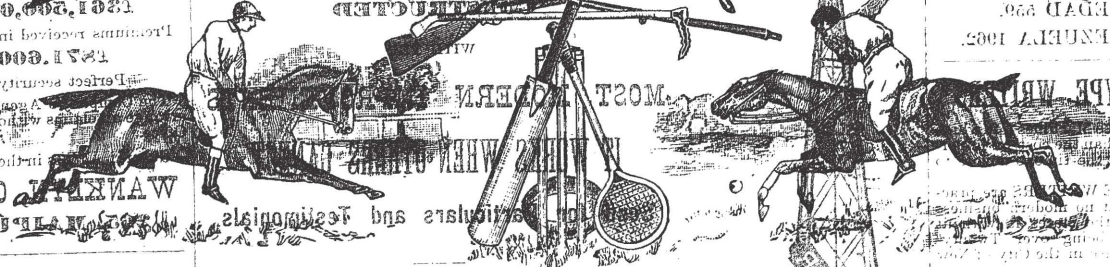




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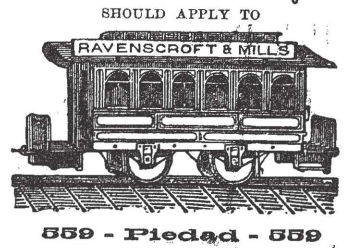
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HOME NEWS

CRICKET.

Surrey had good luck in winning the toss in their match against Sussex on July 18th, as the wicket at first was decidedly easy. The first two bats of the crack county put on 156 before they were parted, but the whole side was eventually all out for 279. Immediately the innings was over the rain came down, and Sussex had to contend against an uncertain wicket on the two following days, which left them little chance of making a good show. They succeeded in making the fairly respectable total, under the circumstances, of 171 for their first innings, but on a wicket getting worse every minute they failed to save the inning's defeat, and could only score 82 at their second attempt, leaving Surrey victorious by an innings and 26 runs. Scores: Surrey—Abel 61, Mr W. W. Read 112, Lohmann 5, M. Read 6, Mr J. Shuter 10, Henderson 0, Lockwood 50, Mr J. K. Key 0, Mr E. C. Streetfield 24, Wood 4, Richardson 0, Extras 7, Total 279.

Sussex—Bean 19 and 1, Marlow 0 and 39, Mr W. G. Heasman 5 and 9, Mr W. Newham 69 and 2, Mr G. Brann 29 and 4, Mr C. A. Smith 1 and 0, Guttridge 2 and 0, Mr W. H. Andrews 16 and 5, W. Humphreys 6 and 16, Butt 5 and 0, Tate 2 and 0, Extras 17 and 6, Totals 171 and 82.

Some excellent bowling performances have to be chronicled in the match between Yorkshire and Middlesex. Only 294 runs were made for the loss of 31 wickets, or an average of under 10 runs per man; Rawlin took 12 wickets for 65 runs for Middlesex, and the Yorkshire professionals, Peel and Wainwright, took 4 and 6 wickets for 54 and 60 runs respectively.

After Middlesex had scored 122 to their opponents' 100 they disposed of Yorkshire for 46 only, half of which number was scored by Mr F. G. Jackson. This left Middlesex but 25 runs to make to win, which they secured with 9 wickets to spare. Scores:

Yorkshire—Lord Hawke 22 and 0, Hall 6 and 0, Peel 4 and 10, Ulyett 10 and 0, Mr F. S. Jackson 2 and 23, Wainwright 6 and 3, Mr A. Sellars 15 and 4, Wardall 5 and 3, Mommsey 12 and 0, Moorhouse 10 and 3, Hurdal 0 and 0, Extras 8 and 0, Totals 100 and 46.

Middlesex—Mr A. G. Stoddart 46, Mr A. J. Webbe 18, Mr S. W. Scott 24, Mr M. K. Jardine 0, Mr T. C. O'Brien 11, Rawlin 0, Rev T. R. Grestorex 0, Mr P. J. T. Henery 9, Phillips 8, Mr G. McGregor 4, Hearne 0, Extras 2, Total 122.

In the second innings Mr Stoddart scored 15 and Mr Webbe 9.

After a game full of interest and variety Somerset gained an unexpected though thoroughly deserved victory over Lancashire at Taunton.

Lancashire, after gaining an immense advantage by winning the toss, threw away their opportunities by a most feeble batting display, but, though having a deficit on the first innings, they recovered their lost ground, and finally left off with considerably the best of the game on the opening stage.

On the second day rain stopped all play, and finally on the third, after Lancashire had finished off their second innings for 153, and set Somerset 130 to make to win the latter men started what, on the treacherous wicket, appeared a formidable task, and made the runs with 4 wickets to spare. Scores:

Lancashire—Ward 1 and 32, Sugg 6 and 30, Briggs 4 and 4, Smith 23 and 39, Baker 0 and 25, Tinsley 2 and 2, Yates 1 and 0, Mr S. M. Crossfield 0 and 9, Mr A. T. Kemble 6 and 3, Watson 2 and 0, Mold 3 and 0, Totals 48 and 153.

Somerset—Mr G. Fowler 0 and 0, Mr H. J. Hewett 36 and 56, Mr L. C. H. Palaret 6 and 68, Mr W. C. Hedley 1 and 9, Mr V. T. Hill 0 and 3, Mr S. M. J. Woods 12 and 0, Nichols 3 and 0, Hall 2 and 4, Mr C. J. Robinson 0, Tyler 4, Rev A. P. Wickham 3, Extras 5 and 5, Totals 72 and 130.

Lancashire had bad luck in being deprived of a certain victory against Middlesex through the weather, as after a somewhat curious finish, the game had to be

abandoned on a heavy rain. The score on the second day Middlesex had lost 3 wickets, and had still 102 runs to make out of 221 they had been set to make, but rain prevented play until three-quarters of an hour only was left to finish. The two last men, however, could not be disposed of, and Lancashire had to be content with a draw. Scores:

Lancashire—Ward 83 and 8, F. Sugg 0 and 9; Mr A. C. MacFarquhar 0 and 0, Smith 8 and 6, Briggs 2 and 38, Baker 25 and 34, Mr T. R. Hubbard 7 and 33, Mr S. M. Crossfield 4 and 33, Mr A. T. Kemble 6 and 22, Watson 0 and 4, Mold 0 and 0, Extras 5 and 1, Totals 92 and 243.

Middlesex—Mr A. G. Stoddart 9 and 3, Mr T. C. O'Brien 4 and 0, Mr S. W. Scott 29 and 1, Mr M. R. Jardine 20 and 4, Mr A. J. Webbe 8 and 61, Rawlin 11 and 4, Rev T. J. S. Henery 30 and 0, Mr G. McGregor 4 and 0, Phillips 4 and 4, J. T. Hearne 5 and 4, Extras 0 and 10, Totals 109 and 112.

The opening stages of their match against Gloucestershire left Somerset with a considerable advantage. They had been left with 113 runs to make, with nearly the whole of the last day in which to do it, and completing their task for the loss of three wickets, they were left victorious by seven. Scores:

Gloucestershire—Dr E. M. Grace 70 and 81, Mr R. W. Rice 57 and 23, Mr O. G. Radcliffe 14 and 4, Capt. Luard 7 and 30, Painter 21 and 85, Mr W. W. Pullen 1 and 1, Mr J. J. Ferris 6 and 0, Murch 6 and 19, Woolf 10 and 8, Roberts 5 and 13, Board 0 and 3, Extras 5, Totals 202 and 222.

Somerset—Mr H. T. Hewett 0 and 13, Mr G. Fowler 27 and 52, Mr L. C. H. Palaret 104 and 10, Mr W. C. Hedley 2 and 31, Mr V. T. Hill 16 and 7, Nichols 33, Mr S. M. J. Woods 7, Hale 37, Mr C. J. Roberts 44, Tyler 37, Rev A. P. Wickham 0, Extras 6 and 0, Totals 313 and 413.

The first match between Nottinghamshire and Gloucestershire was commenced at Nottingham on July 21st, Gloucestershire went into the field first, an experiment which proved unsuccessful, as the wicket, which was bad to commence with, improved, and Notts scored 258 before they were all disposed of. The first innings of Gloucester closed for 80 runs only and, on following on, only scored other 73 runs, leaving Notts winners by an innings and 100 runs.

For the winners, Flowers and Attewell bowled splendidly in the two innings of Gloucester, the former taking 12 wickets for 67 runs, and the latter 9 for 52. Scores:

Notts—Mr J. A. Dixon 27, Shrewsbury 5, Gunn 98, Barnes 6, Flowers 72, Shacklock 1, Mr J. S. Robinson 0, Attewell 7, Mr A. O. Jones 0, Daft 19, Sherwin 7, Extras 11, Total 253.

Gloucester—Mr E. M. Grace 16 and 9, Mr O. G. Radcliffe 5 and 10, Mr R. W. Rice 16 and 6, Mr E. Sainsbury 2 and 0, Painter 6 and 5, Mr W. G. Grace 2 and 3, Mr S. A. Kitcat 23 and 5, Mr J. J. Ferri 5 and 16, Murch 0 and 3, Woolf 1 and 0, Board 2 and 10, Extras 1 and 2, Totals 80 and 73.

Somersetshire gained a brilliant victory over Sussex at Taunton on July 22nd, with 6 wickets to spare, amidst great enthusiasm. The first innings of the two teams were remarkable for low scoring, Sussex 125 and Somerset 118, but the former putting up 224 at their second attempt scored 224 leaving the home club 232 to get to win. Thanks chiefly to Messrs Palaret and Woods they succeeded in doing this for the loss of only 4 wickets. Scores:

Somerset—Mr L. C. Palaret 15 and 70, Mr G. Fowler 0 and 0, Mr H. T. Hewitt 30 and 84, Nichols 0 and 15, Mr V. T. Hill 12, Hale 21, Mr S. M. Woods 16 and 35, Mr G. J. Robinson 2, Mr C. E. Dunlop 4 and 24, Tyler 5, Rev A. Wickham 3, Extras 4 and 6, Totals 118 and 234.

Sussex—Beam 12 and 51, Marlow 2 and 41, Mr W. G. Heasman 35 and 2, Mr W. Newham 3 and 36, Mr G. Brann 8 and 7, Mr G. A. Smith 0 and 16, Budgem 3 and 8, Guttridge 11 and 70, Humphreys 33 and 0, Butt 11 and 8, Tate 6 and 0, Extras 1 and 15, Totals 125 and 224.

RACING

SANDOWN PARK—July 16.

National Breeders' Produce Stakes of 5,000 sovs, for two-year-olds; 5 furlongs.

Mr G. J. Cunningham's colt Tibbie Shiels, by Caspibough—Tiffin, H., 8st 1lb..... S. Chandley 1 Mr Blundell Maile's Minting Queen, 8st 6lb..... J. Woodburn 2

Mr H. Milner's Grand Duke, 8st..... Watts 3 Mr E. Sherwood Jun.'s Lady Candahar, 8st 11lb..... Weldon 0

Mr Fairie's Satellite, 8st 9lb..... M. Cannon 0 Mr T. Chinn's Mottilla, 8st 9lb..... G. Brown 0

Mr Wallace Johnstone's Royal Mask, 8st 9lb (car. 8st 11lb)..... Webb 0 Mr J. A. Craven's Mar of Ross, 8st 9lb..... G. Loates 0

Mr W. G. Stevens's Lady Campbell, 8st 6lb..... R. Chaloner 0 Mr J. Gretton's Formosa, 8st 6lb..... G. Barrett 0

Mr Howard Vyse's Miss Gunning, 8st 4lb..... F. Peake 0 Mr G. Lambert's Alix, 8st 6lb..... Allsopp 0

Capt. Maehell's Erin, 8st 1lb..... G. Chaloner 0 Betting: 7 to 4 agst Erin, 7 to 2 agst Tibbie Shiels, 10 to 1 agst Minting Queen, 10 to 1 agst Formosa, 100 to 1 agst Lady Candahar, 100 to 8 agst Royal Mask, 20 to 1 agst Grand Duke, 25 to 1 agst Mottisfont, and 33 to 1 agst Alix. Won by three parts of a length, three lengths between second and third.

LEICESTER—July 18.

Midland Derby Plate of 1400 sovs; for three-years-olds; 1 1/2 miles on the New Course.

Mr J. H. Houldsworth's b c or b c Dunure, by St. Simon—Sunrise, 9st 7lb..... M. Cannon 1 Mr H. Milner's Certosa, 8st 9lb (car. 8st 12lb) F. Webb 2 Mr T. Aere's Persistent, 9st 7lb..... J. Watts 3 Lord Zetland's Carmilhan, 9st 3lb..... Fagan 0 Mr H. E. Beddington's Chater, 9st..... Allsopp 0 Betting: 5 to 4 on Certosa, 9 to 4 agst Dunure, 10 to 1 agst Persistent, 100 to 8 agst Carmilhan, and 83 to 1 agst Chater. Won by three parts of a length, length and a half between second and third.

July 19.

Zetland Plate of 1500 sovs (1000 to the winner, 300 to the nominator of the winner, and 100 each to the owner and nominator of the second) for two-year-olds; 5 furlongs.

Lord Calthorpe's b c Prank, by Crafton—Escapade, 8st 6lb..... G. Chaloner 1 Duke of Portland's Simena, 8st 9lb..... Allsopp 2 Mr Douglas Baird's Harbinger, 8st 6lb..... M. Cannon 3 Lord Scarborough's f by Prism—Rosary, 8st 6lb..... G. Barrett 0 Lord Zetland's Vernier, 8st 6lb..... Fagan 0 Mr A. M. Singer's Queen of the Spring, 8st 6lb..... J. Woodburn 0

Betting: 6 to 4 on Prank, 5 to 1 agst Vernier, 8 to 1 each agst Simena and the Rosary filly, 10 to 1 each agst Harbinger and Queen of the Spring. Won by a head, a length between second and third.

July 20.

Prince of Wales's Plate (Handicap) of 1000 sovs; second received 50 sovs; Straight Mile.

Mr J. H. Houldsworth's b c Bushey Park, by Hampton—Sunshine, 3 yrs, 6st 7lb..... J. Wall 1 Lord Ellesmere's Esmond, 3 yrs, 7st 11lb..... Allsopp 2 Col. Heyward's Sabrina, 5 yrs, 7st 12lb..... Mullen 3 Mr J. Lowther's First Consul, 5 yrs, 7st 6lb..... J. Woodburn 4

Mr J. Charlton's St. David, 4 yrs, 9st..... C. Loates 0 Mr J. Gubbins's John Morgan, 5 yrs, 8st 5lb..... G. Barrett 0

Mr W. Nichols's Favoro, 4 yrs, 7st 13lb (car. 8st)..... Holbeach 0 Mr F. Deene's Mavournean, 4 yrs, 7st, 10 lb (inc. 8lb ex.)..... Peake 0

Mr L. L. Whipp's Lord of the Manor, 5 yrs, 7st 4lb..... Platt 0 Mr R. Moncreiffe's Ben, 5 yrs, 7st 3lb..... S. Chandley 0

Betting: 100 to 30 agst St. David, 100 to 15 agst First Consul, 7 to 1 agst Esmond, 100 to 14 agst Favoro, 100 to 12 each agst John Morgan and Mavournean, 10 to 1 each agst Ben and Bushey Park, 100 to 7 agst Sabrina, and 20 to 1 agst Lord of the Manor. Won by six lengths, two lengths separated second and third.

LIVERPOOL JULY MEETING—July 21.

Great Lancashire Breeders' Produce Stakes of 2800 Mr Ross's b c Ravenbury, by Isonomy—Penitent, 9st..... F. Webb 1

Mr M. J. Corbally's Erin, 8st 1lb..... J. Woodburn 2 Baron de Hirsch's Poppoea, 8st 6lb..... F. Peake 3

Mr J. Hill's Rhymer, 8st 4 lb..... A. Holbeach 0 Mr W. Taylor Sharpe's Ova, 8st 11lb..... F. Allsopp 0

Mr Fairie's Ethel Agnes, 8st 11lb..... M. Cannon 0 Mr W. Winn's Irish Secretary, 8st 9lb..... Coling 0

Betting: 6 to 5 agst Ravenbury, 9 to 4 agst Erin, 7 to 1 agst Ethel Agnes, 10 to 1 agst Poppoea, and 100 to 8 each agst Rhymer, Ova and Irish Secretary. Won by two lengths, a head between second and third.

July 22.

Liverpool Summer Cup of 1200 sovs; the second received 150 and the third 100 sovs; Cup Course (1 mile and 3 furlongs).

Col. North's b h Nunthorpe by Speculum or Camballo—Matilda, 6 yrs, 8st 11lb..... M. Cannon 1

Mr B. Maple's Clarence, 3 yrs, 7st 6lb..... Woodburn 1 Baron de Hirsch's Windgall, 3 yrs, 6st 13lb (car. 7st)..... F. Peake 1

Sir R. Jardine's Eniskillen, 4 yrs, 7st 5lb..... W. Platt 4 Mr Abington's Lady Rpebery, aged, 9st 2lb..... F. Webb 0

Mr H. M. Dyas's Alice, 5 yrs, 8st 10lb..... S. Chandley 0 Duke of Beaufort's Coromandel, 5 yrs, 7st 8lb..... R. Chaloner 0

Mr J. T. Davies's Chesterfield, 4 yrs, 7st 4lb..... F. Allsopp 0 Mr J. Charlton's St. Cyr, 4 yrs, 7st 4lb..... F. Mullen 0

Betting: 9 to 4 agst Nunthorpe, 4 to 1 agst Clarence, 100 to 14 agst Alice, 8 to 1 each agst Coromandel and St. Cyr, 100 to 8 each agst Lady Rosbery and Chesterfield, and 100 to 7 each agst Eniskillen and Windgall. Won by a neck.

THE BISLEY RIFLE MEETING.

Although the weather at Bisley as regards rain and general discomfort for camping out, has been terrible this year, it was not at all bad weather for shooting. The meeting commenced on Tuesday, July 12th. We append a summary of the principal competitions decided up to July 23rd.

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 Grand Totals—Scotland 1636, England 1692, Ireland 1665.
 The Chancellors Match between eights of Oxford and Cambridge resulted in an easy win for Cambridge with 609 against Oxford 574.

LATEST LONDON BETTING

St. Leger—July 30th.

(Run Wednesday, Sept. 7. One mile six furlongs and 182 yards).

	Taken	Offered
Orme	2 to 1	2 to 1
Sir Hugo	8 to 1	15 to 2
La Fleche	8 to 1	15 to 2
Watercross	8 to 1	8 to 1
St. Damien	8 to 1	8 to 1
St. Angelo	100 to 6	100 to 6
May Duke	100 to 7	100 to 7
The Lover	25 to 1	22 to 1
The Snew	25 to 1	25 to 1
Curio	25 to 1	25 to 1
Bonavista	38 to 1	33 to 1
Dunuzee	50 to 1	50 to 1
El Diablo	50 to 1	50 to 1
Llanthony	50 to 1	50 to 1
Mortgage	—	100 to 1

RACING

(BY A LATE MAIL)

Goodwood—July 26

Han Stakes of 100 sovs. each for two-year-olds; second saved stake; T. Y. C. (¼ mile).
 Duke of Portland's b c Raeburn, by St. Simon
 Mowerina, 9 st J. Watts 1
 Baron de Hirsch's Poppoea, 8 st 7 lb G. Barrett 2
 Mr A. C. Barclay's Simon Frazer, 9 st Liddard 3
 Betting—9 to 1 on Raeburn, 9 to 2 agst Simon Frazer, 5 to 1 agst Poppoea.
 Won by a neck, bad third.

Stewards' Cup, value 300 sovs. added to a sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each; three-quarters of a mile.
 Duke of Devonshire's Marvel, by Marden, 5 yrs, 8st 8lb Colling 1
 Lord Durham's Peter Flower, 4 yrs, 8st 10lb, Rickaby 2
 Mr D. Cooper's Hildebert, 4 yrs, 7st 7lb Bradford 3
 Betting 1000 to 15 agst Marvel and Peter Flower, 100 to 12 agst Hildebert; 30 ran.

July 27

Goodwood Stakes (Handicap) of 20 sovs. each, with 300 sovs. added; second received 50 out of the stakes; 2½ miles.
 Mr C. J. Merry's b h Ralph Neville, by Cambrillo—The Interloper, 5 yrs, 7st 12lb Finlay 1
 Mr E. Loder's Billow, 4 yrs, 8st (car. 8st 2lb) M. Cannon 2
 Mr J. Charlton's Madame Neruda II., 4 yrs, 7st 9lb (car. 7st 10lb) C. Loates 3
 Mr J. B. Burton's Barmecide, 6 yrs, 8st 7lb G. Barrett 4
 Mr A. Kilayth's Penelope, 5 yrs, 8st 2lb G. Brown 0
 Duke of Beaufort's Coromandel, 5 yrs 8st R. Chaloner 0
 Mr Henry Milner's Certosa, 3 yrs, 7st 8lb J. Woodburn 0
 Mr Harding Cox's Andante, 3 yrs, 6st 8lb (car. 6st 10lb) Allsopp 0
 Lord Durham's Bithynian, 3 yrs, 6st 2lb Bradford 0

Betting—5 to 1 each agst Billow and Ralph Neville, 9 to 2 agst Bithynian, 100 to 15 agst Madame Neruda II., 100 to 12 each agst Barmecide, Penelope and Certosa, and 100 to 8 agst Coromandel and Andante.
 Won by four lengths, three lengths between second and third.
 Sussex Stakes of 25 sovs. each; with 50c. added; for three-year-olds; second received 200, and the third 100 out of the stakes; New mile.
 Duke of Westminster's b c Orme, by Ormonde—Angelica, 9st 1lb G. Barrett 1
 Baron de Hirsch's Watercross, 9st 1lb J. Watts 2
 Mr J. H. Houldsworth's Bushby Park, 8st 10lb M. Cannon 3
 Mr J. Durward's Drogo, 8st 10lb Pagan 4
 Lord Bradford's Flank March, 8st 10lb T. Weldon 0
 Mr H. Milner's Adoration, 8st 10lb (car. 8st 11lb) F. Webb 0
 Betting—5 to 1 on Orme, 40 to 1 agst Watercross, 100 to 7 each agst Bushby Park and Adoration, 25 to 1 agst Flank March, and 50 to 1 agst Drogo. Won by a head only, a bad third.

July 28.
 Goodwood Cup, value 300 sovs. added to a Sweepstakes of 20 each; half the Sweepstakes to go to the second; two and a half miles.
 Mr D. Baird's b c Martagon, by Bend Or—Tiger Lily, 5 yrs, 9st 10lb J. Watts 1
 Duke of Westminster's Blue Green, 5 yrs, 9st 10lb G. Barrett 2
 Col. North's Colorado, 4 yrs, 8st 12lb M. Cannon 3
 Betting—11 to 8 on Martagon, 2 to 1 agst Blue Green, and 10 to 1 agst Colorado.
 Won by a neck, bad third.

Prince of Wales' Stakes of 200 sovs. each; for two-year-olds; second receives 400 sovs. out of the stakes, and third saves stake. T. Y. C.
 Mr D. Baird's b f Silene, by St Simon—Palmflower, 8st 11lb J. Watts 1
 Mr J. H. Houldsworth's Inverdon, 9st M. Cannon 2
 Gen. O. William's Haut Brion, 9st G. Chaloner 3
 Mr R. H. Combe's Bill of Portland, 9st Rickaby 0
 Lord Bradford's Deal, 9st 11lb Weldon 0
 Betting—11 to 8 agst Bill of Portland, 85 to 40 agst Haut Brion, 5 to 1 agst Inverdon, 100 to 12 agst Silene, and 40 to 1 agst Deal.
 Won by three lengths, a head divided second and third.

July 29.

Nassau Stakes of 30 sovs. each, with 200 added, for three-year-old fillies; second received 100; Old Mile.
 Baron de Hirsch's b f La Fleche, by St. Simon—Quiver, 9st 8lb G. Barrett 1
 Mr H. Milner's Broad Corrie, 9st 1lb F. Webb 2
 Mr Fairlie's First Flight, 8st 10lb (car. 8st 11lb) Watts 3
 Lord Durham's Vivien, 8st 10lb Rickaby 0
 Mr J. H. Houldsworth's Glenayes, 8st 10lb M. Cannon 0

Betting—11 to 8 on La Fleche, 5 to 2 agst Broad Corrie, 100 to 12 agst First Flight, and 20 to 1 agst any other.
 Won by a length and a half, a good third.

BUENOS AIRES FROM DAY TO DAY

One of the most serious incidents in the history of the Argentine Congress took place on Friday. The presence of the Minister of War was requested, according to the Constitution, to answer certain inquiries about the manner of provisioning the army. The President and General Levalle wrote to the Congress declining the attendance of the latter on the ground that the last time a Minister attended he had been called a liar as soon as his back was turned, and no one in the Congress had protested against this unparliamentary procedure. The President therefore declined to allow his Ministers to be so insulted.

So far the President was certainly in the right, but in the joint note to the Deputies there was a last paragraph, which, like a lady's postscript, was the most important part of the communication, and in which the President taunted with hypocrisy certain members of the Chamber and charged them with being responsible to a great extent for all the abuses of the late administration and as now posing as apostles of purity simply for theatrical effect.

The effect of the reading of this letter was most exciting, and various modes of treating it were proposed. Several members retaliated violently and said that the President, before his elevation, to the supreme power, was as much a Juarista as anyone and as much guilty of participation in the abuses of the Juarez Government as anyone else. In the end it was decided to treat the note as not received and request again the War Minister's attendance.

Of course the event caused the greatest excitement throughout the resignation of the President, his impeachment, meetings of generals, and negotiations more or less authorized, were current, and a general feeling of excitement and uneasiness was the result.

All this reminds us very much of a picture in "Punch" some twenty odd years ago in which a soldier, brilliant in his scarlet uniform, was run into by a black and uncouth looking sweep. The soldier pushed his sooty aggressor on one side, saying, "Get away, you dirty black beggar!" "Get away yourself, your old lobster," retorted the sweep, "you were black before you were boiled."

Of course, on the kiss-and-be-friends principle, so well developed in this happy land, the President quickly got ready his "indeclinable," re-

signation and as quickly withdrew it. The War Minister attended the Congress, and all went merry as a marriage bell.

We see the Mendoza correspondent of the "Review of the River Plate," devotes nearly half a column in the paper referred to in criticising our contention that the expression "Argentina" in the title of the "Times" is correct. We do not wish to open up a grammatical argument in these columns, and should certainly never think of defending on grammatical grounds such an expression as "That's him." What we said and what we repeat is that "Argentina" is now the recognised name of the country in England, and is so used by all the leading journals having special relations with this country. The expression "The Argentine," without the word Republic, which our critic admits having heard before is just exactly the translation of the word "Argentina" and on many grounds we think the name "Argentina" justifiable. We must strongly object to the word "Republic," especially at present, being applied to this country. Let it be called "Anarquia Argentina" if you like, but "Republica," certainly not. We would recommend the Mendoza correspondent to refer to the number of the "Review" in which his letter appears and he will find the name Argentina used repeatedly, both in the leading articles and in the London letter.

Lieut. Col. Funes was released from arrest on Saturday and attended the races at Palermo on Monday. We wonder if any English, French, German, or Italian captain with a charge hanging over him such as that made against Sr. Funes, would have ventured to have been present so soon on a public racecourse, and if he had, what would have been his reception?

How is it that as soon as a fiscal is nominated to take up the "sumario" about the Rosales, he is taken ill? There have been three cases of this kind already. Is this an epidemic or is it cowardice? Well does the "Prensa" speak of a "peste" amongst the Fiscals, and exclaim: "Pobre disciplina!"

What is the value of a whale? It evidently depends on where it is caught, as one thrown on the shore near Quilmes, supposed to be capable of yielding 15,000 kilos of oil, reached \$300.

Mr. Seeber's offer to sell the "Bon Marché" building to the Government for a Post Office is not likely to be accepted, as the Commission appointed to enquire into the suitability of the building report that there is not sufficient accommodation, and that it is too far from the stations and the Port.

What is the Mecca to which all English wanderers in the desert of Argentina are trying to attain? Why to men's fortune, of course. This was buried at our heads as we descended the staircase of the "S. and P." office on Saturday, but as we were nearly at the bottom we escaped unscathed.

It is intended to erect gymnastic appliances and apparatus in some open space in the city, for the free use of the children of the public schools. We cordially sympathise with the movement, as such means of recreation exist in every local park in England and are much appreciated.

Let us suggest, not in an unfriendly spirit but quite the reverse, that the "Times" should employ a reader who knows English to correct its proofs. We are not speaking of mere orthographical errors, which, as none know better than ourselves, will occur in the best regulated papers, but of downright literary atrocities such as those perpetrated on Sunday with a most interesting and able article on Leo Tolstoi. It really needs to be translated from the "Times" into English before it can be understood. When we find in the article named such conceptions as "wretches" for "wenches," "dehattered" for "dehattered," "deprived" for "described," "phototype" for "prototype," to say nothing of "lead" for "read," "most" for "more," "seem" for "seemed," "our" for "one," "ever" for "even," besides omissions and other slighter errors, we have said enough to show that our suggestion of an English reader is not unnecessary. We read, or tried to read, the article on our way to church on Sunday, and the necessity for absolution was greatly increased thereby.

We formed part of a large number of English invaders at Banfield station a few nights ago to attend a concert in aid of the church there. Headed by two stout "Vaqueros" with lighted lamps we threaded our way through the swamps and marshes of that picturesque suburb until we arrived at the temporary church. Once there, we found the building crowded by an appreciative audience, who listened with enthusiasm to an excellently rendered selection of serious (and otherwise) songs. Mde Vinas sang "Tentazione" in Italian, and "I do not ask" in German, and the English performers were Miss Sothain, Mrs. Fitzgerald and Mrs. Lovett, and Messrs Hemans, Millar and James. Mr. Wejr also gave two Irish songs and was evidently none the worse for his temporary sojourn amongst "the departed" in the "Times." Miss Nora Bloomfield recited "The Lady and the Tiger" in a surprisingly clear and effective manner. Everybody was encored, so we must assume that everyone was delighted. But just fancy such a thing in Banfield, of all places in the world!

A new departure in literature, at any rate for the River Plate, will soon make its appearance. We refer to a monthly illustrated magazine, to contain serial and finished tales and articles on all and sundry subjects of interests. We trust that the magazine will have a good reception and both be worthy of and obtain the support of the reading section of the River Plate republics.

One of the signs of the times is the formation of a Land or Agrarian League of the Province of Buenos Aires, to be composed of land owners and estancieros. The object is to make their influence and power felt in provincial politics, and to protect their interests, so completely, up to the present, at the mercy of a practically irresponsible Government.

The police appear to have determined to put down, as far as possible, betting amongst minors. The other day they made a raid upon the Café de los 36 Billares and the Sport Gladiador and took off to the Comisario some twenty-five youths of 11 and 15 years of age or thereabouts, whom they warned and reprimanded and then gave up to their respective parents or tutors.

The establishment "El Cazador," on the Tigre, has been acquired by Dr. Pedro Costa for the purpose of preparing horses for export to France for the army, under an arrangement made by a French syndicate.

The Italians think they are numerous and powerful enough here to have a "plaza" of their own, and steps are being taken to open a "Plaza Italiano" or "de Italia." Of course the Government and the Municipality will have a word to say on the matter, and it is doubtful if they will permit such an "unpatriotic" (from an Argentine point of view) scheme to be carried out.

A new prophet, or the son of one, has appeared in Chascomus. He calls himself "Jesus Christ, the slave of man," but his name when he was at home was Ramos. He has got together a number of apostles or disciples, who prove their faith in him by letting him thrash them with a whip, as hard as he likes, at the conclusion of the spiritual exercises, which are a curious mixture of religious invocations, catechisms, and sprinklings of water, and, in short, constitute a general variety entertainment, usually concluding with an upset of the bucket of water used in sprinkling by a "pantapie" of the prophet, and the thrashing of the disciples before referred to. The disciples seem to like the thrashing, which they assert they do not feel, and during the process they exhort their beloved chief to lay on: say they, "beloved master, it does not hurt."

Ramos claims to be a re-incarnation of Pancho Sierra, a previous claimant to the Argentine Messiahship, and one of his disciples says that he saw Ramos and Pancho Sierra coming out of a church together, and they seemed one body and had on a yellow overcoat. Argentina seems prolific in these incarnations, as some time ago there lived in the neighbourhood of Tandil two rival seers, called Christ and Anti-Christ.

Ramos seems rather a common name for notorious characters. It was borne by a police official in Belgrano, who made himself conspicuous

as our German contemporary here expressed it, by "occupying his leisure hours in thieving."

We have ever been suspicious of the travelling cigar vendors who, however often you say no to their tempting offers of good and cheap cigars, continually haunt the precincts of offices in this city; and our suspicions have been confirmed by the assault made on Monday on Mr Williams, the Secretary of the Cordoba Railway, who was brutally attacked in his office, 655 Piedad, early in the morning, by two men, in whom he believes he recognised two of the gentry referred to. The scoundrels left him senseless and bashed with blood, while they rifled the safe. It is to be hoped they will be caught. Meanwhile our readers should be on their guard against these persistent cigar vendors.

RACING

BELGRANO—AUGUST 21

We thought we had got to the end of the three-year-olds in and out running when Prometeo and Rivadavia beat Niobe and Araucano last week at Palermo, but apparently we have not done so by any means. Most of us would have laughed if we had been told a few days ago that Manon Lescaut would win the Premio Gladiador from Araucano and Clovis.

Form has lately been most completely upset, in fact take away the winner from the last few classic races and the rest of the fields came in as they should have done, but the winner has always been wrong, and we feel inclined to recommend anxious backers to get the race card, shut their eyes, dab a pencil on the list of runners and back the horse it happens to mark—it will be found, we are sure, quite as good a plan and not half the trouble of spending hours hunting back past performances and looking up form.

The conditions of the Premio Gladiador, not being published in the programmes, may not be generally known, so it will be found of interest to give them. The entries for the races are made in July, three years before it is run, the name of sire and dam are given, and the foal has to be declared before the 1st of May of the following year. Should the mare nominated have no foal the entry money is returned. We may state here that for next year's Premio Gladiador there are very few entries, thirty-two only, the progeny of but six stallions; but for 1894 there are a hundred and fifty including three mares served by Ormonde, all of whom however we believe slipped their fouls.

To hark back to Sunday's race, Araucano was made a very strong favourite with more than half the tickets sold taken on him. The Buenos Aires Stud came next in demand, neither Silex nor Manon Lescaut being much fancied.

The race was a good one and though Manon Lescaut made the whole of the running it was doubtful in the last few strides if Araucano would not manage to get home, instead of adding another second to his already long list.

After the Premio Gladiador the race which attracted most interest was the Premio Zanoni. During the week this event had occupied a good deal of attention amongst betting men who wisely preferred to leave the three-year-old race alone. It was always doubtful if the top weight Athos would start, but when it was known on the course that his name was up, he was made favourite at once with the Petite Ecurie pair second; and Zangano third in demand. The public proved right, as Athos won easily from Alerta, with Zangano third, carrying his heavy weight without apparently much difficulty.

Brandy Snap for some reason we did not understand was little fancied for the Premio Star, so when he romped in two lengths in front of Black Friar, he paid a dividend of over twenty-three dollars. High dividends were the order of the day as, with the exception of that paid on Remigia on the last race, none were under nine dollars for a win.

Details:

PREMIO GAY HERMIT, a handicap for horses which having run, have not won more than \$900, \$1300 to the first, 200 to the second, 1900 metres.	
Stud La Prensa's b h Colon, by Phoenix—Blood	
Royal 4 yrs 48 k	S. Gil 1
Mr Manton's Valiente 5 yrs 55 k	J. Cruz 2
La Petite Ecurie's Pharaon 4 yrs 53 k	P. Torres 3
Stud San Juan's Rivarola 5 yrs 56 k	J. Garcia 0
Sr. J. Cardoso's Reporter 4 yrs 53 k	Martinez 0
Sr. E. Casal's Gorrion 4 yrs 52 k	E. Lopez 0
Stud Nacional's North of Warwick 7 yrs 50 k	I. Cardoso 0
Stud Norte's Almirante 7 yrs 49 k	Pianessi 0
General Paz's Putu 4 yrs 47 k	J. Olmos 0

Stud Whipper-In's Siva 4 yrs 45 k	S. Bayardi 0
Stud Forester's Liniers 4 yrs 45 k	D. Castillo 0
Sr. A. Sibourd's Descubierta 5 yrs 45 k	T. Ricca 0
Stud Entre Rios' Scipion 4 yrs 42 k	C. Bracer 0
Sr. Amate's Fleurette 7 yrs 40 k	S. Gonzalez 0
Stud La Tablada's La Capital 4 yrs 40 k	C. Bueno 0

Colon jumped off with the lead and never being headed throughout won by a length from Valiente, who was coming up well at the finish; half a length between second and third.

Tickets—Colon with 724 win and 1141 place, Valiente 702 and 846, Pharaon 500 and 514, Rivarola 132 and 150, Reporter 95 and 157, Gorrion 417 and 602, North of Warwick 662 and 418, Almirante 272 and 1169, Putu 702 and 746, Siva 315 and 409, Liniers 158 and 192, Descubierta 185 and 246, Scipion 102 and 104, Fleurette 71 and 156, La Capital 222 and 378.

Dividends—Colon \$11.90 win and 4.27 place, Valiente 5.06 place, Pharaon 6.30 place.

PREMIO WHIPPER-IN, a handicap, \$1800 to the 1st, 200 to 2nd; 1100 metres.

Stud Boqueron's b h Paysandú, by Thuriagian	
Prince—Maria Seaton 7 yrs 50 k	J. Olmos 1
Ecurie Ceres' Ceres 4 yrs 53 k	G. Palacios 2
Ecurie Titan's Barata 5 yrs 49 k	T. Lopez 3
Stud St. Clavirino's Le Torpilleur 5 yrs 56 k	I. Diaz 0
Stud Nuevo's Lugano 7 yrs 55 k	S. Gil 0
Mr Manton's Tedworth 6 yrs 55 k	D. Castillo 0
Stud El Plata's Huracan 5 yrs 52 k	I. Cardoso 0
Ecurie Bolivar's Patria 5 yrs 46 k	Carabajal 0
Stud Niño Dorado's Monk 5 yrs 44 k	Martinez 0

The flag was dropped to a wretched start from which Paysandú got well away in front, led throughout and won from Ceres, who got off badly, by a length; a head between second and third. Huracan was left at the post.

Tickets—Paysandú with 1065 win and 1225 place, Ceres 1470 and 1971, Barata 1055 and 1445, Le Torpilleur 728 and 933, Lugano 285 and 443, Tedworth 142 and 118, Huracan 540 and 808, Patria 523 and 885, Monk 150 and 385.

Dividends—Paysandú \$9.98 win and 3.49 place, Barata 3.26 place.

PREMIO GLADIADOR, for three-year-olds, colts 52 kilos, fillies 50 kilos; \$3000 and 60% of the entry fees to the 1st, 25% of the entry fees to the 2nd, and 15% to the 3rd; 1900 metres:

Ecurie Ceres' b f Manon Lescaut by Pan—	
Nana	J. Olmos 1
Stud Painé's b c Araucano by Phoenix—Jaquette	G. Palacios 2
Stud Buenos Aires' Clovis	I. Diaz 3
Stud Buenos Aires' Carbine	J. Cruz 0
Ecurie Bolivar's Silex	P. Aguilera 0

Manon Lescaut was first away and made running from Carbine for a short distance, when the latter fell back and Clovis took second place, with Silex close up. They ran in this order to the straight, where Araucano, about a couple of hundred metres from home, made his effort but could not quite get up to the leader, who won an exciting race by a short head; a length between the second and third.

Tickets—Manon Lescaut 781, Araucano 5404, Clovis and Carbine 3278, Silex 1078.
Dividend—Manon Lescaut \$24.20.

PREMIO ZANONI, a handicap for winning horses; \$3000 to the 1st, 500 to the 2nd; 2400 metres.

Stud Entre Rios' ch h Athos, by Zut—Athalie	
8 yrs 61 k	J. Garri 1
La Petite Ecurie's Alerta 5 yrs 52 k	P. Torres 2
Stud Camors' Zangano 4 yrs 50 k	I. Diaz 3
Ecurie Bolivar's Sombra 5 yrs 41 k	Carabajal 0
La Petite Ecurie's Gettatore 6 yrs 50 k	I. Cardoso 0
Sr. F. C. Malbran's Mudo 4 yrs 48 k	S. Gil 0
Capitan Lopez' Robert le Diable, 4 yrs 48 k	P. Aguilera 0
Stud Monfi's Firmin 9 yrs 44 k	L. Gonzalez 0
Stud La Noria's Noel 4 yrs 40 k	C. Bueno 0

Gettatore made the running to the last bend where Athos was sent to the front and entering the straight held a good lead. At the paddock Alerta made her effort but could never catch the leader who won by a length; half that distance separating second and third.

Tickets—Athos with 8616 and 2253, Alerta and Gettatore 2239 and 2289, Zangano 1496 and 1634, Sombra 396 and 645, Mudo 489 and 510, Robert le Diable 561 and 636, Firmin 925 and 1040, Noel 284 and 348.
Dividends—Athos \$6.16 win and 3.73 place, Alerta \$3.70 place.

PREMIO STAR, a handicap for horses that have won more than \$7000; \$1800 to the 1st, 200 to the 2nd; 1000 metres.

Capitan Lopez' b h Brandy Snap by Sweetbread—Lass O'Gowrie 4 yrs 50 k	P. Aguilera 1
Stud San Jorge's Blackfriar 6 yrs 49 k	P. Torres 2
Ecurie Titan's Cabula 5 yrs 50 k	J. Olmos 3
Sr. E. Casal's Havre 8 yrs 54 k	R. Garrido 0
Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Nubifer 6 yrs 54 k	J. Cruz 0
Stud Camors' Vendetta 5 yrs 51 k	I. Diaz 0
Ecurie Talisman's Sirince 5 yrs 47 k	S. Gil 0
Stud La Prensa's Falucho 5 yrs 44 k	J. Bayardi 0
Stud Entre Rios' Tala 5 yrs 43 k	C. Bracer 0

Sirince and Cabula ran at the head of the lot for a few hundred metres when Blackfriar went to the front followed by Vendetta. When well in the straight Brandy Snap came away and easily getting the better of Blackfriar won from him by two lengths, half a length between second and third.

Tickets—Brandy Snap with 658 and 1031, Blackfriar 1149 and 1513, Cabula 712 and 812, Havre 1363 and 1218, Nubifer 1566 and 2169, Vendetta 1548 and 2201, Sincere 793 and 964, Falucho 392 and 383, Tala 360 and 485.

Dividends—Brandy Snap \$28.25 win and 6.09 place, Blackfriar 4.78 place, Cabula 7.20 place.

Premio Jetsam, a handicap for three-year-olds which have run \$1500 to the 1st, and 200 to the 2nd, 1200 metres.

Stud San Jorge's champion Remigia by Kings Hill. Miss Thompson 53 k. G. Palacios 1. La Petite Laurine Gualicho 48 k. L. Cardoso 2. Stud Catlines Sensacion 50 k. J. Martinez 3. Stud Forster's Tourbillon 53 k. D. Castillo 0. Stud Esperanza's Muchacho 47 k. Carabajal 0. Stud Argentin's Satis 47 k. A. Aquino 0. Stud Boqueron's Ellen Terry 47 k. C. Bracero 0.

Remigia was first away but was pulled back and Sensacion took up the running. At the paddock Sensacion was beat and Gualicho went to the front, but Remigia came well at the finish and won easily by a length, two lengths between second and third.

Tickets—Remigia 2949 and 2026, Gualicho 888 and 596, Sensacion 854 and 1187, Tourbillon 158 and 177, Muchacho 878 and 763, Satis 521 and 430, Ellen Terry 247 and 201.

Dividends—Remigia \$3.96 win and 3.08 place, Gualicho 5.69 place.

DERBY CLUB SPORT PORTENO

Table with columns WIN, PLACE, WIN, PLACE. Includes entries for Premio Gay Hermit, Premio Whipper-In, Premio Gladiador, Premio Zanoni, and Premio Star.

ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

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

The fair at Las Rosas may be considered as a success in one way at any rate. It brought great number of visitors to the neighbourhood, who, though perhaps not many were buyers, will probably come again next year and bring others with their pockets lined, after seeing the excellence of the stock sold.

Good news as regards agriculture comes from Santa Fé. The weather is perfect, the wheat fields are simply magnificent, and the alfalfa potrerós could not possibly be in better condition. We are sorry to hear however from the province that the mares on nearly all the estancias are slipping their foals.

Cannot something be done to prevent the dreadful epidemic amongst the mares? After all that was written and done by the scientific reporters on the subject last year, we are not a whit wiser this as to the probable causes, preventative measures or cures. Confined to Criollo mares the disease cannot do such serious damage, but when blood stock suffer, the loss is tremendous, and we are afraid the two-year-old sales next year will tell a woeful tale.

A three days' fair will be held in Lobos commencing to-day, and as an immense number of fine stock will be on view, it is probable that the fair will be a success in every way. The Balcarce fair commences on the 25th proximo, when animals from breeders including Messrs Aguirre, Luro, Murphy, Martinez de Roz, Agüero, Torres, Bell, Kelly, Silva, Newton, Senillosa, Cobo, Peregrino, Puyrredon, and many others are expected.

Wheat has risen considerably in price during the last week, and sales up to \$10.40, the hundred kilos are reported from Plaza Constitución. Some of the grain sent in to the market from La Larga, Buenos Aires, is of such grand quality that some samples of it have been picked out by the Inspector General of the Argentine Committee of the Chicago Exhibition.

Mr William McCrombie, one of the foremost cattle breeders in the old country, tersely sums up his method as follows: "I breed in sufficiently to fix the type, and then breed out to strengthen the constitution."

Rio Janeiro depends very largely for its potatoes on Portugal. One also sees in the dirty little produce market on Rio bay, tubers all the way from New Zealand (a three weeks' voyage, at least) fetching famine prices. Surely there is an opening here for an enterprising firm.

Heavy crops of potatoes are grown in many parts of this Republic, and the difficulty of keeping them is rendered quite easy by a method, the effectiveness of which is vouched for by Professor Schubeaux, of the French National College of Agriculture. Essentially it consists in plunging the tubers before storing away into a 2 per cent solution of commercial sulphuric acid in water. The acid penetrates the eyes to the depth of one-fourth of an inch, and thus destroys their sprouting power, though it exercises no appreciable effect upon the skin of the potatoes. After remaining for ten hours in the liquid the tubers must be thoroughly dried, before putting away. The same liquid will do for any number of times, in fact until it is used up, and any kind of barrel or tank will serve as the immersing vessel, the acid being so dilute (2 parts to 100 of water) that it does not affect the wood.

Potatoes treated in this manner are as good eighteen months after being dipped as when newly dug, though of course they are useless for planting. This plan was first promulgated some time ago, but now, after repeated tests proving its value, it has been adopted by the French Government and in America it is fast coming into use throughout the Southern States.

We quote the following from the "Standard" of the 19th:—

"Two English gentlemen with a capital of £2,000 each have just left for the Rio Negro to start as sheepfarmers down there; they found it impossible to get land and stock to suit, their capital in any nearer district, as land is so dear in any part near Buenos Aires that £2000 capital really goes no way in making a start. Down in the far South their capital will be considered very large, as they can rent good land for sheep from the Government or private parties at prices that bring us back to the good old times when Irish sheepfarmers made fortunes with their flocks. Again and again we call attention to the fact that sheep-farming in the far South is to-day on a parity with what sheep-farming was 40 years ago in Banchos, Chascomus, Navarro, Lujan, Carmen de Arco and Capilla del Señor. The hardships which sheepfarmers in the far South have to endure are not a bit greater than those of our countrymen on the Twhaites, Sheridan, Harratt, Gandara, Fernandez, Vivot, Aguireres and Hannah estancias when they started; and one who knows the real state of sheep-farming in the far South laughs at the nonsense published in the papers here about people perishing for the want of employment or driven to the refuge of Colonel Barritt's chacra for a home for their little families. We hear of a party to-day who is looking to buy sheep and cattle to put on 40 leagues of land somewhere South of Chubut, and that he finds it so difficult to purchase the stock up here in this province that he has made up his mind to buy his sheep in the Falkland Islands and ship them across; and we call attention to this matter to show how still, in spite of all our great advancement, all our railways, tramways, clubs, brokers and newspapers, sheep-farming is in its infancy; there are thousands and thousands of sheep of the very best class for sale and at moderate prices, and yet the stranger who sits at the windows of his room in the Grand Hotel cannot, with the very sovereigns in his trunk, purchase a few flocks to make a start South of the Colorado or Rio Negro. We know a German who, with credits in this city, has been galloping over leagues and leagues of camp since last March and has only just succeeded in buying the 3000 sheep he was looking for. The sooner the rich sheepfarmers in the North begin to send their surplus stock to the wide open camps in the far South, where they will always find soft grass for their sheep and plenty of room to feed them, the better; as the sheep-farming business in the North is becoming as it were congested."

Prof. W. L. Williams, of Purdue University, U. S. A., says that abortion in mares, cows, and ewes is a specifically distinct disease, although quite analogous in each case. The disease appears to be transmitted in the same way, and preventable by the same means in the different animals. Yet it is not transmissible from one species of animal to another. Hence, on one farm, among cows, while pregnant mares in the same inclosure remain healthy, abortion may rage, and vice versa.

Recent experiments tend strongly to show that the germs of this disease gain admission to the pregnant uterus through the vulva and vagina; acting upon this assumption, good success has frequently followed proper antiseptic precautions.

These consist first of the burning or careful burying (preferably the former) of the expelled fetuses and membranes (after birth), the separation of recently aborted from pregnant animals, the careful cleansing, disinfecting of sheds and stables, and the daily application of 10 to 20 days of a reliable antiseptic solution to the vulva, tail and adjacent parts.

The most reliable antiseptic for this purpose is probably sublimate solution one to 1000, that is, corrosive sublimate two drachms, water one gallon. Being very poisonous, such a solution needs to be handled with care.

A year's experience has gained at least one believer in the possibilities of the Murchland Milking Apparatus.

Mr Spier, who has turned his trial of this novel invention to good account. From the time of its erection at Mr Spier's Farm, the Murchland has been making a name for its reputation. The results of the work performed have been fully and accurately noted, and now stand to its account in the "Transactions." A careful perusal of the tables produced by Mr Spier shows the outcome of his trial to be decidedly favourable to the apparatus. It is very satisfactory to find that success increased as the trial extended, and that it was doing its best work at the time the record was closed.

During the experiment hand-stripping, after the apparatus was released had been resorted to, so as to ensure a thorough clear-drice of the milk. It is worthy of note that the strippings which at one time averaged 3.1 lb. per cow at each milking, gradually diminished until only an average of 1 lb. could be drawn after the apparatus had finished.

In the course of the year Mr Spier had made or suggested several improvements in the original form; so that, as the results prove, it is now in a more efficient state than it was when he had it erected. It can also be gathered from the results that, as the cows become acquainted with or accustomed to the mechanical system, they yield milk more freely. On the whole, the result of the test is decidedly hopeful to those who look to the inventive genius of man to overcome the serious grievance of the scarcity of hand milkers.

Mr Spier sums up his remarks thus: "The apparatus as at first sent out, although milking fairly well, did not milk sufficiently clean to satisfy the average farmer. At first, also, cows which were hand-stripped, after being mechanically milked, kept up an unusual quantity of their milk, showing that they preferred hand milking. With the latest improvements, hand milking does not interfere with the mechanical milking. Where hand milking is in any way difficult to accomplish, mechanical milking may be tried without any anxiety as to the result."

A writer in "Le Fermier" notes that the globe should grow in 1892 800 million hectolitres of wheat, whereas 700 were grown twenty years ago, and 600 in 1852, forty years ago.

Of such total wheat harvest of the world, reckoned at 800, the ingathering is thus proportioned:—

35 in January from Australia, New Zealand, Chile, and the Argentine Republic; 40 in February from Upper Egypt, India, Svia, Persia, Asia Minor, Mexico, and Cuba; 20 in May from Texas, Central Asia, China, Japan, and Morocco; 200 in June from Algeria, Southern U. States, Turkey, Greece, Italy, Spain, and Portugal; 340 in July from France, Germany, Austro-Hungary, Roumania, Bulgaria, South Russia, and Northern U. States; 50 in August from U. Kingdom and other countries; 25 in September, October, November, and December from the remainder.

To labour-saving machines, and generally to agricultural implements, the farmer formerly looked for assistance to enable him to cultivate his land remuneratively. Apparently he looks no longer, and of the new implements shown at the Royal Show, Warwick, at the Bath and West, or at the Royal Counties Shows, not a single one can be said to promise better times to the grower of corn, the breeder and rearer of stock. The limit of mechanical help seems reached, for although each year marks some slight improvements in standard implements, any gain from machinery is neutralised by the costs of manual labour, so that production remains much at its old level.

Cañada de Gomez

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

August 23, 1892

Mr A. B. Dickson had his jaw broken on Monday in Rosario at Polo, a ball hit hard by which a few yards from him, striking him; he is to the delight of his many friends getting on all right. Not many men here are so popular as he and not many would call forth the sympathy that his accident has created. He is very foolish in leaving his house. Of course he can't eat, but "the faithful José" pours beaten eggs and caldo down his throat, and so he thrives apace.

Mr John Forbes has just returned from Buenos Aires to the Estancia Schonberg, of which he is Manager. He has bought down your way from the well-known breeder Don Juan Meyer, of Conesa, 1000 sheep, pure Lincolns. The price has not yet transpired but I believe it was high. By the way, speaking of Schonberg, Bondsman, by Bradsmail—Scottish Quoen, is now for sale, and I believe would go cheap; and a perfectly new Char-a-banc at present in Buenos Aires would be parted with at a sacrifice. It is by Holland and Holland, and is the counterpart of the one you have seen here.

C. W. W.

WINTER SEASON.—The English, in Calle Cangallo 594, have received their Winter Stock direct from the Manufacturers, amongst which there is a splendid lot of Socks, 500 dozens, bought at a discount of 33 1/2% off cost, clearing price \$7.25 half dozen (worth \$11.50). Winter Pyjamas a speciality.

Buenos Aires and Rosario Railway

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LA ADMINISTRACION.

Buenos Aires, Aug. 19.

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River Plate Sport and Pastime.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1892.

SPORTING NOTES

I hope that those intending to enter ponies for
the Quilmes Athletic Club Gymkhana on Tues-
day, the 30th, have not forgotten that the entries
close to-day. The club expects to have its new
pavilion completed by the day of the meeting,
which will add greatly to the comfort of those
attending it.

In the evening the Club is to give a concert in
the Municipal Hall at Quilmes, which should be
well attended, as I hear the nigger troupe will
be worth going a long way to hear, and a special
train back to town after it will enable those
who live in Belgrano or Buenos Aires to be pre-
sent.

The 12.10 train from the Central will stop at
the ground, and the meeting will commence im-
mediately after the arrival of the train.

The opening match of the Buenos Aires Crick-
et Club will be played at Palermo on Tuesday
next, the 30th, between an 11 and 22 of the club.
Those members who wish to play should send in
their names to the Hon. Sec., Mr A. Lace, Banco
Britannico.

I beg to call the attention of all those intend-
ing to take part in the Rosario Athletic Sports,
next Tuesday, to the advertisement of the Bue-
nos Aires and Rosario Railway, showing their
greatly reduced fares between Rosario and Bue-
nos Aires for the meeting.

The meeting of Secretaries of Cricket Clubs
which was to have been held last Monday even-
ing, has been postponed *sine die*.

The Buenos Aires Cricket Club objected to
Hurlingham taking the initiative, and calling
the meeting, so it will now be called by the new
Committee of the B.A.C.C. to be elected about
the end of this month.

The Montevideo Cricket Club are erecting a
new stand and dressing rooms on their ground
in Montevideo which, before long, will be ready
for use.

The race which I noticed some time ago as
arranged between a thoroughbred horse and a
criollo for 25 leagues, was won easily by the
thoroughbred in 11 hours. The race was decid-
ed near Cordoba.

My readers will be exceedingly sorry to hear
of the death of Mr James Carmichael, which
took place at Aberdeen last month. Mr Carmi-
chael, who was for some time a resident in Bue-
nos Aires, had many friends; he was one of the
original members of Hurlingham, and a regular
attendant there.

It is curious that Great Britain, which sets the
example in all other matters connected with the
turf, should be now almost the only country in
the world where the totalisators, or mutual sys-
tem of betting, are not employed; but judging
from the sloyness which characterises the old
country in adopting the many new and useful in-
ventions which come out every year, it is proba-
ble that the "mouthing metallicians," as I
have heard the bookmaking fraternity aptly cal-
led, will hold sway for many years to come.

The entries for the Derby, Oaks, and Epsom
Grand Prizes of 1894, closed with 237, 215, and
162 entries respectively. Whilst the number of
horses entered for the Derby and Oaks have
been increasing every year, the Epsom Grand
Prize has been getting fewer and fewer subscri-
bers, so that it is probable we shall soon see
the latter race eliminated altogether and the two
former increased in value to, say, £10,000 each.

One of the most interesting of the entries for
the Derby is that of Sr Boucou's Fecundo, by Or-
monde—Philosophy. The colt which went home
last April. Mr Kemmis, however, will be the
first to run an Argentine bred horse in England,
as he now has a son and daughter of Whipper-In
in training with Porter.

I hear that a Brazilian breeder has taken two
subscriptions of £500 each to Ormonde. One of
the mares has arrived in Buenos Aires and will
shortly be sent to Luis Chico.

The jumps I mentioned last week as about to
be constructed in Palermo Park are now com-
pleted, and comprise a fair variety of fences,
some of which require a good deal of jumping
and some of which do not. A man to look after
and repair damages in the fences has been kind-
ly supplied by the authorities of the park.

I hear that neither Athos nor Camors, will go
to Rio for the rich Gran Premio América of
25,000 dollars gold. Aventurero is at present
made favourite at the remunerative odds of three
to one.

Camors stands at 4 to 1, Athos 4 to 1, Therez-
opolis, The Money, Boqueron, and Maracaña 10
to 1, Lieturn, Rayon d'Or, and Saint Sylvian 20
to 1, Brest, Blitz, Cerbere, Messina, Kirsch, Le
Bresil, Heaume, and Petropolis at 30 to 1.

The Derby Club of Rio Janeiro paid away
\$54,000 at their meeting on the seventh of this
month, in spite of which the club made a net
profit of \$25,000. No less than \$492,000 passed
through the betting houses on the course on the
day of the meeting, so there must be still plenty
of money in Rio.

At this meeting Aventurero won the Gran
Premio Rio de Janeiro, value \$30,000 and a Gold
Cup to the first, \$6000 to the second, \$3000 to the
third and \$1500 to the fourth, 3200 metres.
Eleven horses started, Guajara came in second
Saint Sylvian third, Kirsch fourth, and Cerbere
fifth; the rest of the field consisting of Blitz,
Connaught, The Money, Heaume, Lieturn, and
Titan. The official time for the race was 3 min.
32 secs.

Huron was hopelessly beaten in the Premio
Velocidad of \$2500, 1500 metres, run in Rio Ja-
neiro at the same meeting. Bessina won in 1 min.
37secs. with Cascade second and Otello third.

I had occasion to visit the Las Ortigas Stud
the other day and never saw so many cripples in
one stable as there are in "Panchos's" boxes.
Amianto, Destructor, Clarin, all lame blistered
and laid up, with Divina and Fraiso au Kirsch
difficult to train, the leading Stud of last year has
not much chance of heading the list at the end of
this season. Amianto is very much better, and
will doubtless be in training again before many
months.

Amazon, who won on two consecutive days last
week, and the pony Enchantress are practically
the only sound ones in the Stud. Jack the
Ripper, the chestnut colt by Star out of Jeanie,
stands no less than sixteen hands three inches,
so, as he has just turned three, does not work to
speak of yet. I am afraid he will always be
too big to do much on our race courses here.

Enchantress by Star out of Embuche is one of
the neatest thoroughbred ponies I have seen in
the country. She is one of the long low sort so
seldom found here; with good shoulders and a
head and neck so well set on, her rider must
have lots in front of him, in fact she is a picture
of a perfect polo pony and as such would be ir-
valuable.

J. Romay won the Gran Premio Turf Club of
Rio on The Money, on the 14th inst., from Fra-
tello, with Cerbere third, Cascade and Guajara
unplaced. The first three horses were the prop-
erty of the Gran Para Stud, so the race, though
worth \$5000 to the first horse, was by no means
interesting.

Señor Esteban Gandolfo sailed in the Congo
for Rio de Janeiro with power to sell three well
known horses in training here.

Next Sunday and Tuesday there are a couple
of meetings at Palermo. On Sunday the Premio
Invierno, a handicap for any horse, and on Tues-
day the Premio Santa Rosa for three-year-olds
will attract most attention. Not knowing the
probable starters so early in the week, I cannot
venture an opinion as to the winner of the
former event, and after the way the three-year-
olds have been running lately it is impossible to
predict the winner of the latter, though the dis-
tance should suit Niobe if she runs, and Araucano
not being entered she will not have many for-
midable opponents.

At the moment of writing Finance and Esper-
anza are at equal odds for the Premio Invierno,
with Athos, Stone Cross, and San Martin at a
much longer price. Finance, who is now six
years old, will probably be seen on a racecourse
next Sunday for the last time, as he is not en-
tered for any other classic races, and will retire to
the stud immediately.

From sale catalogues which are constantly
being shown me, I see that Argentine horses are
selling no better in England. The last sale I
have an account of gave an average of only £11
15s. 0d., which could not have paid the exporters.
Seventeen guineas was the highest price, and
seven and a half the lowest, paid for the 34
horses sold.

Two of the horses at this sale cost, I believe,
a thousand dollars in Buenos Aires, and only
fetched sixteen and seventeen guineas each. They
could not surely have been got up well for sale to
make such wretched prices.

A capital story, illustrative of the way golfers
when they get together do talk about the game
they are pleased to call the Royal and Ancient,
quite regardless that any other individuals pres-
ent may neither care two straws about the game,
nor know anything about it.

A cricketer asked two men to dinner, and by
the time the manzanilla had blended with the
last spoonful of soup, the guests had found out
that they were both golfers, and proceeded to
discuss their all-absorbing game in a way that
only golfers can. The host, who was generally
considered a serviceable entry for the Chatty
Stakes at any meeting, stood it for an hour or
two, but did not appreciate playing a maiden
over all night, so about 10.30 he got up, and
said: "Golf may be a very fine game, but I am
off to find some one who can talk about some-
thing else," and left the two guests to themselves.

Many enquiries and letters to the Editor have
been sent asking when the winning caricature
was going to be reproduced; as promised, in
"Sport and Pastime." When the conditions
for the competition were published, it was not
taken into consideration that one of the staff of
the paper would be chosen as a subject for a car-
icature, or the promise to reproduce the winning
sketch would, no doubt, have been qualified. As
it happens the caricature which was adjudged
the winner was one of your humble servant, the
compiler of these notes, who thinks that this is
sufficient excuse for the non-fulfilment to repro-
duce the drawing.

LAWN TENNIS

BUENOS AIRES L.T.C. v. ROSARIO L.T.C.

This match, which has been postponed several times for various reasons, was, at last, played off on the grounds of the B.A.L.T.C. on Monday, August 22nd.

The morning was cloudy and threatened rain, but when play was started at 10 a.m. the courts were in beautiful condition, and everything was conducive to good play.

Rosario arrived one man short, so Fortune played as a substitute, the missing one being Lucas was a decided loss for Rosario.

At the last moment, Buenos Aires lost the services of Bowden Smith; his playing would have made all the difference in the result. Boadle took his place, being on the spot at the time.

Play was started by Daniel and Neil v. Boyd and Verschoyle; the Rosario pair proved too strong for their opponents and eventually won by 6-3, 6-4. Ker Seymer and Bridges (B.A.) v. Conder and Francis was a well contested match, the B.A. couple only winning after a severe struggle by 6-4, 4-0, 6-2. Boadle and Hill (B.A.) beat A. Clarke and Fortune; a well fought game.

From this till lunch time there were few close contests. After an excellent lunch play was resumed.

Still and Knox (B.A.) v. Daniel and Neil. This proved a close game, the B.A. pair winning in the end by a 6-4 6-5. Daniel's play was strong and steady; Neil played a neat game and is a promising young player, but should follow the advice of his more experienced partner oftener. During the game it began to rain and continued for the rest of the day, and though several matches were played off in the rain, the courts at length got so wet it was impossible to continue.

Rattray and Sheehan had an easy victory over Ker Seymer and Bridges, the latter pair not playing in their usual form by any means.

The last game attempted was between Still and Knox and Rattray and Sheehan, which, if the weather had only been fine, would have proved an exciting match, play being stopped when the score stood at one set all one game all.

Daniel and Neil did not play Seymer and Bridges. The match thus ended in a draw.

Notwithstanding the threatening weather a good number of spectators turned up and watched the games from the shelter of the stand, where Mrs. L'Estrange Wallace kindly dispensed tea to all comers.

Great praise is due to the energetic secretary, Mr. Boadle, for the way in which all the details had been so carefully seen to, nothing being forgotten. It is the first tennis match out here which we have seen in which all the arrangements for playing and umpiring, &c., have been done as they have been done at home.

The following is the result of the matches:

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- J. J. C. Daniel and J. Neil (Ry.) beat A. P. Boyd and B. Verschoyle. 6-3, 6-4
 - H. M. Rattray and J. S. Sheehan (R.) beat Boyd and Verschoyle. 6-3, 6-2
 - T. V. M. Knox and F. M. Still (B.A.) beat A. Clarke and M. G. Fortune. 6-0, 6-0
 - T. S. Boadle and C. Hill (B.A.) beat Clarke and Fortune. 6-5, 6-4
 - V. Ker Seymer and J. D. O. Bridges (B.A.) beat E. Conder and F. Francis Knox and Still (B.A.) beat Conder and Francis. 6-1, 6-2
 - Daniel and Neil (R.) beat Boadle and Hill. 6-1, 6-2
 - Rattray and Sheehan (R.) beat Boadle and Hill. 6-0, 6-0
 - Rattray and Sheehan (R.) beat Seymer and Bridges. 6-1, 6-0
 - Boyd and Verschoyle (B.A.) beat Clarke and Fortune. 6-4, 6-3
 - Knox and Still (B.A.) beat Daniel and Neil. 6-4, 6-5
 - Conder and Francis (R.) beat Boadle and Hill. 6-4, 6-4
 - Boyd and Verschoyle (B.A.) beat Conder and Francis. 6-0, 6-1
 - Seymer and Bridges (B.A.) beat Clarke and Fortune. 6-4, 6-5
 - Buenos Aires won 8 matches, 16 sets, 124 games.
 - Rosario " 6 " 13 " 122 "

BUENOS AIRES LAWN TENNIS CLUB

There was a fairly good attendance of members at the First Annual General Meeting of this Club, which was held at the British Consulate on Friday, August 19th.

The Rules and Regulations, of which copies will now be printed and distributed, were discussed and in some cases amended.

It was decided that Her Majesty's Representative for the time being shall be ex-officio Honorary President of the Club, if willing to accept the position.

Various items of general business having been disposed of, the meeting voted upon the question of Club Colours, the result being in favour of dark and light blue with a narrow yellow stripe. A sample of the colours will be in the pavilion on Thursday next the 25th instant.

The Committee for the ensuing year consists of Messrs G. E. Welby (Hon. President), T. St. Boadle, M. Findlay, W. S. Harris, Gastrell, V. Ker-Seymer, T. V. M. Knox, J. D. Pearson, H. M. Mills, F. L. E. Wallace, and A. Williamson; with Messrs Still, J. M. Drysdale, and Bowden-Smith as suplentes.

The Club has now 13 Life and 100 Ordinary Members. There are 5 applications for membership, and the entrance fee has been raised to \$75 m.n.

ATHLETICS

ROSARIO ATHLETIC CLUB MEETING

The following are the handicaps arranged for the High Jump, Half Mile and Hurdle races at the Rosario Meeting on Tuesday, August 30:

High Jump, Handicap—

B. C. Hume	owes 8 in	A. MacLachlan	owes 2 in
C. E. Baines	" 7 in	C. Luck	" 2 in
E. Danvers	" 5 in	E. Wharton	" 2 in
E. P. Rowland	" 5 in	M. Graham	" 2 in
— Yeoman	" 5 in	A. Anderson	" 2 in
D. Owen	" 4 in	H. C. J. Linsdell	" 2 in
— Lamb	" 4 in	J. D. Pryce	" 2 in
J. Beaumont	" 4 in	J. Kissling	" 1 in
H. A. Tilley	" 4 in	A. W. Towse	" 1 in
F. Francis	" 4 in	F. W. Boardman	" 1 in
H. Cornwall	" 4 in	W. T. Paul	scratch
F. Clark	" 4 in	M. G. Fortune	"
F. Fothergill	" 3 in	B. Carman	"

Half Mile, Handicap—

E. P. Rowland	scratch	D. Owen	45 yds
E. Wharton	5 yds	A. Thompson	45 "
H. Cornwall	10 "	E. Danvers	50 "
C. E. Baines	15 "	J. D. Pryce	50 "
J. Beaumont	20 "	M. M. Graham	60 "
H. A. Tilley	20 "	J. Kissling	70 "
F. Fothergill	25 "	E. Diaz	70 "
A. MacLachlan	30 "	F. W. Boardman	70 "
H. C. J. Linsdell	35 "	B. Carman	90 "
A. Anderson	35 "	D. Gomez	90 "
— Lamb	40 "	A. Towse	100 "
B. C. Hume	40 "	W. T. Paul	120 "
— Yeoman	40 "	M. G. Fortune	120 "

120 Yards Hurdles, Handicap—

First Heat

A. Yeoman	owes 12 yds	M. M. Graham	owes 1 yd
C. E. Baines	" 7 "	F. W. Boardman	scratch
A. MacLachlan	" 5 "		

Second Heat

E. P. Rowland	owes 10 yds	J. Beaumont	owes 3 yds
D. Owen	" 5 "	B. Carman	scratch

Third Heat

E. Danvers	owes 14 yds	H. C. J. Linsdell	owes 3 yds
J. D. Pryce	" 4 "	M. G. Fortune	scratch
E. Wharton	" 4 "		

Fourth Heat

H. Cornwall	owes 9 yds	J. Kissling	owes 1 yd
— Lamb	" 7 "	A. Towse	scratch
F. Fothergill	" 5 "		

Fifth Heat

B. C. Hume	owes 8 yds	A. Anderson	owes 4 yds
H. A. Tilley	" 5 "	W. T. Paul	scratch

FOOTBALL

FIXTURES.

- ASSOCIATION
- Sunday, Aug. 28—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Buenos Aires and R. Ry. A.C., at Belgrano.
 - Tuesday, Aug. 30—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Lomas A.C., at Belgrano.
 - Sunday, Sept. 4—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.

QUILMES A.C. v. BUENOS AIRES F.C.

Our reporter failed us at Quilmes last Sunday, and we are sorry not to have a report of the Buenos Aires F.C. v. Quilmes A.C. association match. The game was a capital one from start to finish, and was eventually won by Quilmes by 2 goals to 1. The successful shots were made by Morgan and Lamont for the winners, and Gordon scored for the losers.

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CANADA DE GOMEZ v. ROSARIO

Taking advantage of a feast day following a Sunday the Canada men arrived at Fisherton on Sunday morning with the full intention of having two good games.

The first was played on Sunday afternoon. During the first quarter Rosario put on 2 goals adding a third during the second quarter.

In the third quarter the Canada men played up much better, scoring 2 goals to Rosario's 1, but in the last Rosario notched another point, thus winning the match by 5 goals to 2.

The game, although enjoyable, was by no means a fast one, no one in particular distinguishing himself.

The teams were as follows:

Canada de Gomez.	Rosario.
1. Forbes.	1. Christie.
2. Adamson.	2. Macintosh.
3. Robinson.	3. Talbot.
4. Dickson.	4. Wish.

On Monday morning the teams amused themselves with a little impromptu racing and jumping with their ponies, Adamson especially distinguishing himself on some of his "finished" (?) jumpers.

The return match was played in the afternoon. The Canada men seemed to have made up their minds that the form of the first match was all wrong, and their opinion seemed likely to be justified, as in the first quarter they scored 2 goals, the Rosario men playing very wildly.

The second quarter was far more even, no goals being scored. In the third quarter a very different aspect was put on the game, as Rosario playing well together scored 3 goals off the reel, so when the last quarter was started they were leading by a goal. The Canada men played their hardest to avert defeat, but without avail, as Rosario still playing up well scored another point, winning the match by 4 goals to 2.

The teams were the same as played on Sunday, the only alteration being that Adamson changed places with Dickson.

The second game was a far faster and better one than the first, and all the men played well.

Thus ended two most enjoyable days, the only casualty being that Dickson received a very nasty blow in the face with the ball.

The Santa Fe Polo Club's ground near Las Rosas station was inaugurated on August 14th in lovely weather. A large number of players turned up to play, Mr A. Dickinson and Mr F. Parry being most conspicuous and playing in their usual good form. The ground, though used for the first time, both rode and played well, the ball travelling up and down between the posts at a rare pace all through the games. Amongst the visitors, of whom there were many, were noticed Mrs R. Agar, Mrs Carpenter, Miss Houston, Miss Baines, Miss Elsie Macintosh, Miss Agnes Macintosh, and Mrs Benitz.

Tea was kindly served on the ground by Miss Macintosh. Mr Kemmis drove down a remarkable smart pair of horses, many others were present in their carriages, and nearly half the population of the town of Las Rosas; in fact the opening day's play on the new ground may be marked as a great success.

The view from the ground, which by the way Mr Kemmis has generously offered to surround with a few rows of trees, is quite exceptionally pretty; Las Rosas Estancia only a mile away with its beautiful montes, and all round green alfalfa paddocks filled with some of the finest, as regards bloodstock, the very finest stock in the country. We hope to be able to say more about the Las Rosas Polo Ground when the tournament is on next month.

BELGRANO.

The Belgrano Polo Club had two matches arranged for Sunday the 21st, both against the Quilmes Athletic Club. The first between the second teams of the two clubs, and the second between what is really the Hurlingham team for the Las Rosas Tournament and a by no means representative team of the Quilmes A.C.

The weather though dull was fine, and during the afternoon a great many people were on the ground, for all of whom Mrs Colonel Goldsmid most kindly provided afternoon tea.

After the rain the ground looked remarkably well, and the going was much better than it has been for some time past, though the ball at times seemed to jump in a rather tantalising fashion.

For the first game the teams drew up as follows:

Quilmes A.C.	Belgrano P.C.
1. F. J. Bennett.	1. A. Brodie.
2. J. Leitch.	2. E. Richards.
3. E. Danvers.	3. F. M. Still.
F. Bocquet.	J. M. Mullally.

The Belgrano men were soon at work, and Still hit the first goal before the game had long commenced, and Quilmes always leaving their opponents' back division unattended allowed Mullally a clear shot at goal, from which he scored the second point for the home club. After the home club had hit behind several times the game, though always in the Quilmes half of the ground, became faster. F. Bennett, who was playing instead of E. Robson, who had not yet turned up, made a fine run from near his own goal, and took the ball well down the ground, but his pony getting out of hand it resulted in nothing, and Richards getting possession scored one of the best goals of the day. Play now became more even, Danvers scoring for Quilmes just before time was called for the quarter, at the end of which the score stood Belgrano 3 goals, Quilmes 1.

Quilmes were first on the ball after the throw in, but Richards soon brought it back and Mullally scored. The home team still continuing to have the best of the game pressed their opponents very hard, Richards placing the ball again well for Mullally, the latter had no difficulty in scoring, and from a scrimmage round goal Belgrano got the ball through for the third time during the quarter. Score—Belgrano 6 goals, Quilmes 1.

Play in the third quarter improved a little in pace, Mullally scored once for the home club, and Bocquet for the visitors, raising the score to—Belgrano 7 goals, Quilmes 2.

E. Robson, who was now playing for Belgrano in Still's place, scored almost immediately the fourth period had commenced. Though the game was still fairly fast it was all in the Quilmes half of the ground, and scrimmages round their goal were frequent. Mullally scored two more goals before time, which left Belgrano winners by 10 goals to 2.

The teams for the second bout now took the field as follows:

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| Belgrano P.C. | Quilmes A.C. |
| 1. F. J. Balfour. | 1. H. H. Ewen. |
| 2. J. K. Cassels. | 2. F. J. Bennett. |
| 3. F. England. | 3. J. Bennett. |
| H. S. Robson. | F. W. Atkinson. |

The game needs little description. Belgrano commenced very badly, three of their men missing the ball one after another, let Quilmes in, and F. Bennett scored in the first two minutes. This was the only chance, however, given to the visitors, as we don't think the ball was more than twice behind the Belgrano lines all through the game. Balfour scored three goals and England two in the first period, and it was apparent from the first that Belgrano would have a walk over.

In the second quarter Balfour scored three more goals, England two, and Cassels two, making the score at half time Belgrano 12 goals to 1.

The third quarter was even more disastrous to Quilmes than the former two, as, in spite of F. Bennett taking Atkinson's place at back, England hit three goals, Balfour two, Robson one, and Cassels one for Belgrano, the latter point being made when most of the players were paying a good deal more attention to one of the visitors, on whom the betting was even as to whether he would have to fall off gracefully or wriggle back on to his saddle, than to the game on hand. At the end of this period, with the score Belgrano 19 goals to 1, it was decided not to play the fourth quarter, so the home club retired winners as just stated.

The reason why the Quilmes men were so hopelessly beaten in both games was, undoubtedly, because they had in each case placed the weakest man of the side at back. Not being strong enough to score goals, they might have at least prevented their opponents from running through them so often, and at any rate given the onlookers a better show.

At the same time, in the second match, it must be remembered that Belgrano were playing perhaps the strongest and best mounted team they could put in the field, for the purpose of giving it practice for the coming tournament, whereas the Quilmes men played without A. Mohr Bell and F. Rooke, and were considerably out of practice.

THE ROVERS P.C.

One of the best games played on the Rovers Polo Ground this season was last Sunday's, being a fast one from start to finish, and with hardly any scrimmaging or standing over the ball.

The sides were as follows:

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| Blues | Reds |
| 1. J. Ballesty | 1. W. L. Morkill |
| 2. F. Bethel | 2. T. Hope |
| 3. A. M. Hudson | 3. Findlay |
| E. Murray (back) | F. Pettigrew (back) |

In the first quarter a goal was scored by the Reds, hit by T. Hope. Score: 1 to 0.

The second quarter Bethel hit a goal for the Blues, thus making the game 1 all.

The third quarter was the fastest one played, Pettigrew playing a most brilliant game, scarcely ever allowing the ball to pass him; he scored another goal for the Reds, but as Hudson almost immediately after hit a goal for his side, it made them equal again with 2 all.

In the last quarter, two more goals were hit by the Blues, one by Bethel and the other by Murray, thus leaving the Reds defeated by 4 to 2.

Pettigrew was especially good, both as regards hitting and riding, and each side played well; at the same time perhaps it would be well to mention that some of the players would do better if they rode harder, especially when the ball is hit out from behind. Ballesty rode hard and did well for his side as No. 1.

Mr. Mackill kindly officiated as umpire, and refreshments were served on the ground.

LAS ROSAS.

Saturday and Sunday, 20th and 21st August, 1892

The young North Santa Fé Club challenged Cañada the great and very nearly succeeded in beating them.

The battle was fought on the new Las Rosas ground, and though no blood was spilt it was a most serious engagement. Unfortunately for Cañada, Dickson, one of the best of backs, could not get his jaw mended in time to play.

Teams were chosen as follows:

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| North Santa Fé | Cañada de Gomez |
| 1. J. L. Bury. | 1. A. Pain. |
| 2. R. Traill. | 2. J. Forbes. |
| 3. E. Traill. | 3. F. Robinson. |
| Back H. J. Bury. | Back A. Adamson. |

After the game was started, play became fairly fast, both sides meaning business. Adamson, from a desperate scrimmage, after a short time getting the ball, hit a very pretty goal, although it is certain he was fairly in front, but that hardly can be said to attract from the merits of his shot which was straight and well timed.

The ball thrown in very fast play commenced and continued. The North men, working just as they have been practising to work and most ably led, scored in succession, and in a very short time 2 goals. E. Traill 1 and J. A. Bury 1. The former goal was a most excellently timed shot from under his pony. This placed the Cañada in a minority of 1. Robinson is a pretty determined sort of man, and on this occasion, he said what he meant. In the result the Cañada had the best of the 2nd quarter, Adamson passed to Forbes, who carried the ball on to Pain, and he went through and scored a goal for the "Ditch." On throwing in R. Traill made a good run but failed. Just before time Adamson got a long shot from centre, which their back failed to stop and Pain scored another goal for Cañada.

Third quarter: Traill started with a run down, but Adamson centered the ball with a back hander, and following passed to Forbes, who in like manner passed to Pain, the latter was ridden out by H. J. Bury, but Forbes coming again, scored another goal for Cañada de Gomez. After the ball was thrown in, some very fast play was witnessed, Traill and Bury making very hard runs, but, just before time, Robinson got the ball and carried it from end to end, and leaving it in front of goal, an easy shot for Forbes was taken advantage of. Score now 5 to 2.

The 4th quarter was certainly the fastest played, although the Cañada ponies seemed to have had enough of it, and the North Santa Fé being much better mounted had all the best of the play. After some excellent work, in which each side showed that they were determined to do their utmost to excel, the North men scored 4 goals on end. R. Traill 2, J. L. Bury 1 and E. Traill 1.

The Cañada men pulled themselves together, but only managed by Adamson's beautiful play, to make a dead heat of it. Six goals all.

It was decided to play until another point had been scored by one side or the other. In consequence Robinson first got the ball, and defying every one opposed to him ran it to goal and scored.

The men of the young club although beaten played very good Polo, keeping their places better, and riding harder, than their opponents, their weak point was driving behind the goal line instead of going straight for the posts. On the form shown they should, at the next meeting, reverse the verdict. R. Traill and J. L. Bury made some very pretty runs, and H. Bury is a most promising back, being able to use his stick on both sides, and when he hits he hits hard and true.

Robinson and Adamson played, of course, well for Cañada de Gomez and Forbes shone. Pain was several times out of his place which handicapped the Cañada. His Captain soon however lead had to heel, and when playing steadily, his play was certainly good.

On Sunday the same team of North Santa Fé played what was called the "2nd Santa Fé team," but the names of the players, who worked under the latter title, show what it is worth.

1. Captain Kemmis.
 2. A. Adamson.
 3. F. Robinson.
- M. Wish (Captain), back.

Santa Fé 2nd had all the best of the game, and won by four goals to one. Captain Kemmis, as first man, is in my opinion the best man Santa Fé can put in the field. Through his good all round play, Santa Fé may thank herself for getting so many goals. His play was the more remarkable that, although we know him to be a fine rider, he has been so long from the Polo world. He hit two most difficult goals, after brilliant runs. Adamson played even better than on the first day, which is saying much. He scored the third and fourth goals and showed to great advantage. Robinson was good, as was Wish, steady and reliable as back.

The losers play was superior to the form shown on the previous day, especially as they had a team, which if not stronger, played better together, than that opposed to them, on Saturday. Their shots at goal were again weak certainly, but their all round play was good, and Traill had his eye well in.

The return matches are to be played here, but no date is yet fixed.

The ground for the Tournament is getting in grand order. I hear that close upon \$2000 is already subscribed for the entertainment of the visitors who may be assured of good sport and a hearty welcome.

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GOLF

The links were disappointing on Sunday after the rain. They ought to have been in splendid order, but the green keeper having other things to do had not been able to put the heavy roller over the putting greens.

There was a good deal of talk about the bird that Mr. Scroggie killed the Sunday before, which turns out not to have been a hawk.

A very good proposal has been made to start a museum in the "Sport and Pastime" office, where all these curiosities can be kept for future reference in case the "doubt that springs eternal in the human breast" should continue in the future generation.

Some of the vaunted Silvertown balls have come out but are not what we were led to expect from a description we had a short time ago.

The matches played were Williamson and Fortune, which Fortune won easily. Later in the day Fortune, with John Gibson for a partner, beat Williamson and Gumpert. Masters beat Scroggie after a ding dong game at the last hole. Scroggie and Bridges won one hole only in a round, the rest falling to their opponents, Deesdale and Clumb, the former of whom is showing great promise.

DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL NOTES

The "Old Man of the Mountain" made his final bow at the San Martin on Monday, when a goodly crowd gathered to wish this amusing burlesque good-bye. For my part I hope that it will only be "au revoir," as although I have seen some six or seven performances of it, I think that it is sufficiently funny to afford me another hearty laugh.

At last performances a show invariably seems to go with more "igo," and this was certainly the case at the San Martin; "Sta D'Errio" in her quaint little Quaker dance in the second act, displaying an amount of grace that I have never seen her surpass.

The prettiest of the many varied scenes, ten in number, is that in the third act, when the curtain goes up on a scene of luxurious ease; the interior of a harem; the chorus girls, who by the way look somewhat aged, lying in all sorts of Oriental attitudes and singing a dreamy song and chorus.

Where all was good it is needless to individualise, but of the best, the apple, or a very large slice of it, fell to Sra Calvé, whose bewitching impersonation of La Rosa won her continued applause.

Apropos of comic opera, and choruses, how hard life must be sometimes for the women. The stage couch is not a feather bed; nevertheless, the stage manager twists these charmers into uncomfortable positions, and the whole time they have to keep a straight eye on the conductor; if there comes a big chorus or finale which wins a recall, it makes me mad to see the principals all come down and bow, whilst the chorus who have really done it all, and made the entire effect, only have the satisfaction of knowing they have brought a compliment to somebody else.

A more attractive programme than that at the Nacional on Sunday could hardly be found, the first act of Gioconda; first and third acts of Lucia de Lammermoor, followed by Mascagni's Cavalleria Rusticana,--this for the last time--was all sufficient to draw a full house, not to mention the attraction of Sra Huget, who is a new addition to the Bernis Co. Duty called me elsewhere on the occasion of her debut last Tuesday, and it was not until Sunday that I was able to hear this new operatic star.

Comparisons are odious possibly; however I boldly compare this charming cantatrice to the great Patti, and no competent judge can challenge my statement when I assert that, except for a slight lack of power, Sra Huget can not only be compared to, but held on an equality with the greatest songstress of the latter half of the present century. She has youth and beauty to begin with, her voice is perfect in quality, and last but not least, her acting is marked by intelligence, tenderness, and power in equal proportions.

I did not err in my prognostication of a really good show and a large audience at the B.A. and R.R. Athletic Club's entertainment on Saturday at Belgrano, for from the opening bars of a pianoforte, duet a Hungarian Dance (Brahm's) very

well played by the Misses Foster, to the somewhat premature fall of the curtain, on the Pas de Quatre, the audience appeared well satisfied with the bill of fare set before them.

There being such a large number of "S. and P." readers present, I did not intend to write more than a brief notice, but my Editor was there and instructed me to give it a good par; very smart show. Permain, a real good man, a regular Chevalier, don't-cher-know, so I am duly obeying instructions.

The concert which formed the first part was good, Miss Reddal, who appears but too rarely in public, receiving an encore for Scott Gatty's sweet ballad "Winter," which she sang well, giving "Sweet Kildare" as an encore.

As was expected, Sr. Pini was the surprise at least to those who had not heard him before, of the evening; the superb tone and intellectual phrasing were sufficient to captivate his audience and provoke unbounded applause. Miss M. Lee sang "Dear Heart" (Sullivan), but whether from nervousness or cold did not sing in her usual form; Miss S. Lee gave a pretty rendering of "The song that reached my heart," in response to an encore for Moir's "Only once more," Mr. Hemans was well to the fore with a fine baritone song of Weatherby's "The King's Own," for which he received a spontaneous recall and gave a very neat rendering of "London Bridge."

The interval over, the fun began in real earnest. There was not one dull moment in the "Rosebud of Stinging Nettle Farm"; or, the Villanous Squire and the Virtuoso Villager," a burlesqued melodrama, written very much up to date, with some clever interpolations in the way of topical songs and duets, &c. No one was spared: personal friends and railway companies, both came in for a fair share of satire.

The characters were particularly well sustained. Mr. Henry, as "Rose Turmutfield" looked well and acted with great spirit and usefulness a part that was undeniably the most difficult in the piece. Hugly, Fred. Leahie, beg pardon, I mean Mr. Permain, being too utterly funny, his song "In me and," especially the love verse, causing roars of laughter, as did the topical duet with the fair Rose. The tableau showing the editor of the "Standard" refusing an advertisement was very funny, and brought down the house.

The "Gaffer," Mr. Tebbutt, was a masterpiece in himself, the Spanish quotations, or rather misquotations, being very clever, his every action being mirth provoking.

The Villian, and a most fearful, blood-curdling villian is the gambling squire, "Sir Narcissus Slapdash," was well played by Mr. M'Kean. This gentleman, who had an eye for beauty in the form of "Rose," being thwarted in his evil designs, committed suicide by imbibing copious draughts of Rio Segundo beer, making death doubly sure with a ghastly stab, though he recovered in time for the "Pas de Quatre," which was certainly one of the most amusing sights I've ever yet seen.

Mr. Anderson as "Giles," the oppressively virtuous peasant, had not very much to do, but what he did he did well, his duet with "Rose," "I'm Afraid There's Somebody Looking," with dance, receiving a well earned encore.

I hear that the foregoing gentlemen are going to take this burlesque on tour, their first town being Lomas, after which they proceed to Quilmes, when I hope a late train will be put on to enable some of the B. A.'s people attending what is one of the most laughable performances given in B.A.

Mrs. Marriott Woodgate has asked me to correct the statement I made last week in a note on the Quilmes Athletic Club's dance, to the effect that the ladies of the club had to be thanked for the refreshments. Although it was a club dance all the Quilmes ladies most kindly contributed to the supper, and a public acknowledgment is due to them for their generosity.

The Promenade Concert at the Opera House was anything but a success, as a promenade concert, as it really was, one of the most unsozialable affairs I think I have ever attended. With the object of obtaining a fine effect, the ladies, in the first part of the show, were separated from their attendant cavaliers and put in the body of the Hall, all by themselves, where they looked decidedly miserable and made anything but the effect it was intended they should. The depressed feeling which pervaded the audience may be judged from the very feeble way they applauded, a gentle pressing together of the hands being the most that was accorded music which met with approval. From all that appeared in the Press before this concert, everyone expected a really lively show, and great was the disappointment expressed, at any rate amongst the English part of the audience, who doubtless could not help comparing it with Covent Garden. Sig. Goula conducted to perfection in the first part.

THE MAN IN THE STALLS.

NATURAL HISTORY NOTES.

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

BICHO DE CESTO O CANASTO.

The nests of the Basket worm should be removed within the next few days from the trees in all quintas and gardens, as in September the young caterpillars will emerge from the egg and commence their work of destruction.

There are 4000 eggs in each basket, so that the few of them unavoidably left on the trees, will be more than sufficient for the capacities of any ordinary sized garden. The male canastos, which may be known by the dried up remains of the pupa skin half out of the orifice, need not be pulled off the trees as they are harmless, their occupants having issued last May or earlier. A determined effort by all the gardeners in a given locality would very much reduce if not entirely do away with this most destructive insect.

NATIONAL MUSEUM, CALLE PERU.

I understand that considerable alterations and improvements are contemplated in this Museum under the energetic management of the new director, Dr. Berg. I believe it is intended to throw the museum open to the public on other days than Sundays, although there can be no question that collections of animals are best preserved when least exposed to the light. I would recommend all interested in natural history, especially birds, to visit the museum when reopened.

APHIDES OR PLANT LICE.

Every body is familiar with the green or black or otherwise coloured flies, many with light gauzy wings, which are found on rose trees, fruit trees and in fact on most trees in one form or another, but not everyone is acquainted with the curious life history of these minute devastators.

Their mode of life is very varied, some live on the branches and stalks of the plants others live under the leaves causing curvatures more or less extensive of the leaf surface; others again by their punctures produce gall like excrescences as on the Lombardy Poplar, and others cause distortions in the growth of the trunks of trees and their branches.

But the strangest and most interesting feature in their life history is their mode of reproduction by parthenogenesis as it is called. Nature requires enormous millions of Aphides to keep down superabundant vegetation and to this end as if "says Van Beneden" she distrusted the assistance of the male insect, she dispenses with it, and the female brings into the world a generation already prepared to produce a grand-daughter. Generations succeed each other with such rapidity that if the daughter at her birth were to meet with any obstacle in her passage the grand-daughter might come into the world before her mother. A single egg can in this way be the source of millions of individuals in one season." This somewhat poetical mode of reproduction takes place as follows: At the end of Autumn eggs are produced which are the result of a generation of Aphides in which both males and females are present. These eggs hatch in the Spring and give birth to fertile females which whilst they grow rapidly never attain wings, but are able themselves to lay eggs without the intervention of the male insect. These eggs when hatched again give rise to a similar generation of self contained females who

again lay eggs in turn and so continues this curious method of reproduction through all the spring and summer until nine successive generations of Aphides have come into the world. At last autumn having come the last generation brings forth both males and females who die soon after pairing leaving in their turn eggs whose fertilizing power shall continue all through the succeeding year.

The Aphides are sometimes called Ant Cows as they secrete a kind of honey or sugar from the juices of the plants, which exudes from two tiny tubercles at the posterior end of the body.

The ants know of this and by irritating the ends of the tubercles with their antennae make the aphides discharge the honey for their benefit.

The principal enemy of the Aphides is the Ladybird which itself and in its larval form is a most voracious eater of plant lice. I have often watched the process and admired the steady perseverance of the Ladybird in "putting itself outside of" the plant lice.

Allied to the Aphides is the Phylloxera or dreaded vine parasite which so often brings to nought the hopes of vine cultivators in Europe and elsewhere. The asexual stages of the phylloxera live on the roots of the vines and there increase all through the summer months, each young Phylloxera sticking his long beak into the rootlet and remaining fixed there until it has laid its eggs and died. At the end of July a generation is produced which disdains underground life and moves upwards towards the light. After five moults they emerge from the ground with four tiny wings and being very like a microscopic Chieharra (cicada) in appearance. This first aerial generation is exclusively female but for all that they lay eggs which are of two sizes, from the smaller emerge males and from the larger, females. These females only lay one egg which fills up the abdomen and is called the winter egg which resists a very severe degree of cold and retains its embryological development suspended till the succeeding spring when the asexual reproduction commences again.

Some species of Phylloxera instead of attacking the roots attack the leaves and live in a kind of gall: generally speaking it may be said that in American vines, the phylloxera prefers the leaves, whereas in European vines the roots or rootlets are the parts attacked.

The Phylloxera was introduced into France about 1863 from America and gradually spread, the infested region forming a triangle whose base is the Mediterranean. The French Colony of Algiers was also invaded.

Fears have been entertained of the spread of Phylloxera in this country; but up to the present it has not taken at any rate a serious position amongst the numerous insect enemies of Argentine cultivation.

Live Stock for the Chicago Exposition

The following circular has been addressed by the Secretary, Treasury Department, Washington, to collectors and other officers of Customs:

The following regulations will be observed upon the entry of animals imported for exhibition at the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago.

1. Entry will be made at the Custom House according to the forms prescribed in Articles 4, 6, 7, and 9 of the special regulations issued by this department on November 5, 1891.

2. Accompanying the prescribed invoice there shall be filed with the collector such a description of each animal by distinguishing marks and characteristics as shall serve to identify the same when withdrawn from the exposition for sale or export.

3. In order to avoid any risk from delay, entry of such animals may be made and completed in advance of the arrival of the vessel of importation, except that the permit will be withheld by the collector for delivery to the importer or his agent on the announcement of such arrival.

4. The Government will not be responsible for the security or safe keeping of such animals. The transfer to the transportation line will be made under the supervision of the collector at the port of arrival.

5. On arrival at the Exposition the animals will be subject to such disposition as may be agreed upon between the authorities of the Exposition and the collector of Customs.

6. So far as applicable the regulations of November 5, 1891, will govern importation of animals, and at the close of the Exposition imported animals on exhibition may be withdrawn for consumption, transportation in bond, or exportation, under Article 10 of the said regulations, but animals not so withdrawn will be sold at auction, and the proceeds, after deducting duties and charges, will be held subject to the order of the owner or importer.

7. These regulations will go into immediate effect.

(Signed),

O. L. SPAULDING, Acting Secretary.

CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editor of River Plate Sport and Pastime. Dear Sir, Can you, or any of your numerous readers, give me any information as to the relative merits of the following routes from Buenos Aires to California...

I would like to know the expense by each route, the delays, advantages, scenery, comfort, etc. and I am sure it would be entertaining to more than one of your readers.—Yours truly, H. BOUCHARD.

Buenos Aires, Aug. 22, 1892. To the Editor of River Plate Sport and Pastime. Dear Sir,— In reply to your correspondent, I may say that I have recently made the journey from New York, by Valparaiso and the Andes route, to Buenos Aires, having sent a portion of my party to the latter city by way of the Magellan Straits.

The following details will give your correspondent, to some extent, the information he desires: From New York to San Francisco \$100 gold, plus \$2 per night for bed and \$1 per meal; time 7 days. From San Francisco to Panama \$120 gold, time 15 days, by Pacific mail steamer. In Panama a stay of a few days is necessary to wait for the steamer to Callao, where a further delay is necessary of three or four days before going to Valparaiso.

Time from Panamá to Callao 10 days, from Callao to Valparaiso 12 days. Fare from Panamá to Valparaiso \$120 gold. From Valparaiso to Buenos Aires by the steamer takes 14 days, and costs \$200 gold, and by the Andes the cost is about \$100 paper. For the latter route it is necessary to take the train to Salta Saldo, a short journey of four hours, thence by mule to Rio Manco, two days' journey of about 23 hours actual riding altogether. From Rio Blanco the journey is direct by rail, via Mendoza, to Buenos Aires.

Hoping this may be of use to your correspondent, believe me, etc, W. DAVIS.

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Table with columns: CLUB, SECRETARY. Lists various sports clubs and their respective secretaries.

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Closing prices of Sovereigns and Oncoes on the Bolsa from August 18 to 22, inclusive:

Table showing closing prices of Sovereigns and Oncoes on the Bolsa from August 18 to 22, 1892.

The prices at the Corrales during the past week have been as follows:

Table showing prices at the Corrales during the past week for various livestock items like Nrvillos, Cows, Sheep, Hay, Maize, Wheat, etc.

FIXTURES

Sunday, Aug. 28—Hipódromo Argentino, Palermo. Tuesday, Aug. 30—Hipódromo Argentino, Palermo. Sunday, Aug. 28—Guauguay Jockey Club's Meeting. Tuesday, Aug. 30—Quilmes Athletic Club's Gymkhana, at Quilmes.

FOOTBALL

Sunday, Aug. 28—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Buenos Aires and Rosario A.C. at Belgrano. Tuesday, Aug. 30—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Lomas A.C. at Belgrano.

ATHLETICS

Thursday, Aug. 30—Rosario Athletic Club's Meeting, at Rosario. TUESDAY, AUG. 30—Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club's Tournament.

A telegram from Paris, says Stephane, the French bicyclist, has completed on a circular track, 400 miles in 24 hrs., 24 min., thus breaking the world's record. Last November, at Herne Hill, Holbein rode 361 miles in 23 hrs., 57 min., 14.4 s.

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No. 7—January 27: WINNING CREW IN THE INTERNATIONAL FOUR-OARED RACE (Buenos Aires Rowing Club, Tigre Regatta, 1891).

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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. Potatoe and Bucket Race, 6 Potatoes, 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.

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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 STEEPLECHASE, 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

EVENTS

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.

Caaleguay 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 CIERVO, 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.

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. STEEPLECHASE, 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 STEEPLECHASE, 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, 500 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, Cotreo, 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 run 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"

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ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1892

EVENTS:

1. STEEPLECHASE 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.

THE GAUCHO

"Herdman, Cow-boy, Stockman, Bull-puncher," and other similar compound words, used in English-speaking countries, and even "gauchos." In the Spanish language, carry with them their own signification, and convey at once the idea that they are the synonyms of individuals who in different parts of the world pursue the same trade or profession, namely, that of tending herds and keeping stock, but the word "gaucho" does not explain itself, nor can it be connected in any way with the practice of breeding and maintaining cattle either horned or hornless.

The advent of a small band of "gauchos" to the Wild West Show in London has brought these denizens of the Pampas somewhat conspicuously before the British public, and a few brief remarks on their personality and their surroundings may prove of interest at the present moment, when they are performing daily in "wet or fine" as the advertisements announce.

In several current works on the Argentine Confederation very lucid accounts of the Gaucho and his characteristics are to be met with, but the attempts to give any derivation of the word are extremely rare. Don Felix de Azara, a Spanish author who described his travels in South America, towards the end of the last century, after passing some very severe comments on his own countrymen, goes on to say, "in addition to those whom I have already mentioned there is another class of people, chiefly in Montevideo and Maldonado, who are called very appropriately gauchos or Guanderos." He offers no explanation as to the connection between the two words, the latter of which would seem to be derived from "gaudio," increment of pleasure, but he proceeds to describe them. "Almost all," he says, "have escaped from Spanish and Brazilian prisons, or have been forced to flee to the deserts on account of their atrocities. Half-naked, with long beards and uncombed hair, and with their faces dark and dirty they are hideous to look upon. They cannot be induced to work for love or money, and besides being thieves they are kidnapers of women. Whenever a gaucho has a want or a fancy, he steals some cows or horses, and sells them in Brazil, whence he brings back whatever he requires."

It would be difficult to draw a less favourable picture of any class of men, but the description given above hardly applies to the true gaucho, but rather to a class of bandits and runaway slaves, who aided the Jesuit missions, and were designated "Canelas," or mame-lukes. Probably they had assumed the name of gauchos, but they were a bad imitation of the real article, which is only to be found on the pampas of Buenos Aires. Nevertheless, it would be in vain to attempt to depict the gaucho as a highly moral character, and probably his very name implies that he was severed from society on account of his social defects.

In the earlier Spanish dictionaries the word is found as having been adapted from the French *gauche*, and applied to architectural conformations. It means a little out of the perpendicular, or a little off the level, or, as we might define the expression in vulgar parlance, "not quite on the straight." It is probable that this French adjective was slightly altered and adopted as a Spanish noun, with a somewhat extended meaning.

In the early days of colonisation on the shores of the River Plate, the settlers were obliged for their own protection from the Indians, to confine themselves to the limits of fortified towns and villages, under military discipline and control, and as is natural in all communities there were persons who disobeyed the existing laws, who deserted their colours, and who committed other criminal acts. These either fled to avoid punishment, or were driven out by the law-abiding inhabitants. They were "not on the straight," and consequently they were eliminated from society, cast out beyond the pale, and they became outcasts or gauchos. This is believed to be the definition of the word, and it must be admitted that attempts to connect it with the aboriginal dialects of South America have entirely failed, and also the theory that it is a corruption of "gavachio," an insulting epithet applied to Frenchmen, or of "Guanches," a warlike tribe of the Canary Islands, numbers of whom emigrated to Montevideo, but not until long after the name had been applied to the nomads of the Pampas. In French the expression "une aire gauche" merely means "an awkward manner," but in Spanish, "as muy gaucho," when applied to an individual, is a term of opprobrium, and signifies that he is uncouth, brutal, half-savage. This is the definition given of a gaucho in modern Spanish dictionaries—"the half-savage, inhabitants of the pampas of Buenos Aires, and of the neighbourhood of Montevideo, Chili, and Bolivia."

As already mentioned, gauchos are denizens of the pampas, and the only true pampas in the world is the area, covering some 400,000 square miles, that spreads from the Rio Quinto in Cordoba to the Rio Negro in Patagonia, and from the shores of the Southern Atlantic to the foot of the Cordillera of the Andes.

The so-called pampas of Venezuela, and of Uruguay, are simply plains or "llanos" extending over a considerable surface, but frequently broken by hills and forests, and are well watered and fairly covered with timber. The pampas are without hills or timber, badly watered, and scarcely a stone or a shrub can be found on their boundless plains of waving grass. This is the home of the gaucho, and here for many generations he has lived and flourished. They form no distinct tribe; they are not even gregarious. There is no sort of combination or co-operation known amongst them. They seldom have a fixed habitation, and they very rarely possess any property but the clothes they are wearing, their horse gear, and five or six half-broken horses, trained to keep within the sound of a bell attached to the "madrina" or brood mare.

Just as the wool of a flock of sheep, if allowed to run

wild, harks back to hair, so the outcasts who took to the pampas, in their dress and horse-furniture, harked back to the people who for a long period held the land of their forefathers in subjection, the Moors, for the chitras, or long cloths covering their lower limbs, and the poncho or cloak thrown over the shoulders, are simply adaptations of similar habiliments still used among the Arabs, and their heavy bits, and cumbersome means of saddling, will not be found elsewhere. A bit costume have penetrated.

As a horseman the gaucho differs in almost every point from his present companion at the Wild West Show. He is perfectly independent of the high seats of the Mexican and Texan saddles, and of the stirrups, which seem so essential to the Cossack and the cow-boy, the leathers of which in one case are so short that the rider's knees are nearly in his mouth, and in the other case so long that the horseman appears to be standing upright. The gaucho's saddle-tree consists of two parallel stuffed bars not unlike large German sausages, which lie perfectly flat on a series of saddle-clothes, but there is no support either at back or in front, and as regards the stirrup, it is simply used as a means of mounting or dismounting. The whole paraphernalia is homemade, with the exception of the bit and the spurs which are imported from Birmingham, but in the case of the saddles these latter are heavily mounted with silver, as also is the faja, or large knife, worn at the back through the fringed, a large belt, encircling the waist filled with pockets, and luxuriously ornamented with silver dollars, or not unfrequently, gold doubloons.

In addition to his knife he carries other weapons of defence or attack, his lazo, and possibly, two sets of bolas. The Texan lazo has displayed a Buffalo Bill's is merely a short rope, which is used as a means of obtaining additional power for drawing or pulling a heavy weight, and for this purpose it has been adopted by the Royal Artillery and Engineers, but the lazo of the South American gaucho is a coil of plaited hide, sometimes as much as 50 feet in length, and when cast with dexterity is a very dangerous missile.

Of the bolas one set consists of three wooden balls covered with hide, and connected by thongs, which are whirled at arm's length above the head, and sent flying to entwine the hind legs of a runaway horse or an unbroken colt. They fulfil their object without causing injury, but the other set of two egg-shaped lumps of lead used for catching wild animals or human beings, in the hands of an Indian or a gaucho is a murderous implement, from which there is no escape if it be twisted round the neck of an ostrich for a human opponent.

The seat of the mounted gaucho is the most symmetrical of any rider in the world. The saddle is placed further back than is usually customary, and the girth is securely fastened in the middle of the belly, the man sits erect, the thighbone falling at an angle of about 45 deg. from the horse's back, and the lower part of the leg, hanging loose and perpendicular behind the animal's shoulder. The grip is in the knees, and a nodding or rough rider, by their simple pressure, can make a colt squeal with agony.

As to the rider himself, he is not the hideous being portrayed by Azara, but is a spare, lean, sinewy man, averaging five feet in height. He has but little beard, but what he possesses is generally black, and his head is covered with long, lank hair, frequently fastened with a fillet. His features are good, and his nose is thin and straight, but his face is very often spoiled by the ravages of small pox, against which in his nomad life he has no defence when once attacked. His food consists chiefly of beef, and his fat-bits are pieces of fat and muscle. His drink is water and yerba-mate—the South American tea—but now and then he goes on a burst, and when filled with cana, or rum, or worse still, with poisonous brandy, he becomes quarrelsome and half mad. Gambling and horseracing are the only amusements of the gauchos, and are the constant cause of their quarrels. They are exceedingly illiterate, and they have no traditions or folk lore. In a country where there are no groves nor lakes, there can be no fairy tales, and the only fables that exist are connected with the astuteness of the fox and the cleverness of the armadillos and other ground animals.

But the gauchos have their virtues as well as their vices. Controlled by a strong hand they do their work on horseback well and steadily; they are always ready and obedient, and in the performance of the duties connected with their trade perfect confidence may be placed in them. Drovers of cattle, sometimes 400 or 500 in number, are sent under the charge of a few men to distant markets, the journey frequently occupying eight or ten days, and are delivered without any loss, and the capataz or foreman will return to his employer with the proceeds of the sale securely fastened round his waist, and perfectly intact. As police they are useless, for they will not act against members of their own class, but as irregular cavalry when properly handled, and employed against the Indians, they displayed many of the qualities of disciplined soldiers.

They no longer kidnap women, but are courteous to the fair sex, and they are fond of music and dancing, although of a slow and monotonous style hardly suited to modern taste.

The wide extension of wire fencing, the expansion of railways, and the vast increase of flocks of sheep, have all tended to render the labour on horseback of the gauchos of less importance than formerly, for their work was more especially required in the care of wild cattle and horses on the open plains, and it is probable that the advent of a representative body to this country is a sign of their decadence as a separate caste, for immediate contact with the civilised world, and performances in a public arena are alike foreign to the free and independent character of the gaucho. "The South American Journal."

GOLF

Buenos Aires, Aug. 22.
To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.
Dear Sir,

As "Bulger" seems to have forsaken your columns, is "Bulger's Fall" responsible for your late "Notes on Golf" a little while ago we read of a player's ball having been stung by a snake, and in your last issue a hawk is mentioned as having been killed "dead" by a champion of the San Martin Club.

Is it really true that a well-grown lamb was nearly killed "dead" last Sunday? We heard that several golfers arrived at the pavilion after a round, and reported this sad event. We trust this was not the "Presidential Lamb" which the Committee has so long promised to a well-known supporter of the club.

The animal death rate in the Hurlingham district seems to be alarmingly on the increase. These enthusiasts of the "Royal and Ancient Game" respect the lives of neither reptile, fowl nor beast. Are golfers soon to be seen after duck or partridge, armed with cleeks instead of guns? We would recommend some of the polo-loving members of Hurlingham to look well after their ponies, as if things go on at this rate we shall soon hear of some really serious loss.

But really, Mr Editor, it is not about time that this murderous game was stopped, or at least postponed till next winter, and members invited to return to more peaceful exercise, such as hitting a ball with a hand-shevel in a gold-out-house, commonly called bat-fives, we understand. At that game at any rate one cannot kill anything "dead," though one may hurt someone living.

We deprecate the steps taken by your late correspondent in asking such a staid paper as your contemporary "Golf" whether "a big bird has ever been killed by a golf ball before." Does this mean to imply killed "dead"? We shall not be surprised to hear that a silver-tailed is shortly forthcoming from his co-golfers in the old country, as a mark of their esteem and appreciation of his having added "another" to the long list of golf stories.

Are you aware, Mr Editor, that this bloodthirsty game has so taken hold of many members of Hurlingham Club, especially those hailing from across the border, that the very "cocheros" who ply between the station and the club, and also the officials of the railway, are now speaking Spanish with a strong Scotch accent?—Yours truly,
THREE ZOOPILES.

SEATS AND SADDLES

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.
Dear Sir,

I have read with interest two articles under this heading in your paper last month, and must say that I agree with Mr. Hussey when he says that, to possess a firm seat under all circumstances, a man must use his calf whether riding barebacked or in an ordinary saddle. For ordinary hacking purposes or riding about camp, a good balance and grip with the thigh and knee is all that is required, but for polo, jumping, or even flat race riding a grip with the calf is absolutely necessary. I know several men, who as horsemen, are as near perfection as possible, who actually show daylight between their knees and saddle flaps when observing them from behind.

Many will say that it is impossible for a man who does this to have a really good seat, but I can assure them it need not be so by any means, though, of course the toes are turned out considerably, but I contend that unless the toes are turned out considerably and a good grip obtained, with the back of the calf, it is impossible to have a really strong seat.

Whenever a gaucho's horse becomes restive, the first thing his rider does is to pull his feet out of the stirrups, draw up his legs, and hold on entirely with the calves, and we all know most gauchos take a good deal of shaking off when they really mean business.

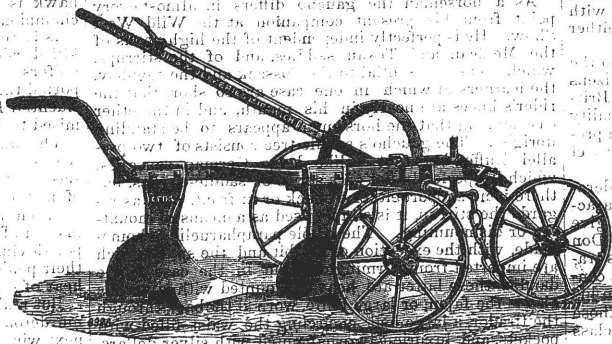
Of course no two men can ride with the same seat, as no two men have the same shaped leg, but, though a man may ride well with a bad seat he would ride a great deal better with a good one, it is always better to get into the way of sitting a horse well and to follow a few rules regarding the way he should sit. Many men in this country, through having learnt to ride on horses which never trot but always canter, get into the way of sitting on the very cantle of their saddle and sticking their feet out in front of them. Nothing is more ugly, more tiring to the horse, or more likely to give him a sore back, and the sooner the habit is got rid of the better. With the weight always on the same small spot, instead of spread all over the back, as it would be if the rider sat well in the centre of his saddle, the poor horse's muscles must ache to the extent of positive agony.

By the way, mentioning riding horses which always canter has made me think that this must be the cause of there being so few good horsemen amongst Englishmen who have learnt to ride out here. Some of them may be good riders from an athletic point of view in being able to stick on, but very few are good horsemen, except perhaps those who have taken to polo, which in my opinion teaches a man to ride sooner than anything else. To sit a horse well at the trot a man must get his feet down, his seat well into the middle of his saddle and his body forward, whereas at a canter he may ride in any grotesque attitude he may fancy. I hope this letter has not been too long but I always think that men here, though always on horseback, think much too little about their seats and saddles which, in my opinion at least, are subjects which cannot be too thoroughly discussed.—Yours truly,
Tom Jones.

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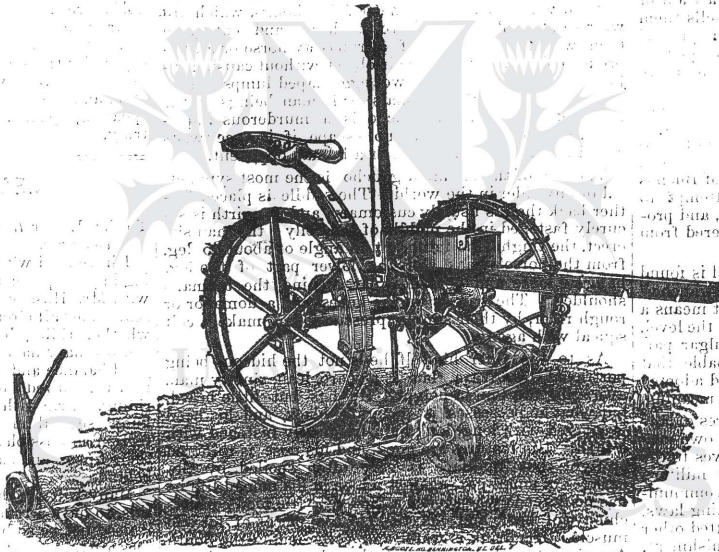
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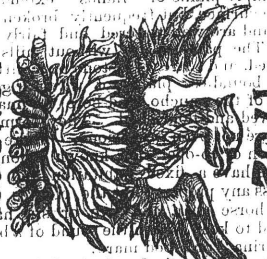
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