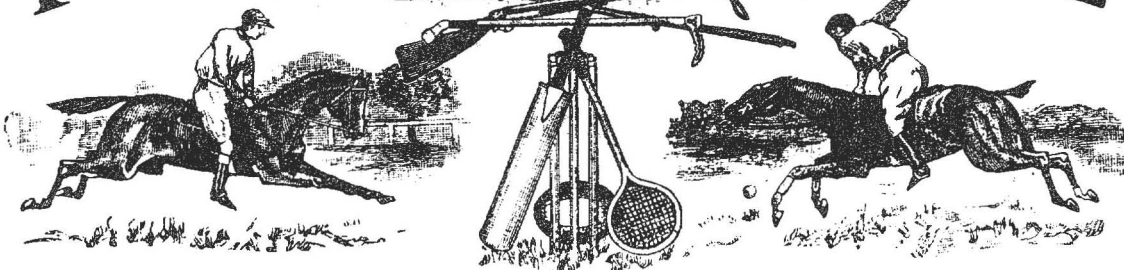


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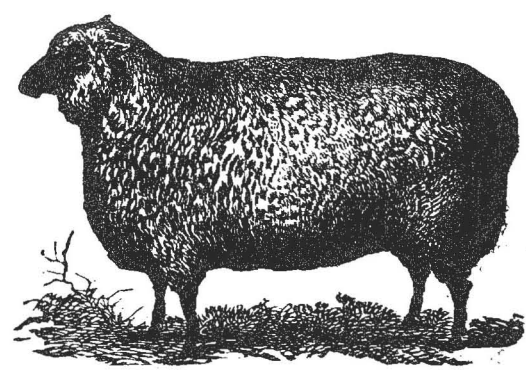
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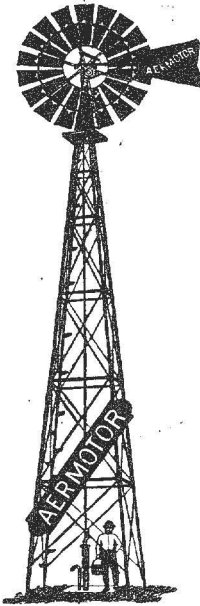
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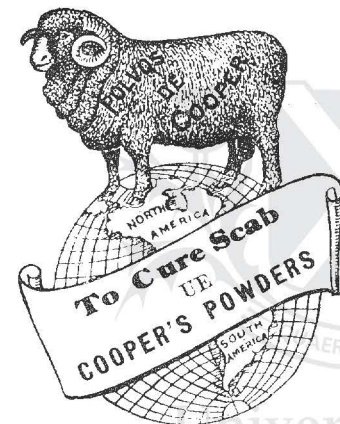
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RACING

MANCHESTER—April 13.

Lancashire Handicap Steeplechase, 3¼ miles:
Sir H. de Trafford's Roman Oak by Ascetic,
11 st 13 lb Capt. Bewicke 1
Betting, 15 to 2 agst—15 ran.

April 14

Jubilee Handicap Hurdle Race, 2 miles:
Mr J. S. Alexander's Niblick by Favo, 10 st
13 lb J. Kavanagh 1
Betting, 5 to 1 agst—11 ran.

Beaufort Steeplechase Plate, 3¼ miles:
Mr C. J. Cunningham's White Cockade by
Coward, 12 st 4 lb A. Nightingall 1
Betting, 11 to 8 on—2 ran.

NEWMARKET—Craven Meeting—April 19.

Newmarket Biennial Stakes, 1 mile:
Mr C. D. Rose's Bonavista by Bend Or, 9 st
5 lb J. Watts 1
Betting, 2 to 1 agst—4 ran.

Fitzwilliam Plate, 5 furlongs:
Mr B. Maple's Minting Queen by Minting,
9 st 5 lb J. Woodburn 1
Betting, 3 to 1 on—7 ran.

Crawford Plate, 6 furlongs:
Mr J. Charlton's May Duke by Nuncaster,
7 st 11 lb Peake 1
Betting, 100 to 12 agst—12 ran.

April 20

Babraham Plate, 1 mile:
Lord Penrhyn's Thessalian by Wisdom, 7 st
2 lb E. Cawte 1
Betting, 100 to 9 agst—7 ran.

April 21

Craven Stakes, 1 mile:
Mr W. Cooper's The Lover by Charibert,
8 st 10 lb G. Barrett 1
Betting, 11 to 4 agst—12 ran.

Newmarket Biennial Stakes, 1½ miles:
Lord Rosslyn's Adieu by St. Simon, 9 st. G. Barrett 1
Betting, 100 to 7 agst—7 ran.

Ashley Plate, for two-year-olds, 5 furlongs:
Mr S. Darling's Bird of Passage by Kilwarlin,
8 st 11 lb M. Cannon 1
Betting, 5 to 4 agst—13 ran.

FOOTBALL

A sensational match took place at Association in Edinburgh on April 18 between the English cupholders, West Bromwich Albion, and Heart of Midlothian. The referee in the match evidently made one or two bad mistakes, and unfortunately all were in favour of the Scotchmen. He disallowed one goal made by the West Bromwich, and gave one to the Hearts when the man who kicked it was palpably off side. This naturally took all heart out of the English players, and they were eventually beaten by two goals to nothing. A draw would have been a much truer result of the game.

With the exception of this game there was hardly anything done in the football world worth recording in the week ending April 23.

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A CRUISE IN THE EMMA

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"Come for a trip up river with us in the Emma," said my friend, the broker, "our party will four, and three other boats are going, and we shall have a good time," and, in a moment of enthusiasm, I consented, and on the appointed afternoon found myself on board of that well-known craft lying in the river Lujan, ready to sail.

I confess that my mind misgave me somewhat upon first making the acquaintance of the cabin of the Emma, and memory recalled the quaint expression of a somewhat corpulent German professor whom I knew years ago, and who, when asked by some Alpine climbing friends of his to accompany them in the ascent of Mont Blanc, declined, saying, "I am inconvenient for climbing mountains."

I thought that as years have added to the dignity of my figure, I should find myself somewhat "inconvenient" for a fourth share in that snug-looking but decidedly small compartment which on a 5-ton cutter is dignified by the name of cabin. However, there we were, four good men and true, bound for the river Uruguay as far as we could get in a five or six days' outing, and I comforted myself with the reflection that if my breadth was somewhat abnormal, one at least of my companions made up for it in length, and that we should doubtless fit in somehow.

The other three yachts, Gladys, Veloz, and Gaviota were near, all making their preparations for starting, and as the crews of two of them determined to dine on shore before leaving, the Emma and the Veloz were towed out by a little tug over the bar into the vast expanse of the Rio de la Plata, where we dropped anchor, started our aguardiente cooking stove, and had dinner.

Our caterer, from long experience in these trips, had supplied good provender and excellent liquor to wash it down with, so we dined well and, lighting our pipes, awaited the return of the tug with the other two yachts with perfect equanimity.

At 10 p.m. we all set sail in obedience to a rocket from the Gladys, whose owner is the Vice-Commodore of the Argentine Yacht Squadron, and with a light breeze kept a N.N.E. course towards the island of Martin Garcia. In my ignorance I wondered why we could not make a straight course for the island, but my wonderment ceased when I discovered that this immense estuary, which looks like a muddy sea, is nothing but a gigantic soup plate, and that we were sailing in little more than 6 feet of water, skirting the Las Palmas banks.

All night we sailed under a brilliant moon, and so charming and novel was the scene, so pretty looked the white-winged yachts, that none of us thought of turning in, but sat near our worthy broker skipper and beguiled the time with song and jest till 4 a.m., when having passed the banks and entered Martin Garcia channel, we all anchored near each other, the wind and stream being now dead against us.

A lovely morning saw us all out, and although my fears as to our sleeping accommodation were somewhat justified, the fitting in being very sardine-like, we had slept well, and after a "desayuno" at 9 we set sail, and beat all day up river against a strong N.N.W. breeze. About mid-day we neared in a small bay and breakfasted, and afterwards continued our journey, making but little progress northwards between Martin Garcia island and the coast of the Banda Oriental, until a little after sundown when we all anchored off Martin Chico.

The coast, a few hundred yards under our lee, was forbidding and rock-bound, and the continued north wind made us fearful of a change of weather, but we could get no further, the wind having fallen and the current being strong against us, so we had to make the best of it. About midnight our fears were fully verified, as a S.E. gale sprang suddenly up and threatened to drive us on to the coast, but we put down a second anchor and concluded to ride it out.

The sea got up considerably, and although the cabins on the Gladys and Emma would keep their crews pretty snug, we felt considerable anxiety for the comfort of our friends on the deckless Veloz and Gaviota, and thought with sympathy of the terribly wet night they were probably passing, and hoped that their ground tackle would hold, as, if it did not, nothing could save them from going ashore, and on that rocky coast the danger was by no means small of their being knocked to pieces.

At 6 o'clock next morning we turned out, and to our surprise found ourselves astern of the Gladys, which we had anchored ahead of the night before, and considerably nearer the shore than we had been, and the reason was speedily made manifest when we discovered that our anchor chain had parted, and our biggest anchor was gone, and we were rapidly drifting inshore. We waited for no signals or formalities, but up jib and double-reefed mainsail and left in a hurry, the wind having fortunately veered more to the southward and driving us before it straight up river.

We flew past the Dos Hermanos islands and the port of Carmelo, and going outside the Isla de Juncal arrived at Hygueritas at 10 a.m., where we anchored close to the mole and sent ashore to order breakfast at the hotel, hoping that the other boats would soon arrive, as we thought that they would surely have followed our example and got away from Martin Chico as soon as possible to join us at Hygueritas.

At 11 o'clock the Gladys turned up, and reported that the Veloz and Gaviota had sought refuge in Carmelo, and later on we were disappointed to receive a telegram from them to say that they had determined to return to Buenos Aires as soon as the weather abated.

The Gladys' crew and ourselves breakfasted together at the hotel, and compared notes on the stormy experiences of the night previous, and nothing could have been more impressive to any mariner who might have been listening to our conversation than its intense and unbounded nauticality.

My conviction, formed from the conversation, appearance, and walk of my friends, the members of the Y.C.A., is that they are master mariners to a man. I had, up to this period, imagined that I had come out upon this trip with several brokers, members of the dental profession, insurance men and so forth, but no, these men who surrounded me dressed in strictly nautical if somewhat grimy garments, and talked a jargon which was absolutely redolent of tar, could be nothing else than the oldest of old salts, and when one struck up the stave which heads this true history, and declared himself a Pirate King, I was perfectly ready to believe him.

Hygueritas is prettily situated on the left bank of the Uruguay river, and was supposed at one time to be going to blossom into an important town. With the usual love of novelty inherent in the people of these latitudes, they promptly changed its name to Nueva Palmira, and built a big edifice on a hill close by, which would be commanding if it had ever been finished, but the boom fizzled out here as elsewhere, and Nueva Palmira is again Hygueritas, lazy, shiftless, and insignificant as most camp towns appear to be.

After our breakfast we felt that our nautical characters would suffer if we stayed ashore any longer, so we returned to the yachts and, there being no wind, we slept a long siesta, which after the labours of the previous night and perhaps the extensiveness of the breakfast, was pardonable.

We lay all night at Hygueritas, and wakened the echoes of the old village with our post-prandial melody, and we hope that they appreciated to the full the beauty of that soul-stirring chorus:
Oh, my darling, Oh, my darling, Oh, my darling Clem-entine;
You are lost, and gone for ever: Drefful sorry, Clem-entine!

Which was repeated ad lib. for their special delectation.

Next morning the Gladys was obliged to return to Buenos Aires, but we had another day or two to spare, and determined to continue our cruise.

About 10 a.m. a light breeze sprang up from N.N.W. and we steered again up river and reached the monument on Hordoñana's camp, which is supposed to mark the spot where, on the 19th of April 1810, the famous 33 Orientales landed and declared Uruguay a free and more or less enlightened Republic.

It was a lovely day, and the undulating, well-wooded coast, dotted with estancia houses, looked extremely pretty in the bright sunshine as we sailed along; and we regretted more and more that the other yachts had returned, and thus missed the fine weather after the storm, which was the most enjoyable part of the whole trip.

As night came on we anchored off a puesto of one of the estancias, and, thinking to give the inhabitants a treat, we let off a lot of rockets, coloured lights, and so forth, which elicited nothing more than considerable barking of dogs, and we were very much disgusted next morning to find that the people at the puesto, having been robbed

some time previously, had been under the impression that we were accomplices signalling to thieves on shore, and thus our fireworks had fallen very flat indeed. Explanations being given to the old lady at the puesto, and she being convinced by the nautical language and bearing of our skipper that we were distinguished foreigners, admirals on a spree or something of that sort, we succeeded in getting her to sell us a couple of fowls, but there was considerable trouble in catching these muscular and active birds, our skipper refusing indignantly to make use of an ancient shot gun which the old lady proffered for their destruction, although I am inclined to believe that distrust of the weapon itself was at least equal to the sporting instinct which would not allow him to shoot barn door roosters.

However, caught they were at last and brought on board, and we again set sail up river, but as the wind was again strong from N.N.E. we got no farther than Arenal Grande where we turned round and came down river again at a great pace before the wind.

We called at Hygueritas for bread and aguardiente for our stove, and started again at 2 p.m. with the N.N.F. breeze, which carried us bonnily down the stream, but being afraid to anchor again with only one small anchor in the unsheltered estuary, we headed for the Boca del Guazu, where we found a capital anchorage in the Guazucito, made everything snug, and dined comfortably and turned in for the night.

At 7 a.m. next morning we warped out into the Guazu, and sailed down past Martin Garcia and across the estuary again to the mouth of the Lujan, where, for want of water, we were obliged to wait for the rise of the tide, and got into our moorings at midnight.

Next morning out came our bags and we once more donned the garments of civilization, in which, sunburnt and unshaven, we sought the railway station and came back to our homes, the office, and the Bolsa, having packed away our nautical language and piratical yearnings with our flannels, but preserving there newed vigour imparted by a cruise whose mirth and good fellowship will long remain with us as one of life's pleasant memories.

So, good luck to the Emma, her gallant skipper, and the Y.C.A.

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CAÑADA DE GOMEZ

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

EL CARDO

May 16.

The Rose, the Shamrock, and the Thistle! The first we all know belongs to Mr. Kenmis, the second, El Trébol, is rented by several persons, and the third, about which I wish to write and where I am at present, is the property of Mr. James Brown, a Scotchman resident in Edinburgh, ably represented out here by Mr. Gordon S. Lumsdaine. Before taking up the management of the Cardo, vacant by the death of Don Marco Elliot, Mr. Lumsdaine had gained great experience on several estancias more especially El Injerto and Las Turbias, but he had also visited most of the northern camps, and at home in Scotland had every facility and encouragement to learn practical farming and the manner in which stock were best raised. The experience thus acquired is brought to bear on the large estate of which he is in charge, and so far as my feeble judgement goes, it is experience of the right sort and applied with discretion. The appearance of the whole estate, camp, cattle, horses, garden, and house, prove this without explanation or any entering into details.

A most accomplished first officer is Mr. R. W. Versturne, who though only a comparatively short time in the country, has learned much at La Rosita and elsewhere, and is thoroughly capable in all branches of camp business, either in the Sunny South or elsewhere.

El Cardo proper consists of 3 leagues or 27 square miles, a tract of land quite sufficient for one man to look after; in the old country such an extent is hardly possible, were it so no agent with an assistant would undertake the work.

The house, lately enlarged and improved in every way on the arrival of Miss Lumsdaine, and by her made such as only a woman can make the interior of one's dwelling place, is about a mile from the station Los Cardos on the Central Argentine Railway from Cañada de Gomez to Sastre, and is as pretty and cosy a domicile as man could wish, and is the home of hospitality. The garden, locusts permitting, will be a sight next year, as Miss Lumsdaine has had planted, under her own supervision, every kind of fruit and

vegetable, and even to-day the many classes which are above ground look most promising and healthy. Strawberries will be a feature, but not to the exclusion of other varieties.

The camp is mostly pasto fuerte, but it is of the very best kind, and there are also many paddocks of pasto tierno. No wheat has been grown the last few years, but as colonisation is to be resorted to, some 1,400 squares are being broken up for grain, and 250 squares are under alfalfa, or being placed under. The estate, so far as cultivation is concerned it must be understood, is yet in its infancy, but the ample opportunities which it offers for produce are intended now to be placed to account.

Stock.—Two rodeos of over 2,000 each are such as would do credit to any breeder of fine stock. In colour and shape a picture, standing grazing on the upland, they impressed me, and made the view really grand. Had there been trees in the background, nothing more to please the eye could have been desired. Also a nice point of animals fattening for winter, and all are calculated to make one wish that roast beef could be eaten more frequently than nature allows.

Mr. Lumsdaine should make much money out of his cattle, unless their looks belie them. There are 30 bulls of blood, and one, a pure pedigree, is about to come on to the estancia.

A manada of splendid mares, 100 in number, all of the Blair Athol strain, contribute not a little to the importance of El Cardo as a breeding establishment of the first order. These are to be sent to a great Clydesdale from Las Turbias, with the idea of breeding horses for carriage and draught purposes. The working animals are 50 horses and 50 bullocks, which look as though they thrived on their work and on their keep.

Only a few pigs are kept, and these will probably soon be sold, as being more trouble than profit. They are all fine White Yorkshires. The chanchitos are not doing well, some disease not yet distinguished is carrying them off day by day.

Young heifers are being famed for sale as lecheras and for home use. The prices obtained well repay both trouble and outlay.

It is cruel to see the number of cattle killed on the railway. The F.C.C.A. does not seem to take any notice of the order to fence in its line. This reminds me of a reply of poor Elliot to the late General Manager. On complaining of the amount of cattle killed on the line, he was written to and told to keep his animals from straying on the permanent way. To this he replied that the company ought to keep their trains from straying on his land!

The camp abounds in game, and as not many strangers shoot, and are certainly not encouraged, there is plenty for the house, and two such shots as the patron and his lieutenant do not let the larder suffer.

Miss Lumsdaine has only lately come out (in the Clyde, in fact) to keep house for her brother, but she has already caused a revolution in the place, and has made friends of all with whom she has come in contact from Buenos Aires to the Cañada, and from the Cañada throughout the northern camps.

May 17.

It is a monstrous absurdity, and a great injustice to all estancieros having camp along the line of the F.C.C.A., that the company should not be at once compelled to fence in the rails. Most of the land on which the track is laid was given to them by the different owners, of course in expectation of some substantial benefit, and whatever body represents here, or is on all fours with the Board of Trade at home, has long since ordered the fencing to be put up.

Gentlemen owning land on the line from Sastre to Pergamino are not only getting horribly sick of the incivilities of some of the servants of the Company (this does not apply to all, because there are many who are fully aware that they are servants of the public as well as of the Company, and so are capable and obliging), but they are seriously considering in what manner they may best compel the management to protect their interests, which any child might see are identical with those of the carriers catering for them for profit.

On the camp of El Cardo the number of animals killed by the trains is beyond belief. Mr. Lumsdaine does all in his power to protect them, but is practically powerless unless he cares to take upon himself the responsibility and expense of doing the work which rightly is the duty of the Company. In one month more than 20 valuable shorthorns have been run over, or thrown from the track and killed. This is a ser-

ious monetary loss, apart from the annoyance which it causes.

Messrs. Lumsdaine, Versburme, and Wilding shot 15½ couple of duck, 11 martinete, and 6 brace of small birds, on the morning of the 16th, in the camp and on the lagunas belonging to El Cardo. Miss Lumsdaine drove down with lunch and made sport all the more enjoyable.

C. W. W.

GARDENING NOTES

KITCHEN GARDEN

PRUNING.

(Continued from May 11th.)

The proper time for performing the operation of pruning varies according to the nature of the subject and the object in view.

Most trees require to be pruned in winter and do not bear to be cut in summer or when the sap is in full flow. In general, in the case of deciduous trees, pruning *should not* be performed when the buds are bursting, or nearly so, in spring, for then the sap is in active circulation and if suddenly checked the plants are apt to bleed and die, or become greatly weakened.

We have seen a nursery row of vigorous apple-trees which had been grafted several years, cut down nearly to the ground in autumn. These, in the following season, pushed shoots upwards of five feet in length. In the other part of the row no such growth was desired, some shoots being all that was wanted. With this limited view the plants were cut down when just bursting into leaf. The consequence was, in the course of the summer, instead of vigorous shoots like those resulting from pruning down in autumn, weakly growths were made, the shoots not exceeding 18 inches in length. These trees were of naturally strong growing cider varieties.

This shows how important it is to prune at the proper time. Rather than cut too late in spring when vigorous growth is the object, it would be advisable to defer the operation till the following autumn, and encourage the trees to make good foliage, and consequently good roots, during the summer.

A little summer pruning may be performed when by so doing better leaves can be insured, more efficient from being better exposed, fewer, but not presenting a less aggregate surface to the light.

From the above instance as well as from many others, it is a well established fact that, by pruning in autumn or winter, before the sap has swelled to the buds in the upper parts of the plant, we obtain, generally speaking, strong shoots in the course of the ensuing season; on the contrary, if we delay till the sap is in active circulation and then cut back the plant, we certainly weaken its powers of vegetation and in many cases induce disease. The sap is not only too suddenly checked and its circulation deranged, but its quality becomes altered, especially at and for some distance below the wound. We may be convinced of the altered quality of the sap by cutting the branches of a vigorous apple-tree when the buds are breaking, the weather warm and the sap in full flow. Then, after a week or so, take off a slice of bark below one of the wounds and another slice from a branch not cut back. The two will smell very differently, and it will be found that the sap of the amputated tree has become vitiated and sour if not putrescent.

As pruning after active vegetation has ceased in autumn results in the production of vigorous shoots, and as in cultivation excessive vigour has to be modified, the question is: how is this to be best effected?

It is evident, from what has been already stated, that although pruning when the sap is in full flow and before the leaves expand, has the effect of diminishing the general vigour of the plant, yet the constitution of the plant is at the same time injuriously affected, and therefore this mode is highly objectionable. Recourse must be had to summer prunings, which, if judiciously performed, will have the desired effect. By this means the vigour of the whole or any particular part can be reduced or limited without impairing the constitution of the tree.

If the branches of a young tree are cut back in autumn to an equal length, and supposing the branches when so cut back are all of equal strength, they will notwithstanding, grow very unequally. Most sap will naturally flow into the most upright branches.

In order to prevent the more upright parts from becoming too strong for the horizontal ones

summer pruning must be resorted to. Supposing that the object is simply to check excess of vigour in the centre of the tree, the shoots pushing from the centre should be watched and pinched when about 4 or 6 inches long, and soon after, at short intervals, first one and then another should be cut clean out, leaving only sufficient to form the tree.

We may limit the extent of the foliage by summer pruning the young shoots. This can be done without injuring the healthiness of the foliage on the part of the shoot left, and that being the case, that part of the shoot must also be healthy.

A great amount of vigour can therefore be repressed by means of summer pruning without injuring the general health of the tree.

(To be continued)

FOOTBALL

FIXTURES.

RUGBY

Thursday, May 26—Quilmes A.C. v. Lomas A.A.C., at Lomas.
 Sunday, May 29—Lomas v. London Bank F.C.
 Sunday, May, 29—Quilmes A.C. v. Buenos Aires and R. Ry. A.C., at Belgrano.
 Sunday, June 5—Quilmes A.C. v. Buenos Aires F.C., at Quilmes.
 Sunday, June 12—London Bank F.C. v. Quilmes A.C., at Quilmes.
 Thursday, June 16—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Rosario A.C., at Buenos Aires.
 Sunday, June 19—Buenos Aires F.C. v. London Bank F.C.
 Friday, June 24—England and Ireland v. Scotland and Wales.
 Sunday, June 26—Southern Railway F.C. v. Lomas A.A.C., at Lomas.
 Sunday, June 26—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Hurlingham C., at Hurlingham.
 Wednesday, June 29—London Bank F.C. v. Lomas A.A.C.
 Sunday, July 3—Quilmes A.C. v. London Bank F.C.
 Saturday, July 9—Rosario A.C. v. Buenos Aires F.C.
 Sunday, July 10—Quilmes A.C. v. Lomas A.A.C.
 Sunday, July 17—London Bank F.C. v. Hurlingham C., at Hurlingham.
 Sunday, July 24—North v. South.
 Sunday, July 31—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Lomas A.A.C.

ASSOCIATION

Thursday, May 26—Lomas A.A.C. v. Buenos Aires F.C., at Flores.
 Sunday, May 29—Buenos Aires and R. Ry. A.C. v. Quilmes A.C., at Belgrano.
 Sunday, June 5—Lomas A.A.C. v. Buenos Aires and R. Ry. A.C., at Lomas.
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 Sunday, June 19—Buenos Aires A.C. v. Quilmes A.C., at Quilmes.
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 Wednesday, June 29—United Railways v. Argentine Republic.
 Sunday, July 3—Lomas A.A.C. v. Buenos Aires F.C., at Lomas.
 Saturday, July 9—Rosario A.C. v. Quilmes A.C., at Quilmes.
 Sunday, July 17—Buenos Aires and R. Ry. v. Lomas A.A.C., at Belgrano.
 Sunday, July 31—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.
 Sunday, Aug. 7—Buenos Aires and Rosario Ry. A.C. v. Quilmes A.C., at Quilmes.
 Monday, Aug. 15—Rosario F.C. v. Quilmes A.C., at Rosario.
 Sunday, Aug. 21—Quilmes A.C. v. Buenos Aires F.C., at Flores.

BUENOS AIRES v. QUILMES.

This match was played at Flores on the 22nd inst., and resulted in favour of Buenos Aires by 3 goals and 3 tries (21 points) to nil.

Buenos Aires were represented by the strongest team they have turned out this season, and consequently had all the best of the game. Quilmes kicked off with wind and hill in their favour, but even with these advantages were unable to make much headway, and Jacobs shortly got in from a line out. The same player took the place kick with success. Jones followed with two tries, the first only being converted into the major point. This brought about half time, and on the recommencement Buenos Aires went off with a rush and were continually within the Quilmes 25. Goodfellow, Lees, and L. Corry Smith all crossed the line, but the visitors, playing up pluckily, prevented further disaster, and the match ended as above.

Quilmes were outclassed and did not show to much advantage. Fothergill, however, was an exception, and played well throughout, his kicking being especially fine. Steed's collaring was also good, while forward Kinch and Robinson were conspicuous.

The back play of Buenos Aires was good, Kennard playing a capital game at half, while forward G. Anderson and the try getters were most noticeable.

Teams—

Buenos Aires:
 W. E. Coubrough, back.
 F. F. Jones, C. W. Reynolds, R. W. Anderson, three-quarter backs.
 B. W. Kennard, T. M. Lees, half backs.
 G. S. Anderson, L. Corry Smith, E. Jacobs, E. V. Bowman, F. Corry Smith, A. Anderson, H. Power, Walsh, A. A. G. Goodfellow, forwards.

Quilmes A.C.:

S. Collins, back.
 A. C. Tucker, F. W. Fothergill, F. W. Steed, three-quarter backs.
 Pormaine and F. W. Atkinson, half backs.
 Robinson, T. Steed, Caldwell, Keevil, Kinch, Roberts, A. G. Thornton, Knight and Faram, forwards.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

ROLDAN ATHLETIC CLUB v. ALL COMERS.

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.

Dear Sir,—
 As a spectator of the above match, allow me to make a few remarks, which I hope will go to contradict the somewhat erroneous idea which may be carried away by outsiders on reading the report in your last issue.

In the first place the match was Roldan (Pueblo) v. All Comers, and not the Athletic Club.

Regarding the play, Roldan in the first half pressed the All Comers very hard indeed, keeping them well in their 25, and making several very dangerous attempts to cross the line, only one, however, of which was successful, in every other case their object being frustrated by the excellent play of Herring at full back.

In the second half of the game the tables were turned, and there was a rush of the Cosmopolitans for the Roldan goal, behind which they managed to get twice. The men, in my opinion, who played well, were Herring, Beaumont, Dale, and Boardman for All Comers, and Puffret, Francis, Rowbotham, Pryce, and Ellery for Roldan.

One word with regard to the Referee, the expression used was, to say the least of it, "mild." Referees ought at least to know the game.

N.B.—This latter is merely a suggestion.
 A ROSARIO A.C. MEMBER.

The following gentlemen will represent the London Bank v. Lomas F.C. at Hurlingham on Sunday, 29th inst. Play to commence on arrival of the 1.15 train from Central.

James Gifford, back.
 J. M. Lees, W. E. Coubrough, G. A. Thomson, three-quarter backs.
 A. G. G. Goodfellow, J. Leitch, half backs.
 G. S. Anderson, J. Earnshaw, J. Hardman, F. C. Wilnot, H. V. Ricketts, F. X. Carter, H. N. Homans, A. M. Challinor, L. Corry-Smith (captain), forwards.
 Referee, J. Ravenscroft.

The following is the Lomas Academy A.C. team in the Association match against the Buenos Aires F.C. to be played at Flores on Thursday, 26th inst.:

Hall, goal.
 Reynolds, W. Leslie, backs.
 S. Gibson, Bridger, Barnes, half backs.
 Corner captain, G. Leslie, W. Cowes, Bridge, J. Wright.

The following is the Lomas Academy A.C. team in the Rugby match against the Quilmes A.C. to be played at Lomas (new ground) on Thursday, 26th inst.:

A. Anderson, back.
 R. W. Anderson, Lees, F. Jacobs, three-quarter backs.
 Gwyther, B. W. Kennard, half backs.
 G. C. Kennard (captain), A. Goodfellow, L. Corry Smith, F. Corry Smith, Frost, Homans, Norwood, Hannay, Kahl.

HURLINGHAM CLUB ATHLETIC SPORTS

First Championship Meeting

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE

Amateur Athletic Association of the River Plate

Wednesday, May 25, 1892

COMMITTEE:

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

PROGRAMME

The following are the Handicaps and the Programme in the order of running:

1. 120 YARDS HANDICAP (four heats)—
 1 J. Ravenscroft, scratch 1 E. P. Rowland, 1 yard
 2 W. C. Graham, 4½ yds 2 C. Beckford, 3½ yds
 3 A. Warrell, 4½ yds 3 W. H. Meiggs, 4½ yds
 4 F. D. Kruls, 9 yds 4 F. J. Balfour, 9 yds
 5 F. G. Boyd, 12 yds 5 A. Waddle, 11 yds
 1 H. Anderson, scratch 1 A. H. Holland, 2 yds
 2 G. C. Kennard, 4½ yds 2 W. E. Coubrough, 4½ yds
 3 F. W. Fothergill, 5 yds 3 C. F. Kennard, 7 yds
 4 F. W. Steed, 7 yds 4 H. Wilson, 9 yds
 5 W. Evans, 12 yds 5 V. Ansermin, 10 yds

The first in each heat and second in the fastest heat to compete in the final.

2. THROWING THE HAMMER—
 H. Anderson H. Alexander
 A. Virasoro y Calvo J. H. Crowe
 J. Ravenscroft

3. QUARTER MILE CHAMPIONSHIP—

A. H. Holland F. W. Fothergill
 H. Anderson A. Warrell
 E. P. Rowland J. Ravenscroft

4. 120 YARDS HURDLES—

A. H. Holland E. Danvers
 G. E. Kennard C. Beckford
 E. P. Rowland F. W. Fothergill
 A. Warrell

5. HALF MILE HANDICAP AND CHAMPIONSHIP—

1 E. P. Rowland	scratch	8 G. C. Kennard	30 yds
2 H. Anderson	scratch	9 J. Ravenscroft	37 yds
3 W. H. Meiggs	20 yds	10 F. W. Fothergill	40 yds
4 A. Warrell	25 yds	11 F. H. Jacobs	40 yds
5 G. Thompson	27 yds	12 F. W. Steed	40 yds
6 P. W. Cook	27 yds	13 F. E. Jones	45 yds
7 H. Linsdell	30 yds	14 M. G. Fortune	80 yds

6. LONG JUMP HANDICAP—

1 E. P. Rowland	owes 14 in	6 H. Wilson	owes 6 in
2 J. Ravenscroft	" 14 in	7 G. C. Kennard	" 5 in
8 H. Alexander	" 13 in	8 C. Beckford	" 2 in
4 F. E. Jones	" 12 in	9 A. Anderson	scratch
5 F. W. Fothergill	" 9 in		

7. 120 YARDS HANDICAP—Final Heat.

8. HIGH JUMP HANDICAP—
 1 E. Danvers, owes 2 in 1 G. C. Kennard, owes 1 in
 2 E. P. Rowland " 2 in 5 A. H. Holland " 1 in
 3 F. W. Fothergill " 1 in 6 C. Beckford scratch

9. 100 YARDS CHAMPIONSHIP (two first heats)—

A. H. Holland F. W. Fothergill
 H. Anderson A. Warrell
 C. Beckford J. Ravenscroft
 E. P. Rowland

The first and second in each heat to compete in the final.

10. BOYS' RACE 300 YARDS HANDICAP FOR BOYS STILL AT SCHOOL—

1 V. Ansermin	scratch	10 L. Jacobs	17 yds
2 W. Wright	2 yds	11 J. Ritchie	19 yds
3 A. Avlife	2 yds	12 E. Morgan	26 yds
4 D. Gibson	9 yds	13 G. A. Christian	29 yds
5 W. Evans	10 yds	14 C. Gibson	44 yds
6 L. Nobili	11 yds	15 T. Bond	46 yds
7 E. G. Christian	13 yds	16 W. M. Jacobs	46 yds
8 C. Wright	15 yds	17 A. R. Waddla	70 yds
9 E. Glover	17 yds		

11. ONE MILE HANDICAP AND CHAMPIONSHIP—

1 E. P. Rowland	scratch	8 H. Linsdell	85 yds
2 G. E. Kennard	45 yds	9 A. Anderson	85 yds
3 G. A. Thompson	55 yds	10 E. H. Jones	90 yds
4 F. H. Jacobs	70 yds	11 E. F. Barnes	100 yds
5 F. W. Fothergill	80 yds	12 R. L. Dimick	110 yds
6 P. W. Steed	80 yds	13 M. G. Fortune	175 yds
7 P. E. Jones	80 yds		

12. THROWING THE CRICKET BALL—

S. Skelton F. E. Jones
 W. H. Meiggs C. Beckford
 E. P. Rowland F. W. Fothergill
 F. W. Steed H. Wilson
 A. Warrell

13. 100 YARDS CHAMPIONSHIP—Final Heat.

14. POLE JUMP—
 F. H. Jacobs H. Alexander
 J. K. Cassels

15. QUARTER MILE HANDICAP—

1 E. P. Rowland	scratch	6 G. C. Kennard	15 yds
2 H. Anderson	5 yds	7 A. Warrell	15 yds
3 J. Ravenscroft	8 yds	8 F. W. Fothergill	20 yds
4 A. H. Holland	10 yds	9 F. W. Steed	23 yds
5 W. H. Meiggs	12 yds	10 H. Wilson	28 yds

16. PUTTING THE SHOT HANDICAP AND CHAMPIONSHIP—

1 J. Ravenscroft	owes 3 ft	7 E. P. Rowland	owes 3 ft
2 G. C. Haddock	" 3 ft	8 H. Cornwall	" 2 ft
3 J. H. Crowe	" 3 ft	9 F. X. Carter	" 2 ft
4 A. Virasoro y Calvo	3 ft	10 F. E. Jones	" 9 in
5 H. Alexander	" 3 ft	11 G. C. Kennard	" 9 in
6 W. H. Meiggs	" 3 ft	12 F. W. Fothergill	scratch

17. 1000 METRES STEEPCHASE—

G. C. Kennard	F. E. Jones
A. Anderson	C. H. Jones
M. G. Fortune	E. P. Rowland
F. W. Fothergill	E. W. Hannay
E. F. Barnes	F. W. Steed
A. Warrell	P. W. Cook

18. 300 YARDS CONSOLATION RACE.

Distribution of Prizes.

The Champion will be the first scratch man. All Champions will receive a special Gold Medal. In event No. 15 competitors must supply their own poles.

A scratch man must complete the half mile and only in 2 min. 15 sec. and 15 min. 10 sec. respectively or no championship medal will be given.

Any handicapped competitor may declare to start from scratch on the day of the races if he should be desirous of competing for the championships.

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

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 1892.

NOTES

A telegram from Parana announces that the English residents there have formed an athletic club and have brought some ground fronting the Plaza Constitution.

A subscriber in Cordoba writes me to say that great regret is expressed there that none of the Cordoba athletes are taking part in the Hurlingham sports. Several men would have come down to compete, but they find it impossible to get away at this particular time.

I am told that Cordoba has a very useful football team this season. The weather lately has put a stop to playing to any extent, but several matches are being arranged by the club, who express a wish to meet the Buenos Aires F.C. at Rosario when they go there to play the home club.

The committee of the Cordoba Athletic Club have decided to hold local sports, open only to members of the club on a date in July next. These sports will in no way interfere with the annual sports to be held in September, in future to be held under the auspices of the Amateur Athletic Association of the River Plate.

It has been considered advisable to hold these local sports on account of the great interest taken in athletics by the Argentine and other residents of Cordoba, who evidently thoroughly enjoy them, and also to put new life into the club, which, just at present, evidently requires something out of the ordinary run to rouse it.

The Lomas Academy athletic sports, which, it will be remembered, had to be postponed on March 25th owing to unfavourable weather, have been arranged to take place to-morrow, the 26th. Mr. French, of the Caledonian House, in Piedad, is exhibiting the first prizes in one of his windows, and very nice and well chosen they are. Everyone interested in the Academy is invited to attend.

The programme, which consists of no less than twenty-seven events, contains a one mile flat race, open to members of the Lomas Academy Athletic Club, for a prize presented by F. W. Wilks, Esq. Entries for this event will be received up to the hour of the race.

I am sorry to hear that one or two of our best men will be more or less handicapped in to-day's athletic sports at Hurlingham through slight injuries received whilst playing football. Though admiring their keenness, I can't help thinking it rather foolish of athletes to play football within a few days of the sports, and run the risk of getting accidentally kicked or strained.

That the winners only of heats in foot races should start in the final when more than one prize is given seems unfair, but there is a harder rule still than that. If two men run a dead heat for first place in one of the heats of a race, they both start in the final, but should one come in before the other, the first man gets his prize and

the other, even though he may come in second or third, gets nothing; in fact, is treated as not having run at all.

The argument for this is that only one man had really a right to be in the final, viz., the winner of the heat, but it shows the unfairness of the arrangement. Of course any other method in a well filled race would be out of the question as the time taken up to decide a race with twenty or thirty entries would be much too long, so that no other way out of the difficulty is possible.

I see in the *Standard* that two Biscayans have agreed to run a race in the Hippodrome at La Plata on June 5th, for \$1000 side, a big stake in these hard times for a foot race.

The racecourse at Asuncion so well described in "The Cruise of the Dart" this week, is a novelty in its way, and was evidently made to suit the jockeys who rode on it. Each horse with a separate course fenced off, so as to prevent his rider hitting, or being hit over the head by the other jockey riding in the race, is sometimes necessary in other places besides Asuncion, as not very far off events have shown us.

The start being considered the most important part of a race would make our friends at home wonder why, and would astonish the lady who, on being asked by a friend at a steeple-chase meeting where the horses began to gallop, replied: "Oh, they begin to gallop where they like, but they all have to come in together at that post over there."

Our two River Plate horses, Aventurero and Ecume, who were recently sent to Brazil, have commenced their career in Rio Janeiro well by winning a couple of races on the 8th of this month. It rained throughout the meeting and the course was deep in mud.

Aventurero won his race of 2200 metres easily, in 135sec., and Ecume won in a canter without being headed in any part of the race, doing 1600 metres in 105sec.

The following are the positions of the horses in the betting on the big race of 4200 metres, run in Rio on the 12th October:

Aventurero 6 to 1	Guayanaz 44 to 1
Boqueron 6 to 1	Sylvio 44 to 1
Theresopolis 6 to 1	Serenia 44 to 1
Camors 6 to 1	Brilhante 44 to 1
Athos 6 to 1	Titan 44 to 1
Saint Mare 10 to 1	Britz 44 to 1
Le Brésil 14 to 1	Oriflamb 54 to 1
Ecume 14 to 1	Celibacy 30 to 1
Heaume 14 to 1	Gallimoor 54 to 1
Cerbere 14 to 1	Brest 54 to 1
The Money 14 to 1	Hugenotte 54 to 1
Kirsch 24 to 1	Paquerette 54 to 1
Mio 24 to 1	Constantine 64 to 1
Saint Sylvian 24 to 1	Chrysantheum 64 to 1
Petropolis 24 to 1	Dolente 64 to 1
Licteur 24 to 1	Improver 64 to 1
Rayon D'Or 24 to 1	Odeon 64 to 1
Amazonas 34 to 1	Messina 84 to 1
Bousquet 34 to 1	Tenebrosa 84 to 1
Evian 44 to 1	Glowis 100 to 1
Laurier 44 to 1	Primévere 100 to 1.

An Association football match between Barracas Band of Hope and the St. Andrew's second eleven, will take place on the old Caledonian Ground behind Sola Works on the 25th inst. The following will represent the St. Andrew's: Goal, Schafer; backs, Anderson and Wilson; half backs, Wilson, Cobby and Frost; forwards, Secerey, R. Brooking, and J. Bridge, Captain Perkins, and I. Bridge. Kick off at 2 p.m. Referee, J. W. Plant.

Men in future are evidently not going to be required at balls or dances. As a punishment for their supposed laziness in ball rooms the ladies are taking matters entirely in their own hands, and one now goes to a ball, not to dance, but to see the daughters of the house and their girl friends go through fascinating skirt dances in a part of the room roped off for the purpose while the guests sit round and admire.

Lottie Collins and "Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay" have much to answer for. The skirt dance mania has not yet reached us, but I hear it is on its way out to the River Plate, and as I am told that, like influenza, when it takes possession of a house it does not stop till it has laid hold of every member in it, we shall hear a good deal about it here sooner or later.

We are always jealous of our friends at home in the old country, and hate to think that because we live in South America we are behind the times, and if our sisters and cousins and aunts are doing skirt dances at home, why we must give up the old fashioned waltz, polka, quadrille, and other out of date dances, and take to skirt dancing ourselves. One thing I know is that the floor at the last Cinderella would have been much more suitable for them than for ordinary dancing.

Polo is taking such a strong hold in Montevideo that I hear the officers of the Artillery quartered in the town are about to get up a team to try conclusions with the Montevideo Polo Club. I hope this is true, as if one regiment starts playing the others will soon follow suit, and an inter-regimental tournament every year will be as great an affair in the River Plate as it is in England.

The troop horses belonging to the cavalry regiments quartered round about Palermo present a very sporting appearance. A general order has evidently been issued for the tails and manes of the horses to be cut off like those of English polo ponies, and the effect is curious, especially on parade, though the little nags look a great deal smarter hogged and minus their long tails, than they did with unkempt manes and tangled tails, and I suppose the Government is a few dollars richer by the sale of the hair thus obtained.

Now that poor "Bay" Middleton is dead many will be the anecdotes told about him, but there is one which I daresay will not, and as I have very good cause to remember it I may, perhaps, be excused for telling it. Forming one of a large country house-party, about the time those ugly short jackets came in and took the place of the ordinary, historical dress coat, "Bay" Middleton always stuck to the old-fashioned tails in spite of the other men in the house doing their best to chaff him out of them. At length, one man said to him in the billiard-room one night, "Look here, Middleton, if you come here tomorrow night in that coat, I'll tear the thing right up the back." As usual, the next evening the much abused coat and its wearer appeared in the billiard-room, and whilst Middleton was leaning over the table making a stroke, the boaster of the night before took a tail in each hand and tore the "thing right up the back." Middleton finished his stroke, then turned round, and said, "This isn't my coat, old chap, I sent my man into your room for it just before dinner." Boots.

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RACING

PALERMO—MAY 22

Though the card was not a particularly interesting one on Sunday the meeting was decidedly a lively one, and betting on all the races was brisk.

The big race of the day was the Premio Porteno, a handicap of 2,000 metres. There was considerable speculation on the event all through the week before, Asteroide, Stone Cross, and Esperanza attracting most attention. The last-mentioned did not start, and there is a rumour about to the effect that this grand colt is slightly lame; we hope it is not true. Stone Cross turned up the winner in 2 min. 8 sec., very fair time. He waited on the others till well into the straight, when drawing out he won by several lengths from Zangano, a good race for third place between Lumineux and Blackfriar resulting in a dead heat. After going about 500 metres Fergus fell, and was lamed in the accident, his jockey escaping with some slight bruises.

The result of the first race created surprise when the little-fancied Ilusion came in an easy winner. Though a good-looking horse he has hitherto proved himself a somewhat bad one, and on Sunday carried bottom weight, 40 kilos.

In the second race Estoque won from Soldado, and secured the second victory for that queer-tempered old horse Peter.

The Premio Marzo brought out Ituzaingo, the re-christened Leinster, who made the top price, \$16,500, of the two-year-olds sold at auction at the end of last year. He ran well, and will win races for Sr. Zubiaurre before long. Termination won the Premio Abril in 1 min. 1 sec., and the last race of the day, the Premio Mayo, produced a dead heat between India Muerta and that unlucky horse Mudo, who seems fated never to earn winning brackets unless coupled with another.

Details:—

PREMIO ENERO, a handicap for any horse that has not won more than \$3,000 up to the day of the race; \$1,500 to the 1st, \$200 to the 2nd; 1,200 metres.

Stud Buenos Aires' ch c Ilusion, by Earl Clifden
—Hope, 3 yrs, 40 k C. Bueno 1
Mr Manton's Valiente, 4 yrs, 50 k J. Olmos 2
Sr. A. Sibourd's Te Olvide, 4 yrs, 44 k J. Bayardi 3
Stud Nacional's Canotiére, 4 yrs, 58 k A. Molina 0
Ecurie Avant Garde's La Plata II, 4 yrs, 56 1/2 k J. Diaz 0
Ecurie Indecis' Buridan, 4 yrs, 55 k L. Diaz 0
Sr. J. B. Zubiaurre's Spree, 4 yrs, 54 k P. Aguirre 0
Sr. E. Acebal's La Mora, 3 yrs, 51 k J. Balla 0
Stud Niño Dorado's Monk, 4 yrs, 48 k J. Martinez 0
Stud Puri's Cotopaxi, 3 yrs, 48 k C. Lopez 0
Ecurie Prisionero's Pirata, 3 yrs, 46 k P. Oroná 0

Valiente made the running from Canotiére, till well round the last bend, when Ilusion joined the leaders, and in front of the paddock obtained a lead which he maintained to the finish, winning by half a length, Te Olvide, close up, third. Ilusion 123 tickets win and 262 place, Valiente 371 and 611, Te Olvide 550 and 969, Canotiére 368 and 614, La Plata II, 208 and 421, Buridan 1624 and 1015, Spree 318 and 571, La Mora 353 and 744, Monk 182 and 496, Cotopaxi 221 and 335, Pirata 156 and 287.

Dividends: Ilusion \$65.47 win and \$11.79 place, Valiente \$6.18 place, and Te Olvide \$4.64 place.

PREMIO FEBRERO, a handicap for any horse that has not won more than \$8,000 up to the day of the race; \$1,500 to the 1st, \$200 to the 2nd; 1,750 metres.

Leurie Titan's b h Estoque, by Peter—Mare by Cremorne, 5 yrs, 44 k J. Olmos 1
Ecurie Prisionero's Soldado, 4 yrs, 51 k P. Oroná 2
Sr. E. Acebal's Emperador, 3 yrs, 51 k J. Balla 3
Stud Nacional's India Muerta, 3 yrs, 60 k A. Molina 0
Ecurie Indecis' Lutin, 4 yrs, 47 k P. Favon 0
Stud Monfi's Firmin, 8 yrs, 46 k L. Gonzalez 0
Stud Principante's Escarola, 4 yrs, 44 k C. Bueno 0
Sr. C. G. Palacios' Jubileo, 4 yrs, 40 k C. Peñaalba 0
Stud Buenos Aires' Charlemagne, 4 yrs, 40 k J. Bayardi 0

Jubileo jumped off with a good lead from a very bad start, and made the running till round the bend for home; coming into the straight Soldado assumed the lead, and was soon joined by Estoque and Emperador, the former winning easily by a couple of lengths.

Estoque with 560 tickets win and 942 place, Soldado 1879 and 1961, Emperador 685 and 752, Lutin 580 and 860, Firmin 487 and 484, Escarola 305 and 466, Jubileo 288 and 439, Charlemagne 763 and 1123.

Dividends: Estoque \$21.23 win and \$4.83 place, Soldado \$3.96 place, and Emperador \$5.54 place.

PREMIO PORTENO, a handicap; winners once after the publication of the weights, 2 kilos, twice 4 kilos, and three or more times 5 kilos extra.

Stud Carupa's ch h Stone Cross, by Peter—Ambulance, 7 yrs, 59 k J. Cruz 1
Stud Camors' Zangano, 3 yrs, 49 k I. Diaz 2
Sr. E. Casal's Lumineux, 3 yrs, 51 k R. Garrido 3
Stud San Jorge's Blackfriar, 5 yrs, 57 k G. Palacios 3
Capitan Lopez' Asteroide, 5 yrs, 63 k N. Grigera 0
La Petite Ecurie's Gettatore, 5 yrs, 60 k P. Torres 0
Stud Las Ortigas' Pampa, 3 yrs, 56 k H. Valdez 0
Ecurie Argentino's Fergus, 4 yrs, 52 k T. Diaz 0
Ecurie Bolivar's Sombra, 4 yrs, 51 k P. Aguilera 0
Ecurie Prisionero's Sargento, 3 yrs, 57 k J. Verduri 0
Stud Carpintero's Carpintero, 3 yrs, 58 k J. Garri 0

Lumineux made the running from Sargento and Carpintero for a few hundred metres, with the others headed by Stone Cross a few lengths behind. Coming round the bend, Stone Cross gradually worked his way to the front, and eventually won in a canter by a couple of lengths from Zangano. Lumineux and Blackfriar ran a dead heat for third place.

Stone Cross with 3325 tickets win and 3380 place, Zangano 736 and 865, Lumineux 782 and 2021, Blackfriar 1114 and 1699, Asteroide 1446 and 1528, Gettatore 645 and 981, Pampa 467 and 967, Fergus 426 and 763, Sombra 628 and 855, Sargento 668 and 1033, Carpintero 367 and 789.

Dividends: Stone Cross \$5.74 win and \$3.07 place, Zangano \$6.18 place, Lumineux \$2.89 and Blackfriar \$3.06 place.

PREMIO MARZO, for two-year-olds; colts 52 kilos, fillies 50 kilos; winners once 3 kilos, twice 5 kilos, three or more times 7 kilos extra; \$1500 to the 1st, \$200 to the 2nd; 1000 metres.

Mr G. Kemmis' ch c Clovis, by Phoenix—Nancy, 55 k J. Cruz 1
Stud Phoenix' Phoebus, 52 k R. Molina 2
Sr. J. B. Zubiaurre's Ituzaingo, 52 k P. Aguirre 3
Sr. C. G. Palacios' Misterio, 55 k P. Larra 0
Stud Camors' Anibal, 52 k I. Diaz 0
Ecurie Argentino's Veterano, 52 k T. Diaz 0
La Petite Ecurie's Atalanta, 50 k J. Cardoso 0
Stud San Jorge's Remigia, 50 k J. Grenner 0

Remigia led from a very bad start, by which Clovis lost several lengths, and after going a short way Phoebus took up the running but soon gave way to Clovis, who eventually won by more than a length; half a length between second and third.

Clovis with 2843 tickets win and 2282 place, Phoebus 404 and 500, Ituzaingo 648 and 580, Misterio 852 and 1159, Anibal 850 and 1194, Veterano 961 and 1085, Atalanta 593 and 637, Remigia 299 and 452.

Dividends: Clovis \$4.71 win and \$3.89 place, Phoebus \$10.63 place.

PREMIO ABRIL, a handicap; \$1500 to the 1st, \$200 to the 2nd; 1000 metres.

Stud Termination's Termination, by Zanoni—Woodbine, 3 yrs, 50 k J. Cruz 1
Ecurie Indecis' Buridan, 4 yrs, 51 k J. Balla 2
Ecurie Ceres' Ceres, 3 yrs, 54 k J. Olmos 3
Sr. E. Casal's Midi, 4 yrs, 61 k L. Torres 0
Sr. J. B. Zubiaurre's Guerrillero, 4 yrs, 53 k P. Aguirre 0
Capitan Lopez' Margery, 3 yrs, 44 k A. Gaitan 0

Termination made the whole of the running and won easily by a length.

Termination with 2667 tickets win and 2486 place, Buridan 1113 and 817, Ceres 2090 and 1951, Guerrillero 1015 and 778, Margery 1315 and 1139.

Dividends: Termination \$6.62 win and \$3.76 place, Buridan \$7.37 place.

PREMIO MAYO, a handicap for three-year-olds; \$2000 to the 1st, \$200 to the 2nd; 1750 metres.

Stud Nacional's ch f India Muerta, by Metro-nome—Victoria, 54 k A. Molina 1
Sr. F. C. Malbran's ch c Mudo, by Whipper-In—Good Bye, 53 k R. Garrido 1
Ecurie Avant-Garde's Sobremonte, 51 k F. Diaz 3
Stud Termination's Diamond, 45 k J. Olmos 0

Sobremonte made the running from Mudo and India Muerta to the stands, when he was done with, and an exciting finish between the last-named pair resulted in the judge being unable to separate them.

India Muerta with 4402 tickets win Mudo 2869, Sobremonte 2194, and Diamond 1757.

Dividends: India Muerta \$2.64, Mudo \$2.98.

DERBY CLUB SPORT PORTENO

WIN		PLACE	
Premio Enero—			
Ilusion	\$46.40	\$10.65	\$32.15
Valiente		5.15	3.65
Te Olvide		4.60	3.80

Premio Febrero—				
Estoque	42.25	15.05	92.40	10.70
Soldado		2.00		2.60
Emperador		6.05		4.65

Premio Porteno—				
Stone Cross	6.95		5.75	2.75
Zangano		8.15		7.06
Lumineux		2.35		
Blackfriar		3.40		3.85

Premio Marzo—				
Clovis	8.25	2.80	9.15	7.10
Phoebus		4.25		2.55
Ituzaingo		12.70		9.20

Premio Abril—				
Terminacion	9.90	3.30	2.75	2.85
Buridan		4.45		5.55
Ceres		3.40		3.15

Premio Mayo—				
India Muerta and Mudo	3.80	3.25	4.90	3.65
Sobremonte		3.95		3.20

CRICKET

CORDOBA C.C.—SEASON 1891-92
BATTING AVERAGES.

NAME	No. OF RUNS	INNINGS	TIMES NOT OUT	MOST IN AN INNINGS	AVERAGE
E. P. Griffin	186	11			16.90
H. A. Willis	177	11			16
J. W. Besserer	216	18			12
J. A. Atkinson	180	15			12
C. E. Baines	180	16			11.25
H. A. Tilley	75	7			10.71
H. Lampard	53	6			8.83
F. C. Coombs	85	13			6.53
M. C. Hotham	74	13			5.69
E. R. Fowler	62	11			5.65
J. B. Baker	45	9			5
H. Leach	28	6			3.99

GOLF

Although the weather was somewhat cold on Sunday it was a lovely golfing day. Messrs A. Williamson and F. W. Clunie played a round before lunch; the former, who was in rare form, winning by 4 up, 2 to play, with the bye halved. In this round Mr Williamson made the best recorded score—45, which in the uncertain state of the approaches and putting-green is decidedly good.

In the afternoon Messrs Williamson and Fortune played a ball against Mr Clunie, and won by 4 up and 3 to play, also the bye by 1 hole. The winning couple took 47 to do the round.

Still no bunkers, or hazards, or sand boxes. I am sorry to hear that one of our promising young San Martin players has broken two of his ribs, but hope to see him in the links again very soon.

MASHIE.

POLO

LAS LOMAS, SUNDAY, MAY 22.

It is needless to commence a report of polo at Las Lomas with the oft-repeated "as usual polo, etc." because your readers all know that on no estancia in the republic, I do not care if it be north, south, east or west, is polo more encouraged, or its votaries more warmly welcomed than at Las Lomas. Indeed, I doubt if any other estancia could produce such players, Sunday after Sunday, as are to be found gathered together there, or whether there is another estancia than Mr. Dickenson who would hold out welcome and encouragement such as he does to all comers.

Sunday was an ideal day for the game. Heavy frost overnight, melted by a brilliant sun, which continuing, soon dried the ground, making it perfect for play, and neither too hot nor too cold for the players, caused every one to feel that he was in for a good thing, and this time he was not disappointed.

Unfortunately, Mr. Alfred Dickenson was not well, and though on the ground had been ordered by his doctor not to ride.

The following sides were selected, viz.: T. Parry, back, captain; A. Paul, J. Forbes, and A. Hill, versus J. Benitz, back, captain; M. Whish, H. Owen, and R. Land.

The game was very fast. Parry's side playing better together than their opponents eventually won by 9 goals to 2. For the winners, Parry was facile princeps, outshining even his own brilliant reputation. He hit 5 goals. Forbes, who played excellently well at every point, secured 3, and Paul 1.

For the losers, Benitz played hard and as usual well, but was badly backed up. Whish is as yet hardly in his old form, and to-day certainly did not play a good game. He is, however, certain to wake up later on in the season. Land was good as first man, riding hard, and with judgment. He hit a fine goal, as also did Benitz.

The new ground at Las Rosas is now under weigh, and will soon be ready for the matches and tournaments projected. It is only some 3 squares from the Hotel Victoria and station, on land belonging to Mr. Kemmis, who kindly gave it to the club.

A general meeting is to be held next Sunday to select a team for the Buenos Aires tournament. At present it is hard to risk a guess at any names.

C. W. W.

ATHLETICS

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.

Dear Sir,—
On the eve of the first Amateur Champion Athletic Meeting ever held in South America, held, moreover, under the auspices of the Amateur Athletic Association of the River Plate, under precisely similar rules to those adopted by the parent association of the British Isles, I should esteem it a favour if you would kindly allow me space in your valuable columns to point out certain details, the strict observance of which will avoid a deal of subsequent complaint, bickering and friction.

Handbooks, containing all the rules, are hanging on the board of the dressing-room of the Hurlingham Club, and the handbooks can also be obtained by any competitor from the Secretary of the Athletic Association. I therefore think it the shortest and best way to directly call attention to page 7 of those handbooks, in which the question of "Starting" is dealt with. As a supplement to these three rules, I beg of you to grant me room enough to insert a "cutting" from the Badminton Library, written by one of the best athletic authorities in the world.

The paragraph, which occurs on pages 198-9, of the chapter, headed "Athletic Meetings," runs thus:

"It will be noticed that the A. A. A. give a very free hand to the officials in the conduct of a meeting." (Here the article deals with the powers conferred on judges and referee, and concludes as follows). "Just as the judges' decision is final, as to who are the winners of the races, the starter has an absolute discretion to call back the men, even after he has fired the pistol, and either to declare a start or 'no start.' On one point only—a point which was only settled after much anxious discussion and some considerable opposition—has the starter no discretion at all. If a competitor oversteps his mark before the pistol is fired, the starter is bound to put him back a yard in a sprint, two yards in a quarter, and so on."

"It is contended by many that such a rule should not apply to a championship meeting; by others that it is wanted more at a championship than at any other, as the temptation to get a flying start is stronger. A compromise between the conflicting views, that in a championship meeting, the starter should be allowed a discretion to put men back or not, as he thought fit, was finally rejected by the committee which framed the rules, it being thought, and, in our opinion, wisely, that a rigid and inflexible rule was better, as the starter could only judge of acts and not of intentions, and would be unable to decide whether the overstepping of the mark was accidental or intentional. As it is, experience has justified the framing of the rule in its present shape, and, under the present rigid laws, there has been no attempt at a repetition of the "fiascos" of some old championship meetings, where men, running in the 100 yards, were kept five minutes at the post, making false starts, while there was every opportunity for the worst man to win, by wearing out the patience of the starter."

Having been selected by the Hurlingham Club to fulfil the duties connected with this very important department, I beg to inform all competitors, through your columns, that both my colleagues and myself are determined, by common consent, to adhere strictly to the "letter of the law." Every competitor will have a fair and honestly equal chance, but, as regards overstepping the mark, we shall not consider intentions.—Yours truly,
EDWARD F. CHRISTIAN.

CORRESPONDENCE

May 22.

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.

Dear Sir,
Has the horse Common ever been beaten in a race; if so, in what race and by what horses? Yours truly,
WAGER.

[Common, who did not run as a two-year-old, has only as yet been beaten once. He commenced his career as a three-year-old by winning the Two Thousand Guineas at Newmarket last spring, when he started at 9 to 1 agst; he next won the Derby, and was again successful in the St. James' Palace Stakes, but was beaten in the Eclipse Stakes at Sandown, coming in third to Surefoot and Gouverneur, who were respectively first and second. Common was then specially prepared for the St. Leger, which he won from Révérend, after which he was sold to Mr. Blundell Maple, his present owner, for £15,000. —Ed. R.P.S.P.]

EXTRAORDINARY DEAL AT WHIST

The following statement appears in the *Times*, vouchered for by the signatures of well-known London whist players:—

"On the 21st March, 1892, we sat down to a rubber of whist at the New Club, Brighton. Two new packs of cards were supplied and opened in our presence. We cut for partners, with the result that Muggerridge and Gardner were the two lowest and Buckley and Galpin the two highest, Muggerridge being dealer. Buckley dealt the pack chosen by Muggerridge irregularly into five heaps face downwards. He then took them in his hands, and, after shuffling, said, 'I will give them the "Yorkshire Poke," and poked a few cards through from the centre. He then passed them to Muggerridge, who said, 'I shall not take the "Yorkshire Poke." I will give them the "Devonshire Poke." He then shuffled them in his hands, and also gave them a poke from the centre. Galpin then cut the cards, and Muggerridge dealt with the following result. He turned up the four of spades, and held all the remaining spades in his hands. Buckley held all the diamonds, Gardner held all the clubs, and Galpin all the hearts."

BAT FIVES TOURNAMENT

HURLINGHAM.

RESULTS OF FIRST TIES.

1. H. Ricketts and E. R. Gifford beat G. A. Thomson and S. Johnston.
2. E. P. Rowland and P. L. G. Bridger beat J. Stuart and C. Thompson.
3. V. Ker Seymour and J. D. O. Bridges beat C. R. Thursby and A. Bowden Smith.
4. R. A. Sumner and J. Gifford beat J. C. Bell and E. H. Theobald.
5. J. Ravenscroft and M. G. Fortune, a bye.

SECOND TIES.

1. V. Ker Seymour and J. D. O. Bridges, scr., v. M. G. Fortune and J. Ravenscroft (3).
2. R. A. Sumner and J. Gifford (3) v. H. Ricketts and E. R. Gifford (3).
3. E. P. Rowland and P. L. G. Bridger (3) v. a bye.

THIRD TIES.

1. Winner of No. 1 v. No. 3.
2. Winner of No. 2, a bye.

FINAL

Winner of No. 1 v. No. 2.
Second ties to be played off on or before Sunday, 29th May.

FIXTURES

RACING

- Wednesday, May 25—Hipódromo Nacional, Belgrano.
- Thursday, May 26—Hipódromo Nacional, Belgrano.
- Sunday, May 29—Hipódromo Argentino, Palermo.
- Wednesday, June 16—Hurlingham.

ATHLETICS.

Wednesday, May 25—Athletic Championship Meeting at Hurlingham.

FOOTBALL.

RUGBY

- Thursday, May 26—Quilmes A.C. v. Lomas Academy A.C., at Lomas.
- Sunday, May 29—Lomas v. London Bank F.C.
- Sunday, May 29—Quilmes A.C. v. Buenos Aires and R. Ry. A.C., at Belgrano.

ASSOCIATION

- Wednesday, May 26—Barracas Band of Hope v. St. Andrew's 1st Eleven, at Seta.
- Thursday May, 26—Lomas Academy A.C. v. Buenos Aires F.C., at Flores.
- Sunday, May 29—Buenos Aires and R. Ry. A.C. v. Quilmes A.C., at Belgrano.

POLO

Thursday, May 26—Belgrano v. Quilmes A.C., at Belgrano, 2.30 p.m.

PRICES

Closing prices of Sovereigns and Onices on the Bolsa from May 18 to May 24, inclusive:

	SOVS.	ONCS.
Wednesday	\$16.35	\$52.90
Thursday	16.62	53.50
Friday	16.79	54.10
Saturday	16.90	54.80
Monday	16.75	54.50
Tuesday	16.82	54.20

Over 14,000 head arrived at the Corrales during the past week, and prices as below have been made:

Novillos (mestizo)	\$32.00	48.00
(ordinary)	21.00	40.00
Cows (mestizo)	42.00	—
Cows (ordinary)	15.00	25.00
Calves (regular)	9.70	15.00
(small)	5.00	8.50
Sheep	4.30	6.00
Bullocks	43.00	45.00

Hay, 1000 kilos	22.00	37.00
Maize (morocha), 100 kilos	5.05	5.50
(amarillo), 100 kilos	4.15	4.70
Wheat (barleta), 100 kilos	8.20	9.50
(French), 100 kilos	8.00	9.50
(Saldoma)	8.80	9.60
Novillo Hides	7.80	10.70
Cow Hides	5.50	—
Sheepskins	0.60	0.82
Wool	6.50	9.60

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CLUB	SECRETARY
Argentine Association Football League	A. Lamont, Plaza Constitución F.C.S.
Amateur Athletic Association of the River Plate	E. Danvers, 471 Piedad.
Balcarce Polo Club	F. J. Dawson, Balcarce F.C.S.
Buenos Aires Cricket Club	A. Laer, Banco Britannico, Buenos Aires.
Buenos Aires and Rosario Ry. Athletic Club	T. Fisher, 248 Avenida de Mayo, B. Aires.
Buenos Aires Football Club (Rugby)	W. E. Coubrough, Banco de Londres.
Buenos Aires Football Club (Association)	B. B. Syer, 56 San Martin, Buenos Aires.
Buenos Aires Rowing Club	Piedad 852.
Belgrano Polo Club	J. W. Hunter, 3 de Febrero 103, Belgrano.
Campana Polo Club	F. J. Bardrick, B. A and R. Ry., Campana.
Cañada de Gomez Polo Club	J. S. Robinson, Cañada de Gomez, F.C.C.A.
Central Uruguay Ry. C.C.	A. N. Davenport, Talleres, F.C.C.U., Montevideo.
Camp Polo Club of Uruguay	L. Edwards, Barrancas Coloradas, Colonia.
Cordoba Athletic Club	C. J. Turner, F.C.C.C. Córdoba
Flores Polo Club	H. Scott, Robson, 221 Rivadavia, Flores.
Gramilla Polo Club	P. W. Watts, Gramilla, F.C. B. A. y Rosario.
Guaqueguay Polo Club	R. Gordon, Guaqueguay, Entre Rios.
Hurlingham Club	M. G. Fortune, 685 Cangallo, B. Aires.
Junin Athletic Club	H. J. Whitfield, Junin F. C. B. A. al Pacifico.
Lanus Cricket Club	J. Brayshaw, F.C.S., Plaza Constitución.
Lomas Academy Athletic Club	J. Kahl, 631 Corrientes, B. Aires.
Montevideo Athletic Club	J. Harvey, Club Inglés, Montevideo.
Montevideo Cricket Club	A. Gair, Club Inglés, Montevideo.
Montevideo Polo Club	C. H. Jefferies, Club Inglés, Montevideo.
North Santa Fé Polo Club	R. S. Foster, Chiru Trull, F.C.Cy.R.
Pacific Ry. C.C.	—
Polo Association of the River Plate	E. J. Balfour, 559 Piedad.
Quilmes Athletic Club	E. W. Atkinson, 655 Piedad.
Roldan Athletic Club	A. W. MacLachlan, F.C.C.A., Roldan.
Roldan Polo Club	J. D. Pryce, Hotel Inglés, Roldan.
Rosario Athletic Club	J. A. H. Beaumont.
Rosario Polo Club	W. F. Christie, F.C.C.A. Rosario.
Rosario Rowing Club	E. W. Newte, English Bank Rosario.
Rovers Polo Club Quilmes	A. M. Hudson, 56 San Martin, Buenos Aires.
St. Andrews Athletic Club	E. Morgan, Plaza Constitución, F.C.S.
San Jorge Polo Club	C. H. Hall, San Jorge, Estacion Molles, F.C.C. del Uruguay, Montevideo.
Santa Fé Polo Club	J. Benitz, La California, Las Rosas, F.C.C.A.
Santiago del Estero Polo Club	R. McSmyth, La Banda, Santiago del Estero.
Strangers Polo and Racing Club	A. Maedonald, Venado Tuerto.
Tigre Boat Club	W. H. Krabbé.
Tucuman Athletic Club	Stuart Shipton, F.C.N.O.A., Tucuman.
Tuyú Polo Club	H. Gibson, Los Ingleses, Ajó F.C.S.
Western Railway C.C.	W. Scheppe, F.C.O. Tolosa.

A HORSE WHICH EARNED THE VICTORIA CROSS.

If ever the Victoria Cross was worthily earned, it was by the gallant horse of Lieutenant Robinson of the Royal Engineers. A murderous attack was made on Lieutenant Robinson by a young Ghazi, and he fell from his horse bleeding profusely from his wounds. The Ghazi came up to finish him, when the faithful horse turned his heels and lashed out at every attempt of the Ghazi to approach the wounded man. This he did until help came to hand, when the Ghazi fled. Lieutenant Robinson attributes the saving of his life to the behaviour of his horse.

TESTIMONIALS.—"Venado Tuerto.—Titan Soap is A 1 for washing clothes. Send me up at once eight arrobas more." "Quilmes.—Send me more Titan Soap. My servant says she can do twice as much work with it, and it gives her no trouble whatever."

FACTS ABOUT MUSHROOMS

The mushroom that is coming into our markets now by thousands of bushels is (says the *Horticultural Times*) known to scientific men as *Agaricus Campestris*, but of this there are many varieties. Naturally it grows only on the open pastures, meadows, and downs which are exposed to the winds; the unwholesome members of the tribe like the shade and are clammy to touch. Even persons whose fields abound with this plant cannot always distinguish the wholesome from the unwholesome fungus; but whoever bears the following facts in mind will have no difficulty:—1. The table mushroom, or *Agaricus campestris*, is usually white on the outer surface, and has a skin which readily peels off. This is not true of the unwholesome mushroom. 2. The gills or under-radiants are of a beautiful pink in the *A. campestris*; but the gills, as well as the whole plant, turn to a mahogany brown after it has been exposed to sun and air in the open for two or three days. 3. But this is the most definite test:—The inner ends of the gills are not joined to the stem in the wholesome mushroom, but they are joined in all that are not edible. The flesh of the *campestris* is solid, and the perfume sweet and nutty. There is another edible member of this family, known as the horse mushroom, which grows for or five times larger than the one described; but it is coarse, stringy, and almost devoid of flavour. The plant, however, above all others to be avoided is the *Agaricus foetidus*; it looks almost exactly like the edible fungus, but the gills are joined to the stalk, though many of them are of a salmon or coral pink on the under side. The natural crop of mushrooms in late summer on the Continent each year supplies only a part of the market for six or seven weeks. Mushrooms, however, are sold all through the year, and the great bulk of these are produced artificially. Some mushroom-farmers in the Parisian caves send from 400lb to 3,000lb to the surface every day through the year, and these are shipped fresh to the near markets, while the remainder are sent to the canning factories. The French mushrooms are yellow, tough, and almost without flavour, and are nearly as indigestible as leather. Nevertheless millions of pounds of these mushrooms are imported every year and sold to private purchasers and the keepers of restaurants. We cannot understand why our people don't raise more mushrooms. It would pay a profit of 50 per cent to raise mushrooms. Of course, those engaged in the business keep their business quiet, and it happens that there is very little known about mushrooms-raising. Think of one mushroom-farmer in Paris having twenty-one miles of mushroom-beds! This country is more adapted for the business than France, and there is more ample financial encouragement for those who want to go into the business. Choice samples always sell well and pay well.

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The Jockey Club of Gualaguay

PROGRAMME

OF THE

Meeting Arranged by the Club for July 9, 1892

- 1st Race, LA PALMA, for any Criollo horse which has not run for more than \$100 on a public course; weight 65 kilos; 886 metres; \$150 to the 1st; entrance \$25.
- 2nd Race, SANTA ROSA, for any horse; weight 65 kilos; 1773 metres; \$250 to the 1st; entrance \$40.
- 3rd Race, ALBARDON, for any Criollo horse which has not run for more than \$25 on a public course; weight 65 kilos; \$100 to the 1st; entrance \$15.
- 4th Race, SAN GUILLERMO, for any horse; weight 62 kilos; 3546 metres; \$500 to the 1st; entrance \$30.
- 5th Race, LAS CABEZAS, a Trotting Race for any horse; weight 68 kilos; 3546 metres; \$100 to the 1st; entrance \$15.
- 6th Race, SAN FRANCISCO, for any Criollo horse; weight 65 kilos; 1000 metres; \$100 to the 1st; entrance \$70.
- 7th Race, CONSUELO, for non-winners of the day; weight 65 kilos; 1330 metres; \$40 to the 1st, \$15 to the 2nd, \$5 to the 3rd; entrance \$5.

Entries, which must be addressed to the President of the Jockey Club, Mr W. Milne, close on June 23, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Entries which are sent without their corresponding entry fees will be taken no notice of.

W. MILNE, President.
H. JEWELL, Secretary.

Gualaguay, April 22, 1892.

Hurlingham Club June Meeting

(UNDER THE HURLINGHAM CLUB'S RULES OF RACING)

Thursday, June 16, 1892

- 1. THE POLO STAKES of \$10 each, for Polo Ponies 14 hands or under; weight for inches, ponies of 14 hands to carry 75 kilos, winners extra; 1200 metres.
- 2. THE MIDGET STAKES of \$10 each, for Polo Ponies 13 hands 2 in. or under; weight for inches; ponies of 13 h. 2 in. to carry 75 kilos, winners extra; 500 metres.
- 3. THE POLO PONY STEEPLECHASE, a Sweepstake of \$10 each, for Polo Ponies 14 hands or under; weight for inches, ponies of 14 h. to carry 75 kilos, winners extra; 2500 metres.
- 4. THE HURLINGHAM DERBY CUP, value \$1000, added to a Sweepstake of \$50 each, for Ponies or Galloways 14 hands 2 in. or under, the property of, or nominated by, a member of the Club; weight for inches, Ponies or Galloways of 14 h. 2 in. to carry 70 kilos; 2000 metres.
- 5. THE LIGHTNING STAKES of \$10 each, for Polo Ponies 14 hands or under; weight for inches, 14 h. to carry 75 kilos, winners extra; 500 metres.
- 6. THE JUNE HURDLE RACE, a Sweepstake of \$10 each, for Polo Ponies 14 hands or under; weight for inches, ponies of 14 h. to carry 75 kilos; winners extra; 1600 metres, over 5 flights of hurdles.

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As seen from the river the town looks a pleasant little place, and the two steamers and several large sailing craft gave the port an aspect of business prosperity.

Just beyond the town we passed the wreck of the steamer Taragúy, which was lost on the rocks some years ago. Her foremast is yet standing, and as W. says, it makes a most excellent land mark there in the water.

Another hour of pleasant travelling brought us to a little hamlet called Timbo. It is on the Argentine side of the river, and is the "port" of the Bermejo, despite the fact that it is over two leagues below the mouth of the river.

The river Bermejo is the "red" river of the north, and was, before the war, the boundary line between the Argentine and Paraguayan Chaco. The defeat of Lopez cost Paraguay all the territory between the Bermejo and the Pilcomayo, which is now the dividing line between their territories.

The Bermejo lost its importance as a boundary but kept its reputation for wrecking every expedition foolish enough to try to explore and prove it navigable.

The colour of the water is almost a Vandyke brown, and through its density qualifies as food, raiment, and, stretching a point, drink.

From this point downwards the river Paraguay owes its turbidity to the Bermejo.

We ran up a distance, but found little to call our attention, so we returned and followed our course up the Paraguay.

About two hours above the Bermejo we passed a very prettily situated town nestled in a frame of verdure, and called Villa Pilar. It ranks about third or fourth among the towns of Paraguay.

During the war Villa Pilar was the scene of a battle, and to recount the valour of its defenders claimed its page in history.

It now contents itself by shipping the peaceful orange and thereby gladdening the heart of the small boy in the less favoured towns below.

Just above the town the river makes a sharp turn to the left, but as the river was at a high stage, we ran through the cut off and gained considerable distance.

We were in hopes that the well known river Paraguay would be shown with some degree of exactness on our maps, but again we find ourselves disappointed. The relative positions of towns, rivers, and directions are absurdly at variance with the truth.

We entered a branch "cut off" called the Paynaguá. We know it as a cut off and joins the main river again somewhere above; not because the map says so, because the map says nothing about it, and if it did we would not believe it, but because the skipper of a river steamer told us.

Since our belief in the maps made us search the coast below Humaitá to find the river Bermejo, and when we did find it we were two hours and more steam time above Humaitá, we lost faith in the accepted geography of the country. In the future we intend to waylay people and ask them where we are.

We anchored in the Paynaguá and went ashore for game. Saw tracks of deer and wild pig but shot nothing.

Darkness soon came on, and although we heard the wild turkeys calling we had to return to the Dart.

In the morning we passed the huts of some charcoal burners and went on shore to buy some charcoal for our cooking stove.

We found that the place had been overflowed by the fresher and everything abandoned.

We were disappointed at not finding the men in charge and we left our regrets, but took the charcoal.

At 10 a.m. we ran into the main river Paraguay and at midday passed the mouth of the river Tibicuary.

Despite the cold and rain, the run was a pleasant one. The thermometer marking 14 deg. centigrade at noon.

About an hour above the Tibicuary we sighted on our right a small and, to tell the truth, a wretched looking little town, which we duly noted as Villa Franca—thanks to our maps.

Later in the day we came to the true Villa Franca, and with due contrition corrected the error.

On the trip up the Alto Paraná our expectations of the beautiful were confined within strict

limits, being based upon information that was defective in quantity and unreliable in quality.

The many surprises that awaited us were the more favourable and the impressions the more satisfactory, as they contrasted with our well curbed expectations, but once afloat on the Paraguay we were on the alert for the many wonderful sights told of by travelled friends, and which, in the innocence of our hearts, we believed.

What we had been led to expect would fill a book: the beauty of the scenery, the honesty and good qualities of the men, and above all, the indescribable beauty of the women.

Without wishing to infer that our friends have deceived us or that their statements are exaggerated, we are not convinced.

It is true no opportunities have yet presented themselves to illustrate the qualities of the men; the scenery may improve further up the river, and the beautiful women may be visiting friends in the interior, or for some other reason not to be seen on the banks of the river; so we let the wear and tear of the marine glasses go for nought and live in hopes.

Several sonnets and poetic outbursts have already been modelled in the rough, and only require the sunlight of beauty to warm them into life.

The "delicate bloom of the peach, softly peeping through the dusky skin" has not shown up as yet, but for the sake of peace on board we hope it may soon come out to be looked at.

We anchored at Formosa very early in the morning and were much pleased with the well planned and well built town. It is by far the most active looking place we have seen since Rosario.

It was too early in the morning to call upon the Commandant so we saluted the fort and men-of-war in port and steamed up the river.

The log is becoming filled with sketches of the entrances of small rivers flowing out into the Paraguay and not noted on our maps.

We passed Agotapé, Villa Oliva, Colonia Emilia, Monte Lindo and anchored at night below Santa Rosa.

The next morning a heavy fog detained us until 9.15, and we did not pass Angostura until 1 p.m.

As the name implies, the river narrows here, and is in fact about 600 metres in width, with swift current.

At low stages of the river the large steamers do not pass this point. The passengers and cargo for Asuncion being transhipped to smaller steamers.

It was at Angostura that the Paraguayans had the famed "Criollo," a 150 pounder cast in the arsenal of Asuncion.

Colonel Thompson surrendered the place in December 1868, marching out with all the honours of war.

The town of Villeta and the Lomas Valentinas follow, and are both places of historic interest.

Lambaré shows up as a landmark in the distance, but before reaching it we cross to the Chaco side of the river and enter the mouth of the Pilcomayo (Bird River).

We stopped at the Resguardo, went on shore, had a chat with the Argentine officers and then followed up the river about a league.

We sounded, and found an average of 16 feet depth of water. The average width is 40 yards from the mouth to our anchorage, but both depth and width are more than normal owing to the high stage of water in the river Paraguay.

In the morning we steamed past Lambaré, and had we followed the lead of our predecessors we should have gone into ecstasies over it, but we did not gush one little bit.

There is nothing very striking about Lambaré. It is simply a cone-shaped hill, with a tableland top, more or less 500 feet high above river level, and it certainly does not "raise its lofty form to the skies."

The current is swifter at this point than at any other we have experienced in the river Paraguay.

We finally passed the arsenal and soon found ourselves entering the port of Asuncion, which we saluted in due form.

We were promptly visited by the Capitania and Resguardo guard boats, both authorities offering us every facility the port afforded.

On shore we met some old friends and were soon in a fair way to make new ones.

At the English Club, a very cosy, pleasant place, we found several Buenos Aires visitors and also a party of yet more foreign foreigners bent on a tiger expedition. We too had hopes inclined that way, but were discreet enough not to mention the fact.

An expedition of foreigners after tigers in Paraguay is, in its preparatory stage, a most ponderously serious affair, and as it starts out upon its mission partakes of the semblance of a public funeral, and is looked upon with corresponding respect.

It goes on its errand of destruction—and a silence intervenes.

It comes back, sometimes in the most unobtrusive manner, in sections and through the least frequented streets, and there seems to be a devilish good joke tied to its tail that everybody laughs at except the members thereof.

That there are tigers in Paraguay there is not the slightest doubt. All the doubt is whether our friends of the expedition will find them.

We dined moderately well at the Hispano Americano, a pretentious building formerly belonging to the Lopez family, but which fickle fortune has changed into a public hotel.

There was no performance on at the theatre nor yet a circus, and we passed the evening at the club.

The immense Lopez palace fronting the port yet remains unfinished.

The lower part is built of stone, the upper stories of brick.

It has certain architectural merit in design, and in the light of practical political utility it is thoroughly comprehensive for a lord and master like Lopez.

It comprises rooms of state ball rooms, banqueting halls, waiting rooms, living rooms, and even dining rooms, for such the prisons underneath may well be called.

Lopez was not given time to finish the palace nor yet the grand opera house which he began to build.

The mausoleum, a miniature of the Invalides which was intended to be his tomb, is falling to decay, and he rests in an unknown grave.

Asuncion boasts of two tramways, both starting from the port, and after doing duty within the city limits they lead into the suburbs.

A pleasant trip by tram is to a place called the "Cancha," where there is a good restaurant, a small theatre, a bowling alley, gymnasium, and a racecourse.

The racecourse has striking points of originality. The course is straight, five hundred varas long, fenced on either side, with a strong dividing fence down the centre, which separates the two contesting horses.

The public stand is at the start, and the horses run down a slight incline directly away from the spectators.

In the races (matches) there is no possible jostling nor fouls, which certainly lessens the number of objections and consequent strain on the inevitably blamed and usually sat upon, right or wrong, body of unfortunates called stewards.

The Asuncion racing public also appears to have discovered that "everything is in the start," and prefers to have that end of the racecourse under close supervision, taking the judge's word (from which there is no appeal) for the other.

We thought of communicating this valuable information to our turf friends for possible adoption on the racecourses in Buenos Aires, coupled with the suggestion that the necessary number of strong division fences to be built (say fifteen) following the full turn of the course, and isolating completely each house in the race; the fences to be of sufficient height to prevent whips being used over them, and the bars close enough to avoid foul spurring between the rails. Then, by adopting the patent "endless elastic anti-horse pulling rein," and the "self acting electro-dynamite race starter," combined with the "instantaneous pass the post photographic check," the moral standard of racing might be elevated and the outside public's chance for its money increased in proportion, &c.

We concluded, however, for many reasons not to offer the suggestion to our friends in Buenos Aires.

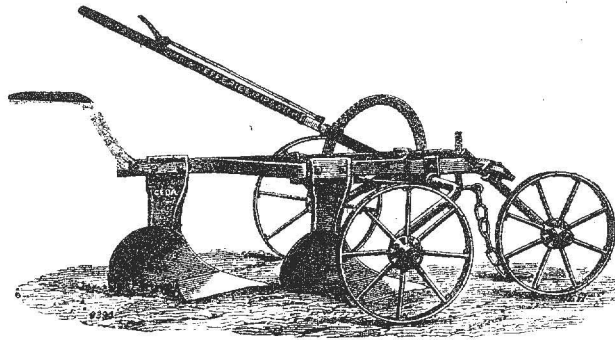
There is also a large modern racecourse at the Campo Grande, built during the late lamented boom. We were told that it had never been used, as the native horses are not fit for any distance over 400 yards and the crisis was imported before the imported horses arrived.

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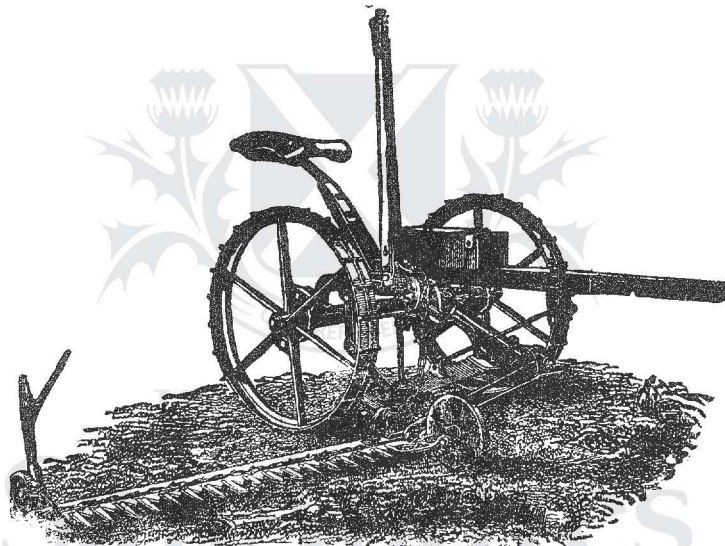
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