

INDEX OF RIVER PLATE HANDBOOK

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Mathews, Cavalry, Ministers, General, Viscount Tamandare, and immense crowds. Body conveyed in Imperial hearse, followed by Emperor's carriage, the clergy, and 300 carriages.

Montevideo. Perry's digester on Saturday very successful. Melted 125 sheep in six hours. At Fynn's yard it yielded over 13lbs grease per head.

Earthquake felt at Falkland Islands in middle of January. Gold, G, falling. ST. PATRICK'S DAY. IRISHMEN in every quarter of the Globe welcome the 17th of March as their great National day...

The name of Patrick is synonymous with that of Irishman, and no country looks back with such pride on her illustrious dead as Ireland on the Christian hero. The Cross of St. Patrick is a decoration to which princes, peers, and emperors aspire.

Irishmen are so scattered in this country, owing to the nature of their vocations, that a public celebration of this day, as in other countries, is next to impossible. Some few in this city, in Rosario, and in Montevideo commemorate the day in a private manner...

So cheering are the recollections of the day that Irishmen forget their griefs on the 17th March, and hope for that happy era of futurity—destined, perhaps, never to come, though foretold by our immortal bard—

THE ARGENTINE FLAG IN THE ALLIED CAMP. The Argentine Minister of Foreign Affairs has addressed a note respectively to the Oriental Minister of Foreign Affairs and to the Brazilian Envoy Extraordinary, Sr. Paranhos, proposing that the Paraguayan legion which has formed part of the Argentine contingent of the allied army, should be permitted the use of the Paraguayan flag.

The Government of the Argentine Republic, having throughout the duration of eventful Paraguayan war, never lost sight of the fixed purpose which it feels sure is shared by its generous allies, of revindicating the rights of the Paraguayan people so ruthlessly trampled upon by a long standing tyranny which is on the point of being for ever destroyed, thinks the moment has arrived to foster by all means which sound policy and justice place within its reach the reconstruction of the Paraguayan nationality.

The Argentine Government does not ignore as Y.E. is aware the enormous difficulties which are to be overcome before obtaining the final result. The effects of terror and the inveterate habits of passive obedience, have given to the war the harsh and sanguinary features that will characterize it in history, and just now have caused the dispersion of the inhabitants, many of whom have fled to the camp of the fugitive despot, and thus removed themselves from the spots occupied by the victorious armies of the alliance.

Under these circumstances my Government, considering that the Paraguayan Legion, whose services it accepted in 1865, and which has braved all the dangers and fatigues of a four years campaign, is daily augmenting its ranks through the spontaneous addition of many of its fellow countrymen who inspired by a love for freedom hasten to share its efforts, has deemed it advisable to concede to it the use of National colours. Thus an element purely Paraguayan will be created, which will contribute to the redemption of that people, and destined to serve as a nucleus to the dispersed inhabitants, who no doubt will flock to seek their former homes under the shelter of their National flag, certain that they will also find there that peace and that recognition of their rights, which they have looked in vain for from the tyrant whom for their misfortune they now follow and obey.

My Government has communicated the necessary instructions to the Commander-in-Chief of its army, in order that with the concurrence of the Brazilian and Oriental Generals he may give effect to its views in this respect. I have therefore to beg that Y.E. will give similar instructions to the General of your nation, and I feel confident that from this united action great benefits will accrue to the alliance itself, and to the people whose legions it has been under the necessity of fighting against, although without hatred, which cannot be felt for a people which is a martyr to its own moral depression, and to the criminal influence of a tyrant.

I seize this opportunity to renew to Y.E. the assurance of my highest esteem. MARIANO VARELA. THE WOOL TRADE IN EUROPE. The exportation of the products of this country is seriously attracting the attention of those interested in the rearing of sheep.

The reports to our Government from the Argentine Consuls at Havre and Antwerp contain important data and useful advice for the exporters of B. Ayres. Both importation and exportation have increased considerably with France and Belgium, and emigration to the Argentine Republic continues to make favourable progress.

But while the importation of Argentine goods by these nations increases, the value of them decreases every day. What is the cause of this depreciation? The reports referred to clearly point it out, and the Consuls draw the attention of sheepbreeders to this point.

On the one hand, the accumulation of large remittances of wool, its dirty condition, and the trifling demand there is in France for wool of ordinary quality. The Consul at Antwerp estimates at three millions the loss sustained at the last public sale on the entire quantity offered. So great is the depreciation in the value of dirty wool, that washing establishments are about being started there, to avoid having to send it to England as heretofore to be cleaned.

The difference in price between the wool when washed and dirty being more than sufficient to cover the expenses. The remarks of the Argentine Consul should not be disregarded by our woolgrowers, particularly as washed wool is now free from export duty, in which case the introduction of washing machines here would save them from considerable loss.

Until the refinement of our flocks be completed, it is probable that the price of our wool will continue to fall in European markets, or that from the impossibility of competing with Australian or Cape wools, they will deprive us of a market hitherto our own. Some method must then be adopted for cleaning our wool, for we will thus secure a ready sale and avoid the export duties levied on dirty wool. If such be not done, wool will shortly disappear from the short list of our exports.

Dried beef, as well as wool, is now becoming an article that is exported but in very limited quantities. The liberty of the slaves once declared in Cuba, that market for jerked beef will then go to the only consumer remaining, Brazil. The future awaiting the Argentine export trade is by no means cheering. Let it not be supposed that even should a method for preserving meat be hit upon, that we will have secured a new industry or article for exportation. The procreation of our flocks is subject to fixed laws different from those which govern either the production of the earth or industry. The proportion in which they increase is known, and no amount of labour or capital can increase it. On the contrary, the more the earth is cultivated the more it produces. It is thus proved that the number of animals that can be exported is limited.

According to Messrs. Woodgate's statistical table of our exports, on which subject our French colleague has written a remarkably brilliant article, it appears that the mean average of the quantity of beef exported since the fall of Rosas (16 years) is about equal to each year's imports, showing that the foreign demand has not increased, but the home consumer has taken so much that in eight years the quantity consumed has doubled. In the year 1853 two-fifths of the animals killed were exported. During the fifteen years following the export had increased to 100,000 animals, but this was a fourth part of those killed. The quantity consumed by the home population during these years amounted to from 600,000 to a million and a half. From this it can be seen that the increase takes place at home, the foreign demand remaining stationary. But the flocks and herds in the province increase in proportion to the consumption. Twenty-four millions of animals slaughtered during these fifteen years have been replaced by procreation.

While the consumption of the province constantly advances in consequence of the increase in population, does the bovine race also increase in equal proportions? By no means. Then it is but natural to suppose that preserved meats cannot be exported on any great scale, for if consumption continues increasing with the same rapidity, while production cannot keep pace with it, the day must come when home necessities will put an end to exportation.

The price of cattle, through the insufficiency of reproduction will make meat scarce, and killing for exportation must be abandoned. What we have just written, shows the necessity of trying to hold our own in the European markets, and there is no way of doing it but by the course pointed out in the Consul's report, viz., refining our sheep, and sending washed wools, in order that they may not suffer in competition with other wools.

The importation into Antwerp alone of Argentine wool during the past year exceeded that of 1867 by 120,000 fleeces, an excess which has partly contributed to the depreciation in price. As tallow always meets a ready sale, it is preferable to direct our attention to it, rather than to other articles, and as we cannot continue slaughtering cattle on an ever increasing scale, let us meet the demand for tallow by killing sheep.

This course, while placing a greater value on sheep, will also help to reduce the export of inferior wool, and perhaps to sustain its price in the market. If Argentine production cannot satisfy the exigencies of the buyer, then we shall see our exportable products disappear one by one, and the markets closed against the raw material which we send in exchange for their manufactures—'Nacional'.

THE WAR IN THE NORTH. Asuncion, March 9, 1869. To-morrow has been fixed for a ceremony, which in time of peace is interesting to every spectator, be he military or civilian, but who seen in the midst of war and on the very spot where the bloody drama is still enacting, becomes doubly attractive. The Paraguayan legion will receive to-morrow from the hands of the Commander-in-Chief, Brigadier General Emilio Mitre, their new colours, which there can be no doubt they will carry as valiantly through the thick of the fight as they have hitherto done. The new colours are beautifully worked and embroidered, and have the Paraguayan device, "peace and justice."

The formation of a Paraguayan Provisional Government is still the question of the day, but it is doubtful whether for some time yet such a body can be formed, at all events, one that while at the same time acceptable to the allies, would be approved of by the Paraguayans. The formation of a Government such as the people wish for, is however becoming every day more practicable, as men of the least political foresight and of all parties now see that a longer adherence to the cause of the late Dictator will only lead to their own ultimate injury, and increase the misery (already overwhelming) of their native land. Everyone is however naturally anxious to get rid of the military regime, but soldiers never tire of war, and the mission of Señor Paranhos whatever its secret success may have been, has certainly not had any apparent results that can lead to a hope that the war is near its close.

Many are the complaints here, and hints that Lopez is being incited to carry on the war to the bitter end by foreign diplomatic intrigues, are not wanting. True it is that the struggle might and ought to have ended with the taking of Angostura, but the character of Lopez is such that with or without any apparent foreign countenance he may have received, he would have carried on the struggle just as he has done.

The struggle on his part is now certainly useless and criminal, but motives on all sides, at present impenetrable to the public eye, may protract the war for many a day, and cost additional thousands of lives. There were 'until yesterday three gunboats here: the Wasp goes to day, the Englishman in a day or so, and the third, an Italian, remains. A good deal of comment has arisen on a transaction between the Commander in Chief, the Marquis de Caxias, and the French Consul, in which, according to present appearances, the position of the latter is not exactly what it ought to be. It appears, as far as I have been able to learn, that certain French subjects claimed as their own several houses from which they had been driven by the exigencies of the times; the French Consul backed up their demand, duly substantiated by documents, with his official authority, and the houses were delivered up. Now a highly respectable Paraguayan claims one of these houses—that in which the French Consul is living—and brings forward a number of the first people in the town to prove his right, but the representative of France refuses to give up the house unless the title deeds are produced. The approaching Argentine expedition is much talked of, but the horses for the cavalry have not yet arrived. The troops of both armies, although in good health, suffer a little from the want of sufficient fresh meat and vegetables: the Brazilians suffer much less than our men. Dr. Elizalde arrived here this morning; I saw him shortly after he landed, and he looks in excellent health after his trip up the river. General Osorio is expected back with the utmost impatience by the entire allied army: it is probable that he will arrive here about the 22d. There is a fine business going on amongst small shopkeepers, dealers, and army sutlers here, but trade on anything like an important scale is still as inactive as ever.

EDITOR'S TABLE. The newsmen from Montevideo still very unsatisfactory and threatening, and it is certain that unless the Banking question be soon settled one way or another there will be disturbances in the Capital of Uruguay, that may have serious consequences. On Monday the police arrested a number of people, and several others were marked out for apprehension. An influential signed petition to the Government against a 'forced currency' had been signed by a great number of mercantile houses. We publish in another column a communication from Asuncion, the news is not of any importance, and things appear as far as the armies are concerned to be in 'statis quo', General Osorio, is soon expected back, and perhaps something will be done then. Another of those interminable disputes, which appear to be periodically raised by Provincial Governors and Ministers for the sake of proving, (if such testimony were required, that they are ready to do anything but attend to the interests they have been appointed to watch over), has just cropped up. It will be remembered that part of the grant of land ceded by the Santa Fé Government to the promoters of the Gran Chaco Railway was claimed by the National Government as the property of the nation. A decree to that effect was published by the Minister of the Interior, and now Governor Cabal issues a decree ignoring that of the National Government, and claiming the land as Provincial property. The matter will probably form the object of a special mission for some wise old gentleman from the province, and after a confabulation with the Minister, this, like the San Juan and other difficulties, will be declared settled. The Confederation system has a great many weak points, and this facility for playing at diplomacy is one of them.

In our account of the burning of the Yi yesterday, we omitted to mention, that a boat sent to the succour of the unfortunate crew by the Meta, Captain Blanchard, belonging to the Liebig Extract of Meat Company, was the first to arrive on the scene, and happily succeeded in saving three lives, the second engineer, the carpenter, and purveyor of the burnt steamer. The second engineer was 25 minutes in the water before being picked up. The conduct of the boat's crew of the Meta, deserves the highest praise.

The following are extracts of a letter written by Major Bickard, and dated Famatina, Feb. 27.— "From Jauch I went to Guachi, an old mineral district famed for the richness of its gold ores. "Of all bad roads in South America none can come near the one leading to this place. My mule stumbled in a declivity of 60 degrees, and I saved myself by holding on to a bush, while my poor mule was dashed to pieces in the abyss below. "The highest point I reached was 11,000 feet by barometrical observation.

"The mountain is crossed in every direction by auriferous and argentiferous veins, and really presents altogether the richest show of gold ores I have yet seen. The mines are however all abandoned. "The quantity of disposable ore to be met in this mineral district is incalculable. "There are thousands and thousands of quintals of gold ore, of a very fair quality, abandoned by poor miners. "The managers and lessees of the Colon Theatre have now every right to retort on the public for the indifference which they were so often accused of displaying in providing amusement for the city. We are now promised, in addition to the Silforama and the Rossini Concert, the production of Meyerbeer's "Africaine," a 'chef d'oeuvre' that cannot be put on the stage, except at immense cost. We trust that it will meet with a warmer reception on the part of the Portefio public than fell to the lot of "the opera of operas", which after the first night or so, was pronounced in some quarters a musical treat by far too heavy for South American digestions.

The rain came down in torrents yesterday shortly after mid day, and in a very short time the streets in many quarters of the town presented the appearance of mountain torrents. All kinds of debris were hurried along by the flood, and the streets swept clean. We have not up to the present moment heard of any lives being lost, an accident latterly but too frequent during heavy rain. The report of Señor Arrufo on the works for supplying Buenos Ayres with water is a lengthened and very able document, approved of the measures taken, and says that the water which the citizens of the metropolis will soon have available for their daily wants is both good, abundant, and cheap. Certainly three powerful recommendations in its favour. Cabmen have been the bane of great cities from time immemorial. No matter what side of the world you go to, whether you take a "hansom" in London, a "fiacre" or "renaise" in Paris, an "outside" in Dublin, a "volante" in Havannah, or a "coche" in ill paved Buenos Ayres, you are sure to be swindled by the "Jehu" who has had the honor of driving you, if you are of a temperament or in the mood for allowing such a proceeding. The public drivers of this city are daily becoming more insolent and knavish; their legal fare is ridiculously exorbitant, but their insolence is out of all proportion even with such a tariff. The police regulations regarding them are very inefficient and sadly want revision. We feel great pleasure in welcoming the new paper, "El Comercio Argentino," on its advent amongst us. To the English community it must prove of the greatest service, if its program be carried out, of confining itself to commercial subjects. We most sincerely wish it a long and prosperous career.

A paper is about being started in Asuncion, under the somewhat extravagant title of 'El Redentor.' Undertaking to guide public opinion there at such a trying moment is an arduous task, but there is much field for propounding and disseminating moderate and liberal opinions at the present time, and, we hope, such is the task the new organ proposes to itself. We have not heard the names of the editors, but believe they are Argentinists. Public disorder, drunkenness, and all kinds of petty offences are still on the increase. Twenty-five prisoners were taken to the police cells on Monday, amongst which there were three stabbing cases. On Saturday night, at nine o'clock, while a mounted peon was crossing the Western Railway, near the Once de Setiembre, his horse suddenly sbed at some dark object on the ground immediately dismounting the peon found it to be the dead body of a middle-aged man, humbly clad, who had evidently been killed by a passing train, as his right leg and arm were almost completely severed from the body. The corpse was brought to the nearest police station, previous to its being interred.

The news from the country is unimportant, and we search in vain for any interesting items to add to those we have already published. On Monday evening the Canadian League gave a farewell dinner to Mr. Day on the occasion of his leaving for Montreal. There were about twenty gentlemen present, nearly all Canadians, Dr. J. F. Lopez, Messrs. Czets, Mullall, Clarke, Gatliff, and Stavert being the only parties not belonging to the new dominion. Mr. J. P. Wells acted as chairman, and Mr. C. F. Robertson as orator. The banquet was served up in a private dining hall of the Hotel Providence, and the feast of reason and flow of soul held sway till midnight. The chairman gave seven regular toasts. Dr. Lopez replied in most eloquent terms to the toast of 'President Sarmiento and success to him.' Mr. Robertson, in a speech of power, which drew thunders of applause, spoke of his native land, the advantage of the new Dominion union, to the future of Canada, and prospects of Canadian trade with the Plate. The banquet was one of the most agreeable reunions that ever was held in this city, and a very graceful compliment to our esteemed friend, Mr. Day.

The little steamer Meta, belonging to the Fray Bentos extract of meat company, is in port waiting to tow up an iron chata building for the same company, and at present on the stocks. The Meta is a Fray Bentos built steamer, the only one, we believe, in the River Plate; and we salute Captain Blanchard, Mr. Lanigan, and the other officers on their arrival in this port. It was rumored yesterday the new proprietor of the Club Progreso building purposes raising the rent. On dir, the house next the Provincial Bank is about to be pulled down and a club house building erected for the Foreign Club. The house in Calle Reconquista formerly occupied by the late Doctor Brown, is spoken of as the future site of the new Bolsa.

We hear several complaints about the great irregularity in the delivery of newspapers at the Post Office on the arrival of the European mails, and we think it our duty to call the attention of our worthy Postmaster-General to this subject. This slight indication will, we feel confident, be sufficient to correct the evil complained of, since Mr. Posadas has given ample proofs of his anxiety to study the convenience of the public, as proved by his indefatigable efforts in introducing valuable reforms in the department under his direction. We have heard great praises bestowed upon a sermon preached in the Merced Church on Monday night by Fr. Cobos. The church was very fashionably attended, and the ladies present were deeply impressed by the reverend gentleman's eloquence. We understand that he is engaged to preach during Holy Week in the Villa Mercedes, and several families are intending to go there expressly during that week to have the benefit of listening to his impressive sermons. The Municipal elections in Belgrano on Sunday last resulted in the return of Mr. De Mot and Mr. Gimeno. We congratulate the residents of this important suburban village on having made so good an acquisition. A correspondent writing to us from Gualeguaychu states that for the approaching races which are to be held there on the 1st and 2nd of next month Gen. Urquiza has entered two horses of his own property. The distinguished General evidently thinks that associations like the Gualeguaychu Jockey Club promote the good of the country by humanising the gaucho element, and, therefore, rightly gives it a most strenuous support. The success of this now flourishing institution is mainly due to the strict observance both of the spirit and letter of the rule establishing that none but gentlemen riders are allowed. From Bolivia we hear that an attempt was made in the beginning of February to assassinate General Melgarejo while he was attending mass, by hurling to enormous stones at him, and afterwards trying to stab him. General Crespo, while endeavoring to save the President from the assassin's dagger, was severely wounded. The would be murderer was shot by one of the President's guards. A new mole is about to be erected in the city of Rosario.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 1869. TO CORRESPONDENTS No notice can be taken of anonymous communications. Whatever is intended for insertion must be authenticated by the name and address of the writer; not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM FOR "STANDARD."

Montevideo, Feb. 16, 1869. 5.30 p.m. Savoie arrived with London dates to Feb. 14. Fishmongers' dinner, Gladstone declared the Irish Church Bill to be presented immediately. Parliament opened. New York, Feb. 11. Congress Assembly ratified Grant's and Colfax's elections. Jeff. Davis' trial abandoned. Dr. Mudd, accused of complicity in Lincoln's murder, pardoned. Grecian question settled. Diplomatic relations shortly renewed between Greece and Turkey. Bucharest, Feb. 10. Chambers voted Budget. Dissolved by Hospodar. No disorders. Fierce discussion in Italian Chambers about martial law in Naples, ending in Ministers' majority. New Italian loan not concluded. French Admiral at Hayti seized Salnave's war vessels. Cuban revolution suppressed. War imminent between Honduras and San Salvador. Attempt at Nicaragua to poison President and family. Awful anarchy in Mexico. Business suspended. Guerillas and banditti overrun the country. Rio, March 11. Sovereigns falling. Sold at 138/520 Exchange on England, £400,000, at 184. 2,000,000 frs. 508. Ignacio's funeral was attended by

...and returned to Ancon, but the country from Laque out is unsafe, being scoured by Lopez's troops, Lopez having sent picquets through the country to gather arms. Since the arrival of Minister Paranhos at Asuncion, affairs there have assumed a better aspect. The town is orderly, and property of every description is respected. General Mena Barreto with his expeditionary troops has moved out of Ancon, and according to the most reliable advices it was arranged that on the 15th inst. the Brazilians would march to Trinidad, there to incorporate the Argentine division, and then strike out for the mountains. It appears that the town of Pirabebe is completely deserted, and all the Paraguayan troops, hospitals, &c. have been moved up some 15 leagues further into the mountains, but the allies are well supplied with guides, and it is generally supposed that the expedition in question will bring the war to a final close. The river Paraguay continues rising, and has already flooded its banks in every direction; Cerreto, the place at the mouth of the Paraguay river, formerly used as an arsenal by the Brazilians, is completely covered by water, and hardly the tops of the houses visible. The remnant of the Paraguayan fleet is anchored in a small river, at the mouth of which the Paraguayans have sunk a large steamer, so as to preclude the possibility of pursuit, but the Brazilians are about to avail of the flood tide, and follow up the river in order to capture the steamers known to be there. Large shipments of every description of merchandise have been made from Asuncion to Matto Grosso. Business at Asuncion continues very dull; the country is rich with supplies, and the bulk of the Indian corn sent up to Asuncion by the contractors has been sent back to Humaita and Corrientes. Minister Paranhos is shortly expected in Buenos Ayres, where a conference will be held to discuss the possibility of a provisional Paraguayan Government. To-day the inauguration of the People's Pleasure Park at Palermo took place. The grounds are neatly laid out, and crowds from the city attended the ceremony. Yesterday there was a brisk business done in wool and hides. Prices show some improvement; good maza selling at \$60, and dry hides at 46rls. 26,000 hides sold yesterday, bought for American account. The Money Market continues very easy. The City of Rio Janeiro brought £50,000 in gold for the Ma d'Bank, and the Arno £50,000, for the London and River Plate Bank. Owing to the continued money crisis in Montevideo, gold is still shipped from this port for that market last night, £20,000 in specie shipped per steamer America. It was very generally supposed that the Forced Currency Bill would be passed last week; but now it is believed that the Legislature will reject the matter "in toto". The export trade with the United States has been brisker this month than ever known before 163,845 dry cow hides were shipped this month to the States against 64,333 cow hides shipped in the previous month, and the total shipments of dry cow hides to the States from Jan. 10, 1869, to date 233,178, against 97,941, for same time last year. There is now scarcely any stock of dry hides in this market. Yesterday news was received of the loss of the John Paass, from Mercedes in the Banda Oriental, laden with salted hides and tallow; she ran aground on the Playa Pan de Azucar, and will prove a total loss; captain and crew escaped; vessel and cargo fully insured.

THE ARNO'S MAILS.

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.
Some time ago you were good enough to admit a letter by me recommending the Falklands as a penal settlement, a suggestion not then made for the first time in your columns, and on which much has been said, though hitherto without inducing Government to move. One work which I said convicts might be employed on in the Falklands with great advantage to our commerce was that of docks. From the annexed paragraph of a letter from the chaplain of Port Stanley in those islands, which I have just met with in the 'Colonial Church Chronicle,' it will be seen that Government has at any rate begun to do something towards this desideratum.

TOUCHING BRUTES.

To the Editors of the "Standard."
Gentlemen,
In the Campos Eliseos at Palermo is a poor caged brute, a tiger, apparently a few months removed from kittenhood. To the great credit of the proprietors of the gardens, the animal is well kept, sleek, and healthy. It is a fine specimen for an embryotic zoological collection, which may some day be completed for our common

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benefit. The beast is tame, and when kindly treated, will play harmlessly with the bystanders. On Sunday last the cage was surrounded by a mixed crowd, consisting mostly of French and English mechanics, Italian and Basque peons, Galician tinkers, and other well-behaved and respectable foreigners, male and female. But the honor of ramming sticks down the tiger's throat, of prodding its flanks with swords unsheathed, from elegant gold-headed canes, and other wise torturing the poor beast until it lay gasping on the floor of its den, was reserved for a knot of Argentines and others who probably pass for 'mozos decentes.' Copping such exhibitions with what one sees daily in the streets of Buenos Ayres, a philosopher despairs of the future of this Christian land, where morals seem tainted with the reek of the saladero.

ON 'CHANGE.

March 16, 1869.
Ounces, \$400
Sovereigns, 122 1/2
Patacons, 25
National Bonds, 54 1/2
This was a dull day on the Bolsa. During the regular business hours, the rain came down in torrents, and few attended on 'Change.'
The cash sales of Bonds amounted to 1,100, at 54 1/2.
For the 20th, 10,000, at 54 1/2.
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IRELAND.

Dublin, Saturday.
The judgment of Mr. Justice Keogh upon the petition presented against the return of Sir Arthur Edward Guinness, Bart., as one of the representatives in Parliament of the City of Dublin, has given general satisfaction. Even the Tory papers do not venturously dispute its substantial justice. The only objection they make is that the learned judge was too sweeping in his condemnation of the freemen, the argument being that, as only some ten actually received bribes, they do not as a body, deserve the sentence pronounced upon them as being to effect a corrupt class of voters. This however, is more special pleading, as it was amply proved that an organized and wholesale system of bribing the freemen prevailed at the last election, and the existence of the practice for many years in Dublin has long been a matter of public notoriety. The judgment was very long, occupying, even in a condensed form, eight columns of the Dublin papers; and it was characterized by that clearness of statement and vigour of expression for which the learned judge is remarkable.

TURKEY AND GRECE.

Paris, Feb. 8.
According to the intelligence received here from Athens the Ministry formed by M. Zinnas is not looked upon as definitively established, but is regarded as the combination most likely to succeed.
Count Walewski was to leave Athens yesterday.
A rumour has been current that the Conference would hold a sitting to-day, but it is without foundation.

HUNGARY.

Pesth, Feb. 8.
The public trial of Prince Karageorzevitch for complicity in the assassination of the late Prince of Servia commenced to-day.
The public prosecutor, in opening the case, endeavoured to show that the prisoner had rendered assistance to the murderers, and that MM. Stankevitch and Trifkovitch were accomplices.
The authentication of the documents required at the trial was then proceeded with, and will be continued to-morrow.

EARTHQUAKE AT FLORENCE.

Florence, Feb. 8.
Yesterday morning, at a quarter to six, two slight shocks of earthquake were felt here.
The furniture in the houses was visibly shaken, and the oscillation was apparently from south to north.
The 'Correspondance Italienne' of to-day denies the report that negotiations are being carried on for the establishment of a Pontifical Nunciature in the North German Confederation.

ABOLITION OF SLAVERY IN THE SPANISH DOMINIONS.

Madrid, Friday.
A clause in the draft of the new Constitution prohibits slavery in the Spanish possessions.
AUSTRALIA.
SHEEP-SHEARING BY STEAM.
A machine is in use at Melbourne for shearing sheep by steam. It is made of brass, something in the shape of a small trowel; the motion is got up by a turbine wheel about three inches in diameter; this is geared into another wheel on which is fixed a cutter; in front is a comb, which serves as a guide; and against cutting the skin of sheep. The steam is conveyed from the boiler by a tube of indiarubber. This tube or pipe is double, having one inside the other; the inner one is the injection, and the space between the two is the ejection. The machine is used in the same fashion as the shears, but cuts much quicker and far cleaner, without the least danger of injuring the fleece of the sheep.

TEATRO COLON.

COMPANIA LIRICA ITALIANA.
GRAN CONCIERTO EN MEMORIA DE ROSSINI.
El Miercoles 17 de Marzo, 1869.
PRIMERA PARTE.
1.º Gran sinfonia por la orquesta, de la ópera Guillermo Tell—Rossini.
2.º Introduccion y rozo concertado de la ópera 'Moses Rossini'.
3.º Aria de la ópera 'Semiramide', ejecutada por la Sra. Uberti—Rossini.
4.º Dúo de la ópera 'L'Italiana Argeri', ejecutada por los Sres. Antunori y Celestino—Rossini.

SEGUNDA PARTE.

5.º Sinfonia por la orquesta del 'Stabat Mater' de Rossini—Meredante.
6.º Introduccion 'Stabat Mater', ejecutada por todos los artistas y coros—Rossini.
7.º Aria para tenor en el 'Stabat Mater', por el Sr. Lalmi—Rossini.
8.º Dúo para soprano y contralto en el 'Stabat Mater', por las Sras. Pasi y Uberti—Rossini.
9.º Aria en el 'Stabat Mater', por el Sr. Ruggeri—Rossini.
10.º Aria para soprano y coros, por lo Sra. Pasi—Rossini.

TERCERA PARTE.

11. Gran sinfonia por la orquesta de la ópera 'La Gazza Lutra'—Rossini.
12. Cavatina de la ópera 'Cenerentola' ejecutada por el Sr. Rocca—Rossini.
13. Terceto de la ópera 'L'Italiana Argeri', por los Sres. Lalmi, Ruggeri y Segarra—Rossini.
14. Gran Plegara de la ópera 'Moses', ejecutada por todos los artistas y coros—Rossini.
Nota.—Las localidades se vendieron en la bolsa de la noche del Lunes 16 en adelante, al precio acostumbrado.

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STEAMBOAT AGENCY OF A. MATTI & PIERA, 363 CALLE CUYO.
The Steamers of this Agency will run as follows:
FOR ROSARIO AND INTERMEDIATE PORTS.—The Steamer LAJUNTA will take two round trips a week, leaving the Tigre on Tuesday at 9 a.m., in combination with the 9 1/2 a.m. train from the Retiro, and returning on Wednesday and Saturday. Railway tickets gratis.
The Steamer TALA will leave every Tuesday from the Tigre, in combination with the 9 1/2 a.m. train from the Retiro, calling also at Zarate, Baradero, and San Pedro, and returning on Friday. Railway tickets gratis.
FOR PARANA AND SANTA FE.—The Steamer ESTRELLA, in combination with the 9 1/2 a.m. train from the Retiro, will leave for Parana on Tuesday every Friday and Monday at two p.m., and returning to Rosario on Friday and Monday.
FOR GUALEGUAY DIRECT.—The steamer Dolores, in combination with the Lujan, will leave every Sunday, returning on Saturday.
FOR ZARATE, BARADERO, and SAN PEDRO.—The steamer Tala, in combination with the 9 1/2 a.m. train from the Retiro, will leave on Saturday from the Retiro, and returning on Monday. Railway tickets gratis.
FOR MONTEVIDEO.—The steamer RIO URUGUAYA, will leave every Saturday at six p.m. for Montevideo, calling also at Zarate, Baradero, and San Pedro, and returning on Friday and Monday.
FOR SALTO AND INTERMEDIATE PORTS.—The steamer LAJUNTA will leave every Saturday at 10 a.m., returning early on Sunday at 9 a.m., in combination with the 9 1/2 a.m. train from the Retiro, calling also at Zarate, Baradero, and San Pedro, and returning on Monday. Railway tickets gratis.
FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS apply to the Agents Matti and Piera, 363 Cuyo-street.

ENGLISH GERMAN DIAPHERY ESTABLISHMENT.

New assortment of Autumn and Winter Goods, 25 per cent under regular selling prices.
Reads and Clothing—Boots at \$79 a pair, with Hats, at \$20, \$10, and \$60.
Patent Paper Collars of the finest quality.
A large assortment of felt carpets, at \$22 per yard.
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STEAMBOATS TO LE A V E.

To-morrow—For Rosario and intermediate ports, at 9 a.m., from the Station, Retiro, the steamer Lujan. Prices reduced and railway tickets gratis.
Saturday—For Montevideo, at six p.m., the steamer Rio Uruguay.
Saturday—For Zarate, Baradero, and San Pedro, at 9 a.m., from the Station, Retiro, the steamer Tala.
Agents—A. MATTI and PIERA, Cuyo, 363.

NOW OPEN.

English Grocery Store,
120-POTOSI-120
N.B. Goods sent to the house if requested.
158,1m,m17

COMMERCIAL.

THE attention of Capitalists is called to the sale of one of the handsome houses belonging to the Corro family.
The House is situated one square and a-half from the Plaza, Nos. 201, 202, and 204, and fitted up with every convenience. The price at which it has been offered, \$14,000, offers a good chance to investors.
149,9p,m17

LANMAN & KEMP'S PURE MEDICINAL COD-LIVER OIL.

Have your child, whose short breathings and distressing cough give token of the presence or approach of consumption? If so, try at once the best preparation of the only known antidote to the disease you apprehend. Try LANMAN & KEMP'S PURE COD LIVER OIL. There is little objection between the white and brown. Both are the finest articles of their kind that can be prepared from the fresh fish by the best process. Mrs. Lena Wilcox, of Portland, Me., writes that her daughter, aged nineteen, who was reduced, to use her own words, "to skin and bone," by an incessant cough, night-sweats, and alarming expectation, has been "miraculously cured" (we use the lady's own phrase), in ten weeks by this preparation. Similar testimony, in respect to young ladies apparently equally "far gone," have been received by L. & K. from Miss Jane Norton, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Mrs. Gertrude Heckley, Nantucket; Mrs. Hannah S. Gould, of Cincinnati, and several others. There can be no question that LANMAN & KEMP'S COD LIVER OIL is a most potent pulmonary. Obtainable of all first-class druggists.

MARRIAGE.

March 16, at the English Church, by the Rev J. Chubb Ford, John J. Kyle, Chemist, to Margaret Glass, youngest daughter of Mr. John Wright, Milnathort, Kinross-shire, Scotland.

OTRO.

Aviamos al Comercio con esta fecha hemos comprado a D. Estevan Anselmo las existencias de alfileres naval situado en la Calle de Cuyo No. 17 dejando de activo y pasivo a cargo del mismo. Si algun negocio de alfileres naval se presentara en cuenta pendiente se servira en el mismo dentro de cinco dias, pasando cuyo plazo no se opondra reclamacion alguna.
Buenos Aires, Marzo 16 de 1869.
STEFANO ANSELMO.

REWARD.

THE Subscriber offers a reward of \$1,000 for information which shall lead to the recovery of fifteen Horses which were stolen from his Estancia on the night of the 11th inst. All these animals have the Estancia mark, and a great many have in addition the well-known mark of Dr. L. Cobarril.
GUILLELMO JEPPENER.
137,3p,m14

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

HOME OFFICE.
The National Government being desirous of establishing a line of telegraph from Rosario through Lorenzo, Caronda, and Santa Fé, in the province of that name, then across the Paraná to the city of same name, then to the capital of Corrientes, through the towns of La Paz, Esquina, Goya, Bella Vista, and Bimpeador, and another from Parana, through the province of Entre Rios, and the towns of Diamante, Nogoya, Tala, Gualeguay, Gualeguaychú, Concepcion, Colonia, San José, Concordia, and Federacion; and some proposals for the execution of this work having been already sent in, proposals for same will be received at the Home Office up to, and on, the 17th of the month, when the most desirable will be accepted.
Buenos Ayres, March 8, 1869.

COLEGIO DEL RETIRO.

203 CALLE SAN MARTIN.
Dr. White, assisted by Mr. W. J. Frecker, late of White, and Dr. J. G. White, continues to give to pupils committed to his care as liberal and complete an education (in the elements as well as advanced subjects) as can be obtained in Europe, whilst a high moral tone is inculcated both by precept and example.
Six additional Boarders can now be received.
Buenos Ayres, March 10, 1869.

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AGENCIA DE VAPORES DE ALVAREZ Y RISSO
99 1/2-RECONQUISTA-99 1/2
Para Montevideo el vapor 'Rio de la Plata' Saldrá todos los... a las 6 de la tarde regresando los... al amanecer.
El vapor 'Villa del Salto' Saldrá todos los... a las 6 de la tarde regresando los... al amanecer.
El vapor 'YI' Saldrá todos los... a las 6 de la tarde regresando los... al amanecer.
Para el Salto y Puertos Intermedios el vapor 'Rio de la Plata' Saldrá todos los... a las 10 de la mañana regresando los... al amanecer.
El vapor 'YI' Saldrá todos los... a las 10 de la mañana regresando los... al amanecer.
Para Concordia y Escuelas en los Puertos Argentinos el vapor 'Villa del Salto' Saldrá todos los Domingos a las 10 de la mañana regresando los Martes.
A OCA.—Todos estos vapores conduciran pasajeros y carga, habiendo un gran Malo. La Agencia recibira encomiendas para todas partes del Uruguay hasta el dia de la víspera de la salida y para Montevideo hasta las dos de la tarde del dia de la salida.
Agentes—ALVAREZ Y RISSO
MAYO 6 DE 1869.
Premio Porvenir—Polla para patrillos que no pasen de tres años—media vuela, peso 110 lbs. Entrada 5000 pesos.
Premio Jockey Club—Polla para caballos que no hayan corrido en reuniones publicas de cinco—Peso 150 lbs., una vuela, entrada 5000 pesos, premio 6000 pesos.
Premio Belgrano—Polla para caballos que no hayan ganado en reuniones publicas de cinco—Peso 140 lbs., dos vueltas, entrada 5000 pesos, premio 6000 pesos.
Gran Premio Nacional—Polla habiendo para todo caballo una vuela—Entrada 1800 pesos, premio unacopa del valor de 20,000 pesos.
Premio Buenos Aires—Polla para todo caballo, sea vuela peso 140 lbs.—Entrada 1000 pesos, premio 6000 pesos.
Gran Premio Provincial—Polla handicap para todo caballo, media vuela—Entrada 1000 pesos, premio una copa del valor de 10,000 pesos.
Premio de Hacendados—Carreteras de saltes, dos vueltas con ocho años de pías—ingreso—Peso 160 lbs., entrada 600 pesos, premio 5000 pesos.
NOTAS
Yodo caballo que no sea entero como tambien las yodas llevarán una ventaja de 3 lbs. sobre los caballos enteros en las carreras que se celebren.
Los entrenadores de caballos deberán ser dirigidos bajo sello del Secretario y especificar los nombres, pelos y marcas de ellos, color del traje de los jockeys, y en el sobre llevarán la inscripcion de este caballo para el Premio a quien los correas que sean destinados. Las entradas para carreras handicap se harán antes de las 7 de la tarde del Lunes de Abril, y las para los juegos carreras de este caballo, antes de las 12 de la noche del dia de la carrera. En la reunion de la Comision que tendrá lugar en esta misma fecha se declararán los pesos de los jockeys en los handicaps debiendo publicar inmediatamente despues en los principales diarios de este pais, la lista de los pesos de cada caballo declarado antes de las 7 de la noche del Jueves 20 de Abril.
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