played four chukkers with the following sides:

Mullaly	Furber
Bedford	Drabble
Sanderson	Harnett

Mullaly's side proved much the stronger and won by six goals to two.

Friday, Dec. 29.—Only five players appeared at 6.30 a.m. on Friday last so only a little practice could be indulged in.

Sunday, Dec. 31.—At 9 a.m. on Sunday last four good chukkers were played by the following sides:

F. Kinchant	J. M. Mullaly
B. Bedford	T. Robson
E. D. Drabble	A. S. Willes
C. Jefferies	A. Harnett

A better game than usual resulted, Kinchant's team winning by four goals to two. The ground was very fast.

## LAWN TENNIS.

### BELGRANO ATHLETIC CLUB. ANNUAL SPRING TOURNAMENT.

The above tournament, which has now been concluded, must be regarded as one of the most successful ever held by the club. The entries were very numerous, and many of the games closely contested, the final of the Club Championship especially being well fought out. The tournament proved a veritable triumph for W. Bell, who won the Championship Singles, the Open Singles, and the Gentlemen's Doubles, a fairly useful record.

Below we give the details of the semi-finals and finals:

#### GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES—CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP.

##### Semi-finals—

Graham beat Dowson, 6-1, 6-0.  
 Bell beat Macdonald, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.

##### Finals—

Bell beat Graham, 6-4, 6-5, 6-3.

#### GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES.

##### Semi-finals—

Mackinnon (- 1/2 30) beat Macdonald (- 1/2 30), 0-6, 6-4, 6-2.  
 Bell (- 30) w.o. agst Brodie (+ 1/2 30).

##### Finals—

Bell beat Mackinnon, 6-1, 1-6, 6-4.

#### GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES.

##### Semi-finals—

Graham and Macdonald (- 30) beat J.E. and N.G. Forrester (scr), 6-5, 6-3.  
 Bell and Mackinnon (- 30) beat Cripps and Wilson (+ 15) 6-4, 6-0.

##### Finals—

Bell and Mackinnon beat Graham and Macdonald, 6-3, 6-2.

#### LADIES' SINGLES.

##### Semi-finals—

Mrs Graham (- 1/2 15) beat Mrs Wilson (+ 15), 2-6, 6-4, 6-4.  
 Mrs Broome (- 15) beat Miss V. Rugeroni (+ 15), 6-2, 6-4.

##### Finals—

Mrs Graham beat Mrs Broome, 6-1, 6-2.

#### MIXED DOUBLES.

##### Semi-finals—

Miss Nelson and Macdonald (- 30) beat Miss Stockdale and Carrick (- 1/2 15), 3-6, 6-4, 6-1.  
 Mr and Miss V. Rugeroni (+ 15) beat Miss Martindale and Mace (- 2/6 15), 6-3, 1-6, 6-3.

##### Finals—

Miss Nelson and Macdonald beat Mr and Miss V. Rugeroni 6-3, 6-4.

#### B.A.L.T.C. v. SANTA LUCIA L.T.C.

The above match of the Championship series was played on Sunday last at Cinco Esquinas. The heat was terrific and naturally affected the play all round to a considerable extent. The visitors turned up three short but obtained substitutes, and were eventually beaten by twelve matches to four.

The following are the details of the score:—

#### B.A.L.T.C.

R. C. Jones and W. Lovett beat  
 F. Jacobs and H. Mohr Bell, 6-2, 6-3.  
 C. Nixon and J. Page, 6-1, 6-3.  
 T. Gregory and G. McHardy, 6-2, 6-2.  
 C. Menzies and D. Leighton, 6-4, 3-6, 6-2.  
 L. Corry-Smith and H. H. Woodgate beat  
 C. Nixon and J. Page, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.  
 T. Gregory and G. McHardy, 6-1, 6-3.  
 C. Menzies and D. Leighton, 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.  
 F. Jacobs and H. Mohr Bell, 6-5, 6-2.

T. V. M. Knox and E. Conder beat  
 C. Menzies and D. Leighton, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4.  
 C. Nixon and J. Page, 6-3, 6-0.  
 T. Gregory and G. McHardy, 6-3, 6-2.

F. Bethell and H. L. Knight beat  
 T. Gregory and G. McHardy, 6-1, 6-4.

#### Santa Lucia L.T.C.

F. Jacobs and H. Mohr-Bell beat  
 T. V. M. Knox and E. Conder, 6-3, 6-4.  
 F. Bethell and H. L. Knight, 5-6, 6-2, 6-0.  
 C. Nixon and J. Page beat  
 F. Bethell and H. L. Knight, 2-6, 6-4, 6-1.  
 C. Menzies and D. Leighton beat  
 F. Bethell and H. L. Knight, 2-6, 6-4.

#### FIXTURES FOR 1899-1900.

##### JANUARY.

Sat. 6—Buenos Aires v. Lomas, at Recoleta.  
 Sun. 7—Quilmes v. Santa Lucia, at Quilmes.  
 Sun. 14—Flores v. Buenos Aires, at Flores.  
 Sun. 21—Lomas v. Flores, at Lomas.  
 Sun. 28—Quilmes v. Belgrano, at Quilmes.

##### FEBRUARY.

Fri. 2—Buenos Aires v. Belgrano, at Recoleta.  
 Sun. 4—Lomas v. Santa Lucia, at Lomas.  
 Sun. 11—Flores v. Belgrano, at Flores.  
 Sun. 18—Quilmes v. Buenos Aires, at Quilmes.  
 Sun. 25—Santa Lucia v. Quilmes, at Santa Lucia.

MARCH.

Sun. 4—Santa Lucia v. Buenos Aires, at Santa Lucia.  
 Sun. 11—Lomas v. Buenos Aires, at Lomas.  
 Sun. 18—Quilmes v. Lomas, at Quilmes.

APRIL.

Sun. 1—Santa Lucia v. Flores, at Santa Lucia.  
 Sun. 8—Flores v. Lomas, at Flores.  
 Sun. 15—Belgrano v. Santa Lucia, at Belgrano.  
 Sun. 22—Lomas v. Belgrano, at Lomas.  
 Sun. 29—Santa Lucia v. Lomas, at Santa Lucia.

MAY.

Sun. 6—Flores v. Quilmes, at Flores.

ATHLETICS.

MONTEVIDEO ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The following are the entries and handicaps for the athletic sports which will be held on the Albion Ground at Paso Molino on Saturday next.

Throwing the Hammer—D. R. Gunn, scr—H. C. Alexander, 4 ft—A. Gunn, 8 ft—P. C. Towers, 12 ft—A. Andreoli, 15 ft.

Throwing the Cricket Ball—T. H. Hallowes, scr—F. Cutler, 16 yds—A. Camacho, 20 yds.

100 Yards Flat Race—1st Heat—H. S. N. Luckly, 1 yd—L. Deagustini, 4 yds—A. J. Shaw, 5 yds—R. Vanrell, 7 yds.  
 Second Heat—A. E. Jones, 2 yds—A. Gunn, 2 yds—W. Davies, 3 yds—G. F. Strauch, 4 yds.

Third Heat—J. R. Sardeson, scr—G. S. Swinden, 1 yd—F. Cutler, 3 yds—Staunton Hill, 4 yds—J. Fallows, 5 yds.

Putting the Shot—H. C. Alexander, scr—J. D. Hogge, 3 ft—M. Bordoni, 4 ft—E. Cardenal 4 ft 6 in—A. Andreoli, 4 ft 6 in—C. Schubert, 5 ft—P. C. Towers, 7 ft—J. R. Sardeson, 7 ft—C. Sturzenegger, 8 ft.

300 Yards Flat Race (Members only)—J. R. Sardeson, scr—G. S. Swinden, 5 yds—A. E. Jones, 6 yds—F. Cutler, 6 yds—A. J. Shaw, 8 yds—A. C. Lichtenberger, 10 yds—R. Vanrell, 15 yds.

Long Jump—A. J. Davie, scr—W. Davies, scr—J. R. Sardeson, 2 in—D. R. Gunn, 4 in—A. Gunn, 4 in—H. C. Alexander, 6 in—P. Gianotti, 8 in—R. Galli, 8 in—A. C. Lichtenberger, 10 in—P. Ferrés, 10 in—E. Cardenal, 12 in—A. Camacho, 16 in—Gaspar Swinden, 16 in—A. E. Jones, 18 in—T. J. Daly, 20 in.

Half Mile Flat Race—D. O'Donoghue, scr—A. Gunn, 20 yds—A. Ayerbe, 30 yds—A. C. Lugaro, 40 yds—L. Deagustini, 50 yds.

100 Yards Flat Race (for Married men)—H. S. Luckly, scr—P. C. Towers, 3 yds—A. Davie, 6 yds—H. C. Alexander, 6 yds.

High Jump—J. R. Sardeson, scr—D. R. Gunn, 4 in—W. Davies, 6 in—R. Galli, 6 in—H. Sardeson, 8 in—P. Ferrés, 8 in.

100 Yards Flat Race (for boys under 12)—K. Henderson, scr—E. Perrier, 4 yds—E. C. Crocker, jun., 5 yds.

440 Yards Flat Race—J. R. Sardeson, scr—A. E. Jones, 8 yds—D. R. Gunn, 8 yds—F. Sansone, 10 yds—A. J. Shaw, 12 yds—J. Fallows, 12 yds—F. Cutler, 12 yds—A. C. Lichtenberger, 20 yds.

250 Yards Flat Race (for boys over 12 and under 15)—R. A. Sardeson, scr—A. O. Crocker, 10 yds—A. Cardenal, 10 yds—A. C. Davie, 15 yds—K. Henderson, 25 yds.

One Mile Flat Race—D. O'Donoghue, scr—H. Sardeson, 40 yds—A. Camacho, 60 yds.

Pole Jump—A. J. Davie, scr—H. C. Alexander, 6 in—J. R. Sardeson, 10 in—D. R. Gunn, 12 in—C. Sturzenegger, 20 in.

Football Race, 100 Yards—G. H. Calder, E. F. Sardeson, A. F. Lodge, J. Stewart, J. R. Sardeson, A. C. Lichtenberger, A. Gunn, A. E. Jones, W. Davies.

Tug-of-War—C.U.R.C.C. v. Gas Works, M.V.C.C. v. Albion F.C., H.M.S. Flora.

Entries for the Ladies' Apple Race (the prize for which will be presented by *The Montevideo Times*), the 300 Yards Flat Race for Navy Men, and the Consolation Race, will be received on the ground on the day of the sports.

CYCLING IN ENGLAND

December 1st, 1899.

The month just closed has been a wonderful one for cycling. The weather on the whole has shewn a remarkable absence of that cold damp and depressing nature which one usually associates with this season of the year. The roads have been hard and dry whilst the pale sunlight, although affording little warmth, has given a pleasing aspect to nature. Even the mists of evening have not been of sufficient density to render night riding out of the question. Some of the days would not have discredited a fine September. Hence, this year, many cyclists of the butterfly persuasion, who usually close their season's riding in October, have been seen disporting themselves a wheel. Ladies, especially, who are frequently more ardent followers of the pastime than men—it may be that they have fewer modes of distraction—have been seen in large numbers on the roads of suburban London, and the absence of "wobblers" has been most marked.

The shows have gone the way of all mundane things and gradually other things than exhibits and the eternal talk of the trade are finding their way into those journals devoted to the pastime. But the time honored sequel in the shape of arguments of a more or less academic nature to the value of these annual exhibitions is being trotted out quite in the old sweet way. Many in the trade profess to opine that the shows are so much waste of money and time and energy, and that scarcely a machine the more will be sold by reason of their having been held. However that may be it is pretty certain that an annual cycle show is an institution that like many other threatened institutions, will last so long as cycling does. Attempts have heretofore been made by certain of the makers to hold aloot, and to break the power of the Stanley dominion by holding a show in their own way and at their own time and place. The result was the inception and growth of the National Show.

The fact is that the jealousies and rivalries which exist and always will exist in the trade will keep the Shows alive. One manufacturer would not exhibit, and so save a certain important expenditure, if he were sure that his trade rival would follow suit. But Messrs Brown and Co. intend to exhibit, and so the resolutions, if they ever reached that stage, of Messrs Jones and Co. "not to exhibit this year" are broken down, and his firm are carried along with the set of the tide. From the rider's point of view the great advantage of the Shows is not so much that he may become aware of the different improvements or modifications in existing patterns—for he can ascertain all this in advance from the cycling journals—but that he may have the opportunity, owing to the different types being all under two roofs, of comparing one with another, and with all the distinctive types well in mind, note the advantages and disadvantages of rival systems of gears, brakes, tyres, &c.

The time is now at hand when club life should be of the pleasantest. The cycle runs are, generally speaking, things of the past. But there are the smoking concerts, the ladies nights, the cinderellas, the whist tournaments with rival clubs, the billiard ditto, club billiard handicaps, and all those pleasant social functions that tend to make cycling club life so charming, and to help one tide over the dark and inhospitable weather which marks the gap between the seasons. Now is the turn of the "dancing man" and the "singing man." The member who can trill "Soldiers of the Queen" or "The Boys of the Old Brigade" in passable baritone, or who can recite a little, will enjoy a temporary popularity and distinction denied to holders of club medals. The man who gets easily knocked on club runs, and who invariably finds that his tyres are going wrong when the pace begins to warm up a bit, but who can, nevertheless, reverse divinely in the mazy waltz, will also have his turn and get his own back on his more stalwart rivals, the winners of handicaps.

Another World's champion expresses his intention of quitting the racing game and resting upon his laurels. This is T. Summersgill, the famous amateur sprint crack, who is undoubtedly England's finest mile amateur. He says that in winning the world's amateur mile, the blue ribbon of the track, he has gained the height of his ambition and will not further tempt fickle fortune. He is going

into trade as the representative of an important rubber company and, as he is a genial and able man of business, he should find his future assured. He was a little lucky in not having to meet Paul Albert, the clever German sprint crack, who beat him so decisively in the N.C.U. mile championship, where he made hacks of our best amateurs, but no one begrudges him his good fortune, as Albert is admitted to be a racing phenomenon, standing in the same relation to sprint amateurs as Paul Bourrillon does to his brother professionals, that is *facile princeps*.

It is a wonder that with tricycles so light and so elegant as they are to-day that they do not occupy a more important place in popular favour. Time was when, the "trike" was the only machine permissible to ride and many girls thought nothing of accompanying their brothers on club runs and trundling along fifty lbs. of metal, at a time when there were no air tyres to minimise the jar and rattle and strain inseparable from so heavy and clumsy a machine. Now the tricycle is made delightfully light and elegant, and the "trike" has so many obvious advantages over the one-track mount that it is unnecessary to enumerate them. Unfortunately it has its disadvantages, the chief of which is the inability to store it away in a limited space. There is little doubt that were it possible for a tricycle to be so built that it would be collapsible without impairing its rigidity, in such a way that it could be as easily and comfortably stored as a "safety" it would be much in vogue.

"Dog does not eat dog," and members of a certain craft are supposed to recognise the ties of brotherhood, and however spitefully they may use other members of the community, among themselves there is usually a feeling of mutual fellowship and defence. That every rule has its exception, proved by the case of a Kingsland butcher who was recently driving a buggy and deliberately ran down a fellow knight of the marrow-bones and cleaver and his wife. These latter were riding bicycles. The lady was the more hurt, and when the delinquent saw the serious nature of his offence he drove on, and, to avoid identification, did not stop when he approached his own door. He was eventually captured, and as he was found to be drunk, and it was proved that his reckless driving might have resulted in loss of life, he was fined the exemplary sum of £14 with the alternative of three months. It is well to occasionally remind drivers that cyclists have some right on the road.

Cyclists, who leave their machines outside hostelrys whilst they go inside to refresh the inner man, are confronted with a new danger. A cyclist, who had carefully chained up his machine with a chain and padlock, found it standing where he had left it, but minus the lamp. On comparing notes it was found that another machine had been robbed in the same way. Only recently a man was found guilty at Devizes of a systematic course of lamp annexation. The reason seems to be that, now that the lighting of vehicles after dark has become universal within the Metropolitan area, a demand for lamps has sprung up, and a cyclist's lamp affords a very good substitute for a lantern. Many lamps that have at some time or other done duty on cycles are now to be seen illuminating carts and waggons. Let us hope that the delinquent of Devizes had not a large circle of customers among whom orders were punctually attended to.

## ROUND THE TOWN.

We have to thank the North British and Mercantile Insurance Co. for a particularly neat and useful present in the shape of desk almanacks for 1900. The company is represented here by that well-known athlete Mr M. F. Gilderdale.

We have to thank Mr J. Fuchs, the manager of the Cervceria Palermo, for a supply of the excellent Palermo beer, which makes a very nice and healthy summer drink.

We have great pleasure in drawing the attention of our readers to the advertisement of the Arawana hammocks, which appears with our issue of to-day. We have ourselves inspected these hammocks and admit we were much surprised with their beauty and comfort. As may

be seen they may be obtained at any price from four and a half to twenty dollars. The Rajah Tea Company has undoubtedly the finest selection of hammocks we have ever seen, being as they are of every shade, size, and shape.

Frank Brown, although not with us just now, is not very far away, as he is drawing crowded houses to his circus now at Rosario. We have to thank the genial clown for a New Year's card and his good wishes, which we heartily reciprocate, and wish him all good luck for the New Year.

Quite a lot of people are worrying their brains as to when the 20th century really commences, whether on the 1st of January, 1900, or the 1st of January, 1901, and opinions are considerably divided thereon. Jackson says it commences on the 1st of January, 1900, and Rackson says the 1st of January, 1901; the first, because arguing that a child is in its first year the moment it is born; the second, because you cannot count a hundred apples if you have only ninety-nine and some bits to do it with. If the 20th century was one which was guaranteed to bring everyone a thousand a year and good health then there would be some excuse for the anxiety and discussion, but as it only means the beginning of a century of work, worry, and wasting trouble, the date of its commencement may well be left out of the reckoning. We can only hope that during its passing the world may advance in every way, that war may be a thing of the past, trouble only a memory, and pain a faint recollection, that each may love his neighbour as himself and be honest and true in all. If the 20th century could bring us something like this then would we welcome it gladly, but we fear our anticipations are much beyond any chances of fulfillment.

The new Pellegrini Paper, *El Pais*, started its career on the 1st of January, with plenty of booming and a very large staff, numbering we believe about fifty. It may or may not be a good omen, but it is somewhat significant, that the much-debated normal point of gold—227.27—was practically reached on the last day of the old year, so that the Proud Proprietor's Pregnant Prophecy was realised. How long the Prophet will have honour in his own country, and Pesos from the Public, remains to be seen, but it is always Pleasant to Predict Prosperity, even to a Professed Protectionist.

A middle-aged parish priest is said to have gone mad and married, or married and gone mad. The reader is left in doubt as to whether the priest, being middle-aged, was mad to marry, or whether he went mad because he married, or was mad and then married, or was married and then went mad, or whether he was a mad man married or only a mad married man. The subject is, however, a painful one, and we will not pursue it any further, for fear that some of our readers may follow in the footsteps of the priest, not in marrying but in going mad.

Our colleague of Calle San Martin, *La Nacion*, gave a banquet on Friday evening to the members of its staff, on the occasion of the completion of the new installations which have been put in for this paper. Although *La Nacion* has not yet reached the appalling prosperity of its rival *La Prensa*, with its millionaire building, its free library, free doctor, free lawyer, etc., still *La Nacion* is making steady progress and is in every way a more reliable and substantial paper than the yellow one of Avenida de Mayo. We are hoping for the day when we shall be able to gather our staff round a table at The Criterion, to celebrate the advent of an era of plenty and prosperity, but this will we fear not be yet awhile.

A correspondent of the *Diario* makes a complaint concerning the way in which the Damas de Beneficencia and similar charities are inclined to abuse the charitable feelings of their friends and to take advantage of their own position to aid and abet. He says that the usual way such charities are run is for a dramatic company or similar entertainment to offer a benefit on half shares to the charity, which is usually promptly accepted. Then the ladies connected with the charity take out the tickets and with the aid of the Gold Book, etc., send round these tickets accompanied with a notice that unless the tickets are returned within a certain time—usually a very short one—it will be considered that they have been kept. Often

the recipient, either through carelessness or through not having servants handy to send back the tickets keeps them past the stated time, but does not use them. A few days later the collector calls and calls again and again until he is either paid or given to understand that he is only wasting time. By this means the ladies often reap a rich harvest although it is at the expense of the kindly feeling of their friends. As the victim says if they merely sent round a notification that the seats were on sale and could be obtained at a certain place, those who wished to would buy, but the present method partakes rather of the nature of the confidence trick. No doubt many of our readers have been victimised in this way and we can only advise them to follow out the plan suggested by the writer of the letter, which is take no notice either of the letter or the collector and in time the charitable dames will learn the lesson. Charity covers a lot of sins, but the line should be drawn at the confidence trick.

The annual general meeting of the Buenos Aires Choral Union, which was fixed for the 29th of December, has been postponed until the 10th of January, when it is hoped that sufficient members will turn up to make a quorum. On Friday evening so few members put in an appearance, that after waiting a considerable period to allow of stragglers and late comers to get to the Hall, the President found himself in the position of having to declare the meeting null. Considering the successful season which the Choral Union has had it seems hard on the Committee after their trouble that the members back them up so slackly as to make it necessary to postpone the annual meeting. We hope that the members will, on the 10th, find time and inclination to turn up in numbers and allow the season of 1899 to be definitely and properly closed.

Emperor William II. has come out in a new character that of century maker, not on the common cricket field, but on the banner of the world. It has been decided in Germany, by the scientific societies of that learned old country, aided by a strong hint from His Majesty William the Second, that the Twentieth Century commences on the 1st of January, 1900, and is so officially announced. After this what can poor ordinary mortals do but accept the dictum and be thankful that it has been settled by so august a personage for them. On the other hand the scientific societies of England have decided that the Twentieth Century commences on the 1st of January, 1901. You pays your money and you takes your choice.

## SETTLING DAY.

Over my uncle's mantelpiece, in his study in Eccleston Square, is a picture of a bay racehorse, and underneath is inscribed "Marauder, by Bandit out of Margaret, winner of the Royal Hunt Cup 18—, 6st 10lb. Jockey, Hanstead; Trainer, Harker." Such is the brief record of a race which has a special story and interest to me, since I learned it from my uncle's lips.

We had dined, a small party of eight, at Eccleston Square, but the last couple had left, and now my uncle welcomes me to his study, "for a smoke and a chat, my boy, before you turn in."

The whisky and soda has been laid on the side table, and after a few sentences, I turn to the picture. Always a horse-lover I am attracted by the symmetry of the bay horse, the picture over the mantelpiece.

"What is the history of the horse, uncle?"

"My dear boy, it's nearly eleven now, and if I begin telling you the history of Marauder, we shall never get to bed;" but I was obdurate, and my uncle yielded.

"Well, then, Marauder was owned by my old friend Jim Johnstone, an old brother officer of mine in the—. He had a little property, and had lent a brother officer—well the name don't matter—some £200. The poor chap died and left Jim Marauder, then a yearling, in settlement of the debt. I don't remember what Marauder did as a two-year-old—at any rate, if he won it couldn't have been more than a £100 plate—to pay the expenses of his training bill. But the curious part of my story is this. At this time Jim fell in love with a very pretty neighbour, Mary Miles. She was very pretty, Jim very young. They

met out hunting, and you can imagine the rest. But this was the difficulty. Papa Miles wanted settlements, and Jim had dipped his state, which was a small one, and had nothing to settle, and then came the bright idea to enter Marauder for the Hunt Cup, back him for a big stake, and settle the winnings on his wife.

"But if you lose, Jim?" I said.

"Go to some back diggings, my dear Tom, and frizzle under a tropical sun; but I shan't lose."

"Well, the horse was entered and in due course the handicap was published, with Jim Johnstone's horse at 6st 10lb. Then followed the trial, and Marauder won this, and we made him out to be the same thing as Vesuvius—a three-year-old—in the stable, that had been beat a length for the Two Thousand—at 7st 6lb. This was good enough to go 'nap' on, and Jim betted accordingly. Dear me, how well I remember that Wednesday. It was a scorching day, and the place was crammed. Jim had applied for a royal enclosure ticket. The Master of the Buckhounds that year was a sort of cousin of Jim's—Jim used to say: 'I don't know the degree, but we all fall in at a funeral'; but he couldn't oblige, and so we saw it from Tom Madder's box. We were in good heart, because Precedent, our trial horse, had won the Trial Stakes, and Vesuvius won a Biennial: so we hoped we were to have a sequence. But what a mass of horses there were that year that couldn't be beat, and there was, I think, more lying in that paddock than usual. I remember a big chestnut of Harry Baker's, a bookmaker's, a four year old with 6st 7lb., that had been, they said, diligently kept and pulled for the race all the year; and a horse of Lord Cardiff's, Viper, that had won many races, and was said then to be the fastest miler in England. We were all very excited but dared not show it, and Jim was in a nervous and irritable state the whole time.

At last we came to our race, and our sufferings were nearly over. The horses were walking round in the paddock, and Jim was looking for Harker, who told us the horse was well and out to win, but he was a great deal afraid of Passion Flower, a three-year-old that had only been beat a head for the Oaks, and was now said to have come on a good deal. She was in at 7st 9lb, and Harker was a good bit afraid of her. At last the jockey's were upon the horses and out on the course. Jim wouldn't be denied, and took another couple of hundred about his horse before he went up to the box. If I remember rightly, Marauder, who was a charming 'little big' horse, didn't show to great advantage in his slow paces, but at any rate Jim's money had made him a good second favourite. I can hear the roar now of the ring, and Passion Flower is first favourite. Jim, although outwardly cool enough, fidgeted a good deal; and Etruscan, a big three-year-old, with a small boy on his back, was very fractious, and gave a lot of trouble. At last they were let off and this was the worst part of all. Marauder got away badly, but as they got further he seemed to be making up his ground, and before they have gone half way he is with the second rank. A big horse with billious colours has overpowered his jockey, and is still in front. But he now drops back. On they come, Marauder right up with the leaders, and the whole of the front rank breast the incline like a charge of cavalry. Passion Flower now seems to have a bit the best of it, but Marauder—with Viper just about a length off—is close by. By the time they have reached the stand Marauder and Passion-flower are locked. It is either's race, and the cries of the names of horses had died away. But at last Hanstead, giving Marauder a crack of the whip, just drew away, and won all out by a head. I shall never forget Jim's excitement. He couldn't believe that he had won, and it was only when the numbers were up that I could persuade him. We then went to the paddock, where Harker and Hanstead had to be congratulated, and Jim—always a very generous fellow—sent big cheques to complete the congratulations. The winnings, some £20,000, were paid over to Jim's account on the Monday. And—"

"All ended happily, of course?"

"No, his bank broke in a company slump in the course of the week, and Miles put pressure upon Mary, who ultimately married the owner of the first favourite. The lady was miserable for the few months which constitute a maiden's ever after, but Jim came back in three years the husband of an Antipodean millionairess. He is happy enough at all events. He doesn't race now, but when I was there last year I saw two yearlings, grandsons of Marander's, whom Jim hopes to sell well at Doncaster. But—bless me—my dear boy, it's nearly one o'clock. This comes of talking racing. Good night."



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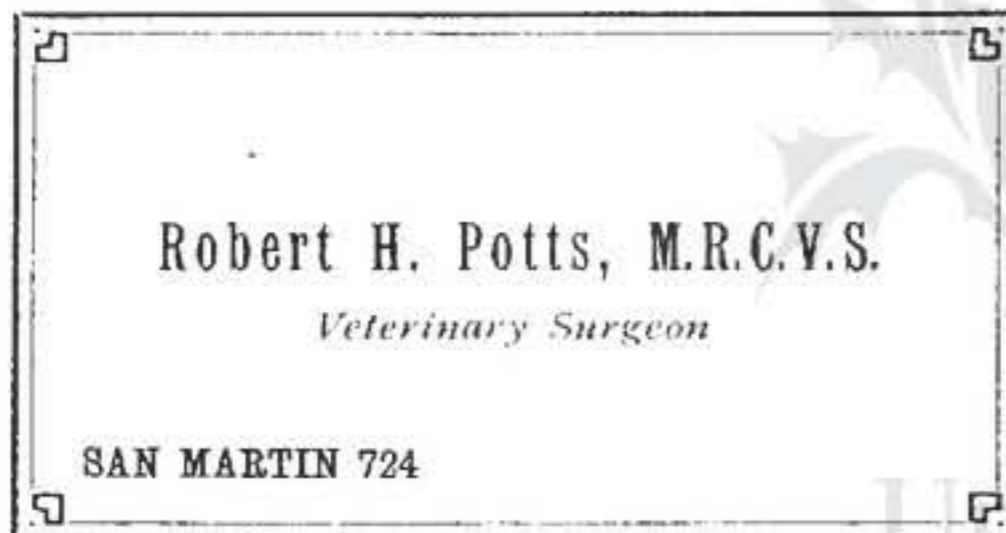
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## NOTES.

In spite of the exceptional heat, and a defeat, the members of the Buenos Aires Cricket Club, who journeyed up to Rosario, had a very jolly time of it, the proverbial hospitality of the Rosarinos being more to the fore than ever. It was disappointing to find that only one day could be given for the match, but the most was made of that one day, and play lasted from soon after ten o'clock in the morning to six o'clock in the evening, and this on one of even Rosario's hottest days!

The field at Plaza Jewell was looking in excellent order, and although an occasional ball got up awkwardly, the wicket played wonderfully well throughout, in our opinion even better at the end of the day than at the commencement. The great change, however, since our last visit is that in the club pavilion, for which we beg to heartily congratulate those responsible. It has been considerably enlarged and improvements made all through, and to-day the Rosario Athletic Club can boast of perhaps the finest pavilion in the country.

The visitors were obliged to go up with a very weak attack, but they had some strong bats and should have given a much better account of themselves than they did, for there was very little wrong with the wicket. The weakness in their bowling was clearly demonstrated during Mr H. Dorning's innings, this batsman dealing out terrific punishment to all the bowlers alike. An idea of his hitting may be gathered from the fact that out of his score of seventy-nine, no fewer than seventy-two were obtained by boundary hits.

We were very pleased to see Mr. F. M. Martin back in the Rosario team after an altogether too protracted absence. He showed very good form with the bat and, except for one bad stroke, made his runs by really good cricket. He did not have a turn with the ball, at which we were rather surprised, so we are unable to judge if he retains his old bowling form. The other Rosario batsman to score was Mr. H. Middleton, who has any amount of cricket in him, and we hope he will now take up the game seriously. He bats in nice style and knows what to do with a loose ball when he gets one.

Only two of the visiting batsmen played up to form, which was very disappointing. Mr. A. Anderson played a thoroughly characteristic innings of forty-one, which

undoubtedly saved Buenos Aires from an utter breakdown, for going in first he was out seventh and as far as we could see was never in difficulties. The only other batsman, if we except Mr. Syer's twenty-one made in half-a-dozen strokes, to give Mr. Anderson any assistance was Mr. J. S. Campbell, who played a very plucky innings of forty-seven, adding eighty-three runs for the sixth wicket.

The bowling honours for Rosario were carried off by Messrs. W. S. Penman and H. Dorning who divided the wickets, the former proving particularly deadly. For the visitors Mr. J. S. Campbell did good work and Mr. R. W. Rudd secured a couple of wickets at a small cost. Rosario's victory was a thoroughly well deserved one, that Club's representatives outplaying their opponents at every point of the game. We hope that the dates for this match will be more carefully chosen another year, so that nothing may occur to in any way interfere with fixtures made by these clubs.

The championship match between the Quilmes and Flores Clubs was productive of quite the finest contest we have yet had this season. The excitement among both the players and spectators towards the end of the game was very intense. When the ninth Quilmes wicket fell the total was a hundred and forty-seven, and with Mr. Symons well set it seemed more than likely that the nine runs required would be easily obtained. As may be imagined every ball sent down was watched with keen interest, and when on the last man's arrival, Mr. Symons hit a ball from Mr. Macdonald to the leg boundary, it hardly prepared one for the sudden end, as Mr. Macdonald clean bowled Mr. Symons almost immediately afterwards, thus once again pulling his side out of a tight corner.

In such a match it was astonishing to see the number of chances that were missed. The ground fielding on the part of the home team, and if we may mention names, especially on the part of Mr. G. F. Earle, was all that could be desired, but the way some of the catches were dropped was quite unaccountable. The visitors' fielding, on the other hand, was bad all round, for not only were catches missed, but the ground work was very weak at times, all of which tended to spoil an otherwise magnificent contest.

For the visitors, who batted first, Messrs. G. F. Elliot, Macdonald and Syer carried off the batting honours. The first two should have been taken more than once, but Mr. Syer gave no chance and was distinctly brilliant on the leg side. For Quilmes Mr. Symons was easily top scorer, but here again the batsman had to thank the fieldsmen for more than one let-off. As, however, he was batting under difficulties, having hurt one of his fingers badly when fielding, it was a rare plucky display and deserving of all praise. Mr. Levy also showed good form in making his twenty-five runs.

As far as the bowling was concerned, Mr. W. Morgan for Quilmes, quite eclipsed all other performances. He was not put on until after lunch, when the score was a hundred and four for only two wickets, but thanks to his really excellent bowling only fifty-one runs were added for the other eight wickets, of which only eighteen were scored off him, while he accounted for six wickets, a very fine performance. Mr. H. B. Elliot bowled well for the visitors and secured half the Quilmes wickets for fifty-two runs.

The most important incident of the match was the coming into force of the new rule, for the first time in this

or probably in any other country in the world. Mr. Symons was bowling and the umpire at the batsman's end considered it his duty to no-ball him for three consecutive deliveries. We understand that the umpire's ruling was not altogether taken in good part, which is much to be regretted, but it would be very interesting to learn if this is really the first occasion on which the new rule has been enforced, and we shall hope to be enlightened on the point.

We beg to call the attention of our cricket captains and others to the fact that at a meeting of the Cricket Championship Committee, held on Wednesday evening last, it was unanimously decided that the new rule, empowering either umpire to call no-ball if not satisfied with a delivery, should come into force at once, and, further, that any new rules or changes in the laws of cricket, officially reported in *The Field*, shall in future at once become law here.

The Hurlingham drag hounds celebrated the New Year by a meeting at the Kennels at 1 a.m. on January 1st. They found immediately in the race course, and at a great pace ran over the steeplechase course, through Lacey's garden, to ground in Mr. Moncrieff's paddock—time nineteen and a half minutes without a check. There was a large field out including several pedestrians and some few on wheels. Grief was abundant, and we were sorry to hear of one gallant sportsman getting hung up on barbed wire, and of another being upset when pluckily having a dash at a post and rails with his dog-cart.

The closing race-meeting of the year was a notable one in several ways. The double victory of Gonin was an extraordinary performance. It will be remembered that on the previous Sunday this good horse was easily beaten by Uropo, a puzzle that was very badly received by the public. Now in the third race 2200 metres he easily beats Guttemberg and Leon, and in the seventh race 2400 metres disposes, without much difficulty, of Don Pepe, Euskaro, Guazunambi, Balcarce, Octubre, etc., and carrying sixty-two kilos. Pillito himself could hardly do better, and Gonin remains on the list as a formidable candidate for the big races next year. The public has been so down on the Jockey, Garrido, ever since the 24th in consequence of the unaccountable defeat of Gonin, that he has temporarily retired and we think had better make his holiday a long one. Our estimable colleague *Sports* will find it difficult to go on defending him in the face of the double event. Facts are stubborn things.

Another popular win was that by Pillastre in the Classic. Many turfites, who have been pleased with the appearance of the brother of Pillito, have watched his career with interest, and although he has been long in getting into form, patience has brought its reward in his case and he is evidently going to be a credit to the breed. Picquart the brother of Ecarté, is showing excellent qualities and the Stud Don Gonzalo is to be congratulated on the possession of such a formidable pair to begin the new campaign with. Athou, brother of Rose Royale, is another promising youngster, and won the 2000 metres for three-year-olds with top weight in a way to leave an excellent impression. Coquimbo in the 1200 metres Handicap, conceding any amount of weight to a big field, won in a manner to leave another good horse in the swim and the prospects for the year 1900, which seemed to be dwindling down to Pillito and Valero, are now decidedly brighter.

We are very pleased to learn that Mr. R. W. Rudd has been offered and has accepted the Headmastership of the Lomas Academy. Unfortunately the late Principal's bad health has enforced his retirement, but under the able management of Mr. Rudd the school is sure to go ahead. Mr. Rudd still retains the beautiful Quinta known as "Las Golondrinas," of which we gave our impressions in these notes recently, for the boarders, and has taken new buildings for the school.

Needless to say the physical training of the boys will be in the best possible hands. Mr. Rudd has already turned out so many promising young athletes that it is unnecessary for us to say more on this score, but in addition to a most complete gymnastic plant, the boys at Lomas Academy will have the use of the Lomas Athletic Club's ground, while all their games will be under the supervision of a master. For other particulars we must refer our readers to the advertisement on our last page, and meanwhile beg to offer Mr. Rudd our best wishes for success in his new undertaking.

The Lawn tennis match between the Buenos Aires and Santa Lucia Clubs, which was played on Sunday last at Cinco Esquinas, was considerably spoilt by three of the visitors' originally selected team not putting in an appearance. Substitutes were found, but in spite of the services of George Mc Hardy being called upon, Santa Lucia were easily beaten. The match next Saturday between the Buenos Aires and Lomas Clubs, to be played on the courts of the former, should be closely contested and well worth seeing.

Although not, we believe, a record, the performance on November 29th last of the Blundell's College Rugby football team is well worth recording. Their opponents were the Newton College fifteen, who were defeated by a hundred and seven points to nothing. The winners scored twenty three tries, and one of the team, Mainprice, out of twenty-two of the kicks, landed no fewer than nineteen goals. Blundell's are now champions of the Devon Schools, having won all their inter-school matches easily.

## CRICKET.

### CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.

The following table shows the position of clubs in the Cricket Championship:

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points
Lomas ..	6	6	0	0	6
Hurlingham ..	6	5	1	0	4
Flores ..	6	5	1	0	4
Quilmes ..	5	3	2	0	1
Lomas "A" ..	7	2	4	1	-2
Lanús ..	7	2	5	0	-3
Belgrano ..	6	1	4	1	-3
Banfield ..	7	0	7	0	-7

Points are scored as follows: Plus one for a win, minus one for a loss, and drawn games are ignored.

### BATTING AND BOWLING AVERAGES.

#### SEASON 1899-1900.

The matches at Rosario and Quilmes have brought about several changes in the average lists. R. W. Rudd, with a four-points lower average, still keeps the lead. Elliot goes up to third position. Symons, whose first appearance it is, comes sixth on the list. Several have to take a lower position this week: J. O. Anderson falls one place, Lacey one, Prescott five, Rumboll four, E. O. Morgan nine, J. H. Elliot seven, and R. W. Anderson drops out altogether, his average being under 10.

In the bowling Elliot remains at the head of affairs, but with a lower average. Torre drops one place, Knox three,

J. S. Campbell three, and J. O. Anderson three. Prescott appears for the first time, and there are a few minor changes.

	BATTING.		Highest score	Total runs	Average
	No. of Innings	Times not out			
R. W. Rudd	8	0	93	273	34.12
R. L. Halstead	8	2	120*	191	31.83
G. F. Elliot	8	1	63	212	30.28
J. O. Anderson	14	2	55	356	29.66
Lacey	5	1	43	110	27.50
A. J. Symons	5	0	63	134	26.80
A. Anderson	11	1	45	253	25.30
A. Macdonald	14	2	60*	293	24.41
B. B. Syer	13	3	53*	238	23.80
J. S. Prescott	6	1	49	113	22.60
F. C. Wibberley	7	0	39	147	21.00
H. A. Cowes	7	1	43	120	20.00
J. S. Campbell	7	0	50	140	20.00
T. Benson	7	1	52	116	19.33
E. L. Rumboll	14	1	42	243	18.69
J. B. Campbell	8	1	51	130	18.57
F. H. Jacobs	7	1	50*	105	17.50
D. Gibson	11	1	58	174	17.40
R. E. Draper	5	0	48	85	17.00
D. Leighton	8	1	37	118	16.85
J. D. Shepard	9	0	45	137	15.22
G. Henshaw	9	2	36*	105	15.00
C. H. Lomas	8	1	58*	104	14.85
R. A. Brooking	6	1	31*	73	14.60
F. J. Bardrick	8	2	32*	86	14.33
C. E. Dickinson	7	2	39	71	14.20
P. L. G. Bridger	7	1	27	85	14.16
E. O. Morgan	6	1	31*	69	13.80
J. H. Elliot	8	0	56	105	13.12
C. H. Benson	6	1	13	64	12.80
C. C. Alexander	10	0	41	126	12.60
P. C. Sly	9	1	35	100	12.50
A. B. P. Boyd	6	1	32*	62	12.40
E. D. Drabble	5	0	43	62	12.40
W. G. Brown	6	2	38	49	12.25
R. Levy	5	0	25	58	11.60
T. C. E. Fowler	8	1	31*	81	11.57
F. Luck	7	0	29	81	11.57
W. Malm	7	1	24	69	11.50
C. Gibson	11	1	46	115	11.50
H. Lucas	10	0	41	112	11.20
C. R. Tupholme	7	1	38*	62	10.33

\* Signifies not out.

	BOWLING.				Average
	O.	M.	R.	W.	
G. F. Elliot	68.2	20	121	18	6.72
R. A. Brooking	149.2	67	271	35	7.74
H. Torre	94.3	32	177	22	8.04
W. B. Spray	81.3	29	172	21	8.19
H. B. Elliot	79.4	14	243	28	8.67
W. A. Campbell	112.1	22	279	32	8.71
H. A. Cowes	100.2	33	219	25	8.76
T. V. M. Knox	179	51	366	41	8.92
P. L. G. Bridger	53	16	117	12	9.75
A. Macdonald	88.2	33	174	17	10.23
E. L. Rumboll	97.3	28	253	24	10.54
J. S. Prescott	59	18	148	13	11.38
R. Kingsland	73.3	6	239	20	11.95
G. L. Miles	87	17	248	20	12.40
J. S. Campbell	89	19	233	17	13.70
H. J. Fraser	60	11	173	12	14.41
H. Lucas	100	19	264	17	15.54
J. O. Anderson	64	5	266	17	15.64
C. R. Tupholme	83	15	265	16	16.56
R. H. Bartlett	71	20	156	9	17.33
T. Benson	125.2	27	344	19	18.10
A. Campbell	95.2	17	276	15	18.40
W. Stirling	40	5	140	7	20.00
R. E. Draper	55	10	180	8	22.50
J. H. Williams	44.3	10	123	5	24.60

ROSARIO A.C. v. B.A.C.C.

This match was played on Sunday last at Rosario in exceptional heat. A broiling sun was accompanied by a burning north wind, which made matters anything but pleasant for either players or spectators. The latter were by no means up to the usual number, but the enthusiasm of those who braved the awful heat and were present was as great as ever. Unfortunately the visitors were by no means up to full strength, but with five of last year's South team included the team could not be called altogether a weak one. The home club were strictly repre-

sented by local players, no camp members playing, and their victory by fifty-one runs was a very well deserved one. The fielding of the Rosarios was remarkably smart and clean, and very few mistakes were made. Their opponents, with a few exceptions, suffered considerably in comparison. H. Dorning played a fine innings for Rosario, punishing all the bowling most unmercifully as may be surmised from the fact that in his 79 were included no fewer than 18 fours! Martin played very nicely for his runs as did H. Middleton. For the visitors, A. Anderson made a gallant attempt to save his side from defeat and was well backed up by a dashing innings from J. S. Campbell. Altogether the better team won after a very pleasant match which lasted from shortly after ten o'clock to six.

The visiting captain won the toss and decided to take the field, Gordon Brown and Willis opening the Rosario innings opposed by Campbell (pavilion end) and Rumboll. With only seven up, Campbell bowled Willis and A. Robinson followed in, and suffered a similar fate four runs later. This made way for Dorning, who at once commenced to use forcing tactics. With the score raised to 34, however, Campbell again did the needful bowling Brown. Martin came next and the stand of the innings was made. Rumboll being unable to find his length gave way for Grant, who also found the strong wind too much for him, and after being hit three times off consecutive balls to the leg boundary, retired in favour of R. W. Anderson. All bowling seemed to come alike to Dorning, who was in rare hitting form, and it was not until the new bowler had been hit for five fours in two overs that the change took effect, his brother snapping a smart catch in the slips with his right hand, which sent back Martin. The outgoing batsman had played capital cricket for his 44 runs, his play on the off-side being very effective. He was badly missed at mid-off, but otherwise made no mistakes. The partnership had realised 77 runs. With Penman's arrival, Dorning set to work in real earnest and scored at a terrific pace. J. O. Anderson relieved Campbell, who in turn relieved R. W. Anderson, and later Rumboll went on for J. O. Anderson. It was the last named change which brought about a separation, for at 148 Rumboll bowled Penman with a short one. Beaumont came next, but with the total unaltered Campbell bowled Dorning with a "yorker." Dorning's innings cannot be over-rated. Coming in at a time when things were going badly for his side he settled down at once in a most determined style to improve matters and was eminently successful. He made one or two mis-hits, but gave no semblance of a chance and his hitting has hard and well timed. Middleton followed in, but six runs later Beaumont played a ball from Rumboll on to his wickets, making room for Jefferies. Middleton now started to punish Rumboll's deliveries so a further change was deemed advisable, Rudd taking over the ball and with success, for with his second delivery he bowled Jefferies, the total now being 178. A. H. Knight now came in and the score was carried to 195 before Middleton was run out, the result of some smart play on the part of Loos and Rudd. He had made 32 by stylish cricket and should prove of great service to his club. Jacobs was the last comer and the second "century" was soon hoisted, but three runs later Knight played a ball back to Rudd, the innings closing for 203. Campbell did excellent work with the ball and deserved better figures.

The luncheon interval was now taken, after which the visitors opened with Rudd and A. Anderson to the bowling of Dorning, from the pavilion end, and Penman. Both batsmen seemed to be shaping well, when with only seven runs scored, Rudd jumped into a ball from Penman and was caught at cover-point. Worse was to follow, however, as with a single added. Rumboll was clean bowled by Dorning. J. O. Anderson joined his brother, but with ten added was cleverly caught at the fourth or fifth attempt by Penman at short slip, off a fast rising ball from Dorning. Syer filled the vacancy and started merrily with three fours. Meanwhile Anderson was not idle and before a separation was effected the total had been raised to 51, then Syer in attempting to drive a ball from Penman was easily caught for a lively 21. R. W. Anderson gave no trouble playing the first ball he received into point's hands. With five wickets down for 51 runs it looked as though the visitors were in for an utter collapse. Campbell, however, was yet to be reckoned with, and as the tens were put up the spirits of the B.A. supporters rose, and that the Rosario Captain realised the danger was evidenced by the fact that he began to change the bowling. Dorning was relieved by Knight

and Willis went on for Penman, but both changes proving expensive, the original two went on again but this time at reverse ends. It was this manoeuvre which brought about the end of both Anderson's and Campbell's innings, as the latter was clean bowled and the former caught at short leg pulling round a long-hop. It is impossible to over-praise the innings of these two, Anderson's especially, which was a very characteristic one. Campbell's was brilliant in the extreme and more than half his runs were obtained by boundary hits. After this the end soon came. Morgan carried his bat for eight, but Loos and Bagley made no resistance and the innings closed for 152, 22 of which were extras. Penman bowled well and secured six wickets for 44 runs, the other four falling to Dorning.

After an interval for tea Rosario commenced their second venture with Jacobs and Brown to the bowling of Morgan and A. Anderson, the latter being in charge of the Pavilion end. After Brown had hit a four he was taken at short slip off Morgan and Willis came in. With eight runs added Anderson clean bowled Jacobs and Robinson joined Willis. The bowling was now collared and Campbell went on in place of A. Anderson. This having no effect Morgan gave way for Rudd and Campbell handed the ball to J. O. Anderson. This also failed to work, so Rumboll relieved J. O. Anderson and succeeded in getting Willis dismissed. The ball hit the batsman's pad and then hit the wicket-keeper's and there was a general appeal for "stumped," as the ball rebounded on to the wickets. Rumboll, however, appealed to the umpire at his end for "bowled" and the decision went against the batsman, who appeared very dissatisfied with the decision. His 38 were got by good cricket and there was a general feeling of regret that there should have been any doubt as to the mode of his dismissal. H. Dorning came next and then Robinson, after batting very nicely, gave Rudd a soft return. Martin joined Dorning and although R. W. Anderson tried a couple of overs, these two played out time.

ROSARIO		1st inn	2nd inn
Gordon Brown	b Campbell	11	c A. Anderson b Morgan
H. A. Willis	b Campbell	4	b Rumboll
A. Robinson	b Campbell	0	c and b Rudd
H. Dorning	b Campbell	79	not out
F. M. Martin	c I. O. b R. W. Anderson	44	not out
W. S. Penman	b Rumboll	7	
J. A. H. Beaman	b Rumboll	1	
H. Middleton	run out	32	did not bat
H. Jefferies	b Rudd	7	
A. H. Knight	c and b Rudd	9	
L. Jacobs	not out	2	b A. Anderson
	Extras	7	Extras
	Total	203	Total (for 4 wkts.)

B.A.C.C.		
R. W. Rudd	c Jefferies b Penman	1
A. Anderson	c Jacobs b Penman	41
E. L. Rumboll	b Dorning	1
J. O. Anderson	c Penman b Dorning	6
B. B. Syer	c Dorning b Penman	21
R. W. Anderson	c Willis b Penman	0
J. S. Campbell	b Penman	47
F. Grant	b Dorning	5
R. H. Morgan	not out	8
J. H. K. Loos	b Penman	0
M. Bagley	st Brown b Dorning	0
	Extras	22
	Total	152

Rosario		BOWLING ANALYSIS.							
		1st inn				2nd inn			
	O	M	R	W		O	M	R	W
J. S. Campbell	21	4	72	4	R. H. Morgan	7	2	21	1
E. L. Rumboll	11	4	38	2	A. Anderson	4	1	15	1
F. Grant	3	1	18	0	J. S. Campbell	3	0	8	0
R. W. Anderson	4	1	35	1	R. W. Rudd	7	2	25	1
J. O. Anderson	3	0	20	0	J. O. Anderson	4	0	18	0
R. W. Rudd	5	0	13	2	E. L. Rumboll	4	1	8	1
					R. W. Anderson	2	1	8	0

B.A.C.C.		O	M	R	W
H. Dorning	18.4	5	55	4	
W. S. Penman	18	5	44	6	
H. A. Willis	3	0	17	0	
A. H. Knight	2	0	14	0	

**QUILMES C.C. v. FLORES A.C.**

The above Championship match was played on Monday last at Quilmes, and after a very exciting tussle resulted in a victory for the visitors by the narrow margin of four runs. The principal feature of the game was the extraordinary number of mistakes made in the field by members of both teams, and we don't remember having seen so many catches dropped in any Championship match previously. A closer finish could not have been wished for, not only on account of the time, there being but ten minutes left for play when the last Quilmes wicket fell, but also because it was anybody's game up to the very last.

The home captain won the toss and put his opponents in to bat first, Huxtable and Gardom being the first pair to face the deliveries of Torre and Prescott, the latter bowling from the pavilion end. With only seven up Gardom was bowled by Prescott and G. Elliot came in. Runs came slowly, and with 25 up Symons relieved Prescott. The new bowler's second, third and fourth deliveries were judged to be unfair by the umpire at the batsman's end, this, we may here remark, probably being the first occasion on record that the new rule has been enforced, and a long discussion arose, which ended in a compromise the umpires changing ends. With 30 on the board Leonard relieved Symons, the change taking effect in the new bowler's second over. Huxtable being stumped (2 for 37). Macdonald came next and should have been caught off the first ball he received from Leonard, but the home captain instead of leaving the catch to Hooton, whose catch it was, went for it himself and missed it. After this runs came steadily until just before lunch, when the score rose rapidly, Elliot hitting Leonard out of the ground. When the luncheon interval arrived the score was 104 for two wickets, G. Elliot being not out 48 and Macdonald not out 30.

On resuming the bowling was entrusted to the brothers Morgan, and only 14 runs had been added when Elliot was thrown out. The outgoing batsman had played well for his runs, but he should have been taken at the wicket when his score was 30, and again in the slips just before he left. J. Elliot came next but lost Macdonald four runs later, bowled off his pads by W. Morgan for a useful 38. After his dismissal nobody but Syer could make any resistance to W. Morgan's deliveries and wicket after wicket fell rapidly, the whole side being out for 155, Syer carrying out his bat for 21. W. Morgan bowled extremely well and took six wickets for 18 runs.

Quilmes opened with Prescott and Cunningham to the bowling of Knox, pavilion end, and H. B. Elliot. With only four runs scored, Elliot bowled Cunningham and Hooton followed in, but five runs later Elliot again did the necessary, bowling Prescott. Symons came next, but with the total unaltered Knox bowled Hooton, so that three wickets were down for nine runs. Rooke filled the vacancy and the score was taken to 22 before Elliot bowled him. E. Morgan now joined Symons and 21 runs were added before Morgan was run out, making half the side out for 43 runs. With Levy in a better complexion was put on the game. Macdonald relieved H. Elliot and later G. Elliot gave Knox a rest, but the change proved expensive and Knox soon resumed with good effect for he bowled Levy with his second ball, but not until the total had been carried to 92. Levy batted very well for his 25 and gave no chances. With Earle in another change was brought about, H. Elliot going on again in place of Macdonald. With the score raised to 117 Elliot bowled Earle and Leonard, the next comer was caught off his first ball at mid-off with the total unchanged. W. Morgan now joined Symons and promptly despatched Elliot to the boundary twice. Matters began to get very exciting now as the score rose rapidly and 140 was hoisted amidst cheers. At 147 Morgan was most unfortunately run out, so that nine runs were still wanted to win when the last man came in. Torre stopped the three balls he received from Knox and then Symons faced Macdonald who had relieved H. Elliot. His second delivery was hit for four and 150 went up accompanied by cheers and the most intense excitement. The next ball gave no result, but the following one clean bowled Symons and the match was over, Flores winning by four runs only.

**FLORES A.C.**

J. T. Huxtable	st Cunningham	b
Leonard	.....	12
W. D. Gardom	b Prescott	6
G. F. Elliot	run out	55
A. Macdonald	b W. Morgan	38
B. B. Syer	not out	21
J. H. Elliot	b E. Morgan	0
C. S. Nixon	b W. Morgan	6
B. G. Henderson	b W. Morgan	0
T. V. M. Knox	b W. Morgan	6
J. Edwards	b W. Morgan	0
H. B. Elliot	b W. Morgan	0
	Extras	11
	Total	155

**QUILMES C.C.**

J. S. Prescott	b H. Elliot	5
E. Cunningham	b H. Elliot	0
P. Hooton	b Knox	1
A. J. Symons	b Macdonald	63
B. W. Rooke	b H. Elliot	10
E. Morgan	run out	6
R. Levy	b Knox	25
G. F. Earle	b H. Elliot	9
S. U. Leonard	c J. b H. Elliot	0
W. Morgan	run out	11
H. Torre	not out	0
	Extras	21
	Total	151

Flores A.C.		BOWLING ANALYSIS.				Quilmes C.C.			
	O	M	R	W		O	M	R	W
H. Torre	17	5	33	0	T. V. M. Knox	20	4	46	2
J. S. Prescott	11	3	27	1	H. B. Elliot	13	2	52	5
A. J. Symons	4	2	5	0	A. Macdonald	8.4	3	19	1
S. U. Leonard	11	1	32	1	G. F. Elliot	2	0	13	0
E. Morgan	8	2	29	1					
W. Morgan	9	3	18	6					

Symons delivered 3 no-balls.  
Macdonald delivered 3 no-balls.

LA GERMANIA C.C.

On Christmas Day this club played its first game at the La Germania Estancia (Gral. Pinto, F.C.O.), of which Mr Ernest Willford has recently taken over the management. The teams, which were six aside, were captained by Messrs E. Willford and D. Sellars respectively. Owing to somewhat erratic scoring during part of the game, full particulars were not recorded, but the runs knocked up by the individual players were the following, from which it will be seen that Mr E. Willford's side won:

E. Willford not out.....	27	D. Sellars .....	2
W. Scheibler .....	10	J. R. Willford .....	28
W. Davidson .....	2	T. Gambling .....	0
A. Vivas .....	1	Tomás .....	1
Teodoro .....	1	J. Mora .....	0
Adolfo .....	0	Emilio not out.....	2
Total.....	41	Total.....	33

The club, which has a nice little ground, is open to challenges on Sundays and feastdays, and hopes that a strong Buenos Aires team will visit them before long.

FIXTURES FOR 1899-1900.

JANUARY.

- Sat. 6—Belgrano v. Lomas "A," at Lomas.\*
- Sat. 6—Quilmes v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.\*
- Sat. 6—Flores 2nd XI v. Banfield 2nd XI, at Banfield.
- Sun. 7—Quilmes v. Lomas "A," at Lomas.\*
- Sun. 7—Belgrano v. Lanús, at Lanús.\*
- Sun. 7—Flores 2nd XI v. Belgrano 2nd XI, at Belgrano.
- Sun. 14—Quilmes v. Lomas, at Quilmes.\*
- Sun. 14—Hurlingham v. Flores, at Flores.\*
- Sun. 14—Belgrano v. Banfield, at Banfield.\*
- Sun. 14—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI v. Lanús 2nd XI, at Palermo.
- Sun. 21—Belgrano 2nd XI v. Hurlingham "A," at Belgrano
- Sun. 21—B.A.C.C. v. Old Bedfordians, at Palermo.
- Sun. 21—Lomas "A" v. Lanús, at Lanús.\*
- Sun. 21—Quilmes v. Banfield, at Banfield.\*
- Sun. 28—Hurlingham v. Lomas, at Lomas.\*
- Sun. 28—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI v. Quilmes 2nd XI, at Quilmes.
- Sun. 28—Flores v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.\*

FEBRUARY.

- Fri. 2—B.A.C.C. v. Lomas, at Lomas.
- Fri. 2—Quilmes v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.\*
- Fri. 2—Flores 2nd XI v. Lanús 2nd XI, at Flores.
- Sun. 4—Lomas v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.\*
- Sun. 4—Lomas "A" v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.\*
- Sun. 4—Flores v. Banfield, at Banfield.\*
- Sun. 4—Lanús v. Quilmes, at Quilmes.\*
- Sun. 4—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI v. Belgrano 2nd XI, at Belgrano.
- Sun. 11—Quilmes 2nd XI v. Belgrano 2nd XI, at Belgrano
- Sun. 11—B.A.C.C. v. Flores, at Palermo.
- Sun. 11—Lanús v. Banfield, at Banfield.\*
- Sun. 11—Hurlingham "A" v. Palermo, at Hurlingham.
- Sun. 18—Quilmes v. Lomas, at Lomas.\*
- Sun. 18—Hurlingham v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.\*
- Sun. 18—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI v. Flores 2nd XI, at Palermo.
- Sun. 25, Mon. 26, Tues. 27—North v. South, at Palermo.

MARCH.

- Sun. 4—Flores v. Lomas "A," at Lomas.\*
- Sun. 4—Hurlingham v. Lanús, at Lanús.\*
- Sun. 4—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI v. Banfield 2nd XI, at Palermo.
- Sun. 4—Quilmes 2nd XI v. London Bank, at Quilmes.
- Sun. 11—Belgrano v. Quilmes, at Quilmes.\*
- Sun. 11—B.A.C.C. v. Hurlingham, at Palermo.
- Sun. 11—Lomas "A" v. Banfield, at Banfield.\*
- Sun. 11—Lanús v. Flores, at Flores.\*
- Sun. 18—Belgrano 2nd XI v. Lanús 2nd XI, at Belgrano.
- Sun. 18—Lomas v. Banfield, at Banfield.\*
- Sun. 18—Quilmes v. Flores, at Flores.\*
- Sun. 18—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI v. Hurlingham 2nd XI, at Hurlingham.
- Sun. 25—Quilmes 2nd XI v. Banfield 2nd XI, at Banfield.
- Sun. 25—B.A.C.C. v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.

APRIL.

- Sun. 1—Hurlingham 2nd XI v. Flores 2nd XI, at Flores.
- Sun. 1—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI v. Banfield 2nd XI, at Banfield.
- Sun. 8—Hurlingham v. Lomas "A," at Lomas.\*
- Thur. 12, Fri. 13—Lomas v. Flores, at Flores.\*

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ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

On Friday, the 23rd of December past, Messrs A. Bullrich and Co. held a liquidation sale of the thoroughbred mares from the Stud Chacabuco, the property of the late James Casey, when some very handsome prices were realised. The following is a note of the animals sold with their respective prices and purchasers:—

Condesa, to Dr. J. A. Fernandez .. ..	\$8100
Tilimuque, to Dr. J. A. Fernandez .. ..	8000
Tesorera, to Dr. J. A. Fernandez .. ..	8000
Profesora, to Sr. Salvador Boucau .. ..	5500
Maria Elena, to Dr. J. A. Fernandez .. ..	4100
Charita, to Dr. J. A. Fernandez .. ..	4000
Miss Palmer, to Dr. J. A. Fernandez .. ..	2100
Elena, to Dr. J. A. Fernandez .. ..	1100
Marcela, to Dr. J. A. Fernandez .. ..	1000
Pantera, to Dr. J. A. Fernandez .. ..	600
Corista, to Sr. Bengochea .. ..	700
Marina, to Sr. A. Bengochea .. ..	500
Justa, to Sr. F. Bolli .. ..	500
Felicita, to Sr. A. Bengochea .. ..	400
Santa Fé, to Stud Don Gonzalo .. ..	400
Rufina, to Sr. A. Bengochea .. ..	400
Minua, to Sr. F. Bolli .. ..	400
Defonned, to Petite Ecurie .. ..	350
Mary, to Sr. Mirás .. ..	350
Monica, to Sr. A. Bengochea .. ..	200
Iris, to Sr. A. Bengochea .. ..	200
Lucia, to Sr. A. Bengochea .. ..	150
Teetotum, to Sr. A. Bengochea .. ..	120
Curumalan, to Sr. Hoffer .. ..	100

The total amount realised for the 24 mares sold was \$47,270, which gives an average of say \$1970 per mare.

Sr. Pellegrini Botto has sold from his invernada in Marcos Paz, 1500 novillos for export, at \$40 gold each, to be delivered within the next three months. Buyers, Messrs Kingsland and Cash.

The remate-féria held by Messrs Bullrich and Co. at their yard at General Rodriguez, F.C.O., on Sunday, the 24th ult., was well attended and the sales amounted to \$108,231. Four hundred export novillos were sold at prices ranging from \$100 to 108.50 each, which shows how the market stands for stock of this class. Novillos for freezing made from \$67 to 85 each, and novillos for butcher (home consumption) from \$37 to 60. Fat cows made all the way from \$27.50 to 55.50, and capones \$4.20 to 6.20.

The Hereford steer, the property of Her Majesty the Queen of England, and bred on her Flemish farm at Windsor, which took first and Champion prizes at the Norwich Fat Stock Show, and was judged the best beast in the Show, is rising three years old and weighed at Norwich 17 cwt 2 qrs 5 lbs, equivalent to say 890 kilos. This same steer won the breed cup at the Smithfield Club Show last year when at the age of one year eleven months and twenty-one days, he weighed 12 cwt 2 qrs and 12 lbs, the equivalent of 650 kilos.

Within the past week the three freezing companies have despatched three steamers carrying between them 111,523 frozen wethers, to say nothing of quarters of beef; the freezing companies have all been working at high pressure of late and there is little doubt that the exports of frozen beef and mutton for 1899 will considerably exceed those of 1898.

According to official data, the exports of live stock for the month of November past have been as follows:—From the port of Buenos Aires 4190 steers, 22,056 wethers; and 1600 horses, and from La Plata port 622 steers, 2913 wethers, and 18 horses.

The figures for the eleven months up to November 30th are: 96,333 steers, 454,301 wethers, 2507 horses, 1204 mules, and 1650 pigs.

Most of the steers and wethers have gone to the English markets, occasional deck loads going to Belgium, France, and South Africa, which latter place is the destination of most of the horses and mules, whilst the pigs have practically all gone to Brazil. The quantity of fodder shipped with the live stock above referred to was as near as possible 4500 tons. Of the steers exported there is a registry of the weights of 4091, which gave an average weight of 648 kilos per head.

The sale is reported of 2500 hectares of camp in the Rio Negro, section IX., lot 12, for \$12,500.

Mr William Harper, head of the Information Office of the Commercial Museum at Philadelphia, in a recent publication, gives some interesting figures on the production and consumption of meat. The total meat supply of the whole world is put down as follows:—

Beef	8,420,000	tons
Pork	3,970,000	"
Mutton	2,810,000	"
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,200,000</b>	<b>"</b>

The countries producing this supply rank in the following order:—

United States of America	4,500,000	tons
Russia	2,290,000	"
Germany	1,520,000	"
Austria	1,200,000	"
France	1,200,000	"
Great Britain	760,000	"
Australia	600,000	"
Spain	430,000	"
Argentine Republic	420,000	"
Other countries	327,000	"
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,200,000</b>	<b>"</b>

There has been a decided slackness in the wool market during the past week, and as the entries continue to be heavy, round about a million kilos daily, the stock is piling up. All the private deposits are full as no wool is going forward, shippers holding out for better freight rates.

The fine wools are practically finished with, and it is the exception to see a lot of this class on offer. Meanwhile though the movement is little and buyers appear to be resting on their cars, prices have not weakened anything to speak of, and may be quoted practically the same as last week.

Sheepskins are still very firm at from \$1 to 1.10 per kilo for first class lots with active demand.

The Sociedad Rural has distributed the programmes of the forthcoming Show of Horses and Fat Stock to be held at Palermo in May next, from the 2nd to the 6th. A very big entry is anticipated.

A breeder in the United States has a short horn cow which, as a two-year-old, gave birth to a fine bull calf, as a three-year-old to two bull calves (twins) and now, as a four-year-old cow has added to her laurels by producing three calves at a birth, a bull and two cow calves. Truly a prolific breeder.

A Frenchman is said to have invented and patented a *mechanical horse*, for which it is claimed that it will do the work of an ordinary flesh and blood equine. The motor, which is to be called the "bogic-automotor," is supplied with electrical power, and according to report, has been in use for some months past without having suffered a mishap of any description.

*El Diario* received last week a telegram from its London correspondent, the purport of which is as follows:—

The horses brought here by the British Government for South Africa, have, according to official advices, received by the War Office in London, given a very good result. To begin with, the losses in the voyage across were insignificant, and the animals on arrival there, were ready for service almost immediately, which was not the case with horses from England, Spain, United States, Italy and the Colonies, the reason being that the horses shipped from here were on the voyage better fed and tended than what they were accustomed to.

Though small, the Argentine horses are considered very hardy and easily become acclimatised.

The first lot sent forward were used as pack horses and in the ambulances, and answer the purpose admirably both on account of their endurance and docility.

Add to this that that they thrive well on pastures where an English horse can barely live, that they stand the rough roads of the *veldts*, without shoes better than the European horses, shod, and that heing considerably

smaller they offer less mark to the enemy's fire, and there is abundant ground for the belief that the British Government will extend its purchases of horseflesh in this country.

When the war is finished there should still be a good market for Argentine horses in South Africa, once they have got their name up, and it behoves breeders here to pay a little more attention to this branch of live stock farming, which, up to the present, has been much neglected in this country, indeed there are few *estancieros* here who understand the breeding of horses unless it be heavy draft horses, and the few who indulge in the hobby of breeding racers.

On Thursday last, Messrs A. Bullrich and Co., sold at auction a bunch of race horses, the property of the Stud Belgrano and Petite Ecurie, the result of the sale being as follows:—

Omnium	\$7000
Senegal	6500
Republicano	4500
Aluminio	3500
Danieta	1700
Judea	800
Terminus	800
Kaolin	700
Sintonia	500
Autócerata	500
Siria	450
Sanson	400
Soult	300

Total, \$27,650, or an average of \$2127 each. Buyers, Sebastian Bianchi, Carlos Rolon, Juan Bidart, Luton, J. Mora, Ecurie Bismarck, J. Ortiz de Rosas, Francisco Pages, Honorio de la Canal, Luis C. Rodriguez, Gilberto Lerena, Henry Hoekins, and Figueroa.

The Sociedad Rural of Necochea will hold their next *exposicion-feria* on the 14th, 15th, and 16th of the current month.

On Wednesday evening last, Sr. Traysee gave a lecture in the Rural Society's rooms on the use and prejudicial effects of lime and sulphur as a sheep-dip, and during the course of the lecture gave practical proofs of his assertions, showing that wool dipped with a lime and sulphur preparation, becomes very brittle and light, and consequently loses much of its value. The lecturer pointed out that the use of lime and sulphur had been entirely abandoned in Australia, and that in October, 1899, a decree had been issued by the authorities at the Cape, prohibiting its use there, on account of the great losses annually incurred there through using it. There is no doubt that Sr. Fraigsee made a decided impression on the majority of his hearers, and in the main we are inclined to side with him, but as far as we are able to judge the real cause of the losses, is due to the *abuse* and not to the *use* of lime and sulphur, else how reconcile the fact that there are *estancieros* here who have used this dip for years past, with great benefit to their flocks, and have moreover been continually at the top of the market, in the prices obtained for their wools so treated.

An old subscriber has sent us an article on the function of earth worms, which he wrote for a home paper, *The Banffshire Journal*, an extract from which we consider will be very interesting to many of our readers.

"Speaking of the earth worm," he says, "reminds me of the fact that here in the Argentine this interesting reptile upon the whole appears to be rather scarce, and in some parts non-existent. Its entire absence in certain localities may be due to the high percentage of salt in the soil. This is a very marked feature in some of the northern provinces. However, in those parts where the earth worm may be scarce, and non-existent, we have myriads of indefatigable little workers, which take their place, in the shape of little brown ants, and the enormous quantities of mould these untiring little drudges carry up and deposit on the surface is incredible. For instance, during a dry time, one may pass over a field without seeing any appearance of either ant or worm casting, but, should you pass the same field the day following a heavy rainfall, you will find it all dotted over with little mounds of freshly turned up mould. We have also here a great variety of sexton or burying beetles, which play their part in some-



what a similar way, but, although the work done by them is insignificant in comparison to that done by the ant and earth worm, still they creditably play their part. To watch those creatures at work is a source of the greatest interest and amusement. By the diligence with which they do work, one would almost think that they realised the fact that a certain amount of work had to be done while the ground was soft and moist, for in this way they resemble the ant and earth worm—viz., almost suspend work during dry weather. The burying beetle, as a rule, attacks excrement and animal remains, and inters it by digging out the earth from below and throwing or pushing it out all round. In this way the body meant for interment gradually sinks below the surface. In the way described, I have frequently seen the bodies of large snakes completely interred during the course of a single night, for these creatures are, as a rule, nocturnal in their habits, and set out on their burying expeditions by night. While flying through the air by their gauze-like wings, they scent their pray from afar.

“But the most interesting of this class is a beetle about the size of an ordinary house-fly. Its mode of procedure is somewhat different from that I have described. When the little creatures come on animal excrement, they attack it with an energy that appears to amount to fury, and cut it up into round pellets about the size of peas. These they roll before them and deposit in holes which they dig for their reception. While watching these industrious creatures at work, I have not infrequently seen an individual beetle stick in rolling his ball by an impeding obstacle, and I admit at being both delighted and amused at the promptness with which some of his scavenger friends would come to his assistance and give him a shove. We have still another class of beetle that perform the same kind of work, but it is more sluggish in its movements. So far as my limited knowledge goes on such matters, it appears to be identical with the Egyptian sacred scarab beetle.

“As to the primary object of the industry displayed by these beetles, I scarcely dare venture on an opinion, as this is a question which would require the most careful study and investigation, but in a general sense it may safely be assumed that it is indirectly connected with the perpetuity of species. Strange as it may seem, I have little hesitation in saying that the combined industry of these little workers viz., ants, worms, and beetles to which I have briefly referred, must, in the course of a very limited time, indeed accomplish the gigantic task of turning the vegetable mould of the pampas upside down, in this way gradually but materially increasing its depth.”

Carcarañá, December 28, 1899

To the Editor of *Sport and Pastime*.

Dear sir,

On page 13, of your issue of December 27, in allusion to the existence of *tristeza* at Pinto, in Santiago del Estero, your comment, “the animals first attacked are animals recently arrived from Europe, which leads to the belief that the disease has been imported by these animals,” sounds strange to any one at all familiar with the disease here called *tristeza*, though known over a wider area in Australia and the United States as tick fever, or Texas fever. In these countries where the disease has been under expert scientific investigation by C. J. Pound, Kilbourne, Smith, and others of equal eminence, for nearly twenty years, it would “sound strange” indeed if newly imported animals carried into the tick districts during the summer season did *not* get the fever very shortly after their arrival. It is almost a certainty that animals taken from regions where the tick (*garrapata*) is unknown to tick infested districts, in hot weather, will be attacked with the most fatal germ of *tristeza*, and on the other hand, if during the hot season, animals from tick infested provinces are carried south to pastures free from ticks they will communicate (not by contact, but by distribution of the ticks they may have about them), the disease called *tristeza* to any cattle they are herded with.

In the United States, fine cattle for breeding purposes, before being sent south, are now inoculated to render them immune; “these inoculations have been made successfully at all seasons” (I am quoting from *The Breeders Gazette*, of November 15, 1899)—“in the north in mid summer, and winter; in the south in winter and early spring. The most suitable time is when the animal does not suffer from either heat or cold. Cattle inoc-

culated in the north should be sent south in December or January to prevent sudden gross infestation with ticks, as this may bring on a relapse.”

But I am trespassing on your valuable space, so I will bring my contribution to a close.—Yours, etc.,

OLIVER C. JAMES.

In the year 1840 a man named King made something of a sensation with a “learned horse;” which, if the chroniclers do not exaggerate, was really a remarkably intelligent and teachable beast. He would pick up a half-sovereign, half-crown, shilling, and sixpence from a table in any order the spectator chose to suggest. Twenty cards bearing numbers from 1 to 20 being thrown on the table, the horse would pick out the appropriate figures when asked how many days there are in a week, weeks in a month, and days in a year; the last was the cleverest feat, as it required him to select the 3, 6 and 5 cards and place them in the correct order. One feels a little sceptical concerning his next performance. A watch being held up to his eye, he produced the cards appropriate in reply to the questions “What hour struck last?” and “What hour will strike next?” That takes some believing; but when the narrator asks us to believe that this horse could tell how many minutes it wanted to the hour and turnish the right card to express 17, we begin to suspect trickery.

The scheme of ambulances to bring in wounded horses from the battle field has naturally enough found little favour in the eyes of the War Office. Horses in any way severely injured could never be worth much more than their hoofs and hide anywhere, and the most merciful form of consideration in such a condition is the bullet. The wounded horsemen are as much as can be looked after in the rage and confusion of battle.

Is this a record of canine sagacity as it purports to be, or of story-telling ingenuity? One day in November, 1823, a dog belonging to the gardener of Mrs Graham, Rickerby Cumberland, hunted a rat till it went to ground in a hole in the brickwork of a furnace; the hole was too shallow for the rat to get out of sight and too deep for the dog's muzzle. The dog sat and watched his prey for a time; then finding the rat did not intend to come out, ran upstairs, got a kitten, carried it down to the hole, and “muzzled” it on top of the rat!

Southey in his “History of the Peninsular War” tells a curious story concerning horses. Two of the regiments quartered in Fuenen were mounted on Andalusian entires, and when Romana retreated before the French, it was found impossible to ship the horses. Another General, in these circumstances, might have shot the horses, over 1000 in number, to prevent their falling into the hands of the enemy, but Romana could not bring himself to do this, and after stripping off the saddles, bridles, and other gear the horses were turned loose on the beach. As they moved off the mob of horses passed some agricultural nags and mares at a little distance, and immediately charged down upon them. An extraordinary scene followed; when the stallions had killed the strange horses, they turned to fighting among themselves, seeming to charge in organised ranks as they had been drilled. They fell upon each other with hoof and tooth, and in a quarter of an hour the shore was literally strewn with dead and disabled horses. Romana, when he saw the result of turning them loose, would have landed men to shoot down the survivors, but the excitement of the animals was so great that he dared not let men go ashore for fear of their being trampled to death.

HEREFORD CATTLE.

By “J. H.” in *The Live Stock Journal*.

The extraordinary success of this popular breed is again drawing particular attention. Herefords have had their ups and downs like everything else, but perhaps there is no breed of live stock which so persistently forces its way to the top from time to time by sheer weight of merit. In the early days of the century records of fat stock and other shows tell us of popular favour they gained on account of the large proportion of prizes awarded to them. In those days matured beef was considered a necessity to supply the best tables with the good old English fare. “The roast beef of old England” was then taken

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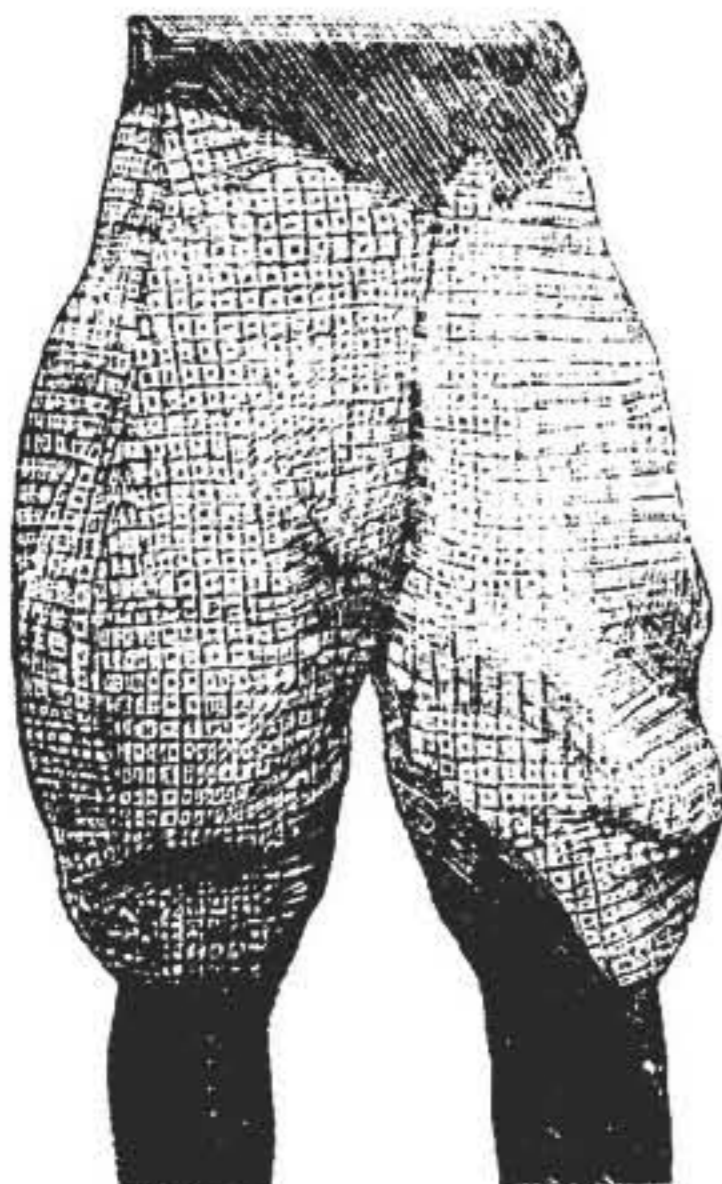
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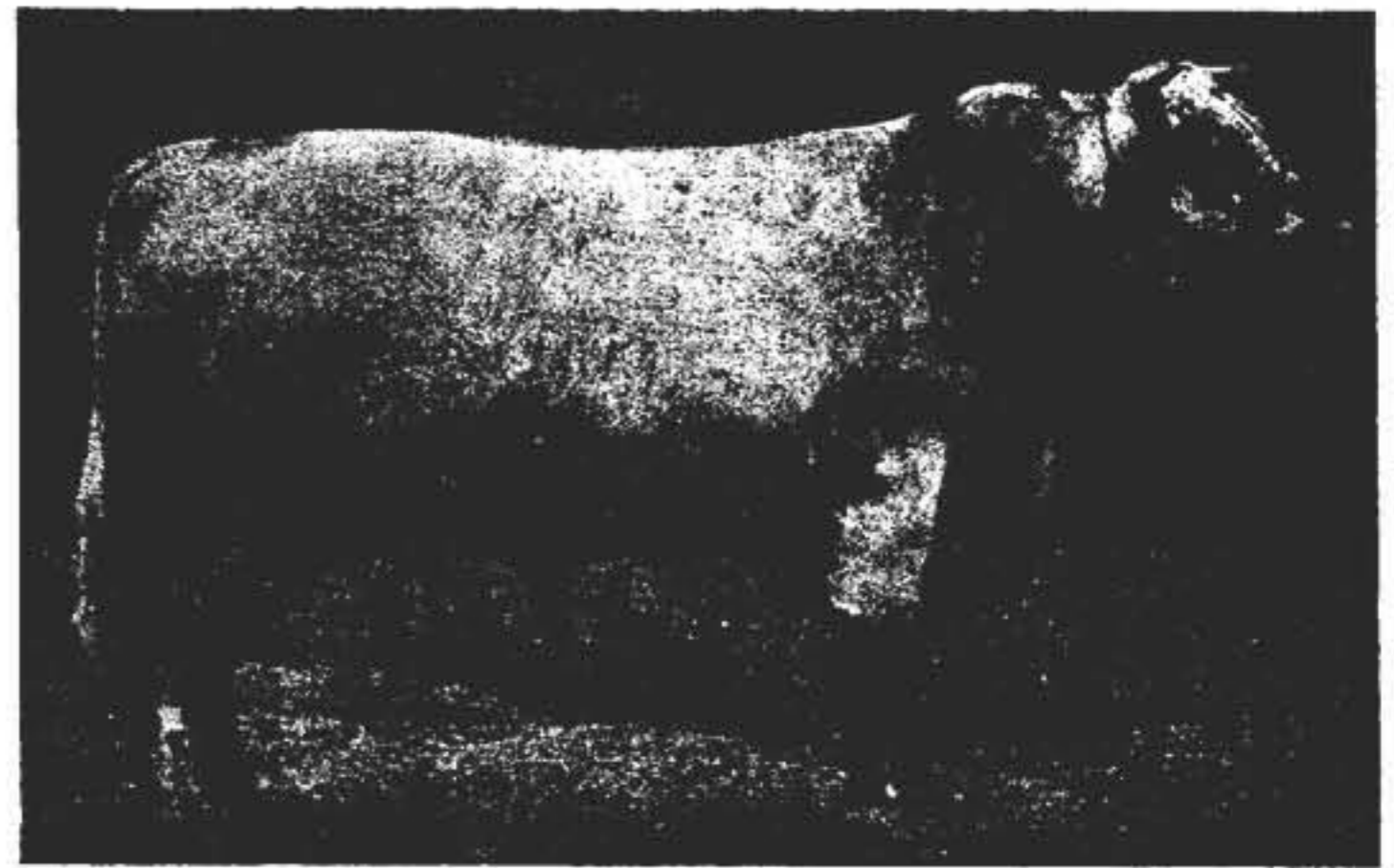


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from huge oxen of a type which has long since passed away; and their place has now been filled by the small, choice joints produced by mere baby animals only just emerging from calthood. Time went slower and farming times were prosperous in those days, and there was more room for both man and beast to take things easy and come to maturity. Now everything is changed; it is all rush and bustle with man, and early maturity becomes a necessity for beasts. Quick returns are what people look for, and weight that is put on per day becomes a test of merit rather than the character of meat which is produced. Too much fat, too much waste is often the result of this high pressure rate of feeding, and regret is frequently expressed at the loss of lean meat with a suitable proportion of fat for which our older cattle were so much appreciated. There has been none too soon, a pull taken, and the evil is undoubtedly being checked by the action of breeders and butchers in the last few years, and more attention is being given to lean meat than was the case some time ago. Hereford cattle have held their own all through the century, and have never been ousted from the position they hold in the beef market as being worth the top price per pound of any cattle which the country produces. Considering the restricted area in which they are bred, and the fact that they are mostly in the hands of tenant-farmers, it is very remarkable how they have, in these depressed years of agriculture, been kept so well represented at our leading shows. With the small support they have had from wealthy men, when compared to the Shorthorn and Scotch breeds, they have more than held their own, and this year, not only in this country but abroad, have placed themselves at the "head of the poll." Championships at Buenos Aires, Norwich, Lord Tredegar's show at Newport, and Birmingham following in close succession, is a thing to be proud of. The splendid bullock which has achieved further success for Her Majesty's herd is a credit to the breed, and is perhaps one of the best beef animals which has been exhibited in recent years, and must draw special attention to the Hereford, not only in England but wherever cattle are known. The Hereford cross which made such a mark at the Dublin Fat Stock Show had a great effect on the popularity of the breed in Ireland. It had for some reason of late years been rather under a cloud, but when people saw the grand white-faced cross-breeds taking the beef prizes by storm their old love returned, and the whiteface is once again taking strong hold on the Irish pastures and in the Irish fairs.

With public attention so drawn to them, it specially behoves breeders to ensure their herds against any hints at deterioration which may be levelled against them by their many competitors, and to prove that the grand animals which have won so conspicuously are the result of a combined effort to assert the supremacy of the breed against all comers. It is to the bulls that breeders must have special regard. For some reason or other Hereford bulls have latterly been too scarce of what can really be called impressive sires. Since the days of Horace, Rare Sovereign, Lord Wilton, Grove 3rd, and others of that date, we have heard little of any bulls that have made a great name for themselves in the same way. Many of those used have been bred from because they were sons of these or other famous sires. For the time breeders fell into the fatal trap, which nearly ruined the Shorthorn. By too close line breeding size and lean flesh were beginning to be lost, their heads and tails were getting too close together, and the grand old massive type, was given way to this pernicious system, helped on by the early maturity craze. As I said before, a pull has undoubtedly been taken, and there is distinct evidence that a far better class of bulls is now to be seen. There is no way in which a breed can show its superiority better than by the exhibition of steers and oxen, and the bull which can sire creditable winners in these classes is the sort to encourage in the general herds of the country. Bulls which get heifers all of the same type and character are undoubtedly most valuable to a breeder, but some of those which are capable of doing this are entirely useless for producing male animals. It is the "bull getter," to use a vulgar expression, which is a mine of wealth to his fortunate possessor; and these are scarce in every breed, and indeed are too often lost sight of before their precious quality is found out by the high merit of their stock. It was success in the showyard which first brought the celebrated Horace into notice. Perhaps he was one of the best sires of bullocks that the Hereford breed has ever known. And not only this, but as a heifer and bull getter his success was also unique. Lord Wilton again earned his early reputation by the winning of his stock in the showyard. Perhaps his great

name was made more especially by his beautiful heifers than by his male offspring, but he, too, was of course a wonderful all-round sire. Time will not permit of going further into this question in this short article, but it will be interesting to note after the Smithfield Show is over to what bulls and what line of breeding the prize-winners of the year owe the merit which has placed them above their competitors.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

Belleville, F.C.C.A., Dec. 26, 1899.

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## FIXTURES.

### RACING.

Jan. 6—Hipódromo Nacional, Belgrano.  
Jan. 7—Hipódromo Nacional, Belgrano.

### CRICKET.

Jan. 6—Belgrano v. Lomas "A," at Lomas.  
Jan. 6—Quilmes v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.  
Jan. 6—Flores 2nd XI. v. Banfield 2nd XI., at Banfield.  
Jan. 7—Quilmes v. Lomas "A," at Lomas.  
Jan. 7—Belgrano v. Lanús, at Lanús.  
Jan. 7—Flores 2nd XI. v. Belgrano 2nd XI., at Belgrano.

### LAWN TENNIS.

Jan. 6—Buenos Aires v. Lomas, at Recoleta.  
Jan. 6—Quilmes v. Santa Lucia, at Quilmes.

### ATHLETICS.

Jan. 6—Montevideo Athletic Sports.

### YACHTING.

Jan. 14—Y. C. A. Regatta for Carlos Livingston Cup.

## LIST OF CLUBS WITH THEIR SECRETARIES.

### ATHLETIC CLUBS.

AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE RIVER PLATE—*Blue and White*—E. Dávila, Piedad 475.  
BANFIELD—*Maroon and Old Gold*—J. H. Quick, Contaduria, F.C.S., Plaza Constitucion.  
BARKER MEMORIAL SCHOOL—*Blue and Gold*—H. S. Chappell, Las Golondrinas, Lomas de Zamora, F.C.S.  
BELGRANO—*Black and Gold*—J. R. S. Fox, Avenida de Mayo 748.  
CENTRAL ARGENTINE RAILWAY—*Red and White*—R. H. Chamberlin, Almacenes, F.C.C.A., Rosario.  
CORDOBA AND ROSARIO RAILWAY—H. Dorning, Almacenes, F.C.C. y R., Rosario.  
ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL—*Red and White*—A. Coste, Santa Fé 3590.  
FLORES—*Magenta, Black and Blue, with narrow White Stripes between*—B. G. Henderson, Estacion Once, F.C.O.  
LANUS (F.C.S.)—*Dark Blue*—F. W. Fothergill, Plaza Constitucion, F.C.S.  
LOMAS—*Blue and Red*—H. Wilson, Rivadavia 639.  
LOMAS—*Lincoln Green, Scarlet and Gold*—R. L. Goodfellow, Lomas Academy, Lomas de Zamora, F.C.S.  
PALERMO—*Red, Blue and White*—A. J. Rugeroni, Piedad 345.  
PORTENO—*Dark Blue and White*—Miguel S. Kenny, Reconquista 268.  
ROSARIO—*Claret and Light Blue*—T. A. Hall, Entre Rios 151, Rosario.  
RIO CRICKET AND ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION—*Dark Green and Gold*—H. Evers, British Bank, Rio.  
SANTOS—A. Keelman, London and Brazilian Bank, Santos.

### CRICKET CLUBS.

BOHEMIANS—*Rifle Green and Crimson*—C. M. Belton, Bustamante 2051.  
BUENOS AIRES—*Crimson and Black*—H. C. Plews, Banco Británico.  
CENTRAL URUGUAY—*Black and Orange*—A. R. Roebuck, Administracion F.C.C.U., Montevideo.  
FISHERTON—J. Beaumont.  
HURLINGHAM—*Blue, Red and Yellow*—J. Stuart, Banco de Londres.  
LONDON BANK—A. H. Poulton, Banco de Londres.  
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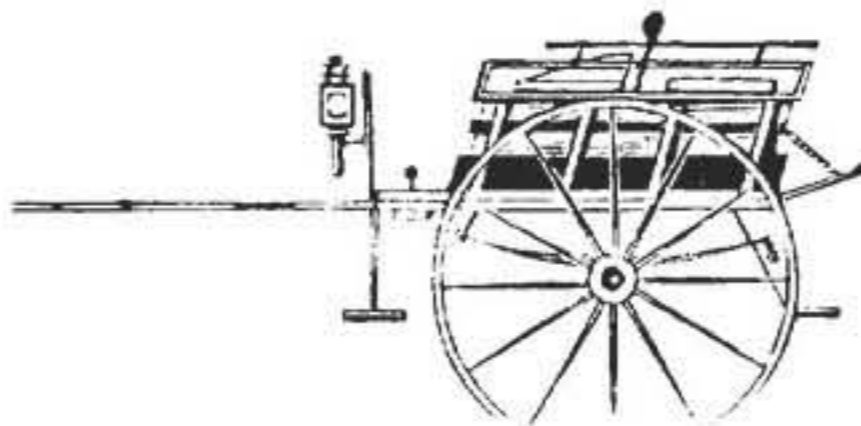
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