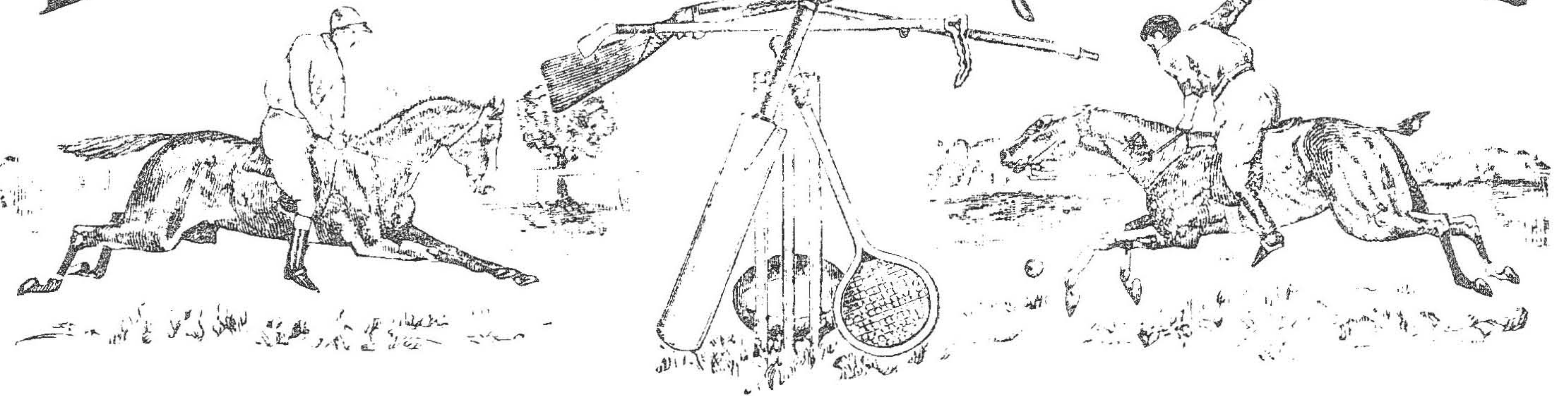


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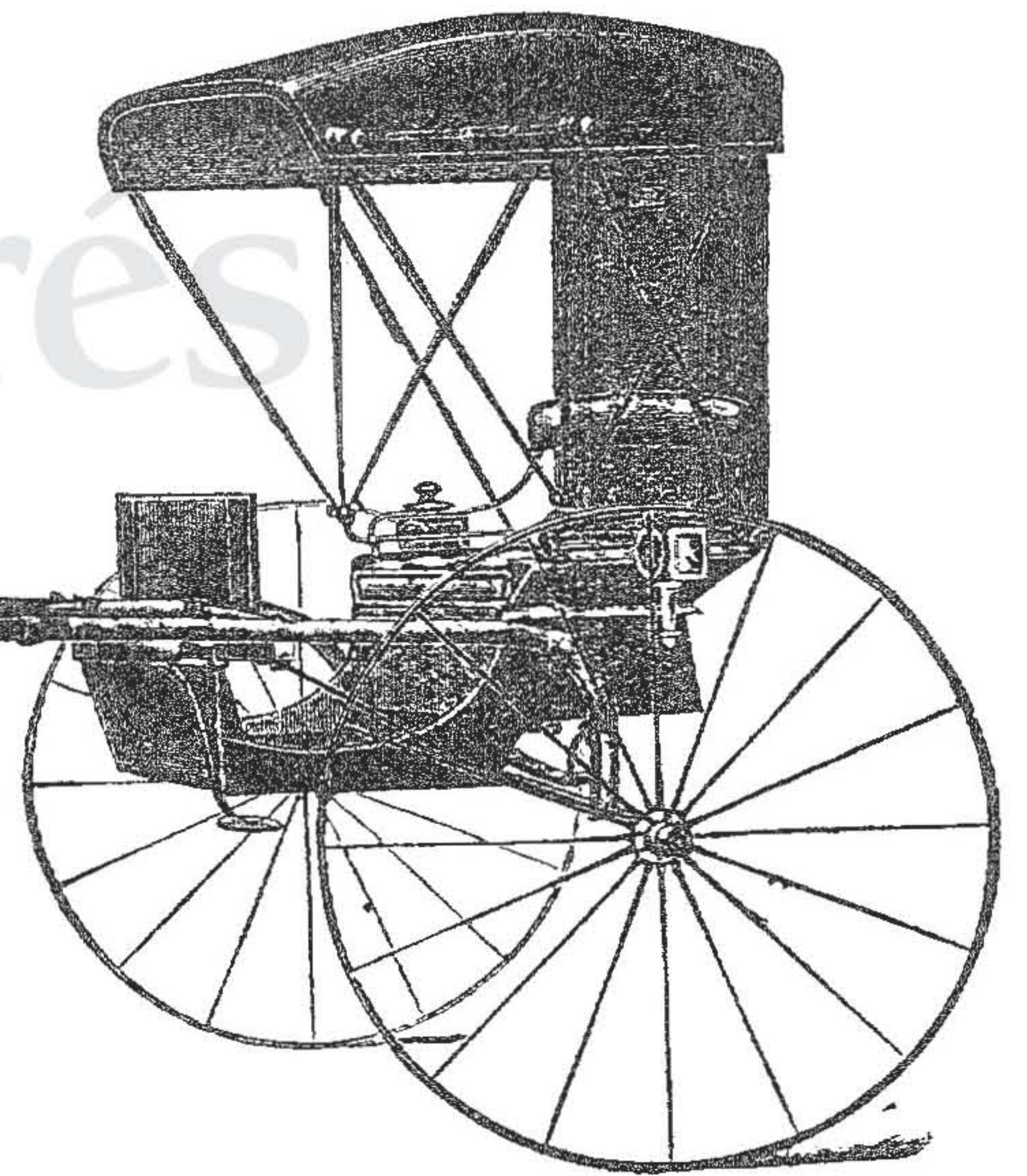
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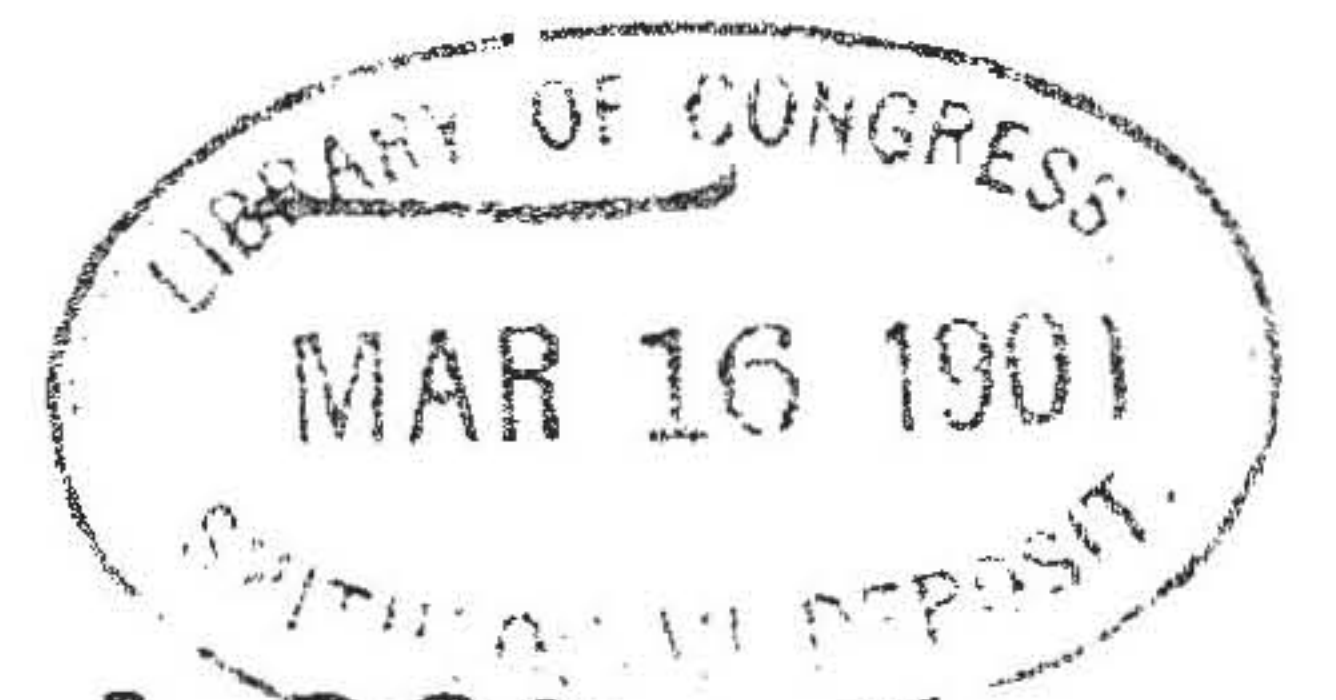
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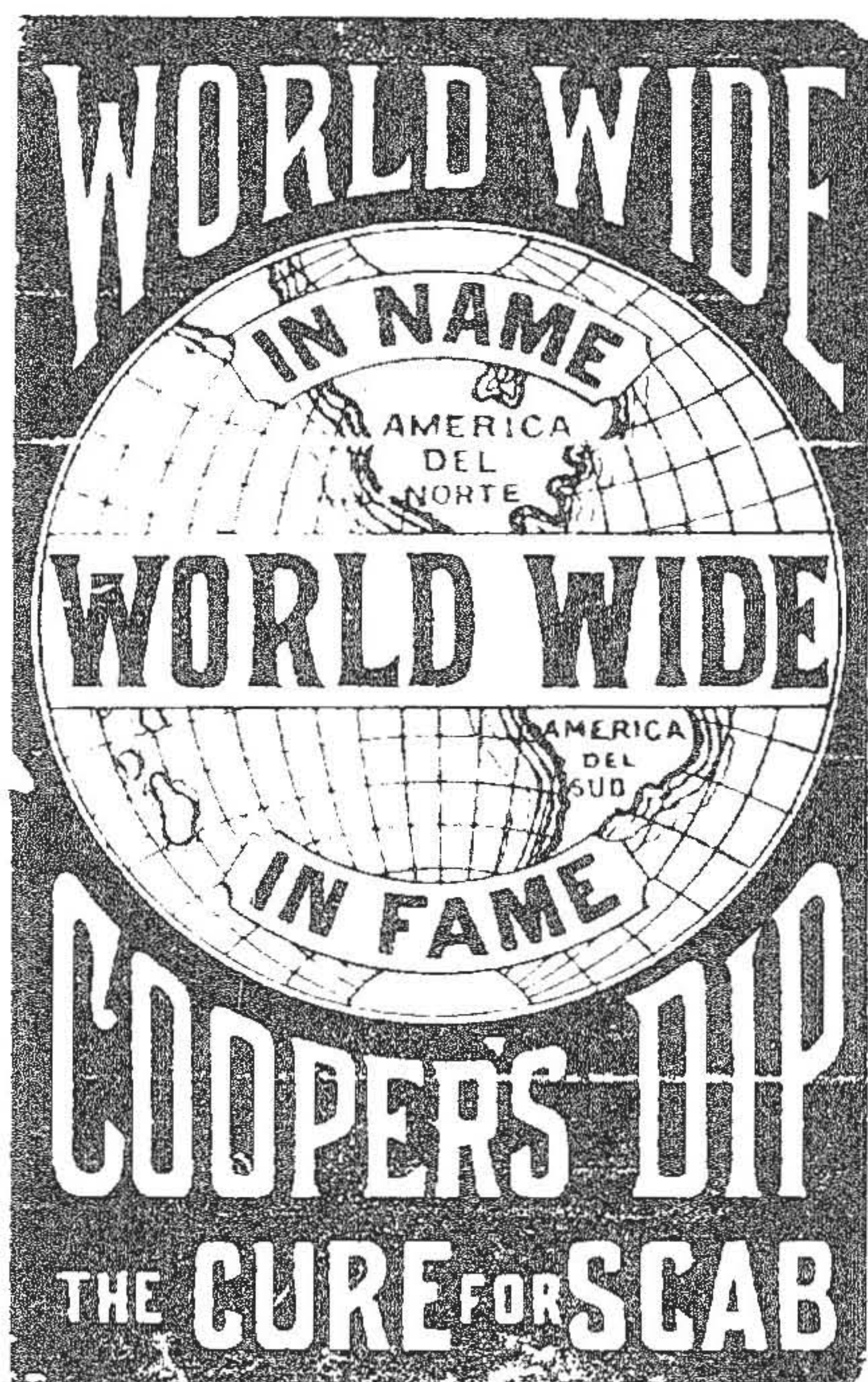
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River Plate Sport and Pastime

BUENOS AIRES, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1901.

POLO

HURLINGHAM—JAN. 29.

An early morning game was played between the following sides:—T. Robson, E. Robson, C. Mendl and R. Leys against B. Bedford, H. Schwind, W. Harnett and A. Sanderson. Four quarters were played. Lacey cut in the last quarter in Harnett's place. Bedford's side proved somewhat the stronger, or at any rate the better goal-scorers, scoring seven to their opponents two. T. Robson, who we are very pleased to see has got some ponies to suit him, is getting back to his old form, and was playing well, but was very poorly supported.

On Sunday, February 3rd, having been assured there would be no Polo, we are ashamed to say we were not on the ground in the afternoon, so were surprised to meet an enthusiast in the evening and hear after all there had been a game. This is his description: "Started with five players, raked up a sixth and began to play. Finally managed to get eight. Galloped about and enjoyed ourselves. Can't say there was anything very brilliant." H. and T. Robson, J. Ravenscroft, A. McMorran, A. Challinor, W. Harnett, C. Jefferies, and R. Willes, were playing. The last named was, we believe, making his *debut* on the Polo field.

With reference to our correspondent's remarks in our last re sharp spurs. He begins by acknowledging that they are absolutely prohibited by the laws of the game, and then proceeds to justify their use! Whether they are a good thing or not is a matter of opinion, and is not what we want to discuss, but we should like to remark *en passant* that not one man out of fifty is capable of using them—with discretion. What we really should like to know is whose duty is it to see that this rule is enforced? For our correspondent's information we may remark that in the game, about which we ask the question, we walked round the paddock and noticed no fewer than four players with sharp spurs, and certainly two ponies cut about quite sufficiently to exhibit a most unsightly appearance.

LAWN TENNIS

BELGRANO ATHLETIC CLUB.

The following are the results of the finals in the various events of the tournament just held by the above club, which were played last Sunday.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP.

W. Graham beat R. D. Mackinnon, 3-6, 3-6, 6-0, 6-2, 7-5. Mackinnon won the first two sets and appeared to have the Championship safe, but fell completely off, Graham on the other hand gradually improved and wore his opponent down. The victory was well deserved, the many spectators cheering the champion heartily on his popular win.

GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES, Handicap.

J. J. Dowson and J. Croll (+ 1/6 of 15) beat R. D. Mackinnon and J. M. Templeton (- 2/6 of 15), 6-4, 6-2. Messrs Dowson and Croll won somewhat easily, Mackinnon being completely played out after his exertions in the Championship.

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES, Handicap.

R. D. Mackinnon (- 30) beat F. Wibberley (- 1/2 15), 4-6, 6-3, 6-4. This was a most popular win and well deserved on play.

MIXED DOUBLES, Handicap.

Miss Norman and J. Boyd beat Miss Bell and J. Forrester, 6-3, 6-4.

At the conclusion of play a nice collection of prizes was presented by Mrs T. Macdonald to the various winners. A large number of ladies were present.

FOOTBALL.

ENGLAND v. WALES

The first of the International contests under Rugby Union Rules was played at Cardiff on January 5th, when for the eighteenth time representative teams of England and Wales tried conclusions. The Englishmen could boast a considerable balance of wins, having been successful on eleven occasions to the Welshmen's five, but of recent years the superiority of Welsh football has been strongly manifested, three out of the last four games having ended in favour of the Principality.

There had been some frost during the night, and a few hours before the time fixed for the match to commence the ground was hard in places. Fortunately, the sun shone with considerable power, and as the day advanced the turf recovered its condition. Splendid arrangements had been made for the comfort of visitors, and expectations in the direction of a large attendance were fully realised, quite thirty thousand people being present.

Punctually at a quarter to three the players entered the field, and Taylor, the English captain, having won the toss, Bancroft kicked off against the wind. Directly after the start Alexander was at fault, and the home team settled down in the English half. The Welshmen at once attempted to open the game, and some passing took place between the backs, but the tackling of the Englishmen proved sufficient at the moment to prevent a score. Very few minutes had elapsed when a great misfortune befell England, Taylor, who was acting as leader of the fifteen, hurting his head so badly in tackling one of his opponents that he had to retire from the field. Roberts, the Devon forward, was brought out of the pack to fill the vacancy in the three-quarter line. Wales then pressed hard, their forwards, it was noticeable carrying one or two scrummages, and on one occasion Llewellyn looked very dangerous when Elliott, the Durham three-quarter, brought him to the ground. At length two of the Welsh forwards—Boots and Williams, who were always prominent—ran right down the field, and following some exciting incidents, the great Welsh three-quarter, Gwyn Nicholls, gained a clever try. Bancroft took the place-kick—by no means an easy one—and cleverly converted, Wales thus leading by a goal within fifteen minutes of the kick-off. Shortly afterwards a penalty against the home side enabled the Englishmen to get well down the field. At this point Taylor reappeared amidst great cheering, but he seemed rather dazed and looked far from well. After the first few minutes, however, he showed his old form, and did capital service for his side. In fact, he was instrumental in saving two or three rushes, and it was as much owing to the Durham three-quarter as anyone that nothing further was scored prior to the interval, half-time arriving with the score one goal to nothing in favour of Wales.

On resuming the battle raged evenly for a time, the ball being first at one end of the field and then at the other. In fact, it looked probable there would be no further score, but towards the end there came a remarkably bright piece of play. Lloyd kicking right across the field, the ball was fielded by Davies, and some delightful passing ended in Blake scoring a try for Wales. The place kick failed, but a minute later some fine combination amongst the Welshmen led to Williams crossing the English line, and on this occasion Bancroft converted. This scoring of course placed the issue beyond doubt. Before the finish Vivyan made a fine run and Sagar nearly dropped a goal, but "no side" came with the game standing: Wales 2 goals, 1 try (13 points); England nil.

If not in all respects a great game it was a good one to watch, and the discrepancy between the teams was not so great as the scoring would make it appear. Forward, indeed, England had a shade the best of matters, and the victory may be said to be solely due to the superior passing of the Welsh three-quarters.

RACING.

BELGRANO—FEBRUARY 2.

This course was again fortunate, as the rather threatening morning gave way to a very pleasant afternoon, the dust being a little troublesome for the first time this year. There were plenty of people and the fields and racing were up to the average. A battalion of twenty started for the first race, 1200 metres this time, and the favourite Coraza getting off well won from start to finish being far too good class for such a lot.

The "Maiden" brought the surprise of the day from Roland, though anything can win now among the remains of last year.

The next Mile was a close thing between Cravate and Austerlitz and was given a deadheat, somewhat to the displeasure of the public, who had a strong idea that the mare had won.

Can-Can tried to run away with the 1200 metres, but was stopp'd by the 56 kilos, and the useful Tronera won a good race from Caligula and Verba Dulce, who were close up.

Calvino, whose temper seems to have improved and is now winning all his races, showed the way all round as usual in the third Mile, and could not be approached by Manola and Judio.

In the 2000 metres Picquart did the running to the straight and was there passed by Regalada, who had no difficulty in remaining ahead to the post, Eva and Lord arriving locked together a length behind.

The following are the details:—

PREMIO IRENE, for horses of four years and more that have not won more than \$4000. Weight 52 kilos, 3 kilos extra for every win, 2 kilos allowed to losers. \$1200 to first, \$100 to second. 1200 metres.

Stud Floresta's Coraza, by Guerrillero—Marchale, 4 y, 56 k. F. Goyeneche 1
 Stud 5 de Abril's Roulette, 4 y, 48 k. M. Vuela 2
 Stud Lafayette's Morena, 4 y, 56 k. J. Greme 3
 Also ran—Pito Ué, Mein Herr, San Martin, Cecilia, Motin, Fram, Aquilón, Westfalia, Ellen Terry, Santa Lucia, Olivero, Tabaré, Orfeo, Tinterillo, Frustreria, Iris, and Nydia.
 Dividends—Coraza \$6.20 win and 3.50 place, Roulette 27.35 place, Morena 5.90 place.

PREMIO GOLONDRINA, for three-year-olds that have not won. Weight 55 kilos. \$1500 to first, 100 to second. 1600 metres.

Stud Rio Lujan's Roland, by Lego—Rosita, 55 k. J. Gomez 1
 Stud Floresta's Sileno, 55 k. F. Goyeneche 2
 Ecurie Libertad's Bandolero, 55 k. G. Morales 3
 Also ran—Vice Roi, Espadin, Huracan, Avion, Massena, and Mimi.
 Dividends—Roland \$44.95 win and 8.40 place, Sileno 5.00 place, Bandolero 2.80 place.

PREMIO CHARABONA, for horses that have not won more than \$4000 in 1900 and 1901. Weight, three years 50 kilos, and more 53 kilos, 3 kilos extra for every win in the same years. \$1500 to first, 100 to second. 1600 metres.

Ecurie Pergamino's Austerlitz, by Acheron—Belle Fille, 6 y, 59 k. F. Olivera 1
 Hatteras' Cravate, by Neapolis—Crinolette, 5 y, 57 k. J. Feliú 1
 Ecurie Belgrano's Aluminio, 5 y, 56 k. P. Garcia 3
 Also ran—Primero, Tucapel, and Rob-Roy.
 Dividends—Austerlitz \$3.80 win and 3.95 place, Cravate \$4.30 win and 4.50 place.

PREMIO ETOILE, handicap for three-year-old winners. \$1700 to first, 100 to second. 1200 metres.

Stud Washington's Tronera, by Gloriation—Bébé, 51 k. N. Sosa 1
 J. A. Fernandez' Caligula, 49 k. D. Torterola 2
 Ecurie Bend'Or's Verba Dulce, 52 k. P. Garcia 3
 Also ran—Can Can, La Bourboule, Chilecito, Camundá, Vizcacha, Uruganda, Lady Love, and Ascochinga.
 Dividends—Tronera \$14.10 win and 4.80 place, Caligula 5.55 place, Verba Dulce 3.70 place.

PREMIO LISE FLEURON, handicap for all horses. \$1700 to first, 100 to second. 1600 metres.

José B. Isola's Calvino, by Camors—Tottie, 5 y, 58 k. P. Aguilera 1
 Stud Modesta's Manola, 3 y, 51 k. J. Olmos 2
 Stud Amianto's Judio, 4 y, 54 k. A. Malerva 3
 Also ran—Emir, Querandie, and Corinto.
 Dividends—Calvino \$8.10 win and 3.85 place, Manola, 2.80 place.

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

Stud La Confianza's Regalada, by Havre—Suri, 5 y, 52 k. G. Morales 1
 Iceache's Eva, 4 y, 52 k. J. Olmos 2
 Ecurie Rivadavia's Lord, 4 y, 51 k. F. Olivera 3
 Also ran—Polas, Picquart, Alvarado, Mlle de Mezeray, and Dalila.
 Dividends—Regalada \$14.00 win and 4.75 place, Eva 3.55 place, Lord 3.75 place.

BELGRANO—FEBRUARY 3.

A similar day to the previous one, with the advantage that the clouds were good enough to keep off the sun for some time, and as they lifted a pleasant breeze sprang up but did not bring quite so much dust as before. The races were very like their predecessors also, but there was no surprise of any consequence and it was very much a favourites' day, quite a novelty here. The attendance was much the same as yesterday and the betting animated enough. Many of the horses ran on both days but none won twice.

In the opening Mile, as with Coraza, Clasico carried too many guns for his weak opponents, and in his hands should soon be heard of again.

Kandahar, in the "Maiden," had to do all he knew to keep ahead in front of Temporal.

Rebato won the Selling Plate as expected, but not easily, as Primero ran with him to the finish.

The young ones' Mile was booked a certainty for Roseola, but after disposing of the rest she was challenged by Milady and as usual refused to struggle.

The 1200 metres was the best race of the day, Eclair and Frivolera struggling for the mastery when Ath came on the rails with a fine rush and gained a heavy verdict.

Calvino did the running as usual in the 1600 metre handicap, but could not resist Muñeca, who passed him in the straight and won easily.

The wind-up 1900 metres was the usual scamp where Dinero and Seralina heading the group to the straight where Eva came away and could not be reached by Atahualpa, who came too late. Frontin went lame.

PREMIO ATHOS II, for horses of four years and more that have been a year in the country and have not won more than \$5000. Weight 51 kilos, 3 kilos extra for every win in 1900 and 1901. 2 kilos allowed to losers in the same years. \$1300 to first, 100 to second. 1600 metres.

J. B. Zubiaurre's Clasico, by Camors—Charity, 4 y, 54 k. A. Ruiz 1
 Stud Spineda's Star, 5 y, 57 k. F. Goyeneche 2
 Stud Lafayette's Morena, 4 y, 52 k. J. Olmos 3
 Also ran—Pito Ué, Corinto, Olga, Barbassou, Pájaro, Mein Herr, Unt and Diana.

Dividends—Clasico \$6.30 win and 2.75 place, Star 2.80 place, Morena 3.20 place.

PREMIO AMIANTO, for three years olds that have not won. Weight 55 kilos. \$1500 to first, 100 to second. 1300 metres.

Stud Escocés' Kandahar, by Asturian—Soledad, 55 k. M. Peñalosa 1
 Stud Independencia's Temporal, 55 k. A. Diaz 2
 Stud Washington's Azote, 55 k. N. Sosa 3
 Also ran—Sileno, D'Artagnan, Gral. Brown, Archer, Mimosa, and Nevada.

Dividends—Kandahar \$9.25 win and 4.35 place, Temporal 6.55 place, Azote 11.40 place.

PREMIO REMATE, for horses that have been a year in the country and have won no Selling Plate. The winner to be sold for \$3000. Those entered to be sold for less to be allowed 3 kilos for each \$500 reduction. Weight 57 kilos, more 60 kilos. \$1500 to first, 100 to second. 1600 metres.

Stud Criollito's Rebato, by Guemes—Creta, 4 y, 51 k. F. Goyeneche 1
 Ecurie Cérés' Primero, 5 y, 51 k. G. Morales 2
 Stud Paysandú's Westfalia, 4 y, 49 k. J. Olmos 3
 Also ran—Sentinel, Leopardo, Ayacucho, Alianza, Orfeo, Obus, and Punch.

Dividends—Rebato \$6.55 win and 2.95 place, Primero 3.70 place, Westfalia 6.20 place.

PREMIO ST. ANTHONY, for three year-olds that have won more than \$4000. Weight 51 kilos, 3 kilos extra for every win, \$1700 to first, 100 to second. 1600 metres.

Stud Modesta's Milady, by Amazon—Tathwell Flower, 52 k. J. Olmos 1
 Ecurie Belgrano's Roseola, 55 k. P. Garcia 2
 J. A. Fernandez' Caligula, 54 k. D. Torterola 3
 Also ran—Sta. Elvira, Cicuta, Zingara, and Vice Roi.
 Dividends—Milady \$16.75 win and 3.95 place, Roseola 2.75 place.

PREMIO ACHERON, handicap for horses that have won more than \$3000. \$1700 to first, 100 to second. 1200 metres.

Stud Escocés' Athou, by Acheron—Rosy Cheeks, 4 y, 53 k. M. Peñalosa 1
 Stud La Susana's Eclairé, 5 y, 58 k. A. Diaz 2
 Stud La Confianza's Friolera, 5 y, 54 k. J. Olmos 3
 Also ran—Vizcacha, Hortensia, Samary, and Camundá.
 Dividends—Athou \$3.50 win and 4.65 place, Eclairé 4.35 place.

PREMIO ERIDAN, handicap for all horses. \$1700 to first, 100 to second. 1600 metres.

Stud Escocés' Muñeca, by Orville—Puppet, 4 y, 52 k. M. Peñalosa 1
 José B. Isola's Calvino, 5 y, 59 k. P. Aguilera 2
 Stud Modesta's Manola, 3 y, 49 k. J. Olmos 3
 Also ran—Ameliana, La Bourboule, and Corinto.
 Dividends—Muñeca \$4.20 win and 2.50 place, Calvino 3.40 place.

PREMIO STILETTO, handicap for all horses. \$1800 to first, 100 to second. 1900 metres.

Iceache's Eva, by Soukaras—Iva, 4 y, 51 k. J. Feliú 1
 Ecurie Lancero's Atahualpa, 4 y, 46 k. J. Olmos 2
 Stud Las Rosas' Picquart, 4 y, 54 k. J. Greme 3
 Also ran—Frontin, Regalada, Dinero, Lord Dalila, Corsaria, and Serafina.
 Dividends—Eva \$9.90 win and 3.30 place, Atahualpa 3.00 place, Picquart 4.95 place.

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It is rumoured that the Minister of Agriculture intends to resign as soon as the President returns to town. It is known that Dr. Garcia Merou is anxious to represent his country at one of the European courts.

The enormous sheds of the Central Produce Market are literally crammed with wool. So large is the stock that it is by no means improbable that before the end of the week the authorities will have to stop receiving any more wool for eight or ten days. A very large number of waggons are waiting to be unloaded and as the sales are insignificant the stock is daily increasing.

In another column may be found an advertisement for Devons and Herefords, and for Merino and Long-wool sheep, in Australia. In the last "Australasian Pastoralists' Review" to hand, some photographs of the bulls from the Tocal (N.S.W.) herds appear, with an account of them, from which we extract the following:

"The founder of the herd, the late Mr Charles Reynolds, arrived in New South Wales in 1840, and, unlike many of the early pastoralists, started with a practical knowledge of stock, his father being one of the principal stockbreeders in the County of Devon. It came natural for him to go in for breeding pure cattle, his first step being to purchase a few pure-bred Herefords and Devons from Mr Hobbler, the pioneer breeder of the Hunter, whose first importation was as early as 1826, and in 1841 Mr Reynolds sent to England for two Devon bulls. Amongst subsequent early importations may be mentioned The Captain, a Hereford bull that took first prize at Salisbury, England, and with him came two Hereford cows, Wanton and Columbine. Numerous importations followed from time to time, the skilful breeder sparing no expense, and, above all, not being blind to any defects that might occur, but promptly counteracting same. The two herds were always kept scrupulously separate, and in 1860 Mr Reynolds purchased the Duninald Estate, near Tocal, at which place the Devon herd was thereafter located.

"In 1871, the management, through his father's decease, fell on Mr Frank Reynolds, who has ever since pursued the same vigorous policy as the founder of the herd. As an instance, during a period of twenty-one years no fewer than eleven magnificent Hereford imported sires were used, costing up to 300 guineas. This was an exceedingly liberal use of imported blood, considering the high standard that had already been attained, as indicated by the fact that an offer of 700 guineas, made by Mr Thomas Chirnside in 1875, for a Tocal-bred bull, Triumph, was refused, and a bull thirteen months old was sold to this buyer the same year for £525, and a heifer for £315. These were the highest prices ever paid in Australia for Herefords. In 1879 the whole of Mr A. A. Dangar's herd of Herefords were purchased—fifteen head, all descended from the imported cow Minerva,

"On the Devon herd during the period under notice the same vigilance and expense was bestowed, seven imported sires being used, costing up to 325 guineas, and one imported cow, Devonian, cost 300 guineas. Nineteen Devon cows were imported from Tasmania, the progeny of Defender and Comely, imported by the Hon. John Lord in 1851. Famous progenitors in the Devon herd were: Duke of Flitton 4th (imp.), and probably the best Devon bull ever imported to Australia; Duke of Devon, great success as show bull and sire; Orville, winner of champion cup, Sydney, in 1883 and 1885; Prince of Wales (imp.); Duke of Flitton 14th (imp.); Devon Captain (imp.); Denman and Woodlands, purchased from Mr H. C. White; Golsoneatt 2nd (imp.). Since its formation, as may be imagined, the number of prizes taken by the Tocal herds are infinitely too numerous to publish here, leaving out the earlier records, which are at present not available."

On Friday last the decree was signed granting the concession asked for by Dr. José Tarnassi, representing a number of Italian capitalists, regarding the colonization of a large area in the South of the Republic.

The Minister of Agriculture has received a petition signed by a large number of Welsh colonists in Chubut, asking that a port may be established on the coast of the Tilly roads. Tilly is about twenty leagues from the Sarmiento Colony, to which they propose constructing a railway. They further ask that a mole may be erected, and a sub-prefecture established. The petition has been passed to the board of lands and colonies.

The Rural Society of Chubut inaugurated its first Show on the 1st inst. in the capital of that province, and it has proved a great success, both on account of the number of animals entered, and also because of the interest shown generally in the show. Many members of the Argentine Rural Society, following the example of Señor Ronaldo Tidblom, gave prizes in the form of medals to be competed for.

The quantity of wheat, maize and linseed exported during the past week considerably exceeded that of the previous week, and greater activity was noticeable all round. In wool also there was a favourable reaction, inasmuch as a larger number of bales were exported, the actual quantity being just about double that of the previous week.

The Cordoba Rural Society has published the programme, etc., of its first Show, which will be held in the town of Cordoba on April 7th next. All animals, whether born in this country or not, may be entered, but only animals born in the country may carry off the prizes. These will be divided into three classes, one for horses, mules, etc., another for sheep, pigs, etc., and the last for bulls, cows, etc. Great interest is being manifested throughout the province in this Show and everything is to be done to make it as attractive as possible. The names of the judges, committee, etc., will be published very shortly.

The consumption of horse-flesh in Paris is increasing. According to the returns of the Minister for Agriculture upwards of 23,958 horses were killed in the French capital for food during the last official year. About 25,000 horses were brought for slaughter, but about a thousand failed to pass the exacting inspection to which animals intended for human food are subjected by the authorities. Thirty-four mules and 215 donkeys were also killed for their meat, the total dead weight sold being rather under 5,300 tons, or 590 tons more than was sold during the preceding year. Horse beef varied in cost from a penny to 1s. 10d. per lb. in the Paris markets.

"A Cavalry Officer," writing to the *Times* on the work performed by his arm of the service in South Africa, says there is no point on which the cavalry soldier is more bitter than upon the class of animals which have been supplied as remounts. "The quality, or rather the want of quality, has precluded the force from carrying out the proper rôle of cavalry. The remounts which were supplied at Bloemfontein consisted of all classes of animals, country-

bred ponies, Argentine ponies, and English horses. The ponies were as slow as it is possible for an animal to be very underbred, and altogether totally unsuited for cavalry. After leaving Bloemfontein Hungarian horses were mostly supplied, very showy, with lovely coats, but they were quite unfit for the hard work that was required of them; they were heavy shouldered, light of bone, straight pasterned, crooked hocked, soft as butter, and had nothing hard about them except their mouths. Such animals were absolutely unfit to take the field as troop horses; it would have required a month at least to have got them into any sort of condition to perform any fast or long day's work under a heavy weight, and yet the day after they were supplied they often had to start for a twenty mile march, and naturally enough the horses broke down and became useless. The waste of money incurred over these remounts was phenomenal. How is this to be remedied? There is only one remedy, and that is that the authorities should be prepared to meet the demand which a war will occasion."

We have had this week a chat with a well-known estanciero from Entre Rios, who tells us things are looking fairly prosperous up there. However, when we came to mention wool his mouth dropped at once, for last year he had topped the Buenos Aires market with little over \$15 m/l., whereas this year the wool has been in since November with no offers much better than \$6. Truly a terrible difference. Strangely enough he tells us that several parcels of inferior wool have been sold on the estancia in Entre Rios at as much as \$6 m/l., which sounds inexplicable with the market in its present state but is evidently the result of speculation. Even so it seems madness to buy worse wool at this price in a falling market.

From the South of the Province we hear very bad reports in regard to sheep. There appears to be an "epidemia," which is called "lombriz," but it seems doubtful if this is really so, which is killing off the "borregas" like rats, and a competent authority tells us that it has only just commenced, and prophecies a real bad time for sheep owners in that district. This, with wool a drug in the market, is a real bad look out for estancieros. Against this an estanciero from the Venad Tuerto district of Santa Fé tells us he has not had a year like this for 25 years. It has rained he said just when it was wanted, and remarked that if every year was like the present one there would be no glorious uncertainty about making a living. What a treat it is to meet someone who is for the time being contented!

Just to satisfy ourselves that things were as bad as every other man we met in the street assured us, the other day we took a trip round the docks. We had been told there was nothing doing in wheat, maize had gone to the lower regions, linseed was flat, wool stagnant, wood unsaleable, etc. So we really thought there must be some exaggeration in reference to some of these industries. Well the result of our careful investigation of nearly every ship in the port was that the only thing we could find loading were oranges from Paraguay. Ever since one had assured us things were never so slack, and now we really believe them.

Our readers will be interested to learn that in spite of the export of live stock from this country being stopped the supplies of meat at the London Central Market during Christmas week were the largest ever recorded, the total being 12,058 tons, against 10,663 tons in 1899, and 11,019 tons in 1898. Of home killed meat the quantity was 5,641 tons, or a little less than half. European killed 2,684 tons, North American killed 2,509 tons, and Australian killed 1,224. The details indicate from what a wide extent of the world the Xmas dinner table of the inhabitants of London is supplied.

The returns by the British Board of Agriculture under the Diseases of Animals Act for the week ending December 29th, 1900, show no fresh cases occurring during the period under notice. The statistics as to diseases of live stock for the past year are now complete. During the whole year the outbreak of Foot-and-Mouth Disease only amounted to 21, against none in 1899, 1898 and 1897.

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A line of reddish brown backs rose slowly into sight
 over the crest of the next swell in the prairie. I dug my
 nose almost into the ground as I lay flat on my face and
 wriggled desperately forward, shoving myself ahead
 with knees and elbows towards a big soapweed in front
 of me; once under cover of it I should be able unseen to
 raise myself high enough to bring my rifle to bear on
 the band of antelopes I was stalking.

Ouch! What the dickens has happened to my right
 knee?

I painfully screwed my head around without lifting
 it, the short buffalo grass brushing against my left ear,
 and as I squinted sideways past my body I saw that the
 knee was stuck as full of spines as a young porcupine.
 I had thrust it against one of those cactuses that grow in
 a sort of sea-urchin shape close to the ground. Without
 rising I put my hand down and pulled out as many as I
 could manage; but I hadn't much time to lose, for I knew
 that the antelope would soon feed past me, so disregarding
 the pain I wormed my way forward again till I got to
 the soapweed, and then I rose on my elbows and aimed
 at the heart of the biggest buck I could see.

Crack went the rifle, and away went the antelopes,
 all but the one I had aimed at, who remained there on
 the ground kicking violently. That was queer. I had
 learned already that an antelope shot through the heart
 may run anywhere from twenty to two hundred yards,
 while it is only one shot in the brain who drops in his
 tracks with convulsive kickings. But wherever he might
 have been hit there he lay kicking, and I felt proud. I
 had bagged several young antelopes before, but this was
 my first big buck. I sprang to my feet and darted for-
 ward in a hurry to give him the *coup de grace* with my
 knife. Even the cactus thorns were totally forgotten in
 the excitement.

I had covered only about half the eighty yards or so
 that separated me from my quarry when the apparently
 dying antelope struggled to his feet again, causing me to
 put on a desperate spurt; had I not lost a fine buck
 previously who had fallen down kicking just like this
 one, and had then got up and run off? When I related
 this unaccountable behaviour to my experienced Western
 partner, Ed., he had explained to me what I had done. I
 had merely creased him; that is to say I had shot too high,
 and the bullet just grazing the backbone had produced a
 sort of temporary paralysis which only lasted about a
 quarter of a minute; the cause of my bullet going so
 high on that occasion was not difficult to account for.
 I had been carrying the rifle with the 150 yards sight up,
 that being the normal distance for a shot on the open
 plains, but after having crawled to well within a hun-
 dred yards of him I had forgotten to lower the sight,
 and, when I took careful aim at his heart, the bullet, of
 course, went fully a foot over and only grazed his back.

Now, this same thing had evidently happened a
 second time, in fact, as the resuscitated antelope strove to
 escape from me with short weak staggering bounds, I
 could actually see where a clear lane had been cut by the
 bullet through the long coarse hair on his withers.

"Creased again!" I exclaimed; "he'll be off in
 another instant;" and dropping my heavy twelve pound-
 pound rifle, I fairly sprinted after him.

The antelope was rapidly recovering from the shock,
 but before he could fairly get into his stride, by one
 desperate effort, I threw myself right on his back,
 clutching him by the horns, and we both fell to the
 ground together. In a second he wriggled from under
 me and was on his feet again, while I kept hanging on to
 those horns like grim death, not that there was any
 danger in the horns, for their points curved over so that
 they could not pierce anything, but because they were
 the only handles I could see to hold him by.

Then I became acutely conscious that I was being
 violently shinned. What the dickens was happening
 now? It didn't take long to find out that the buck was
 striking viciously at my legs with his sharp fore hoofs.
 In half a minute my overalls and the trousers under them
 were being torn to tatters. The antelope was showing
 fight, a development which took me very much by sur-
 prise. The pronghorn antelope of North America is
 generally classed as an absolute non-combatant. "Thar'
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sheep." Ed. had declared positively when I asked him about the natural disposition of the animal; but then there is a difference between sheep, and lamblike in character as the ordinary baaing silly sheep appears, every once in a while you are likely to run on to a decidedly pugnacious, not to say warlike, ram. It is just the same with the male pronghorn in a few exceptional cases, and it was my tenderfoot luck to have come in for one of them at the first go off. Certainly there could be no mistake about it, now, that my first pronghorn buck was a fighting antelope.

Spat, spat, spat, came those vicious little black hoots, raking sharply down along my thighs and shins; it was worse than being hacked at footloall by half a dozen fellows at once. I retaliated by bearing his head down hard and twisting it at the same time; then I threw myself against his shoulder and down he went and I on top of him. I got my knees on his neck and pinned him to the ground, and then hanging on to his upper horn with my left hand I reached for my knife with the right to finish him off. Alas! there was only a blunt, round-pointed table knife in the sheath. I had lost my own butcher knife the day before, and, instead of borrowing Ed.'s, I had just brought an ordinary case knife along, confident that with a little extra trouble, I could cut my game with it artistically enough.

My confidence might have been justified if the antelope had been dead, as, when I started forth rifle in hand, I had naturally anticipated would be the case with any antelope that I might desire to carve. Unfortunately this antelope was very much alive, and when I jabbed at his throat with the knife the dull round point slipped harmlessly off, and he managed to get up again.

Round and round we waltzed for a good ten minutes. Inexperienced as I was I did manage to throw him a half-a-dozen times, but I always failed to get the knife

into him, and every time he rose he tore more of my trousers away with his hoofs.

Luckily for me in the course of that frantic waltz I was able to steer him gradually to where my Sharp's rifle was lying. I threw him down beside it once more, and managed to hold him down while, with one hand, I slipped a fresh cartridge into the breech. I had omitted to reload after firing, as every hunter ought to do.

Then I turned my enemy loose, and he sprang up and bounded away, only to be rolled over at twenty yards by my second, shot.

How my partner did laugh when I came limping back to the ranch with my trousers hanging in ribbons. He helped me, however, to get the cactus needles out of my knee, before I struggled into a more decent garb,

"What you want if you're going to be an antelope hunter," said he, "is a pair of good stout buckskin pants. You can crawl over the prairie in them, and these prickly pears won't stick into you, and the next antelope on the war path you run across won't be able to make such an object of you as this one has."

Of course he was right—Ed mostly was on practical points.

"Where'll I get the pair of buckskin pants?" I enquired.

"Why off the backs of a couple of bucks," he answered. "If you'll shoot a couple of bucks—deer, mind, not antelope—antelope's hide's no sort of use—and tan the skins and cut 'em out to pattern by an old pair of trousers you can make yourself a bully pair."

This sounded at once both practical and romantic. Like Robinson Crusoe I would dress myself in skins. I went off and camped by myself for a few days up in the timber on the Divide, where there were deer to be found, and there, after various failures, I at last managed to kill a brace of bucks.

Now I was triumphant indeed. I had killed the necessary deer and all that remained was to make the skins up into buckskin breeches. I flayed the skins very carefully so as not to make any superfluous holes, and I soaked them in water and scraped off the hair and lard in the brains and worked them supple with my hands, doing it all under the advice of Ed, who really was a regular Jack-of-all-trades.

Then I took my old trousers and ripped up the seams, and by using them as a pattern I cut out my new buckskins most accurately. I sewed them, not with thread, but with an awl, and a buckskin whang, to make them doubly strong, and no tenderfoot was ever so proud as when I put them on for the first time. I went out in them to stalk antelope, and they protected me splendidly from the thorns. However, as it happened, I got caught in a thunderstorm that day and came back soaking wet. I took them off and let them dry, but no sooner were they dry again than I could no more put them on than I could have got into a pair of trousers constructed out of sheet-iron stove-pipe. They had dried considerably harder than boards.

With grievous labour of my hands I worked them supple once more, only to find that the next shower hardened them into the most rigid of stove-pipes again.

"I don't exactly profess to know it all," said my partner, when I complained to him of the failure I had made of it, although I had carefully followed his instructions. "But somehow you don't seem to have got the right tan on 'em. Fact is the only thing that's any good is Injun tan. White man's tan ain't much account nohow. 'No bueno por mucho, eh, José?' What you say to that hombre?" José was a Mexican we had hired, and my partner flattered himself that he talked to him in the purest Castilian.

"If you make a little hole in the ground," said José, ignoring him and addressing me, "and you make fire in with rotten wood so as it burn slow, and then you hang 'em buckskins in the smoke, that make them skins come out next time. That how my people do in Mexico, yway." José was always good natured about putting me up to such clever dodges as this, of which as a tenderfoot I was necessarily ignorant.

"Thanks very much for the idea," said I. "I think I'd better try that, then."

"Try your grandmother!" ejaculated my partner, slyly snubbing the Mexican's kindly proffered suggestion. "You hear me talk. There's no Mexican's tan and there's no white man's tan that's worth a red cent on the side of an Injun's. Now you jes' do what I tell you. You don't want to come out at the little end of the horn. There's a few tame Injuns working around Tommo's mill on the Divide. You get one of them to fix 'em for ye, and you'll sure have some buckskins pants as pants."

Next day my partner and José started for the Divide, where they were going to put in some months getting house logs and fence poles, while I was left by myself on the lonely ranch to herd the cattle. But besides herding I meant to go on killing antelope, and I wanted to have a proper pair of buckskins to do it in; so soon as they were gone I lit out for Reno's mill, and there sure enough I found my tame Indian, and I struck a bargain with him to put a real Red Indian tan on them for me. He kept his bargain, too, and, whether it was "Injun" tan or not, it certainly was a real tan he put on them, for he did it with a wonderful root that he found somewhere in the woods, and when I went back a week later to fetch my pants I found they had come out the colour of a boiled lobster.

Unfortunately as they had already been made up before I gave them over to his tender mercies, the tanning process had affected their fit. In fact one leg had come out very tight indeed, and fully six inches longer than the other, and nothing I could do would alter it. However, the ranch was the loneliest place in creation, and I reckoned it would be all right. So long as those pants didn't scare the antelope nothing mattered much.

I went hunting in them, and they certainly were highly effective as armour plate against cactus thorns, but the first time I got soaked again the obstinate things went and dried up harder even than before, and they sank more irregularly than ever into the bargain. I tried to supple them again, only to find to my utter disgust that they were as intractable as twisted steel. The "Injun" tan recommended by Ed had been my last hope, and it was a dead failure. Finally in my despair I had to take them in the spring to soak, and I cut two small logs,

slipped the wet trouser legs over them, and as they dried I pounded them with a club to get them soft. They were a queer looking pair by the time I got through. But I swore I would wear them in spite of all, and I did.

One day I met a white man driving a waggon, the first human being I had seen for weeks. I thought there was a very pleasant friendly look about him as I galloped up to have a talk; indeed, at the mere sight of him, I felt as if he were my long lost brother, such a while was it since I had had a soul to exchange greetings with in my solitude.

As I rode up he sat there on the seat of the waggon, his black snake whip in his hand, looking at me with a quaint expression. He hardly knew what to make of me at first—my sunburnt face with only a little round cap above it, my unshorn hair streaming down to my shoulders, antelope blood on my hands, and the heavy Sharp's rifle across the saddle in front of me. Then his eye fixed itself on those high-coloured buckskin breeches.

"Stranger," he said cautiously, "I should like to ask you a question."

"Oh, certainly," said I, "by all means. Go ahead."

He looked doubtfully again at the blood on my hands and the formidable rifle. "No offence, stranger, you understand," he said, as if half apologising for something beforehand.

"Of course not," I understand. "I'm only too delighted to find a white man to talk to. What is it?"

"Wal, stranger," said he "allus meaning no offence, I should like to ask you, did you make them pants yourself?"

"Instinctively my eyes followed his downwards. I saw those pants, weird in colour, bulging at the knees, twisted in the seams, and creased everywhere in stiff wrinkles as only dry buckskin can crease, and I felt discouraged.

"Yes," I admitted, "I certainly did."

"Wal, stranger," said he, "d'you know I thought so!"

I was found out for a tenderfoot again. It was the death warrant of those trousers. That night I cut them up into buckskin strings.

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NOTES.

After quite a long spell of inactivity our cricketers had a regular field-day last Sunday. The weather was perfect, especially in the afternoon, when the sun was partially obscured by passing clouds and a pleasant breeze sprang up. Three Championship matches were played, two of which were brought to a definite conclusion, but the third remained drawn. Strangely enough the unfinished game was the most interesting and exciting of the three, although the Quilmes team were only twenty-one runs behind their powerful opponents at the finish.

The drawn match was played at Palermo between the B.A.C.C. and Flores. The wicket was perfect and lasted very well indeed. Altogether four hundred and sixty-six runs were scored on it for thirteen wickets, giving an average of close upon thirty-six runs per batsman, which proves, were proof needed, that the old pitch at Palermo is still able to supply good wickets, if the weather is propitious. The Buenos Aires captain declared his innings closed at three o'clock, or a little before that hour, and by so doing nearly "put his foot in it," as when stumps were drawn the visitors were only fourteen runs behind their opponents' total.

The batting honours of the day were divided between three, Messrs J. O. Anderson, B. B. Syer, and F. E. Jones. The first-named scored a hundred and thirty-four, out of a total of two hundred and forty, and carried his bat. He practically gave no chances at all, if we except an almost impossible one at the wicket. Mr Syer was nearly caught in the long-field, but otherwise batted extremely well, scoring with ease and freedom all round the wicket. Mr Jones should have been easily caught at mid-on, but except for that mistake hit splendidly, his second hit out of the ground being a particularly brilliant one, made apparently without any effort.

Whether the visitors started off with the idea of getting the runs, or whether they looked upon a draw as a certainty, we cannot say, but certain it is that they made a very fine bid for victory. The Buenos Aires attack is never very fatal, but if it is not backed up by smart fielding it naturally suffers more than ever. On Sunday not only were four chances dropped but there were some slovenly pieces of work done in the field, and this too by the younger members of the team. The result of this match practically leaves Flores in a safe position for the Championship, so that all the interest will now be centred in the race for second place.

At Quilmes the strong Hurlingham eleven must have received quite a fright, as they only managed to win by twenty-one runs. There were no big individual scores, Mr G. L. Wilson's forty-six being the highest in the match. Mr A. P. Campbell carried off the bowling honours, as going on second change he secured five of the Hurlingham wickets for only twenty-seven runs, dismissing among others the two chief scorers, Messrs E. L. Rumboll and G. L. Wilson. For the winners Mr R. Leys proved the most successful bowler, taking four wickets for forty-five runs.

Since writing the above our Quilmes correspondent has sent us the following interesting notes on the game: "We regret to hear that Mr D. Duncan, a very useful member of the Quilmes team, is in the British Hospital. This is the second member who recently has had to avail himself so. Actually at this moment the Quilmes Club are playing short of four members who were first choices at the opening of the season."

With this disadvantage the match against the Hurlingham team (which included four of the first names on the North and South teams) looked a forlorn hope; but sound cricket and keen playing all round proved once more "the glorious uncertainty." A win against such a team would have been scarcely more creditable than the honourable defeat by twenty runs.

The features of the match were the "yorking" of F. E. Leach by Morgan with the first ball of the game, the magnificent catch by Symons which dismissed Leys, and the close fielding (with one exception) of the Quilmeros. Scarcely a mistake was made, certainly no catch was lost, while the fact that there were actually no extras is sufficient proof of the performance of Cunningham behind the wickets.

Undoubtedly the match was lost by the two "runs out," for both the victims, A. Campbell and E. Morgan, were batting at their very best. Some allowance should be made for the excitement of a critical moment in a match, but that is just the moment where judgment should be at its best. The decision, too, in the case of Campbell was a most unsatisfactory one.

To get rid of the last six wickets of such a team for thirty-seven runs is a feat any club should be proud of. It is a curious fact that Quilmes has done the same trick this season three times previously, namely, against the Belgrano, Buenos Aires, and Flores Clubs. It certainly is a curiosity of River Plate cricket.

It was generally expected that the match at Banfield, between the local club and Lomas, would end in favour of the visitors, but few were prepared for the very easy walk-over that the Lomasites had. The failure of the Banfield batsmen was extraordinary, and under thirty overs sufficed to dismiss the whole eleven twice. The wicket, too, was excellent, and the Banfield Club is to be congratulated on the way its members have worked to make their field more fit for cricket. A considerable amount of grumbling was heard about the Banfield ground and wicket at the commencement of the season, but the President and Hon. Secretary of the club undertook to see that it was improved, and right well they have done so. The general arrangements also were very good and showed a vast improvement on those of previous years.

With such low scoring on the part of the home eleven the Lomas bowlers had a regular picnic. In the first

innings Mr H. A. Cowes took half the wickets for thirty runs, but it was in Banfield's second venture that the bowlers carried all before them. Mr T. Flint succeeded in qualifying for a "hat" at his club's expense and altogether secured six wickets for a dozen runs, while Mr W. Campbell took four for eight! In the batting Mr A. Anderson joined the ranks of this season's "century" makers by carrying his bat for a hundred and ten, while Messrs R. W. Rudd and T. M. Greene also did well. Lomas eventually won by an innings and a hundred and fifty-seven runs.

So the Southern eleven has been chosen. A modest little notice in Friday morning's *Standard* announced this fact and gave the names of the chosen few. Unfortunately our fears regarding Mr P. M. Rath have proved too true and he will not play, and Mr R. F. Vibart has not answered the Committee's invitation and so does not appear either. Thus the Selection Committee again has been handicapped by being unable to call upon the services of two of the best all-round cricketers in the South, for in bowling, batting, and fielding the two players mentioned above can hold their own with the best of our Southerners. The team is now selected, let us see how it is constituted.

Taking the bowling first—always the Southerners' weakest point—we have Messrs R. A. Brooking, H. A. Cowes, A. Macdonald, A. T. Spens, E. L. Rumboll, R. Leys and B. F. R. Bedford. In other words the attack of the South eleven is made up of two fast medium bowlers, three mediums, one slow medium and one slow bowler. The only two of these whom the Northerners have not yet faced are Messrs H. A. Cowes and R. Leys. The former learnt his cricket at Dulwich College and has played regularly for the Lomas Club since his return to this country. At the close of last season he figured in the small list of trundlers who had captured over fifty wickets, having taken fifty-two at a cost of 447 runs, and so finished up with the excellent average of 8.59.

This season, up to the time of writing, he has taken twenty-five wickets for 244 runs, and so has an average of 9.76 per wicket. He is a medium bowler with a nice easy action, and we wish him every success in his first appearance for the South. The other new bowler is Mr R. Leys, who is a useful change bowler. He bowls at a fair pace, and although inclined to be erratic, is just the sort of bowler to break up a partnership, when the regular bowlers have failed. He played last year for the London County Club and on one occasion gained the distinction of clean bowling Mr A. E. Stoddart with the first ball he sent down. Mr Leys should prove a very useful acquisition to the ranks of the Southerners.

There is batting throughout the team, and with such batsmen as Messrs C. Pearson, A. T. Spens, B. F. R. Bedford, R. Leys, R. E. H., J. O., and A. Anderson included, it will be strange if some of them do not come off. Of these two will meet the North bowling for the first time, Messrs C. Pearson and R. Leys. The former is a fine punishing bat and when once set a most difficult man to remove, for he treats all bowling alike. Mr Leys has done excellent work for Hurlingham this season and has only once failed to get into double figures. He has, at the time of writing, the splendid average of 81.85 for seven completed innings, and should cause the North bowlers a considerable amount of trouble.

About the fielding we do not feel as confident as we should like to. There are some first-class fieldsmen among those chosen, but there are others who have not

very brilliant reputations in this important department of the game. In the last number of *Cricket* to hand there is a report of an interview with Canon Robert Owen. In speaking of the time when he had to get up teams in club cricket he says, among other things, "In choosing the elevens I passed by the men who could not field, even if they could bat, for I considered that a good field would save more runs than a good bat would make." Canon Owen knew what he was talking about. Nothing demoralises a team more than mistakes in the field, and nothing disheartens a bowler more.

There is only one other point to touch upon and that is the change of captain. Mr J. O. Anderson, who has acted as skipper, in this match, on the last two occasions, now gives way to his brother, Mr R. E. H. Anderson. The latter is undoubtedly in an excellent position for the purpose, and we always like to see a wicket-keeper taking up this duty. One other matter, in conclusion. Last year there were two, if not more, of the South eleven who had not touched a bat or ball for weeks before the match. This year there is no excuse at all for this. The team has been selected a clear fortnight before the match and it is to be hoped that the members of it will put in all the practice they can before the event. Tho North now lead by one match, so the Southerners should do everything possible to bring matters level on this occasion.

There appears to be some misunderstanding regarding our Plebiscite. Since the South team has been published several have asked us if it is any use sending in their teams for the Plebiscite. The publication of the eleven to represent the South has nothing whatever to do with the matter. The winner of the Plebiscite Prize is the one who sends in the eleven chosen by the public, or the one who guesses most of those chosen by public opinion. This issue is the last that will contain the special form on which the teams may be sent in, and these must be in before Tuesday next, the 12th inst.

Great disappointment was expressed on all sides when the rumour circulated that Mr. J. R. Garrod would be unable to play for the North this year. We are very glad to hear that this is not the case, as so fine a cricketer can ill be spared. The cause of the above rumour was one on which all cricketers in the country, and his numerous friends, will join us in offering our heartiest congratulations, for Mr. Garrod has been appointed Resident Engineer of the Entre Rios Railway Company. We wish him the best of luck in his new post.

Happening to overhear a discussion a few days back as to the relative jumping powers of horses and ponies, we warmly advocated the claims of the latter, and therefore were much interested to come across an account of "one of the most sporting steeplechases ever ridden," which was between George Fordham and Tom Cannon, on their own ponies. The former's was a little 13.2 mare named Nelly, and the latter's a mare named Wasp, an inch or two bigger. The race was over the steeplechase course at Warwick, one of the stiffest in England.

Before the race Tom Cannon stood his mare up against the fence before the water jump, and found that the thick well-built fence was much higher than she was. However, both ponies jumped the course without a mistake, Nelly—Fordham's mare—winning by a length. Of course both Cannon and Fordham were real good men across country, and used to keep themselves fit riding to hounds in the winter.

The note of interest in the two days' racing was Mr. Samson's success on the second day in carrying off a "triple event." Both owner and trainer have shown a wonderful amount of patience and perseverance under a long spell of bad luck, including the usual amount of chaffing of the unsuccessful, which will now be put an end to, and this feat has been welcomed not only by the English racing contingent, but also by many outsiders who have a sympathy for the only English Stud with an English trainer that takes part in the racing at Palermo and Belgrano.

The three horses, Kandahar, brother to Héarté, Athou, brother to Rose Royale, and Muñeca, the best product of Orville that has appeared, were put on the course in a condition that would have done credit to anyone, the mare especially looking resplendent. The jockey, M. Peñalosa, who steered all three to victory, is also deserving of a word of praise, the wins of Kandahar and Athou being partly due to a sharp taking advantage of an opening on the rails, and also to plucky sticking to it to the end, a very useful quality that this jockey has always shown himself to possess.

The Half-yearly General Meeting of the Buenos Aires Rowing Club was held on Thursday evening last. The chair was taken by the President of the Club, Señor Eduar lo B. Madero, and the members turned up in full force. The Club appears to be in a most flourishing condition. It now possesses eighty-eight boats, sixty-two of which are at the Tigre and twenty-six at the Darsena. During the past six months the Club has built another double sculling boat, and three others have been thoroughly repaired and put into good order. Three new boats are expected shortly from England, and two sculling shells are now in course of construction.

Referring to the Club severing its connection with the Union de Regatas, the report speaks of this action as having given quite unexpected results. In other words the regatta of this club attracted entries from several other clubs, no fewer than seven sending in crews or representatives to compete. This is all very well and we are pleased to know that the old club is so prosperous, and that it still retains its popularity. Is its mission in life, however, to try and improve rowing generally in the Argentine, or simply to give its members plenty of amusement? If the former, the sooner the clubs come to an understanding between themselves the better; if the latter, it has succeeded admirably.

We have said so much on this subject already, that we are half afraid our readers will weary of it altogether. We are very anxious to see this breach healed, and it is must be our excuse. To see a time-honoured race, such as that for the Senior Fours, in the old days known as the International Race, being rowed over for, is not a very pleasant sight, and must make the old rowing men, who remember the glorious fights of the past, absolutely shudder. The annual March regatta is not very far off, cannot matters be fixed up amicably before then?

Lawn Tennis players are already commencing to talk of the May Tournament, and we understand that many of the prizes for it have already been selected. It is somewhat early to talk about the chances of the various players for Championship honours, but a keen fight may be confidently anticipated. We hear that one of our most popular professional men is showing excellent form and will make a bold bid for the Championship.

The finals of the Belgrano Lawn Tennis Tournament were played off on Sunday last on the club's courts before a fair number of spectators. The Club Championship was won by Mr W. M. Graham, who defeated Mr Mackinnon fairly easily. Messrs Dowson and Croll carried off the Gentlemen's Doubles, while the Mixed Doubles were won by Miss Norman and Mr. J. Boyd. The final of the Gentlemen's Singles (handicap) was fought out by Messrs Mackinnon (- 30) and F. C. Wibberley (- 1/2 15), the former eventually proving victorious after a good fight.

Those present at Prince George's Hall, on Thursday evening last had a very curious experience. While the orchestra and members of the choir were in the midst of a solemn and sacred piece, a voice from above suddenly informed those present that there was a fire! The music at once stopped, and several gentlemen lost their tempers (not their heads), and commenced roaring like wild animals at the ladies to keep their seats, as there was no danger. Other gentlemen, who saw it was quite impossible to get out themselves, without jumping over the heads of others, exclaimed gallantly "Ladies first!"

Although a few may have thought the matter serious for a moment, the whole affair was not without its humorous side. For instance, one gentleman was seen to be very busily at work with paper and pencil endeavouring to persuade people to ensure their lives! As a matter of fact although a glare could be seen through the glass roof of the stage, the ladies present did not seem in the least bit frightened, but were laughing at the men who were making such a fuss, which fortunately for everyone, turned out to be all about nothing.

The recently-published accounts of the Yale University Athletic Association, United States, for the year ending September 30th last, prove what a complete and also expensive affair athletics generally are in the States. Yale altogether on athletics—football, rowing, baseball, etc., expended a sum of \$68,616, nearly 5,000 being profit. The training table—an item supposed to have been done away with some time ago—figures for a large amount in these accounts; and athletics—track athletics—cost almost double what they produced in gate money, viz., \$4,209 expenditure against \$2,555 receipts. Football and baseball provide the bulk of the receipts, and keep the rest of the College physical exercises going.

We see from the home papers that the Warwickshire County Club do not propose to take any active part in the controversy concerning throwing. Mr. Bainbridge, the Warwickshire captain, disagrees with the decision of the general body of captains, but says that captains are in the hands of their respective committees. Mr. Cartland, the chairman of the Warwickshire committee, recently informed a Press representative that he personally sympathized with the endeavour to enforce the law. He added that Warwickshire sixteen or eighteen years ago declined to offer an engagement to Mold on the ground of his unfair delivery.

In the Sidney match between South Australia and New South Wales the former made only 157 runs in their first innings. New South Wales ran up a total of 918 runs, Iredale, Noble, Gregory, Duff, and Poidevin all making over 100 runs. This total of 918 by New South Wales is the best on record in first-class matches, the previous best being 887 by Yorkshire against Warwickshire at Birmingham in May, 1896. The match concluded with a victory for

the home team by an innings and 605 runs, the South Australians on going in again making only 156, or one less than in their first innings.

Just as we are going to press we hear that a match is being arranged for Sunday next between a South eleven and the next sixteen. A more opportune moment could not be found for such a match, as there are only two Championship games being played on that date, so that although the Lomas detachment will not be able to turn out, there will be at least seven of the actual South eleven playing. The match should prove a most interesting one and should attract a large number of spectators. The following will probably represent "A South Eleven": Messrs R. E. H. Anderson, R. Leys, B. Bedford, R. F. Vibart, J. O. Anderson, E. L. Rumboll, A. Macdonald, G. F. Elliot, B. B. Syer, R. E. Hunt, H. B. Elliot.

CRICKET.

SOUTH ELEVEN PLEBISCITE.

Those of our readers who intend sending in a team for the above, are requested to fill in this form and forward it to the Editor, 559 Piedad, before Tuesday, February 12th. No teams will be accepted unless sent in on this form.

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ARGENTINE CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.

The following are the positions of the various clubs to date:

Club	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points
Flores ..	9	6	1	2	5
Hurlingham ..	9	6	1	2	5
B.A.C.C. ..	7	4	1	2	3
Lomas ..	7	5	2	0	3
Belgrano ..	6	2	4	0	-2
Quilmes ..	6	0	6	0	-6
Banfield ..	8	0	8	0	-8

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 1900-1901.

Sunday's cricket has caused innumerable changes in the average lists. J. O. Anderson now takes first position being a point better than R. Leys. Bedford still keeps third, with an improved average. A. Anderson comes up to fourth place with an average over twenty points higher than his previous one. Jones, although dropping a place, has an improved average, a remark which applies equally

to Ayling and Rumboll. Of the other changes the most noticeable are Syer's rise of six places and Greene's rise of eleven places.

In the bowling W. A. Campbell takes first place and Williams drops to the fifth position. Macdonald falls six places, indeed, except for Campbell and Leys, all the averages were changed for the worse after Sunday's cricket.

Player	BATTING		Total Runs	Highest Score	Average
	No. of Innings	Times Not out			
J. O. Anderson	12	3	674	134*	74.88
R. Leys	10	2	591	159	73.87
B. F. R. Bedford	8	3	307	63	61.40
A. Anderson	8	3	232	110*	46.40
F. E. Jones	10	0	389	169	38.90
B. B. Syer	11	3	233	79*	29.12
E. D. Ayling	11	1	270	58*	27.00
E. L. Rumboll	12	0	311	71	25.91
C. W. Thompson	8	0	192	80	24.00
G. L. Wilson	7	1	137	46	22.83
T. M. Greene	10	3	152	48	21.71
R. E. H. Anderson	11	0	235	76	21.36
H. A. Cowes	10	0	211	45	21.10
A. Macdonald	9	1	157	54*	19.62
R. W. Rudd	8	0	156	32	19.50
R. A. Brooking	7	0	124	44	17.71
G. F. Elliot	8	1	113	40*	16.14
R. L. Halstead	8	2	94	35	15.66
E. D. Drabble	9	0	139	50	15.44
R. E. Hunt	9	1	115	36	14.37
P. Hooton	7	0	99	30	14.14
F. Messervy	10	3	97	39	13.85
C. H. Lomas	10	2	109	34*	13.62
P. L. G. Bridger	9	2	95	34	13.57
G. C. Barnard	9	2	84	33	12.00
A. Robinson	10	1	111	32	11.10
A. A. Miller	10	0	110	28	11.00
D. Leighton	10	2	88	24	11.00
H. B. Anderson	6	1	52	26*	10.40
F. C. Wibberley	8	1	71	21	10.14

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING

Player	BOWLING				Average
	O.	M.	R.	W.	
W. A. Campbell	39	6	96	14	6.78
A. T. Spens	59.3	19	112	15	7.46
G. C. Barnard	60	14	132	17	7.76
T. M. Greene	41.5	12	94	12	8.66
J. H. Williams	70.4	21	162	18	9.00
H. A. Cowes	128.2	28	274	30	9.13
J. Stuart	35.4	7	102	11	9.27
H. B. Elliot	119.3	22	326	35	9.31
P. L. G. Bridger	32.2	5	96	10	9.60
T. V. M. Knox	137.2	40	403	41	9.82
A. Macdonald	112.2	37	248	25	9.92
R. A. Brooking	110.1	37	249	24	10.37
R. Leys	72.2	19	188	15	12.53
J. S. Campbell	108.5	23	330	25	13.20
E. L. Rumboll	116	24	316	22	14.36
F. Messervy	83.2	21	230	14	16.43
R. Kingsland	63	4	232	14	16.57
H. Lucas	68.2	11	239	14	17.00
R. E. Hunt	127	27	418	24	17.42
G. F. Elliot	57.3	9	211	12	17.58
T. Brown	54	7	196	11	17.81

FLORES A.C. v. B.A.C.C.

The second meeting of teams representing the above clubs, in this year's Championship, provided one of the best and most exciting games of the season. Palermo was looking its best last Sunday, and the wicket played extremely well all through, so that throughout the match the batsmen held the upper hand, and the bowlers had a very poor time of it. In the home eleven the batting, honours, fell to J. O. Anderson, who carried out his bat for 134, while for the visitors F. E. Jones and B. B. Syer both gave excellent displays. The Flores fielding and bowling was far superior to that of their opponents, and had the Buenos Aires men taken all the chances offered them, they would probably have been able to claim a victory. As it was the match was drawn to the regret of everybody.

J. O. Anderson won the toss and elected to bat on a very nice looking wicket. Ayling and Messervy were deputed to open the innings, the bowling being entrusted to Macdonald, from the river end, and H. Elliot. The start was anything but promising as, with only 4 runs

scored. Elliot clean bowled Messervy with a "yorker." With Leighton in matters steadily improved, 20—and then 30—going up, but at 32 Leighton was foolishly run out just as he was shaping really well. J. O. Anderson filled the vacancy, and runs came steadily, bringing about the first change in the attack. G. Elliot for Macdonald. At 68 the change took effect, as G. Elliot clean bowled Ayling. The last named had batted nicely for 29. He was fortunate in getting the benefit of a doubt with a catch he gave to short slip, off Macdonald earlier in his innings.

R. E. H. Anderson now joined his brother. The new comer started off at a terrific rate, hitting four twos and a four off the first five balls he received from Elliot. He continued in this lively strain, scoring well all round the wicket, but the pace was too good to last and at 112 he played inside a ball from G. Elliot, and was taken in the slips for a bright innings of 33.

Hunt came next, and Macdonald went on at the railway end, but runs continued to come at a fair pace, and when the interval arrived the total stood at 154, Anderson being not out 67 and Hunt not out 6.

Soon after resuming Miller was given a trial with the ball, and the change worked at once, as he bowled Hunt with what looked uncommonly like a half-volley. With the total at 185 R. W. Anderson joined his brother, and some lively cricket ensued, of which some smart hitting and stolen runs were the main features. At 240, Nixon, who had been put on at the river end, bowled R. W. Anderson, and J. O. Anderson closed the innings. The latter had scored 134, and, except for a very sharp chance to the wicket-keeper on the leg side, his runs were made without a mistake. His principal hits were twenty fours, three threes, and twelve twos. The closure was put into force at six minutes to three, so that Flores had two hours and twenty-five minutes to get 241 runs, a by no means difficult task, with a perfect wicket and very ordinary bowling.

Jones and Miller were the first pair to face the deliveries of Knox, from the river end, and Hunt. Jones lost no time in getting to work, and runs came at a great pace from the start. Thirty was soon on the board, and Knox gave way to Messervy. The change checked the run getting a little, but 48 was up before Hunt bowled Miller. G. F. Elliot gave very little trouble, playing a ball from Messervy into third-man's hands a run later. With two wickets down for 49 matters looked better for the home side, but on Macdonald joining Jones another long stand ensued. All sorts of changes were made in the attack, but no separation was effected until the total had reached 104, and then Jones skied a ball from Knox, and had to leave for a well hit 72, in which were eight fours and two sixes.

Syer took his place, and 20 runs were added before Macdonald was taken very low down at short leg, for a patient 17. Holtum next partnered Syer, and the score was quickly raised to 142 before the last comer put his leg in front of a straight full pitch from Knox.

With Mullins in another stand ensued, and the weakness of the B.A. attack was badly shown up. It was not until 187 that Mullins was taken at short slip off Knox. J. H. Elliot did not give much trouble, being taken at mid-off after scoring 5. Nixon and Syer then played out time. Too much praise cannot be given to Syer for his plucky display. He should have been caught by Ayling in the long field, as the fieldsman got the ball into his hands, but the catch was not an easy one. Except for this he played extremely well, and well deserved the ovation he received on his return to the Pavilion. He hit twelve fours.

Knox got the best of the analysis, taking four wickets for 72 runs.

Full score and analysis:—

B.A.C.C.		FLORES A.C.	
E. D. Ayling b G. F. Elliot.....	29	F. E. Jones c Holland b Knox....	72
F. Messervy b H. B. Elliot.....	0	A. A. Miller b Hunt.....	9
D. Leighton run out.....	15	G. F. Elliot c Cumming b Messervy	1
J. O. Anderson not out.....	134	A. Macdonald c J. O. Anderson b	17
R. E. H. Anderson c H. B. Elliot		Knox.....	17
b G. F. Elliot.....	33	B. B. Syer not out.....	79
R. E. Hunt b Miller.....	14	J. V. Holtum lbw b Knox.....	17
R. W. Anderson b Nixon.....	11	C. W. Mullins c J. O. Anderson b	7
A. Lace		Knox.....	7
T. V. M. Knox		J. H. Elliot c Messervy b Hunt..	5
C. W. Cumming	did not bat*	C. St. A. Nixon not out.....	1
P. H. Holland		C. C. Hayward	did not bat
		H. B. Elliot	did not bat
Extras.....	4		
Total (for 6 wkts) 240		Extras... ..	18
Innings declared closed.		Total (for 7 wkts) 226	

B.A.C.C.				Bowling Analysis.				Flores A.C.						
	O	M	R	W		O	M	R	W		O	M	R	W
A. Macdonald.....	18	7	42	0	T. V. M. Knox.....	20	5	72	4	R. E. Hunt.....	21	4	75	2
H. B. Elliot.....	14	3	45	1	F. Messervy.....	9	4	26	1	R. W. Anderson.....	3	0	27	0
G. F. Elliot.....	15	1	77	2	J. O. Anderson.....	2	0	6	0	J. O. Anderson.....	2	0	6	0
J. H. Elliot.....	6	0	31	0	E. D. Ayling.....	1	0	2	0					
A. A. Miller.....	5	0	35	1										
C. S. Nixon.....	2.1	1	6	1										

QUILMES v. HURLINGHAM.

This return Championship match was played on the Quilmes ground on Sunday, resulting, after a very keen and exciting contest, in a win for the visitors by the narrow margin of 21 runs.

The visiting captain losing the toss, Hurlingham were put in by Symons, E. L. Rumboll and T. Leach opening the batting to the bowling of J. H. Williams and E. O. Morgan. The start was somewhat sensational, for, after Rumboll had played a maiden from Williams, E. O. Morgan yorked Leach with his very first ball, letting in Leys. The new comer commenced in his merry style, but with the total at 21, of which he had made 18, he was secured by a grand left hand catch by Symons at short leg, the ball travelling at great speed. C. W. Thompson joining Rumboll very slow cricket followed, the bowling of both trundlers giving the batsmen all they knew to keep their wickets up. Half-an-hour's play produced 9 runs, of which Thompson had made 2 when he was bowled by Morgan. G. L. Wilson now joined Rumboll, who had been playing careful cricket, and the pace at once improved, Wilson hitting with great freedom and some luck. At the stroke of one he was well taken on the boundary by Hooton, having made 46 by very free cricket. Luncheon followed, the score being 100 for four wickets.

Then commenced another of the series of after lunch debacles, for which Quilmes is making a name. Rumboll was bowled by Campbell without adding to the score, the remaining six batsmen making 37 between them, of which a well hit and characteristic 32 not out was Bedford's share.

With the Quilmes team shorn of two of its regular players the optimists were the only judges who believed that the home team would be good enough. The pessimists were the pavilion critics. The score shows the progress of the game, in which nothing extraordinary occurred. Bedford and Leys bowled extremely well throughout, except for 5 overs, when the latter was relieved by Rumboll. Symons, though playing with great care, did not attain his accustomed freedom and assurance. A. Campbell was batting for half-an-hour for four runs, and while keeping up his wicket in the best of style was run out through one of those stupid indiscretions which change the course and result of a match. Later on Morgan who had played very finely for 24, paid the penalty in a similar manner, completely losing the extremely good prospect of a win.

With the score at 100, and three wickets to fall, it still appeared a fair chance for a home victory. The excitement grew with each ball, and that the Hurlingham captain feared a defeat was evident from the frequent consultations, and that no less than four of the best men were placed on the boundaries. Jefferies made a useful nine not out, but as neither Torre nor Levillier could stay, the innings closed in a minority of 21, after a very closely contested match, much to the credit of the Quilmeros.

Mrs. Brougham and Mrs. Rooke kindly entertained the visitors to tea during the afternoon.

Full score and analysis:—

HURLINGHAM				QUILMES			
F. E. Leach b Morgan.....	0	W. J. Williams b Leys.....	5				
E. L. Rumboll b Campbell.....	34	E. Cunningham c Robson b Bedford	0				
R. Leys c Symons b Williams ..	18	ford.....	0				
C. W. Thompson b Morgan.....	2	P. Hooton b Leys.....	7				
G. L. Wilson c Hooton b Campbell	46	A. J. Symons b Bedford.....	38				
bell.....	46	A. P. Campbell run out.....	4				
B. Bedford not out.....	32	S. U. Leonard c Darch b Rumboll	18				
C. R. Thursby c Symons b Campbell	1	bell.....	18				
bell.....	1	J. H. Williams b Bedford.....	3				
E. L. Wilson b Symons.....	0	E. O. Morgan run out.....	25				
J. Stuart b Campbell.....	2	H. Torre b Leys.....	0				
E. Robson c Gunningham b	0	R. Levillier c Thursby b Leys ..	2				
Campbell.....	0	E. Jefferies not out.....	9				
J. T. Darch b Symons.....	2	Extras.....	10				
Total.....	137	Total.....	116				

Bowling Analysis.				
	O	M	R	W
Hurlingham	0			
J. H. Williams.....	11	9	21	1
E. O. Morgan.....	8	0	23	2
S. U. Leonard.....	5	1	29	0
A. P. Campbell.....	13	6	27	5
A. J. Symons.....	11	2	27	2

Bowling Analysis.				
	O	M	R	W
Quilmes	0			
B. Bedford.....	29	8	41	8
R. Leys.....	16.2	4	45	4
E. L. Rumboll.....	5	1	20	1

LOMAS A.C. v. BANFIELD A.C.

The above Championship match was played last Sunday at Banfield, and resulted in a very easy win for the visitors by an innings and 157 runs. The match was played on a turf wicket, which had been very carefully prepared, and which played very well throughout. In fact the whole field and the arrangements generally showed that the committee of the club are leaving "no stone unturned" to give their visitors a good day's cricket when the match is played on their ground.

The batting honours of the day were carried off by A. Anderson, who scored 110 not out, but he was treated kindly by the fieldsmen more than once. R. W. Rudd also batted nicely for his 32, and Greene played a very pretty innings of 48.

In the bowling Cowes, in the first innings, and T. Flint and W. Campbell in the second, did very well, Flint accomplishing the "hat trick."

Lomas won the toss for Banfield and decided to bat, taking in Prentice with him to face the bowling of Cowes and Greene. Ten quickly went up, nearly all off Cowes, and then Greene clean bowled Lomas, who had not opened his account. Prentice was shaping well when Cowes beat him, and the only other player to get into double figures was Coe, who made 13. Thus the whole side were out for 58. Cowes secured 5 wickets for 30 runs only, and Greene 2 for 16.

Lomas started with A. Anderson and Rudd, the bowling being shared by Tupholme and Prentice. Runs came steadily from the first, and although changes were made in the attack, 57 was up before Rudd was bowled by Moffatt for a well played 32. Halstead then joined Anderson and the total was carried to 72 before the luncheon hour arrived.

On resuming Halstead was at once bowled by Kingsland and Jacobs followed in. At 94 the last comer found a ball from Kingsland too much for him, and Cowes joined Anderson. A good stand ensued, the score being carried to 129 before Tupholme got past Cowes' bat. With Greene in the longest stand of the day took place. The new comer batted very nicely, and made several very pretty strokes, and it was not until he had made 48, and the total had been increased by 110 runs, that he was caught off Tupholme. His principal hits were one four, eight threes, and six twos. The innings was then closed, and so Anderson carried his bat for 110 runs, made up of fourteen threes, seventeen twos and singles. Kingsland bowled very well, but did not have the best of luck.

On going in a second time the Banfield men failed dismally before the deliveries of T. Flint and W. Campbell. The former did the "hat trick," and the whole innings was really nothing more than a procession to and from the Pavilion, so that an account of it is impossible. Bond, who went in first, scored 9 runs, and Tupholme carried his bat for half a dozen, but the rest did nothing, and all were out for 24.

Flint took six wickets for a dozen runs, and Campbell secured the remaining four for 8 runs.

Full score and analysis:—

BANFIELD		1st inn	2nd inn.	
C. H. Lomas	b F. M. Greene	0	b W. Campbell	0
J. Prentice	b H. A. Cowes	15	b T. Flint	0
C. D. Moffatt	b Greene	1	b T. Flint	0
W. Black	run out	0	b Rudd, b W. Campbell	0
W. H. Coe	run out	13	c T. Flint	2
C. R. Tupholme	b Cowes	1	not out	6
F. J. Dawson	run out	0	b W. Campbell	2
J. W. Bond	b Cowes	8	c J. Campbell b T. Flint	9
G. Hopkins	b Cowes	1	b T. Flint	0
I. Tipping	not out	7	b T. Flint	0
R. Kingsland	b Cowes	0	c Rudd b Campbell	1
Extras		12	Extras	4
Total		58	Total	24

LOMAS

A. Anderson	not out	110
R. W. Rudd	b Moffatt	32
R. L. Halstead	b Kingsland	9
F. H. Jacobs	b Kingsland	5
H. A. Cowes	b Tupholme	19
T. M. Greene	c Lomas b Tupholme	48
J. B. Campbell		
P. L. G. Bridger		
T. Flint		
W. Flint		
W. A. Campbell		
Extras		16
Total (for 5 wks)		239

* Innings declared closed.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Banfield—1st inn.					2nd inn				
O	M	R	W		O	M	R	W	
H. A. Cowes	10.1	1	30	5	T. Flint	5	0	12	6
T. M. Greene	10	3	16	2	W. Campbell	4.4	0	8	4

Lomas	O	M	R	W
C. R. Tupholme	11	1	49	2
J. Prentice	10	0	52	0
C. D. Moffatt	11	2	60	1
R. Kingsland	13	1	39	2
F. J. Dawson	4	1	23	0

Tupholme bowled one and Dawson two wides

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A RURAL "FLYER."

At a small race meeting in the provinces I met him first, when he was leaning against a refreshment bar; so was I, and he smiled at me just as though we were, of all those sportsmen present, the most congenial souls. He was a round, chubby little man with cheerful cheeks, a cigar in his mouth, and short legs. He looked more like a jockey when he was on a horse than on foot, which is reversing the usual order of things in respect to ordinary human beings who try to feel happy in the saddle. He was built, indeed, rather after the fashion of a beer-barrel on to vent pegs, which might be regarded with a little imagination as his legs; his nose was a sort of tap, elongated by desire, and his mouth might have been mistaken for the bung-hole. "Pontius" was his *nom de course*; whilst some of his intimate acquaintances went so far as to call him Pontius Pilate in their playful moments. He was not good-looking. Still, he claimed to possess that higher beauty which comes from a sparkle of feature, from an aspect of superior guilefulness and *bonhomie*. "Women love him," I was assured, "and are always careful to be there when he arrives."

Fond of racing on a minor scale, Pontius had a few platers in his stable; he trained them round a field. He owned a small estate in the country, and sport was the amusement of his life. It was his custom to enter his "flyers" for races in which he was qualified to ride them, professionals being excluded; for, despite his eccentricity of figure, he had an idea that he was a fine horseman. He did not care to perform in jumping competitions, and a good judge too, as he could afford to do without them. He was not more afraid of getting hurt than are other artists in a similar line of business, so he said, but he had only one barrel—he meant body—and he did not wish that to be rolled about while it was capable of holding anything of an alcoholic nature.

Pontius preferred, therefore, to ride on the flat. A mile welter with nothing much to beat and a nice price laid against his mount—that was about his form when he was, so to speak, "buzzing" to the best of his ability. Yet in a dingdong finish all the way up the straight he did not cover him self with glory. When he became excited, as was natural at that crisis, he was apt to get his arms up to the horse's neck and his feet near its tail, whereupon spectators who knew the game laughed boisterously. Some even forgot to think what was going to win, how much they were likely to lose if their luck did not change soon, whom they could touch for a trifle to get home with in the worst event, when they enjoyed the spectacle of Pontius "finishing" with characteristic vehemence all over the course. He did not win out of his turn, you may be sure.

When I met him first, as mentioned, he displayed a genial spirit, so that we became friends at once. When I asked him how he was going—whether strong and well with a fine chance of winning, or cross legged with his bat up?—he showed no trace of emotion, saying "Come and have a 'tiddy' dear boy, with me, and we'll talk shop another time." In a manner of speaking, and rather than argue the point, we "tiddied" together in the usual way; we enjoyed ourselves without immediate loquacity. There are sportsmen who can drink and talk at the same time, but it is foolish to believe a word they say.

Presently my companion reappeared on the surface after an appreciative gurgle; he glanced round to see who might be listening. In a low voice he said: "I may be able to do you a bit of good this afternoon, but do not revile me if I can't. My flyer runs in the third race: you know, old Puff and Dart." He looked at me with shining eyes.

"Old Puff and Dart." I exclaimed, vaguely, not being able to remember the horse for a moment; then, consciousness returning, I went on more brightly: "Ah, of course, good old Puff and Dart—why, I thought he was buried years ago. He must be an immense age now."

"There are a few older, but not many and not much," replied the other, with dignity; "if you were to see him run up a bank even now you would clap your hands. I give you my word that the horse was never better. He has learned how to stay in his declining years; it is wonderful." The speaker winked at me proudly.

"Has he lost his speed?" I asked. "Does he stay too long in one place?"

"Oh, dear, no—he goes a nice gallop all the time," was the reply; "but you will see for yourself when I begin to slip him along in earnest. The opposition in his race is weak, or I should not, of course, be so confident, and I

should certainly be afraid to advise you to back him. You are such a desperate customer if reduced to your last four-and-sixpence when a long way from home. But"—again he lowered his voice to a thrilling whisper—"you can go nap on mine this afternoon and make no 'bloomer.'"

The tip might be worth something; perhaps not. We do not always know what to do for the best at the races, after being told which horse is going to win. Still, it is pleasant to be behind the scenes as far as possible before the curtain goes up if you wish to bet on Act I. or those which follow: that is, one likes to have information from the fountain head about horses before backing them for the first race, when it is charitable to assume that we may have a little cash, not having had time to lose it. Such were my reflections after Pontius had gurgled in my ear.

Was it good enough to go nap on? Puff and Dart might not have much to beat; but, as a matter of fact, was he not far too old to beat anything? So turning to my associate, I asked him if he had tried his horse at all during recent years.

"Oh, yes," he said. "I tried him the other day round my big field."

"What with?" I fixed him by a steely glance.

"With a fat cob," rejoined Pontius, not a whit abashed.

I considered the point judicially. "Can he beat the fat cob?" That was my next question, put in an emphatic tone, for the issues were vital.

The other sportsman laughed. I daresay that I did look rather a weirdlike object, being so. Then he went on: "Beat the fat cob, indeed! I should just think so. What do you suppose that I'm betting on to-day? In our last stripped gallop round the field, when I rode Puff and Dart in my underlinen so as to do the weight, he made a hack of his opponent. It was not a race at all: it was hare and hounds, don't you know, and I was the dear little pussy bang in front." He imitated the cry of a languishing whoop.

"Many thanks," I murmured; "that will do. In fact I have not had a better thing to bet on since I rode the favourite in a trotting match at a fair some years ago, and he shook me off in a senseless condition just when I had victory within my grasp. It was very sad." I sighed and wiped my brow. "We must bet to-day with animation. Am I to be first there or are you?" I pointed to the Ring with a fateful finger.

"Oh, you do the business for both of us," said Pontius: "I am sure you will do the work well, seeing that it is not very hard, and does not take you far from the drinking fountains."

Accordingly, I executed a palatial sort of commission for my new acquaintance, and had a bit extra on for myself, being assured that the fat cob was a perfect Blucher when spinning round his own particular field where he habitually grazed. Besides, in Puff and Dart's race, the other runners were bad; my idea was that they could scarcely beat a fat pig, much less a corpulent cob, and that we were gambling on what seemed to be "a pinch." One of my first wagers was nine pounds to three, taken with a ducal flourish, after which I snapped up an offer of a "fiver" to thirty shillings made by a metalician who seemed to be suffering from some form of "itis" in connection with his features. He barked at me when I asked him to repeat the dose. The work was most enjoyable. I could have done it all over again but for want of essential coins.

There was, too, more fun in store. No sooner had I completed my operations in the Ring than Pontius sent for me to go and help him saddle his "flyer." Truly I was getting at the heart of things amongst men who knew what, if not whom, they were doing. Puff and Dart would not stand still whilst we put the saddle on his back. He gave us a great deal of trouble by his senile excitement. We were blue in the face before we had finished, so much so that I was afraid that Pontius, who acted as his own jockey, would not be able to do himself justice in that capacity unless he were treated to a preliminary heart stimulant. Thus I revived him, we waxed merry again, we talked and laughed, forgetting our responsibilities. Someone fetched Pontius at last, or he would not have been in time to ride. I marched out with him so as to give the final orders. I chucked him up and said:

"Now, come rattling along with this old screamer all the way. Get from one end to the other as quickly as you can. Don't trust to your superior jockeyship to do the trick at th finish by a dash: win it everywhere, dear boy positively everywhere—leave no stone unturned to promote success and remember"—I grasped his arm and shook it—"In this race you have no fat cob to beat!"

He returned my shake, apparently full of confidence;

he rode out of the paddock like a victor. The race that resulted must have caused great amusement to those spectators who were not gambling on it, and had not sacrificed their sense of humour to their greed of gain. Not one of the runners jumped off the mark more quickly when the flag fell than did Puff and Dart; he soon made his way to the front, my pleasure being expressed in a few incoherent words. He continued to bound along like an antelope for nearly half the distance; it did my heart good as the saying is, to watch him.

Yet the question was, could he stay home? That was the problem which agitated me on the steps of the stand, and I must have muttered my doubts so as to be heard, for a raucous voice at my elbow repeated:

"Can 'e stay 'ome? Why, of course 'e can't. He makes noise enough to stagger himself arter 'e's gone three undred yards. If you've backed 'im, guv'nor, you ought to go and have yer bumps felt and put in their proper place.

"What's the matter?" I asked, faintly.

"You've lost yer brass, that's all," went on the other: "this old 'oss was always a stinkin' bad 'un at 'is best, and now he's wuss than ever. He never could go for nuts, and now 'e can't go for treacle. Why, look!"—the man gripped my shoulder and held my head in the right direction—" 'e's beat to the world now."

It was, alas! too true. The significance of the tragedy could not be mistaken. Puff and Dart seemed to be reeling about in the grass from distress, whilst his jockey was clouting him freely, he lost his pride of place, he came home alone—I mean, with the crowd. All my ready money was gone—all lost again save honour. A situation of difficulty does not, however, fail in poignancy of interest because it is familiar.

Pontius was very despondent when he rode back to the paddock, and I looked at him with an expression calculated to deepen his gloom. "It was a false-run trial, that round the big field," he said, taking off his saddle as if he intended to throw it away; "there was no pace after the first gate post."

"The fat cob ought undoubtedly to have won," I answered; and we left that race meeting in the country with hearts heavier than our purses. I had thrown mine away—my purse I mean, not my heart, for that had been lost long before.

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Sun. 31—Flores v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.

APRIL.

Thurs. 4—Belgrano v. Quilmes, at Quilmes.

LIST OF CLUBS WITH THEIR SECRETARIES.

ATHLETIC CLUBS.

AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE RIVER PLATE—*Blue and White*—E. Danvers, Piedad 475.
BAHIA BLANCA AND NORTH-WESTERN—Walter Murray, F.C.B.B. y N.O., Bahía Blanca.
BANFIELD—*Maroon and Old Gold*—J. H. Quick, Contaduría, F.C.S., Plaza Constitución.
BARKER MEMORIAL SCHOOL—*Blue and Gold*—H. S. Chappell, Las Colonias, 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, Administración, F.C.C.A., Rosario.
COLON A.C.—I. Horacio Varela, Tacuari 1220.
CORDOBA—E. R. Fowler, F.C.C.C., Cordoba.
CORDOBA AND ROSARIO RAILWAY—H. Downing, 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.
JUNIN—G. W. Bryant, F. C. Pacifico, Junin.
LANUS (F.C.S.)—*Dark Blue*—F. W. Fothergill, Plaza Constitución, F.C.S.
LOBOS—*Blue and Red*—H. Wilson, Rivadavia 639.
LOMAS—*Lincoln Green, Scarlet and Gold*—R. W. Rudd, Lomas Academy, Lomas de Zamora, F.C.S.
LOMAS ACADEMY—E. L. Manny, Lomas Academy, Lomas, F.C.S.
PORTEÑO—*Dark Blue and White*—Miguel S. Kenny, Reconquista 268.
QUILMES—*Blue and Crimson*—F. A. Williams, San Martín 142, B. Aires.
ROSARIO—*Claret and Light Blue*—H. Middleton 960 Calle Santa Fé, Rosario.
RIO CRICKET AND ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION—*Dark Green and Gold*—H. Evers, British Bank, Rio.
SANTOS—A. Kealman, London and Brazilian Bank, Santos.

CRICKET CLUBS.

BUENOS AIRES—*Crimson and Black*—H. C. Plews, Banco Británico.
CENTRAL URUGUAY—*Black and Orange*—J. Y. Canning, c/o Administración, F.C.C.U., Montevideo.
HURLINGHAM—*Blue, Red and Yellow*—J. Stuart, Banco de Londres.
LONDON BANK—A. H. Poulton, Banco de Londres.
MONTEVIDEO—*Dark Blue and Orange*—E. B. Cooper, Zabala 53, Montevideo.
QUILMES—*Dark Blue and Crimson*—F. A. Williams, San Martín 142, B. Aires.

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FISHERTON—G. W. Hamill, c/o F.C.C. y R., Rosario.
FLORES—W. Agar, Defensa 124, Ciudad.
LOMAS—C. Alexander, Rivadavia 639.
MONTEVIDEO—A. M. Frederick, Contaduría, F.C.C.U., Montevideo.
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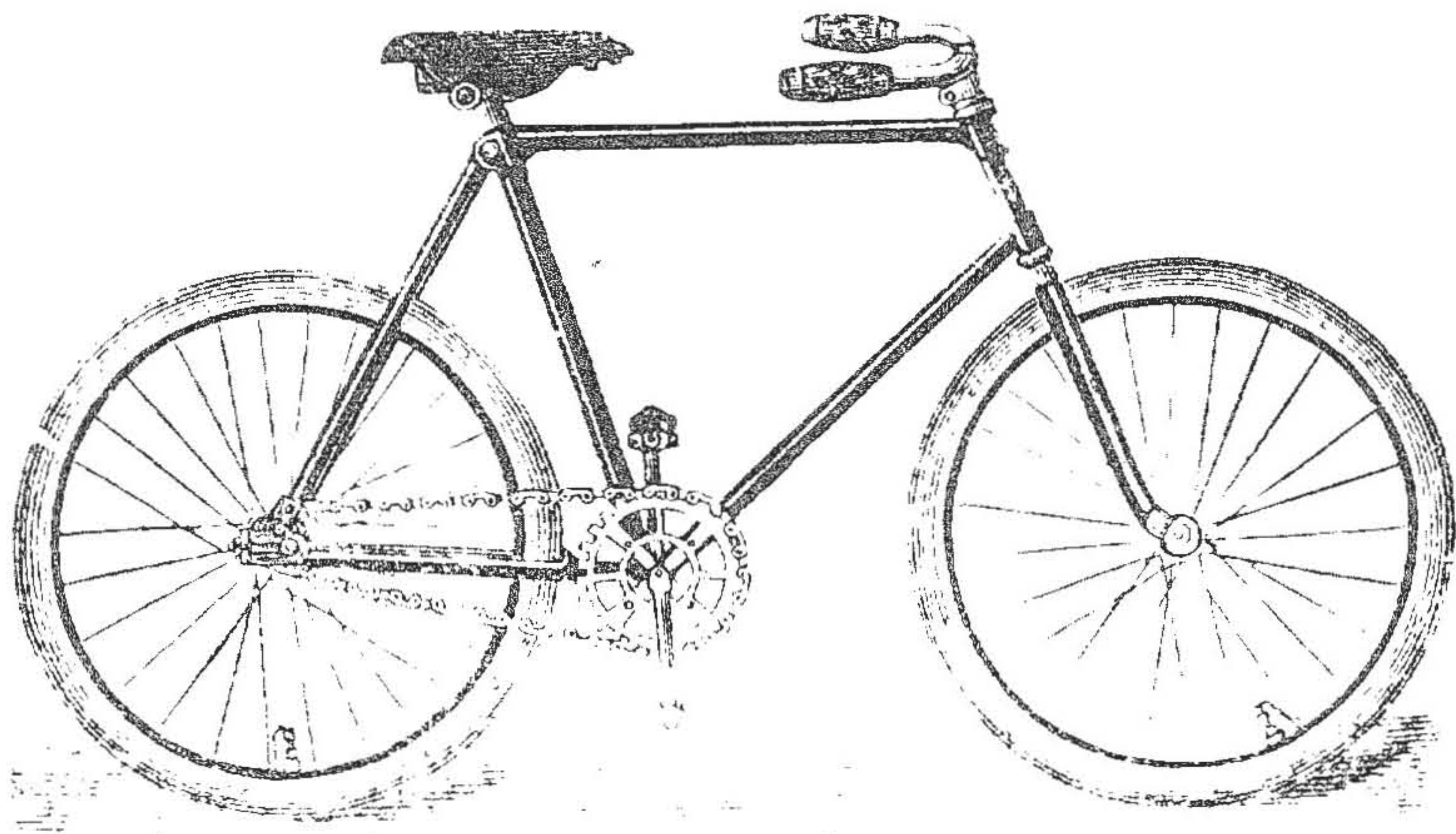
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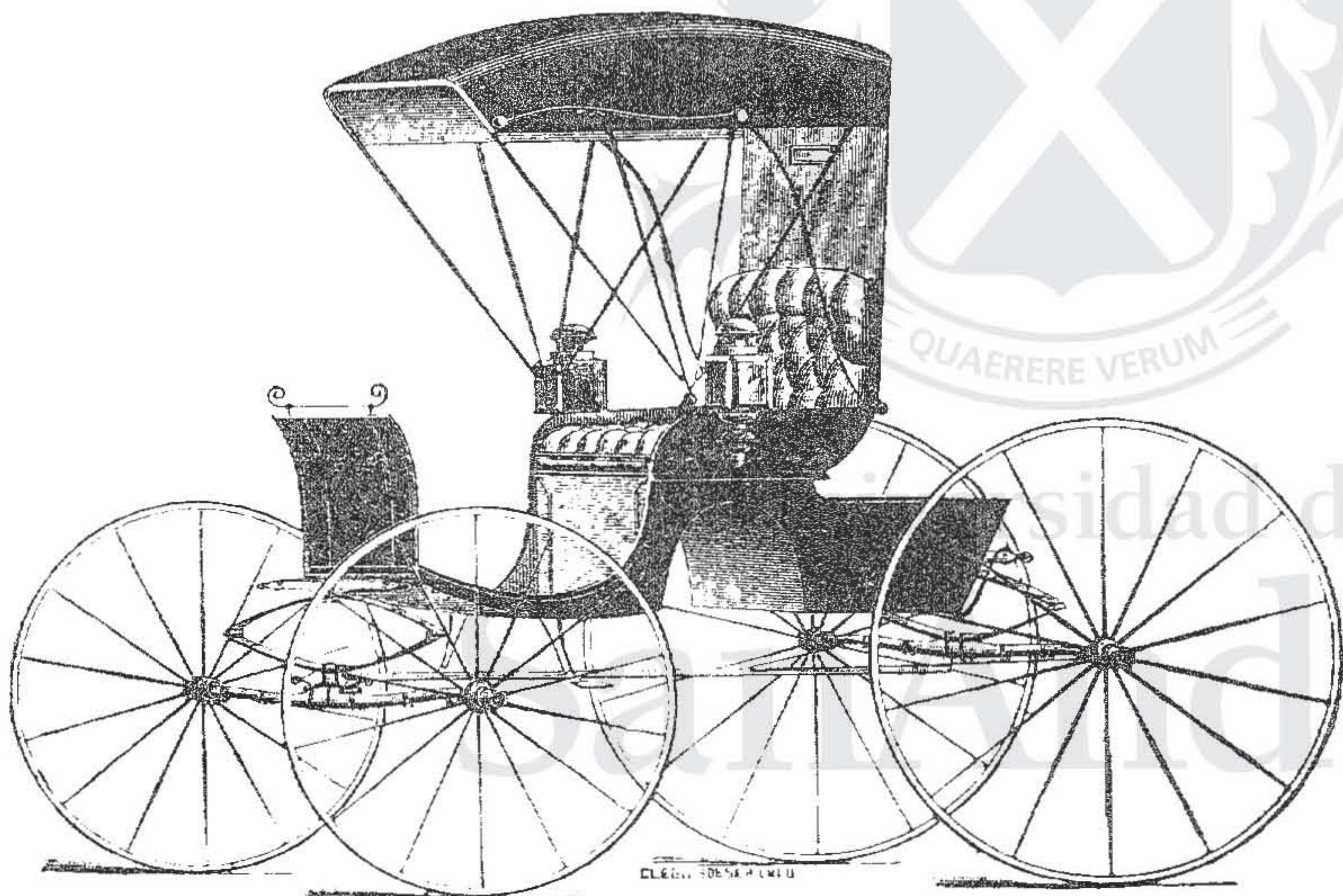
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