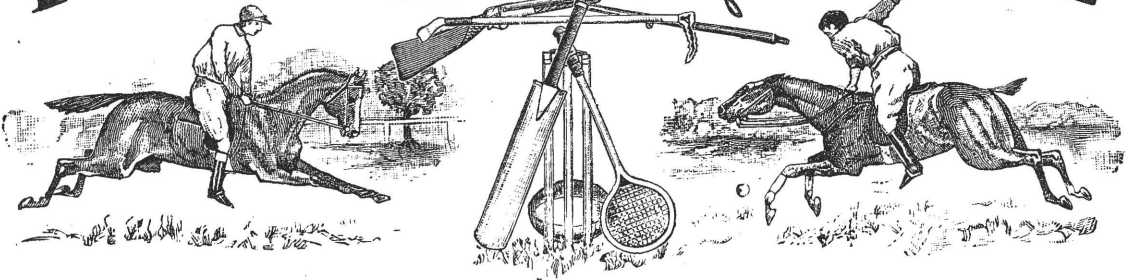


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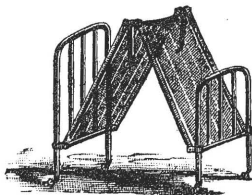
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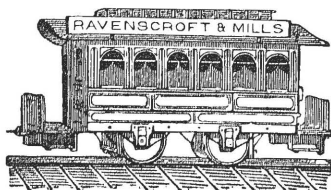


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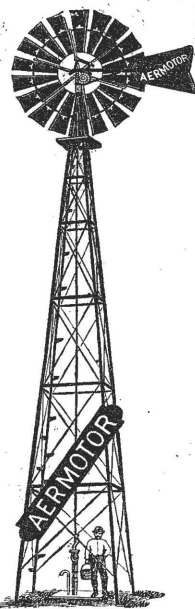
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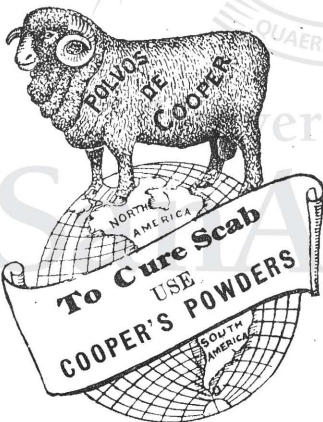
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## HOME NEWS

### CRICKET.

In their first engagement with Surrey, Sussex had to put up with an innings defeat; and in the second Surrey found one innings again sufficient in which to defeat their opponents. The return match was played at the oval and commenced on July 25th, Sussex going first to the wickets. The visiting county only compiled 137, their batsmen with the exception of Messrs Newham and Heasman, all making small scores. Surrey followed and their innings told a very different tale, as the side was not disposed of till 413 had gone up on the board. Mr. Walter Read carried off his bat for a splendidly played 196. Sussex had a hopeless task to make 276 runs to save their innings defeat, a number they did not reach by 110 runs. Scores:

Sussex—Bean 2 and 5, Marlow 1 and 47, Mr W. Newham 66 and 1, Mr G. Brann 5 and 20, Mr W. G. Heasman 23 and 25, Guttridge 9 and 10, J. Hide 17 and 24, J. W. W. Andrew 0 and 17, Humphreys 0 and 5, Butt 0 and 6, Tate 5 and 2, extras 9 and 4; totals 137 and 166.

Surrey—Abel 25, Mr W. Read 196, Mr E. C. Streatfield 39, M. Read 0, Mr J. Shute 0, Henderson 33, Lockwood 80, Brockwell 5, Sharpe 7, Wood 25, Richardson 1, extras 2; total 413.

After seriously defeating Gloucestershire, Lancashire and Sussex, Somerset gained a splendid victory over Kent at Taun-ton on July 25. Kent failed most utterly in the first innings, which was followed by an only moderate show by Somerset. The visitors showed a marked improvement at their second attempt, thanks to one or two individual performances, but Somerset, with the loss of two wickets only, obtained the required number of runs almost entirely off the bats of Messrs Hedley and Cullen, and won a capital match by eight wickets. Scores:

Kent—Mr H. M. Braybrooke 53 and 19, A. Hearne 5 and 70, Mr G. J. Weigall 1 and 7, Mr L. Wilson 9 and 48, Capt. Hamilton 0 and 8, Mr F. Marchant 7 and 0, Mr C. J. Fox, 24 and 21, Mr E. Walder 0 and 2, Martin 19 and 4, W. Hearne 5 and 3, Webb 0 and 0, extras 1 and 16; totals 124 and 198.

Somerset—Mr L. C. Palairat 1 and 0, Mr H. J. Hewett 81 and 16, Mr J. B. Challen 2 and 48, Mr W. C. Hedley 0 and 72, Mr S. M. Woods 15, Mr C. E. Dunlop 11, Nichols 1, Mr G. Fowler 12, Mr C. J. Robinson 41, Tyler 4, Rev. A. P. Wickham 12, extras 3; Totals 180 and 143.

The first meeting this season between Yorkshire and Gloucestershire commenced at Bradford on July 25th. The match unfortunately ended in a draw, as on the last day, after disposing of Gloucestershire, Yorkshire was left with 200 runs required to win the match, and only an hour and fifty minutes left for play. This, of course, they did not manage, though they scored 146 runs for the loss of three wickets, 54 only short of the required number. Scores:

Gloucestershire—Mr O. G. Radcliffe 32 and 41, Mr E. M. Grace 0 and 4, Mr R. W. Rice 51 and 19, Mr J. J. Ferris 46 and 27, Painter 2 and 10, Mr W. G. Grace 53 and 32, Mr E. Sainsbury 6 and 12, Mr S. A. P. Kitkat 55 and 13, Murch 0 and 17, Roberts 9 and 38, Board 0 and 0, Extras 22 and 5, Totals 276 and 218.

Yorkshire—Wardall 105 and 29, Lord Hawke 2 and 74, Peel 43 and 0, Mr A. Sellars 24 and 4, Wainwright 15 and 24, Ulyett 60, Mounsey 14, Moorhouse 4, Hunter 16, Harrison 5, Mr F. S. Jackson 0, Extras 7, Total 295.

The final of the match between Surrey and Yorkshire proved fairly exciting, though the advantage gained by Surrey in their first innings gave them the victory. Lohmann was most successful with the ball against Yorkshire at the finish of the match, he took 7 wickets for 50 runs in the second innings, Lockwood doing most of the damage in the first. As will be seen from the following scores Surrey won by 72 runs.

Surrey—Abel 50 and 16, Mr W. Read 75 and 32, Lohmann 31 and 3, M. Read 39 and 4, Mr J. Shuter 9 and

19, Henderson 5 and 35, Lockwood 10 and 30, Mr J. K. Key 2 and 1, Mr E. C. Streatfield 18 and 25, Wood 3 and 13, Richardson 0 and 2, Totals 245 and 189.

Yorkshire—Ulyett 1 and 0, Wardall 0 and 57, Mounsey 0 and 7, Mr E. Smith 33 and 2, Mr A. Sellars 8 and 55, Mr F. S. Jackson 0 and 48, Peel 37 and 0, Wainwright 73 and 5, Moorhouse 7 and 8, Lord Hawke 0 and 10, Hunter 0 and 1, Extras 8 and 4, Totals 167 and 195.

The return match between Warwickshire and Staffordshire did not create much interest when played last month at Edgbaston. Warwickshire went in to bat first and ran up a total of 201, Law's 79 being the best innings. Staffordshire followed with 128. Warwickshire obtained only 130 for their second innings, which left their opponents 204 to get to win. So badly did the Staffordshire batsmen fare that they were all disposed of for the small total of 65 runs, the last wicket putting on a third of this number. Warwickshire therefore scored an easy win by 138 runs.

The first match between Oxfordshire and Cambridgeshire was played at Cambridge last month, and resulted in an easy victory for the visitors by 120 runs. Oxfordshire made first 134, Mr F. Marsh's 22 being the only score over twenty. Cambridgeshire replied with 57 only, more than half of which were put on by the last two wickets, the last man in making the top score of 24. Oxfordshire went very near their former total when they scored 130 for their second innings, which total left Cambridgeshire 208 to get to win. This they failed to do, only making 87 runs, and suffered defeat be stated above.

Lancashire and Gloucestershire played also their first match this season, an immense amount of interest being taken in the game. Gloucestershire went in first on a capital wicket, but did not make much of their opportunities, with the exception of Mr R. W. Rice, and the whole side were disposed of for 142. Lancashire, in spite of frequent changes of bowling, could not be disposed of till 311 had been put up. Gloucestershire, wanting 169 runs to save a single innings defeat, only managed to put together 139, and was therefore beaten by an innings and 30 runs.

Scores—Gloucestershire: Mr. E. M. Grace 7 and 20, N. O. G. Radcliffe 30 and 13, Mr R. W. Rice 62 and 0, Painter 0 and 33, Mr W. G. Grace 4 and 0, Mr S. A. Kitkat 8 and 19, Mr J. J. Ferris 8 and 26, Mr A. C. Croome 3 and 10, Mr H. V. Page 11 and 0, Roberts 0 and 0, Woof 0 and 4, extras 9 and 16. Totals 142 and 139.

Lancashire: A. Ward 16, F. Sugg 11, A. Smith 39, Mr A. C. McLaren 135, Briggs 29, Baker 20, Mr T. R. Hubback 7, Mr S. N. Crossfield 14, Mr A. T. Kemble 21, Watson 1, Mold 3, extras 15, total 311.

The annual school match between Rugby and Marlborough was finished on July 28th at Lords, and proved one of the most interesting that has yet been played by those old antagonists. Marlborough, going to the wickets first, compiled no less than 432 runs, to which Mr W. Mortimer contributed 106 and Mr P. R. Creed 211. Rugby totalled 221 in their first innings, the best scores being Mr A. E. Slater's 66, and Mr A. O. Dawson's 76. Following on, Rugby only scored 133, and so lost the match by an innings and 78 runs.

### POLO

The County Cup competition this year bore quite an international character, as besides the four English teams competing, Rugby, Cambridge University, Liverpool, and Middlesex, both Ireland and Scotland sent a team. As a rule Ireland does not come to the fore in contests in which horses do not play a part, but she had it all her own way at Hurlingham in polo this season with such champions to represent her as Mr Lambard, Mr Jameson, Capt. Hone, and Mr John Watson who formed the Meath County polo team. After beating Edinburgh by eight goals to one in the first round of the Cup, Meath County met last year's winners the Liverpool Club in the final. Liverpool, which was represented by Messrs W. H. Walker, S. M. Irvine, A. T. Neilson and A. Tyrer, had never really a look in and were finally defeated by seven goals to one. Each player on the winning side was presented with a silver cup.

### ATHLETICS.

The Manchester Athletic Club's Meeting in aid of the Hospital Saturday Fund on July 23rd, met with great success and brought out a lot of talent. H. W. Bulger, the New Zealand hurdler, had had back in falling in the 120 yards Hurdles which was won by D. Bulger of Dublin in 16<sup>2</sup>/<sub>5</sub> secs., and again in the Quarter Mile Hurdle Handicap, in which he started from scratch, he was quite unable to get through the thirteen men in front of him and only finished fourth. The Northern Counties A. One Mile Championship was won by H. Morton, Salford H. in 4 min. 28<sup>2</sup>/<sub>5</sub> secs. from F. E. Bacon. Dr. W. J. Barry set up a new record for throwing the 16lb. hammer, his best thrown being 134ft. 7in.

One or two of the New Zealand Athletes are already returning to their homes. The performances made by them in England, after the reputation they had gained in their own country were decidedly disappointing, though bad back has always had a good deal to do with their failures.

### THE BISLEY MEETING.

Scotland has again supplied the winner of the Queen's Prize this year in Major Pollock, 3rd Renfrew. All through the meeting, which terminated on Saturday, the 23rd ult., the Scotch marksmen have had all the success, and have carried off all five leading events, the Elcho Shield, National Challenge Trophy, the Silver Medal, Gold Medal, and the Prince of Wales' Prize.

At the 800 yards Major Pollock led by two points, the next man being Private Stocks of the 2nd Liverpool. At the 900 yards the Major was pressed very hard, but finishing the round for 36, and a grand total of 277, or eight in excess of last year's winner, Private Dear—he was returned the winner, two points ahead of Private Combes, 2nd West Surrey (winner of the N.R.A. badge and £60); Private Stocks, 1st Inverness, came third with 275; Major Ferguson, fourth, with 273; and Sergeant Lawrence, 1st Dumbarton, fifth with 273.

The Graphic Cup was won by Serg. Sheldon, Royal Engineers, who made a "possible" at the 200 yds, and scored 33 at 500 yds, making his aggregate 68 out of a possible 70.

The Dorsetshire Yeomanry won the Yeomanry Inter-Regimental Challenge Cup with an aggregate of 435 points gained by their team of eight men with 15 shots at 500 yards. The Ayrshire Yeomanry took second prize, and the Glasgow Yeomanry the third.

The Volunteer Aggregate Prize, given to the Volunteer having the largest number of points in one specified shoot at 200, one at 500, and three at 600, was won by Lance-Sergeant Hindley of the 1st Oxford, with an aggregate of 152 points.

The Gold Jewel, given by the English Twenty Club in connection with the county shooting and the highest scores in the Alexandra, Queen's (first stage) and St. George's, was won by Sergeant Springett, of Cranbrook, with 349 points. The Silver Jewel went to Private Stocks, of Birkenhead, with 348 points.

## RACING

PALERMO—AUGUST 28

We cannot understand why the Jockey Club are each year in such a hurry to have seven races on the afternoon's programme. Six are surely sufficient for the number of horses in training and there is certainly not time in one afternoon to get through seven—the last is generally run more or less in the dark. This happened on Sunday last and the public one and all seemed to disfavour the introduction of the seventh event. The Club no doubt looks at the extra gain it gets from the Betting House, but on comparing the total amount invested on a six race day and one of seven the extra percentage does not appear to even cover the extra prize money. However the Jockey Club knows best what is good for itself and till the season close we shall probably be treated to seven events on every programme.

For some time past it has been quite evident the Premio Invierno would be competed for by only a very small field. The Las Ortigas Stud have every one of their horses entered laid up, and the same may be said of several of the others, so that Athos, Esperanza, and Finance, were the only three that went to the post on Sunday. It was the general opinion that Esperanza would win, and half the total number of tickets were taken on him; Finance was fancied next, and Athos last. Again the public received a facer. Finance made the running for three parts of the journey when Esperanza took it up, but Athos who had been waiting close on the others all through, came easily when asked to and eventually won without being called on by a good three lengths from Esperanza who was about a length in front of Finance. The pace seemed slow all though, and probably had something to do with Athos' win. The Premio Invierno was only instituted last year when it was also won by Athos from Camors, Asteroide and Gloriation three of the very best.

Frobisher and Apolo in the first race were ridden off their legs to the benefit of the highly weighted Lucifer, who won from Pharaon and Robert le Diable and paid nearly fifty dollars a ticket to his lucky backers. Riflero won the second event in the easiest fashion.

Alerta and Infernal ran a really exciting finish for the Premio Ecurie Casal passing the post locked together. Remigia won a three-year-old race in a useful manner from Artichaud, Liana, Silex and Anibal; and Golondrina after a real good race just managed to get home in the Premio Petite Ecurie. The last event was one of the best races of the day. Riflero was pulled out for the second time, and for most of the distance looked very like winning, but Diaz on Nubifer caught Torres napping at the finish and got the better of him before he had time to get to work.

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## BUENOS AIRES FROM DAY TO DAY

"First she would and then she wouldn't." In this old refrain may be summed up the political events of the week. "Resignation of the President" and the "President is not going to resign" have succeeded each other like the repeating terms of a recurring decimal in the notices of the Press, until one is prone to say "For goodness' sake let him do it or let it alone." The worst of the business is that rumours of revolution and discontent in the Army supply a sufficiently serious background to what would otherwise be a mere comedy.

The inhabitants of Lomas are not to be altogether congratulated on having the Santa Catalina encampment so near to them. On Thursday last most serious rumours were current, but fortunately as it proved without much foundation.

The Chascomus impostor and his disciples have been lodged in the Comisaria, where they will at least have time to develop the doctrinal part of their creed, if not its practical aspect. There has arisen another prophet in another camp town (we forget for the moment which town it is), but he also is "languishing in goal." As the Press says, "the false Gods have fallen on bad times."

We do not know whether we present the appearance of a likely victim, or have more than a usually innocent cast of countenance, but the fact remains that we have been twice recently accosted by individuals who have wanted to play off on us the "legado del tio," or confidence trick. On the first occasion the individuals, for there were two confederates, smelt a rat, and ran off after a few minutes' conversation. On the second occasion we appealed at once to a vigilante, in whose hands we left the matter.

The individuals who try to play off the trick ask for some out-of-the-way place, and tell you they have just come, say, from Cordoba, and have given their luggage to a changador, and then, pulling out a \$10 bill, of which they pretend not to know the value, say they gave the changador one of these, and he has disappeared. They then have a plausible story to relate, which is accompanied by reference to a bundle which is said to contain some thousands of these notes, and so the conversation goes on until, if the hearer be a flat, he is induced to give them a temporary advance on security of the aforesaid parcel which, on being opened after the scamps have cleared off, is only full of newspapers. There are evidently a good number of "chevaliers d'industrie" in Buenos Aires at the present time.

Not content with an Athenium for male authors, etc., the Argentine ladies are going to have an Athenium too. This is the first step towards the introduction into this country of that product of higher civilisation, Woman's Rights. The female Athenium will be devoted to the intellectual, social, and moral cultivation of the fair sex by creating schools "ad hoc" in which women may acquire knowledge either useful or ornamental, and by holding conferences, debates, exhibitions, and fiestas. We should be glad to be present at a debate or a fiesta.

We have a most distinct recollection of being present in a secluded position, behind a door, at a Woman's Rights and Hygiene Meeting, and after the reporters had departed, the chairwoman commenced an excellent speech by saying "now that the men have gone away we can speak freely." And she did. She began by inveighing against the wearing of corsets, and related how glad her husband was, when he began courting her, at finding that she did not wear stays,—but we must not go any further. Suffice it to say we had a real good time behind that door, and we could prophesy the same for any one who could get into a debate or fiesta of the Ateneo de la mujer Argentina.

Two new plazas, one in the Boca and the other in Calles Rodriguez Peña and Paraguay, are to be called after Solis and Garay, so that some nominal honour will be paid, though late in the day, to the two men who respectively discovered the River Plate and made Buenos Aires.

The close period for perditions has commenced, so we shall not hear of many large bags for some time to come.

A question of copyright has been raised by Sr. E. Coll, the publisher of the "Cascabel," who has commenced an action against the "Tribuna" for coolly reproducing one of his articles and signing it Luis Taboada.

Dr. Fitzsimon is nothing if not energetic, but we think that a wholesale proposition to expel all the non-certificated masters from all schools and substitute them by certificated ex-students of the Normal School is, in spite of the approbation of the "Standard," an exhibition of "trop de zèle." The old masters and teachers who have been exercising their profession for years before the Normal School was born or thought of, ought not to be put on one side in this cavalier manner to make room for the youthful products of the recent system of making masters.

There is room for grave fear of an invasion of cholera as a sequel to the late epidemic of influenza. When we find Havre, Antwerp, and Hamburg; three of the ports most intimately connected with this country, all infested with this plague, it is time to feel alarmed, and we are pleased to see that quarantine measures are to be resorted to. In addition to quarantine, the careful boiling of water and milk, the avoiding of green fruit, and a care of the general health, will do much to avoid individual attack.

Certain exporters of frozen mutton have had two serious contretemps during the present week. In the case of the Hornby Grange the propeller was broken and other serious damage done, which will necessitate prolonged repairs and in the case of the British Prince a fire has occasioned the loss of a large number of carcases.

It is said that Dr. Donovan, the Chief of Police, is going to resign when the new Government comes in.

Sr. Seeber is determined to sell something to the Government. As they won't have the Bon Marché for a post-office he is trying to sell them a private house of his for the Central Land and Immigration Office. This time it is likely the Government will purchase.

The "Prensa" and Sr. Oroño are still at it "hammer and tongs." We wonder if they think anyone reads their productions. They are too long winded by half.

A very unusual exhibit occupied the window of the Grand Bazaar Burgos, in Calle Florida, on Thursday and Friday. Before a background of marbles, ivories, silks, bronzes, &c., was suspended the carcass of a Durham calf, exhibited by the New Meat Supply Company of B. A., of which Sr. Eduardo Casey is the manager. "This mountain of fresh beef, fat and rosy," says the "Diario," "was an eye-opener both to those who eat every day and to those who only eat by accident." The carcass certainly attracted great attention, and Callo Florida, in the vicinity of "Lo de Burgos," was almost impassable at times.

We do hear sometimes of extraordinary credulity and deception, but we do not remember to have heard of one as remarkable as that of the family of Sr. Berisso, a well known estanciero and saladerista. About twelve years ago the wife of Sr. Berisso died, leaving four children. Sr. Berisso was married again to a widow, one of whose daughters subsequently married a son of Sr. Berisso. A family quarrel arose and two of the brothers went away to Entre Rios. Sr. Berisso is at present in Europe with his second wife. A few days ago the brothers in Entre Rios were astonished at receiving from their brothers in town an invitation to come to Buenos Aires at once to meet their deceased mother, who had returned to take up her residence with the Buenos Aires section of the family. The Entre Rios brothers came to town, and before going to the house of their relations went to the police and took with them two secretaries of Judge Gallegos, who were represented as friends. Arrived at the house they were introduced to a friend of the family, Sr. Ilugo Salvatori Baschieri, who appeared to be quite at home, and really acted as "medium" in the spiritualistic "seances" at which the deceased lady was said to appear. On the night of the assembly of the once more united family, a seance was held and Hugo called for the appearance of the "finada." "Aporta inferi" were the mystical words used to open up communication with the spirit world,

and two sharp knocks at the door were heard. The servant ran to open the door; all the family went on their knees, and Hugo said that the mother would soon appear in the sala, which was in darkness. On opening the sala doors a woman dressed in black and with white stockings was seen seated on a chair, and Hugo, taking the brethren one by one, made them kiss the feet of their supposed parent. The new arrivals did not go so far as this, as one of the secretaries referred to distinguished a mask below the head covering of the woman. The secretaries and brothers instituted a thorough search, and found, as the stage properties of this farce, a "manequi" or dressmakers model, a lot of masks, and other appliances. Sr. Hugo was at once detained, and the servant has confessed to having helped him in his impositions. A more serious phase of the question is that Hugo has been constantly observed putting a white powder in the dishes forming the food of the household (of which he, as he said, at the request of the deceased, did not partake), and symptoms of slow poisoning have been discovered in various members of the family. There is little doubt that the prompt action of the Entre Rios brothers has averted what was a very absurd comedy culminating in a serious tragedy. Of course the expressions hypnotism, suggestion, &c., are invoked to explain the influence of Hugo over the family, but we may dismiss these ideas as words and nothing more.

Two young men, named Messrs Bemana and Gerchke are going to take, or rather have already set out to take, what will be a unique tour, namely, to walk or ride, according to circumstances, from Buenos Aires to Chicago by way of Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador, Columbia, and the Central American States, obtaining certificates of identity in the various towns through which they pass. In so thoroughly sportsmanlike a town as this we can only cordially wish them a successful and safe tour. The details of their journey should be of intense interest.

On Sunday afternoon the leading representatives of commerce, finance, and property in the city, to the number of 600 or thereabouts, joined in procession to salute the rising sun, in other words to assure the President-elect of their sympathies in what is fondly hoped will be a new regime of honest and true government. In such a demonstration numbers go for nothing, and 600 men of real standing, and whose interests are absolutely vitally at stake, is of greater value than as many thousands of the usual material of which such manifestations are made up. The Union Civica Radical, or at least a large section of it, in opposition it should be stated to the opinions and advice of their responsible leaders, got up a counter demonstration, which did its utmost to interfere with the procession, and made the air ring with their "vivas" to Dr Alem and "muera" to Dr Saenz Peña. For a party which is so anxious to secure freedom of expression of opinion, their conduct was most reprehensible and various disgraceful scenes took place, which are condemned in the strongest language by the respectable Press of this city.

## RACE RIDING

It is exceedingly satisfactory to note the increased number of men who now ride their own horses or ponies at the race meetings held in connection with the different Buenos Aires Clubs. It is not long ago that jockeys were scarce and ponies numerous; now, if anything, it is the other way; at any rate, there are quite as many keen, amateur jockeys as there are racing ponies, and instead of hearing the common complaint of "I've entered for such and such a race, but I can't get any one to ride," we now hear men say, "I'm not going to enter my pony if I can't ride him myself." This is quite as it should be, and shows that the little meetings we all delight in are becoming more of sporting events than business ones. Now many of the sportsmen who are now riding their own horses in both flat races and between the flags, never had the opportunity of doing much riding at home, much less race riding, and consequently never perhaps watched a really good performance in the pigskin during a race with the idea of picking up hints for themselves; and as, with the exception of a very few men, who can be counted on the fingers, there is no one here to take as a model, we think a few general remarks on race riding may be read with interest.

Most of the horses and ponies now being raced here by Englishmen are accustomed to English

bitting, so we need say nothing about the native way of race riding, but confine our remarks to the good old English snaffle bridle style, which, after all, is indisputably the best. We will therefore leave it to be understood all along that the jockey to whom we are endeavouring to give a few hints, has his horse bitted either with a snaffle or double bridle.

To begin with short distance races. So much is in the start of a 500 metre race, that it is almost of as much importance as the finish. The practice here of allowing horses to come up to the starter at any pace their jockeys please is most unfair—the only way to start a race should be from a walk, and our English officials should insist on always starting in this way and showing the example to their Argentine confreres. We will suppose, therefore, that the starter makes his field walk up to him in line.

As an advantage of a length gained at the start costs a horse only a fraction of the exertion necessary to obtain it in the race itself, it is always best to get well away for any distance, but of course especially imperative in 500 metre scurries. Sit well down in the saddle with a good long rein to prevent checking the horse when he jumps off, and above all, keep your mount "alive"; the more he is fidgetting about the better and the quicker he will be in getting into his stride, on the same principle that an athlete waiting to start for a sprint race stands with his muscles tight and every nerve strained to get off the instant the pistol is fired.

Of course, for very short races, such as are included in the programmes of every meeting here, the whole aim of the jockey riding in them is to get away as quickly as possible and send his horse along as hard as he can from start to finish, sitting down in his saddle all through.

In longer distances more headwork is required, as different horses require different riding: some will not run in front, others will not try behind; you may be riding a heavy weighted one or perhaps one only carrying about 50 kilos.

Of the three or four ways of riding a race, viz., waiting, making the running, waiting in front, keeping with one's horses and coming away at the finish as best one can, the last is the easiest and safest to practice, but at the same time by practising any one of the others a race may be won with certain horses, it is as well to know something about them.

It is generally a safe rule to wait with a heavily weighted horse and make the running with a lightly weighted one, although there are, of course, some exceptions to it. If a light weight happens to be a fast horse, it is sometimes better to wait with him if the pace is good, as he will be comparatively fresh at the finish, and besides, most horses travel better when they are not in front.

Never let a light weight get too far ahead when you are waiting on any particular other horse in the race, or probably neither of you will win and the light weight will. Two or three lengths is a safe distance to wait from, but not more.

Making the running should only be practised on horses that fret and pull when kept back from something that it is in front of them, or when on a good stayer and the pace is too slow. For the former sort, it is better to go to the front and wait there; that is to say, simply keep your horse going within himself, close to the horses immediately behind.

Finishing is the most ticklish part of the business and the most difficult to learn and to know the exact time when to come requires almost years of practice. Before sitting down to finish it is always best to catch hold of your horse's head to steady him for his final effort, and always do all you know with your hands before attempting to lift up a whip. More races are lost than won from the use of the whip, which is a most fatal weapon in the hands of a novice. The same may be said of spurs, though they may be used before the whip, which should only be employed as a last resource.

It is better not to pick up the whip till within say fifty yards of the post, and then deliver the cuts right behind the girth. Many men do not know or think a horse is punished by flogging on the side away from the whip hand and wonder why he swerves, as some horses do, right across the course. If a horse be inclined to swerve like this at the finish, it is better to get along side some other horse on the side from which he swerves.

In finishing always get on the side, if possible, away from the judge's box, as the farthest horse catches the judge's eye first. There have been cases in which a horse finishing close under the judge's box has been quite overlooked by the

official inside, and although actually having won, has not even been placed.

In a race you will often find that your horse cannot go a bit beyond the pace he is travelling at, though there still be a good way to go; take a pull at him on the chance of his catching his second wind and coming again.

As regards seat, a very good plan is to sit so that when glancing down at your toes, their points are just visible beyond the knees. This seat, of course, is for when standing in the stirrups, which should be done as soon as you have got your horse well under way. It is easier for yourself, therefore easier for your horse, and do not sit down to finish till reaching the distance post.

Never begin to "ride" your horse too suddenly, otherwise he may be thrown out of his stride, but take a steady pull at him so as to get him well together, especially before attempting to use the whip, and above all, never look round.

In the above remarks we have not mentioned hands purposely. Some men have naturally good hands, whilst others cannot help pulling a horse's mouth about and interfering with his action. No horse can gallop in proper form with his head up, therefore always keep the hands well down and give and take with every motion of his head with a rein in each hand, and the whip held either in the right or left, which ever is most convenient, with the point down. The right place for the hands when standing in the stirrups is immediately behind, and each side of the top of the withers. When picking up the whip, which of course necessitates holding the reins in both hands, be careful never to lose hold of your horse's head, but draw the whip hand back and catch up the rein in the other hand without losing the even feeling on the horse's mouth. By picking up your whip and changing your hands clumsily you will lose more ground, by throwing your horse out of his stride or letting him flounder, than you will gain by the few cuts of the whip you are so anxious to give him.

Both in spurring and whipping, deliver the blows as nearly as possible just before your horse's hind legs come to the ground; if you cannot do it then, it is better to sit still. Spur as nearly as possible just behind the girth. Nothing is so unworkmanlike as to see a horse come in with spurmarks all over him, from the point of his shoulder to his stifles.

We have said nothing about riding over fences, but in our next article, should this be found of sufficient interest, we hope to say something about riding over hurdles and across country.

## ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

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

The Rural Society has appointed a sub-committee, consisting of Messrs. Richard Newton, Philip Senillosa, and Dr. Emileo Frers, for the purpose of inquiring into the sheep industry of the country, with a view to improving the breed of the sheep of Argentina.

Messrs. C. Lix Klett, F. de Souza Martinez, and G. Gallegos have handed Sr. Costa, the Governor of the Province, a petition signed by numerous estancieros and merchants, asking that all the business of the province be concentrated in the Central Produce Market. We hope the movement meets with the success it no doubt will, as the Governor of the Province has supported the movement.

The Mercedes Fair and Cattle Show will be held on the 4th of September and four following days. All animals and produce should be consigned to the President of the Mercedes Rural and Industrial Society. Reductions will be made in the freights of exhibits, and excursion fares will be issued for those who visit Mercedes on the days on which the fair is held.

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The new market in Bahia Blanca is now finished and meets with general approval. It is well supplied with water both for cleansing and fire extinguishing purposes. The market contains forty-six stalls, ten of which are for the sale of meat.

\*\* Most of the writers in "Sport and Pastime" last season on the abortion of mares, agreed that a mare that had once slipped did so again for the two following years, but this appears opposite to the experiences of many breeders. One of the largest breeders in Santa Fé, if not in the Republic, has told us that, in twenty-seven years' experience, he has found that mares slipping their foals one year do not do so the next. He has already lost sixteen foals this season, but not one of them out of mares that slipped last year. Cows, on the contrary, after once aborting, slip their calves for the two following years and then calve naturally. This is an opinion of the highest value and one based on an experience impossible to dispute.

\*\* Sr Cilley Vernet, Inspector of Agriculture appointed by the Board of Public Works, in a letter to the "Times" advocates the use of the roller in the cultivation of wheat in the Province of Buenos Aires as follows:

"I have noticed that as a matter of fact the roller is hardly ever employed, but I believe that it could be used with excellent results especially to the west of the Province where indeed the nature of the soil really requires it, where the land is essentially sandy, in fact, from analyses that I have made the proportion is rarely less than 90 per cent. of sand.

"This predominance of sand is really advantageous, as it renders less arduous the labour of the ploughman, and allows the rain to percolate to the roots of the plant, which takes very kindly to a sandy soil.

"The disadvantages of such an enormous proportion of sand is especially counteracted by the use of the roller, as it completes the trituration of the scattered clods, and presses together the soil, obviating the superficial evaporation, but once that the seed has germinated and sprouted above the soil, seeking for the light necessary for its existence, the embryonic nutrition ceases and the plant contains in itself what is necessary for its growth.

"As soon as the plant has attained one centimetre in height, the roller should be passed over the soil to press the roots firmly into the earth and remove the little spaces, thus preserving the soil fresh and imparting greater vigour to the plant.

"It is worth noticing that the looser the soil, the drier the weather and the nearer the surface the seed, the greater is the advantage obtained by the use of the roller. The land is now sufficiently levelled, rendering the work of the reaping machines easier when the time comes for harvesting the crop."

#### NOTES FROM PAMPA CENTRAL.

After a very dry two months of early winter a favourable change came at the beginning of July, since when rain has been abundant and the weather mild. In most places stock is in good order, more especially sheep, which undoubtedly thrive and increase well in these camps.

\*\* On the high lands the soil is suitable for most cereal crops, good results having been attained with maize, wheat, and barley, oats give little weight; also good swedes, turnips, and beet have been grown. The valleys where salt licks are not too abundant grow excellent alfalfa, the great difficulty being the commencement, as the soil being generally sandy, the young sprouts are liable to be uncovered to frosts and sun by strong winds, which at times are only too prevalent; pigeons also do great damage to young crops in late autumn and early spring.

\*\* Locusts are reported to be in the neighbourhood of the Rio Negro in great abundance, if they again make their appearance in this district, as last season, it will be a serious blow, and dishearten many chacareros who had begun to put life and movement in to these camps.

## SHALL I NEVER STORM OR SWEAR?

(THE DESPONDING CRICKETER'S "LAY.")

Shall I never storm or swear  
Just because the umpire's fair?  
Or from expletives forbear,  
'Cause he gives me out with care?  
Be he fairer, more upright  
Than Carpenter or Lillywhite,  
If he will not favour me,  
What care I how fair he be?

If "How's that?" I loudly shout,  
Let him promptly answer, "Out!"  
If, perchance, I bowl a Wide,  
Let him cough and look aside;  
If my toe slip o'er the crease,  
Let him sigh, but hold his peace.  
If he cry "No ball!" to me,  
What care I how fair he be?

When they catch me near the ground  
Let him think 'twas on the bound;  
When against me they appeal  
Let him hesitation feel;  
Let me profit by the doubt,  
Let him never give me out.  
If "leg-before" he judges me,  
What care I how fair he be?

—St. James'.

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SPORTING NOTES

I am asked to remind those intending to enter for the Hurlingham meeting for September 8th, that the entries close to-day.

After Athos had won the Premio Invierno last Sunday a well known sportsman and breeder offered Colonel Saturnino Garcia \$75,000 m.n. for him. This offer the gallant colonel did not accept.

The opening cricket match at Hurlingham will be played next Sunday between the eleven and next sixteen or twenty-two. Members who wish to play should send in their names as soon as possible to the secretary, 559 Piedad.

The Quilmes Athletic Club ended a most successful day yesterday with a concert and variety entertainment, which attracted an audience completely filling the hall. The niggers afforded immense amusement. Details next week.

A good deal of interest was centred in a match decided on the Palermo racecourse last Sunday between two ponies belonging to Mr P. Hasberg and Mr B. Meyer Pellegrini respectively, for 6000 metres, owners up. Mr Hasberg had the best of the race all through, and won as he liked by three or four lengths.

The Buenos Aires Cricket Club played their opening game at Palermo yesterday. Eighteen men turned up to play, the many other attractions of the day doubtless preventing a greater number putting in appearance, but the game served to open the season, which promises to be a better one than last for the club.

The Buenos Aires Tennis Club were more fortunate in the weather yesterday for their tournament than that for the match against Rosario, as it was quite perfect. The tournament was not finished owing to insufficiency of time, so it will be concluded to-morrow. Messrs. Still, Knox, Seymer Vercoyle, and Keevil are the most forward of the competitors so far, with Mrs Wallace and Still and Miss Moores and Vercoyles.

The report and accounts of the Buenos Aires Cricket Club submitted to the general meeting of the club held last Saturday show the club to be in a very satisfactory state financially. The report puts down the want of success met with by the club in its matches of last season to the bad state of the ground which necessarily militated against the members getting a decent amount of practice; great difficulty was also experienced in obtaining an efficient ground man. Out of nine matches played, three were won, five lost, and one drawn.

Regarding the Lawn Tennis squabble at the end of last season. Though rather late in the day the Committee, in their report, say they "much regret the unpleasantness caused by the construction put by the ladies on the second proposition brought forward at the meeting on the 15th of March, and can only assure them that no

discourtesy was intended and trust that they will again make use of the ground during the coming season as in previous years. This misunderstanding has led to the establishment of a club specially devoted to Lawn Tennis and the committee trust it will be the means of creating a friendly rivalry in an annual contest.

The following officers were elected for the coming season: Messrs. J. C. Zimmermann, president; J. E. Preston, vice-president; with committee consisting of Messrs. Boyd, Gifford, Anderson, Stokes, Lacey, and Seymer.

The Gualeguay Polo Club have arranged a very attractive little programme for a meeting to be held on the Hipodromo Nacional Club's race course, Gualeguay, on Saturday September 24th. The entries for the meeting close on Saturday, September 17th.

A committee meeting of the Athletic Association was held on Saturday afternoon last, when the records made at the Buenos Aires Cricket Club's meeting on the 15th inst. were approved, viz., W. E. Coubrough's, long jump of 18 ft 7 in, and H. Alexander's put of the 16 lb shot of 34 ft 8 1/2 in from a seven foot square. The question of evening handicaps was brought up, and it was decided to send the secretaries of the various Buenos Aires Clubs, circulars asking them to arrange fortnightly races at distances most suitable for their members, charging competitors a small entrance-fee for the purpose of paying for prizes for the races. The handicap will be framed by the Association's handicappers.

These evening handicaps will, no doubt, be welcomed by most men. They will help greatly to swell the list of entries at the different athletic meetings, not only because they will be the means of bringing out new men, but also because those taking part in them will be always more or less in running condition. The races will, of course, always be at short distances, unless long events are particularly asked for, so they will need no training to speak of. The first handicap will probably be run at Hurlingham towards the end of this next month. No expense whatever will be attached to holding these handicaps.

An American magazine distinguishes the English Hackney and the American Trotter in the following way: "There is no possible conflict of opinion between these two breeds. Their planes of action do not intersect. The trotter is bred to get out of sight as soon as possible: the Hackney to stay in sight as long as he anyhow can."

In another column will be found an account of the twenty-five league race between a thoroughbred and a criollo, of which I mentioned the result last week. We are not told the respective ages of the two horses or the difference in the weights might be explained, as, with one horse carrying no less than twenty kilos more than the other, I don't see how the race can be called a "fair test of the staying powers of the two breeds." I should consider the extra three stone carried by the criollo would make a great deal more difference than a league and a half, the amount the thoroughbred won by, in a 25 league journey. At the same time I have no doubt that for any distance a moderately good thoroughbred would beat a criollo, or in fact any other breed in the world; it has been shown so too often to need further proof.

Races of such enormous distances as this can hardly be described, in my opinion at least, as sporting events. It is impossible to keep out the element of cruelty, and it is hard, indeed, that a horse should be punished for his gameness. Although the thoroughbred, in this case, finished quite fresh, the poor criollo was evidently in a very bad state at the finish, and I shall not be surprised to hear of his death. I wish we had been furnished with fuller particulars of the horses and the race, as it is one of the most interesting events which has taken place for some time.

Mr Biscuccia has sold the mare Chibby by Mirmillo out of a mare by Buccaneer to Mr Lingruber, of Rio de Janeiro, for £1500. The same gentleman also bought Ombra by Galliard out of N. N. Chibby was served by Ormonde last February, and Ombra is in foal to Acheron, the Haras Nacional's French horse. Both mares were shipped to Rio by the s.s. Provence on the 24th inst.

Entertainments in connection with athletic clubs seem to be all the rage just now. The Quilmes Athletic Club held a concert last night, the Lomas Athletic Club announce an entertainment for Saturday evening next, and the Belgrano Polo Club are, I believe, arranging a show to take place in three weeks' time.

The treasurer of the Buenos Aires Rowing Club, Mr. Edward Merian, has, up to date, collected \$6258.60 mn., obtained by the races held in No. 3 Dock at the beginning of this month, for the benefit of the Rosales fund and the fund for the widows and orphans of her sailors. Seventy-five per cent of this sum is to be delivered over to the Central Committee of the Rosales fund, and the remaining twenty-five per cent to the committee of the "Centro Naval."

Sr. Boucau's Philosophy by Hermit foaled a colt by Ormonde at Luis Chico on Tuesday last, the 23rd. This colt is an own brother of the yearling Fecundo, now in England, but as he is born according to Argentine time, is evidently intended for this country.

The Indemnizadora Insurance Company have resolved to include in their accident policies the risks of Polo and Football a new departure which will be welcomed by most of my readers, many of whom will wish it had come a little sooner. The Insurance is limited to \$5000 mn. at a premium of \$7.50 per thousand per year, and in case of being incapacitated by accident the company pays \$25 weekly so long as the incapacity lasts.

The common, or racecourse English sporting journalist, must in future take a back seat; they do things so much better in America. For example, take the following description of a start at a race meeting at Latonia, California:

"Go!" shouted the starter, dropping a square of crimson bunting, which flashed redly against the green behind him. "They are off!" roared a Latonia multitude in a huge, hoarse chorus, that rolled sullenly out from beneath the grand stand and booking shed, rumbled across track and paddock, was caught up beyond by the ribbon of stablemen and boys that fringed the far white-washed rail, and was ultimately tumbled back again, softened and sweetened by the journey, a faint echo from the emerald hillsides.

The field in this exciting race comprised two, and it was won by thirty lengths.

The average Argentine jockey is given to be rather casual in his get up, but he is never so bad as the gentleman described in the following paragraph in a home paper:

"At a steeplechase meeting near here," he says, "in one race, a £50 chase, three miles, one rider's costume on the card read 'black jacket, white sleeves and cap.' What he really had on—was a black waistcoat, a white cotton shirt, and a white handkerchief on his head. His trousers he took off and rode in white tights finished off with elastic side-spring boots. The public did not laugh, and he was a good second."

Horse racing by electric light has been tried at St. Louis, in the United States, with great success. The course at South Side Park it is said presents a curious appearance—the stand, fences, posts, and everythings paintable about it being of dazzling whiteness. In the glow of the bright lights the effect is very striking. At a height of 20ft. from the ground runs a wire string like the trolley of an electric railway round the course. Upon this, at intervals of 25ft. are slung clusters of incandescent lamps, with four lights in each cluster. Giant search-lights illuminate the turns. A peculiar arrangement prevents the casting of shadows, which has always, it seems, hitherto proved the difficulty in horse racing by artificial light. The grand stand is a blaze of brilliant whiteness, and from it the course is seen mapped out in a light so bright that the colours of the jockeys' jackets are plainly visible. The effect is all the more intense from contrast with the space of darkness that intervenes between the stand and the track. To obviate danger, only five horses are allowed in each race.

I do not pretend to look upon bicycling as a "diversion" to be encouraged in a country such as this, but it is not prejudice which prompts me to draw attention to the nuisance experienced every evening in the Calles Florida, 25 de Mayo, and the Plaza Victoria, through reckless riding of their bicycles, by men who neither carry lamp nor bell and who take possession of the whole street to the danger of pedestrians; while the vigilantes look placidly on. The attention of the





Quilmes Athletic Club's Gymkhana

One of the most enjoyable meetings of the many held yesterday was the Quilmes Athletic Club's Polo Race Meeting on their trim little ground at Bernal. The course was carefully laid out round the polo ground and roped in the whole way, and though the corners were necessarily rather sharp they rode wonderfully well, and the going was excellent.

The Club's new pavilion, which is almost completed, was used for the first time, and appears in every way a great success. The stand being raised up some 12 or 15 feet gives the spectators on it a splendid view of whatever may be going on on the ground, and allows of plenty of space underneath for dressing-rooms, etc. The thatched roof struck us as a capital idea, as it not only looks well but will be found beautifully cool in the summer.

Needless to say the attendance of visitors was excellent, and everyone appeared to take a great interest in the racing.

The Hack Race came first, but did not prove exciting; The Forgotten having it all his own way and winning easily.

The 54-inch Pony Race was a better one, and though won all out by Lightfoot, the rest of the field were well up at the finish. Mr Moser's Charivari won the Members' Race, which brought us to the Jumping Competition.

The Jumping Competition at meetings such as these always attracts a lot of interest, but on this occasion there was not much talent displayed.

The fences were very small, though too transparent to give the ponies a fair chance. There must be plenty of furze round about Quilmes, and we recommend the use of it on a future occasion. Compadrito again proved successful, and besides clearing the obstacles cleaner than any of the other ponies had much the best style.

Daiman was in good temper, so easily secured the Open Polo Pony Race, the second and third having a close race at the finish.

The Paper Race was a failure. The sheet of paper, which bore the mystic device "Johnbrownthailorspolobreedies" was stretched across the course, allowing room each side for the ponies to run round if they did not care to face it. The start was made at least 500 metres from the paper, and the competitors raced up to it, which is hardly the idea of the race.

The first pony to arrive was Rover, and he shying round the side brought the whole affair down, so Mr Rooke's Rags had no difficulty in getting through, or rather over, the fallen paper.

Mr Bennett had good luck in getting such an easy costume to don as an Opera Hat in the Costume Race, and to this he probably owed his win, as it was a great deal more easy to get into than some of the others.

Mr Murray had bad luck in losing the head of his stick in the final heat of the Polo Ball Race, when he had matters pretty safe. This event, as well as the Victoria Cross Race, fell to Mr Cassels.

The Consolation Race produced a good race for second place, Just Fancy having no difficulty when it came to galloping in disposing of the ponies. By the way, it was only on writing on the last meeting of this kind, that we pointed out the unfairness of allowing hacks, which had only had one event reserved for them, to compete in the Consolation Race against the ponies which have been running perhaps in eight or nine. It makes the race a certainty for any hack entered, more especially as nothing will ever bring a well-bred horse to even terms with a criollo polo pony.

At the conclusion of the meeting Mrs G. Marriott Woodgate graciously distributed the prizes, which were exceptionally good and well chosen. After three cheers had been given for Mrs Woodgate, the unmarried ladies, the Quilmes Athletic Club, and the visitors, the meeting terminated, everyone having enjoyed a most delightful afternoon's sport.

Details: HACK RACE; 1600 metres; weight 75 kilos; for bona fide hacks.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr J. Burke's b g The Forgotten, Mr A. Mackill's b g Tommy, Mr F. Steed's ch m Just Fancy, Mr A. J. David's br g Negro.

Forgotten went to the front almost immediately, and made the running from Tommy and Just Fancy for about a thousand metres, when the two last named were beat. Forgotten, keeping the lead throughout, won in a canter by four or five lengths, three lengths separating second and third, Negro, who was never in the race, beaten off.

POLO PONY RACE (Open); 500 metres; for Polo Ponies 54 in. or under; ponies of 54 in. to carry 70 kilos, 8 kilos per inch allowed.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr C. R. Thursby's br g Lightfoot, Mr C. H. Dyson's ro g Rigoletto, Mr J. Lean's (junr.) b g Ben Nevis.

Lightfoot was first away from a good start, and followed by Rigoletto and Ben Nevis made all the running and won easily by two lengths, a neck only between second and third.

POLO PONY RACE for Polo Ponies 56 in. or under the property of Members of the Club; 500 metres; ponies 56 in. to carry 75 kilos, 3 kilos allowed per inch.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr L. J. Moser's Charivari, Mr F. J. Bennett's Rover, Mr C. H. Dyson's White Legs.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr J. Leitch's Pato, Mr F. Bethell, Mr F. Boquet's Claudio.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr R. W. Anderson, Mr H. Anderson.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr C. R. Thursby's Lightfoot, Mr F. C. Rooke's Rags.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr G. Marriott Woodgate's Roy, Mr H. H. Ewen.

Rover and Charivari led to the straight where the latter drew out and won by three lengths, half a length between second and third.

OPEN JUMPING COMPETITION; for Polo Ponies 56 in. or under.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr J. Bennett's Compadrito, Mr G. Alarriott Woodgate's Roy, Mr J. K. Cassels' Sloper.

The fences consisted of a light hurdle, a wooden fence and a pole. Compadrito cleared the three in the first round, Roy and Rover also jumping well. Sunlight showed himself very green at the game and was not required a second time. Rover was sent away after the second round of the fences, and Sloper after the third, leaving Compadrito an easy winner with Roy a good second.

VICTORIA CROSS RACE (Open); for Polo Ponies; jump two hurdles, pick up dummy and ride back.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr J. K. Cassels' Sloper, Mr F. J. Bennett's Rover, Mr A. Yeoman's Gaucho.

Won easily by three lengths, half a length between second and third.

POLO PONY RACE (Open); for Ponies 56 in. or under, ponies of 56 in. to carry 75 kilos, 3 kilos per inch; 800 metres.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr J. Ravenscroft's Daiman, Mr F. J. Balfour.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr A. Murray Hudson's Gouty Owl, Mr R. W. Anderson.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr A. Murray Hudson's Chico, Mr T. Murray's Lobuno.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr L. J. Moser's Royal Flush, Mr R. England.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr F. J. Bennett's Rover, Mr F. J. Balfour.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr W. L. Morkill's Fidget, Mr C. H. Dyson's Whitelegs.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr F. H. Bethell's Gama, Mr J. McMorrans.

Daiman went to the front after going about three hundred metres, and never being headed won easily by three lengths. A good race for second place resulted in Gouty Owl beating Chico by half a length. Whitelegs' jockey fell.

COSTUME RACE (Open); for Polo Ponies; to saddle up, ride to table, put on costume, light cigar and put up umbrella.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr F. J. Bennett's Rover, Mr F. C. Rooke's Lazy Bones.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr J. Leitch's Paloma, Mr J. Mullaly.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr L. J. Moser's Charivari, Mr H. Henry's Rufus.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr F. C. Rooke's Rags.

Also ran—Pato, Gouty Owl, Dooficker, Rover, Sloper, Compadrito, Fidget, Chico, Rufus, Tilbury Nogo, Roy and Will o' the Wisp.

POLO GAME RACE (Open); for Polo Ponies 56 in. or under; run in two heats; entrance \$5.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr J. R. Cassels on Sloper, Mr T. Murray on Lobuno.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr R. W. Anderson on Gouty Owl, Mr L. Moser on Royal Flush.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr F. J. Bennett on Rover.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr J. Bennett on Rufus, Mr A. M. Hudson on Chico.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr R. England on Claudio, Mr A. Yeomans on Gaucho.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr F. C. Rooke on Rags.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr J. R. Cassels, Mr J. Bennett.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr T. Murray, Mr A. M. Hudson.

CONSOLATION RACE; Hacks to carry 75 kilos, ponies 70 kilos, 800 metres.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr F. Steed's Just Fancy, Mr Yeoman's Gaucho.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr T. Murray's Lobuno, Mr A. M. Hudson's Chico.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr Leitch's Pato, Mr Moser's Royal Flush.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Horses, and Owners. Includes Mr Boquet's Claudio.

Lobuno led from Gaucho to the last bend when the latter joined him. Coming up the straight Gaucho wore down Lobuno and looked like winning when Just Fancy came with a rush and won by a length, a good race for second place resulted in Gaucho beating Lobuno by half a length.

FOOTBALL

FIXTURES.

ASSOCIATION Sunday, Sept. 4—Buenos Aires and Rosario Ry. A.C. v. Lomas Academy A.C., at Lomas.

ASSOCIATION

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

The return match between the above clubs came off on Sunday 21st on the ground of the Q. A. C. As will be remembered the previous match resulted in a drawn game, no goals having been scored. Since the last match both teams have undergone considerable changes. The Quilmes playing Rath and G. Leslie in place of Rooke and Bridge, whilst B. A. played Whitworth and Williams in place of Knox and Woolley who were unable to turn up. The following were the teams:

Quilmes A.C.—Fothergill, Rath and Reynolds, Tucker, Hall and Buchanan, G. Leslie, Morgan, W. Leslie, Moffat and Lamont (Capt.)

Buenos Aires F.C.—Gibson, Gordon and Whitworth, Williams, McAdam and Enwright, Syer, Agar, Hughes, Agar and Guy (Capt.)

Owing to the early start very few spectators were present at the kick-off. Buenos Aires having won the toss, W. Leslie kicked off for Quilmes, Moffat was on the ball at once and, with his partner, brought it up to the B. A. lines and shot in but Gibson saved. A shot from the centre, struck the bar and after a moments hesitation dropped over. From the goal kick B. A. came away but Syer was easily tackled by Tucker; Leslie and Morgan had a run up the wing and Whitworth to save conceded a corner, G. Leslie got the place kick but the ball went over the line. From the goal kick B. A. had again a narrow escape. Williams getting possession passed to Syer who with Agar got near Fothergill but shot wide. Fothergill kicked out and W. Leslie passed to Lamont who in turn gave the ball to Moffat, that player centering but the left wing failed to take up the pass. The passing of the Quilmes forwards at this period was splendid, but they had very little idea of shooting. Their passing and repassing in front of goal was of no good, and only served to give the opposing backs time to clear. An opening was at last found, as Lamont from a pass of G. Leslie's scored No. 1 goal for Quilmes. Off-side was appealed for but the Referee disallowed it. From the centre Guy passed to Agar but Hall tackled and passed to his left wing and they with the assistance of W. Leslie got near Gibson and saved one from the centre forward at the expense of a corner. The corner was well placed and an exciting moment ensued in front of the B. A. goal but Gordon cleared. The Quilmes continued to press. B. A. forwards very seldom getting past midfield. G. Leslie Morgan and Leslie had a fine run up the field the former shooting for goal.

Whitworth with a very feeble kick, landed the ball right at Morgan's feet who had no difficulty in putting on the 2nd goal for the ground team. Syer and Agar on the right and Guy in centre, then put in some runs for B. A. the left wing doing very little. Syer gave a centre right across goal but Agar fumbled the ball and Rath rushing up cleared with a splendid kick.

A moment after Guy tried with a long shot, but Fothergill saved. Lamont and Moffat tried to get in off the other side but McAdam forced the ball over the line. The Quilmes men were now playing the better game. Their back division—the halves especially—were keeping the visitors forwards well in check, and their forwards were playing a grand game. Moffat, Lamont and Leslie each had shots, the first two of which went wide, McAdam cleared the last. The attack was stubbornly maintained and as well defended and Quilmes were unlucky in not adding to their score. The remainder of the opening half was keenly contested but no further scoring took place, the score at the interval being Quilmes 2, Buenos Aires 0.

The second half was opened by Guy kicking off for B.A. Some very neat passing was done by Lamont and Moffat, who took the ball well into B.A. ground, but the centre was badly judged. The B.A. forwards at once took possession of the ball from the goal kick, but Hughes was brought up by Agar handling the ball. Off the free kick Quilmes right wing were enabled to transfer play to the other end. There it was kept for some time, but as in the opening stages there appeared to be a want of method in the forward play of the home team. They failed to take advantage of the chances, as did the B.A. men, and yet they got good and numerous opportunities, as their entire back division were keeping the ball well up. A break away by Agar on the B.A. right resulted in Fothergill handling the ball. B.A. had a corner a moment after but it was of no avail. An off-side was here given against Hughes. B.A. changed Gibson from goal to left half, Enwright going back into goal. Fothergill, to save a swift one from Syer, gave away a corner. This was followed by a free kick to B.A., but Reynolds' with a strong kick cleared. The B.A. forwards were wretched in their shooting, as time after time they had easy chances to score, but always sent the ball over the bar or yards wide of the posts.

In the last ten minutes the Quilmes forwards completely fell away, and left the entire work to the back division. Gordon, back for B.A., was working among his forwards, and from a kick out of Fothergill's managed to score five minutes from time. From this to the finish Buenos Aires had it all their own way, but failed to improve the score, a hard and fast game thus ending 2 to 1 in favour of Quilmes.

Taking the B.A. team first, Gordon at back was in splendid form, his tackling and blocking being everything that was desired. McAdam and Williams, although playing a good game were not up to their usual

form. Forwards, the right wing Syer and Agar, and Guy, centre, worked well and passed together, but the opposing halves were much too heavy for them. The left wing was of little or no use, Hughes getting little or no assistance from his partner.

For the home team Fothergill, in goal, saves well, but has a bad habit of running out and following his kick, thus leaving the goal to look after itself. Rath and Reynold, backs, were always safe, the former especially being the best back on the field, and with Tucker fairly bottled up the Buenos Aires right wing. The halves were all good, but play a rough game, preferring to take the man rather than the ball, and very seldom gave their own forwards the ball, as they ought to have done.

Lamont and Moffatt did most of the work forward, for the very simple reason that when they got the ball they kept it, and seldom gave the left wing a pass. If they had altered their play the result would have been considerably more in favour of Quilmes, as very often the centre and left wing had a clear field if they had only got the pass.

W. Leslie in centre should shoot for goal more often, and not try dribbling past the backs so much. The left wing did all that was required, but got very little work to do through the centre and right wing not passing to them more often.

Buenos Aires and Lomas met for the third time this season yesterday, the scene of action being Lomas.

Buenos Aires arrived with only eight men, and enlisted the services of Phillips, on the ground, as a goal keeper. Buenos Aires playing with the wind in the first half managed to hold their own, the game, though slow, being very even. The pace improved greatly in the second half; Lamont and Cowes each scored a goal for Lomas in this part of the game, which gave them the victory by two goals to love.

## GOLF

Buenos Aires, Aug. 29.

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.

Dear Sir,—

No great movement advancing the state of mankind in whatever age has yet occurred without bringing forward a band whose mental incapacities or physical deficiencies prevent them joining the triumphant march, and turn them into a body of scoffers. Thus it is with Golf, whose irresistible charms are slowly but surely conquering the affections of the whole athletic world—the insidious pleasure produced by a ball clean hit with a play club from the tee, a ball well lifted and laid on the green with one's favourite iron and afterwards holed by a putter handled from childhood, are veritably emotions to cause jealousy in the breasts of those whose misfortunes it is to have been brought up in ignorance of the soul inspiring game that generates them. That scoffers, therefore, should arise is as natural as that suckers should be found on a whale, and that the scoffers should attempt to aid their foolish endeavours by ridicule and a pretended disbelief in authenticated statements relating to the vicissitudes of the royal and ancient game is also credible, but that in a small community such as the athletic one here, three men, Zoophiles to wit, should be found to make light of and discredit what they don't understand, shows a percentage considerably above the average of want of appreciation of a good thing.

Thinking "Bulger" out of the way and therefore unable to champion his favourite pastime, the three animal lovers thought to make merry and depart, but though the pen of Bulger be for the time turned into a nibble, be it known he is ever in our midst, and should the mockery recur we will call on him to leave his clubs and defend with his able nib the game of games.

Then these Zoophiles, not content with belittling the legends of the noble game, ask that this health-producing sport, which they term "this murderous game," be stopped; and why, pray? Because, forsooth, they can't understand that a snake sometimes comes out of its hole and basks in the sun, the particular snake they refer to was probably some reincarnated golfer who was wont, in days gone by, to bang about the last hole of some well-known links and chat with the players as they came in.

As for the bird story, it is easily explainable. The difference between a sparrow and a hawk is considerable, but there is such a thing as a sparrow-hawk. If any one had said a sparrow had been killed instead of a hawk, no one would have thought anything of it, but, because a clerical error happens, those Zoos form themselves into a trinity, and raise the concentrated shrillness of their combined voices in one supplication to polo players to look after their ponies. What makes one a trifle hardy about the chorus of our Zoos' songs is the all-round way they make light of all games, vido their observations on bat flies.

But this is enough, I can write no more; my heart is full of joy, for I am a Scotchman, and if the accent has taken root in so important a place as Hurlingham, there is no doubt but that shortly the economical instincts of that grand race will soon prevail, and we shall have financial bliss and golf in every pueblo.

FLOREAT GOLF.

A correspondent to the "Times" points out that in the district of Lincoln horses and mares are dying from a disease having all the symptoms of influenza, and that out of some 70 animals of his own some 15 have already succumbed. Camps round about Lincoln are looking extremely well, and the lambing is progressing favourably, in fact, the present promises to be as successful a season for the stock farmers as the previous one.

## THOROUGHBRED v. CRIOLLO.

On Sunday the 21st inst. an interesting race from certain points of view was run in the city of Cordoba between a pure Criollo horse and a thoroughbred for the purpose of testing the staying powers of the two breeds. The race was one of twenty five leagues or nearly eighty English miles for \$5000 a side. The Criollo was a compactly built "oscuro" belonging to Señor Antonio Pareja, of Marcos Juarez, and the thoroughbred a "zaino" of extremely light proportions the property of Señor Honorate Ceballos.

Upwards of five thousand people witnessed the race, including many of the fair sex who were hospitably entertained by the members of the Jockey Club.

A start was made at 8 a.m. and the Criollo immediately took up the running at a good hand gallop with the thoroughbred laying off some distance behind, taking matters easy but getting over a lot of ground in his long raking stride. In this way eight leagues of the distance were rubbed off, when the criollo was pulled up for refreshment for himself and his jockey. A little water was all the horse required, maize he refused to look at, but his rider needed a stronger and, to him, a more palatable refresher. The thoroughbred was stopped soon after for the same purpose and upon resuming the race, the same positions were maintained till gradually the "zaino" worked his way to the front, and in spite of many halts on both sides for girthing up, refreshments, etc., he forged ahead about the fifteenth league and increasing his position every lap, finished, in response to the call of his jockey and amidst the shouts of the crowd, at racing speed a winner by a league and a half. The greatest enthusiasm was created by the result.

The actual time of running was eight and a half hours. The thoroughbred carried 50 kilos and the criollo 70 kilos. Our correspondent, in spite of the difference in the weight, says that the race was a fair test and the thoroughbred well deserved his victory, whilst the condition of the horses after the race clearly proved that he had completely outpaced the "criollo" for it is doubtful if the latter will ever recover from the effects of the struggle, as he was taken away from the course in a completely exhausted condition.

## PARKER'S REVENGE

A TRAGEDY OF CAMBRIDGE CRICKET

The captain of the university eleven gazed moodily into the blazing fire (for it was mid-June), too perplexed even to smoke. "We are so confoundedly short of slow bowling," he repeated to himself, "and nobody else can make the ball twist an inch: still it's deucedly risky." The situation was indeed puzzling. For the first time in the memory of man the Light Blue team was not composed wholly of males. Under the stress of exceptional weakness in the attack, the captain had been forced to include the famous Girton slow bowler, Miss Daisy Ward, and the issue was not wholly satisfactory. At first things went well: Daisy had practically won the M.C.C. match single-handed. The batsmen had been so melted at the sight of her beautiful blue eyes glistening with tears whenever they drove or cut her for fours that they could stand it no longer. They got out with a speed which could not be altogether accidental. She bowled Barnes with a slow full pitch, and Flowers gave her the easiest possible return catch.

This was all very well as far as it went, but it went a great deal further. Blues are but human after all, and in a short time all the eleven but the captain were madly in love with the new slow bowler. There was a good deal of excuse for them; for she really looked charming in her plain white frock, with neat little buckskin boots below. The Girton blazer (two shades of pink) matched her complexion beautifully, and the Quindine cap looked most daintily perched upon her sunny hair. Personally, too, her cricket was beyond reproach: as a batswoman she had good defence, though no great hitting powers; her fielding was first-rate, and she gathered up catches in the slips in a style worthy of Lohman himself. But the effect on the rest of the side was damaging. In the Surrey match, for instance, Thomson, of Cam, usually one of the best fields in England, was occupied in gazing lovingly upon Miss Ward, and missed a fair chance of running Maurice Read out. It was unlucky, too, that Brown, of King's, should have been composing a triolet in Daisy's honour just at the moment when Abel put up an easy catch to him at cover-point. Nor was it any real palliation of his offence to remark, as he did, that he didn't mind missing it as it wasn't off her bowling. The worst case of all, however, has still to be mentioned. It was the case of Parker, of Jesus. He was frivolous enough to take the situation seriously, and a cricketer's admiration developed with him into a lover's blind devotion. The goddess who superintends such affairs took a direct interest in Parker and favoured his suit. He caught two splendid catches in the long-field off Daisy's bowling, and this naturally sent him up a good deal in her estimation. She sat next him at lunch generally and was very kind to him. Ignorant people called it flirtation; in reality it was merely a platonic approval of his leg-bitting, for Daisy's whole soul was in the game of cricket. But Parker foolishly misunderstood her, and in a quiet corner of the pavilion at Fenner's, knelt down upon his padded knees (for he was just going in to bat) with an offer of a life's devotion.

"Think how happy we should be, Daisy," he pleaded. "You could bowl to me all day at a net, you know, practising your leg-breaks, which you have not got quite right yet. Then in the evening we could sit by the fire and read 'Lillywhite' aloud to each other. Then, just fancy our going in first together against Oxford. 'The

Cambridge batting was opened by Mr and Mrs Parker. Wouldn't that look delightful in the sporting papers?"

"How silly you are!" was all Miss Ward replied. "You know they never send me in first. No, my dear boy; it cannot be. You must declare your innings at an end. It might have been otherwise if you had not run me out against the Sixteen?"

"Forgive me that!" he cried piteously. "It was the saddest experience I have ever had. I forgot the man was left-handed—indeed I did; and you know, darling, there is generally an easy run to extra mid-off."

"I was just getting set," pouted the haughty beauty. "And now no more of this rubbish. There goes the bell. Mind you make it hot for the Yorkshire bowlers, and look out for Peel's yorker in the first over."

And with a wave of her hand and a fascinating smile, half of regret and half of amusement, she dismissed the lovelorn Cantab, who went down the pavilion steps almost in tears.

No wonder the captain felt absolutely at his wits' end. All his team were jealous of one another. Parker was moody and despondent, talking dismally of suicide, which he proposed to effect by going in to bat without pads when Mold was bowling. Everything, since this female element had been introduced into the team, was at sixes and sevens.

"I must give the girl her blue, though," he reflected, "for none of the others will play at Lord's unless she comes. They are all so fond of her. Our one chance is that the Oxford men may be a susceptible lot. If Daisy can be turned on to do a little diplomacy in the luncheon-room, she may fool some of them out. The worst thing is that old Driver, the Oxford captain, hasn't a soul above a half-volley. He's a regular old thick-headed bullock, with no eye for the beautiful except when it takes the form of a late cut. If Helen of Troy were bowling, old Driver would pull her off the off-stump to square-leg. I know he would: he's a regular boor. Still we must chance it and play Daisy Ward."

Oxford had 152 to win, and after starting well had lost eight wickets for 140. Daisy, bowling from the pavilion end, had found a spot where the wicket had worn a little, and was making the ball break back down the hill in a puzzling fashion. The Cambridge eleven were fielding Miss Ward's bowling magnificently, although they repeatedly missed catches when the bowling was from the other end. Indeed, Daisy had secured all eight wickets that had fallen. The only man who could stand against her was Driver, the Oxford captain, whom even beauty in distress would not induce to sacrifice his wicket. Daisy looked very pretty and tearful when he slogged, but Driver was obdurate. The tenth Oxonian now came in. As he passed her Daisy flashed a sweet smile upon him and called him by his Christian name. The proceeding is an unusual one in Inter-University matches, but it was successful. The new batsman, who was only a freshman, was a 1 out of all complacency, and played back to a slow half-volley which bowled him. Roars of applause followed, and he retired, wondering if he would have a chance of declaring to Miss Ward the regular blast-furnace of passion which was raging in his heart. Nine wickets down for 140, Driver (not out) 92. Twelve more runs required to win. Victory seemed in the grasp of Cambridge.

It was now "over," and Driver got the bowling. He made a two and a three, changing ends, and thus confronting his feminine opponent. Only seven runs were now wanted, and Driver hit Daisy's first ball hard to the tennis-court for four. Excitement was now terrific, Daisy was almost hysterical, and the sight of the little lace pocket-handkerchief with which she dried her eyes sent a tremor of sympathy through the crowd.

The next ball Driver played, but at the third he stepped in to make the winning stroke. Hitting a trifle underneath it he drove it very high on the on-side, exactly to where Parker was stationed. Parker was held to be one of the safest catches in England, and odds were laid freely against the ball while it was in the air. To the amazement of all present he utterly misjudged the catch, which went over his head for four, and Oxford had won the game.

The Cambridge eleven came dolefully in, and behind walked the umpires bearing between them the unconscious form of the Cambridge slow bowler, who was in a dead faint.

"I wonder," said an old gentleman in the pavilion, "what made Parker drop that. Nervousness I suppose?"

"The sun wasn't in his eyes," another observed; "they say he never missed one before."

"That girl bowled pluckily," said a third; "she would have got all ten wickets if Parker had held that."

Miss Daisy Ward, when she recovered, noticed a grim smile upon Parker's face. They were not upon speaking terms now; so she merely tossed her head scornfully at him. It taught her a lesson, though, and now, when she bowls for her county, she always insists on her fieldsmen not being rejected suitors of her own.—*St. James's Budget*.

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## ARSCOTT OF TETCOTT

The following hunting song has been sent us by a subscriber, who found it amongst some old papers. It must be quite 130 years' old, and will doubtless be read with interest, not only by those who may know something of the country over which the run described took place, but by all sportsmen to whom a good run after a fox of the right sort is one of life's greatest pleasures.

An old Cornish Fox-hunting song compiled from, and collated with, several versions and fragments from the Molesworth Papers and old Fox-hunters' versions.

1.

On the 5th of November in the year '62, (1762.)  
Three jolly Fox-hunters, true Sons of the Blue,  
Set out from Pencarrow, not fearing a wet coat,  
To take some diversion with Arscott of Tetcott.

Chorus.—Sing fal de la, lara, le fol de la lo.

2.

He went to the kennel and showed them his hounds,  
Saying next Monday morning our joy'll know no bounds,  
For a pack of such hounds, and a set of such men,  
It's a shrewd chance if ever you meet with again.

3.

When Monday was come, betimes in the morn  
Jack Arscott arose and took up his horn;  
He gave them a flourish so sweet in the Hall,  
All heard the glad sounds, and arose at the call.

4.

They heard it with pleasure, but Webb (a) was first  
drest,  
Who hastened to give a cold pig to the rest:  
Bob (b), Bill (c), and Britannia (d) they hurried down-  
stairs;  
'Twas generally thought they neglected their prayers.

5.

At Breakfast they scrambled for Butter and Toast,  
But Webb was impatient lest time should be lost;  
Old Cheney (e) was ordered to bring to the door  
The horses and hounds, and away to the Moor.

6.

They went to the Moor, and they cast off the hounds,  
And very soon heard most encouraging sounds;  
A drag 'twas they found, but perceived it was old,  
For a drag in the morning could ne'er be so cold.

7.

They cast off the hounds for an hour or more,  
When Wanton set up a most tuneable roar;  
"Yoicks, Wanton!" says I, and the rest were not slack,  
For Wanton's no trifer esteemed in the Pack.

8.

They pricked it along to Bickerton Thorn;  
At length he stole off—an old dog, I'll be sworn!  
They soon cleared the cover, 'twas excellent scent:  
Hark to Thunder and Rookwook; ye Gods, how they  
went!

9.

O'er hills and thro' dales they chased him away,  
Resolved that bold Reynard should die that same day;  
'Twas Princess, and Madcap, and Filpot, and Rally,  
They charmed every hill, and made echo each valley.

10.

From Bickerton Thorn they went right away  
To Swaunacott Woods without any delay,  
And, when they came there, they made the woods ring:  
"What harmony's this?" cried the brave Whatstone  
men.

11.

In haste, then, said Arscott, "Oh, where are they gone?"  
"They are gone to the cliffs, then," said Simon the Son.  
Through Week, and St. Gennis, and Poundstock they  
went,  
And, when they came there, they gave up by consent.

12.

"Gad, zounds!" said Old Simon, "I'll lead them  
straight on."  
"How far have you made him?" said Simon the Son.  
"O'er the Moors," said James Goodman, and back was  
the word:  
"Hark, that's Vulcan!" says Arscott; "that's it, by  
the Lord!"

13.

They hunted it down, all through the Hedgerow;  
"Hark to Princess," says Arscott, "there's a fresh  
Tally-ho!"  
They chased him along, for many long miles,  
And never dismounted for gates, bars, or stiles.

14.

They ran him three hours, and he still kept the Moor,  
And never was seen such a Fox Chase before!  
But his tricks, and his cunning, could do him no good,  
For they ran right into him in Ashwater Wood.

15.

Says Arscott of Tetcott: "Will you come back and  
dine?"  
"We'll dip his fore-pad in a bumper of wine;  
"And all you young sportsmen, who'd pastime prolong,  
"Shall drink health to Dick Arscott and his Fox-hunt-  
ing song."

16.

Now Reynard being dead, they returned from the field  
With joy in their hearts that they'd made him to yield:  
And, when they came home, they toasted the health  
Of a man who ne'er varied for titles nor wealth.

17.

When supper was ended, they spent all the night  
In gay, flowing bumpers and social delight;  
And with mirth, and good humour, did cheerfully sing  
"Here's a health to Jack Arscott, and God save the  
"King!"

Notes:—

- (a) Web: Man of property at Launceston.  
(b) Bob: Revd. Robert Dennis, of St. Breock.  
(c) Bill: Bill Jickell, Mr Arscott's nephew.  
(d) Britannia: Sir John Molesworth.  
(e) Cheney: Huntsman.  
(f) Dick Arscott: A Cousin.  
N.B.—Chorus is repeated at the end of every verse.

## FIXTURES

## RACING

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Thursday, Sept. 8—Hurlingham Club.  
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**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.

**PROGRAMME**

OF THE

**Gualeguay Polo Club's Races**

TO BE HELD ON

**Saturday, September 24, 1892**

1st Race, at 1 P.M.

A SWEEPSTAKES of \$5 each, with \$20 added, for Polo Ponies 14 hands or under; Ponies of 14 hands to carry 71 kilos, 2 kilos allowed per inch; 1773 metres.

2nd Race, at 1.30 P.M.

A SWEEPSTAKES of \$5 each, for any Horse bona fide the property of the member entering it; weight 71 kilos; 1773 metres. To be ridden by members of the Club. 3rd Race, at 2 P.M.

A SWEEPSTAKES of \$2 each, with \$30 added; a Bending Race round six posts, 100 metres, 30 metres run in; catch weight. To be run in heats, and started by pistol fire.

4th Race, at 3 P.M.

A SWEEPSTAKES of \$5 each, with \$20 added, for Polo Ponies 14 hands and under; Ponies of 14 hands to carry 71 kilos, 2 kilos allowed per inch; 400 metres.

5th Race, at 3.30 P.M.

A SWEEPSTAKES of \$1 each, with \$90 added, for Polo Ponies; 400 metres on the flat. To be run in heats and started by pistol fire.

6th Race, at 4.30 P.M.

A SWEEPSTAKES of \$5 each, an Open Hurdle Race; Criollos to carry 71 kilos, 2 kilos extra for each quarter of blood; 1300 metres, over six flights of 3 ft. 6 in. hurdles.

7th Race, at 5 P.M.

A SWEEPSTAKES of \$1 each, an Open Cigar and Umbrella Race; catch weights; 883 metres. Cigar to be handed to Judge aight, and Umbrella up, at finish.

Entries must be sent in to the President of the Club on or before September 17, on the evening of which day they will be opened at 8 p.m. in the Club Rooms.

In the Open Races, no Horse which has won in the Hipódromo Nacional will be allowed to run, and all Horses or Ponies must be bona fide the property of the Member who present them.

All Races must be ridden in saddles, and jockeys must wear colours.

The Meeting will be held in the Hipódromo Nacional of Gualeguay. The proceeds of the gate money, less expenses, to be divided equally between the Hospital San Antonio and Asilo de Menores.

R. GORDON, Hon. Sec.

**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, 3500 metres. Steeplechase. Catch weights; 75 kilos limit. Prize, a piece of Plate, to be won three times by same owner at the Spring Meeting. Entrance \$25.

Racing to commence at 1 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Strangers' Polo and Racing Club**

VENADO TUERTO

**Programme of the Venado Tuerto Gymkhana**

TO BE HELD ON

**Sunday, October 9, 1892**

1. BENDING RACE, 6 posts, 10 metres apart, 20 metres run in. Course to be up and down or 11 posts to pass.
2. TANDEM RACE (Flat), 800 metres.
3. JUMPING COMPETITION, 2 hurdles and in and out; second hurdle to be raised.
4. VICTORIA CROSS RACE: Jump hurdle, pick up dummy, jump two hurdles and ran in.
5. BUCKET AND POTATO RACE, 6 buckets, 30 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.

**NATURAL HISTORY NOTES.**

By A. STUART PENNINGTON

(Zoologist to the Sociedad Rural Argentina).

**MICROBES—BACTERIA.**

I remember on one occasion being in a certain laboratory when a distinguished visitor was introduced, who after looking round with the greatest interest at length spotted a bottle full of lungworms from the sheep; and, wishing to shew that he was not behind the age, said "what a fine lot of bacteria you have there, I suppose they are the bacillus of consumption." On explaining with becoming but difficultly retained gravity that they were not bacteria but lungworms, the worthy gentleman still further "put his foot into it" by trying to account for the presence of these worms in the lungs. He thought that the phlegm in the lungs got consolidated and by degrees got rounded into the form of worms which then came to life. We did not attempt to argue this question, but accepted the theory as if it had been an important contribution to our knowledge and there is no doubt that the gentleman went away delighted with having been able "to give those young fellows an idea or two." I quote this incident to shew that although the words microbe, bacteria, bacillus, flagellum and similar expressions are of common use it is not by any means certain that the majority of people are any better informed than the gentleman referred to who in his own line was probably one of the cleverest men that Europe has sent out to this country.

It would be perfectly absurd for me to attempt to give an exhaustive account of the various kinds of microbes which are known to scientific observers at the present day but it will be possible to give such information as will satisfactorily answer the question "what is a microbe?"

Before dealing with the Microbes or Bacteria proper let us look for a moment at what takes place when yeast is added to beer in process of manufacture. A process known as fermentation is set up and this is caused by the development of the yeast which is really a microscopic plant (*Torula cerevisiae*) which exists in the form of spherical or oval cells varying in size from 0.008 to 0.010 millimetres in diameter. These cells increase by a process of budding and form chains in the interior of which are produced spores which are given off and in their turn become adult cells and chains. The chemical change produced in the beer by the growth and development of the yeast colonies is what is known as fermentation. Similar fermentations are set up by other species of yeast in wine, soup and other preparations.

Now the yeast plant is not one of the Bacteria but it sufficiently illustrates what takes place in any medium, whether the human blood or anything else, on the introduction of bacteroids or as they are called sometimes germs.

Bacteria are minute vegetable organisms, so minute as to require not only very high powers of the microscope, but also special preparations of great intricacy to enable their presence to be ascertained.

They are transparent generally colourless bodies without any chlorophyll and surrounded by a body wall impervious to the action of either alkali or acid.

Bacteria are called according to their shape Bacteria proper, Micrococci, Spirilla, Bacilli Vibriones, etc. Some have one or more whips or flagella by which their movements are directed.

Some forms require the free and abundant access of oxygen, others on the contrary live without oxygen; but all alike require carbon and nitrogen in their food and many species only develop at a certain temperature. It must not be supposed that all bacteria are producers of disease. Quite the contrary: there are very many species which are not only not pathogenous but are absolutely beneficial in their action, and a great number of species are ordinary occupants of the human mouth and alimentary canal without producing any known effect whatever upon the system.

Bacteria themselves are generally destroyed by temperature equal to that of boiling water or by prolonged desiccation (drying) but this is not the case with their spores which require sometimes prolonged exposure to a temperature of 212° in order to destroy them.

The term micrococci is applied to bacteria of a round shape without cilia or whips and which only develop by fission, that is the splitting up of a single cell into two separate ones. They are very small attaining a diameter of 0.008 to 0.002 millimetres. Sometimes the cells appear to form

chains owing to their continuing united by their membrane after fission. Micrococci are found with other septic bacteria whenever putrefaction takes place. Some species cause distinct chemical action. The phosphorescence on meat and decayed fish is due to their presence. Certain other species give rise to brilliantly coloured colonies and the red growths observed on boiled rice, potatoes, etc. are due to micrococci. There are blue, violet, orange, green, brown and other coloured colonies, the most curious incident in connection with these chromogenous micrococci being their being responsible for the appearance of that phenomenon known as the Bleeding Host in which the sacramental wafer has been seen stained red as if by blood giving rise necessarily to great superstitions. The Microscope would have shown not blood corpuscles but bacteria. Red snow is also caused by the same means.

To pathogenous or disease producing micrococci are due the purulent inflammation often taking place in a wound, and in diarrhoea typhoid fever, etc. these germs crowd the intestine.

Cowpox (vaccination) and small-pox owe their action to one of this class of bacteria, and very similar forms are found in many non-infectious diseases of the skin. In erysipelas, diphtheria, pneumonia, gonorrhoea and other diseases the presence of these germs is the real cause of both the spread of the disease in the individual and its contagious character with respect to other persons.

True Bacteria are oval in form or spindle shaped that is short with rounded extremities. They have one whip or flagellum with which to move about. Their mode of reproduction resembles that of the Micrococci. One species of Bacterium (*B. termo*) is universally present in putrifying substances and another species (*B. lactis*) has a good deal to do with milk turning sour. The diseases produced by the Bacteria are septicemia or blood poisoning, and cholera in fowls.

Bacilli are cylindrical or rodlike bodies long in proportion to their breadth and reproduced by fission sometimes forming chains of considerable length and often in a zigzag form. There are indeed three forms in which Bacilli are found, in single separate cells, in short zigzag or curved chains and in long filaments. The latter form is called leptothrix.

The principal diseases due to Bacilli are anthrax or carbuncle already described by me in *Sport and Pastime*, typhoid fever, malaria, the glanders in horses, leprosy, tuberculosis (phthisis or consumption) and cholera. These Bacilli give rise to spores which are the means by which the infection is spread from one person to another, the spores being like so much seed sown which if it fall into good ground, that is if it be received into the system by a person whose state of health is favourable to the development of the disease, will bring forth an extensive and ever increasing crop of Bacilli with the attendant fever and other symptoms.

(To be continued.)

## ATHLETIC TRAINING

"There is a wisdom above the rules of physic—a man's own observation: what he finds good of, and what he finds hurt of, is the best physic to preserve health."—Bacon

In one of the last numbers of "Sport and Pastime," I read that the Amateur Athletic Association had done some good in the way of athletic sports, inasmuch as several new men had appeared at the Cricket Club Sports, and had given good accounts of themselves, although, as they state, they were not trained.

No man knows what he can do until he tries. Some of our best men at home never figured on a path until they were over 25 years of age: and then they had only found out accidentally that they were capable of running or jumping.

When asking men here to enter for some athletic sports or running, I have frequently been told that it is "too much fag to train!" and that by men capable of making a fair show at any meeting in the River Plate. As a rule, these sort of fellows have lost an Englishman's love of sport, and they prefer to loaf around town instead of indulging in good, healthy exercise which, especially in South America, is essential for the preservation of one's health.

Everyday life is so different out here to what it is at home, and the man employed here in business all day does not get the amount of exercise that he would if he were at home. There is too much tram riding, etc.

There is no trouble in training, it is not what it used to be years ago, when raw steaks were

the order of the day; although, of course, if a man desires to get into the "pink of condition," he has to restrict himself to a certain extent in what he eats, and he must also take certain exercise.

The object of the present articles is to point out what is sufficient training for a man to do out here, and what is the best course to pursue so as to "get fit."

Athletes should never lose sight of the following, which is that handicappers never take into consideration if a man is in training or not. They know what he can do, and he gets handicapped accordingly: so it is no use for a man who has won a race rather easily when he has been trained, to think that he can do so again with less training, as he is nearly sure to get left.

To whatever sport and pastime an athlete devotes himself, good condition, both as regards strength and wind, is of the first necessity, and the manner of arriving at this condition is uniform. There are many who, even in their youth, find themselves generating fatness, and feel great fatigue and loss of breath even after slight exercise. This is very often caused by lazy habits, fostered amongst the youths of the present day, who, when they leave school, think that their newly acquired dignity requires the abandonment altogether of the games they have been accustomed to. This is the most detrimental thing that could happen to them.

The old proverb of "mens sana in corpore sano" though trite, is by no means untrue, and it becomes a duty he owes no less to himself than others, for every man whose business requires the exercise of intellect and the constant attention of the brain, to devote some time, daily, if possible, to a system of physical exercise and training. This is a point often lost sight of by the heads of large firms, and other employers of men possessing more or less intellectual capability.

It is a matter of perplexity among novices in athletics, and even among those who have had some practical experience, how best to utilize the time set apart for exercise. I trust that the directions that will be given in due course, will make the subject clear. I have often seen novices out here, and also at home; who have made what is called a "general entry" practising for hours at a time at every distance contained in the programme with the very natural result that they don't improve their condition in the least.

One great reason for the support of athletics is the immense encouragement it gives to cleanliness. A secret of health lies in this virtue, and those who take a great amount of exercise, purge the body of a large quantity of noxious secretions. Perspiration is the agent at work in this case, it brings out all kinds of impurities from the body.

As it has become a general practice for the schools out here to have their annual athletic sports and also as "boys races" are included in nearly every programme in club meetings, it will not be out of place if I give a few hints, about what boys should be allowed to do in the way of training, as it is very often the custom for them to go into what is called strict training, and it is against this that I desire to enter a strong protest. Nothing is more liable to create a permanent injury to the health of a young lad than for him to exercise and diet himself after the manner of a grown-up man. So school masters and parents place take note of this.

Good solid meals at regular hours, is of greater benefit to youths than any system of diet that can be laid down. There is one thing however that boys must forewear and that is the consumption of pastry and tarts.

Be careful to avoid over exertion. Most boys think, as also do several men, that it is the proper thing to go over the whole distance twice a day no matter what it may be; this is a fallacy and if a boy follows out the instructions I shall lay down later, he is more than likely to be rewarded, by showing a remarked superiority to those who have been less careful.

The first thing to tackle is "diet." This subject has probably caused more differences of opinion than any other appertaining to training and the misery attached to it has very often prevented a man from attempting to prepare himself for contests requiring great exertion. I trust however, that the following remarks will dispel any such ideas and will induce them not to forego the great pleasure that may be experienced in improving the condition of the body. Most of the old rules are now either greatly modified, or altogether abolished. The strict, and in some cases, painfully abstemious system of diet, that

were once in vogue, have quite disappeared; and it is possible for a man to keep himself in most perfect training without attracting attention in every house he enters by constant refusals to eat one thing or drink another.

The question of diet opens out a large field for discussion, and it is not my intention to draw distinctions regarding the good or the evil effects of the different articles of food. It is a necessity for each person to exercise his own judgment with regard to the beneficial result, or otherwise, of articles of consumption. No rule can be implicitly relied on, and although I purpose here to draw up certain regulations, yet should the experience of some people negative my advice, I must draw their attention to the stipulations I have made.

Never, at any meal, eat to such an extent that you feel as if you could not stir an inch after leaving the table, but must needs sit down to digest the food. It is always advisable to leave the table feeling as if you could eat a little more.

All hurried consumption should be particularly avoided.

Let us now see what is good for breakfast. Cold beef or mutton, new eggs, bacon, or ham can safely be relied on as possessing nourishing qualities. Dry toast or bread is good, but on no account must new bread be partaken of. There is no harm in a little butter. Marmalade is the only preserve that should be eaten. Tea or coffee in moderation, not too strong nor too sweet, the former is the better of the two; for my part I prefer the former, as it is more digestible; about half a pint is a fair allowance. On no account should beer be indulged in at this meal, nor yet pure milk.

Let us now proceed to lunch. This should be taken at a fixed hour every day, and should consist of a chop, steak, or a lean cut off a joint, very few vegetables, and about half a pint of beer. Stout not allowed.

If you intend practising in the afternoon give your lunch time to digest. But of this anon.

(To be continued.)

## SEATS AND SADDLES

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.

Dear Sir,—  
With reference to the letters under this heading in your paper lately, I would like to say a few words.

In referring to seats, I think all such as are assumed by the people of any land who almost live in the saddle, are good, each best adapted to the circumstances and conditions where it prevails. The most common seat is obviously and naturally derived from the racecourse. It is inappropriate on the road and inelegant.

There is a mongrel seat not infrequently seen with low stirrups and straightened legs. This, too, is bad form. Another sits with his legs spread out like a saw-horse astraddle of a log. He should have his photograph taken full front or rear view. A very considerable number of riders always keep the left hand and shoulder well in advance of the other: while not a few have an awkward lateral crook of the body.

I might say much more concerning minor but not unimportant details, but my object is to show that horsemanship is an art which does not appear to be cultivated so much as it should be.

While admitting that any seat, so long as it deserves the name and is not a nondescript position, has something in its favour, it by no means follows that a gentleman riding should thrust his feet through the stirrups to the instep, and point his toes downwards like ploughshares, or "turn his toes out to grip with the back of the calf." With either I say it is impossible to have a strong or graceful seat.

With the toe or ball of the foot on the stirrup, and the heel a trifle lower, there is more grace and elasticity in movement due to the action of the foot muscles, while grip more or less evenly divided between thigh, knee, and calf, without turning the toes out considerably, will help to give a close, safe, as well as a graceful seat.

I differ with "Tom Jones" in thinking that trotting will in any way help to make a person sit his horse well for the canter, the easiest and pleasantest gait when once acquired by the rider, is by no means the most readily learned. I think the fault is more in commencing late in life, for nowhere in the world will you find more graceful or better all round riders than amongst Englishmen born here, or in Australia, and accustomed from infancy to horses. In the latter place, as here, horses generally trot in harness only.

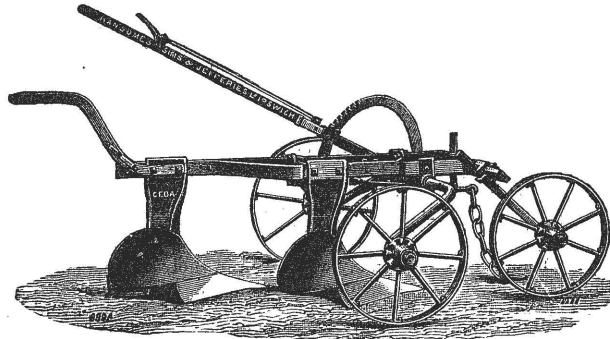
In riding, as in other things, a certain amount of intelligent instruction is of great value, which, with practice, will make it a recreation. The full enjoyment of riding comes only when it is devoid of conscious or apparent effort.—Yours truly,  
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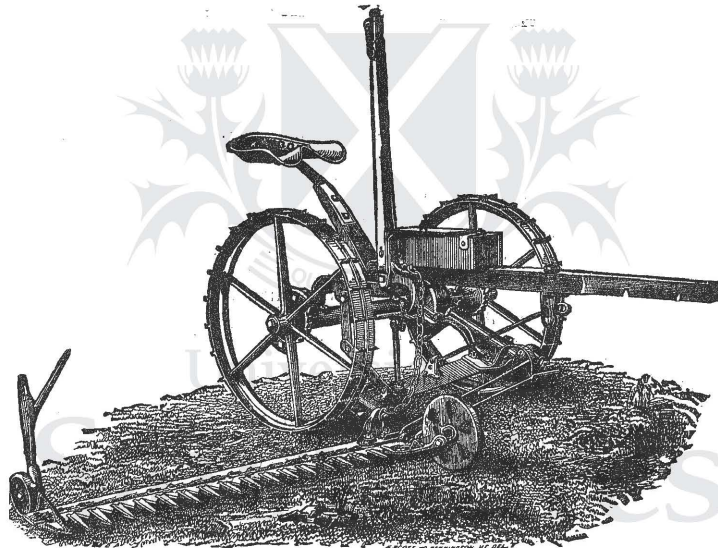
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