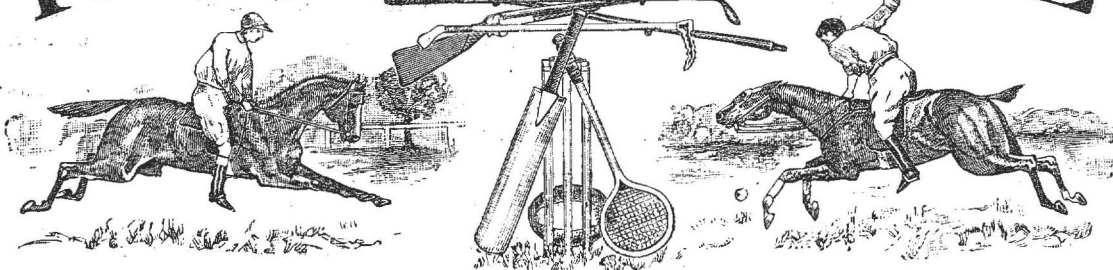


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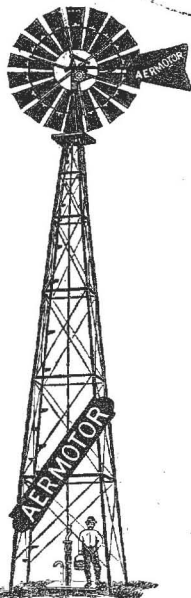
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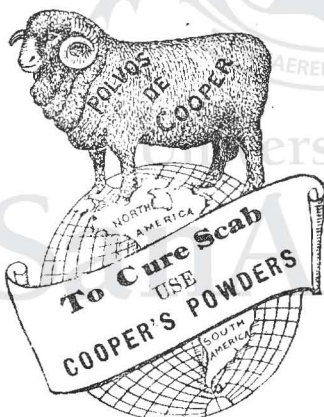
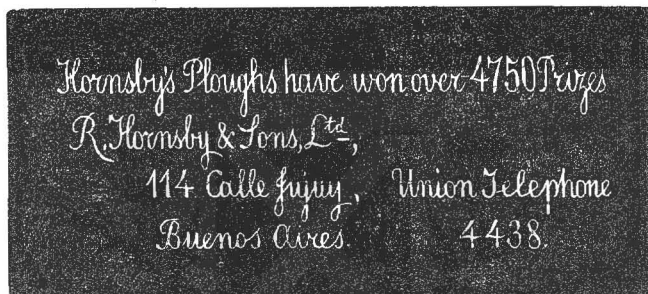
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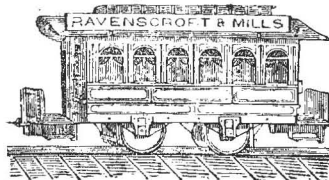
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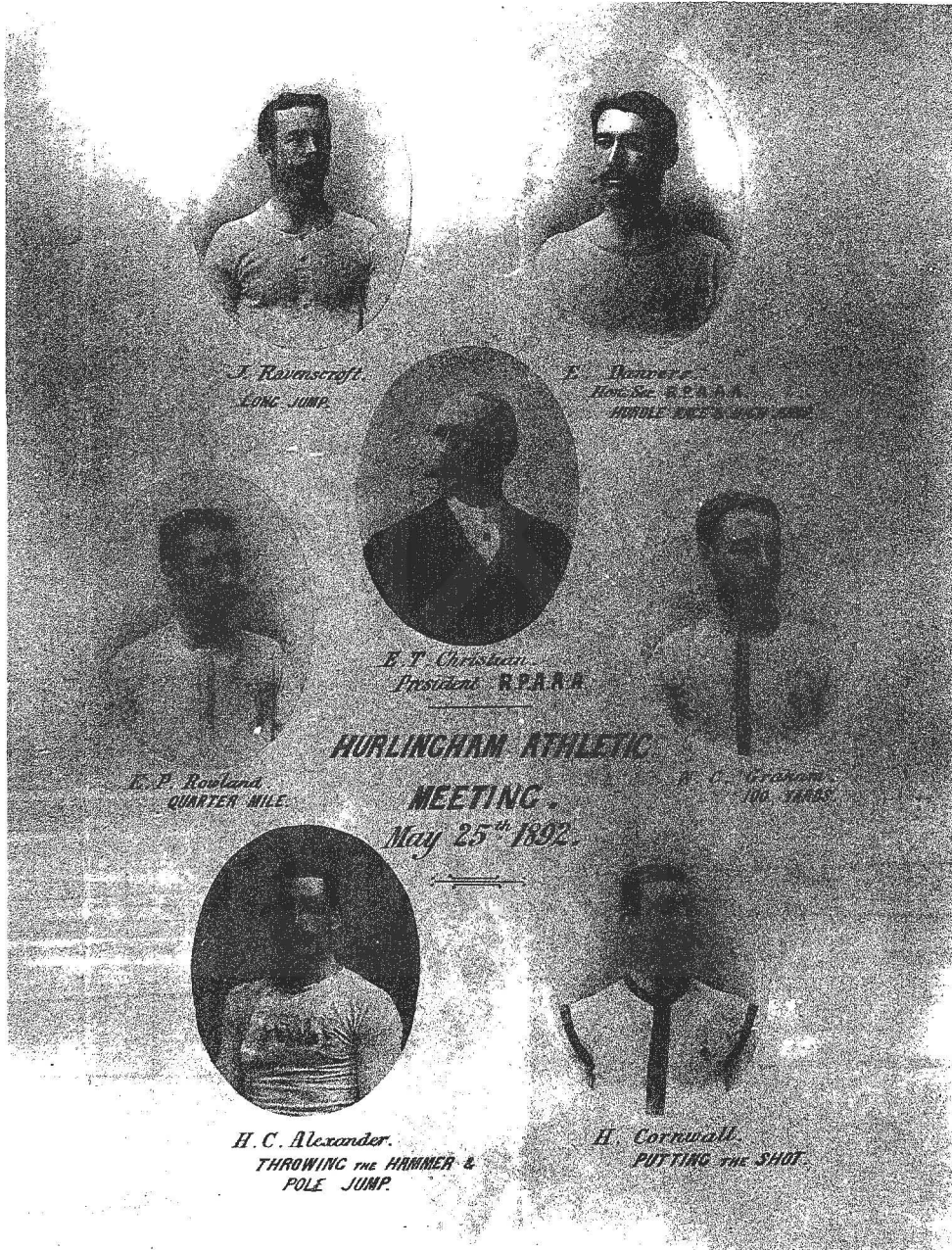
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## CRICKET.

The first of the two annual matches between the Gentlemen and Players was played at Lords on July 4th, 5th, and 6th, the game concluding half an hour before the time for drawing stumps on the last day, in a victory for the Players by an innings and 26 runs. Success in the toss gave the players a greater advantage than batting first on a good wicket usually affords, as rain fell on the second day and altered the condition of the turf to such an extent as to spoil all chance of the gentlemen getting near the fine total made by the Players in a single innings. At first the Gentlemen did remarkably well, but the wicket helped the bowlers always, and their endeavour to bring about a draw failed. Scores:

Players—Shrewsbury 98, Abel 86, Gunn 103, Ward 10, Chatterton 15, Barnes 84, Wainwright 56, Lockwood 9, Peel 3, Atwell 4, Sherwin 1, extras 55, total 454. Gentlemen—Mr W. G. Grace 41 and 7, Mr A. E. Stoddart 49 and 5, Mr S. W. Scott 60 and 14, Mr J. A. Dixon 39 and 10, Mr L. C. H. Palairot 10 and 13, Mr E. A. Nepean 7 and 36, Mr E. Smith 0 and 44, Lord Hawke 9 and 29, Mr S. M. Woods 25 and 1, Mr H. Philipson 1 and 0, Mr J. J. Ferris 4 and 0, extras 22 and 11, totals 258 and 170.

The North v. South match was played this year at Edgbaston, Warwickshire, between fairly strong and representative teams. The batting, on the whole, was disappointing, the heavy state of the turf greatly interfering with high scoring. There were eight double figures on the side of the North, but the batsmen never got the upper hand, Martin and Rawlin both bowling extremely well. The batting on the Southern side was still more disappointing, Mold's bowling, though difficult on the bad wicket, not being sufficient to account for the failure of the team. With only a hundred and one runs required to make to win on the last day, with only one wicket-down, the finish was uninteresting. The required number was hit off for the loss of four wickets, the North therefore gaining an easy victory by six wickets. Scores:

North—Shrewsbury 22 and 30, Ulyett 14 and 1, Gunn 19 and 53, Ward 37 and 9, Barnes 16, Mr C. E. de Trafford 11 and 1, Peel 4, Mr L. C. Ducker 24 and 43, Briggs 1, Lilley 14, Mold 0, extras 1 and 8, totals 163 and 145. South—Mr O. G. Radcliffe 12 and 32, Bean 3 and 9, Diver 0 and 11, A. Hearne 2 and 7, Mr W. G. Grace 7 and 17, Mr W. L. Murdoch 5 and 71, Rawlin 19 and 15, Mr S. A. P. Kitcat 1 and 5, Mr J. J. Ferris, 4 and 31, J. T. Hearne 2 and 24, Martin 7 and 8, extras 8 and 7, totals 70 and 237.

A week after their decisive defeat at Edinburgh the Scotch team played a return match against Surrey at the Oval, but with a different team, there being no fewer than five changes in it from the one which played the county on the previous occasion. The Scotchmen batted first, and at the commencement promised well, as 74 were up for only four wickets down, but the remaining six were soon disposed of, the total runs only amounting to 114. The Scotch bowlers had little effect on the Surrey men, Henderson and Mr K. J. Key making such a stand as to make a single innings victory a certainty for Surrey, their total of 434 leaving the Scotchmen 370 runs to get to save a single innings defeat. This they failed to do, and as 224 was the total result of their second innings, they were again decisively beaten by an innings and 146 runs.

Scotland—Mr L. M. Balfour 2 and 35, Mr J. Robertson 0 and 6, Mr T. Johnston 25 and 17, Mr H. R. Johnston 17 and 44, Mr H. Hay Brown 28 and 1, Mr C. T. Manners 9 and 8, Mr A. D. Dunlop 8 and 11, Mr A. V. Macgregor 7 and 16, Mr H. J. Stevenson 0 and 43, Mr D. L. Addison Smith 10 and 15, Mr R. Scott 1 and 2, extras 7 and 21, totals 114 and 224.

Surrey—Abel 88, Baldwin 4, M. Read 0, Mr W. W. Read 33, Lockwood 0, Henderson 133, Mr K. J. Key 143, Brockwell 2, Watts 36, Sharpe 12, Richardson 16, extras 17, total 484.

Yorkshire, in their return match against Staffordshire, administered a decisive defeat to their opponents at Hull by an innings and 281 runs. Yorkshire succeeded in compiling the enormous total of 516, the principal contributors to this being Mr R. W. Frank (163), Mounsey (54), Ulyett (57), Wardall (99), and Hunter (83). Staffordshire only made an indifferent show, and could get together no more than 74 runs in their first attempt, and failing to score more than 157 in their second innings they were beaten as stated above.

Leicestershire and Derbyshire concluded a rather interesting match under favourable conditions at Derby, on July 4th. Leicestershire first compiled 232, to which Mr C. E. de Trafford contributed 64; Derbyshire followed with 117, Bagshaw's 40 being the only score above 20. This necessitated a follow on, but Derbyshire met with wonderful success in their second innings, and, after totalling 423 for the loss of seven wickets, closed their innings. Of this total Mr S. H. Evershed scored 119, Bagshaw 49, Mr L. G. Wright 70, Davidson 106, and Hulme, not out, 51. Leicestershire were not very successful in their second innings, only scoring 98 runs, chiefly owing to Hulme's wonderfully successful bowling, and Derbyshire won eventually by 210 runs.

Rain spoiled the match between Oxfordshire and Bedfordshire at Luton on their first meeting this year, and so much so that it had eventually to be abandoned in a very open state. Bedfordshire, winning the toss had totalled 225. Mr L. C. R. Turing's 48, and Captain Orman's 51 being the best scores; Oxfordshire followed with 207, Mr H. Basset making the highest score, 88. Bedfordshire had scored 150 for the loss of six wickets when rain put a stop to all further play.

## LAWN TENNIS

The All England Championship Meeting was brought to a successful close on Thursday, July 7th, with the following results:

All Comers' Singles, final round, J. Pim beat E. W. Lewis, 3—2.

Championship round, W. Baddeley (holder) beat J. Pim, 3—1.

Ladies' Singles, final round, Mrs Hillyard beat Miss M. Shaekle, 2—0.

Championship round, Miss L. Dod (holder) beat Mrs Hillyard, 2—0.

All Comers' Doubles, final round, Lewis and Barlow beat Pim and Mahoney, 4—1.

Championship round, E. W. Lewis and H. S. Barlow beat W. Baddeley and H. Baddeley (holders), 3—1.

The final tie of the All Comers in the Silver Prize was played at Lords, on July 1st, between Mr H. G. Crawley and Mr J. Oswald, though out of practice and, to some extent, of training also, showed as usual great resource and power of return; but he was not in the form in which he had been seen on former occasions. Mr Crawley played very well, and with exceptional care; and he thoroughly deserved the win he eventually scored. The first set went in favour of Mr Crawley, 6—1; 25 strokes to 14; the next set he also secured, 6—1; 23 strokes to 20; the third set went to the same player, 6—2; 37 strokes to 28; and the match 3 sets to 0, 18 games to 4, 91 strokes to 62. This gave Mr Crawley the right to challenge the holder of the Silver Prize, Sir Edward Grey, who announced his intention of not defending it this year. He also gained the right of challenging the holder of the Gold Prize, the Hon. Alfred Lytleton, and the match between the holder and Mr Crawley was to have been played on July 11th.

The four-handed match between Oxford and Cambridge was played on July 2nd, and resulted in a win for the Cantabs by 3 sets to 0, 18 games to 5, 93 strokes to 64.

The winners were represented by Mr J. B. Gribbie and Mr V. W. Yorke, and Oxford by Mr A. R. Hamilton and Mr F. S. Cokayne.

## HENLEY REGATTA

Another wet Henley has to be recorded this year, in fact so many of the regattas have now taken place in wet weather that the description "usual Henley Regatta weather" is well deserved. When not raining, it was blowing, the elements on all three days, the 5th, 6th, and 7th of July, being most unkind.

The rowing off of the various heats on the first two days hardly produced one really exciting race, the second heat of the Ladies' Challenge Plate between Balliol and Radley Colleges won by the former, and the sixth heat for the Thames Challenge Cup, between Trinity College, B.C., Dublin, and Molesley B.C., which resulted in a win for Dublin, being the only exceptions.

For the Diamond Sculls there were eight entries, but Guy Nickalls, Gardner, and Kennedy were all unable to enter, the English contingent being consequently not particularly strong, Vivian Nickalls, the holder, being the best of them. He, however, went down somewhat easily before Ooms, the Dutch champion, while MacHenry, of Paris, was much too fast for Farrell, of the L.R.C. Kerr, of Trinity, scratched, and the best of the remainder was Boyd, of Dublin, who beat Cummings, of the Thames Club. Ooms beat MacHenry in one of the trial heats, and Boyd in the final.

The Grand Challenge Cup went to the Leander (Oxfordshire branch); the Steward's Cup to Chester; the Ladies' Cup, the Thames Cup, and the Visitors' Cup to Cambridge; the Wyfold Cup to Molesley; the Pairs to Oxford; and the Sculls to Amsterdam.

The following are the winners' times:

- Grand Challenge Cup, for eight oars—Leander Club, 7 min. 43½ sec.
- Wyfold Challenge Cup, for four oars—Molesley B.C., 8 min. 42 sec.
- Ladies' Challenge Plate, for eight oars—First Trinity B.C., Cambridge, 7 min. 43½ sec.
- Stewards' Challenge Cup, for four oars—Royal Chester B.C., 8 min. 38 sec.
- Diamond Challenge Sculls—J. J. K. Ooms, 10 min. 9½ sec.
- Thames Challenge Cup—Jesus College B.C., Cambridge, 8 min. 10 sec.
- Visitors' Challenge Cup—Third Trinity B.C., Cambridge, 8 min. 23 sec.
- Silver Goblets, for pair oars—Vivian Nickalls and W. A. L. Fletcher, Oxford University B.C., 9 min. 7 sec.

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Col. North's Iddesleigh, 6 yrs, 9st. . . . . M. Cannon 2  
Chev. Scheibler's Ram Lal, 5 yrs, 7st 13lb. . . . . Ailsopp 3  
Mr A. Taylor's Madame d'Albany, 5 yrs, 8st 12lb. . . . . R. Chaloner 0  
Mr W. R. Redfern's Yard Arm, 6 yrs, 8st 10lb. . . . . J. Watts 0  
Mr P. B. Hall's Sophism, 3 yrs, 6st 12lb. . . . . A. Watts 0
- Betting: Evens on Yard Arm, 5 to 1 agst Iddesleigh, 6 to 1 agst Ram Lal, 100 to 15 agst Ammonite, 10 to 1 agst Sophism, and 20 to 1 agst Madame d'Albany. Won by a length, four lengths separated score and third.

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Mr H. Bass's c by Isonomy—Quilt, 8st 7lb. . . . . R. Chaloner 0  
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Col. North's Nitrate Prince, 8st 7lb. . . . . M. Cannon 0  
Gen. Owen Williams' Maltravers, 8st 7lb. . . . . T. Weldon 0  
Mr Harding Cox's Reve Royal, 8st 4lb. . . . . Griffiths 0  
Mr G. Masterman's Dilemma, 8st 4lb. . . . . Rickaby 0  
Mr Bevil's Fair Isabel, 8st 1lb. . . . . A. Watts 0
- Betting, 7 to 4 agst Best Man, 2 to 1 agst Gomboge, 7 to 1 agst Moonflower, 8 to 1 agst Maltravers, 100 to 5 agst Nitrate Prince, and 20 to 1 agst any other. Won by a head, two lengths between second and third.

THE BILDURY CLUB MEETING—July 5th.

Fullerton Handicap of 5 sovs. each, with 300 added; 6 furlongs.

- Prince Solytkoff's b/c Woolthorpe, by Tibthorpe Light of Other Days, 4 yrs, 10st 12lb. . . . . F. Webb 1  
Baron de Hirsch's Massacre, 4 yrs, 10st 2lb. . . . . G. Barret 2  
Mr S. Darling's Gold Reef, 4 yrs, 10st 13lb. . . . . M. Cannon 3  
Col. O. Montagu's Noverre, 4 yrs, 10st 9lb. . . . . Rickaby 0  
Mr H. T. Barclay's Scotch Earl, 5 yrs, 10st 5lb. . . . . Mr. Lushington 0  
Duke of Devonshire's Mistral, 4 yrs, 10st 4lb. . . . . J. Watts 0  
Mr C. J. Merry's Ammonite, 4 yrs, 10st 3lb. (ear. 7lb. ex.) . . . . . Liddiard 0  
Mr F. V. Gooch's Red Enamel, 4 yrs, 9st 11lb. . . . . Mr Abington 0  
Mr J. Gubbins's Bruere, 3 yrs, 9st 8lb. . . . . R. Chaloner 0  
Baron C. de Tuyl's Zeeo, 3 yrs, 9st 7lb. . . . . C. Loates 0  
Capt. F. Cookson's Indian Brave, 3 yrs, 9st 7lb. . . . . G. Chaloner 0  
Mr. Harding Cox's Blunderbuss, 3 yrs, 9st 5lb. . . . . J. J. Griffiths 0

Betting: 7 to 2 agst Noverre, 5 to 1 agst Woolthorpe, 6 to 1 each agst Mistral, Massacre and Bruere, 7 to 1 agst Ammonite, 8 to 1 agst Gold Reef, 100 to 7 agst Indian Brave, 20 to 1 agst Red Enamel and 50 to 1 agst any other. Won by ten lengths, a length between second and third.

Champagne Stakes of 20 sovs. each, with 300 added, for two-year-olds; second received 50 sovs.; from the Bush in.

- Duke of Beaufort's b/c Son of a Gun, by Patronel—Ithona, 9st 5lb. . . . . R. Chaloner 1  
Capt. E. W. Baird's Queen of the Spring, 8st 9lb. . . . . M. Cannon 2  
Sir F. Johnstone's Wings of a Dove, 8st 9lb. . . . . G. Barrett 3  
Mr R. H. Combe's Purefoy, 8st 12lb. . . . . Rickaby 0  
Mr T. Cannon's Whiteskin, 8st 9lb. . . . . G. Brown 0

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Table with 2 columns: Name and Odds. Includes Lord Durham's ch c Peter Flower, Mr H. Ransford's Shootaway, Mr C. P. Shrubbs's Insurance, Duke of Beaufort's Empress of Germany, etc.

July 7.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Odds. Includes Troy Stakes of 50 sovs. each for two-year-olds; Lord Cadogan's b c Prisoner, Capt. E. W. Bairds Queen of the Spring, etc.

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LATEST LONDON BETTING

On July 9th.

ECLIPSE STAKES.

Betting table for Eclipse Stakes with columns: Name, Taken, Offered. Includes Orme, Orvieto, Gouverneur, St. Damien, Llanthony.

LIVERPOOL CUP.

Betting table for Liverpool Cup with columns: Name, Odds. Includes Nunthorpe, Mina, Lady Roseberry, St. Cyr, Alice, Enniskillen, Sedge Chat, Comandant II, Clarence.

ST. LEGER.

Betting table for St. Leger with columns: Name, Odds. Includes (Run Wednesday, September 7, One mile six furlongs and 132 yards), Orme, La Flèche, Sir Hugo, St. Damien, St. Angelo, May Duke, Watercross, The Lover, The Smew, Mortgage, Llanthony, Certosa, Flaxby, Bar le Duc, Hatfield.

A Lady's Experience on a Pony with a Pig.

I am a married man, and I possess a wife with a history, or—I mean a story. This tale of hers has been no secret. It was told to me in the twilight long ago, when the band of my regiment was sobbing soft music one hot summer evening on the moonlit lawn in front of the messhouse at Deerpore. I listened then with grave attention. I remember, and at the end of the recital clasped the charming teller to my jacket, called her "a brave little woman," and asked her to be mine, and so to become co-partner in a double-barrelled gun, two ponies, a bamboo cart, and a mud hut (my quarters). Since then, alas! I have heard the story often—too often. If Jones, of the Gunners, comes back with me to "pot luck" and a tub after a long day's snipe-shooting, he hears it; if Smith looks in for a drink, his bones all aching from a bad fall out pig-sticking fourteen miles away, he hears it. If I chance to drop in (which I seldom do) to the ladies' room at the club, I am sure to find my better half victimising the latest-joined subaltern of the garrison, and saying, "Oh! but you never were so near being killed as," etc., and I dash out again, betake myself to the peg table, drink deeply, and swear dreadful things. It has simply come to this. I am determined to put those experiences of my wife's into print (the story is pretty enough), and then I shall be able to check any

repetitions by mildly remarking, "But, my love, Mr Robinson" (or whoever the victim at the time may be), "has read all about that in Land and Water."

Here is the story, just as I have learnt to know it, and exactly as my wife is in the habit of telling it:—"Ride? Oh! no, I never ride now; but I used to ride a great deal, and never cared much what sort of animal it was that I mounted. But I once got a very bad fright as a girl, lost all my nerve, and for years after contented myself with a quiet trot on the Mall, or an early morning canter with my husband as far as the parade ground. Latterly I have given it up altogether."

"What frightened me? Well, I'll tell you. It was a pig (a wild boar, you know), and it upset my pony and very nearly killed me."

"My brother was a Bengal civilian, and I lived with him before I married. He was always stuck away in some dismal hole far away from civilised society, wrapped up in his books, his work, and his sport. He was a maniac in the matter of sport, and would sacrifice his wife's happiness, his daughter's prospects, and his own health and promotion to get fixed in some deadly malarious district, where his sovereignty as a despotic ruler could only be disputed by tigers, buffaloes and things of that sort, and the more numerous such wild denizens were in his neighbourhood, the better he was pleased. Why, one night, when he was away on tour in the district, a tiger came into our verandah and killed our chowkedar! Oh, yes, it was hard lines for us, but then we were always in the way of meeting nice people, men coming down to shoot, some of them muffs, some of them real sportsmen, and occasionally a sporting globe-trotter, with letters of introduction! The Bengal Government invariably palmed off men of that kind on to my brother."

"I shall never forget my journey from Calcutta on arrival in India, to join my brother. It was very warm, to say the least of it, and the small inland steamer, in which I was to make my passage, was crowded. Fresh from an ocean vessel, the slight rocking of the boat as it reached the delta of the Ganges was nothing to me; but many of my fellow passengers, and nearly all the native passenger, were deadly sick, which made it all the more disagreeable. A few hours brought us to the Sunderbunds, that great marshy tract of invincible jungle where no man can live; and then we turned sharply to the left, up one of the small streams that intersect that part of the country. In and out from one such stream to another we steamed incessantly for three days, going as fast as we could to get out of the poisonous atmosphere of our surroundings, but though it was unhealthy, the scenery about us was picturesque in the extreme."

"One day a herd of wild buffaloes came crashing through the forest to the water's edge, led by a majestic bull. They just showed themselves at a bend of the stream about 150 yards ahead, but almost as soon as we saw them they spied us, and with a bellow that echoed through the forest round, they crashed their way back into the dense underwood. Later on we approached a bank on which lay what appeared to be a row of 30 or 40 big logs of wood; but as we neared these apparently inanimate objects, they awoke to life, wriggled into the water, and sank from our view. 'Alligators,' said a gentleman behind me. 'It would be a short shrift for anyone dropping overboard here.' Daytime was uneventful, but one night we saw a couple of dark, shadowy forms, which turned as we passed, and glided with crouching, snake-like movements, along the bank after us for some little time. Someone said they were tigers, and sure enough, in a few minutes, a moaning sort of grunt expanded to a roar, and then came an answering roar, which seemed to be taken up on every side."

"The next day, about noon, I reached my destination, Muddypore, and the steamer stopped to allow the magistrate's boat, which was waiting for me, to come alongside. It was some days before I recovered from the fatigue and excitement of my journey; but then I found the time pass very pleasantly, driving about the little station, or going for long rides in the wild country around us. My brother had got, for my special benefit, a grey hill-bred pony, active as a cat, very sure-footed and gentle, but, as I soon found out, very nervous and excitable. We were great friends, he and I (the pony and myself, I mean), and many wild gallops we had, till the event occurred which severed our connection abruptly and for ever."

"It happened in this wise. The country about us teemed with pig, and my brother the doctor, and the police officer, were out after them two or three times a week, but they would never allow any of us women-folk to accompany them. One morning, however, just as my brother and I were mounted for our ride, a village watchman came up and reported that a sounder of pig were in a sugar-cane brake about two miles away, and that a villager had that morning, an hour or so before, been knocked down and terribly injured by a boar. To take swift vengeance became for my brother a matter of duty; so calling for a hogspear he cantered off to the scene of the catastrophe, hardly noticing that I was following him. We picked up the police officer on route to the belt of tall grass and jungle fringing the village, which was our destination, and on arrival found some 50 men with long sticks, awaiting us to act as beaters. They welcomed us effusively."

"In a very few moments the necessary arrangements were made. We separated, the police-officer and the ex-engineer (who had in the meantime joined us) took up a position on the right-hand corner of the covert in which the pigs were supposed to lie, while my brother and the doctor took the left side, facing away from the village, whence the beat commenced. I took up a position on a high bank to the left and behind the village, so that when the pig got well away I could move out and see the fun without running any dan-

gerous risks. The bank on which I stood formed part of the embankment of an irrigation canal, and behind me sat a couple of mounted policemen, while grouped round at a respectful distance were a motley crowd of village women and children. Soon the beaters began to shout, and every now and then I could see little hog-deer, pea-fowl, and jacksals scuttling away; the jungle seemed very full of life and excitement. Charley (my pony) became very restless; he kept backing and siding and plunging about, and when, mid a crash of yells, certain dark objects darted out into the open far ahead, and I saw my brother and his companion dash off at full gallop and become hidden round the bend of a patch of jungle a long way off, I felt mad to follow. The men seemed to have taken a line parallel with the embankment, and I had half decided to canter along it and see what I could, when my pony settled the question in his own fashion. One snatch he made at his bridle, pulled the reins from my hands, and then with head boring between his knees, and bit in his teeth, Charley was off with me. Fortunately he kept to the embankment, for I was powerless to hold him, and the ground below us on one side was dreadfully broken, and covered thickly with tall grass and stunted bushes, while on the other side lay the shining stream of the canal. I prayed inwardly that I might be able to keep the pony straight and stick on, while to add to the unpleasantness of the situation the two mounted policemen behind me kept shouting out in their outlandish lingo what I suppose was an excited request for me to stop! There was not sufficient room for them to head or pass me, or even to ride abreast, so our rapid progress was a flying procession."

"Suddenly, about one hundred yards ahead of me, the tall grass was agitated violently, and up the side of the embankment there scrambled a huge boar, which, keeping in the direction we were going ourselves, sped along in front of us. The native police behind yelled louder than ever. My pony, the instant that he saw the pig, seemed to double his speed, and in a few moments I knew that we must overtake him. It was evident, also, that the brute was wounded; a red stream trickled from his haunch, and he seemed to be stopping. Twenty yards, ten yards, five yards. Ugh! shall I ever forget it? The boar turned sharp round, there was a shock, and Charley rolled clean down the embankment, while I lay with a twisted ankle, and in semi-consciousness, on the top! The native policemen behind afterwards said that as we reached the boar he turned viciously round, and that the pony seemed to try and jump over him, but fell all of a heap, while I appeared to throw myself off, or slide off him, backwards. I believe I did throw myself back, as far away from the horrible creature in front of me as I could. Charley's off foreleg was ripped to the bone, from his fetlock to three or four inches above the knee, while in rolling down the steep bank he put out his shoulder. He had to be shot, poor fellow! to put him out of his misery. What about me and the boar? Well, I fell, stunned, to the ground, as I said before; and the boar was kicked on the head by Charley, and weakened as he had been by his wound, he slid down the bank with the pony, and was shot by one of the policemen. That one vicious charge must have been about his last effort. My brother and the other men came sweeping round just in time to see the whole thing, but too far off to be of any assistance, except in getting me home, and in being cruel only to be kind to my poor pony. It was an exciting experience for a young girl, was it not? Of course these poor 'Sowars' had a bad time of it from my brother, but even he, after reflection, had to admit that the men could hardly have acted otherwise."

"And that is my wife's story. Perhaps now I have related it in print I shall have a little peace!—Land and Water."

ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

\* \* \* We cordially invite and will be very pleased to receive communications for this column.

Under the heading "The Expediency of Crossing" "The Field" of July 9th has the following interesting article—which in this country especially will be read with a great amount of interest.

"It has now become a truism that a cross-bred beast or bird grows from the first more rapidly, reaches the stage of puberty sooner and matures its carcass at an earlier age than does anything which is considered pure-bred; and a common inference drawn from this acknowledgment has been that any man who breeds stock for profit would do wisely to cross-breed everything. We venture to think that—except for a man who expects to give up his occupation in a year or two—this conclusion is more plausible than sound. And we think this, because a very unusual amount of reading—upon the origin of British breeds of domesticated beasts and birds—has convinced us that every "pure-breed," in this island, is the result of crossing within the last or the present century; and that therefore—for British stock-owners, at all events—the value of cross-breeding, as a regenerating or stimulating process, has already been greatly discounted; and that all the advantages which it gives may be secured in other ways without incurring the risks of "misfits," which persistent cross-breeding most certainly involves.

"For obtaining herds of flocks which are, at once and entirely, to go into consumption, the course is undoubtedly to be recommended. For obtaining animals the produce of which are to be maintained upon a farm for the owner's lifetime, and longer—and this can now be seen to be the most economically sound and therefore in the long run the most profitable kind of stock-keeping—cross-breeding (and animals the results of cross-breed-

ing) provided the most uncertain herds and flocks of any that are, anywhere, to be procured.

A regular contributor introduces this week some particulars of a flock of Merino sheep which has long been reared within closely-restricted alliances, and upon a range of one character. He suggests that, possibly, crossing with these Merinos may produce in England flocks more valuable than any which are at present to be found within the island. Is it forgotten that, under the influence of the now extinct "British Wool Society," and under the patronage of King George III., the Merino cross has already had in Britain the widest possible trial, and under the most favourable auspices. Arthur Young's books, and the earlier publications of the Highland Society, prove that the Merino was experimented with all over Britain. As the flocks of one generation, in all districts, are, to a very great extent, the lineal descendants of the ewes which were in existence in the district in a previous generation, we might make ourselves sure that the Merino blood, then infused, is still present "in solution." This, we say, would have been the inference if the Merino-like characteristics did not show—as they do—in half the so-called "breeds" in England and Scotland. Large lots of Merinos, rams and ewes, were sold by auction in Britain between 1790 and 1810; and it is impossible to believe that the persons (who gave good prices for these) did not use their purchase for breeding. If they did, the lineal descendants of them must still exist. If anyone were to begin this cross over again, it would only be to throw away the gain of an entire century in fixing types; and to thrust back for years the produce of the new combination into the regions where chance and the doctrine of toss-up hold temporary sway.

"An American paper describes a cross-bred bullock which, at the age of 35 months, went to the butcher weighing 2016lb. live weight, without having ever had anything but grass in summer, and roots with hay or straw in winter. These figures, although good, are not of themselves sufficiently surprising to deserve republication, but the description of the animal does. It is said to have been the product of a "prize shorthorn bull and a Galloway grade heifer." The reporter goes on, "It is fair to say that he showed more of the polled Angus than of any other breed, and, if one had not known his breeding, he would have passed off as a high-grade animal of the last-named king." Many people—who will, of course, be denounced on the other side of the border as gross and outrageous libellers—would here remark, "Why! That is the very way in which the Aberdeen-Angus of Messrs. Watson and MacCrombie was originally produced." But on this side of the Atlantic we could rely on getting the animal which is to weigh 2016lb. at 35 months with greater certainty by using sire and dam of the now recognised Aberdeen-Angus tribes, instead of by making, at considerable risk, the shorthorn and Galloway cross over again for ourselves. Moreover, any female offspring would in the former case be "good to go on with," i.e., where the produce of any recent combination would certainly not be trustworthy breeders. And the same principle holds good with horses. No doubt the several types of horses in existence in this country are all the result of crosses, and that every type can be reproduced anew by selecting stallion and mare of quite different appearances. Still it does not follow that it would be wise so to proceed, when the required type can be obtained with much greater certainty by using the sires and dams registered in one stud book. The whole of the great movement of recent years—in the direction of setting up stud, herd, and flock books—rests for its true explanation upon the assurance that any desired form of animal life can be obtained with greater surety by using both parents—already having that form—than it can by trusting to a sire of one kind to give to a dam of another the variation wished for. We have always strongly supported the establishment of stud, herd, and flock books; wherever they have been made to rest upon entries of which everything ascertainable has been fully told. It does not matter at all what the foundation animal was. It is quite certain that it was a mixture anyhow. The difference between a registered and unregistered animal should be that, in one case, the mixtures would be, as the algebra books put it,  $x$ , or an unknown quantity. But having once admitted your declared and acknowledged cross-bred, it should be the chief aim and object of the breeding society that no more unacknowledged and unknown mixtures should be smuggled in. Thanks to the free crossing of last century, there is ample scope and verge enough to establish twenty types; but we should throw away the advantage gained for us by our forefathers if we continue to go on admitting the unknown, and repeating the originally strong out-alliances. We have no occasion to do our meddling by strange combination. This step was taken for us in the seventeenth; and the eighteenth century may now take the next step in advance, i.e., the sure and safe advance which is to be made by selection within a known limit.

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A special gold medal for Argentine wheat has been awarded by the judges of the Millers' and Bakers' Exhibition at the Agricultural Hall, London. Fifty-seven samples were submitted, and the report is that the samples, as a whole, are highly satisfactory, and of considerable commercial value to this country. The wheat is well grown and matured, and in character most nearly approaches that sent from New Zealand. For excellence of quality the judges award the exhibit a special gold medal, and desire specially to commend one sample, and nine others are worthy of mention as being of a character that would command a ready sale in England.

This little report is very satisfactory as far as it goes, as it proves that first-class wheat can be sent from Ar-

gentina. Still, the melancholy fact remains, that the bulk of wheat sent from Argentina is selling on the London market for £1 a ton less than the New Zealand wheat "it most nearly approaches."

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Apropos of our table last week, it is interesting that the whole of the herd lately sold at Mr Trethewy's sale of celebrated shorthorns is descended from one single cow. An average of £36 16s. was realised for the animals, a few of which made high prices, the best cow being purchased for Her Majesty the Queen for 200 guineas.

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Out of the sixty million sheep in the Province of Buenos Aires a million and a half are shipped annually in the shape of frozen mutton, the calculation being that a flock of sheep should double itself in four years.

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The trade in frozen mutton shows an increase of 2,865 tons, while jerked beef has declined by 4,196 tons, comparing the years 1890 and 1891.

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When the season's crops were coming forward the paper dollar increased in value and the prices for produce consequently fell. There was some talk then of chaceros selling only for gold, and in some parts of the country wheat growers obtained this result. The Argentine Colonisation and Land Company, which purchases all its produce, rents, leases, and sells its lands on a gold basis, reports, however, that it is continually being pressed by colonists to change its system to a paper basis, their representative explaining "that greater protection in gold contracts is afforded in the long run than in paper, since the products of the soil (wheat, maize, and linseed) though sold in paper have actually a gold value, owing to the overwhelming demand for export, and advance or fall in price pretty much according to the fluctuation in the value of gold, consequently, the risk the colonist runs in buying in paper on time is that in case of a fall, as has recently taken place, he would receive less paper for the crops, and at the same time have to meet the liability contracted before the fall in gold."

Teaching political economy to the Italian colonist would require plenty of patience.

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A considerable area of land belonging to this same company is let to cultivators on the Metayer system, that is to say, the colonist gives a certain proportion of each harvest as rent. This is said to work well, for instead of leaving the land idle until a purchaser is found or putting it undercultivation by day labour at the company's own expense, it has a substantial return in the crops with little risk.

Another system is that of granting assistance to men of known good character, skilled in agriculture, to whom bullocks, seed, and implements are lent, they in return giving their labour, the proceeds of the harvest in this case being divided with the company.

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Consul Bridgett's report to the Foreign Office on Argentine trade does not read very bright; even that part relating to wheat and sheep is darkly drawn. Regarding wheat, he states that although the area under cultivation "is much greater than formerly, all accounts agree that the yield per acre is inferior to former years."

Perhaps, after all, in such cases, it is better to be a bit of a pessimist, if it is only as a contrast to the optimistic views of the colonisation companies.

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According to details issued by the Statistical Department of the Ministry of Agriculture at Washington, there were approximately in the world in 1891, 227,336,475 horned cattle, 59,839,329 horses, 449,676,456 sheep, and 95,544,447 pigs, divided as follows:

	Cattle.	Horses.	Sheep.
United States	48,633,833	12,496,754	45,759,314
Russia	23,845,000	10,016,000	47,508,966
Argentine Republic	15,100,000	4,740,000	79,200,000
Germany	15,788,000	3,522,500	19,190,000
France	13,105,000	2,981,000	22,616,500
Canada	3,514,989	1,059,358	3,048,678
Asia	37,828,000	3,201,700	54,052,000
Africa	3,574,000	784,008	23,894,000
Australia	8,000,000	1,285,216	96,462,038

There are 8,000,000 mules, 2,000,000 of which are in America and 3,000,000 in Spain and Italy, the remainder being about equally divided. One notable fact is that more than half the Argentine cattle are found in the single province of Buenos Aires, which also has half the horses and nearly the whole of the sheep in the Argentine Republic. Little attention is paid to pig breeding in this country, as only a quarter of a million are put down to our account, while the United States possesses nearly 45 millions.

Australia, it is stated, which in 1885 possessed 78,888,710 sheep, now has nearly 100,000,000, showing an increase of 15 to 20 per cent.

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The report of the Board of Agriculture for the State of Massachusetts, U.S.A., contains the following anecdotes taken from the "History of the Sheep Industry in Massachusetts." After relating how sheep first were introduced into America, the author, the Hon. J. S. Grinnell, gave this extract from the Rolls of the Court in 1634:

"Whereas the country is in great straits in respect of clothing; and the most likeliest way tending to supply in that respect is the raising and keeping of sheep, we do order that no person shall transport any ewe or ewe

lamb out of this jurisdiction." The grammar of the Pilgrim Fathers is doubtful; their good sense is unquestionable.

Fifteen years later, this entry is to be found:—"Forasmuch as the keeping of sheep tends to the good of the country, if any dog shall kill a sheep the owner of the dog shall hang it forthwith; or else pay double damage for the sheep. If the dog be hung, the sheep shall be paid for once. If any dog have been known, aforesaid, to course or bite sheep—not having been set on, and his owner had notice—he shall both hang his dog and pay double damage for the sheep."

Afterwards Mr Grinnell tells this anecdote:—"In the latter half of last century there lived in Connecticut, on a small stony farm, a small family—of father, mother, and two sons. The farm stock consisted of twelve sheep and a cow. The last, besides giving her milk, lent her services to the plough. The father was a confirmed invalid; and the mother, after doing her work in the house, used to help the boys on the land. They lived mainly on cornbread, milk and bean porridge and potatoes. In midwinter one of the boys tore his clothes past all mending, there was neither money in the house nor wool. The mother first sheared the half-grown fleece of one sheep; and in a week had spun it and tailored it into a suit of clothes for the boy. Then she made of braided straw a wrapping for the sheep. The boy grew to be a leader in the State, the Rev. Samuel Nott, a famous preacher. Those American mothers had grit: their granddaughters—thanks to improved education and travel—have *chic*. Which is the better?"

## BUENOS AIRES FROM DAY TO DAY

We were wrong last week in stating that the late Mr Alexander Kincaid belonged to the firm of Mackill, Murray, and Co., with whom he never had any connection.

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The new English daily, the "Times," has been "pirouetting on its untied wings," whatever that may mean, and has received, so far, a fair share of public attention. The "Prensa" said that it was of the same form and size as its London "tocado," so much is there in a name, but the "Nacion" objects to the word "Argentina" used in its title as not being English, and says it should be either "Argentine Republic" or "Republica Argentina," but not "Argentina" alone. We are afraid the "Nacion" is wrong on this point. It is not yet an authority on the English language, and, even if the name be incorrect, we have as much right to call the country Argentina as the Spaniards have to say Londres. But it is not incorrect. The name Argentina has now become established as the English name for this country, and will continue so.

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The parties, whoever they were, who caused the insertion in the "Times" of the false notice of the death of a living man and caused the paper to have to publish a "resurrection" ought to be thoroughly ashamed of themselves. There are fair subjects for even practical jokes, but an announcement of a person's death does not come within the limits of decency. Death is much too serious a matter to be made the subject matter of false or jocular reports.

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The failure of the new paper to fulfil all expected from it proves how difficult it is to run a daily paper here. Take one of the London dailies and extract from it the political articles and reports, the provincial news, the police news and the Parliamentary debates, and there would be very little left to read. All these subjects are practically impossible of treatment in a Buenos Aires foreign paper. The political questions are too delicate to be safely handled; the mode of conducting legal business here makes the publication of "spicy *causes celebres* impossible, and the bare statement that "Fulano was robbed of \$200," interests no one. Nobody cares a rap for what goes on in Congress, and the provincial news is only interesting to those who are long residents, and who can get the information better in the native papers.

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Subtracting the subjects named, what is there to put in the paper? Except an occasional bazaar or similar local event, there is absolutely nothing but financial and commercial questions, which are not sufficient to make a paper of interest to the general public. We think the effect of the new paper so far is to make people more contented with their old friends who have been their daily companions for so many years.

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"Argentine Polar Territory." We were much astonished to find that Argentina possesses territory in the South Polar regions. We know that every now and then there is a demand made

upon England to hand over the Falkland Islands, but we never heard of any Polar territory till a few days ago, when we read an article on this subject in the "Diario." As Argentine territory ends practically in a point, we cannot well see how even if the country were connected by a straight line with the Polar continent it could claim much territory, but as it is, and the writer of the article named regrets the destruction of the seals, &c., there by other nations, as if they had only been left for the Argentines they might have been an immense source of riches to the nation and might have been a grand training field for Argentine sailors, so as to have put her in the first place in the maritime nations of the Southern Hemisphere. Oh, those "might have beens!" How very different they are from what is.

How true it is that:

Of all sad words of tongue or pen,  
The saddest are these, "It might have been."

Or, as Bret Harte says, in his parody on the poem from which that couplet is taken:

More sad are these we daily see,  
It is, but hadn't ought to be.

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And so the Bolsa was "patriotic," instead of being trustworthy." In other words, it unanimously voted money especially destined for a charitable purpose to a patriotic farce, for farce it is to rebuild the Rosales by popular subscription. The patriotism of the Bolsa ended at the voting, for when the shares were put up for sale the prices offered were, to say the least of it, "unpatriotic."

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The Government have for a long time been using the premises of the Rural Society at Palermo for military purposes, and as the latter are the direct opposite of the agricultural purposes for which the premises were intended, the result is that the grounds and buildings have been very much destroyed by the military occupation. It is not to be expected that the Rural Society should maintain a barracks for the Government. This would be an unparalleled act of private patriotism, especially as they are heavily handicapped for want of funds, and they have therefore made a perfectly fair request that the Government should take over and pay for these premises. This request has been very much misrepresented in the papers, as if the society wanted a Government subsidy, although goodness knows bigger sums than \$500,000 have been given away to far less deserving objects than the Rural Society. The fact is however as above stated and is anything but an unfair request on the part of the Society.

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Those of our readers who have read the correspondence in the "Herald" between J. W. W. and Occult, about a ringlet left in the hands of the latter by an immaterial "Cissy," who materialised *pro tem*, at a spiritualistic seance, will have been much edified. There is considerable talk of "clammy hands," "astral bodies," and such a jumbling up of "natural law" and "the spiritual world," that we confess to having felt cold all over after reading them. If the maxim "expede Herculeum" be true, the true nature of Cissy ought to be quite clear from a ringlet, or if this be too metaphysical, it is said that Professor Owen can rebuild a skeleton on being shown a single bone, and it would be wise to send the ringlet to him and perhaps, by comparative anatomy, he might be able to reconstruct at least the head. If he cannot, the question might be asked at the next Senate House examination à la Verdant Green, "Upon a given material ringlet to describe an immaterial Cissy."

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We wonder if that tale is true in the "Herald" about a delegation waiting upon President Pellegrini, parts of whose components could not speak Spanish and had to keep up to date by asking the others "What does he say?" and then uttering their not always complimentary opinions aloud in the Queen's English, in blissful ignorance of the fact that the President speaks the latter as well as H.B.M. herself. It is never safe to utter uncomplimentary remarks in English when in the company of educated native gentlemen. A very large number of them can speak English, many more can read it with facility, and even if they cannot, from want of practice, speak it well, they at least understand the gist of what may be said in their hearing in that language.

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The "Prensa" is engaged in publishing a series of articles bringing very serious charges against the administration of the department of

lands, immigration, and agriculture. The charges brought are of such a character as to call for immediate and searching inquiry. Señor Ferreira, of the department in question, has replied in the "Nacion," to the "Prensa's" attack, and altogether denies the assertions of the latter, and threatens criminal proceedings. We are so accustomed, however, to see strong denunciations followed by equally strong denials and then to hear no more about the matter, that we suppose it will be the same in this case.

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"What time is it, Juan?" "Six o'clock, señor." "Get up and buy the paper with the 'crime of the day.'" "El crimen del día," is the standing dish in the native papers. This is the style of thing: Fiorda loved Filomena, and she responded to this affection. They were married and lived happily until the fair one proved herself as fair as frail, and ran away with her husband's friend to Rosario. The husband returned and found his nest empty. He followed to Rosario and regained his mate and brought her back with him. Her lover, however, soon came after her and then the husband had both her lover and the unfaithful Filomena locked up for adultery. Late at night, however, he went to the police office and said he would forgive his wife and she was let out. She accompanied her husband home and during the night he stabbed her with twenty-four blows of a dagger. Such is the kind of tale the papers delight. The sequel is not the scaffold, but the murderer becomes one of the "active and intelligent" men in blue.

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There is a pretty little quarrel between the Bank of the Nacion and the Caja de Conversion, but it only reminds us of the old Latin grammar example, "The quarrels of lovers are the renewals of love."

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The "Times" has translated the "Standard's" time honoured joke about "enfeebled Europe" into the phrase "effete European civilisation." Poor Europe.

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If any of our readers should have to undergo a post mortem examination, it may be some consolation that they will undergo it at the Hospital de Clinicas, where there is a good assortment of instruments, and not, as has hitherto been the rule, be hacked and mangled at some comisaria.

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We have got a first rate Zoological Gardens and we are promised an equally first rate Botanical Gardens. Plans have been presented to the Lord Mayor and the work will be done under the accomplished direction of Drs. Holmberg and Berg.

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If anything were wanted to show the absurdity of duelling it could be supplied by the recent engagement between General Benavidez and Colonel Belisle. Seconds were duly named, General Reynolds and Col. Espina for the latter, and General Bosch and Dr. Delacasse for the former, but they could not decide who was the offended party, and to decide this delicate point a Court of Honour was elected, consisting of Dr. Aristobulo de Valle and Dr. Jorje Argerich. Even with a Court of Honour it was not possible to decide who was the offender, so that as six men could not settle it they called in a seventh and left it to him. This was Dr. Roque Saenz Peña, of would-like-to-be-president fame. He decided that Col. Belisle was the offended one, and then the duel was allowed to proceed. It was fought with cavalry swords, carefully selected, of Argentine pattern, until both were slightly wounded. Then the Doctors stepped in and declared that it was impossible for them to proceed further, and so honour was satisfied.

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The Nacional Health Board has nominated the following veterinary surgeons: Messrs. Bernier, Zuña, Bozzola, Martinez, and Villanueva as commissioners to study the question of import and export of animals, alive and dead, and to frame rules and regulations thereon.

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The idea of using the "Bon Marché" premises for a general post office, has to combat a rival scheme, which proposes the semi-circle of the old Aduana for the same purpose.

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The Grand Nacional Trainway Company reopened a portion of its lines on August 3rd. The route traversed by this company is from Plaza Constitución to the Retiro, Once, and Boca, and

from Palermo Gardens to the Once, Plaza Euskana and Recoleta; the Boca section is not yet ready.

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The "Nacion" makes a curious calculation of the characteristics of theatre goers. Out of 100 persons 17 are bald, 12 short sighted or wear an eye glass, 7 chew their walking sticks, 16 pass their hands through their hair or—well, the less said about their other peculiarities the better.

## DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL NOTES

I note that Massagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana" has now found its way to the San Martin, so the many who have been, to quote a contemporary, "unable to properly gauge the effect on a first night" will now possibly be able to gauge the merit, &c., of this powerfully written work, as this is the third performance within about ten days.

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Is the Opera Company going to stand alone in giving "L'Amico Fritz?" Surely the Bernis Company will produce this opera; yet, up to date, no announcement of it has appeared.

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"Otello" was, I hear, going strong at the Nacional last Saturday; duty, unfortunately kept me away, but I trust to be able to attend this week and give a detailed account in my next.

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The miserably depressing state of the weather during the past week has been playing havoc with the attendance at the theatres; nevertheless, in spite of rain and an amateur gale a goodly crowd, amongst whom were representatives of the Tophites, Oofamites, and the smart people, gathered at the "Salon La France" for the English Literary Society's entertainment on Wednesday last.

The programme was short and sweet, the first part consisting of an overture by the orchestra, a trio for violin, violincello and piano, by Messrs. Still, Thompson, and Barnes, and a song "Off to Philadelphia," by Mr. Harry Scott, who was in good voice and sang in fine form as an encore "Ho! Jolly Jenkins," Sullivan.

The "piece de resistance" was the old, old, "Cox and Box," the dramatic personae being "Bouncer," Mr. A. C. Mackenzie, "Box," Mr. A. P. Boyd, while the part of the sentimental hatter "Cox," was played by Mr. Woolley. Although hit was not too well acted, going too slow all through, this brisk little triumphetta was well received, and with a few more rehearsals would doubtless go with that life which is really the making of the performance.

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The Rosales fund is, I believe, now closed, the last performance in aid of same having taken place on Sunday at the Municipal Hall, Belgrano. Of the financial result I am ignorant (though an audience of some four to five hundred at an entrance of \$5 m.u. per head should show a good total), but of the musical I can frankly say it was a success, though there were sundry and divers disappointments and changes in the programme, Sta. Sara Blanco Villalba being an absentee, and the place of the violinist, Sr. F. Blanco, having to be filled.

The audience were considerably high toned, and it was evidently considered bad form to show any appreciation of the artistes' efforts, at least, so I should judge from the slight applause which rewarded the really good work of our best musicians, both amateurs and professionals.

Miss Lumb, the vocalist of the afternoon, brought forward one of Gounod's unjustly neglected songs, "Mignon," and followed it with an inimitable rendering of Denza's "Amami."

Sra. Praprotnik, who sings very sweetly, though she has a tendency to linger on her notes, as if she would like to live with them for ever, sang a pretty ballad in the first part.

Aguire's pianoforte playing was a great treat, for the Argentine executant was in magnificent form, and played divinely throughout, giving an astonishing performance of one of his own works.

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I am asked to remind intending visitors to the B.A. and R.R. Athletic Club's Entertainment in Belgrano on Saturday next, that a train will leave that station for the Central shortly after the conclusion of the performance.

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A special will be run from Quilmes to town, stopping at all intermediate stations, after the Quilmes Athletic Club's dance.

THE MAN IN THE STALLS.



# Buenos Aires Cricket Club Athletic Meeting

TO BE HELD AT

**Palermo, on Monday, August 15.**

(Under the auspices of the Amateur Athletic Association)

SUB-COMMITTEE:

- R. Ramsay
- C. R. C. Miller
- Juan Drysdale, jun.
- R. W. Anderson
- A. B. P. Boyd
- M. G. Fortune
- V. Ker Seymour

## PROGRAMME

The order in which the events will be run will be as follows:

- Heats—100 yards Open.
- " —100 yards Club.
- " —120 yards Open.
- 1. High Jump Running (Members only).
- 2. 100 Yards Flat Race, Final Heat (Members only).
- 3. Half Mile Handicap (Open to Members of Affiliated Clubs).
- 4. Throwing the Cricket Ball (Members only).
- 5. 120 Yards Flat Handicap, Final Heat (Open to Members of Affiliated Clubs).
- 6. Putting the Shot (Open to Members of Affiliated Clubs).
- 7. Quarter Mile Handicap (Open to Members of Affiliated Clubs).
- 8. 120 Yards Hurdle Race (Open to Members of Affiliated Clubs).
- 9. One Mile Handicap (Open to Members of Affiliated Clubs).
- 10. 100 Yards Flat Race, Final Heat (Open to Members of Affiliated Clubs).
- 11. Long Jump Running (Members only).
- 12. 440 Yards Flat Race (Members only).
- 13. Animal Race (Members only).
- 14. Boys' Race, under 16 years, 200 yards (Open to all recognised Schools).
- 15. Three-Legged Race (Members only).
- 16. 1000 Yards Steeplechase (Open to Members of Affiliated Clubs).
- 17. Consolation Race, 200 Yards (Open to all Competitors).

The first event will be run punctually at 11 o'clock, and the Prizes will be distributed after the last race.

Entrance to the Ground will be one dollar, Members of the Club being free, and Competitors' Tickets may be had on applying to Mr R. W. Anderson, 476 Piedad, Buenos Aires.

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# River Plate Sport and Pastime.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1892.

## SPORTING NOTES

Entry forms for the Rosario Athletic Meeting, on August 30th, may be obtained in this office.

I notice that the Cosmopolitan Race, in which English and Anglo-Argentines are barred, has been made for 440 yards; the All Fours' Race for 50 yards, and the Consolation Race for 250 yards: These distances have not hitherto appeared on the programme.

Dead heats are seldom heard of in yacht racing, but this unusual occurrence happened at the Royal Clyde Yacht Club's Regatta last month, when the Emperor of Germany's Meteor and Mr J. Jameson's Iverna sailed a dead heat for the match open to all Yachts exceeding a rating of 40 Y. R. A. measurement.

The same two yachts met again a few days later in a match of the same conditions under the auspices of the Clyde Corinthian Yacht Club, but

this time the Meteor won what is described as as a grand a match as could possibly be witnessed by one minute two seconds.

By the way I was surprised to see a writer in the "Standard of the 5th inst. say that "of course Emperor William's Yacht won on her merits at Cowes Regatta but the first impression is that she did not, as there are a lot of courtiers in the R. Y. S." Considering that the Royal Yacht Squadron is one of the first clubs in the world, and the Meteor, better known as the Thistle, is one of the best yachts of her rating afloat, the foregoing paragraph, which even our Argentine contemporaries severely criticised, was as unnecessary and as disloyal as it was silly.

As a matter of fact the Emperor William's yacht Meteor was beaten at Cowes by the Volunteer, instead of winning, as the "Standard" had it.

I read in one of our morning papers the other day that the celebrated yacht Sunbeam, belonging to Lord Brassey, had gone down under her crew in the Pacific Ocean. This Sunbeam, however, it appears, is a very different craft to Lord Brassey's well-known clipper, as she is of 100 tons only.

The weather last Sunday was much more suitable in every way for cricket than football, and the nets were up for the first time this season at Hurlingham, nine men turning up for practice. The wicket was in splendid order. The cricket ground looks remarkably well after the rain, and the fielding ground will be found very much improved since last year. I hope to see many a good match played at Hurlingham this season.

The Montevideo polo team which is expected here next Sunday, will play a team of the Belgrano Polo Club in the morning, and in the afternoon will go to Quilmes to play against the Athletic Club. Everything has been arranged for mounting the visitors for both matches.

The Montevideo Polo Club wish it to be understood that this team is only a scratch one, got up for the purpose, and is not a representative one of the Club. I hope some day soon the Montevideo Polo Club will be represented at one of our tournaments here in full force.

The handicaps for the Buenos Aires Cricket Club's meeting at Palermo next Monday will be found in another column. The races will commence at eleven o'clock sharp with the first heats of the hundred yards members and open races, and the hundred and twenty handicap. The events will be run off in the order published in the programme this week.

The prizes for the meeting are exceedingly handsome: three prizes will be given for the Mile, Quarter Mile, and Half Mile Races, all the remaining events will have two prizes except the animal race which has only one. The prizes will be distributed after the last race of the day.

I believe that a new method of firing horses has lately come into practice, and it has been lately successfully employed in the Royal Artillery at home. Instead of running the irons round the legs as is commonly done, a heated needle is passed right through the leg, between the sinew and the cannon bone, at the affected part. The operation leaves no mark whatever and the success it evidently meets with will no doubt be the means of it quite taking the place of the old and, after all, clumsy, method of firing, which, however carefully done, always disfigures a horse for life.

It is not often that two own sisters of following seasons turn out almost the best horses of their respective years, but this can be said of Thalia and Niobe. Last year the former was a very bad one to beat over a long course, and before the end of this season Niobe will perhaps have even achieved greater successes than did Thalia. The mating of Whipperin and Mnemosyne has been a wonderful success, and the sale of this year's youngster will be particularly interesting.

The complete programme for the Hurlingham meeting on September 8th will be found in another column. The Vayo Stakes were added to the programme by special request of several

owners of ponies and will I have no doubt prove a most interesting race.

I am authorised to state that the proposed amalgamation of the Quilmes Athletic and the Rovers Polo Clubs is now making rapid progress, and I hope to hear soon that it is "un fait accompli." The President of the Quilmes Athletic Club, Mr G. Marriott Woodgate, expressed his intention at the committee meeting of the club, held the other day, of doing his best to secure the co-operation of his members in bringing about the desired result.

Should the Quilmes Clubs unite together they will, no doubt, be able to secure a ground large enough for football, cricket, polo, and tennis in one inclosure, which will be quite a small Hurlingham, as both the Rovers and Quilmes Athletic are fairly well off for funds.

With reference to the proposed amalgamation I have received the following letter:

THE QUILMES ATHLETIC CLUB AND ROVERS CLUB AMALGAMATION.

Buenos Aires, August 9.

Dear Sir,—

As we believe that a statement was made at the last Committee meeting of the Athletic Club, to the effect that the members of the Hurlingham Club are averse to the proposed amalgamation with the Rovers Club.

We hereby request you to insert this letter in your next issue contradicting the above statement, as we, the undersigned, believe that the amalgamation would be greatly to the advantage of all concerned—Yours truly,

- CHARLES R. THURSBY
- H. C. CRUSOE
- R. W. ANDERSON
- HENRY S. ANDERSON
- J. M. MULLALLY
- T. B. SINCLAIR.

Socially and financially the Regatta in Dock No. 3 last Sunday was a great success. The number of people present was much greater than the promoters of the show had estimated, and the amount taken in entrances, etc., \$7,724, was in consequence greater than they had hoped for. The ships in the docks all displayed their bunting, the Chilean, North American, Italian and Spanish war ships all were crowded with visitors, more than a thousand people witnessing the regatta from the Conde de Vilana.

The racing calls for no comment, all the events were contested in tubs, and the absence of our best oarsmen made them uninteresting from a sporting point of view.

Mr C. Backmann, of the Buenos Aires Rowing Club, won the first race, of 600 metres, for single sculls, with Mr T. van Wernick second, Mr G. de Boer third, and Mr A. Backman fourth. A four-oared race of 600 metres was won by the boat of the Teutonic Club, with the B.A. Rowing Club's crew second, and the Tigre Boat Club third. Mr F. Hardman, B.A.R.C., won the canoe race, and Messrs J. van Houten and R. Briecks the double sculls. A race for man-of-war's boats with a crew of eight men was won by the U.S.S. Essex' boat, with that from La Argentina second, and the Chilean ship's, President Pinto, third. Messrs Roberts, Del Pino, Cerzon, and Coelho crewed the winning boat of the sixth race, and Mr Hardman won the last event, a canoe race, which was one of the best of the day.

The Mexican horses which have been employed to work the irrigation mills, when spavined and worn out are turned out upon the prairies to recover or to die. The habit of walking round has become so established in some of these worn-out animals: that after being months at liberty they may be seen "going the mill-track" by the half-hour at a time, as if unable to resist the acquired habit.

Are we not perhaps given too much to deride the gauchos for the ignorance they display as to the horses they have so much to do with, without "plucking out the moat which is in our own eye." I have come across many Englishmen who own horses and yet know absolutely nothing about them, and what is more, don't seem to want to, and have the most extraordinary ideas concerning them.

Many men do not know that a horse's stomach is as small as their own, as a matter of fact, I believe it is even smaller, and that therefore he should not be allowed to go for very long without food, or have too much given him at one time after a long fast. In this respect the gaucho trainer does the very best thing possible for his charges, when he keeps giving them nibbles of carefully picked green and dry alfalfa with small feeds of maize almost all day long.

It is not generally known too that water is the principal necessary for a horse's digestion, and it is consequently cruel to keep him long without water as many men do on a journey under the impression that it is impossible for him to gallop after a good drink. A horse naturally would be about as much good for a race after swallowing a bucket of water as an athlete would be for a long run after drinking a bottle of ginger beer, but a few go down whenever an opportunity occurs does not the least harm though many will tell you the contrary.

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OUR PHOTOTYPE

The phototype portraits which we publish this week will we think be found as interesting as any we have hitherto published. That the River Plate should have an Amateur Athletic Association of its own says a great deal for the interest taken in athletics by the whole of the English-speaking population, and though we should have liked to have seen the performances at the first meeting held under its auspices much better than they were at Hurlingham last May, many things militated against it, but, as we said at the time, it was much better to begin modestly and go on improving than to establish records which would in future be very difficult to equal or beat, and which would to a certain extent discourage young athletes from taking part in the future championships.

As will be remembered, neither the mile nor half mile were completed within the times specified by the Association so no championship medals were given for these distances, and since the meeting it has been arranged to have the championships decided for them at the coming Rosario meeting on August 30. We are sorry not to be able to include the portraits of the champions for these two events in our phototype.

Of the six champions the best performance perhaps was made by Mr E. Danvers in the hurdle race, who in spite of losing a shoe at the second hurdle finished in the capital time of 17 1/3 secs.

Mr H. Cornwall, putting in very business like style, put the 16 lb shot 93 ft 7 1/2 in, and if he had been in form instead of having just recovered from influenza, he would, no doubt, have been able to have done much better.

Mr E. P. Rowland, who is so widely known as a first-rate performer, like Mr Cornwall, had only a few days previously been laid up with influenza; he won the Quarter Mile Championship in 58 1/3 secs, though he has completed the distance in little over 50 secs on previous occasions.

Mr J. Ravenscroft, the best all round sportsman in the River Plate, and a very bad one to beat at any game or sport, cleared a little over 18 feet for the Long Jump Championship.

Mr H. Alexander, of Montevideo, where he has won many prizes and medals, took both the Pole Jump and Throwing the Hammer. In the former he cleared 8 ft 0 in, and threw 63 ft 9 in for the latter; both of these performances he will, no doubt, improve on greatly at the next championship meeting.

Mr W. C. Graham, the 100 yards champion, made a successful appearance at a Buenos Aires Athletic Meeting for the first time; he secured the hundred yards medal in 105 1/4 secs.

An old athlete, who was a bad one to beat in his day, Mr E. T. Christian, as President of the Athletic Association, has done a great deal to help on athletics in this country, and in conjunction with Mr E. Danvers, the hon secretary, has been most successful in compiling the handicaps, a task which is as difficult as it is thankless.

FOOTBALL

FIXTURES.

ASSOCIATION

- Monday, Aug. 15—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Montevideo, at Buenos Aires.
- Sunday, Aug. 14—Rosario A.C. v. Quilmes A.C., at Rosario.
- Mondav, Aug. 15—Roldan A.C. v. Quilmes A.C., at Roldan.
- Sunday, Aug. 21—Quilmes A.C. v. Buenos Aires F.C., at Flores.
- Sunday, Aug. 28—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Buenos Aires and R. Ry. A.C., at Belgrano.
- Sunday, Aug. 31—Buenos Aires and Rosario Ry. A.C. v. Lomas Academy A.C., at Lomas.
- Sunday, Sept. 4—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Quilmes F.C., at Quilmes.

The following will represent the Buenos Aires Association Football Club in their match against Montevideo next Monday, at Belgrano:  
 Murphy, goal.  
 B. M. Knox, H. Gordon, full backs.  
 A. Skelton, L. Woolly, M. Macadam, half backs.  
 A. J. Hughes, H. Tudor, W. Agar, B. Guy, B. B. Syer, forwards.

The Montevideo team will consist of—  
 J. Stewart, goal.  
 Bowles and Hunt, full backs.  
 Gamon, Hogge, and Adam, half backs.  
 Scoones, Hunt, Poole, Dunbar, and Faram, forwards.  
 J. Alexander, referee.  
 The match will commence at 11.30 o'clock.

RUGBY

ENGLAND & IRELAND v. SCOTLAND & WALES

The return International Match between teams representing the above countries was played, on Sunday last, on the pretty ground of the Quilmes Athletic Club, before three or four hundred spectators, the fair sex especially being very well represented, in fact, we do not think we have ever seen a football match in this country attract so many people as did that of Sunday.

There were a few alterations in the teams as published previously, but on paper the game promised to be a very close one. The subsequent play, however, proved otherwise, as England never really had a look in, and the ball was nearly the whole time in their half, indeed, we might almost say in their 25.

Bennett won the toss for Scotland, and elected to defend the Quilmes end goal, with a slight wind in his favour, and Kennard kicked off at 2.30. Fothergill returned, and Jones made his mark and dropped, and the ball was worked into mid-field, where several scrimmages now took place. The Scotch forwards, headed by Goodfellow, here made a rush down the ground, but Rath saved well, and from a scrimmage in the English 25 Fothergill kicked behind, forcing England to touch down. Tucker kicked off, and from Bennett's return Rath made a good run, punting well down the touch line. The Scotch forwards now returned well to the attack again, and from a scrimmage in front of goal A. Anderson got possession but passed forward. Jacobs returned with a short run, ending with a drop kick which Norwood followed up. Scotland was awarded a free kick for an offside, but Fothergill, taking the place, failed at goal. Some useful kicking on the part of Rath and Coubrough was now witnessed, after which Fothergill making a short run and kicking behind forced England to touch down again in self defence. The English team's efforts continued to prove futile as Scotland kept the ball well within their 25. Scotland was here awarded another free kick, but without direct result, and from a scrimmage in front of goal A. Anderson got possession, passed to Coubrough who, however, was well stopped by Rath, and Lees getting the ball ran in and touched down amidst great applause. Fothergill converted the try into the major point.

Kennard restarted the ball, but it was immediately brought back into the English 25 and, after some scrimmages, dribbled over the line, Rath again having to touch down; the whistle sounding for half time with the score, therefore, Scotland and Ireland one goal, or five points to nil.

After the usual interval, Goodfellow kicked off, and Fothergill getting possession for a time things looked dangerous. The England team, however, were intent on regaining some of their lost ground, but though their forwards played up splendidly and held their opponents in the scrimmage they were outclassed in the open. Boardman made a useful run here and passed well to Jacobs, who got past every one of his opponents, but experienced very hard lines in dropping the ball and handing it forward. A scrimmage was formed right in front of the Scotch goal, but the Scotch forwards were equal to the occasion, and a well combined run by G. Anderson and Corry Smith relieved the situation, though Rath stopped well. The Scotch forwards again made a rush down the field and a scrimmage was formed on the goal line; Nisbet getting the ball transferred it to A. Anderson, who dropped in and touched down right behind the posts. Fothergill took the place, but failed badly to convert. Jacobs kicked off, and Coubrough returned well into touch in England's 25. Lees got away with the ball, and passed to Fothergill, who in turn sent it on to A. Anderson, the latter player getting in again within five minutes of the other try. Fothergill made a good attempt at converting but failed.

From the kick off England held a greater advantage than they had perhaps hitherto done, both Rath and Boardman putting in some excellent work, as also did Tucker and Jacobs. The Scotch forwards, however, were not to be denied, and very quickly brought the ball back to the English 25, when G. Anderson crossed the line, nothing ensuing, however, as it was a touch in goal. A few seconds later the whistle sounded for time leaving Scotland and Wales victorious by nine points, a goal and two tries to nil.

The result of the game was entirely owing to the good passing of the Scotch backs, and although the England team individually all worked hard all through the game, they showed a great lack of combination.

For Scotland, Bennett at back played his usual careful game; A. Anderson at three-quarter was very good, feeding his wings with great judgment, whilst Lees as half played remarkably well. It is almost invidious to say anything about the forwards when all were so good, but if anything Corry Smith, Goodfellow, G. Anderson, and Kinch were the best.

For England, Rath at back was conspicuous, both running and kicking well he saved his goal over and over again. Jacobs was the best of the three-quarters, whilst forward Boardman, Gilderdale, Kennard, and Frost were the pick of the basket.

A pleasing feature of the game was the friendly and sportsmanlike way in which it was played throughout. Mrs G. Marriott Woodgate dispensed tea and cake in her usual hospitable manner, the teams showing their appreciation of her kindness by giving her three hearty cheers.

Mr R. W. Anderson proved an efficient referee; Mr W. H. Masters and Mr H. N. Hemans were the touch judges.

The teams were as follows:  
 England and Ireland:  
 P. Rath, back.  
 F. Jacobs, F. Jones, and J. T. Tucker, three-quarter backs.  
 C. F. Kennard and W. Norwood, half backs.  
 G. C. Kennard, M. F. Gilderdale, H. Cornwall, F. Boardman, H. Dale, D. Frost, and A. G. Thorton, forwards.

Scotland and Wales:  
 F. J. Bennett, back.  
 F. D. Fothergill, W. F. Coubrough, and A. Anderson, three-quarter backs.  
 T. M. Lees and Wilson, half backs.  
 G. Anderson, L. Corry Smith, A. G. Goodfellow, Perch, J. Hannay, E. T. Kinch, J. Todd, F. Roberts and Miller, forwards.

ASSOCIATION

B.A. & R. RY. A.C. v. QUILMES A.C.

What proved to be a splendidly contested match took place yesterday between the above clubs, before a fair gathering of spectators; a good deal of interest being naturally attached to it, as it was practically the last important inter-club match of the season.

At 1.10, Belgrano having won the toss, Leslie kicked off for Quilmes, when a series of give-and-take play took place. Guy and W. Leslie on either side being responsible for some good runs, which Roberts and Knox on their respective sides counteracted, the latter putting in some powerful kicks. After 15 minutes play, Hughes on his wing came away with a fine run, and when well in his opponents' territory transferred to Fraser, who immediately passed to Guy, the latter scoring a clever goal. Play from this till half time was fast and slightly in favour of the home team, the brothers Leslie and Lamont frequently beating the opposing backs.

After the usual interval at half time, Singleton set the leather a-rolling, and W. Leslie getting possession ran on, and put in a hot one to Masters, who saved capitally, and by a splendid throw sent the ball to Guy, who passed to Hughes, whose shot at goal went wide.

Nothing of note occurred after this, and a splendidly contested match resulted in favour of the Railway Club by one goal to nil.

For the winners, Masters in goal was as usual safe, whilst Roberts, Whitworth and Singleton as backs could not be better. Of the forwards, Guy and Hughes, ably seconded by Williams and Fraser, played finely; Syer was good, but not in his usual form.

For Quilmes, Knox and Gordon did all they could to avert defeat, whilst the forwards one and all played well.

Mrs Woodgate kindly dispensed tea.

The following were the teams:

B.A. & R. Ry.—  
 W. H. Masters, goal.  
 Whitworth and Singleton, full backs.  
 Roberts, Cripps, and McAdam, half backs.  
 Fraser, Guy, Syer, Hughes, and Williams, forwards.

Quilmes—  
 F. H. Carter, goal.  
 Knox and Gordon, full backs.  
 Angus, Todd, and Reynolds, half backs.  
 W. Leslie, G. Leslie, Lamont, Moffat, and another, forwards.

ATHLETICS

The following are the official handicaps for the Buenos Aires Cricket Club's Athletic Meeting at Palermo, next Monday, the 15th:

No. 3—Half Mile Handicap:

F. E. Wharton,	scratch	P. A. Halsall	30 yds
G. C. Kennard	5 yds	F. W. S. Tucker	30 "
G. A. Thompson	15 "	A. J. Paterson	30 "
F. W. Fothergill	15 "	F. E. Jones	35 "
F. H. Jacobs	20 "	E. W. D. Hannay	35 "
J. M. Lees	20 "	L. Nobill	40 "
F. H. Godwin	20 "	R. W. Anderson	40 "
H. C. J. Linsdell	20 "	A. Boyd	40 "
J. C. Booth	30 "	F. Kruls	40 "
H. Cornwall	30 "	A. Lace	50 "
P. M. Rath	30 "	M. G. Fortune	60 "

No. 5—120 Yards Flat Handicap:

First Heat	
A. W. MacLachlan	scratch
A. J. Paterson	6 yds
P. M. Rath	6 "
G. T. Cripps	8 yds
A. Lace	10 "
E. Glover	12 "

Second Heat

F. W. Fothergill	2 yds	F. E. Jones	7 yds
A. Boyd	6 "	F. J. Balfour	8 "
H. Cornwall	6 1/2 "		

Third Heat

C. C. Cox	5 yds	C. Thompson	8 yds
S. Gibson	6 "	F. Kruls	9 1/2 "
G. C. Kennard	7 "		

Fourth Heat

W. E. Coubrough	5 yds	R. W. Anderson	8 1/2 yds
P. H. Vargas	6 "	L. Nobill	9 1/2 "
T. M. Lees	7 "		

No. 7—Quarter Mile Handicap:

F. W. Fothergill	scratch	F. E. Jones	18 yds
P. M. Rath	5 yds	P. H. Vargas	20 "
G. A. Thompson	9 "	A. J. Paterson	20 "
G. T. Cripps	10 "	A. Boyd	20 "
G. C. Kennard	12 "	F. Atkinson	30 "
A. Packham	15 "	R. W. Anderson	22 "
E. Luck	15 "	L. Nobili	28 "
H. Cornwall	16 "	F. Krull	28 "
T. M. Lees	18 "	A. Lace	28 "

No. 9—One Mile Handicap:

E. G. Wharton	scratch	A. Anderson	60 yds
G. C. Kennard	20 yds	S. Gibson	65 "
G. A. Thompson	30 "	H. Cornwall	65 "
H. C. J. Lindsell	35 "	F. E. Jones	70 "
F. H. Godwin	40 "	F. W. S. Tucker	70 "
F. L. Barnes	45 "	T. M. Lees	75 "
F. H. Jacobs	50 "	L. Nobili	80 "
J. C. Booth	50 "	R. W. Anderson	85 "
E. W. D. Hannay	50 "	A. Lace	90 "
A. J. Paterson	50 "	A. Boyd	90 "
F. W. Fothergill	55 "	M. G. Fortune	100 "

No. 14—Boys' Race 200 Yards, Handicap:

L. Nobili	scratch	G. A. Christian	18 yds
D. Gibson	5 yds	G. Krull	20 "
J. Murphy	4 "	J. Fraser	20 "
H. Cowan	5 "	F. Bond	22 "
E. G. Christian	7 "	C. Gibson	27 "
A. Quirk	8 "	W. Morgan	30 "
L. Jacobs	9 "	W. Jacobs	36 "
E. Glover	12 "	E. Gibson	51 "
T. Buchanan	13 "	P. Schnitz	65 "
W. Malin	14 "		

The following are the Heats for the 100 yards Open and the 100 yards Club Races:

No. 2—100 Yards Flat Race (Members only):

First Heat		Second Heat	
A. Lace		G. C. Kennard	
C. C. Cox		W. E. Coumbrough	
A. Boyd		F. E. Jones	
R. W. Anderson		M. G. Fortune	
J. Gifford		F. W. Atkinson	

No. 10—100 Yards Flat Race, Open:

First Heat		Second Heat	
A. Lace		G. A. Thompson	
C. C. Cox		F. A. Jones	
A. Boyd		A. W. MacLachlan	
R. W. Anderson		F. J. Balfour	
G. C. Kennard		F. W. Fothergill	

THE PRIZE FIGHT

TOM BALL—JACK ASHTON

That the noble art of self-defence is gaining ground among us is evident from the immense gathering at the Doria Theatre on Monday night to witness the meeting between Tom Ball and a hitherto "unknown" Jack Ashton. The theatre was crowded, and at an early hour nearly all the better seats were sold. It would be invidious and impossible to report the names of all those present, it must suffice to say that the gathering comprised the elite of our financial, sporting and social Anglo-American society, together with a considerable number of well-known Argentine gentlemen.

The proceedings opened with a song and breakdown by Mr Colbourne, both being well rendered.

The next item was a friendly spar between Messrs Dibbel and Moger, which was well appreciated. Moger has improved somewhat since his last appearance at the La France Rooms, and with practice might soon be able to hold his own against his opponent. As it was, however, Dibbel had all the best of the sparring, and showed to advantage.

Franklin the coloured man and Antonio Moté (Oriental) next appeared to decide which was the better man in a wrestling bout. It was at once apparent that the meeting could only end in one way, inasmuch as Moté only scales 75 kilos as compared to Franklin's weight of 92, and the latter looked very tough, although a little on the fat side. In the first round neither could get hold, but in the second Moté closed in, giving the black his opportunity, which he at once seized and getting hold easily threw his opponent.

Our friend Liston—better known as "Jamaica Jack"—then made his appearance, and delighted the company with his tricks with the chairs, seizing them in his teeth and turning somersaults with them, until those looking on began to think that there is more in the Darwinian theory than it is given credit for. Jack's performance is very clever, and would bring tears to the eyes of a certain bull pup we have seen at a distance in Belgrano.

This was followed by what was termed a friendly spar between Edmonds, of Plymouth, and Nossy, of London. Both men did their best to please, but so much hard hitting was quite unnecessary, and prevented them from showing any of the science that either of them may be possessed of.

A movement on the stage foreshadowed the commencement of proceedings for the *pièce de résistance*, and after some parleying, and many suggestions, Mr C. T. Getting consented, amid general applause, to act as Referee, backed by Messrs Calvo and Jolliffe as Judges, and Messrs Still and Davis as Timekeepers. This arrangement seemed to meet with general approbation, and the men took their corners.

Ball looked, as he generally does, fit and well, but a little on the flabby side. Ashton appeared hard, and looked as if he could take a lot of beating, his reach and height being much in his favour.

On time being called, the men set about each other merrily, Ball dancing about as usual, and running round his opponent, but little damage was done to either at the call of "corners."

The 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th rounds all accounted for their share of hitting, Ball appeared to tire, and Ashton plainly showed the marks of his opponent's play about the face and body.

At the commencement of the 6th round Ball seemed very much played out, and he can congratulate himself that Ashton was not in better condition, but both of them were too much done up to do any great damage.

After the 7th round Ball seemed to get his second wind, and severely punished his opponent during the 8th and 9th rounds. In the 10th round the hitting was very wild, until Ashton stumbling, Ball hitting him with the right followed it with a very severe although rather wild cutting up blow with the left, which Ashton received full in the face and which practically finished the fight, as in the following round, it was apparent to all that Ashton was beaten, and although he came up to time, he cried "enough" before the round finished.

The winner fought well, but we repeat that when he does happen to meet a man who knows how to use his hands, he will find his mistake in his continued rushing all over the ring, and his still worse habit of approaching his opponent with his guard down.

The loser fought well and received a lot of punishment very pluckily. His condition must have been good to have stood the treatment he received. Ashton is a well made lad, and with a little more science and quickness in the use of his hands, should be quite able to give a better account of himself on another occasion.

A purse was afterwards made up for the loser, and everybody left satisfied with a very pleasant evening's amusement.

POLO

MONTEVIDEO.

A practice game took place on Sunday, eleven members turning up. The ground was rather heavy after the late rains, and the going was not as good as it might have been. Two quarters were played against the scratch team which is going to Buenos Aires to play next Sunday. Gillemard playing instead of Bennett.

The sides were as follows:

Chocolates.	Greens.
1. J. Gillemard.	1. J. Wright.
2. E. Danvers.	2. R. Arteaga.
3. A. Davie.	3. L. Owen.
F. Henderson (back).	F. Davis (back).

At the commencement the Chocolates took the lead, Danvers taking the ball up the ground centred to Gillemard, who put it through. Davie then made a good run and scored the second goal.

Arteaga and Owen now took the ball down to the Chocolates' quarters, but Henderson saved, and took the ball up the ground and scored the third point.

Soon after this Davie took the ball down the ground and shot for goal, but the ball was going wide when Davie, trying to get it away from the goal, hit it through. Score—4 goals to nil.

On commencing the second quarter Arteaga started with a good run, but Henderson saved. Owen then got possession but could not score, the ball passing behind. The Chocolates then pressed the Greens and hit behind three times, the shots for goal being all wide.

Owen then got on the ball, and making a good run put it through, scoring the first goal for his side. The Chocolates, however, were not to be denied, and the game was kept for the rest of the match around the Greens' post. Gillemard scoring just before time, the Chocolates were left the winners by 5 goals to 1.

The following then cut in: Messrs Yarrow, Benedict, and Steward, when two more quarters were played, but the play was not as fast as in the preceding quarters, there being too much standing on the ball.

GOLF

The fine weather brought the lovers of the "Royal and Ancient" out in force betimes on Sunday. The green was in splendid order, and does great credit to its creator and keeper, Lacey. The best matches played were Fortune against John Gibson, which Fortune won by 4 up and 3 to play, he also won the bye; his round was 45.

A foursome between John Gibson and Gumpert and Deedsale and Clinie fell to the latter couple at the sixth hole, by 5 up and 3 to play, they also won the bye by 1.

In the afternoon, Williamson, in a match against Fortune, beat his own record by going round in 43: his score comprised 7 fives and 2 fours. He won his match easily.

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RACING

BELGRANO—AUGUST 7.

We have seldom seen a more successful meeting than the one held last Sunday, at Belgrano where no races have now taken place for over a month. The afternoon was a lovely one as regards weather, and the attendance in consequence was unusually large, many ladies graced the course and stands, and many smart turnouts showed that good times are apparently returning. The Betting houses did good business, over a hundred and fifty thousand tickets being sold on the six events, so the Hipodromo Nacional Club must have profited considerably by the meeting.

Proceedings commenced with the Premio Moron for which sixteen started. The field was left away to one of the worst starts we have ever seen, so bad was it in fact that we hope the official with the flag dropped his weapon through nervousness when he really did not intend to do so. Wolff got away in front of the procession and had consequently little difficulty in scoring a win, with Frobisher and Regina behind him. Chilliarch won the second race without ever being headed from Arazá and Esmeralda, the start again being a wretched one. This brought us to the race of the day the Gran Premio Hipodromo Nacional value eight thousand dollars, for the youngsters who the week before ran as two-year-olds but have now added another year to their age. Araucano was made a great favourite, a good long way ahead of the Buenos Aires pair Niobe and Clovis, who in turn were much more fancied than Danton; none of the remaining six competitors carrying much of the public money. Danton delayed the start for some time by his factiousness at the post, but when at length he was made to join the others, the flag was dropped to an excellent start. Thain was the first in front, but was soon passed by Clovis who took up the running at a good pace. Before rounding the last turn Araucano was sent to the front, he and Clovis soon holding a considerable lead. About five hundred yards from the post Niobe was seen coming up in a most determined fashion and when the field was well into the straight she appeared to have matters pretty safe. Passing the paddock she beat Araucano and coming away at every stride won a grand race by a good length and a half, Clovis only a third part of a length or so behind Araucano, with Mondaine fourth, about the same distance behind him. The race leaves little doubt that the daughter of Whipperin and Mnemosyne is as good in every way as her sister Thalia who was described by us by her trainer Frazer, exactly this time last year, as the best stayer for a three-year-old he had ever trained. With many of the cracks of the year *hors de combat* and out of form we predict that Niobe will have placed one or two more of the classic events to her credit before the season closes. Sargento won a good race in the Premio Mercedes after a closish finish with Amazon, and the same way also be said of Nubifer in the Premio Moreno, though Golondrina almost got her nose in front on the post. Brandy Snap carried off the Premio Bragado from Buridan and Regina who ran a dead heat and terminated a most enjoyable days racing.

Details: PREMIO MORON, a handicap for horses which having run have not won more than \$3000, \$1300 to the 1st, 200 to the second, 1300 metres.

General Paz' bh Woolf by Leonidas—Midge	
4 yrs 51 ks. .... J. Olmos	1
Stud Argentino's Frobisher 4 yrs 48 ks. .... A. Aquino	2 1/2
Ecurie Prisonero's Regina 4 yrs 52 ks. .... P. Orona	2 1/2
Sr. E. Casal's Gorrión 4 yrs 56 ks. .... R. Garrido	0
Capitan Lopez' Corsario 4 yrs 55 ks. .... N. Grigera	0
Capitan Lopez' Centella 4 yrs 50 ks. .... P. Aguilera	0
Mr W. Kemmis' Glenvale 4 yrs 53 ks. .... J. Brasero	0
Mr Manton's Gitana 4 yrs 53 ks. .... D. Castillo	0
Stud Nacional's North of Warwick 7 yrs 53 ks	
F. Castillo	0
Stud La Tablada's Hierofant 4 yrs 52 ks. .... P. Lara	0
Stud Niño Dorado's Monk 5 yrs 50 ks. .... Martinez	0
Stud Forestor's Liniers 4 yrs 49 ks. .... S. Gil	0
Stud Kleber's Kleber 5 yrs 45 ks. .... L. Gonzalez	0
Stud Paine's Lucifer 5 yrs 44 ks. .... J. Bayardi	0
Stud San Juan's Halcon 5 yrs 44 ks. .... A. Saavedra	0
Sr. Amare's Fleurette 7 yrs 40 ks. .... S. Gonzalez	0

From a wretched start Woolf got well away in front and making the whole of the running won by half a length from Frobisher and Regina who ran a dead heat.

Tickets—Woolf 500 win and 879 place, Frobisher 205 and 117, Regina 918 and 1222, Gorrión 969 and 1225, Corsario and Centella 968 and 1488, Glenvale 93 and 96, Gitana 132 and 210, North of Warwick 399 and 755, Hierofant 117 and 195, Monk 101 and 178, Liniers 280 and 369, Kleber 45 and 689, Lucifer 399 and 102, Halcon 280 and 424, Fleurette 47 and 63.

Dividends—Woolf \$19.59 win and 5.60 place, Frobisher 10.58 place, Regina 4.59 place.

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

Ecurie Titan's b h Chilliarch, by Childerie—	
Love Look 4 yrs 51 ks	J. Olmos 1
Stud Boqueron's Arazá 5 yrs 56 ks	J. Garri 2
La Petite Ecurie's Esmeralda 4 yrs 52 ks	P. Torres 3
Mr Manton's Tedworth 6 yrs 60 ks	V. Livesey 0
Ecurie Ceres' Ceres 4 yrs 55 ks	D. Diaz 0
Ecurie Prisonero's Pirata 4 yrs 48 ks	P. Orón 0
Stud Forester's Joseph 6 yrs 45 ks	S. Gil 0

The flag was dropped to another wretched start. Chilliarch got away in front and never being headed throughout won by half a length from Arazá, who was only a head in front of Esmeralda.

Tickets—Chilliarch with 2244 win and 2454 place, Arazá 1486 and 1421, Esmeralda 1451 and 1399, Tedworth 238 and 169, Ceres 623 and 680, Pirata 782 and 699, Joseph 496 and 508.

Dividends—Chilliarch \$5.57 win and 3.10 place, Arazá 3.91 place.

GRAN PREMIO HIPÓDROMO NACIONAL, for three-year-olds; \$7000 to the 1st, 700 to the 2nd, 300 to the 3rd; 1900 metres.

Stud Buenos Aires' ch f Niobe, by Whipper	
In—Mnemosyne, 54 k	J. Cruz 1
Stud Paine's Araucano, 56 k	G. Palacios 2
Stud Buenos Aires' Clovis, 56 k	J. Olmos 3
Stud Bolivar's Mondaine, 54 k	A. Sanchez 0
Capitan Lopez' Thain, 56 k	J. Garri 0
Capitan Lopez' Whitethorn, 54 k	R. Garrido 0
Stud Las Ortigas' Artichaud, 56 k	J. Balla 0
Stud La Prensa's Rivadavia, 56 k	Cardoso 0
Ecurie Montevideo's Montevideo, 56 k	A. Sanchez 0
La Petite Ecurie's Danton, 56 k	P. Torres 0

The lot were dispatched to a capital start. Thain was first to show in front, but before long Clovis took up the running closely followed by Araucano, these two holding a good lead of the others at the 1000 metre post. Rounding the last bend Niobe crept slowly up, and when fairly in the straight had only Araucano, who was now leading, to beat. At the paddock Niobe was in front, and drawing away won easily by a length and a half from Araucano, who was a length and a half in front of Clovis; Mondaine was fourth.

Tickets—Niobe and Clovis with 3667 win and 5021 place, Araucano 5104 and 5192, Mondaine 511 and 1037, Thain and Whitethorn 364 and 663, Artichaud 271 and 587, Rivadavia 107 and 149, Montevideo 363 and 907, Danton 1056 and 1759.

Dividends—Niobe \$5.91 win and 2.43 place, Araucano 2.42 place, Mondaine 4.12 place.

PREMIO MERCEDES, a handicap for winners; weight between 65 and 48 kilos; \$2500 to the 1st, 500 to the 2nd; 2100 metres.

Ecurie Prisonero's ch h Sargento, by Barcaldine—	
Armoric, 4 yrs, 49 k	P. Orón 1
Stud Las Ortigas' Amazon, 8 yrs, 53 k	J. Balla 2
Capitan Lopez' Robert le Diable, 4 yrs, 48 k	P. Aguilera 3
Stud Entre Rios' Satanella, 4 yrs, 56 k	J. Garri 0
La Petite Ecurie's Alerta, 5 yrs, 52 k	P. Torres 0
Ecurie Talisman's Calandria, 5 yrs, 50 k	J. Cruz 0
Sr F. C. Malbran's Mudo, 4 yrs, 50 k	G. Gil 0
Ecurie Chantilly's Mio, 6 yrs, 50 k	P. Diaz 0
Ecurie Indecis' Infernal, 4 yrs, 48 k	J. Olmos 0

The field ran together, with Sargento a little in advance, to the last bend, when Amazon joined the leader. Coming into the straight Robert le Diable took third place, and in this order they finished. Sargento winning by a length from Amazon, half a length separated second and third.

Tickets—Sargento with 2036 win and 1561 place, Amazon 2158 and 1941, Robert le Diable 104 and 170, Satanella 2259 and 2655, Alerta 971 and 1794, Calandria 741 and 924, Mudo 719 and 798, Mio 359 and 748, Infernal 679 and 1115.

Dividends—Sargento \$8.86 win and 4.94 place, Amazon 4.35 place, Robert le Diable 28.82 place.

PREMIO MORENO, a handicap for horses that have won more than \$10,000, \$2000 to the 1st, 1600 metres.

Sr. J. M. Villanueva's ch h Nubifer by Fedor	
Nubienne 5 yrs 52 ks	D. Diaz 1
Mr Manton's Golondrina 5 yrs 58 ks	J. Cardoso 2
Ecurie Salisman's Myosotis 5 yrs 53 ks	S. Gil 3
Stud Buenos Aires' Santa Lucia 4 yrs 53 ks	J. Cruz 0
Ecurie Talisman's Sirince 5 yrs 50 ks	J. Bayardi 0
Stud San Jorge's Blackfriar 6 yrs 52 ks	G. Palacios 0
Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Araucaria 5 yrs 45 ks	J. Olmos 0
Ecurie Prisonero's Mariscal 7 yrs 51 ks	P. Torres 0
Ecurie Prisonero's Soldado 5 yrs 49 ks	P. Orón 0
Ecurie Montevideo's Nelly 8 yrs 50 ks	P. Lara 0

Nubifer took the lead from the start and in spite of a splendid effort on the part of Golondrina at the finish won by a head, half a length separated second and third.

Tickets—Nubifer and Araucaria 1691 win and 2064 place, Golondrina 870 and 933, Myosotis and Sirince 1182 and 1497, Santa Lucia 2409 and 2239, Blackfriar 1770 and 1915, Mariscal and Soldado 1717 and 2160, Nelly 643 and 570.

Dividends—Nubifer \$10.83 win and 5.24 place, Golondrina 9.18 place.

PREMIO BRAGADO, a handicap for any horse that has not won more than \$10,000, \$1800 to the 1st; 1900 metres.

Capitan Lopez' b h Brandy Snap by Sweetbread—	
Lass O'Gowrie 4 yrs 53 ks	P. Torres 1
Stud Indecis' Buridan 5 yrs 55 ks	L. Diaz 2
Ecurie Bolivar's Reina 5 yrs 50 ks	P. Aguilera 3
Stud Niño Dorado's Pertoldi 6 yrs 45 ks	J. Olmos 0

Stud Argentino's Gerente 5 yrs 43 ks

Stud La Tablada's La Capital 4 yrs 40 ks	C. Bueno 0
	D. Castillo 0

As soon as the flag was dropped Brandy Snap went to the front, and after making the whole of the running won by a length from Reina and Buridan who ran a dead heat for second honours.

Tickets—Brandy Snap 2731 win and 2151 place, Buridan 2343 and 1498, Reina 2429 and 1516, Pertoldi 1071 and 1002, Gerente 617 and 555, La Capital 411 and 323.

Dividends—Brandy Snap \$6.28 win and 2.54 place, Buridan 2.38 place, Reina 2.34 place.

DERBY CLUB SPORT PORTEÑO

	WIN	PLACE	WIN	PLACE
Premio Moran—				
Wolf	\$25.65	\$14.05	\$32.45	\$15.60
Regina		7.75		7.35
Frobisher		13.20		31.20
Premio Merlo—				
Chilliarch	8.20	3.20	9.80	2.80
Arazá		3.45		4.60
Esmeralda		3.40		4.15
Premio Hipódromo Nacional—				
Niobe	9.95	3.40	9.45	3.05
Araucano		2.15		2.40
Clovis		9.05		7.05
Premio San Fernando—				
Sargento	11.25	4.65	13.00	4.45
Amazon		3.40		3.80
Robert le Diable		40.00		106.75
Premio Mercedes—				
Nubifer	50.45	9.55	34.15	16.40
Golondrina		8.40		5.85
Myosotis		20.45		20.55
Premio Bragado—				
Brandy Snap	6.90	2.00	7.50	2.55
Reina		5.70		3.00
Buridan		3.45		42.5

RUGBY FOOTBALL

A REVIEW OF THE PAST SEASON.

Rugby football for 1892 having closed with the return International match at Quilmes, a short review of the season's performances will not be unacceptable.

We can certainly congratulate the various clubs and their officials on the number of matches played and the class of football exhibited. At least double the number of matches of any previous season were played, and the interest shown in them was very keen. A good deal of this was caused by the comparatively new clubs of Quilmes and Lomas, who, for the first time, played a regular succession of matches, and we cannot too highly acknowledge the energy and management of both of these clubs. In addition, the team put in the field by the London Bank was a new combination, which, though naturally composed of members of other clubs, materially contributed to the success of the season.

The class of the play has also distinctly improved, following naturally on the increased opportunities for practice. Some of the loose scrimmaging was worthy of high praise, and the passing of the backs and also of some of the forwards in the more important matches was occasionally extremely good.

We should like to have seen more dropping at goal, but as dropping has declined in England, we cannot wonder at it not being more cultivated here.

The place kicking, however, has been certainly above the average, both Jacobs and Fothergill showing talents of a high order, indeed the former's record is little short of phenomenal.

Turning to the season's results, it was early evident that Buenos Aires F.C., with its best team, would have a strong side, probably the best in the history of the club, and this was clearly shown in the two matches with their old opponents at Rosario. The first game resulted in a win by four goals and a try, the record score in these matches, and the return at Rosario, though hardly contested, also resulted in a win for B.A. by a comfortable margin of six points. The usual matches with Montevideo had to be cancelled, to everyone's regret, as the city of the Mount could not raise a representative team.

Lomas can look back with pleasure on the seasons work, as they remained undefeated, and it is evident this club will always be a difficult one to beat, as they have a wide selection of talent to fall back on.

Quilmes also have done good work, as, commencing with a somewhat weak team, they improved steadily, and in the last match with Buenos Aires proved themselves about as good as their victors.

The London Bank performances were rather erratic, as they naturally have not as much selection as other clubs. They proved, however,

that with their best team they were second to no other organization, their forwards being especially strong.

In taking leave of Rugby Football till next year we trust that the enthusiasm exhibited this winter for the great national game will continue and increase. Many lovers of the sport in Buenos Aires are too old and stiff to play themselves, but it is always most interesting to an old player to see a well contested and well played match.

The Cricketers of Argentina

With the cricket season now close at hand, a few words about our principal players will perhaps not be out of place, more especially as I have heard it often asked what kind of a show an eleven from here would make at home in the old country; so if the Editor will kindly allow me a small space I will proceed to give my opinion on our best cricketers, and choose a team which would, I think, be a match for any second-class county in England, and perhaps hold their own against some of the first.

In choosing my team I intend to take the best men in their respective places, not taking into consideration to what club they belong. I first want four of the best bowlers, each one different in style from the other. Mr J. R. Garrod I consider undoubtedly the fastest and straightest bowler in the country, but I should have to ask him to bowl fast and not to deliver so many of those slow head balls: one every two or three overs is useful, but two or three in each over become expensive. I therefore place Mr Garrod as bowler No. 1, especially considering that he is a magnificent field placed anywhere. For bowler No. 2 I chose Mr W. Slater. Every one who has had the pleasure of playing against Mr Slater will agree with me that he is far and away the best left-handed bowler in South America, and I think would be one of the first three amateur bowlers in England. Next we require a medium-paced right arm bowler, and Mr G. A. Thompson is the man to fill the place; he can get a lot of work on the ball on any kind of wicket, and generally keeps a good length. One thing, however, I should have to ask this gentleman not to do, and that is not to change his fields every time the ball is sent between them. If the batsman makes a good stroke to any part of the field where there is no man, put a man there by all means, but not if the stroke is a bad one or a miss hit. Mr Thompson would do well, too, to keep a good pace on his deliveries, as his fast balls are most deadly, being so difficult to watch after they pitch. With the foregoing suggestions put into practice by him, I could not do better than place Mr Thompson as bowler No. 3. No. 4 should be a slow bowler, right arm well over the shoulder, with plenty of command over the ball, as he would be required more to keep down runs when the batsmen had got the upper hand. Those who have seen Mr J. White's latest average of 100 wickets at a cost of only six runs each, will say I am right in choosing him for bowler No. 4. I should ask this bowler to follow his balls for a few yards after delivering them; they would be more difficult to play, as he would have a better chance of getting his man caught and bowled.

I have now to consider the wicketkeeper. We have two capital wicketkeepers in Mr H. M. Mills and Mr W. Leach. A few years ago the former was undoubtedly the most finished wicketkeeper in South America; standing very firm on his feet, he does not "snap" at the ball as many of our other players do. Mr O'Brien was the next best man I have seen behind the wickets here. Considering that Mr Mills has been very severely handicapped through having had his knee put out, for a long tour I should take Mr W. Leach, who, besides being an excellent wicketkeeper, is a very fine bat.

I have now, therefore, five men who have the ability to dispose of any eleven batsmen, and I now want some good bats and outfielders for the remaining six. Messrs J. Gifford, W. E. Leach, S. H. Leach, and Dr Dillon fill four of the vacancies easily enough, but the two last men require some choosing. The tenth man in should of course be a quick run getter, a good field and thrower; Mr H. J. Bury, who is a good all-round cricketer, would be my choice. No. 11 should be a specially good outfield. I should like to choose Mr Boyd, who I consider only second to Mr J. Gifford in the batting line, but his outfielding and throwing are very moderate, so I think I will take Mr H. Cornwall; he has a safe pair of hands, is a good change bowler, and a hard hitting bat, and has proved himself to be one of the best throwers in the country.

My team is now complete. I have four good bowlers in Messrs Garrod, Slater, Thompson, and White, and an excellent change bowler in Mr J. Gifford. There is no tail to the batting, as Mr Slater, the last man, is always good for runs, and for outfielding I have Messrs Cornwall, Bury, and J. Gifford, who all have safe hands and are good throwers.

I should immensely like to see the eleven I have just chosen as the Argentine Cricket Team play a match this season at Hurlingham, on a good hard wicket, against the next sixteen in the country; and the next sixteen would be a tough lot to beat, as they would be chosen from:—

Messrs Boyd, Masters, Mills, Manders, E. R. Gifford, Penman, Pool, Chater, Walsh, Griffen, Harker, A. and H. Anderson, Sutherland, Ker Seymer, Keyworth, S. Archer, Willis, and Lacey.

A VETERAN.

**CRICKET**

The following is a copy of a letter sent to all the members of last year's Northern Cricket Team and to all the Secretaries of Clubs north of Rosario. The Hon. Sec. of the Tucuman Athletic Club, Mr A. L. Reade, has asked us to publish this letter in case any Club has been omitted.

It has been proposed that the arrangements for the North v. South Cricket Match this year, regarding selection of team, etc., should be made by a provisional Committee, consisting of the Committee of this Club, viz.: Messrs Stuart, Sheridan, White, Boquet, Garrod, and Sutherland, and that after the match the Northern Team and any gentlemen interested in the matter should meet and elect a Committee for next year.

At the wish of several of last year's team we have decided to have a Northern "Blazer," the same to be a dark blue flannel coat trimmed with the Tucuman colours, and to be worn, of course, only by members of the Northern Team. We suggest putting this in the hands of Messrs Smart and Co., Piedad, Buenos Aires.

The Committee of this Club wish me to state that they would be glad of any suggestions you may wish to make.—Yours very truly,

(Signed.) A. L. READE, Hon. Sec. T.A.C.

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5.	A. Vasquez	d g.	Arapey	5	57 in
6.	F. E. Buist	bl g.	Brujo	5	57 in
7.	E. Garcia	bl g.	Alva	7	58 in
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10.	C. Wright	bl g.	Piccadilly	4	56 in
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12.	R. R. McIver	gr g.	Bitters	5	56 in
13.	J. Ravenscroft	wh g.	Daiman	5	54 in
14.	A. C. Brown	bl g.	Travieso	5	52 in
15.	H. Anderson	bl g.	Lightfoot	5	54 in
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23.	J. K. Cassels	sk g.	Compadrito	4	53 in
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25.	F. M. Still	ro g.	Rojas	5	56 in
26.	H. H. Ewen	br g.	Old Tom	5	52 in
27.	R. England	bl g.	Tilbury Nogo	5	56 in
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29.	H. H. Ewen	br g.	Rama Nogran	5	58 in
30.	George Gibson	br g.	The Bosun	4	58 in
31.	Amaro	bl m.	Planchetto	5	58 in
32.	Vayo	ch m.	Lánterna	5	58 in
33.	Grigera	br g.	Churrincho	5	58 in
34.	Frazer	br g.	Buenavida	5	58 in
35.	J. Ravenscroft	bl g.	Tiddledywinks	5	54 in
36.	J. Campbell	dun g.	El Gateado	5	56 in
37.	J. Ravenscroft	bl g.	Espartillar	5	56 in
38.	P. Hasberg	dun	Maucos	6	56 in
39.	C. Dyson	br	Whitelegs	7	56 in

**THE INCAS OF SOUTH AMERICA**

Mr Cyrus Thomas, of the Bureau of Ethnology at Washington, has just discovered a key to the puzzling "Maya Codices," or quaint symbol and picture writing in the Maya or Inca language. By the aid of this clue he has deciphered scores of characters, and obtained the general meaning of the sentences. Some of the characters are conventional symbols, but most of them are phonetic—that is to say, of a higher grade than has generally been supposed. They are read from left to right, and from the top downward. Mr Thomas is preparing specimens of his interpretations, with full explanations, in order to submit them to the leading archaeologist and linguists of America.

The "temples, palaces, and piles stupendous" which the early denizens of Central and South America left

behind them are always interesting. In their time they laid thousands of miles of paved and graded roads, one of which—the Inca road from Quito to Chili—is by many considered a greater engineering feat than the Union Pacific Railway. A single fort guarding a pass from Peru to the Upper Amazons is stated to equal all the forts on the coast of the United States from Maine to Mexico combined. The accounts given by the Conquistadores of the wealth and civilisation of these people were doubtless greatly exaggerated; but, allowing for this, the fact remains that their political, social, and religious condition was highly organised. They used iron, were artists in gold and silver, wrote on paper, wove cotton and Llama woollen fabrics, made silver mirrors and elaborate pottery. They traded in ships not unlike Spanish caravels; and some idea of their wealth may be gathered from the fact that the gold and silver vessels in the Temple of the Sun at Cuzco were valued at a million dollars.

**List of Clubs with their Secretaries**

CLUB	SECRETARY
Argentine Association Football League	A. Lamont, Plaza Constitucion F.C.S.
Amateur Athletic Association of the River Plate	E. Danvers, 559 Piedad.
Balcarce Polo Club	P. J. Dawson, Balcarce F.C.S.
Buenos Aires Cricket Club	A. Lacey, 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. Gombrough, Banco de Londres.
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Buenos Aires Rowing Club	Piedad 852.
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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.
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Flores Polo Club	H. Scott Robson, 221 Rivadavia, Flores.
Granilla Polo Club	P. W. Watts, Granilla, F.C. B. A. y Rosario.
Guaileguay Polo Club	R. Gordon, Guaileguay, Entre Rios.
Hurlingham Club	M. G. Fortane, 559 Piedad, B. Aires.
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Lanus Cricket Club	J. Brayshaw, F.C.S., Plaza Constitucion.
Lomas Academy Athletic Club	J. Kahl, 631 Corrientes, B. Aires.
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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.
Montevideo Rowing Club	J. Murray, Banco Británico, Montevideo.
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Roldan Polo Club	W. Ellery, Roldan, F.C.C.A.
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Rosario Polo Club	W. F. Christie, F.C.C.A. Rosario.
Rosario Rowing Club	E. W. Newte, English Bank Rosario.
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Monday, Aug. 15—Hipódromo Argentino, Palermo.  
Sunday, Aug. 28—Guaileguay Jockey Club's Meeting.  
Tuesday, Aug. 30—Quilmes Athletic Club's Gymkhana, at Quilmes.

Thursday, Sept. 8—Hurlingham Club.  
Saturday, Oct. 8—Strangers' Polo and Racing Club's Spring Meeting at Venado Tuerto.  
Sunday, Oct. 9—Strangers' Polo and Racing Club's Gymkhana at Venado Tuerto.

**FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION**

Sunday, Aug. 14—Rosario A.C. v. Quilmes A.C., at Rosario.  
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Monday, Aug. 15—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Montevideo F.C., at Belgrano.

**ATHLETICS**

Monday, Aug. 15—Buenos Aires Cricket Club's Athletic Meeting, at Palermo.  
Tuesday, Aug. 30—Rosario Athletic Club's Meeting, at Rosario.

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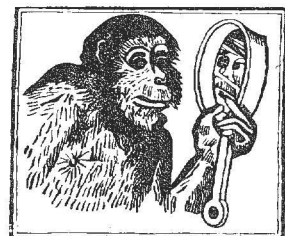
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## Rosario Athletic Club

### Programme of Athletic Meeting

TO BE HELD ON  
Tuesday, August 30, at Plaza Jewell, Rosario  
UNDER THE

Rules of the River Plate Amateur Athletic Association

1. Putting the Shot, 16 lbs.
2. Kicking the Football.
3. Long Jump Running.
4. 100 Yards Flat Race.
5. High Jump (Handicap).
6. 220 Yards Flat Race (Members only).
7. Potaroe and Bucket Race, 6 Potaroes, 2 yards apart.
8. Half Mile (Handicap) Open Championship.
9. "The Jewell Bicycle Challenge Cup," 5 miles.
10. Quarter Mile Flat Race.
11. Boys' Race, under 12 years, 200 yards (Handicap).
12. Veterans' Race, for men over 35 years of age, 220 yards, handicapped by yards for years.
13. Mile Race, Open Championship.
14. Cosmopolitan Race, 440 yards (English and Anglo-Argentines barred).
15. Hurdle Race (Handicap), 120 yards, 10 flights 3 feet 6 in.
16. 350 Yards Race (Handicap) (Members only).
17. Bicycle Race, 2 miles (Handicap).
18. Obstacle Race, 250 yards.
19. "All Fours" Race, 50 yards.
20. Consolation Race, 250 yards.

Entries close on August 15.

Entries for each event \$2; entry for all the events \$10.

Competitors must state the colours in which they intend to run on their entry forms.

Entries to be sent in to the Hon. Sec.

W. M. GRAHAM, F.C.C.A., Rosario.

### Amateur Athletic Association

It has been decided to run off the Mile and Half Mile Championships at the Rosario Sports, to be held on the 30th August.

The Mile, being a Scratch Race, no time is fixed for it to be run in, but the Half Mile being a Handicap it must be run from scratch in 2 min. 15 sec.

The Association will present Gold Medals to the Champions.

By Order,  
ERNEST DANVERS, Hon. Sec.

## HURLINGHAM MEETING

TO BE HELD ON

Wednesday, September 8

(Under the Hurlingham Club's Rules of Racing).

THE POLO SCURRY, a Handicap for Polo Ponies, 56 in. or under; 600 metres, on the flat; entrance \$10.

THE VAYO STAKES, of \$50 each (\$200 guaranteed to the 1st), for Galloways or Ponies 58 in. or under; weight for inches, Galloways of 58 in. to carry 70 kilos; winners once 2 kilos extra, twice or more times 4 kilos extra; 500 metres.

THE SEPTEMBER HURDLE RACE, a Handicap for Polo Ponies, 56 in. or under; 1600 metres, over five flights of hurdles; entrance \$15.

THE HURLINGHAM ST. LEGER STAKES, \$50 each, added to Silver Cup value £50; for Ponies or Galloways 58 in. or under, the property of or nominated by Members of the Club; weight for inches, Galloways of 58 in. to carry 70 kilos; 2400 metres. The Cup to be won twice by the same owner or nominator before becoming his absolute property.

THE AYRSHIRE CUP, value \$1000, added to a Sweepstakes of \$50 each, a Steeplechase for any Horse (thoroughbreds excepted); four-year-olds to carry 72 kilos, five 75 kilos, and six or more 78 kilos; Criollo horses allowed 3 kilos, horses that have never won a race 2 kilos, and those that have never run 3 kilos; 3200 metres. Three horses, the property of separate owners, must start or the Cup will not be given, and the Cup must be won twice by the same owner or nominator before becoming his absolute property.

THE PADDOCK STAKES, a Handicap for Polo Ponies, 54 in. or under; 800 metres, on the flat; entrance \$10.

THE PONY STEEPLCHASE, a Handicap for Ponies or Galloways, 58 in. or under; 2500 metres, over the Steeplechase Course; entrance \$20.

Entries close to the Secretary, Piedad 559, on Wednesday, August 31, and must be accompanied by the necessary entrance fees or no notice will be taken of them.

The Vayo Stakes and the Hurlingham St. Leger are for Gentlemen Riders; Members of the Club allowed 1 kilo.

The Ayrshire Cup is for any jockey, Gentlemen Riders allowed 2 kilos and Members of the Club 3 kilos.

The Pony Steeplechase, the September Hurdle Race, the Polo Scurry, and the Paddock Stakes, are for Members of Hurlingham or any Polo Club.

## Quilmes Athletic Club

### GYMKHANA RACES

TO BE HELD ON THE

Ground of the Quilmes Athletic Club

ON

Tuesday, August 30, 1892

#### EVEN'TS

1. HACK RACE; 1600 metres; weight 75 kilos; for bona-fide hacks; entrance \$10.
2. POLO PONY RACE (Open); 500 metres; for Polo Ponies 54 in. and under; weight 70 kilos, 3 kilos per inch allowed; entrance \$5.
3. POLO PONY RACE (for Members of Club); 500 metres; for Polo Ponies 56 in. and under; weight 75 kilos, 3 kilos per inch allowed; entrance \$5.
4. VICTORIA CROSS RACE (Open); for Polo Ponies; jump two hurdles, pick up dummy and ride back; entrance \$5.
5. POLO PONY RACE (Open); for Ponies 56 in. and under; 800 metres; weight 75 kilos, 3 kilos per inch allowed; entrance \$5.
6. SHEET OF PAPER RACE (Open); for Polo Ponies; to run through sheet of paper stretched across the course; entrance \$5.
7. COSTUME RACE (Open); for Polo Ponies; to saddle up, ride to table, put on costume, light cigar and put up umbrella; entrance \$5.
8. POLO GAME RACE (Open); for Polo Ponies 56 in. or under; run in two heats; entrance \$5.
9. OPEN JUMPING COMPETITION; for Polo Ponies 56 in. and under; entrance \$5.
10. CONSOLATION RACE; entrance \$5.

The meeting will be held under the auspices of the River Plate Polo Association, and all Ponies competing must be the property of and ridden by a member of an affiliated Club.

The Hack Race will be for Gentlemen Riders only. Entrance fees—Hack Race \$10, remaining events \$5 each, or a general entrance fee of \$30. The distances will depend on the course, but will be as near as possible to those mentioned.

Entries must reach the Secretary of the Club on or before the 24th August, and must be accompanied by the necessary fees.

The first race will be run at 1 o'clock, and every pony competing must be presented for measurement on the ground at 12 o'clock.

All disputes will be referred to the Polo Association, by whom they will be settled.

FRED. W. ATKINSON, Hon. Sec.,  
Piedad 655, Buenos Aires.

## Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club

### A TOURNAMENT

OPEN TO MEMBERS OF THE CLUB

WILL BE HELD ON

Tuesday, August 30, 1892

To Commence at 9.30 a.m.

Prizes will be offered for the following Events:

LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES (Handicap); entrance \$2.50 each.

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES (Handicap); entrance \$3.

Members wishing to enter will please send their names and entrance fees to the Hon. Treasurer, T. S. Boardle, Reconquista 449, not later than August 20.

## Guaquey Jockey Club

### PROGRAMME of the MEETING

TO BE HELD ON

Sunday, August 28, 1892

PREMIO VELOCIDAD, for Criollo Horses; weight 60 kilos; \$100 to the 1st; 500 metres; entrance \$20.

PREMIO TORCAZ, for Criollo Horses, weight 60 kilos; \$100 to the 1st; 1000 metres; entrance \$20.

PREMIO GIACUMINA, a Trotting Race for Criollo Horses; weight 68 kilos; \$75 to the 1st; 1773 metres; entrance \$15.

PREMIO INCOGNITO, for Criollo Horses that have not run for more than \$15 on a public course; weight 67 kilos, horses ridden by Members of the Club two kilos less; \$100 to the 1st; 1773 metres; entrance \$20.

PREMIO CERVO, for any Horse, Criollos to carry 60 kilos; \$100 to the 1st; 1773 metres; entrance \$20.

PREMIO CHINITA, for any Horse, Criollos to carry 60 kilos; \$150 to the 1st; 2660 metres; entrance \$25.

Entries close on Saturday, August 20, and should be made through a Member of the Club.

If four or more horses run in a race, the second saves his entry money.

## Strangers' Polo and Racing Club

VENADO TUERTO

### PROGRAMME OF THE SPRING MEETING

TO BE HELD AT

VENADO TUERTO

On Saturday, 8th of October, 1892

(Under Hurlingham Club Racing Rules).

1. POLO PONY RACE, 500 metres. For Ponies 56 inches or under; ponies of 56 in. to carry 75 kilos; allowance 3 kilos per inch. Entrance \$10.
2. FLAT RACE, 1800 metres. For Criollo horses; 75 kilos. Entrance \$20.
3. STEEPLCHASE, 1800 metres. For Criollo horses; catch weights; 75 kilos limit. Entrance \$25.
4. VENADO TUERTO DERBY, 3500 metres. For any horse, thoroughbreds excepted, the property or nominated by a member of the Club. Catch weights; 75 kilos limit. Entrance \$30. Prize \$100.
5. POLO PONY STEEPLCHASE, 1800 metres. Catch weights; 75 kilos limit. Entrance \$10.
6. FLAT RACE, 800 metres. For Criollo horses; catch weights; 75 kilos limit. Winner of Race No. 2, if entered, to carry 3 kilos extra. Entrance \$20.
7. POLO PONY RACE, 1000 metres. Catch weights 75 kilos limit. Entrance \$10.
8. VENADO TUERTO GRAND NATIONAL, 3500 metres. Steeplechase. Catch weights; 75 kilos limit. Prize, a piece of Plate, to be won three times by same owner at the Spring Meeting. Entrance \$25.

Racing to commence at 1 p.m.

All races to be ridden in saddles, and jockeys to ride in colours.

Entrance fees to be paid, and horses and colours named, at time of entry.

The Committee of the Club will act as Stewards of the meeting, and any disputes will be decided by them.

All Races are Sweepstakes; 10 per cent. will be deducted from the stakes to go to the funds of the Club.

Entries will close on the 24th of September. Forfeit, if declared before October 1st, half the entrance fee will be returned.

Ponies competing for Races Nos. 1, 5 and 7 have to be played four games within two months of the Meeting, and not less than two quarters each game.

The distance will depend on the course, but will be as near as possible to those mentioned.

Entries to be addressed to the Secretary, Correo, Venado Tuerto.

## Strangers' Polo and Racing Club

VENADO TUERTO

### Programme of the Venado Tuerto Gymkhana

TO BE HELD ON

Sunday, October 9, 1892.

1. BENDING RACE, 6 posts, 10 metres apart, 20 metres run in. Course to be up and down or 11 posts to pass.
2. TANDEM RACE (Flat), 800 metres.
3. JUMPING COMPETITION, 2 hurdles and in and out; second hurdle to be raised.
4. VICTORIA CROSS RACE: Jump hurdle, pick up dummy, jump two hurdles and ran in.
5. BUCKET AND POTATO RACE, 6 buckets, 10 metres apart, 20 metres run in.
6. TILTING AT THE RING.

Entrances for each of above \$2.

Entries to be made on day of Meeting.

### STEEPLECHASE MEETING

To be held at the Estancia "SAN JOSE"

(Late Hennestrosa)

ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1892

#### EVEN'TS:

1. STEEPLCHASE of 20 Squares over 8 Fences. Weights (including saddle) not less than 75 kilos. Entrance fee \$10 m/n.
2. RIDING TANDEM RACE, 10 Squares. Entrance fee \$10 m/n.
3. FLAT RACE, 10 Squares. Entrance fee \$10 m/n.
4. CIGAR RACE, 4 Squares, for Ponies not exceeding 14 hands. The rider must at the fall of the flag light a Cigar, Saddle his Pony, and at finish hand his Cigar lighted to the Judge. Entrance fee \$10 m/n.

Any person entering for the whole four events can do so on payment of \$20 m/n only.

Entries must be sent to Messrs Perch and Ogan, Calle O'Higgins 22, Bahia Blanca, on or before September 1, on which date the list closes.

All entries must be accompanied by the necessary fees.

## NATURAL HISTORY NOTES.

By A. STUART PENNINGTON  
(Zoologist to the Sociedad Rural Argentina).

## BOT FLIES (OESTRIDAE).

The Bot Flies, in common with the Tabani, are often called Gaddies, although they are really quite distinct genera. The bot flies pursue horses, cattle, and sheep with the object of laying their eggs in or on them, but the tabanos pursue them solely with the idea of sucking their blood, for which purpose they have a complete series of lancets and suckers.

The bot flies have no such biting organs, but instead have a well developed ovipositor for laying their eggs in or on the animal, according to the variety of botfly in question. They are called gad flies either from the fact that they make the cattle "gadde up and down" or by corruption of the word goad fly, because they goad them almost into madness by their attacks.

The larvae of the different species of bot flies are called bots, warbles, wurmles, &c. There are many different species of bot fly, each one attacking some particular species of the larger animals and laying its egg in a particular spot or manner.

All the bot flies when mature are large and hairy bodied and carry their wings extended. They have the appearance of humble bees and their bodies are banded generally with yellow and black.

Oxen, sheep, and horses each have their special form of bot fly.

The Ox Bot Fly (*Hypoderma Bovis*) is a black fly, with very hairy wings, slightly spoked looking. The upper surface of the thorax is marked with longitudinal black bands and shaded with yellowish hairs. The abdomen is whitish yellow at the base, black in the middle and orange red behind.

The female possesses a long four-jointed ovipositor, whose joints work one inside the other like a telescope. At the end of the last joint are three curved, horny appendages, which serve to place the egg in position when being laid. The female deposits the egg on the surface of the skin or on the hairs, as the ovipositor is not strong enough to pierce the skin.

When the eggs are hatched the young larvae penetrate the skin and lodge in the subcutaneous tissues, where their presence gives rise to large tumours, which increase with the growth of the larva until they attain the size of pigeons' eggs. The matter formed in these tumours serves for the food of the larvae. The larvae are placed head downwards in the tumours.

When fully grown the larvae are nearly two inches in length, thick, pear-shaped, with strong mandibles and surrounded by rings of short bristle-like hair. At first almost white in colour they at length become black, and after the second moult they drop their mouth organs, wriggle through an opening in the tumour, which bursts, as it were, on purpose, and fall to the ground, where they become a pupa, and at length emerge as the perfect fly.

The larvae are generally found in the upper part of the body. They do not appear capable of causing the death of the oxen or even serious inconvenience unless present in very great numbers, but they cause a very serious loss to the owner of the animals in the deterioration of the hides caused by the holes left after the bursting of the tumours.

In Africa there is found a bird called the beef-eater, or "pique-boeuf," which perches upon the backs of the oxen and creeps about by the aid of its claws, which are like those of the woodpecker, and busily picks out from the tumours on the animals' backs the larvae of this fly. The cattle are said to submit to this surgical operation with patience deservedly rewarded by the relief they must feel. The same birds also operate on camels and deer in the same way, relieving them from their peculiar bots.

There are several species of similar hypodermæ. I recently obtained a number from the skin of a large field rat, and there have been cases known of children having been affected by tumours caused by the larvae of a species of this genus of flies. There is an allied genus not, however, found in this country, but in Guiana, Mexico, and New Granada, called the Macaco worm. This larva attacks oxen and dogs, and occasionally is found beneath the skin of man. Several instances having been observed in France of the presence of the larva of this fly upon the bodies of persons recently returned from America.

The Bot fly of the horse (*Gastrophilus equi*) has a smoky black band across each wing and a black

spot at each extremity. The body is covered with yellow and black bristly hairs. The abdomen of the male is rounded, but that of the female terminates in an ovipositor, which is bent under the body. The female of this fly hovers over horses, mules, and donkeys, and suddenly alights upon the breast or upon the legs, knees, and sides of the body of the animal, taking care to select a spot within reach of the latter's tongue. There she lays her eggs, glueing them to the hairs.

The eggs are yellowish white and pyriform with a lid at the broad free ends. After a few days this lid is lifted up and a little maggot issues whose movements, which are very lively, produce itching, and cause the horse to lick the spot. This action, which would cause the death of most insects or other parasites, is just what the young bot flies want, as, by this means, they are introduced into the horse's mouth and thence usually into the stomach. Occasionally, however, they stay in the oesophagus or in the back part of the mouth.

In the stomach these larvae always make for the left side, and there attach themselves to the mucous membrane by means of the two large hooks which form part of the mouth organs.

The effect of this is to cause inflammation and slight ulceration, and the larva is nourished in the midst of the gastric juice by the inflammatory products of this ulceration. The larvae undergo two moults, and at the end of their larval stage measure about an inch in length by one-third of an inch in breadth or diameter. The colour is reddish yellow. The body is divided into eleven rings or segments, most of the segments having all round them rows of spines. The last ring encloses two kidney formed plates or stigmata, which are connected with the breathing organs.

The larvae stay in the stomach of the horse for several months; but at last they free themselves and pass into the intestines, whence they travel until discharged with the dung, and so fall upon the ground. Here they soon become motionless, and in two days, or thereabouts, the skin of the grub turns black and hard and forms a pupa case in which the future fly remains imprisoned for a little more than a month.

When the fly is ready to come out into the open air it exerts itself very much and causes a determination of blood to the head, so great as to swell the latter considerably into a distinct whitish vesicle. This swelling exerts pressure upon the pupa case to such an extent as to burst it open like a lid and allow of the free escape of the fly. In a short time the vesicle of the head goes away, the wings are unfolded, and the perfect insect flies away to seek its mate.

The life of the mature fly is very short, only long enough to secure the reproduction of the next generation, and in a few days, during which it takes little or no food, it dies.

Such is the very extraordinary life history of the bot fly of the horse. Unlike the bot fly of the ox, that of the horse causes its host serious annoyance, and may cause death, owing to the severe inflammation and ulceration set up, or even owing to the destruction of the walls of the stomach.

Their vitality is so great, as may be imagined from the fact of their being able to live in the gastric fluid for nine or ten months, that they are practically unassailable when once fixed in the mucous membrane.

The Bot Fly of the Sheep (*Oestrus ovis*) is a fly with quite clear wings, a grey thorax spotted with black tubercles, and the abdomen marked with black, white and yellow, and terminated by silky hairs.

This fly is very much dreaded by the sheep who seem to have an idea of the suffering in store for them if they admit the unwelcome guest to close proximity. They will hold their heads in the dust and rush violently in all directions to avoid the attacks of the *Oestrus*. The fly, however, perseveres, and at length alights on the nostril of the sheep, and there lays its eggs, which are supposed to be already developed so as to allow of the immediate escape of the enclosed maggot, which promptly comes forth and enters the nose of the sheep, passing up the nasal cavities to the frontal sinus, where they have a clear field for their growth.

Somewhat resembling the larvae already described, they are whitish with transverse black markings, and attain about an inch in length. On completing their full growth they come out by the nostril again and fall on to the ground, passing then through a pupa stage, which lasts nearly two months. They then change into the perfect insect.

This species attacks the goat as well as the sheep, and cases are recorded of its attacking man. The irritation caused to the unwilling host is very great, and although not often mortal it is sufficiently grave, the symptoms being very like those of the staggers produced by another kind of parasite.

The three species named are those usually found attacking domestic animals, and all these are found in Argentina, having been all introduced by means of imported stock.

There are other species well known though rare, the horse alone being attacked by five distinct flies, one of which seems to have a special affinity for Russian horses. There are at least three species which attack sheep and one or two more which attack oxen. Deer, reindeer, camels, rabbits, rats, dogs and other animals, all have their special foes, and, as I have pointed out, man himself is occasionally made the subject of the attacks of these semi parasitic flies.

## FIRING.

The periodical discussion on the subject of "firing" horses has afforded more amusement than edification to practical men. Ignorant humanitarians only waste their time in attempting to deal with a matter of this kind. No doubt it is painful for a horse to be fired, but it is painful to a young lady to have a tooth out, though there are no maudlin articles in the Press on the "cruelty" of the latter process. Perhaps there are more racehorses fired than any other sort, and, if they are not to be thus treated, there seems to be no alternative but to shoot them. Which is the more cruel operation we will not stop to discuss. Take the case of a thoroughbred gelding whose legs have "gone" in the process of training: what is to be done with him? He is very lame. Must an attempt be made to cure him and keep him in his comfortable quarters, or must he be sold for a song to a low-class dealer, who will do goodness knows what with him? The most merciful way, surely, is to try and get him sound again, so that he may be fit for a legitimate vocation. He is accordingly fired, as a long rest, is quietly hacked about for a time, receives the best of corn and treatment, his legs gradually get hard and callous, he can move on them as freely as ever, and once again makes his appearance on the course or in the hunting-field, being saved from a life of drudgery. Where the cruelty comes in it is really difficult to say. Then, as to the efficacy of firing, different opinions, of course, will be entertained. Some horses break down again, when put into strong work by a professional trainer; but, on the other hand, many stand successfully the severe ordeal of training after being fired, and win races. There are a large number of horses now running in steeplechases and other races—animals that are practically sound—which have undergone this "cruel" process, and which are thus enabled to continue a life of usefulness, saved from the cab-rank, or worse fate. Only this last winter the writer had a steeplechase horse which broke down badly. It was a question of either firing or shooting him and the first method was adopted as being the more merciful. The horse did well after the operation; he had a good rest in a big loose box, and then quietly hacked about the roads with a light weight on his back, and was thus gradually got into strong work. Afterwards no amount of galloping even on hard ground seemed to do him any harm. He won a race a short time ago, carrying 12 st., when the going was very hard indeed, and he pulled up sound and well. This horse was a gelding, and if he had not been thus treated what was to be done with him? Would the humanitarians who expatiate on the cruelty of firing agree that he ought to have been shot? The fact is that they make a great mistake in trying to handle a subject they know nothing about, and before they become tearful over imaginary "cruelties" they should exercise a little common sense, and ascertain if there is any cause for their emotion.—*Live Stock Journal*.

## HURLINGHAM

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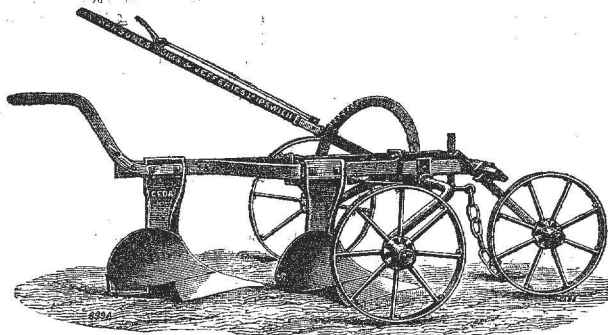
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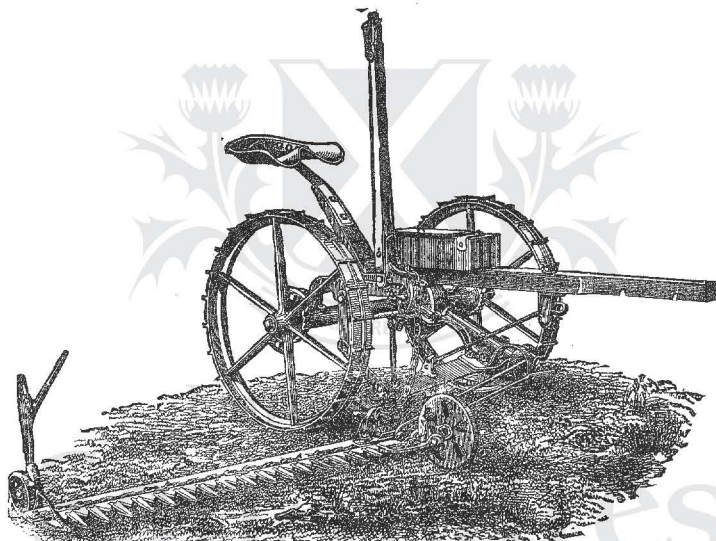
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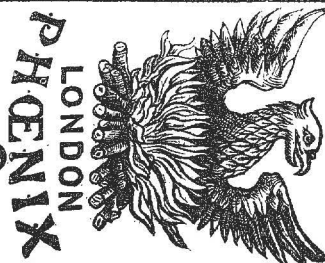
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