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## HOMENEWS

## RACING

Sandown Park First Spring Meeting－Fob． 16. Selling Flat Race， 2 mites－
Mr H．D．Johnson＇s Glenguaich by Glen Garty， 12 st ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．
Prince of Wales＇Steeplechase， 2 miles－
Mt G．Ks all＇s Nasoby by Holenby， 11 вє 12 lb ．．Dollery Bettiny． 7 to 4 agst－ 3 ran．
St．James＇Stakes， 2 miles over hurdles－
Mr Atkinson＇s Warrington by Barcaldine，
10 st 4 lb
Botting， 9 to 4 agst－5 ran
Burwood Steeplechase， 3 miles－
Mr W．F．North＇s Harvester by Haymaker， 12 st 3 lb
Betting， 9 to 4 agst－ 3 rain
Selling Handicap Steeplechase， 2 miles－
Mr A．Yates＇Hiccough by Lord Gough， 12 st 5 lb
Betting， 6 to 5 agst－ 7 ran．
Cardinal＇s Handicap Hurdle Race， 3 miles over nurdies－
Mr Abington＇s Gonfálon， $11 \mathrm{st} 2 \mathrm{lb} \ldots$ ．．．William son 1 Betting， 10 to 1 agst－ 8 ran．

## Kempton Park－Feb． 13

Staines Steeplechase， 2 miles－
Mr Sillary＇s Fugleman by Berserker， 11 st

Betting， 6 to 4 agst－ 9 ran．
Egham Hurdle Race， 2 miles
Count Kinsky＇s Greywell by Marden， 11 st 11 lb
Betting， 6 to 1 agst－ 7 ran．
February Steeplechase， 2 miles．
ur C．Hibbert＇s Willie Blair by Balfe， 12 st Betting， 15 to 8agst－7 ran．
Hanworth Park Hurdle Race， 2 miles
Mr J．＇T．Crossley＇s Stratton， 10 st 18 ib ．．．．Wingfield 1
Betting， 5 to 2 aggt－6 ran．

## FOOTBALL

Tge Football Association Challeque Cup Third Round
Nottin\％hamshire Forest beat Preston North End at Nottingham on Feb．13，the game being gallantly fought out before a large assemblage of 20,000 persons，with whom the victory was very popular．
A much less exciting game and pooror display of foot－ badl resulted from the meeting of West Browwich Albion and Sheffield Wednesday at Stoney Lane，Bromwich． The bome team eventually won by two goals to one． verhampton Waaderers by three goals to one．
The tie between Stoke and Sunderland resulted in a draw，each side having scored two goals，though oxtra draw，each side having scored two groals，though oxtran
timae was played，accordingly the game was to have been played off on Feb． 20 at Sunderland．
The draw for the Penultimate Round resulted in West Bromwich having to play Notts Forest，and Aston Wist Bromwich having to Play Notts Eorest，and Aston on Feb．27，but of course we have not yet heard which two clubs will play the final game for the cup．
The most interesting tie in the London Senior Chal－ lenge Cup was that between Old Westminsters and Clap－ ton，played at Kennington on Feb．13．The game was a fine struggle throughout，in which each side displayed excoptionally grod defence，the Old Westminsters even－ tually winning by two goals to one．
The other results in this tie of the competition were Ifford beat Old St．Stephen＇s at IIford by four goals to none；London Caledonians beat Old Harrovians at Harrow by oue goal to none；and Millwall Athletic beat Gity Ramblers by two goals to none．
The Penultimate Round was to have been played on March 5 between London Caledonians and old West－ minster，and Millwall Athletics and Iford．

In Scotland some important matohes were played dur－ ing the week，earkige $F$ en．． 20 ；amongst which the meet－ ing of Queen＇s Park and Renton in the semi－inal tie of onded in is cap whs one of the most exciting，as the final had to be postpened until the 27th．
In the Scottish Leägue Competition．Sra Lanarl R．V． beat Clyde by three goals to two，and Fituigers by seven goals to nothing．
The Junier International fixture between Scothlind and Ireland ended in a vietory for Scotland by siik goals to three．

## CRTCKET

Tur Exalish Cricketers in Aubthaita
IFinatgenth Match，$v$ ．Twenty－two Colts of New South Wolts seored $\$ 17$ ；the Enged in a draw on Feb．15．The Colts scored 317；the Englishman made but 162，and
following on，lost two wickets for 81 ． ollowing on，lost two wic evets for 31
Thwentieth Match y ．Twerty－three of Fenritit，N．S．W －This match，played on Feb． 16 and two following days， ended in a drawr．

The Exalish Cbucketras in South Apriea
The Eleventh Match v．Eighteen of Durban．．．This mateh was eoncluded on Feb．13，resulting in a victory scored 38 and 22 ，not out；Bramn played a dashing innings of 70.

## ROWING

The following are the names and latest weights of the Oxford and Cambitige Crews for the Inter University Boat Race next April．

H．B．Cotton，Magdalem ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．if if it $^{\text {st }} 0$
J．A．Ford，Brasenose
W．A．Hewett，Jniversity 110

W．A．Robeson，Merton
V．Nickalls，Maydalen．
W．A．L．Fleteher，Christ Church
R．P．P．Rowe，Magdalen
H．Grant Thorold，Corpus（cox）
Cambrider
E．W．Lord，Trinity Hall
R．G．Neill，Jesus
Trinity
G．Francklyn，Third Trinity
L．A．A．Olivant，First Trinicy
G．C．Kerr，First Trinity
C．T．Fogg－Elliot，Trinity Hall
J．V．Braddon，Trinity Hall（cox）

## 20，0LOGICAL．NOTES

By A SIUART PENNINGTON

## Part I－OWLS

Just as ammonsat quadrapeds the carnivom（i，e． the oats，dogs，hyenas，bears，\＆e．）are specially marked out as beasts of prey，althought they are not by any means adone in their flesh eating instincts；so amongst birds certain families（ohe valtupes，owis．falcons，and eagles）are credited wath a speeially destructive naiture，and although not the only carnivoraus birds are classed to－ gether as Raptores，Birds of Prey．
The reason why these particular familhes are mantred ont with such distinction is because their whole appearance denotes their flesh eating pro－ peasities．There is really no greater moral de－ pravity in eating a morse than in eating a fish and yet the mouse eating owl is called a bind of proy，whilst the fish eating duck is colled－well， duck．But the duck is an moocent looking bird．No one would imagine that the duck could do any wrong，whilst the owl，with his noetukal habits，his dowey plumage so clothing him as to make his flight nearly noiseless，and，warst of all，his hooked beak mark him out at once a bad character，and so he is looked upon as bird of proy and even of ill omen，and if is be sa with the comparatively harmless owl what lan－ guage can be too strong to describe the haw ks， eagles，buzzards，and their relatives and eyen worse still，the vultures，whose carrion feeding propensities have rendered them igaominjous．
In all the Birds of Prey or Raptores the beak is powerful and curved，with strang cutting edges and a pointed tip：and the feet are arped with strong alaws ar talons capable of dealing blow which shall be at the same time a grasn and a death stroke，These feet are called fin－ sidentes．＂The outer tae can be turned back－ wards or forwards．The wings are large and strong and their fiight rapid．The root of the beak is protected by a soft waxy－looking sk called the cere and surrounds the opening the nostrils．As their prey is usually sopue living warm－blooded animal，and as this is spal－ lowed with the small bones and the hairs or feathers，the latter are always separated in the cfop into little pellets or balls called＂castings．＂As their livelihood depends upon their being con－ stantly on the alert for their prey their senses are sharp and delicate．
The Raptores are naturally divided into noc－ turnal and diurnal birds，the nocturnal families including the various kinds of owls，and the di－ urnal families，including the vultures and falcons，amongst the latter being classed the eagles，hawks，falcons，buzzard，and harriers． ［Not the＂Lomas Harriers＂of paper chase re－ nown．－Ed．S＇and P．］
The Owls（Stricidoe）are distinguished by their generally noctumal habits，their eyes look－ ing forward，as in the human face，and not as in the bawks，placed at the side of the head，the beak bent downwards from the root and the
beak ＂cere＂concealed by feathers．The face is more or less disk－like，due to the circles of stiff feathers which surround the eyes．The ears are conspicuous and furnished with a membranous lid or＂operculum，＂and an external fold，on which are generally found feathers．Owing to the large size of the pupil of the eye the owle see very imperfectly in daylight，and although there are species that hunt by day they are exceptional and their＂bag＂is not so large by any means as when it results from their more natural nocturnal excursions．Their food consists of insects and small quadrupeds，only a few attacking other birds．They are among the most useful of birds to the agrieulturalist，eating the caterpilhars and mice which destroy his crops．Lenz calculated that one single owl destroys on an average 1500 mice or similar vermin per annum，and in the stomach of the common English barn owl has been found，as the result of a single meal，up－ wards of seventy－five caterpillars．
Owls，from their peculiarly silent flight，the fixed stare of their great eyes，and perhaps more than all from their mouruful note，have been classed as birds of evil omen．In the Bible there is not a civil word for them．They are classed， especially by Isaiah，who seems to have had a special horror of them，amongst dragons，satyrs， and similar unholy associates，and they are in all cases regarded as typical of desolation and distress．Classical writers treat the awls in the same manner，and modern poets love to describe them as＂moping，＂and 3 et with all this the old mythologists saw something good in them， and treated them as a favourite bird of the god－ deas of wisdom，Minerva，whose regards they shared with the cock．

Putting, hawever, on one side the question of the moral or private character of the owl as beyond the sphere of practical science, let us brielly glance at the different species of owls found in the Argentiue Republic.

First on our list is the cosmopolitan common barn owl (strix flammea) or as it is sometimes called in England the white or screech owl. This called in England the white or screech "owl. This species may almost be called a de domestic the vicinity of human habitations. It is about 15 inches in length; in colour, above, orange brown marbled with ashy white and dotted with black spots and white points, the face is silvery white and the wings and tail are covered b blackish bands; below white, dotted here and there with black spots. "Dazzled, with excess of light" in the day time, he is "all there" once the sun has sunk below the horizon- Then, flying on noiseless wing he pounces upon his prey and, with a screech of triumph, bears it away. The female lays from two to five white, nearly round eggs, laid in a nest sometimes made of stick and straws, but often of the pellets or castings before referred to, in some old building, barn, or church. The eggs are rough, as if sprinkled with powdered lime.
The favourite food of the barn owl consists of mice and insects, with an occasional bird for a change.
Another fairly common species of owl is the Lechuzon, or short-eared owl (Asio brachyopes), a bird 16 in. in length coloured as follows: face whitish, with black round the eyes, body black-ish-brown in streaks. This is also a cosmopoli tan species, being found in most parts of the world. It belongs to the family of eared owls, from the feathered tufts resembling ears which adorn its head. During the day it sits on the ground, where also it lays its eggs, which are three or four in number, white and round. At At evening it mounts upon a shrub or fence from which it takes its tlight to pursue its prey.
The Virginian Owl (Bubo virginiauss) is also found in Argentina, where it is called the nacuruta, from the name or word it is said to pronounce when it cries out. It is buff above with blackish-brown markings, below yellowish-buff. It has been found in various parts of the Republic, from the Rio Negro to Salta. This species also belongs to the eared owls, as does the "Scops brasilianus," or Choliba owl, sometimes also called the Caburá. Like all the Scopsowls it is of comparatively small size, measuring only about 9 inches in length. It is found always in pairs in the provinces of Entre Rios and Corrientes. Its colour is brown above and dirty white below and is generally met with in wooded districts. The eggs are laid in the hollow of a tree without any preliminary nest being made for their protection.
A still smaller species is the Pygmy Owl (Olaucidium nanum) found in Patagonia. It is only 8 inches in length and is said to attract little birds by its somewhat musical cry and then pounce on one of them and kill it.

The most interesting, however, of the owls is the Burrowing Owl (Speotyto cunicularia), or, as some naturalists have called it, Athene, after the Greek name of its patron goddess. In colour this species is brown with white markings above and white turning to yellow at the sides below; the face is grey, with white round the disk. This owl is ofter spoken of in the same breath as the Vizcacha, near whose burrows it is always found. This neighbourly characteristic is also found manifested by the same species in North America, where the burrowing owl is an inhabitant of the dog towne of the marmots.

The burrowing owls really deserve their name. as they do actually burrow their holes, at the extremity of which they make their nests of horse dung. They do not, as a rule; use the burrows of the vizcacha, although they prefer io dig in their vicinity, and it may be occasionally use a forsaken burrow. Both owls, as a rule, engage in the work of making the burrow, excavating alternately until the work is done. Contrary to the usual custom of birds, the young do not leave the nest as soon as they are able to fly, but remain with the parent birds often for many weeks, always using the family burrow as a place of refuge.
The owls are as dirty in their habits as the vizcachas are cleanly, and it is said that the latter will often forsake their burrows to get out are also said to avoid the neighbourhood of the owls, not, however, out of want of sympathy with their dirty habits, but because the owls are regarded as ill omened, and the place where they live as accursed.

CAÑADA DE GOMEZ
(from our own correspondent.) March 20.
On Wednesday last, through the courtesy of the proprietor, I had the opportumity of going over the estancia "La Cymbria," seeing the fine stock, and noticing the many improvements made on the place. It may be of interest to your readers if some facts connected whe the estancias round here are published, and, holding this view I propose to visit several and to give you a short account of them.
La Cymbria is situate about a league and a half from the station at Cañada de Gomez, therefore easily accessible, and is well known as the home of that thorough sportsman and "buen amigo," Don Enrique Hansen, who gave so much time, trouble, land and money to try and inaugurate a Hipodrome for this "city," without unfortunately more succeos than was procurable out of two race meetings.
The estancia proper only consists of 800 squares, but to this, should a purchaser be forthcoming, might be added 400 more, when the whole would form a compact estate of 1200 squares, fully and excellently fenced in, and divided into convenient paddocks. There are hree good houses, La Cymbria, La Esperanza besides several puestos and another good house on the railway side.
Of the land belonging to Don Enrique under cultivation there were this year 100 squares in maize of first rate quality, 125 squares under wheat (which realized 15 quintales per square), and 40 squares of English oats, which promise and 40 squares of English oats, which promise
well. The remainder is alfalfa and grazing land. 300 squares of it pasto tierno.
Of the stock, eattle are not much "en evidence" as horses, though Sr. Hansen has 100 head or more of fine bred cows for breeding purposes, but by far the greater portion of this part of the business is the buying of cattle for fattening and sale. There are many young bulls, three-quarter bred and pure, of excellent colour
and shape, which would well repay the inspection of any buyer, these by imported bulls bred under the supervision of the proprictor.
The stabling, lately built, is of the best, and has accommodation for 100 potros; at present it is fully occupied, as handling and breaking is the order of the day
I noticed many grand foals in the paddocks. both thoroughbred, Clydesdalo, Cleveland, and Suffolk Punch. None of their stallions run with their manadas, Sr. Hansen being a stickler for the home method of serving. The manadas, of which there are five, consist of more or less, sizty mares each, with the exception of the one belonging to a three-quarter bred horse which has 100. These are now all in foal, and most with foal at foot. The idea seems the breeding of heavy weight hunters for export, and from the appearance of the foals I should say that uccese was assured
Of the stallions Roger the Monk pleased me best, he is by Robert the Devil-Lady Abbess by Cathedral by King Tom-Lady Sophie. He is a big upstanding horse of sixteen hands, bay with black poiats, and has got some remarkably fine progeny. The Irish Birdcatcher horse is by Xenophon from Queen by Blood Royal. He stands the same height as Roger, but is a whule black and a most taking horse, with grand action,
the beau ideal of a weight-carrying hunter: the beau ideal of a weight-carrying hunter.
Munster by Phoenix-Machree (bred by Mr Kemmis at Las Rosas) is a chesmut, slso standing sixteen hands; his brother, Connaught, brought $\$ 32,000$ at the hammer in Buenos Aires, and ab you well know all this stock have invariably fetched high prices. Pablito is by BondsmanBenefactress Bondsman by Beadsman-Scot-
tish Queen; he is naturally a hlood Iike horse, but of smaller stamp, standing 14.3 , a bright chesnut, "pico blanco," just the horse to get polo ponies, ass. I have no doubt many of his stock will turn out.

The house is now, since Sr. Mansen has decided to reside permanently on the estate, approached by a straight avenue of trees, at present youn! and small, but in a few vears likely to
develop the appearance of home, and is thoroughly suited to its owner and his hospitable wife, and I was going to add family, but the hospitality of the "family,," has to be proved in years to come, some twenty or more, though I doubt not that with such progenitors he--the family," I mean-will carry out the old traditions.
Everyone who knows Sr. Hansen and la them and theirs a long life of plenty.

The cricket match Camp $\vee$. Rosario, to be played on the 24 th, is causing quite an excitement here. Mr. Macnaughtan is very sanguine, although deprived of the services of Francis. He will pick his team from the following, viz.
Mr. Macnaughtan (captain), Cañada de Gomez.
A. Adamson, Carcaraña.
A. B. Dickson. F.C.C.A.
F. Hall, Carcaraña.
H. Bury, Los Algarrobos.
A. Bury, Los Algarrobos.
R. Trail. Los Algarrobos
M. Whish, Las Rosas.
A. Waddilvoe, La Rosita.
F. Bradney, Las Rosas
C. Paget, F.C.C.A.
C.W.W.

## CRICKET

## FIXTURES.

Sunday, March 27, at Lomas - Quilmes A.C. v. Lomas A.C. Sunday, March 27, at Hurlingham-B.A.C.C. v. Hurlinghara. April (Holy Week), at Moutevideo - Buenos Aires v. MonApril) Hol
Sunday. May 10, at Hurlingham - Hurlingham v. The United Railways.

Buenos Aires, March 21.
To the Editor River Plate Sport and Pastime.
Dear Sir,-
It is no use entering into correspondence about what has happened as regards the Cricket Club and Tennis Tournament. The best thing to do is to prevent any unpleasantness in the future by revising or altering the rules of the club, so that the committee may have an easier task in interpreting them.
I would suggest striking while the iron is hot, and that the new committee should at once begin the work so that members of the club may have a chance of considering the proposed alterations before the general meeting comes off. Probably by that time the enthusiasm will have died out, and few will attend the meeting, so it would be doing a service to the club if you would kindly consent to open your columns for the discussion of any proposed alterations.- Yours truly,
A. Bowden Smith.
[We quite agree with what our correspondent suggests, and will gladly open our columns for discussion of suitable alterations in the present rules.-Ed.].
B. AIRES F.C. v. LOMAS ACADEMY A.C. 'This match was played in place of the match London Bank v. Lomas Academy: on Sunday, zoth inst, at Lomas. There were good players on both sides, and some large scores were expected; it was, therefore, rather disappointing when the Foutball Eleven were got out for $8 t$ and Lomas failed to reach this total by two runs.
The batting of Drabble and Kennard, for the Football Club, and of F. H. Jacobs, for Lomas, was good. 'I'he brothers Anderson bowled remarkably well.

## scores



OWLING ANALYSIS
$\begin{array}{ccccccc}\text { Lomas A.A.C. } \\ 0 & & & & & \\ 19.2 & \ldots & 9 & \ldots & 94 & \ldots & \text { w } \\ 18 & \ldots & 4 & \ldots & 37 & \ldots & 4 \\ 1 & \ldots & - & \ldots & 2 & \ldots & 1\end{array}$
B.A.F.C.
H. O. Dodds, not out. O. Norwood, b G. An
dorson

## R. Anderson

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$P$ Bridger, b A. Ander F. L. Jacobs, b A. Anderson
U. Renolds b Goodfellow W. (t. Cowes, c Goodfellow $b G$. Anderson. Extras
P. Bridger
H. Dodds
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## SALE OF STOCK AT SAN MARTIN VICENTE CASARES

On Sunday, the 20th, Don Vicente L. Casares held his ninth auction sale at his model estancia, "San Martin," Cañuelas. The attendance was large, but consisted mostly of pcople out for a "paseo" on the cheap, for which perhaps the almuerzo campestre was responsible. There was, however, a fair number of those who came on business, but the prices realized, especially those of the stallions were far below those paid at former sales. President Pelligrini was amongst former sales.
Señor Lagos commenceed the sala with some pure bred Yorkshire pigs, 4 were sold at $\$ 00$ each, and 4 more at $\$ 45$, both lots being bought by Sr . A. Gonzalez. Another lot was sold at $\$ 45$ each to Sr . Berenachea; 8 sucking pigs at $\$ 50$ to Sr . A. Gonzalez, and some other lots bought by the same gentleman at prices ranging from $\$ 20$ to $\$ 30$. A large number of pigs were left unsold.
Sixty-three mestizo novillos were sold at $\$ 50$ to Sr. Oluri, 50 pure bred Lincoln sheep went at $\$ 10$ and 50 more at $\$ 11.50$, and 50 merinos at $\$ 7.50$. Four Lincoln rams were sold at $\$ 110,80,70$ and 60 , and 8 merino rams at $\$ 10$. Six Clydesdale stallions sold for $\$ 180$ each to Sr. Villanueva. Sr. Berenachea bought 90 special novillos at $\$ 40$, and 32 Holstein novillos went for $\$ 47$ each.
Coming to the horses, a four-in-hand shown in harness by Mr Hussey were sold as follows: Elvira and Edith, wheelers, made $\$ 600$ each, and Catherine and Grace, leaders, $\$ 550$ each.
Felidor by Young American Eagle-Tapayin was sold to Sr. F. Michelson for $\$ 850$. Paulus by Pearl River -Fornarina made $\$ 450$, and Ranger, a rare fencer and a good back, went cheap at $\$ 300$. A good-looking Clydesdale by Lord Eg-linton-Baroness fetohed $\$ 1000$, and appeared a very cheap purchase ; and Joey, another Clydeadale, made $\$ 900$. A pair of driving mares made $\$ 750$ each, and another pair $\$ 650$ each. Theo, by Meteoro---Duchess fetched $\$ 1250$. and a magnificent pair of nares, shown in harness, were brought by Sr. Ocampos tor $\$ 3200$ each. Armarod made $\$ 800$, Gastard $\$ 700$, and Pearl marod made $\$ 800$, Gastard $\$ 700$, and Pearl Pale Face \$400.
Twelve Shetland ponies went for prices ranging from $\$ 40$ to $\$ 90$, and four mules for $\$ 40$ each.
Rob Roy and Lion, shown as a tandem, and a wonderfully handy pair, fetched $\$ 550$ each.
Twenty colts were sold for $\$ 50$ each, and several others for $\$ 85$.
To hark back to the sheep and cattle; 1000 Lincoln sheep were sold at $\$ 5$, and 1500 more at $\$ 4.80$; 30 heifers made $\$ 50$ each, and 200 mestizo novillos $\$ 34$, and 700 criollo novillos \$29. Eighteen Durham cows with eight calves fotched $\$ 40$ each, and 138 cows were sold at $\$ 19$. Fortyfour pure bred cows went at $\$ 120$, three Durham bulls at $\$ 550$, $\$ 550$, and $\$ 200$ respectively, and one shorthorn for $\$ 280$. Sixty other Durham bulls made $\$ 40$ each.

A large number of animals were unsold, and we believe the sale has not been altogether a satisfactory one to Señor Casares. If this is so. it is otherwise than it should be, as he has taken an exceptional interest and care with the stock on his estancia.

## "A POLO LAY"

The sun not too high, just a cloud in the sky, A wind blowing in from the west.
The grass fresh and green, not a bole to be seen, Is the state of things we like best. We're all fresh as paint, and quite free from restraint Our ponies seem all built of springs, Away we all ride, to our field just outside,
To play at the game fit for kings.
Then ride, you devils, ride, ride, ride; Rattle your ponies along,
With your seats all firm aud steady,
Four strokes all telling and strong,
Play for a goal, not for self, boys;
Back up your team in the gane,
We strive for glory nat pelf boys
We strive for glory, not pelf, boys,
A look to the girthy and the bridles at first, A swirl of the stick in the air,
A turn in and out whilst the ball's knocked about, And now for the fray to prepare;
We all range up then, and we measure our men, As square in his saddle each sits,
"Think you we shall do, or this time is it you Who will knock us all into fits?"
The ball is thrown in, there's a bit of a spin, A atroke well directed and strong, Down the feld, well grassed, flies the ball, rushing fast, But faster we all rush along;

Now, Back, look alive," a quick turn, and a drive, The ball is once more well in play,
We'd keep at the game the whole day.
There's just a slight " scrim," then a regular "limb," The best of our foes gets the ball,
On a smart nippy bay, he's of and away ;
It looks rather blue for us all :
There rises a shout, "Ride him out, ride him out," But, by Jove, you'll have to be quick.
Ie passes our back ;'No. 3's on his track-
'Iwas well saved by gad-hooked his stick!
When a chance comes your way, go for it I say, If you and your pony are fit,
With a flash in your eye, your heart beating high, Yourselves 'gainst the others you pit;
With a lead of them all, you carry the ball,
And you ride for it theant and soul
One mighty, strong sweep, and the ball gives a lefip,
While a " who-oop " proclaims a goal.
Perhaps in the day, when all broken and grey,
We've lost the old firmaness of seat,
The sight of a game will rekindle the flame
And make our old heart wildly beat,
Bringing back the old times, old pals, other climes,
Perchance of them all we are "solo.
We'll heave a deep sigh for the good days gone by And drink a long draught to Polo.

Then ride, you devils, ride, ride, ride; Rattle your ponies along
With your seats all firm and steady,
Your strokes all telling, and strong.
Let us enjoy while we may, boys,
Our life, which at best, is short
So while we can, let us play, bo
At Polo, the King of Sport.
R. Hulbert Morgan.

## CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editor of Sport and Pastime.
Dear Sir,-
I should be obliged if "Hortus" answer the following

1. I have a blanky Ligustrum hedge. When is the best time to cut it down? What is the best size of plant to fill the blanks with, and how should they be planted?
2. I wish to plant some Deodaras to their definite position. They are about one metre high. When should I do it, and are there any precautions necessary? -. Yours truly;

HURLINGHAM CLUB ATHLETIC SPORTS Cirst Champlopaship Mretipg

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE Amaderid Aldelidiolssociation of the River Plate Wednesday, May 25, 1892

## COMMITTEE:

J. Ravenscroft, W. P. Drabble, E. Danvers, V. Ker Seymer, M. G. Fortune.

## PROGRAMME

1. Hundred Yards Flat Race (Championship) 2. Quarter Mile Flat Race (Championship) 3. Half Mile Flat Race Handicap (Championship)
2. One Mile Flat Race Handicap (Championship)
3. 120 Yards Hurdle Race (Championship)
4. High Jump Handicap (Championship)
5. Long Jump Handicap (Championship)
6. Putting the Shot Handicap (Championship)
7. 120 Yards Flat Race Handicap.
8. Quarter Mile Flat Race Handicap
9. $\mathbf{1 0 0 0}$ Metras Steeplechase.
10. Throwing the Cricket Bail.
11. Boys' Race, 300 yards Handicap (for Boys still at School).
12. 300 Yards Consolation Race.

Entry for each event $\$ 3$. General entry $\$ 15$. Entry for Boys' Race \$1.
In events 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8, all who wish to compete for the Championship must state so on their entry forms, and they will then be placed at scratch.
The Champion will be the first scrateh man.
All Champions will receive a special Gold Medal.
Entry-forms, which may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary of the Association, or the Hon. Secretary of Secretary of the Association, or the Hon. Secretary of 7 , to

The Hon. Secretary, Hurlingham Club, Cangallo 685, Buenos Aires.

## AUTUMN RACES

THE ROVERS" POLO CLUB

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SATURDAY, APRIL16. 1892 (For Gentlemen Riders only).

1. OPEN POLO PONY RACE, for Ponies 13.2 hands and under; 600 metres; 70 kilos, 3 kilos per inch allowed; entry $\$ 10$.
2. POLO PONY RACE (Cup Race), for Ponies 14 hands and under; 800 metres; 75 kilos, 3 kilos per inch allowed ; entry $\$ 5$
3. OPEN FACK RACE, for bone-fide Hacks that have never run for stakes at a public race meeting; 1400 metres; 75 kilos; entry $\$ 10$.
4. POLO GAME RACE (Cup Race), for Ponies 14 hands and under; entry $\$ 5$.
5. POLO TEST RACE (Cup Race), for Ponies 14 hands and under ; entry $\$$.
6. OPEN JUMPING COMPETITION, for bona-fide Hacks; entry $\$ 10$.
7. OPEN POLO PONY RACE, for Ponies 14 hands and under ; $8(10$ metres; 75 kilos, 3 kilos per inch allowed ; entry \$10.
8. TOP HAT, CIGAR and CMBRELLA RACE, OPEN; 800 metres; entry $\$ 5$.
9. OPEN RACE, SADDLE UP, DRAW TENT PEG and PICK UP BAG OF CHAFF; 800 metres; entry $\$ 5$.
10. OPEN HURDLE RACE, for Polo Ponies 14 hands and under; 1000 metres; 75 kilos, 3 kilos per inch allowed ; entry $\$ 10$.
11. CONSOLATION RACE; entry $\$ 10$.

The MACKILL CHALLENGE CUP will be competed for at this meeting by playing members of the Club under conditions already advertised. Copies of these conditions can be obtained by applying to the Hon Secretary.
Ponies must be presented for measurement before 11 o'clock on April 16 on the Club Ground. Ponies not presented for messurement before the above-mentioned time must carry full weight.
The Committee reserve to themselves the right to refuse any entry.
For further particulars apply to the Hon. Secretary,
J. M, MULLALY,

Bolsa No. 8.
Entries close on Saturday, April 10, at 4 p.m.

## Strargers <br> Polo and Racing Club, Fenarlo Tuerto <br> PROGRAMME OF THE ALTUMN MEETING to be geld at

## VENADO TUERTO ON EASTER MONDAY

 APRIL 18, 1892(Under Hurlingham Club Racing Rules).

1. FLAT RACE, half mile ; entrance $\$ 20$; for Criollo horses only; waight 80 kilos.
2. STEEPLECHASE, two and a half miles; entrance \$25; for any horse (thoroughbreds excepted); weight 80 kilos
3. POLO PONY RACE, half mile; entrance $\$ 10$; for Ponies 56 in. or puder ; Ponies of 56 in . to carry 75 kilos, 3 kilos allowed per inch.
4. STEEPLECHASE, oue and a quarter miles; entrance $\$ 20$; for Criollo horses. 58 in . and under; weight. 6 kilos.
5. FLAT RACE, one mile; entrance $\$ 25$; for any horse (thoroughbreds excepted); weight 75 kilos.
6. COMRRCIANTES PLATE, FLAT RACE, half mile; for Criollo horses only; weight 75 kilos.

All so-called Criollo horses to be passed by the Stewards as such.
Racing to commence at 1 p.in
All races to be ridden in saddes, and jockeys to ride in colours.
Entrance fees to be paid and horse and colours named at time of entry.
The Committee of the Club will act as Stewards of the meeting, and all disputes will be decided by them.
Ten per cent. will be deducted from the stakes to go to the funds of the Club.
All the races, with the exception of No. 6, are Sweepstakes.
Entries close on Monday, April 11, and must be addressed to the Secrotary, Correo, Venado Tuerto.
The distances will depend on the course, but they will
o as near as possible to those mentioned.

## TO CORRESPOKDENTS




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## NOTE S

The enlarged photographs of the Soatherin team are ready, and have come out remarkably well: A proof can be seen in this affice.

The programme of the first athletic meating under the auspices of the Amateur Athletic Association of the River Plate appears in another columa. There are eight championship events, for each of which a gold medal will be presented.

The Buenos Aires Rowing Club have arranged to hold the first of their series of races on Friday next, the 25 th. There will be a 1000 metre four oared race, 1000 metre race for double sculls, 100 metre swimming race, a 200 metre race in canoes, and a 50 metre race in tubs, with brooms for oars. The finish for all the races will be in front of the Tigre Hotel.

A Married v. Single cricket match will, if possible, be played at Palerno on Friday.

The cricket season is fast drawing to a close, as will be seen from our list of fixtures, which some months back occupied nearly a whole column, and no doubt football players are beginning to get ready for the coming season. I am sorry to hear that the Argentine Association Cootball League will most likely not be able to hold a comperition this year, seypral of the clubs that were rapresented in it last year being unable to get up a team. I hope this, however, will not be found the case, as when cricket is over and everyone's attention is turned to football, a meeting of the Association will surely be of more use than the one that fell through the other day owing to hardly anyone turning up.

Two teams of the Belgrano and Quilmes Athletic Clubs will meet at Quilmes on Friday next, play to commence at three o'clack. I hope the sandwich idea won't be carried out unless there are two scoing boards on the ground, as I must confess I get horribly mixed by the arrangement. The teams will probably be as follows:

Quilmes Athletic Club, 1st team-
H. Anderson, F. J. Bennett, M. Mohr Bell, and J. Ravenscroft.
end team -
F. Rooke, R. Anderson, R. O. Brown, F. Bocquet.

Belgrano 1st team-
E. Robson, J. K. Cassels, F. J. Balfour, and H. de B. Stafford.

The Belgrano Poko Club will play the Rovers Polo Club on the Sunday afternoon following: also at Quilmes.

Gentlemen of the Rovers and Belgrano second tempa, I bappened to glance up during your match on Sunday and saw one of you on one back line and another man somewhere near the othen, with the other six scattered abouk hotwean, and the ball in play. Unioy is atrength, in pola more than in any other game perbaps, and you all play so well individually you should take to heart what a beautiful thing is combination.

An interesting tenciis match, the best out of five sets, was played in Rosario at Plaza Jewell, on Sunday last, between Mr. R. A. Rowbotham,
of Roldan, and Mr. A. W. Tlawse, of Eohesortu, Mr. Rowbotham being faveurite. The match, which lasted three hours and a-half, was evenly contested throughout; the returns were fast and hard, and "deuce" was called several times in many of the gamea, neither of the competitors giving bis opponent the slightest chance. Towards the end of the fifth set, the game stood 2 sets all, 4 games all, when Mr. Rowbotham, to the call of his friends, "bucked up" and won the remaining two games. Result: $6-3,6-8,2-6$, $10-8,6-4$.

A letter will be found in another columan on the, to me, painful subject of the use of sharp spurs for polo. In a faialy long experience of the game I have come acress very few men who really know how ard when to rase their spurs properly in the heat of a game. To me it is perfectly painful to see a man with no more hasds than a fender and a beat so badly balanced that he would fall off if he had no reine or spurs to hang on by, get up to play polo armed with a strong bit and sharp spurs, asd torture his pony's mouth with the one and his poor sides with the other till the blood literally drops from them.

Let us see how a man auch an I have just described gets on with his unfortunate mount, and let us suppose he is riding his horse for the first time in a game. Every time he hits the ball he jerks spasmodically at his reins, he doesn't know he does it but his pany doas and naturally stops;
then the spurs come in, dig, dig, dig, till he comes to the ball again when the same thing happens, till at length his pony, thoroughly sick of the whole thing: tired and sore, will neither answer spur nor bit. His rider then promptly calls him a brute, says he stops on the ball, won't start, jibs, is not worth ten dollars, and ought to have his throat cut.

Now take the other side of the picture, and let us suppose this same pony has boen taken in hand by a horseman, a man who realises that animals, and horses in particulay, are as sensitive as we are ourselves. The pony fairly keen, so no spurs of any sort are used, the proper bit is put into his mouth and it is seen that it does not pinch him; white the ball is hit the reins are dropped so that his month is not interfered with in any way when making the stroke, and he is not "pulled about" at first pore than is abso-
lutely necessary. The consequence is that the pony eventually gets to onjoy galloping about after the ball, and will turn and follow it almost of his own aceord, whereas I have seen ponios, that have been knocked about by duffers, as in he first case, refuse to eyen come through the gate of a polo fiald, remembering the torture they had been made to undergo there.

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Who has ever seen Peat wear sharp spurs? Who has ever seen Captain Herbert working his arms and legs about like a windmill to make his pony go? Yet he doss make them yo without apparently the slightest exertion. Whoever saw
Lord Harrington make a pony's mouth bleed? Lord Harrington make a pony's mouth bleed? and I've seen him on some pretty hard pullers that I have no doubt many men, stranger in the arms but heavier in the hands, would have been run away with. We can't all have hands; I believe they are born in a man, butwe can, at least, learn to leave our horses mouths alone,
and by doing so and discarding the use of sharp spurs, many men that never seem able to get a pony to play well, will suddenly find that the "jibbing, stopping brute" they had before has become a really pleasant little mount.

Every one of my readers is doubtless tired of the Cricket-Tennis squabble in the Buenos Aires Cricket Club, but perhaps I may be excused for saying a few more words on the subject. The grounds on which the degision that
the Open Lawn Tennis Tournament advertised to be hold on the clut ground at Palermo shonld not be held, were, I believe, that if the tournamont were open the entrios would be very numerous, and the ties would take so long to play off that is would materially interfere with cricket -and this veason is, of course, quite sufficient in itself:

It is a pity thet the question of membership was brought into the argument. Supposing that it had been decided that an open tournament
would not have interfered with sricket, it wound give much more interest to the games if strangers were allowed to compete, and the argument that non-members showld not be allowsed to use the
ground because they had net paid anything for it is illiberal, narrow minded, and unsportsmanlike.
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However, the fiat has gone forth and the touraament is not to be held. The policy is questionable, because it seems to many people that the tournament could have been held without interferirg materially with cricket, which, by the way, has languished most terribly at Palermo this yoar, airur it would have undoubtedily bean very popular and well attended.

A quastion that has been occupying the minds of exeryane interested is, of course, who was the author of the bill handed about before the meeting, and much correspordence has been written eoncerning it I would take very long odds that it was the work of some disinterested onlooker, who was naturally amused at the senaielectoral appearance of the meoting and canvassing, and who published the placard as a skit on the whole proceedings. I may be wrong, but I dan't beliepe either one side or the other had anything to do with it. The letter signed "Don "in the Standard, scattering mud broadcast, called forth the indignation of every rightminded and unprejudiced man that read it, and "Various Members" are peafectly right in demanding proof of his assertions, or that he should in future for ever hold his peace.

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There was, as usual, a good deal of talk of some members retiring, but it deesa't strike ons that to retire is the best thing to do when one is beaten, and it is to be hoped that all will unite in the endeavour to maintain the Buenos Aires Cricket Clab in the position it has hitherta alway occupied.

Australia holds another record. Until recently the record high jump was 6ft. 4in., by W. P. Page, in America, in 1887, and it was left to Michael Conroy, of Melbourne, to eclipse this by elearing 6ft. 5in., at the Warehouseman's Ground, Melbourne on December 26 th.

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Yet another world's recard was made at Melbourne on the same date, Eugene Kneebone hrowing a 501 l . weight 29 ft . 4 in ., standing; and taking a turn, 30 ft . $3^{1 / \mathrm{sin}}$. The former record, held by Duncan Ross, was 28 ft . Sin.

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Dr. W. Q. Grace has evidently been rubbing the colonials the wrong way, judging from a letteraddressed from Melbourne to the Boomerang (a Brishane sporting paper), which runs as follows :-"Dr. W. G. Grace has been at it again. It appears that during the match Australia v. Lord'Sheffield's Eleven, when Bean was so brilliantly caught in the long field by W. Bruce oft Qiffen, Dr. Grrace doubted the catch and afterwards spoke to Bruce concerning it. Bruce gave his word of honour that it was a cateh, the ball coming very low but was secured before it reached the ground. Dr. Grace replied in a rery offensive manner, and Bruce at once terminated the conversation. A Melbourne Herald reporter afterwards interviewed the English captain, but the Dr. told him rather sharply that he had nothing to say to Australian papers. Bruce's friends are indignant over the matter, but the genial left-hander, although expressing his surprise that Grace should have so far forrotten himself, does not intend taking any action. After the match, lunclieon was served in the pavilion, as usual and the Australuan's victory was celebrated in champagne. All the nombers of both teams were present and the theme of conversation was the Bruce Grace episode, Grace's behaviour over losing the match has made him very unpopular, and it seems a pity after the enthusiastic welcome and grand treatment he has received in Australia be could not command his temper better."
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(See other Advertisement on second page)

## "WHTPPER-F" "

When-we published a portrait of Phoonix last September we promised to reprodice a photo September we promised to reprodure a phota
graph of his stable companion at Las Rosas, graph of his stable aompanion at Las Rosas, we fulfil that promise this week.
Whipper-In was foaded in 1878; and is the son of Hermit and Scarlet Runner, whose dam, Haricot, was the mother of Caller Ou, the famous St. Leger winner of 1861. He is a whole coloured, bright chesnut horse, the only white mark on him being a blaze down his face, and his stock nearly all take after him in colour. He is an exceedingly handsome little horse, standinge we should say, about 15 bands 2 inches. Kigh, one of the long, low sort, that seldom can be got to the bottom of, and that this wear and tear quality is fully developed in Whipper-In is amply proved by the fact that although, added to a lot of hard work on the turf, he led the Kingsclere horses in their gallops, he was as sound when he left England for South America as the day he was foaled. Mr. John Porter, who had Whipper-In under bis care at Kingsclere duriag his racing career for the Duke of Westminster, used to say that he was, without exception, the best and most reliable trial horse he ever had, and the best stayer he ever knew by Hermit. No. mean praise from such a judge: During his racing career Whipper-In won the following races, in most of which he was steered by poor Fred Archer :
A.s a Three-year-old (1882).

Combermere Handicap Stakes Chester, Dee Stakkes, Chester,
and ran Third for the
Cloveland Handieap poncaster, and
Ditch Mile Stakes, Newmarket.
Won as a Fouv-year-old ( (1883)
Great Cheshire Handicap, Chester,
Kempton Park, July Kardieap value $865 l$. Manchester Autumn Hapdicap, value 65.76.
and ram: Second for the
Esher Stakes, Sandown Park,
Salisbrury Cup, Salishury.
Won as a Five-year-old (1884). Kempton Park, Easter Handicap, Babraham Stakes Newmarket, Prince of Wales' Stakes, Newmarket, Combermere Fandieap Stakes, Chester, Beaufort Stakes, Newmarket,
September Handioap, Nexmarrkept.
Won as a Six-year-old (1885)
Great Cheshire Handicap, Kempton Park.
Whipper-In came to this country in the early part of 1887, but the voyage out told on him very severely, and in consequence he lost a whole season at the stud. However, he got some rare good ones in his first year, viz Thalia, Satapella, Frenel and Mudo. Thalia, the chesnut, who is entitled to have h.b. against her name on account of her dam, Mnemosyne, was one of the best horses seen out last year, and her trainer, Mr. Frazer, once told us she was the best stayer for a three-vear-old he had ever trained. Having bred Thalia must give Mr. Kemmis a great amount of satisfaction, as her blood is so thorougly Las Rosas. Mnemosyne being by Phoenix out of Nemesis, who is by Whirlwind, one of the first sires of his now celebrated stud. Another real good one by Whipper-In is Satanella out of Sweetheart, winner of the Pramio Hipodromo Nacional last September at Belgrano, and several other good races. Mudo out of Good Bye is a son of Whipper-In we fancy very much. Although, perhaps, not quite first-olass he bas always had to race in first-class compauy, and in consequence has not so many winning brackets against his name as he otherwise would have, but he is decidedly a horse worth following, and it is interesting to note that since last July he ran a dozen times, made two deadheats, ran second no less than six times, third twice, and was unplaced twice, a truly unlucky career. Altogether Whipper In's stock won twenty races last season, of a total value of \$54,430, the biggest share being taken by Thalia, who won seven races, worth altogether nearly $\$ 21,000$, and Satanella, who landed $\$ 17,600$ in the six races she won. Considering that this was his first season, and that only nine of his sons and daughters represented him during the year, this result, which makes him the fourth on the list of winning stallions in 1891 is a splendid one.

There have been two important changes in the stud at Las Rosas since we visited it last geptember; one a serious loss and the other a valuable addition. By the death of Lapidist, resulting from an accident at exercise, Mr. Kemmis
has los a promisinf young stallion how great this lbsssisi we shall not know until we see. hisi stock in 1893 , butisisfóals are exceedingly pre miding, and it is sure to be a heavy one. Miss Mary cloged her very successful racing career with the Gran Promio Internacional and commenced stud life last October at Las Rosas. She is in foal to Phoenix and should breed a real good, one.
Of the two-year-olds by Whipper-In this year we fancied Leinster and Interpreter most when we saw them being gat ready for the sale. Lein ster made the top price of the season, $\$ 1650$ going to Sr. Zubiaurre, and Interpreter Mr Kemmis sent-home to Mrs: John Porter's stable at the trainer's own particular request, and we are glad to hear that he anvived last month in England perfectly sound and well. Whipper-In was not represented in the Premia Criadoras, a classic race for mestizo fillies run last Sanday, nor was a son of his entered in the Premio Prodictos; so we cas say nothing of the performances of his two-year old's yet. Niobe, an own sister to Thalia, and the very image of her, is in Mr. Frazer's hands, and is, we believe, to make her debat in the Premio Luro on Llay the 29th, and if she is as good as her sister ought to go very near winning it.
Below we give the pedigree of this grandly baned horse:


## POLO

Buenos Aires, March 21.
To the Editor River Plate Sport and Pastime. Dear Sir,
As the representative of Sport and Pastime in this Republic may I ask your powerful aid in a work of common humanity, viz,: the prohibitipg of spurs with rowels in all polo matches. On Sunday last, at Belgrano, two poniea-one belonging to a member of the home team and one to that of Quilmes-were in a state painful and disgusting to see, and degrading to think of, blood absolutely running from their mangled sides.

Surely if a pony is so slaw that he requiresting is nostimation of his rider) continual spurxikg he-
 bad riding tor spar hinohazd: Whyte-Melvablea greater rides than most, of ona polo playear says: Not one man in a thousand poows hors to ose spurs, and the heat and excitement of a wellcontested matela, in which all are anxious to do contested matelo, in wath all are anxious to do tender consideration in the application of those delicate-looking instruments of torture.
Putting humanitarianism aside, it is the reverse of a pleasant sight for ladies to see a pony with blood-besmeared sides, his incompetent rider's. spurs and boot-heels covered, with the same toh tale fluid. Women are tender-hearted and if owr polo clubs; wish to see more of the softer sex on their grounds at matclies, the best thing to do would be to make the game as agreeable to their senses as possible, aud not to disgust them by brutality to the willing lietle beasto whe work so hard and get suchi seanty thanles.
In the name of the ponies I would ask that the following rule be added to those of all polo clubs, viz. : No spurs with rowels allowed in any match. I enclose my card.-Yours truly,

Humanitas.
[The Polo Association at their meeting on the 4th passed a bye-law which reads: "No spurs with rowels allowed except by special permission of the committee," and it is the duty of the catain or secretary of every club co see that it is carried out.-Ed.

The Belgrano Polo Club had quite a fiekd day on Sunday last, when they put dwo teams in the field, one against Hurlinghain and the other against The Rovers. The two games were sandwiched in with each other, an arrangement we do not at all like for many reasons: the speetatozs get hopelessly mixed between the two matehes, and have not the least idea how each toam is getting on in the absence of a scoriag board for each game, and men and ponies having to hang about on the ground for three hours at least have time to get stiff, whereas the only recommendation for the arrangement is that it is supposed to save time (which we notice it never does), one team being sup osed to ride on to the ground imnediately the otber has finished a quarter.
Quite a large number of ladies were on the ground during the afternoon, and seemed to take an interest in the matches.
The teams in the Hurlingham v. Belgrano match were

Murlingham
1.F. M. S.till
2. D. Wilson
B. H. S. Robson

Belgrano
2. J. K. Cassel
J. Ravenscroft (back) H. de B. Stafford (back)

The game commenced very stickily in the first quarter, and with the result that Belgrano scored one goal to their opponenta' nil. Here Ralfour had to retire, and his place was taken in the next two quarterg by Hunter in the one and Rieharda in the other. At the beginning of the fourth quarter Balfour was able to take his place again in the Belgrano team, and with the score at three goals all the game became raiher exciting, and the pace improved considerably. Hurlingham lost one or two chances by hitting wide of the mark, but eventually they scored a goal about half way through the quarter. This was soon replied to by the home team, and the score was again made level at four goals all, and at this it remained until the call of time. It was now decided to go on playing till one side or the other
scored a goal, and accordingly ponies and ends scored a goal. and accordingly ponies and ends
were changed and the game recommenced. Belgrano had now much the best of the fight, but Ravenscroft was very difficult to get past and saved his goal time after time. After about ten minutes play, however, Balfour got a chance and therefore retired winners of a fainly good game by fiye goals to four.

The teams in the Belgrano v. The Rovers match were:

1. J. L. MoMorran

J The Rovers
I. Leiteh
3. A. Brodie
${ }_{3}$ C. R Mullaly
E. Richards (back)
C. Hope (back)

As in the preceding match Belgrano went away with a lead and scored three goals to The Rovors one in the first quarter, and at the end of the second the score stood Belgrano four goals and The Rovers two. The third period, however, proved most disastrous to the home team-

Richards' ponies were evidently very green and Premio Criadorbs, for two-year-old mestiza
kept him quite out of the game, Mullaly scoring
fillies ; $\$ 2000$ to the 1 st, $\$ 400$ to the $2 n d, \$ 100$ kept him quite out of the game, Mullaly scoring four goals for The Rovers right off the reel, and
with two more added to their score during the quarter the score stood The Rovers eight goals, Belgrano four. Leach had a nasty fall during this period. The home team played up better in the last quarter, but they could not quite reach the total of The Rovers, who were now without the services of Thursby, and had to retire beaten by eight goals to seren.
For the winners Mullaly did most of the work, whilst Richards played remarkably well for the losers, and had he been better mounted would have put a different aspect on the game; Hunter also played up hard and hit well.
In the frot match we were glad to see Ravenscuivit playing again in his old form, and he proved himself to be a perfectly safe back. Wilson and Still worked hard, and H. Robson was brilliant as usual. For Belgrano, Stafford played remarkably well behind, and Cassels and E. Robson forward.

## RAC!NG

## PALERMO-MARCH 20

Again we have to chronicle a small attendance at the Palermo meeting of last Sunday, and it quite seems as if the public is losing interest in the racing. For our part there is intense monotony, even to a keen lover of horses, in going to the same dusty racecourse Sunday after Sunday to see the same horses gallop round it ridden by the same jockeys and watched by the same crowd. A kilo or two in the weights is the only change we have, except the occasional races that bring out the youngsters we had seen sold last year, or a dark one everybody generally sets to know about long before he runs his race.
We had the Premio Criadores, a 1000 metres race for mestiza two-year-old fillies on Sunday to relieve the monotony of the usual thing, and the winner, Liana, is evidently something quite out of the common. She is a grood-looking daughter of Keir and Madre Selva and won her race with ease ; Santa Lucia's sister, Shilda, a very racinglike filly, came in second, and is evidently more than useful.
Huron, in spite of his heavy weight of 65 kilos, well ridden by Dionisio Ruiz, won the Premio Rafaga from Salaam.
Athos secured the Premin Resistencia, and Diamond earned another winning bracket by beating her only opponent, Cotopaxi, in the Premio Revancha.
Mr Brett was to the fore with Golondrina in the last race, as she won from start to finish and paid the useful dividend of $\$ 15.02$. This last race brought out the only decent field of the day, as all except two of the thirteen entered went to the post. Details:
Pbemio Perdelores, a Handicap for any horse that, having run, has never won a race, $\$ 1300$ to the first, 200 to the second; 1000 metres

## Ecurie Indecis' Polaina, by Monsetrap-

Honey Bee, 3 yrs, 47 k .................... Diaz Stud Niño Dorado's Monk, 4 yrs, 44 k .....G. Lopez 2 Stud José Maria's Irene, 3 yrs, 42 k …......A. Cruz 2 Stud Forester's Joseph, 5 yrs, $55 \mathrm{k}, \ldots$. . Livesey Stud La Concepcion's Tita, 4 yrs, 54 i ..... I. Cardoso Stud Buenos Aires' Charlemagne, 4 yrs, 52 k . Garrido Ecurie Titan's Equivocacion, 4 yrs, 51 k ...V. Torres
Polaina made the whole of the running and won by a cauple of lengths. Monk and Irene, after a good race for scond place, ran a deadheat.
Tickets--Polaina 508 win and 597 place, Monk 166 and 153, Irene 251 and 259, Joseph 144 and 99, Tita 659 and 494, Charlemagne 333 and 262 Equivocacion 165 and 289. Total, 2228 win and 2153 place
Dividend-Polajna $\$ 7.89$ win and $\$ 3.55$ place, Monk 5.03 and Ire e $\$ 3.79$ place.
Prfmio Fama, a Handicap for horses that have won more than $\$ 8000 ; \$ 2000$ to the $1 \mathrm{st}, \$ 200$ to the 2nd; 1750 metres
Ecurie Montevidno's ch m Nelly, by PrivateerSincerity, 6 yrs 52 k
Stud La Prensa's Falucho, 4 yrs, $4 t \mathrm{k}$
Garrido
S Gil
Ecurie Bolivar's Sombra, 4 yrs, 53 k .
S. Gil Stud Nuevo's Ary, 8 yrs, 57 k
Nelly and Falucho made play from Sombra for half the journey, when Nelly drew away with a slight lead. Oppos te the paddock Falucho came up and caught her, but could not manage to quite get up to Nelly, who won a good race by a head; two lengths between second and third.
Tickets-Nelly 1038, Falucho 1291, Sombra 2367, Ary 1153. Total, 5849.
Dividend-Nelly $\$ 10.14$.
fillies; 82000 to the 1 st, $\$ 400$ to th
to the 3 rd $; 1000$ metres $; 50$ kilos:
 A. Cruz $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Farrido } & 2 \\ \text { F. Diaz } & 3\end{array}$ Ecurie Argentino's Mazorca-by Zanoni Max

From the start Liana evidently had the raco hand, and could outpace her opponents. In the straight Shilda made great efforts to get on terms with her, but Sr, Villanueva's mare won easily by half a length; two lengths between second and third.
Tickets-Liana 2133, Shilda 1821, Lucia 7:29, Mazorea 1078. Total. 5861 .

Dividend-Liana \$4.72.
Time, 1 m .3 s.
Premo Rafaga, a Handicap for all horses; $\$ 1800$
to the 1st, $\$ 200$ to the 2nd; 1100 metres
Sr. E. Casal's br h Huron, by Uncas-Mysie, 5 yrs, 65 k ..... Stud El Plata's Salaam, 4 yrs, 54 k ........I. Cardoso Stud Carpintero's Adiotant 6 yrs, 51 k . R Garrido Stud Carpintero's Adjutant, 6 yrs, $51 \mathrm{k} \ldots$...R. Garrido
Ecurie Titan's Cabula, 4 yrs, $59 \mathrm{k} \ldots \ldots$. A. Cruz
0 Eur I Chico's Balmal 4 Stud Lhisr's Barata, 4 yrs 51 k k......I. Diaz Ecurie Trlys Barata, 4 yrs, 1 k F. Diaz Ecurie Talisman's Sirince, 4 yrs, 51 IS. Gil Sr. 1 B. Zubiaurre's spree, 4 k
Ecurie Anonima's Terpsicore,
L. Diaz
. Peãalba
From a good start Cabula jumped away with a lead. Huron showed in front coming into the straight: opposite the stands Salaam challenged him, but could not get up. Huron eventually winning by a neck; a length between second and hird.
Tickets-Huron 1424 win and 1541 place, Salaam 436 and 708. Adjutant 472 and 843, Cabula 810 and 1412, Balmoral 357 and 632, Barata 186 and 341 , Sirince 925 and 1388 , Spree 549 and 687 Gloria 198 and 467, Terpsicore 80 and 83. Total, 5136 win and 8102 place
Dividend-Huron $\$ 6.98$ win and $\$ 3.81$ place, Salaam $\$ 5.95$ and Adjutant 85.32 place

Premio Resistencla, a Mandicap for all horses $\$ 2000$ to the 1st, $\$ 200$ to the 2nd; 2500 metres : Stud Entre Rios' ch h Atbos, by Zut - Athalie. 7 yrs, 64 k.
Stud Ca Prensa's San Martin, 4 yrs, 58 k G. Palalta Ecurie Indecis' Lutin, 4 yrs, 47 k

Palacios
Athos waited on San Martin and Lutin for hal the journey, when he took the lead, and in spite of a vigorous effort by San Martin won easily by a couple of lengths; bad third.
Tickets-Athos 3959, San Martin 1201, Lutin 1525. Total, 6685.

Dividend-Athos $\$ 3.03$
Premio Revancha, a Handicap for three-yearolds; $\$ 1800$ to the 1st. $\$ 200$ to the 2nd; 2000 metres:
Stud Terminacion's b h Diacoond, by Phoenix Blissful, 54 k
S. Gil 1 Stul Puri's Cotopaxi, 49 k
A. Cruz 2

Diamond won easily by three lengths.
Tickets-Diamond 1727, Cotopaxi 1330 .
Dividend-Diamond $\$ 3.1 \times$.
Premio Consurlo, a Handicap for any horse that has not won more than $\$ 8010 ; \$ 1500$ to the 1st, $\$ 200$ to the 2 nd ; 1400 metres
Mr Manton's br m Golondrina, by St. Honorat Venusta, 4 yxs, 43 k
Stud Liquidacion's Flolland, 5 yrs, 47 k Stud 2nd Argentino's Pluton, 4 yrs, 52 k Sr. F. C. Malbran's Carnaval, 6 yrs Sr. L. Alvarez' Montonero, 3 yrs, 571 k Mr. L. Alvarez' Montonero, 3 yrs, $571 / x^{*} * \mathrm{k}$
Mr G. Kemmis' The McGowan, 6 yrs, 56 Mr G. Kommis' Jefferson's Jefferson, 5 yrs 56 k k. Stud Puri's Forester, 5 yrs, 53 k
Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Nubifer, 4 yrs, 53 k .....S. Gi Stud Las Ortigas' Clarint, 3 yrs, 47 k … Bastiani * Weight for age.

Golondrina, Holland and Clarin showed in front all the way round to the paddock, where Clarin was beaten and Pluton and Nubifer came up, and an exciting race home resulted in Golondrina maintaining her lead to the finish and winning by a good length ; a neck between second and third.

Tickets-Golondrina 710 win and 745 place, Holland 158 and 446, Pluton 749 and 1406 , Liniers 46 and 177, Carnaval 990 and 1540, Montonero 75 and 49, The MacGowan 557 and 927 , Jefferson 377 and 576, Forester 224 and 367, Nubifer 1638 and 1924, Clarin 404 and 744. Total, 5928 win and $8: 901$ place
Dividends-Golondrina $\$ 15.02$ win and $\$ 6.8$ 上 place, Holland $\$ 10.09$ and Pluton $\$ 4.56$ place.

The Derby Club paid the following dividends: Premio Perdedores-

|  | WIN |  | place |  | stud |
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| Polaina....... . | \$9.50 | .. | \$3.25 | . | \$17.15 |
| Monck .-...... | .. | ... | 5.45 | . |  |
| Irene.. . . . . . . . . | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 5.20 | .. | . . |
| Premio Fama- |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nelly... | 8.55 | . | 3.80 | $\cdots$ | 5.85 |
| Falucho ........ | .. | .. | 2.05 | . | .. |
| Premio Criadores- |  |  |  |  |  |
| Liana ......... | 5.35 | . | 2.45 | . | 7.50 |
| Shilda ... | . | . | 8.50 | . |  |
| Lucia . . . . . . . . | $\cdots$ | . | 7.35 | .. | $\cdots$ |
| Premio Rafaga- |  |  |  |  |  |
| Huron | 18.00 | . | 3.60 | . | 15.15 |
| Salaam ........ | . | . | 5.80 | . | .. |
| Adjutant . . . . . | . | .. | 7.25 | .. | $\ldots$ |
| Premio Resistencia |  |  |  |  |  |
| Athos ........ | 4.00 | $\ldots$ | 2.00 | . | 5.10 |
| San Martin ... | .. | .. | 3.05 | .. |  |
| Lutin | . . | .. | 4.65 | . | .. |
| Premio Revancha- |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diamond ..... | 3.65 | . | .. | . | 2.30 |
| Premio Consuelo- |  |  |  |  |  |
| Golondrina .... | 15.20 | . | 6.10 | .. | 24.65 |
| Holland |  | . | 6.55 | $\cdots$ | .. |
| Pluton......... | . | .. | 5.35 | . | $\cdots$ |

## FIXTURES

## RACING

Friday, March 25--Hipódromo Argentino, Palermo.
Sunday, March 27-Hipódromo Nacional, Belgrano.
Saturday, April 16, at Quilmes-Rover's Polo Club Autumn Meeting,
Monday, April 18, at Venado Tuerto--Strangers' Polo and Racing Club Autumn Meeting.

## CRICKET.

Friday, March 25, at Palermo-Married $\nabla$. Single.
Sunday, March 27, at Lomas-Quilmes A.C. v. Lomas Academy A.C.
Sunday, March 27, at Hurlingham-Buenos Aires C.C. v. Hurlingham:

## POLO

Friday, March 25, at Quilmes-Belgrano v. Quilmes A.C.

Sunday, March 27, at Quilnes-The Rovers v. Belgrano
ATHLETICS.
Wednesday, May 25--Athletic Championship Meeting at Hurlingham.

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Over 14,000 head arrived at the Oorrales during the part week, and prices as below have been made.

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| :---: | :---: |
| Stins | 202,439 |
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## A MAN SWALLOWED BY A WHALE

## A SPLEENOD YARN

The following story, appeared recently in the Great Yarmonth Mercury. We do not believe it, but it is so well told it deserves to be reproduced in full
Last February the whaling ship Star of the East was in the vicinity of the Falkland Islands searching for whales, which were very scarce. One morning the look-out sighted a whale about three miles away on the starboard quarter. Two
boats were manned. In a shost time one of the boats were manned. In a shoit time one of the
boats was near enough to enable the harpooner boats was near enough to enable the harpooner
to send a spear into the whale, which proved to be an exceedingly large one. With the shaft in its side the animal sounded and then sped away, dragging the boat after him with terrible when he turned and came back almost directly toward the spot where he had been harpooned. The second boat waited for him, and when but a short distance away flom it he iose to the surface. As soon as his back showed above the surface of the water the harpooner in the second boat drove another spear into him. The rain apparently crazed the whale; for it threshed about fearfully, and it was feared that the boats would be swamped and the crews drowned. Finally, the whale swam away, dragging the two boats after him. He went about three miles and sounded or sank, and his whereabouts could not be exactly told. The lines attached to the harpoons were slack, and the harpooners began slowly to drag them in and coil them in the tubs. As soon as they were tautened the whale arose to the surface and beat about with its tail in the maddest fashion. The boats attempted to get beyond the reach of the anımal, which was apparently in its death agonies, and one of them succeeded, but the other was less fortunate. The whale struck it with his nose and upset it. The men were thrown into the water, and before the crew of the other boat could pick them up one man was drowned and James Bartley had disappeared.

Fill Inside.
When the whale became quiet from exhaustion the waters were searched for Bartley; but he could not be found, and, under the impression that he had been struck by the whale's tail and sunk to the bottom, the survivors rowed bach to the ship. The whale was dead, and in a few hoursthe great body was lying by the ship'e side, and the men were busy with axes and spades cutting through the flesh to secure the fat. Ther worked all day and a part of the night. They resumed operations the next forenoon, and were soon down to the stomach, which was to be hoisted to the deck. The workmen were startled while labouring to clear it, and to fasten the chain about it to discover something doubled up in it that gave spasmodic signs of life. The vast pouch was hoisted to the deck and cut open, and inside was found the missing sailor doubled up and unconscious. He was laid out on the deck and treated to a bath of sea water, which soon revived him ; but his mind was not clear, and he was placed in the captain's quarters, where he remained for a fortnight, a raving lunatic. He was carefully treated by the captain and officers of the ship, and he finally began to get possession of his senses.

## Close Qearters

At the end of the third week he had entirely recovered from the shock and resumed his duties. During the brief sojourn in the whale's belly Bartley's skin, where it was exposed to the action of the gastric juices, underwent a striking change. His face and hands were bleached to a deathly whiteness and the skin was wrinkled, giving the man the appearance of having been parboiled. Bartley affirms that he would probably have lived inside his house of flesh until he starved, for he lost his senses through fright and not through lack of air. He says that he remembers the sensation of being lifted into the air by the nose of the whale and of falling into the water; then there was a fearful rushing sound, which he believed to be the beating of the water by the whale's tail; then he was oncompassed by a fearful darkness, and he felt himself slipping
along a smooth passage of some sort that seemed along a smooth passage of some sort that seemed
to move and carry him forward. This sensation lasted but an instant, then he felt that he had more room. He felt about him, and his hands came in contact with a yielding slimy substance that seemed to shrink from his touch. It finally dawned upon him that he had been swallowed by the whale, and he was overcome with horror at the situation. He could breathe easily, but the heat was terrible. It was not of a scorching stifling nature, but it seemed to open the pores of his skin and to draw out his vitality. He became
very weak, and grew siok at the stomach. He
knew that there was no hope of escape from his strange prison. Death stared him in the face, and he ured to look at it bravely ; but the awful quiet, the fearful darkness, the horrible know-
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finally overeame him, and he must have fainted, finally overeame him, and he must have fainted, for the next he
captain's eabin.
"The Never Knew a Parallel Case"
Bartley is not a man of a timid nature ; but he says that it was many weeks before he could pass a night without having his sleep disturbed with harrowing dreains of angry whales and the horrors of his fearful prison. The skin on the
face and hands of Bartley has never recovered its face and hands of Bartley has never recovered its
natural appearance. It is yellow and wrinkled and looks like old parchment. The health of the man does not seem to have been affected by his terrible experience; he is in splendid spirits, and apparently fully enjoys all the blessings of life that come in his way. The whaling captains say that they never knew a parallel case to this before. They say that it frequently occurs that men are swallowed by whales who become infuriated by the pain at the harpoon and attack the boats ; but they have never known a man to go through the ordeal that Bartley did and come out alive.

## POPULAR SCIENCE CATECHISM

The Etitor
What is this?
This, dear, is that suffering animal, the editor.
But what is the editor?
He is the man, darling, who runs the paper.
My! I thought the paper ran itself?
That is the popular impression.
Not entirely so
Not entirely so.
I thought the talented contributors wrote the stories
They do.
And that the funny man built the jokes?
He does.
He does.
And that the dyspeptic genius wrote the poems?
Certainly.
Certainly.
And the poor compositor; I thought he put the things into type?
Yes.
Yes.
And that the printer worked off the edition?
You are right.
Then what in the name of goodness does the editor do? He talks.
With whom?
With people who come into help him pass away the Wit.
time.
Oh!
Oh! then the editor has some time to waste?
Lots.
Lots.
Who is that long-haired lunatic with the roll of
He is the gifted poet.
What does he want?
He wants to know what becamo of that "Ode to a Withered Violet," in forty-seven stanzas, which he sent in last spring.
What did become of it?
It was filed away in the fire-grate.
Does the editor say that?
Oh. no.
What does he say?
He says that he sent it back.
My ! but isn't that a twister?
Yes, dear.
What does the poet say?
He says that he is so sorry, because the St. Stephen's Beview offered him 15l. for it. And what is that?
A lie.
And who is that gentleman with the double-barrelled gun?
He is the "Constant Reader."
And he wants
To inquire why his last communication was not answered.
And why was it not?
Because it was seven columns long, and only in the Wherest of one person.

## Who was that?

Himself.
And that fashionable gentleman sucking his cane?
He is the delight of the editorial room.
What is his business?
He has none
Why then does he come?
Because it is too late for luncheon and too eariy to walk in the Strand.
But I do not understand.
Neither does the oditor.
How long will he stay?
A couple of hours.
A couple of hours.
S-h-h! dear. That is not an undertaher.
Who is it, then?
The funay man.
Oh! what does he want?
He wants to read the editor his last joke.
Where did he get it?
From a work on the "Tombs of the Early Egyptian
Kings."
My! Then this is the way the editor spends his Principally.

One long delightful reception.
Yes, dear.
Then the editor has nothing in the world to wish for or pray for?
And what is that?
Death.

## G 0 L F

An interesting match was played at San Martin, F.C.R., on the 13 th inst., between $\operatorname{Mr} \mathbf{V}$ G. $\mathbf{G}$ Scroygie, Carnoustie G.C., and MrW.H. Masters, Kinghorn G.C.
A course of nine holes had been prepared, and though far from perfect, more especially the putting greens, it served its purpose. For hazards here were belts of trees ditches, roads, wire fences, etc., and many a fix the players got into, as the remains of Mr Scroggie's clubs can testify,
The game consisted of two rounds, 18 holes; Masters led at the start, taking tho first three holes and finishing the first round three up.
After a refresher at the "Club House," the second round was entered upon, and although Masters took the first hole, the game went entirely in favour of the Carnoustie man, the "nip" evidently having put renewed energy into him. The game was "even all" at the 7th hole, Scroggie took the 8th, which left him "dormy one, " ${ }^{\circ}$ and Masters failing in a short put only managed to halve the home hole, thus losing the match by one.

The game was a most enjoyable one, alike for players and spectators, of whom there, were not a few, including the "gringo inglés" and the wily native

## GARDENING NOTES

## FLOWER GARDEN

Where not already done plenty of Mignonette ought to be sown now for Winter and Spring use. Dig and manure the ground well, and sow broadcast where it is wanted in quautity. First rake the ground, sow the seed and then slightly rake again, and cover all with pure stable manure broken up finely, when every seed will be sure to germinate. The cause of most fine seeds being lost here is through the ground getting baked on the surface.
Autumn and Spring plants that were advised to be sown some time ago, where fit to handle should be pricked out in beds about 2 inches apart each way, to gain strength before being put into their permanent quarters. Don't forget to shade for a few days after repricking the small plants.

Cuttings of all tender bedding plants, such as Colens, Althernanthera, Iresine, \&e, should be put in from now till the end of month; 4 inch or 5 inch pots are the most suitable, making a mixture of two parts good garden soil, one of sand, and one of well rotted manure. Make the soil quite firm in the pots, and insert from ten to fifteen cuttings in each pot. Put them in a frame where they can be cov red with glass for eight or ten days, shading slightly during bright sunshine. When rooted remove the glass and leave the plants exposed night and day until there is danger from frosts.

Penstemons.-These do not obtain so many admirers as they deserve; nevertheless, they bloom very freely in the mixed borders, and continue to do so well into the winter, and they are not easily injured by wind or wet. The best way to obtain a stock of strong flowering Penstemons is to take off cuttings in Autumn, about this time. Prepare a bed about 4 feet wide, in length according to the quantity of cuttings to be put in; prepare a mixture of soil, three parts soil one of sand, spread about $l$ inch over the surface of the bed, and insert the cuttings 2 inches from plant to plant and 4 inches between the rows. In Spring prepare the ground for their reception by thoroughly digging and manuring, as they prefer a rich soil, and if in beds, should be planted 2 feet apart each way.

A companion plant to the foregoing is the Phlox. The Phlox is an easily grown, hardy plant, and will flower even if neglected, year after year. The plants make a mass of roots, and soon exhaust the soil round them. One way of propagating them is to dig up an old stool and chop it into three or four pieces with a spade, replanting the divisions, but no really good spikes can be reproduced in that way. Spring struck cuttings always produce the best plants, cuttings taken off when the growths are about 2 inches long and treated the same as the Penstemons. Be sure always to give them good rich soil. On poor soil they will give a very poor result.
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