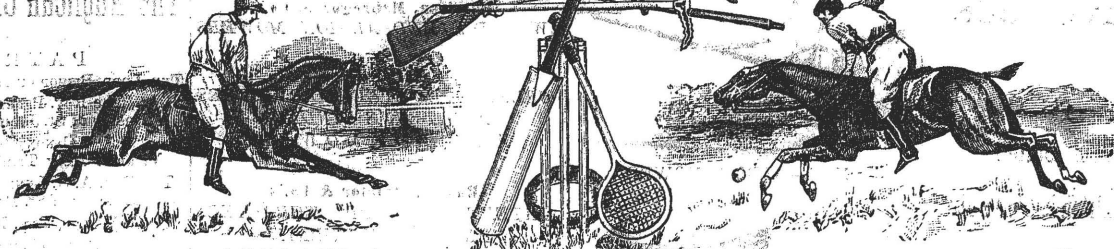


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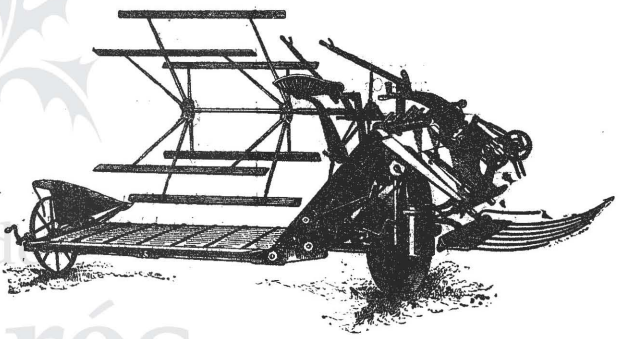
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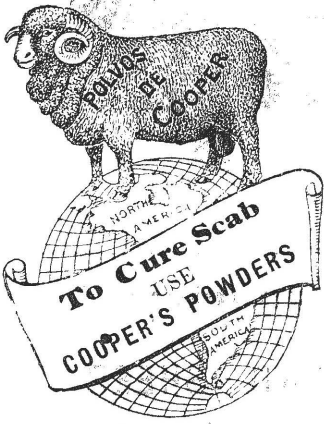
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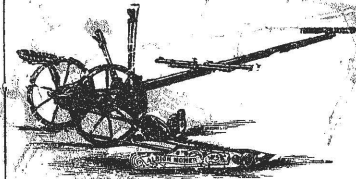
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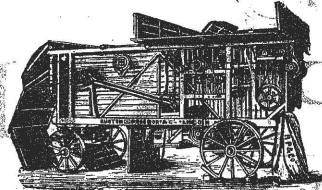
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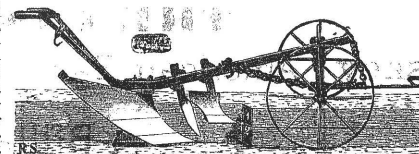
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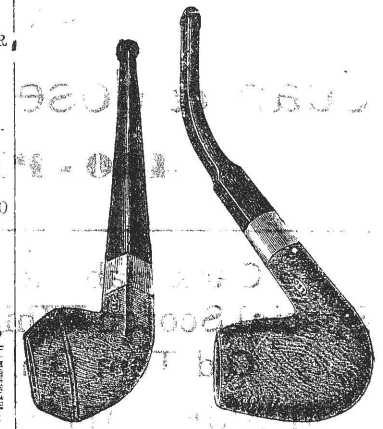
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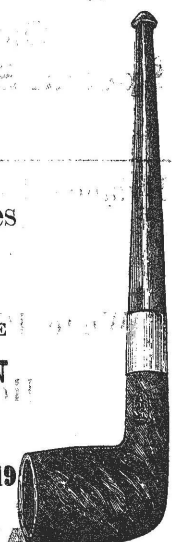
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RACING

NEWMARKET HOUGHTON MEETING—Oct. 25.

Limekiln Stakes of 50 sovs each, with 100 added; Rowley mile (1 mile 17 yards).
 Duke of Westminster's b c Orme, by Ormonde
 —Angelica, 3 yrs, 9st 7lb.....G. Barrett 1
 Col. North's El Diablo, 3 yrs, 8st 12lb.....M. Cannon 2
 Lord Bradford's Sir Hugo, 3 yrs, 9st 7lb.....J. Watts 3
 Mr J. H. Houldsworth's Orvieto, 4 yrs, 9st 10lb.....G. Chaloner 0
 Lord Bradford's Flank March, 3 yrs, 8st 7lb. Allsopp 0
 Lord Bradford declared to win with Sir Hugo.
 Betting—5 to 4 on Orme, 2 to each agst Orvieto and Sir Hugo, 10 to 1 agst El Diablo, and 50 to 1 agst Flank March.
 Won in a canter by three lengths, a length and a half between second and third.

Criterion Stakes of 666 sovs, for two-year-olds; second received 100; Criterion Course; 6 furlongs.
 Mr Tennings, jun's c h Montezuma, by George Frederick—Monte Rosa, 8st 8lb...Bradford 1
 Duke of Portland's The Prize, 9st 2lb.....J. Watts 2
 Prince Soltykoff's Haddon, 8st 8lb.....M. Cannon 3
 Baron de Rothschild's Go-a-Head, 8st 6lb...G. Barrett 6
 Betting—6 to 5 agst The Prize, 11 to 8 agst Haddon, 100 to 8 agst Montezuma and Go-a-Head.
 Won by a head, two lengths separated second and third.

Oct. 26th.

The Cambridgeshire Stakes of 1065 sovs, second received 100, and third saved stake; New Cambridgeshire Course (last mile and a distance across the Flat, 1 mile 240 yards).
 Baron de Hirsch's b f La Flèche, by St Simon
 —Quiver, 3 yrs, 8st 10lb.....G. Barrett 1
 Gen. O. Williams's Pensioner, 3 yrs, 6st 4lb...Knowles 2
 Sir J. Miller's Jodel, 5 yrs, 6st 4lb.....Bradford 3
 Mr W. Cooper's Orontes, 3 yrs, 6st car 6st 1lb, Gough 0
 Lord Rosslyn's Buccaneer, 4 yrs, 9st 7lb.....J. Watts 0
 Mr J. W. Smith's Miss Dollar, 6 yrs, 8st 11lb (inc 10lb ex.).....R. Chaloner 0
 Mr A. Kilsyth's Euclid, 3 yrs, 6st 2lb.....G. Brown 0
 Col. North's Simonian, 4 yrs, 8st 2lb (car 8st 5lb).....M. Cannon 0
 Mr H. Bass's Rusticus, 6 yrs, 8st (inc. 10lb ex.).....Griffiths 0
 Mr Brodrick-Cloete's Cereza, 4 yrs, 7st 13lb...Simpson 0
 Mr J. Charlton's, Tanzmeister, 3 yrs, 7st 12lb.....C. Loates 0
 Lord Hasting's Breach, 4 yrs, 7st 12lb.....Finlay 0
 Col. North's Lady Hermit, 3 yrs, 7st 7lb.....A. Watts 0
 Sir J. B. Maple's Pilot, 3 yrs, 7st 6lb.....J. Woodburn 0
 Sir R. Jardine's Enniskillen, 4 yrs, 7st 6lb...Lofthouse 0
 Mr J. M. Hanbury's Cabin Boy, 3 yrs, 7st 6lb.....Peake 0
 Mr W. Low's Trapezoid, 4 yrs, 7st 5lb.....W. Platt 0
 Mr T. Jennings's Acrobat, 3 yrs, 7st 5lb (inc. 5lb ex.).....T. Mullen 0
 Lord Zetland's Patrick Blue, 4 yrs, 7st 4lb...Fawdon 0
 Mr A. M. Singer's Arise, 3 yrs, 7st 2lb.....F. Pratt 0
 Capt. Machell's Petard, 4 yrs, 7st 2lb (inc. 10lb ex.).....Doyle 0
 Mr H. M. Dyas's Mina, 5 yrs, 6st 11lb.....S. Chandley 0
 Mr G. Lambert's Tophorn, 4 yrs, 6st 13lb...G. Manser 0
 Mr C. Blane's Kairouan, 3 yrs, 6st 12lb (car. 6st 13lb).....Childs, sen. 0
 Mr P. Buchanan's Cardrona, 3 yrs, 6st 11lb.....O. Malden 0
 Duke of Beaufort's Coromandel, 5 yrs, 6st 10 lb.....Allsopp 0
 Sir J. B. Maple's Macready, 3 yrs, 6st 6lb...P. Chaloner 0
 Lord Kesteven's Ionia, 3 yrs, 6st 5lb (car. 6st 8lb).....J. Wall 0
 Mr A. Kilsyth's Sprightly, 3 yrs, 6st 2lb...W. Chaloner 0
 Colonel North's Brandy, 3 yrs, 6st.....Swash 0

Betting—1 to 2 agst La Flèche, 8 to 1 agst Coromandel, 100 to 12 agst Pensioner, 100 to 17 agst Macready, 100 to 6 agst Jodel, 20 to 1 each agst Pilot, Trapezoid, and Kairouan, 25 to 1 each agst Breach and Lady Hermit, 33 to 1 agst Brandy, 40 to 1 agst Buccaneer, Miss Dollar, Enniskillen, Petard and Cardrona, 50 to 1 agst Orontes, 80 to 1 each agst Rusticus and Acrobat, 100 to 1 each agst Euclid-Simonian, Cabin Boy, Patrick Blue, Arise, Mina, Ionia, and Sprightly, and 200 to 1 each agst Cereza, Tanzmeister, and Tophorn.

Won by a length and a half, three parts of a length between second and third.

Subscription Stakes of 500 sovs; Breiby Stakes Course (6 furlongs).

Duke of Westminster's b c Orme, by Ormonde—Angelica, 3 yrs, 8st 12lb....G. Barrett 1
 Mr Abingdon's Porridge, 4 yrs, 9st 8lb....J. Watts 2
 Mr C. D. Ross's Bel Demonio, 5 yrs, 9st 3lb.....M. Cannon 3
 Mr J. Charlton's Lady Lena, 3 yrs, 8st 9lb...C. Loates 0
 Gen. O. Williams's Perigord, 2 yrs, 7st 5lb.....J. Woodburn 0

Betting—4 to 1 on Orme, 10 to 1 agst Perigord, 100 to 8 agst Porridge, and 20 to 1 each agst Lena and Bel Demonio.

Won by a length, a length and a half between second and third.

Oct. 27.

Free Handicap of 900 sovs, for three year-olds; across the Flat (1 mile 2 furlongs).

Col. North's b c El Diablo, by Robert the Devil—Tantrum, 8st 3lb (inc 5lb extra)...R. Chaloner 1
 Duke of Westminster's Orme 9st 5lb (inc 5lb extra).....G. Barrett 2
 Mr W. Cooper's The Lover, 7st 11lb (inc 5lb extra).....Bradford 3
 Lord Ellesmere's Lower Boy, 7st 7lb.....T. Mullen 0
 Mr J. Joicey's Therapia, 7st 6lb.....J. Woodburn 0
 Mr J. H. Houldsworth's Bushey Park, 7st 3lb (inc 5lb extra).....F. Pratt 0

Betting: 6 to 4 on Orme, 5 to 1 agst Bushey Park, 100 to 12 each agst El Diablo, The Lover and Therapia, and 100 to 8 agst Lower Boy; won by a length and a half, three quarters of a length between second and third.

Dewhurst Plate, of 1292 sovs, for two-year-olds; 7 furlongs.

Mr Abington's b c Meddler, by St. Gatien—Busybody, 9st 2lb.....M. Cannon 1
 Duke of Portland's Raeburn, 8st 13lb.....J. Watts 2
 Lord Calthorpe's Buckingham, 8st 13lb...G. Chaloner 3
 Mr D. Baird's Harbinger, 8st 13lb.....G. Barrett 0

Betting: 7 to 4 on Meddler, 4 to 1 agst Buckingham, 5 to 1 agst Raeburn. Won by half a length, a head only separated second and third.

October 28th.

Old Cambridgeshire Handicap of 500 sovs, added to a sweepstake of 25 each; Old Cambridgeshire Course.

Gen. Owen William's b c Pensioner, by Royal Hampton—Legacy, 3 yrs 6st 4lb.....Bradford 1
 Baron de Hirsch's Windgall, 3 yrs, 8st.....G. Barrett 2
 Lord Penrhyn's Thessalian, 3 yrs, 7st 10lb...Cawte 3
 Lord Rosslyn's Buccaneer, 4 yrs, 9st 7lb...M. Cannon 0
 Duke of Beaufort's Coromandel, 5 yrs, 6st 10lb.....Gough 0
 Lord Gerard's Palisandre, 3 yrs, 6st 3lb...Fawdon 0
 Mr W. Cooper's Orontes, 3 yrs, 6st.....J. Chaloner 0
 Mr A. Kilsyth's Helen Ware, 3 yrs, 6st.....H. Toon 0

Betting: 5 to 4 agst Pensioner, 11 to 2 agst Thessalian, 100 to 12 agst Orontes, 10 to 1 each agst Windgall and Coromandel, and 25 to 1 each agst Helen Ware and Palisandre. Won by a head, three lengths divided second and third.

FOOTBALL.

One of the principal fixtures for the week ending October 29th was that between Surrey and Middlesex. A splendid team had been got together by the latter county, but the same cannot be said of Surrey, who were unable to put their full strength in the field. The game, in consequence, was not so exciting as it would otherwise have been, an easy victory being obtained by Surrey, the match being of a decidedly one-sided character, and eventually resulting in their winning by three goals and five tries (twenty-five points) to two goals (nine points). Middlesex, it is said, intends to make an unusual effort this season.

A very stubborn game was fought out between Lancashire and Glamorganshire at Manchester on October 24th, Lancashire winning by a try to nothing, though they were said to be playing a great deal below their usual form.

At Cambridge the University met the Middlesex Wanderers, who numbered five old Cambridge Blues in their team. In the end Cambridge were left winners by two placed goals, one penalty goal and a try (fifteen points) to nothing, though before the game the Wanderers were favourites. Two days after this match, on the 26th, the University played St. Thomas' Hospital. Cambridge lost one of their men soon after the start, and were beaten by one penalty goal and two tries (seven points) to one try (two points).

Under Association rules the University went down before the Old Carthusians on October 26th, getting beaten by seven goals to four.

The Oval has always been the venue for the old established Association fixture between London and Sheffield, but this year it was played off at Leyton. Both sides were strong, Sheffield in spite of having to play a substitute feeling fairly confident of success, and though they did not win, were quite as good as their opponents, who, however, were better in front of goal, and thereby won the match by three goals to none.

In Scotland, the great intercity contest between Edinburgh and Glasgow under Association Rules, was decided at Edinburgh on October 22nd. This was the eleventh match played by the two cities, and of these Edinburgh have won four, Glasgow three, and four have been drawn. On this occasion the game was a splendid exposition of football. The Glasgow forwards appear to have played the better football, but this was equalised by wonderfully smart play on the part of the Edinburgh half backs, of whom McQueen is said to have been especially good. The game was exceedingly exciting, first one side then the other scoring till the score stood two all, but in spite of every effort neither team could notch another point, and the game was left a draw.

Ren ton, who have given up several of their best players to England this season, were beaten by the 3rd Lanark R.V. at Glasgow by six goals to two. Other results in the Association League series are: Celtic beat St Mirren by three goals to one; Dumbarton got the better of Abercorn by five goals to one; and Rangers beat Clyde by four goals to two.

Under Rugby rules Watsonians wiped out their solitary defeat at the hands of the Academicals last year by ten points (two goals) to two (a try), but the result was hardly a true reflex of the game for the losers had quite as much of the game as the winners.

The Glasgow Academicals draw with the West of Scotland, neither side succeeding in scoring, and the Edinburgh University commenced their season successfully on the 22nd by defeating St George by twelve points (two goals, one a penalty) and two tries to nothing; The Royal High School (F.P.'s) beat Stewart's College (F.P.'s) by six points to nothing; Hawick and Gala drew without scoring; and Edinburgh Collegiate (F.P.'s) beat Kelvinside Academicals by five points to two points.

The football season commenced in Dublin on October 22nd, when the Leinster Cupholders, the Bective Rangers, were visited by the Wanderers. After a good game, of which the Rangers had rather the best, they were left winners by a goal to nothing.

At Belfast on the same date, the North of Ireland beat Windsor by two goals (one penalty) and a try to a penalty goal.

ATHLETICS

S. Thomas, at a meeting promoted by the Essex Beagles on October 22 endeavoured to beat the record of 1h. 2min. 2.1sec. for twelve miles, as well as the hour record of 11 miles 970 yards, both of which stand to the credit of L. Bennett ("Deerfoot") who established them thirty years ago. In both cases the result was failure, but Thomas improved upon the amateur time at six miles and twelve, held respectively by W. G. George and W. H. Morton. Thomas's times for each mile was as follows: First mile, 4min. 40sec. second mile 9min. 41.7/100sec; third mile, 14min. 49sec; fourth mile, 19min 57.3/100sec; fifth mile, 25min 7sec; sixth mile, 30min 17.4/100sec; seventh miles, 36min 4sec; eighth mile, 41min 02.5/100sec; ninth mile, 46min 24 1-5sec; tenth mile, 51min 51sec; eleventh mile, 57min 23 1-5sec; twelfth mile, 62min 43sec. In the hour Thomas ran eleven miles 840 yards, or ninety-two yards less than the distance covered by W. G. George. The timekeepers were Messrs W. M. Barnard, C. V. Hunter, and T. Horner.

A unparalleled series of performances were accomplished at the annual ladies meeting of the New York A. C. Mr F. Sweeney, Xavier A.C., cleared 6ft 4 1/2 in in the high jump thus beating the record by 1-4in and the ease with which he accomplished the feat warranted the hope that he will do even better. Sweeney is twenty years of age and stands only 5ft 8in, and weighs 10st 5lb. We learn from the "Spirit of the Times," that he has cleared 6ft 0 1/2 in, 6ft 1in, 6ft 1 3-8 in, 6st 4 1-4 in on five consecutive Saturdays. These performances embrace the winning jumps for the Canadian and American championships. In the 16lb hammer-throwing competition, J. S. Mitchell, N. Y. A. C., once more improved upon his previous best by throwing the missile from a 7ft ring a distance of 145ft 0 3/4 in; and the same athlete also threw the 56lb weight 35ft 6 1/2 in, both of these performances being records. Further, A. P. Schwane, N. Y. A. C., raised the standing long jump record by a fraction to 10ft 9 7-8 in; whilst the running long jump record had a narrow escape, E. W. Goff, M. A. C., clearing 23ft 6in, which is 1/2 in only behind Reber's achievement, and 1in in front of the English amateur record.

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The following are the drawings for the preliminary and first rounds of the Lomas Academy Athletic Club's Tournament. These rounds have to be played off by the 12th of December.

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES

Preliminary Round—

- J. F. Kahl, bye.
- C. Reynolds (scratch) v. R. W. Romer (owes 1/2 15).
- G. Anderson (owes 1/2 15) v. T. M. Lees (scratch).
- L. Corry Smith (owes 1/2 15) v. R. W. Anderson (owes 1/2 15).
- W. Basset Smith (scratch) v. B. W. Kennard (owes 15).
- A. Anderson (owes 1/2 15) v. R. S. Osborne (scratch).
- H. Mohr Bell (scratch) v. P. Bridger (scratch).
- E. H. Jacobs (owes 1/2 15) v. H. E. Gwyther (owes 1/2 15).
- B. W. Gardom (owes 1/2 15) v. G. C. Kennard (+ 1/2 15).
- H. A. Livock (scratch) v. J. Tait (+ 1/2 15).
- A. Leslie (+ 1/2 15) v. E. P. Rowland (+ 1/2 15).
- W. G. Cowes (+ 1/2 15) v. W. Cairns (+ 1/2 15).
- C. Curtois (+ 1/2 15) v. H. W. S. Bird (+ 1/2 15).
- T. Dodds (+ 1/2 15) v. A. Dobson (+ 1/2 15).
- D. Gibson (+ 15) v. F. L. Jacobs (owes 30).
- A. Mohr Bell, (owes 15) bye.

GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES

Preliminary Round—

- G. Anderson and A. Dobson (scratch) v. E. P. Rowland and R. Colvill Jones (+ 15).
- G. Leslie and J. B. Hall (+ 1/2 15) v. P. Bridger and A. Leslie (+ 1/2 15).
- First Round—**
- A. Mohr Bell and A. Goodfellow (scratch) v. F. L. Jacobs and F. H. Jacobs (owe 15 1/2).
- H. W. S. Bird and H. A. Livock (+ 1/2 15) v. A. Anderson and R. W. Anderson (owe 1/2 15).
- B. W. Kennard and L. Corry Smith (owe 3/4 15) v. T. M. Lees and H. Mohr Bell (scratch).
- R. Osborne and H. E. Gwyther (scratch) v. the winners of 1st Preliminary Tie.
- The winners of 2nd Preliminary Tie v. G. C. Kennard and J. Tait (+ 1/2 15).
- G. Reynolds and W. C. Cowes (+ 1/2 15) v. C. Curtois and W. Leslie (+ 1/2 15).
- F. F. Kahl and W. Basset Smith (+ 1/2 15) v. A. Sheard and T. Dodds (+ 15).
- B. W. Gardom and R. W. Romer (owe 3/4 15) v. S. Gibson and D. Gibson (+ 15).

MIXED DOUBLES.

Preliminary Ties—

- J. Donne and Miss Prebble (+ 1/4 15) v. B. W. Gardom and Miss Gardom (scr).
- F. H. Jacobs and Miss M. Jacobs (scr) v. L. Corry Smith and Miss A. Jacobs (owe 1/2 15).
- First round—**
- A. Dobson and Miss Dobson (+ 15) v. R. W. Romer and Mrs Romer (+ 15).
- A. Anderson and Miss Mohr Bell (+ 15) v. the winners 1st of Preliminary Tie.
- The winners of 2nd Preliminary Tie v. R. W. Anderson and Miss Jacobs (owe 1/2 15).
- B. W. Kennard and Miss Barfield (owe 1/2 15) v. F. L. Jacobs and Miss V. Jacobs (owe 15).

LADIES' SINGLES.

- First round—**
- Miss Barfield (scr) v. Miss Prebble (scr).
- Miss Jacobs (owes 1/2 15) v. Miss A. Jacobs (scr).
- Miss Gardom (+ 1/2 15) v. Miss Dobson (+ 1/2 15).
- Mrs Romer (+ 15) v. Miss M. Bell (+ 15).

LADIES DOUBLES.

- First round—**
- Mrs Romer and Miss Mohr Bell (+ 30) v. Miss Barfield and Miss A. Jacobs (scr).
- Miss Jacobs and Miss Dobson (scr) v. Miss Prebble and Miss Gardom (+ 1/2 15).

ROSARIO LAWN TENNIS CLUB'S HANDICAP TOURNAMENT.

The following is a resumé of the Rosario Lawn Tennis Club's Tournament, which has been brought to a most successful conclusion in Rosario. As will be seen, the Ladies' and Gentlemen's Doubles were won by Miss C. Colson and Mr A. H. Clarke; the Gentlemen's Doubles by Messrs Rattray and C. C. Day; the Ladies' Singles by Miss B. Francis; and the Gentlemen's Singles by Mr J. H. Sheehan after a splendid tussle with Mr R. M. Rattray. Mr Sheehan's play all through the tournament was well up to his best form.

LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES.

1st Round

- Miss B. Francis and Mr J. Beaumont (-15) beat Miss Talbot and Mr T. H. Greene (+1/2 30) 6-5, 4-6, 6-3.
- Miss Gay and Mr J. Neil (+1/2 15) beat Miss Knight and Mr E. L. Conder (-1/2 15), 6-5, 6-5.
- Miss Baines and Mr J. C. Daniel (-15) beat Miss W. Knight and Mr McLaren (+1/2 30).
- Miss Talbot and Mr H. Evans (+1/2 30) beat Miss Francis and Mr R. Matthews (scratch) 6-1, 6-4.
- Miss C. Colson and Mr A. H. Clarke (+1/2 15) beat Miss Colson and Mr H. A. Dale (+1/2 15) 6-5, 6-4.
- Miss L. Colson and Mr F. Boardman (+1/2 30), Mrs A. Baines and Mr L. Walker (+15), and Mr and Mrs Marston (scratch), byes.
- 2nd Round**
- Miss Gay and Mr J. Neil beat Miss B. Francis and Mr J. Beaumont, 6-5, 4-6, 6-3.
- Miss Baines and Mr J. C. Daniel beat Miss Talbot and Mr H. Evans, 4-6, 6-2, 6-0.

- Miss C. Colson and Mr A. H. Clarke beat Mr and Mrs Marston, 6-0, 6-1.
- Miss Baines and Mr L. Walker beat Miss L. Colson and T. Boardman, 6-3, 4-6, 6-1.
- 3rd Round**
- Miss Gay and Mr J. Neil beat Miss Baines and Mr J. C. Daniel, 6-2, 6-2.
- Miss C. Colson and Mr A. H. Clarke beat Mrs Baines and Mr L. Walker, 4-6, 6-1, 6-3.
- Final**
- Miss C. Colson and Mr A. H. Clarke beat Miss Gay and Mr J. Neil 6-3, 6-4.

GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES

- 1st Round**
- Messrs Sheehan and Lucas (-30) beat Messrs Keyworth and R. C. Baines (scratch).
- Messrs Daniel and Begg (-1/2 15) beat Messrs Evans and MacLaren (+1/2 30) 6-1, 6-1.
- Messrs Dale and Clarke (-15) beat Messrs Boardman and Eggington (+15) 6-3, 6-5.
- Messrs Rattray and Day (-1/2 15), Towse and Davis (scratch), Conder and Beaumont (-15), Matthews and Spicer (-1/2 15), Neil and Walker (scratch), byes.
- 2nd Round**
- Daniel and Begg beat Sheehan and Lucas.
- Rattray and Day, w.o.
- Conder and Beaumont beat Towse and Davis, 6-2, 6-4.
- Neil and Walker beat Matthews and Spicer, 6-3, 3-6, 8-6.
- 3rd Round**
- Rattray and Day beat Daniel and Begg, 6-3, 6-1.
- Neil and Walker beat Conder and Beaumont, 6-4, 6-2.
- Final Round**
- H. M. Rattray and C. C. Day beat J. Neil and L. Walker, 1-6, 6-4, 6-3.

LADIES' SINGLES.

- 1st Round**
- Miss Francis (-1/2 15) beat Mrs A. Baines (+ 15) 6-2, 6-1.
- Miss C. Colson (+1/2 15) beat Miss Knight (-1/2 15) 5-6, 6-4, 6-3.
- Miss B. Francis (-30) beat Miss Gay (+ 15) 6-3, 6-0.
- Miss Colson (+15) beat Miss Baines (scratch) 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.
- 2nd Round**
- Miss C. Colson beat Miss Francis, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.
- Miss B. Francis beat Miss Colson, 6-3, 6-0.
- Final Round**
- Miss B. Francis beat Miss C. Colson, 6-3, 6-2.

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES

- 1st Round**
- Mr L. Walker (+1/2 15) beat T. E. Keyworth (-1/2 15) 6-2, 4-6, 6-4.
- Mr J. J. C. Daniel (-30) beat Mr R. Matthews (scratch) 6-0, 6-4.
- Mr R. M. Rattray (-30) beat Mr J. Neil (-15) 6-4, 2-6, 6-2.
- Mr C. Jewell (scratch) beat Mr L. F. C. Gross 6-1, 4-6, 6-2.
- Mr A. H. Clarke (-1/2 15) beat Mr C. C. Day (+1/2 30) 6-4, 4-6, 7-5.
- Mr J. H. Sheehan (-30) beat Mr W. O. Lucas (-1/2 30).
- Mr H. A. Dale (-15) beat Mr E. L. Conder (-15) 6-3, 6-5.
- Mr H. H. Spicer (-1/2 15) beat Mr T. H. Marston (+ 1/2 15) 6-0, 6-0.
- 2nd Round**
- Walker w.o.
- Rattray beat Jewell 6-0, 6-0.
- Sheehan beat Clarke 2-6, 6-2, 6-1.
- Dale beat Spicer 6-2, 6-4, 1.
- 3rd Round**
- Rattray beat Walker 6-4, 6-1.
- Sheehan beat Dale 6-4, 6-3.
- Final Round**
- J. S. Sheehan beat H. M. Rattray 6-3, 3-6, 7-5.

ATHLETICS

The following are the official handicaps for the Montevideo Sports on December 8:

- 100 Yards Flat Race—**
- J. Jefferies P. H. Vignoles
- L. Ponce de Leon A. W. MacLachlan
- W. J. W. Stewart C. C. Cox
- Putting the Shot, 16 lbs., from 7 ft. square—**
- H. C. Alexander owes 8ft 6in E. A. Short owes 4ft 0in
- J. Beramendi " 6 6 R. Long " 4 0
- R. Hunt " 6 0 W. Meikle scratch
- J. Clark " 4 6 L. Ponce de Leon "
- J. Marchbanks " 4 0
- 100 Yards Flat Race, Handicap—**
- 1st Round**
- A. W. MacLachlan scratch H. C. Sagehorn 7 1/2 yds
- H. C. Alexander 5 1/2 yds E. G. Benedict 10 1/2 yds
- J. Hill 5 1/2 yds
- 2nd Round**
- T. W. Jefferies 3 1/2 yds L. Ponce de Leon 6 1/2 yds
- E. Danvers 5 yds W. Meikle 8 1/2 yds
- R. Hunt 5 1/2 yds
- 3rd Round**
- C. C. Cox 3 1/2 yds E. Short 5 1/2 yds
- P. Vignoles 4 yds A. Tring 10 1/2 yds
- W. S. Stewart 5 1/2 yds

- Throwing the Hammer, 9 ft. circle—**
- H. C. Alexander owes 13ft M. Adam " 4ft
- J. Beramendi " 13ft L. Ponce de Leon scratch
- J. Clark " 7ft
- Half Mile Flat Race, Handicap—**
- T. B. Faran scratch R. H. Stapleton 45 yds
- H. Linsdell 10 yds L. Ponce de Leon 50 yds
- J. R. Hill 10 yds J. Negron 60 yds
- H. P. Gamon 30 yds E. O. Crocker 70 yds
- H. P. Wright 35 yds E. G. Benedict 70 yds
- E. Hunt 35 yds F. W. Brooker 70 yds
- J. Harvey 40 yds G. Anderson 75 yds
- J. O. Morse 45 yds H. F. Stewart 75 yds

- Long Jump, Handicap—**
- H. C. Alexander owes 18in R. Hunt owes 6in
- E. T. Hunt " 12in E. T. Gowland scratch
- A. C. Lichtenberg " 9in L. Ponce de Leon "

- High Jump, Handicap—**
- R. E. Hunt owes 6in A. C. Lichtenberg owes 1 1/2 in
- E. Danvers " 5in Alf. Davie " 1 in
- H. C. Alexander " 2in F. T. Gowland scratch
- C. C. Cox " 2in L. Ponce de Leon "

- Pole Jump, Handicap—**
- H. C. Alexander owes 10in Alf. Davie owes 4in
- Art. Davie " 8in L. Ponce de Leon scratch
- R. Hunt " 6in J. Woosley "

- One Mile Flat Race, Handicap—**
- T. B. Faran scratch J. O. Morse 75 yds
- H. Linsdell 90 yds H. P. Wright 90 yds
- F. Barnes 30 yds R. Stapleton 100 yds
- J. E. Hill 30 yds L. Ponce de Leon 120 yds
- H. D. McMaster 40 yds H. F. Stewart 120 yds
- J. Harvey 70 yds

- Throwing the Cricket Ball, Handicap—**
- Alf. Davie L. Ponce de Leon
- R. Hunt J. Harvey
- O. Hyde C. C. Cox
- W. Meikle

- 120 Yards Hurdle Race, Handicap—**
- E. Danvers scratch O. Scoones 9 yds
- E. T. Hunt 5 yds H. C. Alexander 9 yds
- R. Hunt 6 yds L. Ponce de Leon 15 yds
- T. Jefferies 6 yds

- 120 Yards Flat Race (Married Men), Handicap—**
- C. C. Cox scratch H. Miller 5 yds
- E. Danvers 1 1/2 yds R. H. Ford 8 yds
- H. C. Alexander 2 yds E. O. Crocker 10 yds
- A. J. Symons 3 yds F. W. Brooker 10 yds

- Quarter Mile Flat Race, Handicap—**
- A. W. MacLachlan scratch C. C. Cox 18 yds
- J. R. Hill 5 yds W. J. W. Stewart 18 yds
- P. Vignoles 7 yds H. O. Vignoles 22 yds
- T. Jefferies 7 yds H. C. Sagehorn 23 yds
- A. D. Dunbar 10 yds L. Ponce de Leon 25 yds
- E. Danvers 15 yds E. G. Benedict 26 yds
- T. B. Faran 15 yds H. F. Stewart 30 yds
- O. Scoones 17 yds

- Steeplechase 1000 Yards—**
- F. L. Barnes R. E. Hunt
- E. T. Hunt C. C. Cox
- H. D. McMaster L. Ponce de Leon
- Art. Davie

RACING

PALERMO—Nov. 27.

Had the Jockey Club not resolved to hold wind-up meeting on December 8th, which by way will clash with the Hipodromo Nacional's meeting on the same date, the races of last Sunday would have been the last held at Palermo for this season. As regards sport the racing left little to be desired, but the weather made matters otherwise most unpleasant as a strong wind, which blow almost with the force of a huracan, kept the dust flying the whole afternoon, made it necessary to hold on the best fitting hat imaginable, and lastly after a short time caused those, who did not remain in the scat shelter of the stands, appear like snow men covered as they were with dust from head to foot.

A free handicap and the Premio Clausura were the principal items of interest on the programme. The former was supposed to be a certainty almost for Amazon on whom the half of the total number of tickets in the race were invested. The good thing did not come off however, in fact he never showed up in the race at any one time. The invincible Apolo started second favorite and with Satanella out of the way, would have won but as it was had to be content with second honours.

For the Premio Clausura Cantiniere was most fancied, but like Amazon, disappointed her backers leaving the second favourite Sucre to win very easily. We shall probably hear more of Sucre as a four-year old as he is one of the most useful colts of his age.

The afternoon's sport commenced with the Premio Consuelo in which both Acclamacion and Noel, the two bottom weights, came to grief at

the start but luckily no damage was done to either horses or jockeys. Liniers won his maiden race in this event, his pedigree should have been the means of his doing so much earlier in the season, but he is evidently only a moderate horse though a rare stout-looking one.

There was a very close finish for the Premio Recompensa between Mondaine, Manantial and Remigia, a head only separating the three, the first two named running a dead heat.

The grey son of El Amigo won the Premio Esperanza from start to finish. The start for this race took up a lot of time owing to Thain insisting on "playing the fool" at the post where he was left by the starter for his pains.

Another close finish was witnessed in the last race on the card, appropriately named the Premio Terminus. This was one of the best races of the day from the spectators' point of view, Brandy Snap, profiting by the anxiety to get home on the part of the jockeys of Guerrillero, Cautivo, Clairon and Nubifer, stole up and won from the last named by half a length.

Had it not been for the terrible wind and accompanying dust the meeting would have been one of the most enjoyable of the season. The prize fund of the Sport Gonzalez has increased by one or two thousand dollars no one having got at all near the mark on Sunday.

The following are the details of the different events:

PREMIO CONSUELO, a handicap for horses which have not won more than \$3000, \$1500 to the 1st, 200 to the 2nd, 1500 metres.

Stud Forester's ch h Liniers, by Philamon—
Katerielta, 5 yrs 48 k L. Gonzalez 1
Stud Terminacion's High Life, 5 yrs 42 k J. Cardoso 2
Stud Floresta's Acteon, 4 yrs 54 k A. Galimberti 3
Ecurie Capricho's (mo) Charrua, 4 yrs 58 k

J. Verduri 0
La Petite Ecurie's Pharaon, 4 yrs 54 k P. Torres 0
Sr L. Alvarez' Vanguardia, 4 yrs 53 k P. Aguirre 0
Stud Niño Dorado's Monk, 5 yrs 52 k I. Martinez 0
Stud General Paz' Breton, 5 yrs 48 k N. Sosa 0
Sr A. Siboard's Salvacion, 6 yrs 45 k L. Ricca 0
Stud Norte's Light, 4 yrs, 44 k Lasarte 0
Stud San Juan's Nahuel, 5 yrs 42 k A. Saavedra 0
Stud Monte Grande's Aclamacion, 6 yrs 41 k R. Bastiani 0
Stud La Noria's Noel, 4 yrs 41 k C. Brascesco 0

Salvacion led for about seven hundred metres when Liniers went to the front and took up the running round the turn. Coming into the straight High Life attended by Pharaon and Acteon appeared to be leading but Liniers came again at the stands and won a good race by a length from High Lifewho was half a length in front of Acteon.

Tickets—Liniers with 785 win and 1115 place, High Life 172 and 505, Acteon 82 and 266, Charrua 1355 and 1441, Pharaon 1302 and 1678, Vanguardia 299 and 538, Monk 203 and 443, Breton 90 and 303, Salvacion 237 and 506, Light 33 and 91, Nahuel 78 and 181, Aclamacion 58 and 145, Noel 409 and 754; totals 5053 and 7986.

Dividends—Liniers \$12.37 win and 5.16 place, High Life 8.99 place, Acteon 15.28 place.

PREMIO RELAMPAGO, a handicap, \$1800 to the 1st, 200 to the 2nd, 1100 metres.

Sr. J. B. Zubiarrre's b h Guerrillero, by Cylinder—Dancette, 5 yrs, 47 k J. Martinez 1
Stud Puri's Forester, 7 yrs, 44 k G. Ales 2
Capitan Lopez' Zampa, 5 yrs, 50 k J. Cardoso 3
Sr. J. E. Coronado's Riflero, 4 yrs, 64 k P. Aguirre 0
Ecurie Titan's Cabula, 5 yrs, 55 k P. Torres 0
Stud Terminacion's Terminacion, 4 yrs, 55 k I. Cardoso 0
Stud Montegrando's Florido, 3 yrs, 51 k J. Gangona 0
Ecurie Prisionero's Soldado, 5 yrs, 50 k J. Cruz 0
Sr. E. Casal's Junio, 4 yrs, 48 k E. Lopez 0
Stud Whipper-In's Siva, 4 yrs, 45 k L. Ricca 0
Ecurie Bolivar's Patria, 5 yrs, 41 k R. Silva 0

Guerrillero was in front the whole way and won by a length from Forester who was half a length in front of Zampa.

Tickets—Guerrillero with 162 win and 210 place, Forester 478 and 393, Zampa 788 and 1184, Riflero 1251 and 730, Cabula 729 and 1370, Terminacion 988 and 1076, Florido 1093 and 1483, Soldado 478 and 649, Junio 651 and 1065, Siva 312 and 477, Patria 490 and 636. Totals 7413 and 9279.

Dividends—Guerrillero \$97.78 win and 22.81 place, Forester 12.95 place, Zampa 5.69 place.

PREMIO CLAUSURA, a handicap for three-year-olds, \$3500 to the 1st, 500 to the 2nd, 2000 metres.

Ecurie Bolivar's b c Sucre, by Earl Clifden—
Rosa 52 k J. Balla 1
Capitan Lopez' Melpomenes 44 k A. Garcia 2
Stud Phoenix' Phoebus 44 k L. Gonzalez 3
Stud La Prensa's Rivadavia 60 k J. Cardoso 0
La Petite Ecurie's Danton 54 k P. Torres 0
Ecurie Argentina's Veterano 50 k J. Cruz 0
Stud José Maria's Cham 53 k C. Valle 0
Ecurie Avant Garde's Cantiniere 52 k G. Palacios 0
Stud Buenos Aires' Marionette 48 k C. Lopez 0

Sucre led for the first half of the distance when he was joined by Danton who took up the running, after a few moments, to the last turn where Sucre went to the front again and won easily by two lengths, half a length between second and third.

Tickets—Sucre with 1483 win and 1379 place, Melpomenes 151 and 495, Phoebus 543 and 1018, Rivadavia 358 and 1013, Danton 718 and 663, Veterano 342 and 652, Cham 215 and 411, Cantiniere 2797 and 2650, Marionette 603 and 762.

Dividends—Sucre \$98.47 win and 4.53 place, Melpomenes 9.06 place, Phoebus 5.45 place.

HANDICAP LIBRE, for any horse, \$3000 to the 1st, 500 to the 2nd, 2000 metres.

Stud Entre Rios' b m Satanela by Whipper-In—
Sweetheart, 4 yrs 53 k J. Martinez 1
Sr E. Acebal's Apolo, 4 yrs 54 k C. Valle 2
Ecurie Prisionero's Erato, 5 yrs 39 k C. Gomez 3
Stud Las Ortigas' Amazon, 7 yrs 61 k J. Balla 0
Stud Buenos Aires' The MacGowan, 7 yrs 48 k E. Lopez 0
Ecurie Golondrina's Golondrina, 5 yrs 55 k R. Garrido 0
Capitan Lopez' Don Carlos, 5 yrs 51 k T. Cardoso 0
Capitan Lopez' Robert le Diable, 4 yrs 48 k P. Aguilera 0
Stud San Jorge's Blackfriar 6 yrs 51 k G. Palacios 0
Ecurie Indecis' Infernal, 4 yrs 46 k L. Gonzalez 0
Stud Terminacion's Nedgate, 5 yrs 45 k J. Cruz 0
Ecurie Titan's Demos, 4 yrs 43 k T. Lopez 0
Stud Norte's Almirante, 7 yrs 43 k G. Ales 0

Erato followed by Apolo, made the running at a rare pace for several hundred metres when the latter took the lead, and a couple of hundred metres from the post looked all over a winner when Satanela with a well timed effort, came up, and after an exciting finish, won by a length, two lengths between second and third.

Dividends—Satanela with 821 win and 1285 place, Apolo 1023 and 1435, Erato 366 and 511, Amazon 472 and 3370, The MacGowan 255 and 630, Golondrina 622 and 929, Don Carlos and Robert le Diable 406 and 1000, Blackfriar 359 and 601, Infernal 283 and 400, Nedgate 159 and 156, Demos 273 and 569, Almirante 374 and 632. Totals 9663 and 11,516.

Dividends—Satanela \$21.18 win and 5.70 place, Apolo 5.31 place, Erato 5.16 place.

PREMIO RECOMPENSA, a handicap for three-year-olds: \$1800 to the 1st, 200 to the 2nd; 1200 metres:

Ecurie Bolivar's b f Mondaine, by Keir—
Cotte, 51 k J. Balla 1
Sr. J. B. Zubiarrre's b c Manantial, by Louis d'Or—Versicolore, 47 k J. Cardoso 1
Stud San Jorge's Remigia, 55 k G. Palacios 3
Sr. J. E. Coronado's Fortacho, 56 k P. Aguirre 0
Sr. E. Casal's Luisant, 51 k J. Bayardi 0
Ecurie Argentino's Iva, 48 k F. Diaz 0
Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Liána, 48 k S. Martinez 0
Stud Puri's Lucia, 48 k G. Ales 0
Stud La Noria's Sylvia, 47 k N. Gangera 0

Iva was in front for a short distance when Manantial took up the running, keeping in front till arriving at the stands, where Mondaine caught him, an exciting finish between the pair resulting in a dead heat: Remigia only a head behind the dead-heaters.

Tickets—Mondaine with 1592 win and 1424 place, Manantial 1433 and 1452, Remigia 1405 and 1924, Fortacho 605 and 557, Luisant 1075 and 1066, Iva 608 and 726, Liána 346 and 312, Lucia 507 and 491, Sylvia 108 and 222. Totals, 7589 and 8189.

Dividends—Manantial \$4.71 win and 3.19 place, Mondaine 4.59 win and 3.17 place, Remigia 2.88 place.

PREMIO ESPERANZA for Maiden three-year-olds colts 55 kilos fillies 53 kilos, \$1500 to the 1st, 200 to the 2nd; 1000 metres.

Sr. E. Acebal's g r c Nautilus, by El Amigo—
Navi Salvia, 55 k P. Torres 1
Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Andarin, 55 k R. Garrido 2
Stud Floristas' Florista, 53 k A. Galimberti 3
Ecurie Azur's Voluntario, 55 k J. Cardoso 0
Capitan Lopez' Thain, 55 k J. Cardoso 0
Ecurie Rien's Nenia, 53 k J. Cruz 0
Stud La Noria's Jenny, 53 k J. Gangera 0

Through the fractionness of Thain the start was delayed some time, and when at length the flag was dropped he was left at the post. Floresta was first away but was soon overtaken by Nautilus who, once in front, made the whole of the running and won easily by two lengths from Andarin, who was one length in front of Florista.

Tickets—Nautilus with 3337 win and 2712 place, Andarin 672 and 505, Florista 281 and 307, Voluntario 117 and 170, Thain 1052 and 802, Nenia 1035 and 1312, Jenny 77 and 119. Totals 6572 and 5927.

Dividends—Nautilus \$35.54 win and 2.78 place, Andarin 6.19 place.

PREMIO TERMINUS, a handicap, \$2000 to the 1st, 200 to the 2nd; 1600 metres.

Capitan Lopez' b h Brandy Snap, by Sweetbread—Lass O'Gowrie, 4 yrs, 50 k I. Cardoso 1
Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Nubifer, 5 yrs, 60 k R. Garrido 2
Stud Nacional's India Muerta, 4 yrs, 54 k A. Galimberti 3
Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Cautivo, 4 yrs, 46 k J. Martinez 0
La Petite Ecurie's Clairon, 4 yrs, 57 k P. Torres 0
Capitan Lopez' Zampa, 5 yrs, 50 k P. Aguilera 0
Ecurie Argentino's Ambush, 5 yrs, 48 k F. Diaz 0
Stud La Prensa's Colon, 4 yrs, 46 k J. Bayardi 0
Sr. J. B. Zubiarrre's Guerrillero, 5 yrs, 45 k C. Gomez 0
Ecurie Bolivar's Severac, 4 yrs, 40 k R. Silva 0
Stud 2nd Argentino's Pluton, 5 yrs, 42 k J. Paez 0

Cautivo and Guerrillero raced together at a tremendous pace for about eight hundred metres when Clairon took up the running. Nubifer raced to the front at the turn, and looked like winning till Brandy Snap succeeded in

catching him, and getting the best of the finish gained the verdict of a fine race, by half a length, India Muerta only a head behind the second.

Tickets—Brandy Snap and Zampa with 1627 win and 1865 place, Nubifer and Cautivo 5381 and 3380, Clairon 1336 and 1072, Ambush 541 and 550, Colon 335 and 439, Guerrillero 635 and 740, Severac 374 and 496, Pluton 342 and 742. Totals 10340 and 10842.

Dividends—Brandy Snap \$11.45 win and 3.05 place, Nubifer 2.53 place, India Muerta 3.22 place.

The following dividends were paid in town:

	SPORT PORTENO		DERBY CLUB	
	WIN	PLACE	WIN	PLACE
Premio Consuelo—				
Liniers	\$25.40	\$6.60	\$28.50	\$6.15
High-Life		7.45		9.25
Acteon		119.00		33.90

Premio Relampago—			
Guerrillero	117.00	35.80	315.05
Forester		35.80	31.90
Zampa		4.90	4.55

Premio Clausura—			
Sucre	14.10	6.95	13.95
Melpomenes		20.90	15.95
Phoebus		5.70	6.65

Premio Libre—			
Satanela	17.90	6.15	20.25
Apolo		7.70	6.75
Erato		11.85	11.70

Premio Recompensa—			
Manantial	3.70	2.55	4.35
Mondaine	8.15	5.45	6.70
Remigia		3.80	2.50

Premio Esperanza—			
Nautilus	3.15	2.00	2.70
Andarin		6.80	18.75
Florista		4.45	6.25

Premio Terminus—			
Brandy Snap	21.10	7.30	27.15
Nubifer		4.35	4.95
India Muerta		2.30	2.85

The following weights have been allotted for the meeting at Belgrano on the 4th December:

PREMIO DANTON, 1000 metros			
	kilos		kilos
Nautilus	55	Iva	48
Anacoreta	54	Vlagna	48
Marionette	52	Nenia	46
Lucia	48	Thain	45

PREMIO RIVADAVIA, 1400 metros			
Thalia	60	Patria	43
Charrua	57	Egbert	43
San Lorenzo	52	Breton	42
High Life	52	Nahuel	40
Phoenix	52	La Capital	38
Cautivo	49		

PREMIO ARAUCANO, 1900 metros			
Canors	65	Don Carlos	50
Apolo	56	The MacGowan	47
Aierta	55	Fergus	47
Clairon	55	Frobisher	43
India Muerta	53	Wolf	43
Puygaveau	51	Erato	40
Robert le Diable	50	Estoque	38

PREMIO SOLEIL, 1100 metros			
Sollab	49	Zampa	50
Le Torpilleur	56	Lugano	47
Cabula	54	Forester	45
Terminacion	54	Simpleton	44
Holland	52	Iva	43
Brandy Snap	51	Patria	42

PREMIO ITUZAINGO, 1500 metros			
Thalia	59	Zampa	50
Nubifer	58	Nedgate	49
Clairon	54	Ambush	47
India Muerta	52	Lucifer	45
Brandy Snap	51	Danton	45
Valiente	51		

PREMIO MANON LESCAUT, 1300 metros			
Charrua	57	Monk	48
Samuel	55	Almirante	48
Acteon	53	Mondaine	48
North of Warwick	52	Melpomenes	47
Pharaon	52	Hierofant	47
Liniers	51	Colon	46
Wolf	50	Frobisher	46
Cautivo	49	Simpleton	45
Lucifer	48	Jefferson	44

PREMIO NIOBE, 1500 metros			
Golondrina	61	Mondaine	48
Satanela	60	Regina	46
Financiera	57	Creta	45
Vendetta	56	Fraise au Kirsch	45
Calandria	53	Enchantress	45
Santa Lucia	52	Pertoldi	44
Manon Lescaut	51	Salvacion	44
Remigia	49	Musical	38
Smiling Lass	48		

ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

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

The first sales in linned in Rosario last week were reported to be at a price of four dollars gold for a lot of five hundred "toneladas" of the new crop.

Up to the 22nd of this month there have been killed in the saladeros of Montevideo 7036 head of cattle against 2652 head for a corresponding period of last year, which represents an increase of 4404 head in favour of 1892.

Messrs Lahusen and Co. have bought the whole of the wool, amounting to 500,000 kilos, from the estancias of Messrs Zubiarrre and Villanueva in the South of Buenos Aires at a price of \$8 m the 10 kilos. This house has bought wool already this season to the amount of several million of kilos.

Eighty thousand kilos of wool from Sr N. A. Pizarro's estancia in Arroyo del Medio have been bought for five dollars the ten kilos; 50,000 kilos of Rambouillet from Sr M. Guerrero's estancia in Ramallo for two dollars gold the 10 kilos; 35,000 kilos fine Rambouillet from Sr S. Masauralde de San Nicolás, and 15,000 kilos from Sr R. Otero of Santa Teresa, Rojas, at reserved prices. The whole of this wool is to be sent to the barraea Somoza at San Nicolas de los Arroyos to be baled and shipped direct to Europe.

Messrs Barros Taxeira and Co. are about to do a large business in a special kind of preserved meat with Rio de Janeiro, Bahia, Ceara, Para, and San Pablo in which towns they have entered into contracts for its supply. This firm has, we hear, taken steps to enforce payment from the Municipality of Rio de Janeiro for the cattle they sent there on account of their original contract for the supply of ten thousand head monthly.

France has actually purchased vines from Australia. Messrs Snow and Co. have forwarded a case of cuttings, packed in sand, from Adelaide, by a steamer belonging to the Messageries Maritimes. The cuttings were, naturally, choice. England has imported Australian vines before this, but France has now thus honoured Australia for the first time.

It is stated that a meeting is shortly to be held at New York, to urge the Government to conclude reciprocity treaties with all the South American Republics with a view to bringing Chilean wines into competition with the European wines in the South American markets.

The Government of La Plata issued a decree on Thursday last by which the Bolivar colonists will practically lose their farms on the pretext that some of the instalments due by the settlers were unpaid. It appears that these lands were bought by the settlers from the Government, but as the first years were bad and the crops a failure the Government had given the longer time for payment. However the Municipality of Bolivar seems to have taken the matter into its own hands and proceeded to evict the colonists with the result now generally known. A report on the affair was published by the Fiscal in favour of the farmers, however the Government of La Plata now decrees that the lands be confiscated and handed over to the Municipality of Bolivar. Whether the decree will be allowed to be carried into effect we have yet to see.

The "Adelaide Observer" supplies some useful details relative to planting vine cuttings. They should be from 9in. to 12in long with a bud at each end. The wood should be cut straight across below the lowest bud. It is important that trenches should be prepared beforehand of sufficient depth to receive the longest cutting. "Have some loose soil at the bottom, of a light sandy nature, push each cutting down upon the loose soil to make sure that it is touching it firmly; press the soil closely all round the bottom, and fill up the trench so as to leave the top bud close upon the surface. The cuttings should be 9in. apart, and the rows of cuttings 18in. to 24in. apart. Unless the season is extraordinarily dry, at least 90 per cent. ought to take root. It will not pay at all to plant the cuttings directly upon the land they are to finally occupy—for if they were all to take root the whole land has to be cultivated five or six times the first year, and the vines will be no further advanced the third year than those that have been rooted in beds."

It is said that the agriculturists of Mar del Plata hope to recoup their losses on the potato crop of last year with their wheat and maize. Mr Miguel Martinez de Hoz has some five hundred squares of wheat, Messrs Cayrol bros. two hundred, Messrs Duran and Cuervo one hundred, and many others smaller quantities. Nine hundred squares have been sown with maize, this operation being completed last week. No locusts have made their appearance in the district as yet, and the crops look well, as it has rained plentifully. The cattle however are still very poor.

The following extracts from a letter received from Los Monigotes, Santa Fe, will be found interesting:— "This district has been terribly damaged by the locusts. The colonies of Palacios, Raynel, Umberto, Ataliva, and

Sunchales have lost almost the whole of their crops, the committee for their extinction in the latter place having retired en masse because they received not a cent of the grant. At present it is not known what has become of the funds granted by the Government, and if locust money was required anywhere it has been so at the Sunchales colony. The saltona has appeared in enormous quantities, especially in the roads of Sunchales and Rafaela. Maize is in good condition, and with the locust kept under a good harvest is expected. Cattle are being robbed at night by men whom it is difficult to catch, and the authorities take no interest in the matter. So little is offered to soldiers in the way of pay that there are none, so the bandits and robbers have it all their own way.

A large manga of flying locusts have made their appearance at Tienque Lauquen.

The Postmaster-General has received the following telegrams, which will be found of interest:— San Francisco.—The linned harvest is about to be commenced and promises well. The wheat will be cut about the end of this month or beginning of next, and, generally speaking, is excellent. Rio Segundo.—The want of rain is still felt very much; it has only rained once during the month, and then only very little. The locusts as yet have done little damage, and it is hoped the harvest will be finished before the saltonas make their appearance. In C. Rodriguez it has rained a good deal, maize is being sown, and harvest commencing. The locusts have disappeared; the damage caused by them have been calculated at twenty-five per cent, according to the valuation put on their harvests by the colonists who have insured their crops in the "Union Agrícola."

Capilla Rodriguez.—Camps are in good condition. It has rained three times during the month. Colonia Freire.—Wheat is in poor condition, caused by the damage done to it by the locusts. Quebracho Herrado.—A frost on the third of the month damaged the growing crops considerably; a moderate harvest only is being looked forward to. In Leones the colonists expect a splendid harvest, the locusts having done but little damage. Belle Ville.—In this district 49,300 squares have been cultivated, viz., 20,300 squares of alfalfa, 19,500 squares of wheat, and 9500 squares of maize. Besides this, there are a hundred squares of potatoes, ten of tobacco, 150 of "sandias," and 50 of melons. The following cattle have been sold, 10,000 novillos of from two to four years old and 1000 bullocks of from four to seven. There are nine colonies at present. It has rained abundantly, and the cutting of alfalfa has commenced and is of superior quality.

Carcano.—It has rained abundantly, and there are no locusts. Chanares.—The wheat harvest is expected to be good and the grain of good quality. In Chanares alone there are six hundred squares of wheat and 400 of alfalfa. It has rained copiously, and the cattle are improving in condition. Cosme.—Here there are two hundred squares of wheat in more or less good condition. Chuqui Cañada.—In the past fortnight sixteen squares of maize have been sown. Chaña.—Both crops and cattle are in bad condition. It has neither rained nor have there been frosts in the past fortnight. San Pedro Norte.—The harvest expected to be bad owing to the drought, which has also caused the cattle to be in poor condition. Dean Funes.—The drought is severe, and cattle still continue dying in large numbers. Tulumba.—In this district 550 squares have been sown with alfalfa, wheat, and maize. The wheat has been attacked by the locusts and is in bad condition in consequence, though there are none at present. Cattle are in poor condition but the camps are improving from the recent rains.

Candelaria.—Fifty hectareas in this district are down in maize. The tobacco, of which there is a large quantity, is being eaten by the locusts. Fifty squares of virgin soil have been ploughed for maize. The outlook for the harvest is bad, and the cattle are in poor condition owing to the scarcity of grass, which has been eaten down by the locusts. Rio Seco.—Six hundred squares here sown with wheat, alfalfa, and barley. The crops look fairly well, the locusts are in fairly large quantities, and cattle in a moderate condition.

What is said to be the best consignment of wool yet sent into the market comes from the estancia Palenque Chico, belonging to Sr J. P. Althaparro, in Vecino. The wool is Lincoln, and the first consignment of 8000 kilos fetched ten dollars the ten kilos. This is the highest price yet paid for wool, taking the gold premium into consideration, as although prices as high as \$10.30 the 10 kilos have been recorded they were obtained when gold was much higher in value and consequently corresponded to a really smaller sum.

The following sales of wool have also to be recorded: 20,000 arrobas from the estancia La Larga by Messrs Arning Brauss and Co.; 100,000 kilos from Messrs Lazano Repetto's estancia at \$6.20 the 10 kilos; 12,000 kilos from Mr W. Bell's estancia Balmoral, Chascomus, at \$10.20 the 10 kilos; 100,000 kilos from the estancia Ambojena, Pergamino, at \$2.30 gold the 10 kilos; 100,000 kilos from Mar Chiquita at \$7.10 the 10 kilos. Wool said to be coming into the market at the rate of a million kilos a day.

The Messrs Casares, who have a dairy of the most approved kind at their estancia San Martin, Vicente Casares, with all the latest types of machinery, are about to try exporting butter made here to England. They shipped their first consignment, consisting of 1800 kilos of butter in forty cases of 45 kilos each, to London last week.

The authorities in Rio Janeiro have taken steps to stop the importation of bad butter which was going on on a large scale, the manufacturers mixing an acid with the butter in order to make it keep which is exceedingly hurtful. In view of this the Messrs Casares are making arrangements to remit large quantities of fresh butter periodically to Rio, as, are also other houses in the trade here.

Some farmers believe that different kinds of wheat will mix in the field. But according to Henry Stewart this is a mistake. "This grain is fertilised by its own pollen before the glumes, or coverings of the flowers, open; and thus no foreign pollen can gain access to the pistils. This makes it impossible for wheat to mix varieties in the field, and two kinds may be grown together without danger of mixing, and equally two kinds of wheat cannot be crossed without a delicate operation skillfully performed. A cross-bred wheat is a product of the highest scientific agriculture, and not an accidental occurrence."

The following were the prices quoted in Mark Lane for "foreign" wheat at the beginning of this present month:—

Saxonka	34s	36s
South Russian	29s	33s
River Plate	31s	33s
Melbourne and Adelaide	34s	35s 6d
New Zealand	28s	33s
Californian and Oregon	33s	33s
American No. 2 Red Winter, New	31s	33s
Duluth and Hard Spring	33s	36s
Indian, Calcutta, Bombay, and Karachi	29s	33s
Persian Gulf	27s	30s

From General Acha, in the Pampa Central, a telegram announces that large quantities of locusts are arriving in the district. They are coming principally from the north.

In San Juan rain has fallen in great quantities during the last few days to the great relief of agriculturists and breeders. The locusts which have reappeared in small quantities are not now doing much damage.

200,000 kilos of wool from the camp of the Messrs Saavedra have been sold to Sr D. A. Secret at \$5.50 the 10 kilos, and \$2.75 for bellies. An immense quantity of sheep have also been bought in the district of Arrecifes and Pergamino for freezing purposes.

To lay down sixteen leagues of camp under alfalfa is a fairly large order. We believe this is a scheme for which an American gentleman is forming a company, the camps to be acquired are sixteen leagues of the Armstrong lands in Santa Fe.

A telegram from Santa Fe on Saturday announced that a heavy hail storm had, on the night of Friday last, caused considerable damage to the trees and growing crops.

We read that the sections of agriculture and live stock at the forthcoming World's Fair occupy a superficial space in the buildings compatible with the importance of these industries. The dimensions of the agricultural buildings are 800 ft by 500 ft, and of the annexe 550 ft by 312 ft, giving an area of floor and gallery space for exhibitors of 15 acres and 4 acres respectively, the whole being put up at a cost of £138,300. For live stock the dimensions are 440 ft by 260 ft, with an area for exhibitors of 2.5 acres, and the cost £14,000; forestry 628 ft by 208 ft, and the approximate area of floor and gallery space very much the same, viz., 2.6 acres, the cost being £18,050. The dairy buildings cost £6900, the space devoted to exhibitors being 0.8 acres, while the dimensions of the building are 200 ft by 94 ft. The structure set apart for the agricultural products is built round a hollow square, which is also crossed by two high naves of equal width at right angles to each other. Four long courts are thus made which are roofed over, forming longitudinal aisles, covered by skylights. This covers the entire surface of 9½ acres, which is amply lighted, there also being spacious galleries providing five acres more of floor space. The sculptured decorations of this building are fine, representing agricultural labour in various forms, with the horse and the ox dragging the elementary beam plough. Agriculture, being a great source of American prosperity, has, with its kindred interests of forestry, live stock, and dairy, an exhibition space of 63 acres, truly a magnificent area.

We have to thank Messrs. Galli Hnos. and Messrs. Mackern and Shine for late English papers.

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SPORTING NOTES

The Lomas A. A. C.'s general meeting was postponed from Thursday to last night as a sufficient number of members failed to put in an appearance to form a quorum.

At a committee meeting held on the 24th inst. to elect a Southern Committee to make all arrangements in connection with the North and South match including the choosing of the team the following gentlemen were chosen: Messrs. J. Gifford, T. E. Preston, B. J. Dillon, J. J. Daniel, P. L. G. Bridger, M. G. Fortune, and A. Lacc.

This committee has chosen the following gentlemen to represent the South: Messrs. J. Gifford, E. R. Gifford, J. C. Walshe, A. B. P. Boyd, H. Cornwall, P. Rath, B. J. Dillon, H. M. Mills, E. P. Lightbody, G. A. Thomson, the eleventh man to be one of the following: Messrs. Penman, C. W. Thompson, F. Martin and A. Anderson.

The South blazers may be obtained from Messrs. J. Smart and Co., Piedad 556. The blazers are maroon, bound with light blue and gold.

Dr. W. G. Ross, who has come to take Ormonde to North America, arrived in the Elbe on Sunday. It appears that the purchaser of Ormonde is a Mr. McDonough, a coal merchant of San Francisco, so the great horse's new home will be in California. This time it looks as if Ormonde was really going to leave the country for good, but so many difficulties still stand in the way and have yet to be overcome before he becomes the property of another than Señor Bocau, that a considerable time will probably elapse before he will be shipped.

Poor Ormonde! He has had an extraordinary time of it for the most notable horse that ever lived. First the property of an English Duke, then exiled in every sense of the word in an out-of-the-way corner of South America, and finally the property of a North American coal merchant. Then what an enormous amount of literature has been written about "the horse of the century," enough to fill a very large book. Anything is worth what it will fetch in the market; columns have been written in the newspapers as to Ormonde's value; he has just been sold for 140,000 dollars or £30,000, so I take it that is

what he is worth. If he only breeds an Orme or a Goldfinch every year he is worth a great deal more.

Ormonde will be sent first to England, where I believe he will be kept for three years, by which time he should at least have earned his purchase money. He is to stay in the Isle of Wight, where the climate is thought to be most suitable for him after leaving this country.

Under Polo Clubs will be found a new club called the "Casuals." It has no fixed abode or head quarters but has been started with the idea of sending to tournaments one or more teams composed of players who may have not a place on their club teams, or who belong to no club which is able to send a team. The new club will no doubt be welcomed by many polo players in camp who have not the good fortune to be located in a district where polo is played.

For the present polo seems to be quite at a standstill and one does not hear of a game on any of the Buenos Aires grounds, except at Quilmes, where a match between the third team and all comers was announced for last Sunday. Ponies certainly cannot be expected to play all the year round, and there is no time like December and January for giving them a well earned rest.

The committee of the Montevideo Polo Club have received from the administration of the race course an offer of the use of the ground inside the course, for the purpose of a polo ground. The ground at present occupied by the Montevideo Polo Club has many disadvantages and leaves a great deal to be desired, so I hope, considering the difficulty of obtaining a ground in Montevideo large enough and level enough for polo, that the racecourse will be found suitable. The meeting for the purpose of considering the offer was to have been held last night.

The proprietors of the Columbia Skating Rink should be happy men as their building is crammed nightly with quite the smartest of our English and Argentine Society. Success is well deserved too, as the floor is good and the band excellent, the only fault now being one over which the managers have no control viz the weather which is becoming rather too hot for rinking. To-morrow a benefit is announced for the "Asilo Nocturno de Menores," when there is sure to be a large attendance.

The way a poor struggling beginner is watched by every one from the moment of his appearance to his retreat in confusion must be very trying to his nerves. The scientific skaters get no attention at all and are hardly glanced at, but the sportsman whose legs went go the right way has all eyes upon him in a moment.

The meeting arranged by the Jockey Club for December the 8th at Palermo to close the season has for its principal event a limited handicap: weights between sixty-three and forty-eight kilos; distance 1750 metres, \$4000 to the 1st and 500 to the 2nd. This meeting will clash with the one at Belgrano arranged by the Hipodromo Nacional Club for the same date, and does not appear necessary as the weather is becoming much too hot to make racing pleasant either to the on-lookers or to the poor gees which run.

The Jockey Club have fined Mr Brett two hundred dollars for presenting three horses in the same race against rules, viz., Vendetta, Peter, and Lugano. Mr Brett tells me that though he has the supervision of Lugano he does and has not trained him for some time, and accordingly paid the fine under protest.

The Melbourne Cup has been won by an outsider, Glenloth, with Ronda second, and Penance third. The following is the result of the Australian Derby run on October 28. Camoola 1; Meli 2; Jonathan 3. There were ten starters, Camoola winning by three quarters of a length in 2min. 42secs. on heavy going.

"Golf" tells the following good story of a tennis tournament. One young lady not being up to time, the secretary sent a verbal message to her house to inform her that if she did not come at once he should "scratch" her. The maid, horrified at the want of courtesy in the use of the term she did not understand, endeavoured

to soften the message by delivering it, "Please, Miss, Mr Jones says, if you do not come at once he will pinch you!"

It is said, and popularly believed, that music has charm sufficient to soothe the savage breast. A party of picnics on the Tigre evidently thought so last Sunday, as they had engaged a band of three musicians to play to them all day. They were very conscientious these musicians; whether the party were shooting at an old meat tin stuck on a fence, fishing for stickle backs in the river, shying at the "sapo," on land or on the river there were those musicians close beside, playing away as if their life depended on it. As the party were somewhat restless when on shore these musicians did not have too happy a time of it.

Captain Dunn, of the King's Liverpool Regiment, who was lost in the ill-fated "Bokhara" off the coast of China last month, was one of the best known cricketers in the British Army. In 1886 he achieved what I believe has been equalled by no other cricketer, when he placed no fewer than fourteen centuries to his credit in the course of the season. Of these, his highest score was 174 and his lowest 100. In 1888 his average for the Aldershot Division was over 74, having opened the season with five centuries in May on the Divisional Ground. He also in the same year headed the list of averages of the Irish gentlemen who played in America. Soon after he was ordered abroad, being attached to the Army Service Corps, with which he was serving at Hong Kong when he met his untimely death at the age of 30.

The calculations on the cost of hunting which I quoted and attributed to Lord Yarborough some six weeks ago were I find taken from a most interesting article by Mr Harry Sargent in that best of weekly sporting papers, "Land and Water," and were simply quoted by his lordship, not compiled by him. As many other papers have attributed the figures to Lord Yarborough instead of to the right source it is only fair to state their true origin now.

The tour of the Irish Cricket Team in America was concluded last month. The tour has not been reported in the English sporting papers, but that it has been watched with interest by many Irishmen here is evidenced by the number of papers sent me with accounts of the different matches played by the eleven.

The team commenced with a match against a fifteen of the Boston Cricket Association, which resulted in the defeat of the Irishmen, who had hardly recovered from the effects of their voyage. An amusing incident occurred in the second match, against New England, who decided to play with thirteen instead of fifteen men. During the progress of the first innings, however, they put a fourteenth player in the field. This was not objected to by the Irish captain; but when two runs were wanted to save the follow on and a fifteenth man came out to bat, Meldon objected, and an hour was spent discussing the matter in the pavilion, when the New England captain agreed to play on with fourteen men. At Toronto, a drawn match was played against Canada. The match against New York was a splendid one throughout, and won by the Irishmen only by strong confident batting. New York played two Notts professionals in their team. Two matches were played at Philadelphia, one won by Ireland and the other by the Philadelphians, a third having to be abandoned. A wonderful interest was taken in these last two matches, the ladies in the stands, it is said, being all supplied with diminutive scoring sheets, not being satisfied with the limited information supplied by the telegraph board. The eleven returned to Queensland on October 21st.

Boots.

OUR PHOTOTYPE

We are indebted to Mr Frank Kinch for the negative from which our phototype this week is taken. Mr Kinch took the photograph from the yacht Gladys with a Dallmeyer R.R. lens, a "Thuryand Amey" shutter, and allowed an exposure of one three-hundredth part of a second. The Gladys was stationed at the winning post of the International Race, so the photograph was taken just as the Montevideo Rowing Club's boat arrived at it. Considering the difficulties attending the taking of such a photograph, the picture could not well have been improved upon,

it might have been more exciting perhaps had the second boat finished close up, so that more than the winning boat could have been seen, but the length and a half distance separating the Montevideo and Teutonia boats put the latter out of the plate.

We must apologise to our readers for not having published a prototype since that of the Rosario team last month; but, though we have had numerous negatives taken, none have been clear enough to make it possible to print a prototype from them. We first sent a photographer to take Niopo, the Gran Premio Nacional winner, we then made several attempts at taking a view of Palermo cricket ground but with indifferent success. We have a photograph of the nine teams that took part in the Belgrano polo tournament, but cannot yet say if a prototype can be printed from it or not. We hope in future we shall be able to keep our promise of publishing two prototypes every month.

CRICKET

FIXTURES.

DECEMBER

Sun. 4, Lomas v. London Bank, at Hurlingham.
 Sun. 4, Lanus v. Quilmes, at Quilmes.
 Wed. 7, Thurs. 8, North v. South, at Palermo.
 Sat. 10, Sun. 11, Tucuman v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.
 Sun. 11, Lanus v. Lomas, at Lomas.
 Sun. 11, Quilmes A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Flores.
 Sun. 18, B. A. C. C. v. B. A. and R. Ry., at Belgrano.
 Sun. 18, Western Ry. v. Quilmes, at Quilmes.

JANUARY

Sun. 1, B. A. C. C. v. South of Riachuelo, at Palermo.
 Sun. 1, Lanus v. Hurlingham, at Lanus.
 Fri. 6, United Railways v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.
 Sun. 8, Lomas A. C. v. Flores A. C., at Lomas.
 Sun. 8, London Bank v. Quilmes, at Quilmes.
 Sun. 8, Western Ry. v. B. A. and R. Ry., at Belgrano.
 Sun. 15, Flores A.C. v. B. A. and R. Ry. A.C., at Flores.
 Sun. 15, B. A. C. C. v. Quilmes, at Palermo.
 Sun. 15, Lanus v. Western Ry., at Lanus.
 Sun. 22, Flores A.C. v. Western Ry. C.C., at Flores.
 Sun. 22, London Bank v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.
 Sun. 22, Quilmes v. B. A. and R. Ry., at Quilmes.
 Sun. 29, Lomas v. Lanus, at Lanus.
 Sun. 29, London Bank v. B. A. and R. Ry., at Belgrano.

FEBRUARY

Thurs. 2, London Bank v. Lomas, at Lomas.
 Sun. 5, B. A. C. C. v. Lomas, at Lomas.
 Sun. 5, Western Ry. v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.
 Sun. 5, Lanus v. B. A. and R. Ry., at Belgrano.
 Sun. 8, Quilmes A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Quilmes.
 Sun. 12, Lanus v. Western Railway, at Tolosa.
 Sun. 12, B. A. and R. Ry. v. Lomas A. A. C., at Belgrano.
 Mon. 13, Tues. 14 (Carnival), B. A. C. C. v. Montevideo, at Montevideo.
 Mon. 13, Tues. 14 (Carnival), Lomas v. Rosario, at Lomas.
 Sun. 19, Lanus A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Flores.
 Sun. 19, B. A. C. C. v. London Bank, at Palermo.
 Sun. 26, Lomas A. A. C. v. Flores A. C., at Flores.
 Sun. 26, London Bank v. Quilmes, at Hurlingham.

MARCH

Sun. 5, Lomas v. Western Ry., at Lomas.
 Sun. 5, B. A. C. C. v. Hurlingham, at Palermo.
 Sun. 12, Flores A.C. v. London Bank C.C., at Flores.
 Sun. 12, Hurlingham v. B. A. and R. Ry., at Hurlingham.
 Sun. 12, B. A. C. C. v. Western Ry., at Tolosa.
 Sun. 12, Lomas v. Quilmes, at Lomas.
 Sun. 19, Lanus A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Lanus.
 Sun. 19, Lomas v. Hurlingham, at Lomas.
 Sat. 25, Sun. 26, Lanus v. Lomas, at Lomas.
 Sat. 25, Sun. 26, B. A. C. C. v. Rosario, at Palermo.
 Thurs. 30, Fri. 31, Sat. April 1 (Holy Week), B. A. C. C. v. Montevideo, at Palermo.
 Thurs. 30, Fri. 31, Sat. April 1, Lomas v. Rosario at Rosario.

THE NORTH v. SOUTH MATCH.

The following ten gentlemen have been chosen to represent the South:
 Messrs E. R. Gifford, J. Gifford, J. C. Walshe, A. B. P. Boyd, H. Cornwall, P. Rath, B. J. Dillon, H. M. Mills, E. Lightbody, and G. A. Thomson.
 The eleventh man will be one of the following: Messrs Penman, C. Thompson, F. Martin, A. Anderson or Clunie.

ROSARIO A.C. v. TUCUMAN A.C.

The Rosario team, which left by the Buenos Aires and Rosario Railway on Sunday morning by the 7.30 train for Tucuman, consisted of the following gentlemen: Messrs J. C. Daniel, A. E. Lightbody, T. E. Keyworth, C. C. Davis, J. Bragg, R. Traill, jun., E. Traill, jun., C. Hay, J. M. Ellery, N. S. Penman and W. O'Donnell.
 The Rosario A.C. were disappointed in the railway members of the team, as Messrs F. Francis, F. M. Martin, J. Beaumont and B. Wilkinson were unable to obtain leave of absence at the last moment.
 If it had not been for the energy of Mr Daniel, and the timely assistance of that thorough sportsman Mr Robert Traill of Las Limpias, who let away three of his men in such a busy time, the match would have had to be postponed or most probably abandoned altogether.
 A telegram received last night announces that Tucuman won by 102 runs.

SOUTHERN XI. v. "NEXT SIXTEEN."
 The match arranged between the probable South eleven and the "Next Sixteen" came off at Palermo on the 27th and resulted in a draw. The Eleven, playing twelve men, won the toss and went in. The principal features of the innings were a six hit by Cornwall over the fence, and the steady innings of J. Gifford, who went in last, of 37 not out. Rath's bowling was very useful; he took four wickets for 39 runs. Tupholme secured three wickets for 33 runs.

For the Sixteen, Robson played in his usual steady style and made an innings of not out 23. Rath showed excellent form, and got 43 before being smartly caught by Mills. Coubrough not out 12.

At the call of time there were seven wickets down for 106 runs, leaving the match therefore, as stated above, a draw.

Martin bowled well but seemed to tire; Thomson capturing four of the wickets for 18 runs. Scores:

Southern XI		Next Sixteen	
1st inn	2nd inn	1st inn	2nd inn
V. Ker Seymer, b Rath	0	F. W. Clunie, c Dillon, b Walshe	3
C. W. Tompson, b Tupholme	3	E. Robson, not out	23
H. Cornwall, c Syer, b Tupholme	21	B. B. Syer, b Martin	5
F. M. Martin, b Tupholme	6	P. M. Rath, c Mills, b G. A. Thomson	43
W. H. Masters, c H. Anderson, b Williamson	3	C. A. Tabor, b Walshe	0
A. Boyd, c Rudd, b Barnes	12	C. Parry, b G. A. Thomson	3
J. C. Walshe, b Rudd	18	R. W. Rudd, b G. A. Thomson	1
B. J. Dillon, b Rath	8	J. Barnes, c J. Gifford, b G. A. Thomson	6
H. M. Mills, c and b Rath	8	W. E. Coubrough, not out	12
E. R. Gifford, c Frost, b H. Anderson	25	R. Sutherland, J. D. Frost	—
G. A. Thomson, c Rudd, b Rath	35	H. Anderson	—
J. Gifford, not out	37	A. Williamson	did not bat
Extras	16	P. L. G. Bridger	—
Total	192	C. Tupholme	10
		F. Jacobs	—
		A. Lace	—
		Extras	10
		Total	106

BOWLING ANALYSIS

Southern XI			
	O	M	R
Rath	23	6	39
Tupholme	23	5	53
Williamson	8	2	14
Rudd	18	6	29
Barnes	7	1	18
H. Anderson	7	1	23

H. Anderson bowled 2 no-balls.

Next Sixteen

	O	M	R
T. M. Martin	15	6	38
J. C. Walshe	20	4	36
G. A. Thomson	9	3	18
E. R. Gifford	3	1	4

LANUS C.C. v. LOMAS ACADEMY

This match was played at Lomas on Saturday, 26th November, and resulted in a win for Lanus by 29 runs. For the winners, Bridge and Fothergill batted well, and Bridge got all the Lomas wickets at a cost of only 18 runs. This young player promises to develop into a good all-round man. For the losers, Morgan bowled well, getting six wickets for 26 runs. Scores:

Lanus		Lomas A.	
1st inn	2nd inn	1st inn	2nd inn
L. Huxtable, b Morgan	3	B. Goodfellow, b Bridge	3
C. Tupholme, c and b Hayward	2	D. Gibson, b Bridge	7
T. Bridge, b Morgan	15	W. Hayward, c Brook- ing, b Bridge	6
F. J. Dawson, b Morgan	5	E. Morgan, b Bridge	4
E. Mordoney, run out	4	E. Glover, c Brook- ing, b Bridge	0
R. Brook- ing, c Glover, b L. Nobili	6	A. Campbell, b Bridge	6
F. W. Fothergill, b Morgan	15	L. Jacobs, c Fothergill, b Bridge	6
A. Perkin, b Morgan	4	L. Nobili, c and b Bridge	0
H. Schaefer, b Goodfellow	9	J. Campbell, c Bray- chaw, b Bridge	0
Sub. b Morgan	0	C. Gibson, b Bridge	0
J. Brayshaw, not out	2	J. Ritchie, not out	3
Extras	3	Extras	5
Total	69	Total	40

BOWLING ANALYSIS

Lanus			
	O	M	R
E. Morgan	14	2	26
W. Hayward	6	1	16
L. Nobili	5	0	15
A. Campbell	2	0	7
B. Goodfellow	1	0	3

Lomas A.			
	O	M	R
R. Brook- ing	10	2	17
T. Bridge	9.2	2	18

STUD NEWS.

La Capital, by Balfe—My Choice, has been taken out of training and will be sent to the stud.
 Revelacion, by Zanon—Volumnia and Sombra by Keir—Cotéte, have been sent to Montevideo, it is believed for stud purposes.
 The filly Deborah, by Solomon—Dianne de Lys, has died at Sr. E. Ramirez' estancia at Las Flores.
 Areon, by Gladiador—Inglesa, has been taken out of training.

P O L O

In the beginning of September the Polo Association drew up the propositions given below with regard to holding championship tournaments. Those propositions have since been sent round to every club not represented at the meeting at which they were drawn up for approval or suggestion, with the result that they have been unanimously agreed to in every respect, and have therefore become law. From the answers received it is thought that March or April and October or November will be the most suitable months for holding the two tournaments, and Hurlingham and Las Rosas the grounds on which the championship shall be fought out. The subscriptions from the clubs will be due therefore on the 1st of January next, and it is hoped with these, and the entrance fees of the competing clubs, to be able to buy a really valuable cup which will have to be won twice by a club before becoming its absolute property.

The following are the propositions referred to:
 Two Tournaments to be held every year, one on a ground of one of the Buenos Aires Clubs, and one in Santa Fé; the grounds to be approved in every case by the Association.

A Cup to be given for competition at these Tournaments by the Association, and to be won twice in succession before becoming the absolute property of the Club winning it.

Every Club affiliated to the Association to pay an annual subscription of \$20, to be paid on or before the 1st of January in each year.

Each Team playing in a Cup Tournament to pay an entrance fee of \$20.

All Ponies playing in a Tournament which have not got a certificate of height issued by the Association, according to Bye-law No. 9, to be measured before playing by two members of the Committee, and all ponies failing to pass under the 14-hand standard to be debarr'd from playing.

G O L F

To the Editor of River Plate Sport and Pastime.

Dear Sir,—

Is the "Golf" you mention as wanting to know the difference between a golf ball and a mushroom your esteemed contemporary and advocate of the noblest of games, or the pseudonym of an enthusiast whose knowledge of the game is as short as the sight of his lady friend who "addresses" mushrooms instead of golf balls? As the ball was not addressed there can be no penalty, though if the lady continues to play golf there may be a shortage of ketchup in her district.—I am, yours truly, MURFIELD.

(We referred to our esteemed contemporary, not to a correspondent.—Ed. "R.P.S. & P.")

DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL NOTES

"OURS."

A lovely night, a pretty theatre, a good house, an audience ready to applaud at every reasonable excuse, an excellent orchestra kept well together by Mr. Welby, actors and actresses who had worked their level best at rehearsal for some months, and yet—it must be confessed—a rather tedious evening.

Those who try to produce "Ours" undertake a very large order; "School," "Caste," and "Home" are so brightly written that any actors of fair average ability can make a success of them indeed, to a certain extent, they play themselves; but in "Ours" there is hardly any relief in the shape of bright dialogue or light comedy to help the piece along. There is a constant straining of relationship between the characters and nothing to relieve it save the snappy remarks between Mary Netley and Chalcot or Sergeant Jones (whose part by the way ought to be written up) and his invisible twins. We must not be taken to task if we do not mete out to the performers of Monday night the customary dose of unqualified praise. We will make all allowances for difficulties, praise the good and point out the faults. We happen to be aware that the actors were barbarously treated as regards stage managership, and ultimately had to stage manage themselves at rehearsal as best they could, and call in extraneous aid to assist them on the night itself.

The first act was decidedly tedious, and only relieved by Mr. Miller, who however adopted a jerky staccato style of speech which spoilt him. The alternate dialogue under the trees between Mr. Miller and Mr. Guy, and Mr. Howard and Miss Foster was decidedly faulty and showed the necessity of having an intelligent stage-manager.

In the last act everybody was weak with the exception of Mr. Miller, who had regained his natural voice and style of speaking and was altogether excellent. The second act was the gem of the evening. A beautiful scene, tastefully arranged with excellent effects with music and light and charming dresses. The acting through-

out this act was decidedly good. Miss Foster, who took the difficult part of Blanche at ten days notice, was excellent in this act, which is all the more praiseworthy as the part of Blanche is decidedly not her role. The faint was good though a little too hurried, a fault we should have been glad to see in other parts of the act, as the pace generally was too slow. Miss Anderson was consistently good throughout, her enunciation was distinct and without effort. Mrs. Miller was very good whenever coldness or frigid demeanour had to be exhibited towards the luckless Sir Alexander, but her acting of jealous indignation in the second act, and anxiety and remorse in the third, entirely lacked warmth and colour.

Mr. Howard gained one's sympathies in the first and second acts, when he was natural, but the way he read the letters in the third act was simply deplorable.

Mr. Wooley gave thoughtful rendering of an unsympathetic part. There was excellent promise in Mr. Anderson's rendering of Sergeant Jones. Mr. Guy did bravely in essaying the part of Sir Alexander which is an extremely difficult one for a novice, as we presume this gentleman is. Speaking generally we think it a mistake to give novices parts in a public performance when they have opportunity afforded by the club to try what they are capable of doing at a private performance.

The mounting of the play was admirable throughout and showed great judgment and good taste.

BUENOS AIRES FROM DAY TO DAY

We are glad the Government are being honest with respect to the state of the finances of the country. Dr. Romero seems to consider 250 as a fair quotation for gold, and a fair basis for settling gold contracts. We do not want to entrench on the provinces of financial papers, but we always have considered that paper has its rights as well as gold and that a conversion at 250 would be fair and honest all round.

The air is full of murder and suicide. "The crime of the day" is not sufficient any longer to describe the daily horrors. We have the crime of the morning, the crime of the afternoon, and the crime of the evening. According to the "Standard", of the deaths in the Province of Buenos Aires, last year 2 per cent. were the result of assassination. This is a fearful proportion and shows the demoralisation of the provincial authorities.

The Italian Meardi, who so brutally murdered his wife the other day because she was not good looking enough for his aesthetic eye, is not much concerned about his fate. He seems a thorough "bête humaine," and no doubt will make a first-rate soldier or policeman, so that instead of being shot himself he will shoot others.

The municipal elections on Sunday passed off with calm except in Balvanera, where one gentleman was ripped open by one of the radicals present. Another gentleman is said to have been also sentenced but escaped through staying at home.

We understand that the result of the post-mortem examination of the late Dr. Newland was a verdict of death not from poison but disease of the lungs. We do not wish to constitute ourselves a court of appeal, but bearing in mind that we know of several cases on all fours with that of Dr. Newland, except in that the persons were able to throw off the cause of the disease, we cannot accept the verdict as satisfactory in the absence of a proper chemical examination of the contents of the viscera. We should have thought such examination a *sine qua non* in a case of suspected poisoning.

There have been a number of cases of accidental deaths through careless making up of prescriptions and other acts of stupidity in various of the drug stores of this city, in fact the deaths from these causes have almost assumed the form of an epidemic during the past week. The greatest caution should be used by English people to go to a *farmacia*, where drugs of the exact strength of the British Pharmacopoeia are kept, as if not they run great risks in the making up of prescriptions by English doctors. We could fill these notes with instances in our own knowledge of mistakes in despatching prescriptions and otherwise in selling drugs.

Unfortunately equality before the law is an empty phrase, and a chemist with a big shop front is shielded, whereas another who by accident makes up eight pills as three is locked up.

Really, this column so far reads more like the "Police News" than "Sport and Pastime," but we must represent Buenos Aires as it is "day by day," and brutality seems the keynote of the contents of the Press at present.

The Academicos of the Faculty of Medicine have resigned en masse in consequence of the action of the Council of Education in having sided with the students against them in the recent dispute in which the Academicos proposed the annual examinations by way of punishment for the students' revolution to which we referred. The Academicos being thoroughly honourable and capable men of course refused to be snubbed in face of their pupils and resigned. Attempts are being made to patch the matter up "as usual." If a good sound birching were applied to the seat of the dignidad del hombre of the Argentine boy he would be none the worse for it.

The late government proposed to make Colonel Arias a General and the Congress were quite willing, but the new government knowing that such an appointment would be against the law as there are too many Generals already, have decided to let the Colonel rest on his present laurels for a while.

The question of uniform for the army is at last settled, and during the next twelve months the soldiers and their officers will bloom as the rose in their new toggery.

An attempt is being made to obtain a mitigation of the sentence passed on the ex-manager of the London office of the English Bank. The "Nacion" of Monday supports the petition of the condemned, which it sets out at length.

The manager of the "Nacion," Mr. José Benito Soto, is very desirous that no one should make a mistake and confound him with his "cuyo" who has killed a baker on account of some dispute about the inevitable "woman."

The manager wishes it to be known that he does not kill bakers "for love."

"Viva la remolacha." Long live beetroot, and may it flourish and grow in the province of Córdoba. Such is the idea of the Congress, who are passing a law granting a bounty on its cultivation.

The municipal elections in the Province of La Plata should serve to strike another nail in the coffin of the scandalous Government of that province. Fortunately this time a few Comisarios were killed in distinct localities, and if this process could only be repeated in all places where armed coercion is used in favour of Government candidates no great harm would be done.

It appears to be certain that Archbishop Azeiros is to be made a Cardinal, as the Pope is quite satisfied that Argentina has turned over a new leaf and is going to lead a righteous and sober life. Ojalá!

There are rumours of differences of opinion between the Home Secretary here and the Finance Minister, and there is certainly an intention in Congress to make difficulties for the latter. Says the "Prensa": "The day least expected will occur events of importance, as everything has been prepared to produce them."

There is a very grave dispute between the Judicial Investigation Commission of the Deputies and the Civil and Criminal Courts. The Judges of these Courts deny the right of the Commission to compel the "expedientes" pending in their Courts to be brought before the Commission at their own place of session. Some very energetic language has already been exchanged between their lordships and honourable members.

"QUIDA" ON THE LONG DISTANCE RIDES

AN ENGLISHWOMAN'S ACHIEVEMENT.
From the "Pall Mall Budget" we learn that a remarkable ride has just been accomplished in the Tyrol by Miss Tomasson, an English lady, who covered a

distance of 220 miles in 67½ hours on a horse which had undergone no special training. On the first day she rode from Innsbruck to Botzen, a distance of seventy-seven miles; on the second from Botzen to St. Valentin, fifty-six miles; on the third day she rode as far as Landeck; and on the fourth she accomplished the return journey to Innsbruck, which is distant 87½ miles from Landeck. During her ride, Miss Tomasson crossed the Brenner Pass and the Malsenhaid, which have altitudes of 6125ft. and 3274ft. respectively.

OF LEGALISED AND HONOURED TORTURE.
"Quida" has sent the following letter to the secretary of the Peace Society, under the heading of "Decorated Butchers":—

Any one who has forced himself to read the sickening details of the "Distance Ride" from Berlin to Vienna, and vice versa, must be struck by the frightful injury to the moral feeling of the populace of both nations, done by this horrible spectacle of legalised and honoured torture. It is absolutely useless for laws to be framed, and societies to be formed for the prevention of cruelty, and the inculcation of humanity, when sovereigns, princes, and "gentlemen" lend themselves to commit and to admire such brutality. If the riders had desired to prove their own endurance they could have done so equally well with relays of horses; and the disgusting agony inflicted on the noble beasts which they have tortured and murdered would not have been given, in all its demoralised infamy, to the public. To summon and fine or imprison a carter for overworking his horse, while an officer who has ridden his charger to death is feasted and decorated by emperors, is one of those examples of "one measure for the rich and another for the poor" which are the justification of the Anarchist. Every one of those decorated butchers who have been received and applauded by the young Kaiser and the Old One, at Berlin and Vienna, should be degraded and imprisoned, if there be any reality whatever in the laws against cruelty and in the professions of civilization. It is wholly useless to preach mercy to the multitudes when, along the highways, they can behold men of royal and noble blood spurring their animals to death or dragging them into the goal "dripping with blood, sweating and screaming with agony, the spines twisted out of shape, the hoofs dropping off from inflammation."

THE EPIDEMIC AMONGST MARES

We fail to see how equine sifilis can be one of the principal causes of abortion, as Mr. Even and Dr. Wernicke say it is. How almost every stallion from Cordoba to Bahia Blanca can be attacked and be suffering from this dreadful disease is more than we care to believe. In one or two cases, of course, equine sifilis may be the cause of abortion, but the principal causes of the epidemic which was last year and is again this the means of thousands of foals and many mares being lost, we think must be sought for in another direction.

If a map of the country be taken and the districts marked where the epidemic was most prevalent last year, it will be seen that it passed like a wave right across the Republic. This should do away with the sifilis theory, as it points to the epidemic being caused by a germ and being more of the form of, say, influenza than a contagious disease. We do not pretend for a moment to put forward a theory on the subject. We have heard everyone already discussed, from ergot to the latest one of equine sifilis, ridiculed by men who ought to know, but our object in writing these lines is to draw attention to the utter and entire apathy of the Government in a matter so important to the country. The Government have recognised the necessity of doing something for the extinction of the locusts, they have voted a grant of money, only a small one, which has been, or is supposed to have been, divided amongst the different districts most affected; probably little good has been done by this, principally because the money has been so badly administered. Now if the Government would vote a sum of money for the purpose of paying some of our most able veterinary surgeons to inquire into the cause of the epidemic of abortion, the sum required would only be a small one, but the good that might accrue from it and the saving effected to the country might be enormous.

A veterinary surgeon can hardly be expected to spend weeks of his valuable time visiting affected estancias and making examinations for nothing, for even if he discovered the cause of abortion, and perhaps its prevention, he would perhaps not be rewarded even by thanks, and no single estanciero could be expected to meet the cost out of his own pocket. The epidemic is a national calamity, and as such should be treated by the Government, who should at once vote the small sum required to have it investigated by the most capable men in the country, who, if they could not discover how to stamp out the disease entirely, would at least be able to suggest some preventive measures for checking its fearful ravages.

Horse Taming Competition at the London Aquarium.

On October 24 there commenced what was grandly and frequently termed a "Horse Taming Competition" at the theatre of the Westminster Aquarium, being the scene of the contest, such as it was. The rival "tamers" were "professors" Sample and Leon. By way of giving a business-like air to the affair, the articles of agreement were read out, and then there arose an unending wrangle about the horses. Each "tamer" had apparently come provided with his own subjects; but the committee, very properly, as we thought, decided that lots should be drawn to decide which horses each man should experimentalise with. This took some little time, and when all was settled it was about half-past eight when "Professor" Leon came forward to tackle his first subject, described as an Irish three-year-old chestnut mare, unbroken. The well-known expedient of tying head and tail together, was adopted to the accompaniment of a waltz played on the piano. The Irish three-year-old went round and round in quite respectable fashion, preparatory to being mounted by the rough rider. Even an unbroken three-year-old is at a disadvantage when its head and tail are in juxtaposition, like those of a fried whiting, and so it submitted patiently enough to being jumped on; in fact, it seemed to be one of the most placid beasts imaginable. Subject number two had more beans in him. He was a big bay, and was introduced with the reputation of having kicked to matchwood every vehicle which he had been asked to draw. So the professor brought forth his harness, and proceeded to attach a pole on either side to represent shafts. Long reins were then added, and it may be explained for the benefit of those who drive their young horses on foot before "whipping" them, as the professor would say, to a vehicle, that these long reins should be run through loops just about where the tugs would come, by which means considerable power is acquired in turning the horse right or left. We have Mr Leon's word for it that the horse was not once hit, by his assistant, who, however, cracked his whip vigorously in close proximity to the bay's quarters and whenever the whip cracked the horse kicked, both high and hard. He got his leg over one of the pole shafts and kicked more viciously than before. Then some complicated hobbles were fitted to his fetlocks and he was driven round the stage; but in his struggles the horse smashed one of the footstraps, and so the professor proceeded to show us how to throw a horse single-handed, and with that Mr Leon's share in the entertainment came to an end.

To him succeeded Mr Sample, who had arrayed himself in evening dress—a rather novel attire in which to set about breaking horses. Unfortunately he began with a skirmish with the committee as to the identity of the horses he was to handle, and this part of the business may be described as what the circus people term a "comic interlude"; and one could not help feeling that the swallow-tail coat and white tie might have been very fitly exchanged for the merriman's motley. However, a fresh start was made at last, and the comic element so far prevailed that, after it was finally agreed that number two horse should be operated upon, a carhorse, fully caparisoned, made its appearance on the stage. This, however, turned out to be the horse which was to drag on Mr Sample's horse-breaking machine, a sort of miniature horsebox, in which a chestnut mare was confined. This box revolves on a pivot, and for something like six or seven minutes the mare went round and round, the box being driven by steam! The mare's weakness was said to be a dread of steam in all its branches, whether from traction engines, locomotives or what not. After liberally turning on the steam jet the horse was released from the machine, and was driven by an assistant up to the steam-engine. Mr Sample then turned on the steam and steam whistle, and in course of time the mare was tolerably quiet under vapour. Then a three-cornered animal, said to be a Mustang—it was exceedingly unlike one—followed the professor round the stage, and the first night's "competition" came to an end with some hissing.—"S. and D. News."

THE LESSON OF OUR ROWING DEFEAT

By R. C. LEHMANN, IN THE "NEW REVIEW."

Is there any lesson that we can learn from the international boat race? Certainly there is none that ought to be new to us. But it may serve usefully to remind us of principles that some of us have often seemed to forget. And the chief of these is the essential importance of style in eight-oared rowing. The sport we love basis its claim to national regard on no narrow foundation. We believe that oarsmanship develops strength and teaches endurance; that it necessitates discipline, sobriety and self-restraint; and that it is aesthetically, the highest and best form of graceful exercise (apart, perhaps, from fencing), which, however, affects only one body and not eight in combination) to which a young man can submit himself. For it springs life-long friendships, for during the long and weary course of training, and in the furious stress of closely contested races, men get to know the value of their fellows, to appreciate the courage, the loyalty, the due sense of individual subordination to one joint purpose, and all the other qualities which go to make a successful oarsman and a victorious crew. A well-trained eight rowing in harmony is, I think, the most perfect and beautiful living machine that can be devised. Who that has ever rowed in one can forget the elated sense of combined and balanced power as his body swung with seven others to the

stroke, as the eight blades gripped the water, as every muscle of trunk and limb helped to drive the firm stroke through, and the ship cleft on her way without a moment's pause?

And who that has once seen such a crew can forget his feeling of aesthetic satisfaction as every movement was performed with a perfect unison of strong bodies and flashing blades? But it is useless to suppose that we can maintain this high standard of graceful perfection if we neglect what is known as style. Let me try to explain, without being severely technical, what I mean by style, or, as it is sometimes called, "form." The aim and object of all instruction in rowing must be to make a man not only do the hard work which is necessary to propel a boat through the water, but to exercise the highest amount of power with the greatest amount of ease and comfort to himself; not merely to row on his own account, but in such a way as will weld him as completely as possible into harmony with the rest of the crew.

Now, to effect this, we believe that a man should be taught to row with a straight back, and with arms so straightened that the whole weight-power of the trunk may be brought them immediately applied to the stroke. His swing forward should be slow, far-reaching, and well balanced, so that he may have time to recover himself before he begins the next stroke, and so that the boat itself may in its progress enjoy the full benefit of the stroke just finished. His chest should be well opened (so that his heart and lungs may have free play) the whole carriage of his body at the finish of the stroke should be firm, but easy; upright, but not unduly rigid. The elbows must pass close to the sides, the shoulders must be thrown back, the head must be held erect. Every stroke, having been firmly gripped without the hesitation of a fraction of a second when the body has reached the extreme limit of its forward swing, must be forced firmly through with body swing and leg drive until the hands reach the chest, which they should then leave as a billiard ball leaves a cushion, in order to free the body smartly for the forward swing. I often tell my men, when I am coaching them, to hold their heads up and look proud of themselves, and I try to make them row in a manner that will warrant the pride I ask them to assume.

It is thus that we strive to harmonise eight individuals into a whole that shall exert power to his highest point, and shall, at the same time, show the combination of firmness with suppleness, of strength with ease, of energy with grace, which makes an eight-oared crew a pleasure to the artistic eye. This is our ideal. It is a high one, I admit, and its attainment is difficult; but if the art of rowing is to maintain its place with us we must strive earnestly to reach it. We have an unvarying experience to support us. The memory of every oarsman will supply him with cases in which strong crews rowing in bad form have been beaten by crews physically weaker, but more harmonious and of a better style. But I cannot remember a case in which a strong crew rowing in good form has suffered defeat unless it met a stronger crew rowing in a style as good or better.

LA FLECHE AND ORME

The third Newmarket October Meeting may be said to have brought the flat racing season at home to a close. What with the Buccaneer and Nunthorpe match falling through and the "Your's Another" style of correspondence taking place between the owners of these two cracks, youthful Lord Rosslyn and Colonel North, the Cambridgeshire, with La Flèche's victory therein, Orme's one day one race for three days and his defeat on the third after winning easily the two first, make the latest sporting papers received by the Elbe more than usually interesting.

With regard to the Buccaneer and Nunthorpe match it is sufficient to say it did not come off, and one of the most interesting sporting events of the year has fallen through. With regard to the Cambridgeshire, it has been won by one of the best mares that ever looked through a bridle, and one that seems to be able to win at any distance and under any weight. We clip the following paragraph giving a description of the race from the "Field":—

The paddock was naturally crowded to view the Cambridgeshire horses, and though we were robbed of a sight of La Flèche, who was saddled at the post, there was much that was admirable in shape and condition. The appearance of Breach, Tanzmeister, Jodel, Cardrona, Macready, Pensioner, Miss Dollar, Simonian, Rusticus, and Pilot left little, if anything, to be desired. The light, when the flag fell to a very even start after no delay worth mentioning, enabled one to obtain an exceptionally clear view of the race, and Ionia, Orontes, and Lady Hermit were seen in front of the large field of thirty at an early period of the contest. As they came past the crucial Bushes, Pensioner, ridden by a stable lad, and Jodel, from their position, appeared to the majority to have the race between them, and, moreover, at this point Pensioner unquestionably led. La Flèche, through lying next the stand rails, had not caught the eye, but when, as they ran into the dip, it was seen that the filly's beautiful stride, was bearing her surely to the front, such cheering burst forth as has rarely, if ever before, been heard at Newmarket, the exultation continuing until she passed the post the winner by a length and a half. Another burst of applause greeted the hoisting of her number,—and then bookmakers

turned with rueful faces to their accounts; La Flèche being the shortest-priced winner since Sutton won in 1875. In this wise the finishing touch was put to as brilliant a career as any three-year-old filly has achieved on the turf, and the only thing left for us to speculate upon—not necessarily after the custom most commonly observed in the racing world, but in fancy only—is what would happen if La Flèche and Orme were to meet, each at its best. Baron de Hirsch, being in Hungary, was not present to witness the crowning performance of his filly, who has this year earned more than £25,000 for charities. It is worth noting that, of the horses which also ran in the Cesarewitch, Trapezoid, who was eighth, was the nearest to the winner, the next being Brandy, eleventh, and yet people year after year endeavour to get a line for the Cambridgeshire through the running in the Cesarewitch, in which, we doubt not, Trapezoid could have been second.

Regarding Orme's third race on October 27th, we quote from the same writer:

For the third day in succession Orme was brought out, the event being the Free Handicap, across the flat, and a glance at the card sufficed to show that he was set his hardest task of the week, without taking into consideration his work of the previous two days, for El Diablo was meeting him on 7lb better terms than on Tuesday in the Limekiln Stakes, in which El Diablo beat all the other horses, whilst a useful horse like Bushey Park was in receipt of 30lb, The Lover of 22lb, and Lower Boy of 25lb. Sir Hugo declined the battle at 5lb. As they came down the hill Orme was gliding past the others in the old style, Barrett paying attention to The Lover and Bushey Park II. on his right. El Diablo was lying a length behind the favourite, at his heels, apparently quite unobserved, and Chaloner, getting him together for a rush, let him go when they were well out of the dip, and before Barrett could set Orme going had got his neck in front. Maintaining the rush, which quite electrified the spectators, El Diablo never gave Orme the least chance of overtaking him, and he won by a length and a half. Whilst universal admiration was expressed upon Chaloner's finish, regret at Orme's defeat was not less general.

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Buenos Aires English High School,

November 22, 1892.

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.

Dear Sir,—

In answer to the letter of the Hon. Sec. of the Lomas Academy, in your last week's issue, let me say that it is quite contrary to my custom of ignoring such newspaper correspondence that I beg leave, although reluctantly, to personally submit the following facts to your consideration. I should have been much better pleased to have our Club Sec. give these facts to your correspondent in form of a private letter, had the latter written to ask the same; but his action in writing to you has necessitated this public reply, and that from myself, as I am personally named in his letter.

Whether we had sufficiently "good reason" for refusing the challenge referred to, and where the charge of "unsportmanlike way in which we have been treated" rests, you will be quite able to decide, after you know:

First—When our boys played the L.A. Club at Lomas the hospitality shown them—if we except some oranges kindly sent by a Lomas lady, unofficially connected with the Academy—amounted literally to "A Fair Field and No Favour"—no, Sir, not even the favour of a drop of water to drink. Such treatment, I venture to assert, is not what any school team has a right to expect, and is, certainly, very different from what we have been accustomed to at the hands of other school clubs, those, for instance, of the Rev. Dr Spilsbury, and Captain Flores Arthur, lately of Flores.

Second—After the match, when my boys returned to the pavilion to dress, they, like myself, were disagreeably surprised to find neither water, soap, nor towels. To account for this, (I trust, simple overlook on the part of the club or its officials; it might be traced to the L.A.A.C. were, at that time, about to be moved to the pavilion to the new field; but this, though I can explain can surely not justify the discourtesy, which the pavilion was then quite intact, at least as far as an observer could judge.

Third—Notwithstanding repeated assurances to the contrary, some of the L.A. players and their friends continued to assert that in contravention of the conditions of the said match some of our players were not "present" but "former" pupils. They even stated that one was a bank clerk, and one or two others brokers' clerks.

Further, one of the principals of the Academy required the assurance of a mutual friend before he would be convinced, and only accepted the latter's statement because, as he said, "I can believe you!"

Fourth—When asked if he would be present at the return match, the same gentleman answered, "Of course, we are going down to see fair play."

Fifth—Notwithstanding these facts, we allowed the return match to take place, in order to give the L.A. that chance of equalising matters which according to your correspondent they are now so desirous of having. Had it not been for this consideration the said return match would not have come off, for if such inhospitality and discourtesy, coupled with such insinuations of un-

truthfulness and unfairness, do not justify our refusal, then, Sir, I should like you to say what would be sufficient reason for the same?

What my Sports Circular (a copy of which I enclose) giving a full record of the results of all our football matches, during the season, has to do with the question, I fail to see; and who sent said circulars underlined to the L.A. Club, I neither know nor care,—suffice it to say that, so far as I know, they were not sent from this school, and that during the whole eight years of this school's existence I have never personally, nor through any of my staff, furnished any report of our club's affairs to any newspaper in this republic, being glad, however, when any interested spectator or friend cared to do so.

In closing, I should like, Sir, to thank you for your note appended to Master Gibson's letter, and to apologise for being so prolix.

My excuse is that this shall be my only contribution to this correspondence, and that it has been forced from me as an "audi alteram partem," owing to the public request for your verdict in the matter—which verdict I am very glad to await.—I am, yours truly,

A. WATSON HUTTON.

(We agree with Mr Watson Hutton that this matter should have been discussed in private correspondence. After the explanations given in the above letter the Lomas Academy boys will no doubt be satisfied that the English High School had substantial reasons for refusing their challenge and our verdict will not be required.—Ed. "R.P.S. & P.")

The Weight of a Sheep

In 1836, a Lincolnshire grazier wagered £5 to £100 that a two-shear sheep, of the county breed, would be killed at Brigg weighing 75 lb per quartercarcase weight. The grazier won the bet as the following particulars show, which are attached to a print circulated at the time:—

"Weight of William 4th, a two-shear sheep fed by H. Healey and slaughtered at Brigg, March 10th, 1836. Live weight, 434 lb; dead weight, 304 lb 10 oz; blood, 11 lb; skin, 36 lb; pluck, 8 lb 4 oz; loose fat, 34 lb; entrails, 26 lb 12 oz; head, 8 lb 12 oz; waste, 4 lb 9 1-2 oz."

This sheep clipped 16 lb of wool the first time he was shorn, and 12 lb the second. The weights were attested by Joseph Taylor, W. E. Hodson, H. Grantham, J. E. Smith, and R. T. Atkinson.

Mr Brady Nicholson gave, in a letter to the "Field," August 21st, 1886, the following particulars:—

The sheep was purchased in a lot of 100 at Lincoln Fair, 1836; was grazed on seeds without cake; put on rape in the autumn; and wintered on turnips, having cake and corn in the spring. He made such progress that it was determined to force him on, with the view of making money by betting upon the result of his slaughter. The exact age of the sheep is not known, but it is believed that he was lambed in March, 1834. A very large sum of money is said to have changed hands. This beats the famous old ewes at Islington, which only averaged about 336 lb apiece, live weight.

THE PERSIANS AND THEIR HORSES.

The Persians clothe their horses very heavily; even in summer. This is contrary to our usage, but I am convinced that they understand very well the art of caring for horses. Although these are all stallions, and very spirited, they are usually gentle, and accidents with them are rare. The Persians have, for thousands of years, reared horses of unsurpassed excellence, and this success with horses cannot be wholly by accident. It is a singular custom in Persia that a criminal, flying from justice, may obtain absolute protection by taking refuge in a stable. It matters not if it be the King's or that of one of the meanest of his subjects. The fugitive sleeps at the foot of the favourite horse, and, whilst he remains there, the owner of the stable is obliged to feed him. No one can harm him, and even the sovereign himself must not touch a hair of his head whilst he chooses to remain in his asylum. The origin of this custom is lost in obscurity, but it probably had some relation to the early nomadic habits of the Persians. There are no stalls in the stables, and the mangers are simply apertures cut in the mud walls. The horses are tethered to spikes in the floor of the stable. In winter the stable is closed and dark. In summer the horses are fastened in the shade of garden walls, or under trees. The summer stable of a Persian nobleman resembles a camp of cavalry, but all the horses are blanketed.

List of Clubs with their Secretaries

It has been suggested to us that this list would be more complete if the colours of the clubs were added to it. We should therefore be obliged to the secretaries if they would send us their club's colours as soon as possible.

ATHLETIC CLUBS

- Amateur Athletic Association of the River Plate—E. Danvers, 559 Piedad.
- B. A. and R. Ry.—F. Tebbutt, 243 Avenida de Mayo.
- Campana—F. J. Bardrick, B. A. and R. Ry., Campana.
- Cordoba—J. C. Bowden, Gerencia, F.C.C.C., Córdoba.
- English High School—Edward Buchanan, Santa Fé 3590 Flores—Light Blue, Yellow, and Dark Blue with narrow White Stripes—B. G. Henderson, 85 B. Aires, Flores
- HURLINGHAM—Blue, Red and Yellow—M. G. Fortune, 559 Piedad, Buenos Aires.
- Junin—H. J. Whitfield, Junin, F. C. Pacifico.
- Lomas—J. Kahl, 631 Corrientes, Buenos Aires.
- Montevideo—J. Harvey, Club Inglés, Montevideo.
- QUILMES—Dark Blue and Yellow—A. M. Hudson, 56 San Martin, Buenos Aires.
- Roldan—M. M. Graham, Roldan.
- Rosario—Thomas A. Hall, Rosario.
- Tucuman—A. S. Reade, Tucuman, F.C.N.O.A.

CRICKET CLUBS

- BUENOS AIRES—Black and Blue—A. Lace, Banco Británico, Buenos Aires.
- CENTRAL URUGUAY—Black and Orange—A. N. Davenport, Talleres, F.C.C.U., Montevideo.
- HURLINGHAM—Blue, Red and Yellow—M. G. Fortune, 559 Piedad, Buenos Aires.
- Lanus—D. Duncan, Plaza Constitucion, F.C.S.
- London Bank—R. L. Rumboll, Banco de Londres.
- MONTEVIDEO—Black and White—A. Gair, Club Inglés, Montevideo.
- WESTERN RAILWAY—Dark Crimson—F. T. Parkes, Tolosa.

FOOTBALL CLUBS

- Argentine Association League—A. Lamont, Plaza Constitucion F.C.S.
- Buenos Aires (Association)—B. B. Syer, 56 San Martin.
- Buenos Aires (Rugby)—W. E. Coubrough, London Bank
- HURLINGHAM—Blue, Red and Yellow—M. G. Fortune, 559 Piedad, Buenos Aires.
- St. Andrews—E. Morgan, Plaza Constitucion, F.C.S.

LAWN TENNIS CLUBS

- BUENOS AIRES—Light and Dark Blue and Yellow—T. S. Boadle, 25 de Mayo 149.

POLO CLUBS

- Association of the River Plate—F. J. Balfour, 559 Piedad.
- BELGRANO—Black and White—J. W. Hunter, 3 de Febrero 102, Belgrano.
- Camp of Uruguay—L. Edwards, Barrancas Coloradas, Colonia.
- Cañada de Gomez—J. S. Robinson, C. de Gomez, F.C.C.A.
- CASUALS—R. McC. Smyth, Venado Tuerto.
- Gualeguay—R. Gordon, Gualeguay, Entre Rios.
- HURLINGHAM—Blue, Red and Yellow—M. G. Fortune, 559 Piedad, Buenos Aires.
- LEZAMA—Red and Black—E. J. Craig, Estancia Las Barrancas, Lezama.
- Media Luna—T. C. Fair, Soler, F. C. Pacifico.
- MONTEVIDEO—Chocolate and Green—A. Guillemard, Club Inglés, Montevideo.
- North Santa Fé—R. S. Foster, Chiru Trail, F. C. C. and R.
- Roldan—W. Ellery, Roldan, F.C.C.A.
- Rosario—W. F. Christie, F.C.C.A. Rosario.
- San Jorge—C. H. Hall, San Jorge, Estacion Molles, F.C. C. del Uruguay, Montevideo.
- SANTA FE—Red and Blue—J. Benitz, La California, Las Rosas, F.C.C.A.
- SANTIAGO DEL ESTERO—Green—Dr. Newman Smith, La Banda, Santiago del Estero.
- Strangers—G. H. Isaac, Venado Tuerto.
- Tuyú—H. Gibson, Los Ingleses, Ajó, F.C.S.

ROWING CLUBS

- BUENOS AIRES—Blue and White—Piedad 852.
- Montevideo—J. Murray, Banco Británico, Montevideo.
- Rosario—E. W. Newte, English Bank, Rosario.
- TIGRE—Black and Golden Yellow—W. E. O. Haxell, 56 San Martin, Buenos Aires.

RACING

The following are the handicaps for the meeting at Palermo on December 8th:

PREMIO DEFINICION, 1750 metres.			
	kilos		kilos
Campos	63	Ituzaingo	58
Esperanza	63	Clairon	52
Eridan	60	Calandria	51
Amazon	60	Don Carlos	50
Riflero	57	Blackfriar	50
Satanella	57	Zampa	48
Nibifer	55	Sta. Lucia	48
Golondrina	54	Phoenix	48
Apolo	54	Sucre	48

PREMIO STUO EL PLATA, 1000 metres			
Riflero	63	Enchantress	48
Huracan	57	Nautilus	48
Chilliaroh	54	Lugano	47
Terminacion	53	Peter	46
Soldado	50	Regina	45
Manantial	48	Siva	44
		Patria	41

PREMIO ECURIE TITAN, 1800 metres.			
Charrúa	56	Siva	49
Acteon	55	Severac	48
Corsario	53	Sensacion	46
Corresponsal	51	Salvacion	45
Vanguardia	51	Musical	40

PREMIO ECURIE AVANT GARDE, 1750 metres			
Don Carlos	57	Démós (forfeit)	50
Valiente	56	Atlantico	50
Robert le Diable	53	Cantinière	49
Charrúa	55	Lucifer	49
Infernal	52	Frobisher	47
Fergus	52	Severac	45
Pharaon	51	Pluton	43
Buridan	51	Salvacion	40

PREMIO GOLONDRINA, 1600 metres			
Riflero	62	Puygaveau	53
Satanella	60	Zampa	50
Nubifer	59	Guerillero	49
Vendetta	57	Buridan	46
Thalia	57	Cantivo	46
Alerta	56	Ambush	46
Clairon	55	Erato	45
Brandy Snap	55	Pluton	42
Carpintero	54	Patria	42
Salaam	53		

THE MELBOURNE CUP

The following are the results of the two big Australian races, the Melbourne Cup and the Victoria Derby, run on November 1st and October 28th respectively:

Melbourne Cup, a handicap sweepstakes of 50 sovs each, with 10,000 and a trophy value 150 added; second received 2000, third 1000 out of the stakes; 2 miles.

Mr M. Carmody ns br h Glenloth, by Glenmarkie—The Gem, 5 yrs, 7st 13lb 1

Mr W. Forester ns b c Ronda, by Trenton—Mona, 3 yrs, 6st 8lb 2

Mr W. T. Jones's b h Penance, by Grand Flaneur—Penitent, 4 yrs, 7st 7lb 3

Thirty-five ran. Won easily by three lengths; a length and a half between second and third. Time, 3min 36 3/4 sec.

Victoria Derby, a sweepstake of 25 sovs each, with 1000 added, second received 200, and third 100, for three-year-olds; 1 1/2 miles.

Mr J. B. Clarke's ch c Camoola, by Chester—Copra, 8st 10lb 1

Mr J. Horsey's br c Meli, by Newminster—Melodious, 8st 10lb 2

Mr M. O'Shaunassy's br c Jonathan, by Richmond—Miss Heslop 3

Ten ran. Won by three-quarters of a length. Time, 2min 42sec.

PRICES

Price of gold on the Bolsa from Nov. 23 to 30, inclusive:

	GOLD PREMIUM
Wednesday	277.00 %
Thursday	276.30 "
Friday	265.50 "
Saturday	279.00 "
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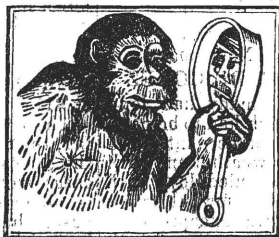
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NATURAL HISTORY NOTES.

By A. STUART PENNINGTON
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THE PUMA

The Puma or American Lion (*Felis concolor*) is variously called Puma, Cougar, Leon, &c., the term lion being employed by the natives of this country. It has a very wide range of habitat in America, being found from the extreme South of America to Canada in the North. It occurs in the Andes and Rocky Mountains to a height of over 10,000ft.

The name lion was given to the puma from its resemblance to the female of the true African lion, although it is mores lenderly built than the latter. Its scientific name *concolor* or *unicolor*, refers to its being unstriped or unspotted when adult, although the young are marked during their first year with blackish brown spots and have the tale ringed, and one writer records the existence of young pumas with white spots. The meaning of these spots is that some ancestor of the puma was so spotted, it being a by no means unusual thing to find markings in young animals which disappear in the adults. This apparent anomaly is always referred to the characteristics of ancestral types.

The puma is a large cat. The usual colour of the fur is reddish-brown reddish-grey, or on tawny above and white below. The fur is black the outside of the ears and at the end of the tail, and there is a black spot at the centre of the upper lip.

According to Baird ("Mammals of North America") the colour of the coat is greyer in winter than in summer. Occasionally in Argentina there are found blackish or brownish animals, and Burmeister records that specimens nearly white and others nearly black have been observed. The difference in colour between the young and the adults caused an early writer, Garcillaso de la Vega to make a curious mistake. He refers to a Spaniard in Cuzco having killed a lioness with a lance, and on opening her were found two whelps, sons of a tiger (!), for their skins were marked with their sires' spots. A curious fact is noted by Mr. F. W. True, namely, that "lions which to the eye are unspotted sometimes appear in photographs as spotted animals."

Pumas vary considerably in size, adult specimens being found measuring from 40 to 53 and even (but rarely) 60 inches from the snout to the root of the tail, which latter varies from 23 to 56 inches in length. The head is smaller in proportion to the body than is usual amongst the larger species of the cat tribe. The height of the puma at the shoulder is about 22 to 23 inches.

The puma is not only found over a large extent of the American continent, but until very recent years has been almost universally distributed throughout the range of its habitat, but latterly it has been exterminated throughout a large area of the continent, and wherever any tract is given over to colonization and cultivation the puma retires rapidly from the scene, although not before it does considerable mischief to the flocks and herds of the early settlers.

Many of the early North American settlers refer to the Puma incorrectly under the name of panther. Columbus was the earliest writer who mentioned the puma. He referred to it as a "leon" in his description of the coast of Nicaragua and Honduras. The English Admiral Hawkins in describing his first voyage to the West Indies, says in the quaint style that marks all writers of his age, "It is thought that there are lions and tygres as well as unicomes, lions especially; if it be true that is said of the emnity between them and the unicomes, for there is no beaste but hath its enemy, as the cony the poleca, a sheepe the woolfe, the elephant the

rhinoceros; and so of other beasts the like, inso-much that whereas the one is, the other cannot be missing."

Hariot says that the inhabitants of Virginia used to eat the puma.

The pupil of the eye of the puma is round, and although he generally hunts his prey at night he does not confine his ravages to the hours of darkness. He prefers deer, which he kills by leaping on their backs and then drawing back the head with his paw so as to break their necks. He is not, however, averse to other kinds of food, and will kill and eat ostriches, raccoons, wild turkeys, and even wolves, and when hard pressed has been known to eat carrion. But settlers generally find him partial to mutton, and he makes serious ravages amongst their sheep flocks, and even cows and horses are not safe from him, especially young animals. The guanaco is a favourite prey in this country.

There is a great difference of opinion amongst naturalists as to the behaviour of the puma towards man. Some writers, amongst them Hudson in his "Naturalist in the La Plata," aver that man is not only safe from the attacks of the puma, but that the latter is a real friend of man and more likely to defend him than attack him. Other writers say that the puma is afraid of man, and that it is cowardice and not friendliness that is the reason for its behaviour. Darwin records cases in Chile of two men and a woman being killed by this animal, but it would seem certain that attacks on human beings are very rare. A friend of mine recently returned from the Rio Negro district states that he questioned the natives about this habit of the lion, and they stated that ordinarily a puma will not attack man, but that during the breeding season it will occasionally turn on a man if the latter be alone and unmounted, but that if accompanied or on horseback he is perfectly safe. One writer, Catesby, says that the smallest cur in company with his master will make the puma take to a tree, but that if he be shot at in the tree and not killed at once, he will descend again and attack whichever, whether man or dog, be in the way.

The puma goes with young thirteen to fourteen weeks and brings forth from two to five at a birth. The young are born blind and do not see till nine or ten days old.

Darwin states that he found the marks of the claws of the puma on the hard soil of the Patagonian deserts, evidently scratchings with the object of tearing the ragged points of the claws and so sharpening them.

The puma is often described as a silent animal, but although it does not usually indulge in roaring it possesses a loud roar or rather scream, to which however it is very chary of giving utterance.

The flesh of the puma has been tasted by several travellers, who all speak favourably. Darwin compared it to veal and Azara says his peons preferred it to beef.

The word "puma" is the Peruvian or Quichua name for the animal, Buffon being responsible for the name Cougar (English cougar), which he made up from *cuguacu-ara* or *cuguacuarana*, the native Brazilian name. Azara says that the native Brazilian name was *Guazuaru*. Old trappers called the puma the painter, a clear corruption of the word panther, as before stated, an entirely incorrect and inapplicable name.

The bibliography of the puma is numerous and interesting, the most complete summary being found in the reports of the Smithsonian Institute for 1889.

Before closing, I may refer to the fact that in the neighbourhood of the Rio Negro is a breed of large dogs, said to be a cross between the puma and the native Indian dog. I merely repeat this without attempting to vouch for it.

Cañada de Gomez

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

November 28.

REMATE FERIA, CANADA DE GOMEZ

The Remate FERIA to which many had long been looking forward, and which had to be postponed from Sunday the 20th on account of the rain, took place to-day in lovely weather and with very depressing results. Prices ruled low with certain exceptions, and buyers were few, although the class of the animals entered was exceptionally good and calculated to meet the wants of both *estancieros* and *colonists*. It is now to be questioned, after a first attempt, if these sales or fairs in a place like Cañada de Gomez are wise, though certainly one more trial should be given to them, as the news of yesterday's doings is sure to reach the more remote buyers, who perhaps never see a

newspaper, through the medium of their compatriots who were present. At Las Rosas the surroundings were different, and many were there who would not visit the Cañada, although the stock here, with the exception of the thoroughbreds, was equal at all events to that put up at the far famed Rosas.

The sale was held in the large corral adjoining the house of Mr. H. S. Chamberlain, which is admirably adapted to the purpose. The rematadores were Messrs Sanguinetti and De Lisle, of Rosario, the former officiating. The show was a really good one, and the yard presented a most animated appearance.

Mr Hansen sent both horned cattle and horses, the latter comprising all classes, from polo ponies to thoroughbreds, which all showed, if further evidence was required, the sound judgment of this well known breeder. His four stallions were out for show and looked the picture of health. A pair of slashing bays with black points, standing 16 hands, driven in harness from the establishment I believe of Don José Fernandez, were greatly admired. They are a perfect match, and do credit to whoever has them in charge. They are both by Alarm. The base of \$250 each was not reached. Mr John Forbes, of Schonberg, had for sale six yearlings to two year old bulls, pure Durham, bred on the estancia; they were a most excellent lot in every way, all of them red and white, but only two were disposed of, one to Mr. Wasey at \$90, and the other at \$150. Many fine lecheros also came down from Schonberg, but buyers would hardly look at cattle, and nothing was done.

Mr. John Ripley had in no less than 45 horses and 17 mules, in addition to four great black imported Russian mares. One pair of these have been driven in the streets of Buenos Aires. One of them, we were told, cost \$10,500 in Europe. Mr. Hansen was very keen on these, and it was soon seen that he meant having them; they at last fell to him at \$2000, or \$500 each, a good price considering the woeful state of the remate, but nothing like what they were worth. They are great upstanding mares, with shoulders and quarters beautifully proportioned.

Mr. Wasey had in polo ponies and horses in great variety, but of polo buyers there were none. He had a very good looking *rosillo* standing 16 hands and an equally good looking *pangaré*, both excellent trotters, but neither of them reached the upset price, not a high one, as both are broken to harness. However, he sold the old thoroughbred imported bull (Durham), a fine old fellow, for \$90, and withdrew two young imported Durhams at \$200.

Mr. French showed the most useful carriage and draught horses, but the colonists whom they would just have suited only nibbled; they seemed to want a horse fit to draw two ploughs all the week and take them out for a paseo on Sunday, at about \$20; but they did not get it. Mr. French wisely withdrew after two had been sold much below their value.

I should calculate that the horses and mules for sale numbered some 200, and the horned cattle about 70 or 80, not counting the calves. There were no sheep. It was a goodly sight to see all these animals gathered together, and the busy throng either surrounding the auctioneer or intent upon inspection. Had the fair been held in the open I doubt if Las Rosas, interesting as that sight was, could have beaten it.

Polo ponies ruled from \$22 to \$45, a "great little" bay pony, well known in this part of the country, belonging to Mr. Chamberlain, was bought in at the latter figure. Mr. Wasey refused \$145 for his *pangaré*; he however sold to Don Juan Monras a big half-bred *alazan* for \$100. Mr. Adamson bought a *rosillo* for \$95 and the horse looked every dollar of his price. The well known Jesuit, who won a hurdle race at the Cañada de Gomez Hipodrome, when that ill-starred venture was flourishing, was knocked down for the ridiculous sum of \$50. A big black Suffolk Punch was bought in at \$350. A yunta of mules, fine animals, sold at \$90, one at 50, one at 46, and one to Mr. Wasey at 42. A big red 15-16 Durham cow, with calf, was bought in at \$115.

There seemed to be more buying in than selling, the friends of the vendors trying to run up the prices and outdo the vendee, and so in many cases overreaching themselves. At a sale which is advertised as "sin base" it should be "sin base," but I do not call the running up of prices by fictitious bids at all a fair proceeding. If a man will not sell under a certain price then let him put an upset price on, and the auctioneer will inform the public, so that they may bid beyond that if so inclined, or let the animal, or whatever it may be go in "to be sold without reserve." Of course it is no fault of the auction-

ers; in the case of yesterday they were simply hampered in their work by the practice, and had to submit to listen to many bickerings over disputed ownership of an animal.

Well, the first Canada de Gomez Remate Feria is a thing of the past. If the experiment is tried again let us hope that it will be more successful, and that more buyers and fewer loafers will attend. This remate certainly deserved attention, and most assuredly if another is held the experience gained yesterday will be turned to account.

C. W. W.

MY FIRST BIG FISH

I must confess that fishing has always been my favourite sport, partly because my boyhood being spent amongst keen fishermen ensured my becoming keen myself, and partly because of the delightful surroundings which are always associated with it, and many's the good day I've had in the valleys and on the lakes of Donegal and Tyrone.

It was the end of August some fourteen or fifteen years ago that a party of friends and myself were staying at a place in the north-west of Ireland for some grouse shooting. The season was very wet and birds scarce and wild, so one morning about a week after our arrival I declined joining the shootists, and started for a small burn which ran into the lough a few miles from the lodge. My tackle was limited, as except for a few brown trout there was nothing else to be looked for in so small a stream, and none of us had come prepared for fishing. So a light trout rod and some of the thinnest casting lines constituted my outfit. The day was dark and a slight south wind was blowing, making a nice ripple on the larger pools.

After about two hours' fishing my basket consisted of some dozen or more trout of a quarter to half a pound, and so far no larger fish had risen. Where I now found myself the stream began to run through a more rocky bed, and the pools became larger and deeper and were divided here and there by small falls. While I sat smoking on the bank and wondering if it were worth while going any farther down, I saw a move in the water near the far bank, not a rise, but simply a swirl such as small fish seldom make, so I made up my mind that something must be there worth catching. The water was very dark in colour, so I had been using gaudy flies—an "orange body" with woodcock wing and hare ear and yellow—so letting out a little more line I made a cast for the place where the fish lay, but fell short by some two or three feet. Another cast and the tail fly dropped beautifully on the spot—but no move or sign from the fish, the same result attending the next two or three casts. Just as I was drawing for another, there was a swirl, a rush, and the fish was hooked. He was off like a shot up the pool, making the reel sing like a cornet, and causing my split cane to bend like a whip. At the head of the pool he turned and ran straight for me; I reeled up as fast as I could, but he came too quick for the reel, so I ran back, and giving him the butt stopped his rush.

I now caught sight of my fish, for the first time, as he jumped clean out of the water—a fine salmon trout, or, as they would call him in Ireland, a "white trout" of about three pounds, a useful handful on a light cane rod with only the thinnest of tackle. However the beggar seemed well hooked, and I felt safe if only he would remain in this particular pool. No such luck, however, as after two more runs he went to the bottom and sulked for a minute, then set off down stream like an arrow. My reel only held about thirty yards of line, so I had to scramble after the fish as best I could, and a nice race he led me, over rocks as slippery as ice, and bushes which were a perfect network of briars. We passed two pools from the one where I hooked him, and still he seemed fresh and strong—which was more than I was when we came to a long run of still water held by high rocks and too deep to wade through. Down this he ran till at half way he changed his mind and turned, stopping at the neck of the pool and snaking again. I now had an opportunity of regaining my wind and getting on even terms with my fish again. Becoming a bit impatient however, I felt for him and, starting with another pump, and landing on his side with a flop my line was left slack and for the moment I thought he was still hooked all right. He was again. Once more we were in a run, into another pool, the girth of the banks still very bad with high hazel bushes and thick undergrowth. Safely out of this last

pool we came to a gravel bed and here, making sure of him, I tried the butt and he came quite quietly almost up to my feet when the stone on which I am standing turns over and in I go rod and all. With a flounder I regain my feet and pick up my rod—the top is broken and the fish is gone—no, he is still on! As I feel him strain on the line again, but it is hard to fight him now with a broken rod. Still he seems firmly hooked, so I try towing him towards the shallows again—he comes on quietly and is in a few inches of water only when he makes a last struggle—a rush, breaks the hold of the hook and makes towards the shore; but the water is too shallow and he is almost stranded, so throwing away my rod I run for him and with a scoop of my handing net throw him right on shore.

When I reached home I weighed my fish and found his weight 3½ pounds, and evidently fresh from the sea. My friends when I told them of my catch, voted that fishing had been the best sport that day, and tried it themselves the next, but though we got lots of brown trout we never hooked another white one in that burn.

HACKLES.

EVENING THOUGHTS AFTER HUNTING DAYS

THE BEGINNING OF THE SEASON

What curious questions people ask in the papers nowadays! The other day a man wrote to ask if the editor of a useful little weekly paper would kindly name a small handbook or brochure on the etiquette of the hunting field. He explained "that he was anxious to ride to hounds this season but not having attended a meet or anything connected with the sport was desirous to know as much beforehand as possible."

The editor suggested that his correspondent should get a hunting friend (if he had one) to enlighten him a little; but it seemed to me a pity that there shouldn't be any little Sportsman's Guide, or Nimrod's Manual for the instruction of the ignorant. One sometimes comes across extraordinary little books on etiquette that tell you not to eat with your knife, and not to call on people in a new neighbourhood until they've called on you. "Don't take off your glove before shaking hands with a lady," and all sorts of interesting things.

Why not have a "Don't—for the Hunting Field"? I expect there would be quite as many people glad of the advice as there are readers of the "Etiquette of the Breakfast Table."

It might run in this style:—

Don't attempt to hunt another man's hounds for him.

Don't turn hounds unless asked by the master or huntsman to do so.

Don't ride close behind hounds, but keep well to the right or left of them.

Don't holloa when hounds are running.

Don't ride near hounds when running down a road.

Don't leave gates open, especially those of fields of roots or where stocks are turned out.

Don't gallop behind sheep or cattle in a field so as to drive them on to the hounds.

Don't lark out hunting, when going home, or from covert to covert.

Don't crowd on hounds going to covert.

Don't ride into gardens or allotments, or do unnecessary damage to any crops.

That was really the advice of a master of hounds to his field. Perhaps it would be too sensible and practical for beginners. Books of etiquette generally tell you what your instinct told you long ago, or else they propound some extraordinary theory that no one could pay any attention to. A hunting man's "Don't" would be more on a par with them if it ran thus:—

Don't let a gate slam in the face of a lady who is riding behind you.

Don't jump on a man when he is down.

Don't expect a huntsman to talk to you when he is casting his hounds.

Don't jump a gate that is half open.

Don't boast of your marvellous performances after dinner.

And so on.

It really might be most entertaining, especially if written by one of the well-meaning old stupidly who annually discourse on the cruelty of field sports:—

What a grand time they have had lately with this long distance ride!

For myself, I have always found twelve miles home from hunting, alone on a tired horse, quite as much as I cared for. It must be weary work when the distance is multiplied by tens.

As for the cruelty of it—cruelty is a subject I never can understand. Inflicting unnecessary pain is what I, in my ignorance, should have supposed it to mean. But opinions differ all the world over.

In a modern English lunatic asylum cruelty is a word unknown—they call it "using force."

It is considered horrible of Spanish women to look on a bullfight, and an English girl has kept sportswomen all the while for hours when they are digging out for the pleasure of seeing a cub broken up.

The writers on fox-hunting cruelty waste all their sympathy on the hunted animal and never think about the overridden horses at all. Whilst it always seems to me that if there is any cruelty connected with the sport surely the whips and huntsmen's horses come in for a good share of it. I have seen a whip's horse ridden to a standstill, and looking as if he'd never go a yard again; yet no one suggested that he was unnecessarily distressed, nor did it occur to the M.F.H. that a whipper-in requires a second horse quite as much as a huntsman.

Supposing if non-cruelty people were to amuse themselves with the horses this season, and let the fox have a rest by way of a change.

We shall get no change in a great many other ways. We shall have "the only really reliable safety habit," and "the unparalleled success in which it is impossible to get hung up," and "the improved matchless skirt," and all that sort of thing, all the season through. And yet hard riding women will tell you "nothing is absolutely safe. So-and-so's habits look well, and I always wear them; but I have been dragged twice in their unhangable skirt."

Two winters ago we were told we should soon ride astride, and our danger in falling would be reduced to a fraction; but no one seems to trouble about it now, and for my own part I am not nearly as keen on having a cross saddle as I was.

Up to a month ago I thought the notion excellent, and long'd for fashion to pronounce it right and proper; but one day, when with two girl friends I'd been trudging on foot all the morning after the hounds, and got up on a friend's horse to rest a while, the result cooled my ardour considerably.

It happened in this way. We were all three tired, we'd lost the hounds, and we wanted to make our way back to the farm where we'd left our carriage, with as little delay as possible. So we set off across a great wide stretch of heathery common, and began to think we wished we'd got four legs beneath us, when young Mr B., whom we had seen with the hounds earlier in the day, overtook us, also on his homeward way. He courteously dismounted whilst he told us they had run to ground in the big woods far away, and he strolled along beside us, finding that our roads lay together.

"It's a great pity his pony should be wasted," thought I; so I told him I was very tired, and asked if I might get up and ride a bit. He would be most happy, he said, only he didn't think it would be quite safe. It was a polo pony that had only just been given him, and he didn't think it had ever had a lady on it before.

"Then its high time it did now," said I.

But still Mr B. hesitated, and made objections. "It was a man's saddle," he said, but he assured me he would not be shocked if I did like to ride on it, so up I got.

He couldn't shorten the stirrups to my length, and I could only just reach them. It was a plain flap-saddle, the pony had a hogged mane, and a very light mouth. I knew I was utterly insecure, but I thought I'd like to canter, and away we went. The pony was game for anything, and the air on the heath was exhilarating and beautiful. For a few minutes I enjoyed it all immensely, but I do not recommend it, and shall not try it again.

The ground was very hard, and my forehead didn't altogether seem suited to coming in contact with it at racing speed. So I lay low for a while, and don't remember much about anything that happened, till I found my head in a basket at the farm.

My friends were frightened, they told me afterwards—I lay so still they thought I must be dead; and Mr B. had to catch the pony and gallop off for brandy. I was just as stupid as stunned people always are, and bothered to know where I was, and what had happened, and I talked a lot of nonsense that I couldn't remember afterwards. They called it concussion.

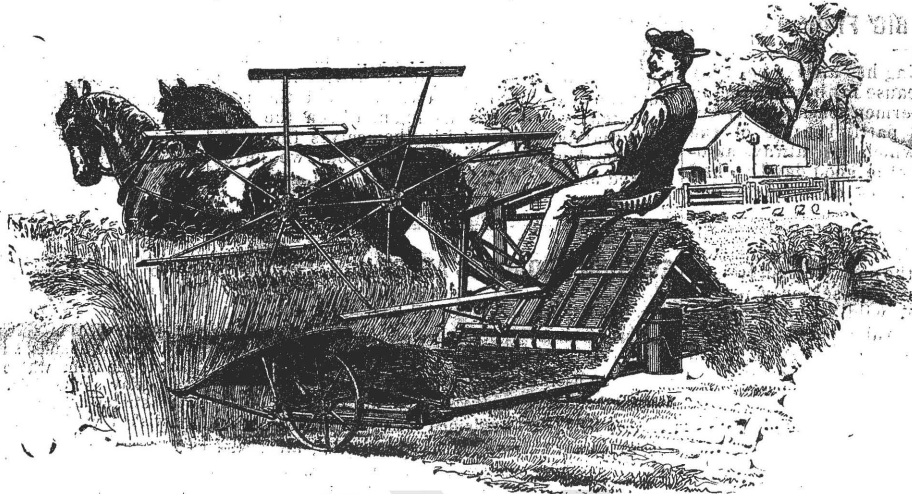
It was a most exciting ride altogether, and it left its mark on my forehead and eye for many a long day. One can't pretend very well with a black and blue eye, and a swollen cheek and a swarred forehead, that nothing unusual has occurred, and we three girls felt in a fix as to what to say about it. We knew Mr B. was to be trusted, and we thought it would sound reasonable to tell people that the pony got frightened, and, it being a man's saddle, of course I fell off. My friends would naturally suppose I was sitting sideways if they were not told to the contrary, and lest any rumour of the real state of the case should get abroad, we set to work to make a little series of sketches of the whole adventure to show to everybody, and no one who saw me sitting sideways in the picture could possibly suppose I really rode astride!—S. and D. News. Lon.

Profits at Monte Carlo

The half-yearly meeting of the shareholders of the Société Anonyme des Bains des Mers et du Cercle des Étrangers de Monaco—that is to say, of the gambling company of Monte Carlo—was held at the headquarters of the Casino. These meetings are only open to holders of not less than £4000 stock. The total revenue from the tables during the past year has been a little over 23,000,000 francs, or about £920,000, which is a million francs more than the receipts of the previous year. The total expenses of the Casino Company amount to over £450,000 a year, or about one half the total receipts. The number of suicides during the past year was five.

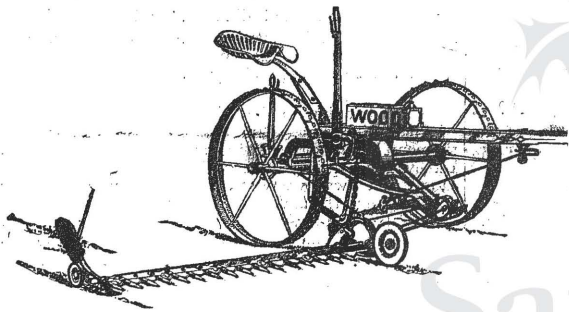
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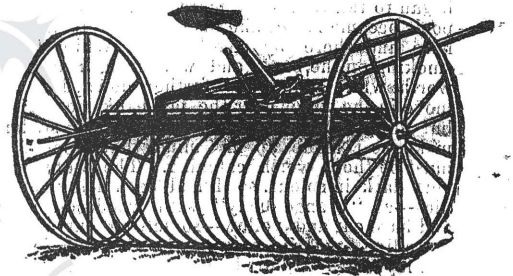


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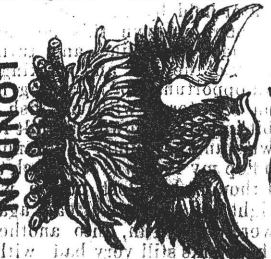
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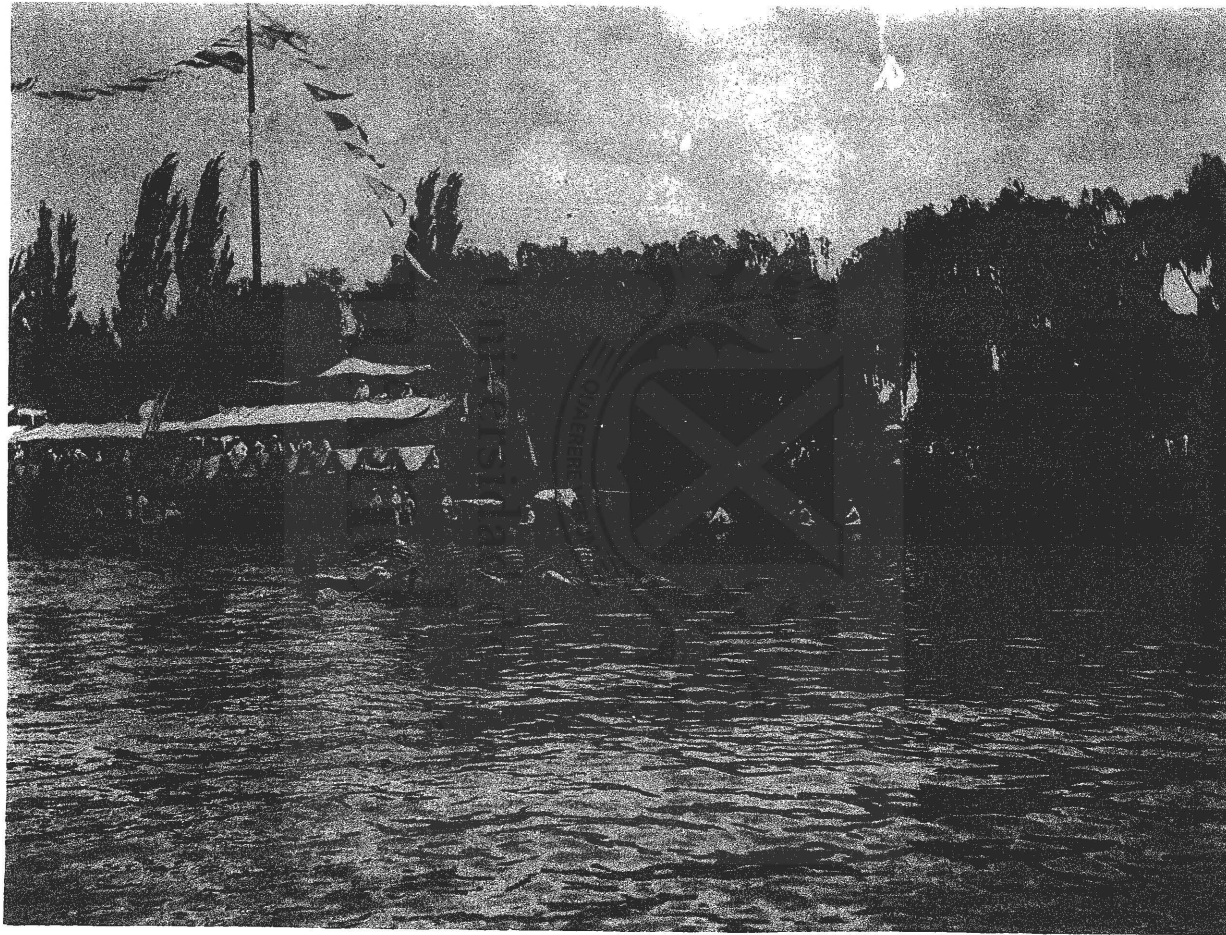
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