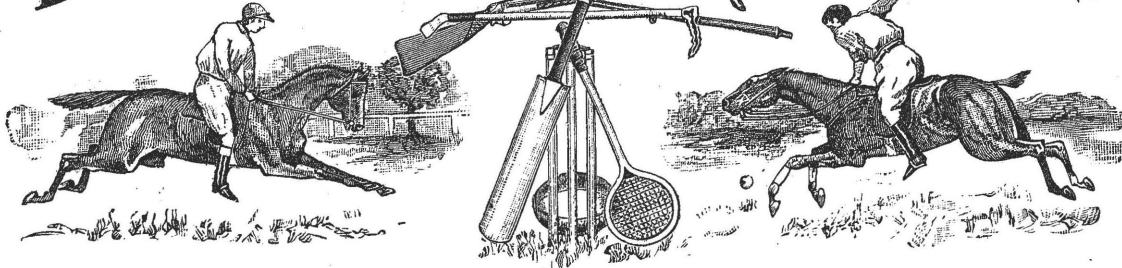


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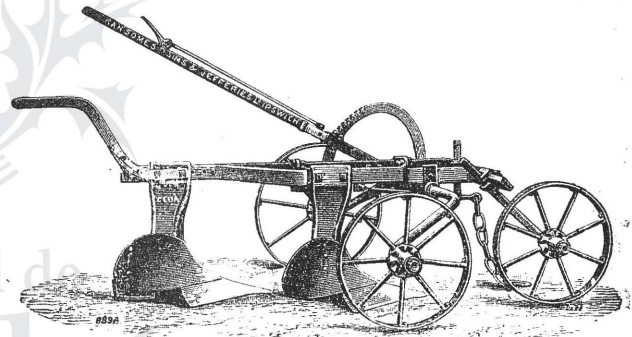
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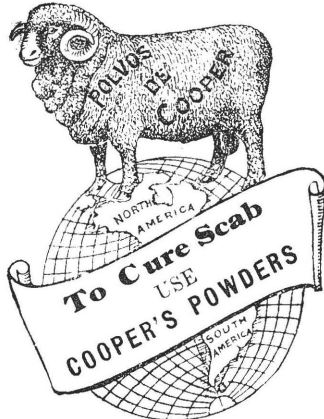
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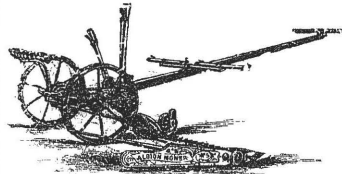
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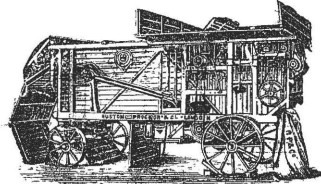
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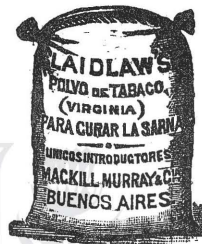
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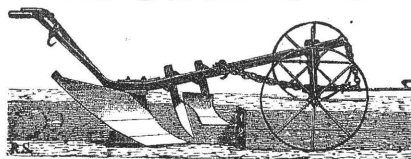
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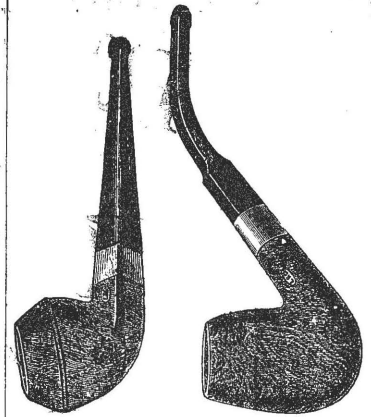


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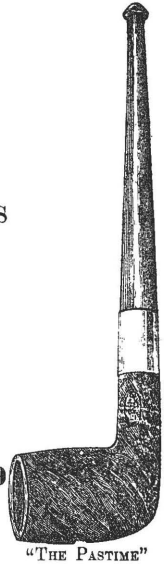
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SKATING

Under this heading will be found the principal sporting news of the week, the frosts at the end of December having been more severe than those experienced for some years past.

The Amateur Championship was decided at Lingay Fen, near Cambridge, on Dec. 29, on capital ice and in splendid weather.

The following shows the times taken by the competitors for the one and half miles:

Table with columns: min. sec. Lists names like Aveling, Tebbitt, Loveday, Thorp, Wells, Goodman, Badcock, Palmer, Whiteman.

The four fastest of the competitors were picked out for the final, when the result was:

Table with columns: min. sec. Lists names like Aveling, Tebbitt, Thorp, Loveday.

The winner, Aveling, was unwell between the rounds, or he would have done better time than the 5 min. 19 sec. he accomplished in the preliminary round, as he was not then pressed.

March. The second in the championship, Tebbitt, is just over 20 years, about 5 ft. 7 1/2 in. in height, and weighs just about 9 st., he is the son of a well known skater of the old times.

The following table shows the winners of the Amateur Championship:

Table listing winners of the Amateur Championship from 1879-80 to 1892-93, including names like F. Norman, W. Loveday, J. C. Aveling.

The Professional Championship was also decided at Lingay Fen on Dec. 29, the holder, J. Smart, not putting in an appearance, preferring for some reason to race elsewhere.

As will be seen, W. Boon, the second, made the fastest time, but was beaten in the final round by G. See by 1 2/5 sec.

The following shows the times taken by the competitors in the first round:

Table with columns: min. sec. Lists names like Boon, G. See, I. See, Smart, Litherland, Hudson, Negus, Noon.

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Table with columns: min. sec. Lists names like G. See, Boon, I. See, Smart.

It was said to be a race between G. Lee and Boon and had the latter been able to negotiate his corners as well as his opponent the positions might have been reversed, Boon was also much longer in getting into his stride at the commencement, and was rather flurried.

The following table will show the winners of the professional championships:

Table listing winners of professional championships from 1879-80 to 1892-93, including names like G. Fish, Smart, Welney, James Smart.

FOOTBALL.

The hard frost interfered greatly with football arrangements for the week ending on Dec. 31, especially in Scotland, where the exponents of the game should be getting used to postponements.

The annual match between Notts County and Notts Forest was played at Nottingham on Boxing Day, and under the circumstances was a fairly good contest.

An interesting fixture was that between the Army and Corinthians on Dec. 24 at the Oval. The game was an exceedingly close one at the finish, the Corinthians winning by four goals to three.

ans pulled themselves] together afterwards and eventually won as stated.

In the Football League half-a-dozen important matches were decided. In the first division Accrington beat Wolverhampton Wanderers by four goals to nil.

The following table shows the position of the clubs in the first division up to and including Dec. 31:

Table with columns: Played, Won, Dn., Lost, Pts., For., Agst. Lists clubs like Preston North End, Sunderland, Sheffield Wednesday, etc.

In the second division it will be seen that Small Heath heads the list. They beat Crewe Alexandra by three goals to one on the 24th; on the same day Bootle beat Darwen by five goals to one.

The following table shows the position of the clubs in the second division up to and including Dec. 31:

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FROGS.

Out of every class of animated beings there are some animals selected by the popular mind to occupy a very degraded and ignominious position. Amongst insects we have such as the deathwatch and death's head moth, the appearance of either of which in a country household is a supposed presage of certain death and which insects almost every countryman thinks it is his duty, his bounden duty to destroy. Amongst birds we have the raven and the owl, both of them regarded as messengers of woe to the household or persons that they visit. Amongst reptiles we have the blindworm, a perfectly harmless animal, but one which is supposed to possess every evil quality, and amongst the amphibians we have the toad and the subject of these notes, the "ugly, waddling, gaping, wide-mouthed frog."

Even our greatest English poet, Shakespeare, in describing the contents of the witch's cauldron, gives a list of despised animals, all being supposed to possess venomous or hateful qualities:

1ST WITCH—

Round about the cauldron go;
In the poisoned entrails throw,
Toad that under cold stone,
Days and nights hath thirty one;
Sweltered venom sleeping got,
Boil thou first i' the charmed pot!

ALL—

Double, double, toil and trouble,
Fire burn, and cauldron bubble.

2ND WITCH—

Fillet of a fenny snake
In the cauldron boil and bake;
Eye of newt and toe of frog,
Wool of rat and tongue of dog,
Adder's fork and blindworm's sting,
Lizard's leg and owlet's wing,
For a charm of powerful trouble,
Like a hell-broth boil and bubble.
Macbeth, Act iv. scene 1.

In this piece it will be observed the frog is included.

Spenser also refers to—

Loathly frogs and toades, which eyes did lacke,
And creeping sought way in ye weedie grasse.
Fairie Queene, Bk. 1, Canto 1.

We find superstitions with reference to the frog and toad current all over the world, but there is not space here to enter into them. I will just mention one as to the possibility of frogs and toads living enclosed in solid blocks of stone. Many anecdotes are told as to frogs and toads escaping from blocks of marble, etc., when such blocks have been hewn open, but most naturalists who have experimented upon them have come to the conclusion that 18 months is about the maximum limit of their vitality when deprived of air, food, and moisture. Most, if not all, of these superstitions, have in all probability arisen from a want of knowledge as to the natural history of the animals, and from that too ready credence of the marvellous, for which the uneducated are so noted. These two things joined to the certainly uninviting aspect of the animals themselves and to the feeling of horror which their presence excites in so many persons, and the death-like coldness of their bodies when touched, are quite sufficient to give rise to any number of superstitions in the minds of those persons who never take the trouble to investigate things for themselves, but are content with what they hear and with a superficial acquaintance with what they see, especially if what they see or hear partake of the marvellous.

Granting that the frog is not a very pleasant looking animal either to see or handle, there is still in the wonderful history of its life sufficient to compensate the observer for any feelings of disgust which he may have when he first enters upon the study of the animal.

This life history, if equalled, is unsurpassed in interest in the animal kingdom. Even the insects, wonderful as they are in their metamorphoses, are during all their changes insects, whereas, the frog is at one time of its life a fish at another time an amphibian.

Let us now look at this history, which, although the frog itself is known to nearly everyone, is unknown to the large majority of people. Few persons when watching the lively motions of the tadpole, as with its head and tail (it seems to have nothing else), it darts about in every direction, seem to be aware that the little creature before them will soon throw off its tail, don two

pairs of legs, and, with some other equally important alterations, assume the impudent stare and the manner of life of a frog. The frog commences its existence in the form of an egg, which, when laid is a small black spot covered with a membrane. When laid, the eggs sink to the bottom of the water, which, passing through the membrane in which the egg is encased, makes it lighter and raises it to the top of the water. The process of water passing through a membranous substance is called "endosmose."

Each frog lays from 600 to 1100 eggs at a time, hence it is that frog spawn is observed in such large quantities in favourable situations. The egg, when fully expanded, is about one-third of an inch in diameter.

In a little while, according to the state of the weather, the round black dots, which are the real eggs, begin to develop. In about 21 days small furrows appear on their surfaces, and they begin to lengthen out and to assume a flat shape. They then wriggle themselves out of their membranous envelope and attach themselves, by means of a small sucker, which at that time does duty for a mouth, to the pond weeds.

And now the little animal begins to develop. Its tail assumes a definite shape; two small gills appear on each side of its head.

The tail is at first only composed of minute cells, which generally lengthen out and form, according to their destination, blood vessels, pigment cells, or muscles, etc. If, at any time before the full development of the cells, the tail be cut off, it will live and continue to grow until the blood vessels are formed. When that time arrives circulation of the blood becomes necessary for its existence, and, consequently, as no blood is forthcoming the tail dies.

The tadpole, so cruelly deprived of its tail, does not suffer on that account, but, by that mysterious power which many of the lower orders of animal life possess of restoring a wounded or excised limb, the animal's tail quickly grows again.

This tail is really a wonderful member. Many an hour has the writer spent over this member alone. Look at it through the microscope. The circulation of the blood is then plainly visible; for, although the animal is so small, scarcely an inch long, it possesses a heart—not like ours, which has four chambers, but like that of a fish, which the tadpole resembles in other respects than this.

There is a little parasite which is found in large quantities on all parts of the tadpole, but chiefly on its tail. This animal (Vorticella it is called) is in shape like a goblet fringed with hairs and fixed upon a long flexible stem. Around the mouth of the goblet are delicate hairs, ever turning about in all directions and whirling the minute atoms which crowd the water down the mouth of the goblet.

To the naked eye the tadpole only appears as if covered with a very fine down, and it is only under the microscope that the scene is beheld in all its beauty. It is a proverb that—

"Big fleas have little fleas upon their backs to bite 'em,
And little fleas have lesser fleas, and so on ad infinitum."

And this rule has no exception in the case of the tadpole's parasite, for the vorticella itself is covered with still smaller and as curious animalcules of a yellowish colour. After the blood-vessels are formed the muscles and then the pigment-cells, which give the colouring matter to the tail, assume most fantastic shapes.

The next change which takes place is an addition in the shape of a pair of hind legs, which at first seem like little buds at the root of the tail, but which gradually assume their proper shape and are followed by the appearance of a pair of front ones. The animal now looks like a lizard.

As the tadpole is now qualified for its terrestrial existence, its tail is of little use and by degrees disappears, not, as some think, by dropping off, but by being gradually absorbed into the body. The mouth now begins to widen and to look rather more like that of a frog.

And now for the last change. Hitherto the frog has breathed by means of gills, that beautiful piece of mechanism by which the life giving and blood purifying oxygen of the water is separated from the hydrogen and brought in contact with the blood of the animal, thereby purifying it, as in the case of our lungs.

(To be continued).

Sr. L. C. Malbran has bought the estancia "San Carlos" in the partido of Dorego for \$142,000. The estancia comprises six leagues of camp, and in the sale were all the plant, fences, buildings, machinery, and working animals.

ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

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

The bursting of a boiler of a thrashing machine engine on the chaera of Sr. D. Andriarena, Lujan, killed on Friday the driver J. Diaz, and wounded three peones seriously and one slightly. A subscription has been raised for the children of the engineman who was killed, and for the families of the peons who were wounded.

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"Science Gossip" contains a highly interesting paper by Mr P. L. Simmonds, F. L. S., on animal plagues. After giving some statistics with regard to the enormous numbers of human beings and cattle annually lost by death from snake bites, or from lions, tigers, wolves, and crocodiles, he gives an account of the rabbit plague in Australia. Speaking of India, he says that in 1889 25,204 persons were killed by wild animals and snakes—chiefly the latter. In Australia it is reckoned that kangaroos consume on an average as much grass as sheep; hence it is very important that their numbers should be reduced. But rabbits introduced by Europeans are the chief plague. The extent of the evil may be imagined from the fact that 15,000,000 rabbit skins have been exported from New South Wales in one year; and that in the thirteen years ending with 1889 39,000,000 rabbit skins were exported from Victoria. The property destroyed by rabbits is estimated by millions of pounds. In spite of the determined efforts that have been made by Colonial Governments and private individuals, there are some districts where it has become a question whether the farmers can keep up the struggle with them. The fencing off of small districts with wire netting seems to be the best means that has been tried of keeping them out of a particular district.

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Mr Edward Casey has bought 8000 cattle, principally mestizo novillos and old cows from Sr M. J. Cobo of La Armoia, Mar Chiquita, at \$30 a head for exportation to Brazil. The Abasto de Carne de Buenos Aires has also bought from the same estancia 7000 animals—cows and novillos—at \$30 a head.

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We read in the "Standard" that since Christmas a continuous battle has been waged against the locust plague on the Reyna estancia, Pergamino. From sun rise till 10 a.m. and from 4 p.m. till sunset six horsemen with weighted cow hides and "rastras" made of wood, attached to the "cincha" are kept constantly galloping in a circle of generally 30 yards diameter, killing locusts by the million. Footmen gather them together as much as possible when they are scattered, and when the "rastras" have done their work the ground becomes a slippery coat of fat. This, with the abundant rain that has fallen, serves as layers of the richest manure for the camp. This helps to repay some of the expenses incurred, but it is in no way gratifying to find, after all the time and expenses thus employed, that inactive neighbours take things so easily.

The "rastra" is made by nailing boards a yard long on two pieces of timber, about a yard and a half in length, which, when dragged by a horse around the locusts, gathers them together into a small circle; a footman then jumps on to the "rastra," which thus weighted soon makes pulp of the hopping mass.

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We hear that Mr James of Carcaraña is hardly able to fill half of his large orders at present, and cannot unless milk increases. The recent rains have been very favourable to the increase of milk but more is wanted still. It is pleasant to hear that such a good business is being done, and we hope that by this time the work will be again in full swing.

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Oats at Cañada de Gomez, on Mr Hansen's place, have threshed out to thirty-five quintales, a very gratifying result to the grower.

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Of the many freaks of nature which have occurred from time to time one as wonderful and novel as any occurred last month at Cork, Ireland, when a Kerry cow there gave birth to a calf which possessed eight legs, two heads and two tails. The body was of very large dimensions, and in breadth it was fully the extent of two bodies, but in all other respects it was distinctly one trunk, and there being no semblance of a division or anything to indicate in the remotest degree that it ever belonged to two distinct creations. But for its increased size the body was to all intents and purposes similar to that of any ordinary calf. It was of prodigious weight, and in every respect it was a fully developed calf. The hair was rather strong and coarse, but the legs were a little slender. The cow died immediately after the birth of the calf and the calf only survived its birth a few minutes.

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Most melancholy accounts of the damages caused by the locusts come from Galeguay. It is said that for the last forty years no invasion of the locust has equalled the present: all the maize is eaten up and quintas, trees, vegetables, fruit, all destroyed. A few days ago there was heavy rain which may do something towards exterminating the pests, but all the Government and official efforts against the Galeguay locusts is mere child's play, nothing human can resist them.

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Seven thousand sheep, two thousand of which are mestizo Lincoln, were purchased last week in Olavarria,

for the Sansinena freezing establishment, at \$8.40 a head, a very high prize. The same establishment has also purchased seven thousand sheep from Sr Vivot, General Belgrano, at a received price.

Messrs Gibson Bros, have sent us a table showing the prices the various classes of wool have sold at during the past few years—1889, 1890, 1891 and 1892. Starting with gold 150 per cent in January 1889 and wool from \$3.80 to 4.60 the ten kilos, the table shows the prices realized during each succeeding month for mestiza Lincoln and fine mestiza wools from the South and South-West, and from the North and North-West compared with the gold rate during the same months, until on December 31st of the year just past we find the gold rate after having touched 430 in October 1891, at 280 and wool at \$6.20 to 8.60, the latter quotation being for mestiza Lincoln wool from the South.

From Cañada de Gomez we hear that the weather is anything but favourable for the camps. It rains one night, then the wind comes the next day, dries everything up, and the dust blows as much as ever. Mr. Robinson has bought within the last week a lot of 1800 cows at \$16 a head for fattening, and Mr. Forbes has obtained what appears the high price of \$47 for some old "lecheras" of good breed. Prices in this district are very good just now.

We regret to have to announce the death of Mr. Hugh Nelson, who was so well known and respected here in connection with the large preserved meat and freezing establishment at Quilmes. Mr. Nelson was expected to arrive in Buenos Aires shortly, and the news of his death has arrived most unexpectedly.

Messrs Bullrich's sale of the estancia Las Hermanas and Quental, belonging to the late Sr. A. Arocena and situated in Olavarría, resulted in a total of \$358,384. The average price paid for the cattle was \$3.65 per head and for the sheep \$2.40. The number of cattle sold at Las Hermanas reached 8,535, with 30,764 sheep and 650 mares. At Quental there were 31,100 sheep, 13,088 cattle and 500 mares.

The system of selling wool by auction instituted by Messrs Bullrich is giving great satisfaction to all parties, and now there are several other auctioneers all selling wool on the new system. Estancieros and wool growers appear to like the system, and we shall expect next year to see the greater part of the wool produce sent in to market sold by auction.

The sudden rise in the gold premium last week has produced a corresponding rise in the price of produce and cereals, and our price list, if compared with that of last week, will show a very great difference, especially in the price of wheat and maize.

A total of 559,000 sandias is said to have been exported from Tucuman during the month of December.

The following are some of the principal sales of wool effected during the last few days:

At the Constitución Market the wool from Sr. F. C. Moreno's estancia, La Espadana, in Navarro, was sold for \$8.20 fine wool, 8.30 cross wool, and 7.20 lambs wool.

Messrs Bullrich sold two lots of wool from Entre Rios, consisting of 24,000 kilos, and obtained the following prices: From Sr J. A. Vazquez estancia Santa Avalina, \$7.65 the ten kilos; from A. Gambier, Gualeguaychu, \$7 lambs' wool 6.30, belly wool 3.85 and 3.65; from San Julio, Azul, the estancia of Sr J. Tallade, the 9000 kilos of fine wool fetched \$8.50 the ten kilos, 2500 cross Lincoln 7.8, 1000 kilos fine wool in bad condition 7.50, 1500 kilos lambs' wool at 7.60, and a small lot of black wool at 6.60.

Messrs Schutt obtained the following prices for the wools from La Porteña, the estancia of Messrs Guerrero Bros.: 13,589 kilos of fine wool at \$7.80, 4973 kilos of Lincoln wool at 8.50, 661 kilos black face at 6.10, 131 kilos black wool at 6.50, 107 kilos Lincoln lambs' wool at 7.00 and 3439 kilos of belly wool at 3.80.

Merino Wool Clips in Victoria—The "Inglewood Advertiser" says: "Shearing has now been completed at most of the sheds in this district, and in some instances with very satisfactory results. The Messrs Kelly, of Powlett, are among this number, their prize sheep especially yielding splendid fleeces. In merinos, a ram that took first prize at the Inglewood show gave a fleece which weighed 21lb., while a first-prize ewe (four-tooth) returned a fleece of 15½lb. From a two-tooth ewe, which took first prize and champion at Wedderburn and first at Inglewood, a 12½lb. fleece was taken, while a four-tooth and two-tooth ewe gave 13½lb and 11½lb respectively. These two ewes took first prizes in the local classes at the Inglewood show."

We read that mules have of late years played a very important part in the constant little wars that recur on the Indian frontier, but the supply has not been equal to the demand. In order, therefore, to encourage mule-breeding, and more especially that class of animal suitable for ordnance work, the Indian Government has sanctioned the following average prices being given for mules for the official year 1892-93:—Artillery draught mules, Rs. 450 each; ordnance mules, Rs. 400 each; and

baggage mules, Rs. 150 each. Every mule presented for purchase is to be valued separately, and prizes, both above and below those mentioned, are not exceeded. At this rate it will almost pay the zemindars better to breed mules than polo ponies.

The Government of Santa Fé intends collecting their tax on cereals somehow, and if they cannot run the growers of the grain to earth, they try the dealer, the broker, or the exporter of it. One collector of the tax has already been shot, and his name is not to be surprised to hear of others meeting a like death at the hands of the colonists, so bitter is the feeling against them. The original concessionaires of the tax have sublet it to people who undertake to collect it by departments.

The cotton plant has, we hear, been experimentally and successfully cultivated by Señora de Morales on her estancia at Las Cañas, a place situated a little north of Tacuarembó. An abundant crop was secured, the cotton being of a brownish colour, but of good quality. The plants, it is said, resist both cold and drought. The cotton itself had been employed in the manufacture of frieze and sacking, for which purposes it is regarded as being perfectly suitable. Further plantations were stated to be in contemplation for this spring.

The Council of the Jewish Colonisation Association has issued its first report, which describes the progress thus far made in settling Jewish refugees, chiefly from Russia, in lands acquired by the association in the Argentine Republic, having a total area of 330,000 acres. A colony has also been formed in Canada. Up to the 20th of September last, £300,000 of the original capital of two millions sterling had been expended—half of it in the purchase of land, and the remainder in the settlement of the families, about 1000 in number, already on the land. The Council expresses the belief that the undertaking may be made self-supporting and established on a financially sound basis.

BUENOS AIRES FROM DAY TO DAY

"Dentro de ocho dias el pais se arde," "Within a week the country will be in a blaze" is the expression put by the "Nacion" into the mouth of a personage "so exalted that he could with difficulty be more so." We shall see; but it almost appears as if there were some truth in the rumour of an alliance between the four governors of the litoral province, Buenos Aires, Entre Rios, Santa Fé, and Corrientes, to defend themselves against any intervention by the National Government.

The Corrientes muddle is still *in statu quo*. No arrangement is possible as anyone could have foreseen from the beginning. On Sunday there was a report that the Governor of Corrientes, Ruiz, had offered the National Government to resign; but really there have been as many rumours as hours in the day so that there is nothing to be gained by repeating them.

The Bolsa ought to be used to alarms by this, and not to be taken in by such an absurd canard as a declaration of war between England and France on the Egyptian question. The latter power scuttled out of the way too fast before the bombardment of Alexandria it was likely to assume a very haughty tone in addressing England about the land of the Pharaohs.

It would appear that stripping women was not bad enough for the Government troops and emissaries in Corrientes so they have taken to shooting children in cold blood and jeering at their parents as they weep over the mangled bodies of their little ones. We should have thought that a Government which has made such professions of piety would have been startled to action by such atrocities as these but no. The *vis inertiae* seems to be the only force left in the Casa Rosada at present.

Captain Funes of the Rosales objected recently to Colonel Lowry as fiscal in the case. The Auditor de Guerra to whom this objection was referred has overruled it, so after a month's paralysis, the enquiry will move along till there is another convenient "artano" in the path when it will again stick fast.

But even the Rosales has to give place for a little before the atrocities on board the recently arrived Libertad whose Captain is admitted to have placed four men for being drunk in a "black hole" without ventilation so that on their release being ordered it was found that Death had been beforehand. The Captain is to be *sumariod* and meanwhile has been suspended. The "Diario" is most indignant and rightly so at this occurrence, and says that the state of affairs in the navy is

frightful and that the punishments inflicted are most barbarous, men being hung by their necks and legs in rings fastened to iron posts, and flogging being events of every day occurrence, the drums being merrily beaten to drown the screams of the victims and prevent them being heard on board the ships of other nations. We wonder when this tide of brutality is going to roll away so that we may have to make our columns read less like a record of atrocities.

It is not that these kind of crimes do not occur in Europe. The *bête humaine* is not confined to any one country, but in Europe the criminals are punished.

What would be said in England if Jack the Ripper were discovered and it were proposed to make him a magistrate or chief of police and yet there are men in similar positions in this country who have as many crimes to answer for as the Whitechapel murderer—"the people will have it so."

"Truth will out" as we remarked before, we think last week. The Buenos Aires Provincial Government indignantly denied keeping a standing army but the truth has come out unpleasantly. A German firm have "put in the bailiffs" literally to obtain payment of \$25,000 for remington rifles supplied to the Government. These are doubtless the rifles forwarded recently to all parts of the camp to arm the government supporters in view of the forthcoming elections.

Yellow fever is at the door and as if nature meant to give us a lesson in practical hygiene a lot of the wooden casillas in the Boca were burnt on Friday night. If it could only be done without loss of life, a good "Chicago fire" in the Boca would be a godsend.

The fire at Messrs Wood's coal depot would appear to be the result of spontaneous combustion. It seems that it had shown signs of breaking out for several days and efforts were made to prevent it, but in vain.

It must not be a pleasant thing to live in Catamarca. Money seems scarce and justice scarcer. The Congress has not been called together for months. The Governor preferring to be an absolute monarch. One of the Judges, as a mark of extreme favour has been drawing his salary in stamped paper which be distributed among the various almshouses to be sold to the suitors in his Lordship's Court. Truly the ways of Argentine statesmen are peculiar.

It seems the Montevideo Government is going to send to Chicago a portrait of itself in its collective capacity. This is very rash. Long before it arrives at Chicago there may have been two or three revolutions.

The Tigre Hotel seems to be a modern Monaco. The "Diario" relates with great gusto that one night last week as the players were leaving the hotel the other visitors bade them farewell with the expressive term "Adios, ruleteros fundidos."

We hear with pleasure that our notes last week on Ostrich Farming have been read by a wider circle than Englishmen. Mr. Nagel informs us that he has received already several visits from Frenchmen, Italians, etc. who had heard of the Cabaña through our columns. We hail this proof of the influence of our paper.

Every paper now-a-days, whether sporting or otherwise, has a column or two devoted especially to its lady readers, and, not wishing to be behind the times, we have arranged with a lady at home to write a weekly letter which will be of special interest to ladies, and will treat of the many subjects useful and interesting to women such as dress, house decoration, books, cookery, theatres, etc., etc. Coming straight from home we have no doubt these letters will be appreciated, as they will contain the very latest of women's gossip. Any suggestions for these letters we shall gladly receive.

The Bradshaw Argentina for February has appeared, & the proprietors offer one dollar to the first person who can discover a mistake in it. The Bradshaw appears to be quite the best of its kind we have, which is saying a very good deal, considering the enormous number of guias published here.

Owing to the neglect or refusal of the Government to give the necessary certificates of work done in order that the value of such work may be collected, the Port Works have had to be suspended. Messrs Madero have protested their contract with the Government.

The "Patria Italiana" seems to have fallen upon evil days. Not long ago its Editor lost his life in a duel, and on Thursday last, owing to the flight of the proprietor of an exchange and general agency called by the same name, and with which the newspaper referred to was connected in the character of guarantor, the directors of our colleague have had to apply for a moratorium in order to ascertain the extent of their obligations.

Rumour, apparently well founded, appears this (Monday) afternoon to confirm the serious notices with which we began this column. It is clear that the horizon is anything but clear, and any day the storm may burst.

JEREMIAH AMONG THE PHILISTINES

HE FALLETH INTO THE HANDS OF BOLSA BROKERS AND IS PARTED FROM HIS SHEKELS.

(With Apologies to the "Financial News.")

Now it befell, in the twelfth month of the year, that Jeremiah, the estanciero, after he had gotten in his harvest, called unto him his mayordomo and said unto him:

"Sell, I pray thee, all the threshings of wheat and let all my bullock-carts and implements of ploughing, and all my cattle my sheep and my mares be delivered unto the rematador. Likewise wring thou the necks of the roosters after their kind, and deliver unto me whatsoever they realise; for the estancia payeth not."

And his mayordomo hurried up the threshers, and drove all his cattle, his sheep and his mares, and implements of sowing and ploughing, unto the auction yard. Likewise he twisted the necks of the cocks and hens, and, lo! in less than six days he delivered unto Jeremiah, his master, seven thousand and three shekels, the proceeds thereof.

Now, Jeremiah lived not so far out in the Camps but that he had heard of the wise men of the Bolsa, and the Brokers thereof.

And oftentimes he had wondered in his heart what manner of men they were.

So he commanded his mayordomo, and delivered unto him fifty shekels, saying: "Tarry thou upon the estancia for I am going on a journey, even unto the Great City, and peradventure I will return ere the next marking."

So next day, ere it was light, Jeremiah put on his best raiment, even his store clothes, and departed privily away.

And about the second day at the third hour after midnight he reached the Great City, tired out and hungry; for the train was ten hours late. And he cursed the officials, and had to sleep in the boletería; for he remembered not his inn.

And in the night season the rats gnawed holes in his coat for the seed-corn and wheat grains that lay in the pockets. But Jeremiah wist not of it until the next morning.

And when the sun ought to have risen—it being pitch dark by reason of a thick mist—Jeremiah arose, and he remembered his address.

So he drank coffee at the Amistad, and departed, following his dunnage on the head of a changador.

And when they had walked about two leagues they reached his inn, and Jeremiah marvelled that it was so far.

So he paid the changador, and entered into the house and got to bed; for he was footsore, and half-choked with the mist.

And, lo! when he arose from his sleep and looked out of the window, behold the mist was gone, and he beheld the station, even the Central, whereunto he had arrived. Then was he exceeding wrath, and would have chastised the changador; but he found him not.

And when even was come Jeremiah sought the wise men of the Bolsa—even Closeprice and Par, the outside brokers—in the street called Piedad.

But they had departed unto their homes, and the house was pitch dark.

Then said Jeremiah unto himself: "This night will I go up even unto the streets Maipu and Esmeralda."

And that evening he had a look in at the Politeama and the Folies Forlet; and after the ballet he was turned out at the twelfth hour.

And when he had eaten his supper at Georges' he took his way home.

And next day, when the sun was high in the heavens—for Jeremiah had overslept himself, and felt very chippy about the tongue—he went unto the house of Closeprice and Par, the Bolsa Brokers, and said unto them:

"Behold, I bring you six thousand and forty shekels. Tell me, I pray thee, how to increase them a hundred-fold in a week."

And they heard him, and led him in, even unto the private room.

And straightway they set before him "Bolsa de Comercio," "La Prensa," "La Nacion," "The Standard," "The Times of Argentina," "The Review of the River Plate," and the Quotations of Gold.

But Jeremiah said unto them: "Wit you well that I know good wheat and maize and alfalfa, and all cattle, and the price thereof; but all this is but as Greek unto me. Tell me, therefore, what thou advisest."

And Closeprice whispered into his ear, "Sell Gold."

Then said Jeremiah unto him, "How can I sell that which I have not?" And they laughed him to scorn, saying, "We sell what we have not, and buy that which we pay not for."

And Jeremiah was astonished, and he commanded them to do as they devised.

So he delivered unto them the shekels, and they sold Gold; likewise they made him a bear of Patriotic and Municipal Bonds. And by the second hour before sunset Jeremiah became also a bull of Banco Constructores, Bonos Hipotecarios, Constructores de Flores, and Dock Sud.

And Jeremiah was so interested that he watched the Tape even until the close of business, and would have tarried there all the night, but they allowed him not.

So about the ninth hour he reached his lodging with his brain in a whirl; and straightway he departed to his bed. But he slept little all the night.

And when the next day was come, Jeremiah entered the house of Closeprice even before the office boy arrived.

And he sat and watched the Tape until midday.

And about that hour they said unto him, "Come with us even unto the Brunswick; for our stomachs yearn for refreshment."

So they all went and they stood him "puchero" and Pilsen; and Jeremiah felt so gay that he sold more Gold.

And all that afternoon Jeremiah worried over the Fluctuations of Gold until his head split.

And when even was come, Jeremiah and the wise men went up town, even unto the Café Paris and the Folies Forlet.

And, lo! the next morning Jeremiah saw the sun rise from the Plaza Once.

So all that day Jeremiah abided in his bed, by reason of the night's debauch.

And when the next day broke from the East—for it was the Sabbath, and the Great City was as of the dead—Jeremiah went not to the races, neither took he interest in the cricket at Palermo, but rested at his inn, and comforted himself expectant of the profits.

And about the middle of the week, Closeprice called unto Jeremiah as he sat on a bundle of Official Bolsa Lists watching the Tape, saying: "To-day is the end of the month; let us lift up our eyes and see how thou standest."

And straightway their chief scribe came unto them, and said to Jeremiah: "Alas! that which thou didst sell arose, and that which thou didst buy fell. Behold, we have closed the account."

And he showed him the roll of the ledger, in which it was written that Jeremiah had lost six thousand and thirty-five shekels.

Then was Jeremiah exceeding sad, and said unto them: "Of a surety, I am indeed unfortunate! Give me, I pray thee, the remaining five shekels, and I will depart."

So they weighed him out the shekels, and Jeremiah cursed the Tape, and departed unto his estancia.

WOMEN'S GOSSIP.

NOTES FROM HOME.

DEAR KATE,—

It seems so odd to think of you broiling under a scorching sun and wondering what is cool enough to wear, while we are shivering in furs and homespuns, habit cloths and velvets, with twenty-seven degrees of frost and its unpleasant accompaniments of frozen water pipes and the doleful cry of the unemployed, who, poor souls have an extra bad time of it in bitter cold. But a white Christmas is by no means mostly a miserable one, and a lovelier Christmas Day than this has been nobody could imagine, it was a typical "olde Englishe" Christmas-card Christmas Day, the trees glittering white with hoar frost, a blue sky and a bluer sea and delightful hard dry roads on which the feet of men and horses seemed to ring out a cheery, merry Christmas as they passed. Skating on the lochs, too, and you know what that means, and just what Duddington looks like covered with bright costumes and merry faces, and lit up by a grand frosty sunset.

It is such joy for the school-children too, and all the mothers I know look amiable, for Tom from Rugby and Jack from Fettes, and even the mischievous small boys from preparatory schools—such family tortures on wet days!—are safely disposed of taking their sisters to skate, and there is peace in the house till evening, when, after dinner, they can all be sent off to "Aladdin" at the Royal, pretty as are all the Royal pantomimes, or "The Mountebanks" at the Lyceum.

Everyone who expected great things from "The Mountebanks" is doomed to disappointment, for except for the juveniles it is by no means entertaining—a poor dialogue, not much of a plot, and indifferent music makes us feel that Messrs. Gilbert and Cellier ought to have done better for us! Perhaps we are spoiled though, for this has been an excellent theatre winter so far, and after the Carl Rosa Company—henceforth, by the way, to be styled by the Queen's permission the Royal Carl Rosa Opera Company—in L'Amico Fritz and Cavalleria Rusticana and the La Cigale Company, with bright music and exquisite mounting, one is apt to be critical.

I see Sir Augustus Harris has already decided on two novelties, to be brought out during the Covent Garden Opera season. The first of these is Pietro Mascagni's Rantzani, so popular in Italy, and the other Pagliacci, by Leon Cavallo, already much liked in Berlin and elsewhere. The libretto of Pagliacci is said to include a play within a play, and it deals with a tragedy of Calabrian peasant life. It is said that among the papers of the late Emperor Henry Litolf, of Brunswick, has been found the libretto of an opera of King Lear; which follows the lines of Shakespeare's play and may by and by be brought out in Germany.

Here we have also had during the autumn Mr. Hare's company of the Beerbohm Trees and Mr. and Mrs. Kendal—all with good companies and in interesting pieces. The Kendals played "The White Lie" here for the first time, but clever as Mrs. Kendal is in it, nothing seems to suit her so perfectly as the old favourite "A Scrap of Paper." Barrie's "Walker, London," we had too, but I really have not time to discuss the all-popular Barrie to-day, he requires more space than I can spare him just now.

Did you see that Madame Bernhardt sent the lady who last summer found her snake, the "cher pythou" that acts with her in "Cleopatra," a diamond ring and a photograph of herself as Cleopatra. The creature, it seems, had escaped and was straying towards Hampstead, and the lady caught it and took it home, even though it wore a gold collar and a jewelled ring, showing it was a snake of high rank, and possible mild manners, it must have taken some courage to lay hold of so untempting a pet.

You will think I am forgetting the fashions though, so here are two gowns that should be useful to you or your friends; both would suit your present temperature nicely. The first I saw at a garden fete last Autumn, and it looked lovely. It was a delicate pale-blue lawn with a plain skirt just touching the ground; the body was fitted at the back but slightly frilled in front and caught in at the waist, with smocking in pale blue silk, the upper part of the sleeves were loose and full puffs, and the long tight cuffs were covered with a coarse white lace. There was a collar also of the lace, and the costume was worn with a wide black lace hat trimmed with small scarlet poppies. The gloves were black and so was the parasol, which had full frills of lace and a bow of poppy-coloured ribbon; and the very dainty morocco walking shoes were just thick enough for out door wear.

The other was an evening dress for an informal dinner or small dance, and take note of it carefully, for it is such a good way to freshen up an old black gown. A black lace skirt, with a full ruche round the foot, in which were irregularly dotted ribbon velvet bows of an exquisite moss-green shade; a black surah bodice, with a collar of green velvet edged with jet; large loose puffs of green velvet made the elbow sleeves, and were finished with a jet beading at the elbow; the open square was edged with jet, and the front of the corsage was trimmed Hussar fashion, with bands of the green velvet ribbon; the body was short and had a handsome deep jet fringe. This dress can easily be varied to suit different complexions, and would look equally well with velvet in daffodil yellow-rich amber, or any of those lovely shades of mauve now so fashionable.

The shops are charming just now, next time I must tell you about them.

To end up with I give you some lines Swinburne writes about Tennyson. What a grand old man the Laureate was and how much his distinctive personality as well as exquisite poetry endeared him to every one:

ALFRED LORD TENNYSON, 6th October, 1892.

Fairer far than the morning star and sweeter far than the songs that sang Loud through Heaven from the Choral Seven, when all the stars of the morning sang,

Shines the song that we loved so long, since first such love in us flamed and sprang.

England glows, as a sunlit rose, from mead to mountain from sea to sea,

Bright with love, and with pride, above all taint of sorrow that needs must be,

Needs must live for an hour and give its rainbow's glory to lawn and lea.

Not through tears shall the new born years, behold him, crowned with applause of men,

Pass at last from a lustrous past, to live that lightens beyond their ken,

Glad and dead, and from earthward led to sunward, guided by Imogen.

Musical, is it not? But Swinburne is always that, and now adieu.—Yours,

MARGERY.

HORSES IN THE ARMY.

The latest return of the number of horses and mules used in the British Army shows the total to be slightly in excess of the number provided for in the estimates. The total is very nearly 26,000, of which about 15,000 are on the British establishment, and the remainder on the Indian. The Cavalry, including the Household Regiments, take the largest number of the horses, having rather more than 12,000 to mount 19,000 non-commissioned officers and men. The Artillery have over 11,000 horses and mules. The Foot Guards and Infantry have 700 animals for ordinary transport and ammunition supply in the field, the Army Service Corps 1300, and the Royal Engineers 400.

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River Plate Sport and Pastime.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1893.

SPORTING NOTES

The annual general meeting of the Quilmes Club took place last Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Hotel Universo Quilmes, Mr L. J. Lowe in the chair. The meeting was very well attended, about fifty members being present. The financial statement of the club was presented by the treasurer, showing the funds in a satisfactory state, which is highly satisfactory considering the heavy expenses the club has had to bear during the last four months.

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The pavilion account was not in such satisfactory condition. Some \$400 dollars had been subscribed by the members for meeting this debt, leaving about \$470 still short, but this amount was subscribed on the spot by those present at the meeting, thus wiping out entirely the old debt, so that for 1893 the club starts on a really sound financial basis.

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A race meeting was proposed, and the 25th of March was the date fixed for it.

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The new officers for the current year were elected as follows:

Mr P. J. Lowe President.
Mr W. L. Morkill, Vice-President.
Mr A. M. Hudson, Secretary.
Mr F. Bethell, Treasurer.
Committee—Messrs F. Bennett, T. Murray, A. Yeomans, A. W. Rooke, F. Bocquet, H. C. Crusoe, and A. Paton.

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The sub-committee, elected at the last meeting of the Kennel Club to draw up rules, have finished their task, and call a meeting of all those interested in the club for Thursday, the 9th inst., at 4 o'clock, at the schoolroom of the Scotch Church, to approve the rules, and elect permanent office bearers for the present club year. It is to be hoped that a large and representative meeting will put in an appearance.

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During carnival week the Lezama Polo Club intend sending a team to Quilmes when they will play matches against the home club, Lomas, and either Hurlingham or Belgrano.

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In another column will be found the entries and weights for to-morrow's meeting at Hurlingham, and from the number of the former there should be a good day's sport. It will be noticed that neither the Premio Verano, a race for any horse, nor the Premio Venado Tuerto, for 58 in. ponies, appear on the programme as they did not fill. A consolation race for polo ponies has been added to the programme to make it complete.

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The challenge thrown out by the owner of Baby has been taken up, and a match arranged between Baby and a pony called Fanny, of height unknown, under the following conditions: Baby 67 kilos, Fanny 65 kilos, distance 800 metres, \$250 a side. The programme therefore will contain seven events, the original number.

I read the other day of a remarkable performance of a 13h. 2in. pony at home, which trotted fifteen and a half miles, between Leicester and Melton Mowbray, in 57 min. 20secs. The performance was the outcome of a wager of £25 that the pony would trot fifteen miles within an hour, a feat he accomplished with two minutes and fifty seconds to spare.

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I am glad to see Mr Brett once more accompanying his horses to the course at Belgrano after an absence of over ten months. Mr Brett, it will be remembered, received a kick from Lugano, which broke one of the bones in his left leg, since then he has been laid up, but careful treatment has now enabled him to get about again, and I hope soon to see him quite recovered. An Argentine colleague states that the accident has left Mr Brett with one leg eight inches shorter than the other, but he is misinformed, as I am glad to say the well known trainer will be none the worse for his accident when once he gets strong again.

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The Jockey Club at home are proposing to licence bookmakers and there is every probability of the project being carried into effect. The fees resulting from the registration of the bookmakers, who appear to favour the idea, will go towards a fund for paying a special staff of police to keep the rings free from objectionable parties.

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To-morrow the cricket match at Quilmes will be between teams representing the married and single members of the club. The teams will be selected from the following:

Married—Messrs Pembroke Jones, Howson, Mackill, Woods, Murray, Morkill, Campbell, Cordner, Brougham, Thursby, and Yeomans.

Single—Dr White, H. Anderson, R. E. H. Anderson, F. Bocquet, Permaine, F. Atkinson, Burrows, A. Palmer, T. E. Palmer, V. Forde, and H. C. Crusoe.

Messrs Hudson and Sinclair will probably help the married men.

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Quilmes are to be congratulated on their win on Sunday as Hurlingham thereby had the unbeaten record on their own ground broken. The fielding on both sides was very bad. Hurlingham dropped catches innumerable, and if Quilmes want to win more matches they will certainly have to improve greatly on the form they showed us in this respect on Sunday.

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Cricket on the ice has been tried at home with success by a few keen spirits at Market Harborough. The game was played on a reservoir and between the two villages of Saddington and Ribworth. One side scored 205 so runs were made freely.

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The conditions for the open tournament, at which the Championship of the River Plate will be decided, & arranged to be held by the Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, the 30th and 31st of March, and 1st of April, will be found in another column. Entries close on the 1st of March, and the draws take place in these offices on Monday, the 6th of March. The tournament should mark an epoch in the Lawn Tennis History of the River Plate.

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The Lomas Athletic Club announce a Lawn Tennis Tournament open to members of the club, entries for which close on the 15th inst.

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Tennis Players will be glad to hear that Mr. French of the Caledonian House has received a lot of Lawn Tennis Racquets which are not only the best we have seen for sale here but also the cheapest.

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The Rosario Rowing Club, owing to hardly any entries having been received, have abandoned the idea of holding a regatta to-morrow, Thursday. Races, however, will most likely be held in connection with the Club, later on in the season.

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I notice that in the entries for the chief spring handicaps of this year Orme is not entered for any race over a mile and a quarter, which seems to prove that those who said he could not get any distance over a mile are right.

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The principal pigeon shooting prize, the Premio Mar del Plata, last Sunday at Mar del Plata

was won by Sr C. P. Rodriguez with twelve kills, Sr D. de Alvarc coming second with eleven kills out of twelve, at 26 and 27 metres. The Premio Bristol Hotel, on Monday, was won by Sr R. Bollini with ten consecutive kills, Sr E. Bollini, the winner of the Premio Inauguration at Vicente Lopez, coming second with twelve kills out of thirteen at 23 metres. Great enthusiasm prevails at Mar del Plata, and an extraordinary amount of interest is taken in the shooting.

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The distance between La Plata and Quilmes by road has at last been definitely decided, I hope for ever. Messrs Leitch, H. W. Sloper, and Ramondene rode the distance on Sunday last, and with the aid of a cyclometer ascertained the distance to be 45 kilometres. Messrs Ramondene and Sloper started from the Plaza Victoria at an early hour in the morning, and arrived at Quilmes in about an hour and three-quarters. Here they had to wait some time for Mr Leitch, but restarting again at about a quarter to eight, they arrived at La Plata at about half past eleven. The roads were found bad between South Barracas and Wilde, Villa Elisa and Adolfo Alsina, and on the way to La Plata the wind blew fairly strong in the riders' faces, but helped them considerably on the way home, the ride terminating at Quilmes a little before eight without mishap of any kind.

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The Jockey Club and Hipódromo Nacional have paid their "parentes" for the betting houses on their respective racecourses at Palermo and Belgrano, and the embargo placed on their premises has accordingly been removed. Sr Erasquin, on the ground that his "Sport Portena" should rank the same as the betting houses on the racecourses, applied the other day for a license to open his shop as heretofore, but the Municipality as yet have refused to grant it. The argument advanced by the Municipality that betting on the racecourse encourages the breeding of good horses whilst betting in town does not is, to say the least of it, original.

Boots.

CRICKET

FIXTURES.

FEBRUARY

Thurs. 2. London Bank v. Lomas, at Lomas.
Sun. 5. B. A. G. C. v. Lomas, at Lomas.
Sun. 5. Western Ry. v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.
Sun. 5. Lanús v. B. A. and R. Ry., at Belgrano.
Sun. 12. Quilmes A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Quilmes.
Sun. 12. Lanús v. Western Railway, at Tolosa.
Sun. 12. B. A. and R. Ry. v. Lomas 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. Lanús A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Flores.
Sun. 19. B. A. C. C. v. London Bank, at Palermo.
Sun. 26. Lomas 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. Lanús A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Lanús.
Sun. 19. Lomas v. Hurlingham, at Lomas.
Sat. 25. Sun. 26. Lanús 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.

HURLINGHAM C. v. QUILMES C.

Hurlingham had to haul down its flag to Quilmes on the 29th ult., being beaten by one wicket and 13 runs. The home team won the toss and put in Messrs Clunie and Preston, who, thanks to the leniency of the fielders, made 36 before Preston was caught for 17. After this the wickets fell fast until Messrs Duncan and Wilson got together and his put on 65 runs. Duncan carried out bat for a well-played 40, and Wilson's 27 was a creditable performance. The innings closed for 142.

For Quilmes, every man scored—six getting double figures, viz., F. Dore 29, F. Bennett (not out) 25, Dr. White 20, F. Rooke 17, Howson 15, and R. Anderson 10. With only one wicket to fall the Quilmes team had still seven runs to make to win, so the finish of the match was exceedingly exciting. F. Bennett, however, who scored freely all through his innings, soon hit up the necessary number, and he and Crusoe were still at the wickets when stumps were drawn with the score at 155, or 13 over the Hurlingham total.

The fielding of the home team was wretched, and although two smart catches were made by Clunie and Garrod others were dropped almost in every part of the field like hot potatoes.

Scores:

Hurlingham 1st inn	Quilmes 1st inn
F. W. Clunie, c Bennett, 14	Dr. White, b E. R. Gifford, 20
T. E. Preston, c Bocquet, b Dore, 17	Howson, c Clunie, b E. R. Gifford, 15
J. R. Garrod, c Howson, b Anderson, 7	F. Dore, c Sinclair, b E. R. Gifford, 29
E. R. Gifford, c Dore, b Anderson, 3	A. Palmer, b E. R. Gifford, 5
R. Sutherland, b Dore, 6	R. E. H. Anderson, c Duncan, b Garrod, 10
E. T. Christian, b Dore, 0	F. Rooke, b E. R. Gifford, 17
M. G. Fortune, b Dore, 0	F. Bocquet, b E. R. Gifford, 8
E. L. Wilson, b Dore, 27	J. F. Palmer, c and b Garrod, 7
D. Duncan, not out, 40	F. Bennett, not out, 25
M. Duggan, l-b-w, b Dore, 0	F. W. Atkinson, b E. R. Gifford, 3
T. B. Sinclair, b Rooke, 3	H. C. Crusoe, not out, 3
Extras, 18	Extras, 13
Total, 142	Total, 155

BOWLING ANALYSIS

Hurlingham					
	O	M	R	W	
Howson, 8	1	1	22	0	
Rooke, 11.1	6	1	6	1	
Dore, 24	1	1	50	6	
R. Anderson, 16	3	1	46	3	
Quilmes					
J. R. Garrod, 19	2	1	67	2	
E. R. Gifford, 23	4	1	56	7	
R. Sutherland, 5	0	1	19	0	

LONDON BANK v. B.A. and ROSARIO Ry. A.C.
 The Bank having won the toss, J. Gifford and C. W. Thompson went to meet the bowling of Dr Pettinger and W. Neild. A stand was made from the first, runs coming quickly, and when play was suspended for lunch the board registered 86 runs without the loss of a wicket.

On resuming play W. Higgins took Pettinger's place, but it was not until the total of 134 had been reached that Neild captured C. W. Thompson's wicket, who retired for a well earned 47, leaving the captain still in, with 15 runs to make to complete a century. G. A. Thompson then joined Gifford, but after a few useful hits was dispatched by Higgins for 12. The next three wickets soon fell, and had it not been for the intermediate hitting of Gifford the score would not have materially improved, and, after his century was scored, let out, doing tremendous damage to the crops and cattle in the adjacent fields.

With a score of 214 runs for five wickets the Bank declared their innings closed, having two hours to get rid of their opponents.

Messrs W. McCulloch and W. Ellison went to face the bowling of G. S. Anderson and G. A. Thomson, the latter sending Ellison back without a run. B. B. Syer was the next to score, and, by some pretty hitting, took the total to 42, his wicket falling eventually to J. Gifford, who had relieved G. S. Anderson. Of the rest W. Bond and F. Webb played well for their respective 14 and 11. On the fall of the tenth wicket the score had reached 107 runs and twenty minutes to play.

As will be seen from the bowling analysis, Neild, for the Railway took four wickets for 50 runs, the other falling to Higgins at a cost of 73.

For the Bank G. A. Thompson took five wickets for 50 runs, and J. Gifford two for 23.

For the home team Bond always seemed to be in the right place, and for the visitors J. Barnes kept up his reputation in the field.

Scores:

London Bank 1st inn	B. A. & R. Ry. A.C. 1st inn
J. Gifford, not out, 134	W. McCulloch, b G. A. Thomson, 27
C. W. Thompson, b W. G. Neild, 47	W. Ellison, b G. A. Thomson, 0
G. A. Thomson, b W. Higgins, 12	W. A. Roberts, b J. Gifford, 3
T. Lees, c and b W. G. Neild, 3	B. B. Syer, b J. Gifford, 21
J. Stuart, c and b W. G. Neild, 2	W. Higgins, b J. Gifford, 1
G. S. Anderson, b W. G. Neild, 5	G. W. Pettinger, run out by W. Bond, b G. A. Thomson, 14
S. Francis, not out, 5	F. J. Webb, run run by W. G. Neild, b J. Barnes, 0
R. L. Rumball, 0	R. Lloyd, not out, 3
R. C. McKinnell did not bat, 0	T. Fisher, b G. A. Thomson, 7
J. Christie, 0	Extras, 15
J. F. Barnes, 6	Extras, 15
Total, 214	Total, 107

BOWLING ANALYSIS

London Bank					
	O	M	R	W	
W. G. Neild, 12	3	1	31	3	
W. G. Pettinger, 7	1	1	35	—	
W. Higgins, 9	2	1	73	1	
F. J. Webb, 10	1	1	26	—	
B. A. R. Ry. A.C.					
G. A. Thomson, 12	4	1	50	5	
J. Gifford, 7	2	1	24	2	
G. S. Anderson, 4	0	1	10	—	
J. Barnes, 5	1	1	8	1	

LANUS v. Mr. HOLDER'S XL.
 This cricket match was played at Lanus on Saturday, Jan. 28, and resulted in a win for Lanus by 60 runs. For the winners Rudd played very well. Brookings also following up his success at Olavarria with a well played 17.
 For the losers Tupholme hit hard for 27, and Moroney bowled well.

Scores:

Lanus	Mr Holder's XI.
A. W. Rudd, c and b Moroney, 50	C. Tupholme, b Rudd, 27
D. Duncan, b Moroney, 11	R. Lloyd, run out, 0
R. Brooking, b Moroney, 17	T. Howe, st Brooking, 0
J. Brayshaw, c Moroney, b Tupholme, 8	Moroney, b Brayshaw, 0
F. A. Barker, c Hardcastle, b Tupholme, 4	Trudgett, b Brayshaw, 10
F. Morgan, not out, 4	Holder, not out, 10
T. Bridge, c Hardcastle, b Moroney, 2	Cooke, b Rudd, 1
A. Lamont, b Moroney, 2	Hardcastle, b Brayshaw, 1
G. Walton, st Holder, b Moroney, 0	Mitchell, b Rudd, 0
F. Fitzgerald, b Tupholme, 5	Extras, 2
Extras, 10	Extras, 2
Total, 114	Total, 54

BOWLING ANALYSIS

Lanus					
	O	M	R	W	
Howe, 11	—	—	28	—	
Moroney, 17	4	—	47	6	
R. Lloyd, 3	—	—	15	—	
Trudgett, 2	—	—	5	—	
Mitchell, 1	—	—	1	—	
C. Tupholme, 7	2	—	9	3	
Mr Holder's XI.					
R. W. Rudd, 6.4	—	—	25	3	
J. Brayshaw, 6	—	—	29	4	

LANUS v. LOMAS.
 This match was played at Lanus on Sunday, Jan. 29, and resulted in a win for Lanus by 45 runs.

The principal contributor to the success of Lanus was Tupholme, who made 30 and took 4 wickets for 19 runs; Cornwall, also, bowled very well, getting 6 wickets for 30 runs. Fothergill and Brooking batted well for 25 and 8 respectively; the way that Brooking played Rath's bowling being highly creditable for so young a player, and was an important factor in the result.

Scores:

Lomas 1st inn	2nd inn
P. M. Rath, b Cornwall, 3	not out, 48
A. Anderson, c Fothergill, b Tupholme, 0	c and b W. Browne, 6
C. A. Tabor, b Cornwall, 0	b Rudd, 0
J. D. Frost, c Gordon Brown, b Cornwall, 7	run out, 0
F. Jacobs, b Cornwall, 11	c and b Howe, 3
P. L. G. Bridger, b Tupholme, 6	c and b Howe, 6
C. Reynolds, c Gordon Brown, b Cornwall, 7	not out, 1
H. Dodds, b Cornwall, 2	—
J. Kahl, c Smith, b Tupholme, 4	—
W. Leslie, not out, 8	—
G. Leslie, b Tupholme, 1	—
Extras, 4	Extras, 8
Total, 53	Total, 72

BOWLING ANALYSIS

1st Innings					
	O	M	R	W	
C. Tupholme, 12	2	1	19	4	
H. Cornwall, 11	1	1	30	6	
2nd Innings					
R. W. Rudd, 6	0	1	25	2	
W. Brown, 4	0	0	23	1	
T. Howe, 6	0	0	20	2	
H. Cornwall, 4	2	0	2	0	

Scores:

Lanus 1st inn	1st inn
R. W. Rudd, b Bridger, 2	not out, 0
G. Bingham, b Rath, 0	—
J. A. Smith, c Reynolds, b Rath, 2	—
W. Brown, b Bridger, 4	—
H. Cornwall, b Rath, 8	—
C. Tupholme, b Tabor, 30	—
Gordon Brown, b Rath, 2	—
R. Brooking, l-b-w, b Tabor, 8	—
F. W. Fothergill, not out, 25	—
T. Bridge, b Dodds, 2	—
T. Howe, b Tabor, 2	—
Extras, 15	Extras, 15
Total, 98	Total, 98

BOWLING ANALYSIS

Lanus					
	R	M	O	W	
P. M. Rath, 12	3	1	22	4	
P. L. G. Bridger, 7	1	1	18	2	
C. A. Tabor, 7.2	0	1	27	3	
H. Dodds, 3	0	1	15	1	

Rath bowled 1 no ball.

HORSE SALES
 A useful lot of horses from San Martin, Vicente Casares, sold yesterday at Messrs Funes and Lagos for the following prices:
 Duchess and My Lady, 3 yrs old, the pair \$700
 May Rose and Queen Mab, the pair 1400
 Aurora 510
 Lola 150
 Beatrice, 4 yrs old, 650
 Ebony, 5 yrs old, 230

RACING

SAN FERNANDO—JAN. 29.

The race meeting last Sunday at San Fernando passed off pleasantly, though there were a few incidents in connection with one or two of the races which, had they not possessed a large element of comicality, might have otherwise proved of a serious nature and spoiled the day. For instance, some owners appeared to treat the conditions of the races with the utmost disregard, and, because in a race for criollo horses they were not allowed to run an almost thoroughbred animal, were genuinely offended. A slight disagreement between an owner and a jockey led to the former's hat being broken in; two sportsmen had a stand-up fight, in which one of the contestants had to take to flight; and there were many other disputes and rows which luckily never became serious, owing probably to the crowd being all along in the very best of tempers. The stewards of the San Fernando meetings, we may say here, appear to have a most holy horror of objections, and it is quite useless to make them. For instance, a pony of quite fifty-nine or sixty inches ran the other day in a race for 58 in. ponies. The owner produced a long expired Hurlingham certificate of height, given for the pony when it was three years old. The pony won, the owner of the second objected, but was told by the stewards that although they knew perfectly well that the winner was over 58 in. high, they thought it better to let the matter pass and not make a fuss!

Below is a brief review of last Sunday's racing.

PREMIO ATHOS, a Handicap; \$500 to the 1st; 1200 metres.

Stud Niño Dorado's Monk by Garrod, 5 yrs, 50 k	1
Stud Solitario's Musical, 5 yrs, 47 k	2
Stud Winchester's Liniers, 5 yrs, 53 k	3
Sr. A. Magliolo's Palmister, 4 yrs, 50 1/2 k	0
Stud La Prensa's Falucho, 5 yrs, 53 k	0
Ecurie Bolivar's Muchacho, 4 yrs, 45 k	0

PREMIO DESENGAÑO, for Criollo Horses; weight 65 kilos; \$300 to the 1st; 600 metres.

Stud Arenales' Polvora	1
Stud Terminacion's Flamenco	2
Stud Misterioso's Misterioso	3
Stud Milagu's Bochinchero	0
Sr. F. Rodriguez' Variable	0
Sr. F. del Castillo's Pelasonso	0

PREMIO PLANCHETTE, for Ponies 54 in. or under; Ponies of 54 in. carried 55 kilos, 3 kilos allowed per inch; 1000 metres. The stakes of \$10 each and an objet d'art to the 1st.

Stud Cerrito's Inquieto	1
Stud Nene's Nene	2
Stud Hurlingham's Bautan	3
Stud Solitario's Porvenir	0
Stud Neves' Vigilante	0

PREMIO CAMORS, a Handicap for Horses which have not won more than \$3000; \$500 to the 1st; 1000 metres.

Stud Terminacion's High Life by Rugby, 5 yrs, 57 k	1
Stud Norte's Light, 4 yrs, 46 k	2
Sr. C. G. Palacios' Satis, 3 yrs, 55 k	3
Ecurie Avant Garde's La Plata, 4 yrs, 53 k	0
Stud Niño Dorado's Monk, 5 yrs, 51 k	0
Sr. J. Cardoso's Reporter, 5 yrs, 50 k	0
Sr. Prodrer's Guerrero, 5 yrs, 47 k	0

SHOOTING

The 21st inst. being the birthday of their little son, Baron and Baroness von Pollnitz entertained some friends at Lucerne to a lunch "al fresco," after which they had a pigeon match, which was won by Don Carlos Ferreira, with one miss out of seven birds, R. Starke being second, and John Sanguinetti third; twelve completed.

A second match, when half through, had to be abandoned in consequence of a thunderstorm coming on. Several of the party then left for home, whilst some others adjourned to one of the buildings, where some very pretty revolver shooting took place.

Baron Pollnitz and Mr Starke each broke the neck of a bottle twice, out of ten shots at fifteen yards, and Hugo Lett shot through the flame of a candle twice at ten yards, F. Edmunds put it out with his first shot.

Amongst those present at the fêtes were:
 Mr and Mrs J. W. Jones, the Misses Jones (3), and Mr Albert Jones, Mr and Mrs Geoghagan, the Misses Geoghagan (3), and Master Geoghagan, Doctor Massa, Messrs Felipe Costa, Marcos and Juan Sanguinetti, Leoni, Batty, Bonaldi (Italian Consul), T. Tobin, P. Tobin, R. Bolster, J. Cunningham, C. Ferreira, Lett, R. Starke, Edmunds, Hugo Lett, J. M. Pintos, D. Alfonso, Igarite W. Ogilvie, D. Gonzalez, Andres Navarro, A. Navarro, jr., Molinari, etc., etc.

Cañada de Gomez

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Jan. 29, 1893.

SANTA MARGARITA.

This prettily named and prettily situated Estancia is located about a league and a half from the town of Canada. The proprietor is Mr Thomas Christian, one of the oldest and most able farmers who have settled in this part of the Republic.

On the road out, although so short a distance, one passes through camp of most fertile character, but one is impressed, with the idea that no money is being made by anything except wheat. The maize is simply valueless; the locusts have not left a leaf; the stalks are the sole sign that maize was ever sown in the ground. It seems a most pitiable shame that ground which has been tilled and worked, and sown, with knowledge and care, and in which no expense has been spared, should so suffer from a pest, which has no possible or probable use known to human being. Every created thing is supposed to have its use, but I should like to be informed, what these insects, or by whatever name they are known, can do to further the benefit of those who were created the superior beings. It is a question; and perhaps one not easily answered. But it would be interesting if Mr Pennington should explain some degree of the use to which so noxious and destructive an insect could be put.

Mr Christian's estancia is not of great extent, covering only some 400 squares, but it is of importance as the land is of great productive capacity. The yield of that part which was under wheat, was estimated to be more than 20 quintales to the square, but this estimate was, of course before threshing, since my visit, I have heard that the expectations with regard to the yield have been fully realized, and that the grain is sound, clean, and heavy. It seems, in this regard, that whatever information I have received, as to the yield of wheat, on the different estancias, with one notable exception has been invariably "twenty quintales." It may be true, but I doubt some of it. I know that La Administracion gave something more, but one instance does not prove the rule, though it may make the exception which goes that way.

Mr. Christian has maize which has, as yet escaped the visitation of the locusts, and it looks well in every respect. There are about 50 squares of this.

The bullocks on the work required number 50, and the lecheras, a most healthy, milk giving looking lot are 150.

A bull, from whose powers much has been gained, is a colorado overo, bred by Mr Greenwood, of Irwell, and bought from him. He is named Fancy Not, and was calved on the 20th April, 1888. Fancy by Why Not (48,426), Fashion and Farewell (42,238) by Robert Peel (29,976) are in his pedigree, showing a strain bad to beat, the strain in fact of which Mr Greenwood is so fond. The tabulated pedigree of this animal shows Friendly by Pioneer, Forsee, Fuschia by the Capitan (5422), Favourite by Hero (4021), Young Seedling by Percy (1314), and Seedling by Lord Grantham's Son of Comet (155).

No pains are spared to make this excellent estancia profitable. I am only sorry that my visit, which was of the briefest duration, took place some little time ago, and that, through unavoidable circumstances, I have not been able to write upon it sooner and cannot therefore in any fashion do justice to it. If this short notice is published I hope that the proprietor will forgive my shortcomings, and know that it is from inability and not disinclination that I cannot treat even decently a most interesting subject.

C. W. W.

DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL NOTES

The before dinner cocktail concerts at the Folies Forlet should certainly catch on. The spare hour before dinner in town is often difficult to while away, and now one can fill in time by listening to well performed music whilst imbibing the necessary (?) appetizer.

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Walking down Maipu one afternoon during the past week, I saw a strange man, who bore the appearance of a North American Indian armed to the teeth. He was hung around, saddled, propped up, sat upon, wedged in, and stuck all over generally with some two dozen or more instruments, and boasted that he could play most of them simultaneously. A drum, worked with a wire by one foot, rattled above his head—his mouth moved round a semicircle, blowing into such things as pan-pipes, flutes, clarionets, horns, and other tubes conveniently slung to his neck like an ox's eradle: one hand moved an accordion tied to his thigh, whilst a triangle jingled from his wrist; the other hand played the bones, whilst the elbow clapped a tambourine fixed to his side; on the inside of his knees were cymbals which he kept knocking together. On the remaining foot and ankle he had bells which rang with every motion. I am describing from memory, and doubt whether I have detailed half the instruments.

If Julius Caesar had ever met that man, he

would have felt quite ashamed of himself for not being able to do more than three things at a time.

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The foregoing sight forcibly brought to memory the melody of Street Artists one sees in London and the countries.

Some day I intend to write notes on these gentry who comprise the Bohemian dwarfs on little three-legged stools who strum, almost inaudibly, on tiny mandolines. Then there is the piano on wheels which goes about till one day it gets rained on unmercifully and bursts. And the harmonium on wheels which, in a very little time does nothing but "cipher," and has to retire into private life. There is the street Picco, who plays cleverly on the penny whistle, and the street Bonny, who plays with hammers on a wooden instrument; another plays with hammers on bits of glass, another on regular musical glasses, and another on strings; the most original of this class is a man who produces singularly beautiful effects by using two balls of India-rubber to set in vibration a perfectly turned system of musical glasses.

There are still many more who have not heard the "Brass Band" or the "Brass Band" dissolved which may mean either the "Brass without the Band," usually consisting of a cornet and bass horn, or the "Band without the Brass," which generally means a flute or clarinet, *solo*, the harp and violin, the poor creature who in a shrill voice sings? "My pretty Jane." "We may be happy yet" or some equally cheerful ballad; the blind singers, etc., their name is legion.

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More than one continental and colonial city have been visited by the undersigned and some time ago I came to the conclusion that the streets of Buenos Aires were as badly paved as any of them, and after my experiences of Saturday night that conclusion has become a settled conviction.

On Saturday night I went to the Doria, and in order not to miss the Overture to Rigoletto called a coach and instructed the driver to go as fast as he could, he did, I should say he was a direct descendant of Jehu, for he drove furiously. Endeavouring to steady myself I clung to the man who was with me (a well-known writer in these columns) and he returned the favour, but 'twas of no avail we were there from side to side, pitched backwards and forwards and at last a gigantic upheaval occurred, we were jerked violently upwards, there was a smash against the roof of the carriage, and we then discovered that two wheels had come off; needless to say I did not hear much of Rigoletto, but I was well repaid for all I had suffered for surely never was heard a finer Santuzza than the artist who represented that part. For some unknown reasons there were no programmes only handbills so I cannot give the lady's name, but for a more inconceivably dramatic conception, a voice which was full of love and tenderness, a face which on Turiddu's appearance seemed to be lighted up with a momentary gleam of happiness, she would be difficult to equal and almost impossible to surpass.

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Another benefit at the Politeama last night. The Mariani Circus appear to be subsisting on benefits seeing they are averaging two a week; I wonder if these are benefits. Query.

CRICKET CURIOSITIES IN 1892

(Continued.)

JUNE.

- 2—For M.C.C. and Ground v. Oxford University, at Oxford, Flowers performed the hat trick in the second innings, taking Phillips (last ball), and Brain and Taber (first two balls of his succeeding over).
- 2—For M.C.C. v. Royal Artillery, at Lord's the 147 required to win were obtained in just an hour.
- 2—For Clifton Club v. Clifton College, 12 a-side, H. J. Mordaunt took the latter's 11 wickets for 22 clean bowling six of the side.
- 3—Philadelphia, Belmont v. Baltimore. Belmont scored 422 for four wickets. A. M. Wood carried out his bat after making 201 of the last 284 runs. This is the highest individual score as yet made in the United States.
- 4—Virginia Water, St. Ann's Heath v. Sunningdale. Latter scored 347 for six wickets in two and a half hours, F. Atkinson 213 not out. With Rev. S. W. Smith he made 228 for the first wicket.
- 4—Holborn beat Buckhurst Hill by one run, 104 to 103.
- 6—Surrey 2nd XI. beat Bedfordshire, at the Oval, by one wicket.
- 6—Lancashire 2nd XI. beat Yorkshire 2nd XI., at Manchester, by one wicket.
- 6—Dulwich, Clapham Wanderers v. Dulwich. H. V. Bate assisted in the dismissal of seventeen Dulwich

wickets, and of these fifteen (six bowled, four caught and bowled, two hit wicket, and three caught) were from his bowling. These fifteen wickets cost 65 runs. In addition he scored 46 for once out.

6—Morecambe, E. Airey's Bradford Team v. Morecambe (twelve aside). A. Emmatt had a hand in the dismissal of all eleven wickets of Morecambe. He took ten (nine bowled) from his own bowling and caught the eleventh.

8—Hunslet v. Wortley. Hunslet after getting their opponents out for 145, got that number for the loss of four batsmen. The six remaining wickets, though, fell without a run, so that the result was a tie.

11—Camberland Lodge, Windsor Great Park v. Scaitliffe. H. B. Street carried his bat through latter's first innings for 38 out of 67.

13—In Kent v. Yorkshire (Bradford) three overs from Mr P. Northcote were hit for 81 runs.

15—L. J. Nicholls, for Robertsbridge v. Battle, took four wickets in an over.

15—Dover, Clergy Orphan School v. Dover College. The former made their first 200 runs in eighty-five minutes.

16—Tenterden, London Ramblers v. Tenterden. Between 12.15 and 6 o'clock, including an hour for luncheon, 511 runs were scored.

16—Hastings, Ore and Clive Vale Club v. Hastings Grammar School. P. Merricks clean bowled all ten wickets of the School.

16—Middlesex, after scoring 292 against Yorkshire, at Lord's, at the first attempt, lost by four wickets.

17—Clifton, Cheltenham College v. Clifton College. W. G. Fraze, jr., took thirteen Cheltenham wickets.

18—Brighton, Brighton v. Brunswick Greyhounds. In the first over F. W. Maude scored 18 for the Brunswick by an 8, two 4's, and a 2.

20—Hounslow, Hounslow Garrison v. Incogniti. H. H. Harrison and A. E. Gibson scored 240 runs for the Incogniti in one hundred minutes.

20—Notts beat Middlesex and Surrey Yorkshire within five minutes of time. In the former match at Lord's, 918 runs were recorded for the loss of 30 wickets.

20—Leicestershire beat Derbyshire by one wicket.

21—For Winchester College v. M.C.C. and Ground, J. R. Mason scored 82 out of 108.

21—Oval, Surrey v. Hertfordshire. In the two days 955 runs were made with only twenty-six wickets down. The run-getting was the more remarkable as play could not be commenced on the first day till 12.15, and rain caused one interval of over half an hour that afternoon.

23—Alley v. Oak. D. Driskell got four wickets of the latter with successive balls.

23—Oxford University beat Sussex, at Brighton, by 10 runs.

24—In Old Etonians v. Old Harrovians, at the Lyric Club, 893 runs were scored for 24 wickets.

24—Winchester, Eton College v. Winchester College. J. R. Mason scored 147 and 71 for Winchester. His 147 is the best on record, not only in Winchester Meads but in this match. We believe, too, it is the best Winchester record in a school match. He also took eight Eton wickets for 139 runs, 892 were scored for 34 wickets.

25—For the Grange (Cowes) and H. M. S. Invincible at Netley, C. W. Trask took all ten wickets for 27 runs.

25—Leatherhead, Leatherhead v. Addiscombe. One of the Addiscombe team hit a ball hard to extra mid-off, and backed up with a view if possible to make a run. The ball having been fielded was thrown into the striker's wicket, and he popped his bat down within the crease while standing outside himself. The ball happened to hit the ground in front of the bat, and knocked it (*i.e.*, the bat) up slightly. While it was so lifted, the ball hit the wicket, and the batsman had accordingly to retire "run out."

25—Charterhouse School v. Westminster School. Westminster, after scoring 249, were beaten by an innings. G. O. Smith, the captain, scored 229 out of 360 for Charterhouse.

25—Oval, One and All v. St. Mark's. In three hours, 285 runs were scored for fourteen wickets. St. Mark's got the last 150 in eighty minutes.

27—For Oxford University v. M.C.C. and Ground (Lord's), C. B. Fry performed the hat trick, capturing A. E. Stoddart (last ball), A. E. Gibson and W. C. Hedley (next over).

27—J. J. Ferris was bowled off his pad by the first ball on the occasion of his debut for Gloucestershire v. Surrey, at the Oval.

29—In a match on the Grecian Club ground, at Streatham, between that club and the Sun Insurance Office, the latter batted first, and having made 141 runs for the loss of six wickets, declared their innings closed. Their opponents had one hour and a quarter to play, and in this time, on a wicket which was anything but fast, they made no fewer than 164 runs for the loss of two wickets, C. H. Greenway scoring 83 not out in just over 40 minutes.

30—In Oxford v. Cambridge (Lord's) 1100 runs were scored for 35 wickets, the highest score (388 by Cambridge in 1872) was equalled by the Cantabs, and Oxford's best (313) beaten by the Dark Blues, who made 365. Three 100's were scored in the match for the first time, and an Oxonian was dismissed with the fourth ball of each innings, two men being out in the first without a run.

30—At Leyton, in a match against Kilburn, Mr Tryndall, of the latter club, bowled Mr Druce with a ball which sent at bail 55 yards behind. A tape measurement gave this distance from the stumps where the ball hit the ground.

JULY.

- 1—Oval, Surrey v. Scotland. K. J. Key and Henderson added 172 for Surrey's sixth wicket.
- 2—C. G. Holland, for the Evelyns Hillingdon, Uxbridge, took all ten wickets of Cardwalles in 64 balls (5 maidens) for 32 runs.
- 4—Hull, Yorkshire v. Staffordshire. Yorkshire scored 516. R. W. Frank and Wardall added 153 for the last wicket.
- 8—Lord's, Eton v. Harrow. D. H. Forbes, the Eton Captain, bowled M. Y. Barlow and J. T. Ferris with the first two balls of the match.
- 9—Framlingham, Framlingham College v. Old Boys. H. T. Ratcliff, who went in first for the College, was not out each time with scores of 93 and 107 respectively.
- 9—Playing for St. Mary's Hospital v. Cane Hill Asylum, C. J. Moore clean bowled the last four wickets in successive ball.
- 11—For Players v. Gentlemen, at the Oval, Shrewsbury carried his bat through the innings for 151 out of 325, batting five hours. This is the highest individual score for the Players in the matches at Lord's or the Oval.
- 11—A tie match, Yorkshire Regiment, and Hampshire Regiment, each scoring 180, at Portsmouth.
- 11—Lancashire beat Kent, at Tonbridge, by an innings and 330 runs. Mold and Briggs bowled throughout the match.
- 11—Lord's M.C.C. and G. v. Grange Club (Edinburgh). A. Grant Asher 215, and R. H. Johnston 163, put on 328 runs for Grange while they were together.
- 1—A tie match at Chatham, Royal Engineers 126 and 155, M.C.C. 142 and 139.
- 16—For Malden Wanderers v. Fairlawn, J. W. Mountford sent a ball 38 yards, clean over the screen.
- 16—Nord Leeds v. Yeaddon. Crosthwaite took all ten wickets of Yeaddon.
- 18—Brighton, Surrey v. Sussex. W. W. Read and Abel put on 156 for Surrey's first wicket.
- 19—Mr J. Lawson, bowling for the Marlborough Cricket Club v. St. Mary's, in West Ham Park, knocked one of the balls 35 yards behind the wicket.
- 19—Playing for Terling against Great Waltham, J. Isted performed the remarkable bowling feat of clean bowling six of the Waltham batsmen with successive balls. He took the first wicket with the last ball of one over, and then broke the wicket with each ball of his next over.
- 19—In a match at Enfield. G. E. R. "Albion" v. Enfield Star "Albion" went in first, and closed their innings with the score at 90 for nine wickets. When Enfield Star went in, T. Hill bowled the first over and with the first four balls he clean bowled the first four batsmen. Altogether he too, six wickets for 23 runs. When time was called Enfield Star had made 49 for nine wickets, so the match was a draw.
- 20—A curious mistake in the annual match between the members of the Hon. Charles Brand's Southdown and Mr C. B. Godman's Crawley and Horsham Hunts, in the Dripping Pan at Lewes. Southdown had 34 runs to obtain to win, but through an error of the scorers the stumps were drawn whilst they were still four runs in arrears, a virtual victory thus being lost, and the game left drawn.
- 21—For Somersetshire v. Sussex, Messrs H. T. Hewett and L. C. H. Palairet scored 119 in an hour, making 70 of these off the first dozen overs.
- 21—Leyton, Essex v. Hampshire, H. G. Owen carried his bat through the first innings of Essex for 72 out of 169.
- 22—Oval, Surrey v. Yorkshire. W. W. Read and Abel put on 109 for Surrey's first wicket. Their second performance of the kind in successive innings. Lohmann took six of Yorkshire's last eight wickets in second innings in 19 overs for 26 runs.
- 23—Liverpool, Liverpool v. Huyton. Liverpool scored 336 for five wickets in two hours and ten minutes. H. B. Steel and A. C. Maclaren, who made 205 for the first wicket, put on 200 in an hour and twenty minutes.
- 25—Oval, Surrey v. Sussex. W. W. Read carried his bat through Surrey's innings for 196 out of 413.
- 27—A very exciting match was played at Willingham between the Trinity College Servants (from Cambridge) and Willingham, Cambridgeshire. The play started at twelve, and stumps were drawn at 6 p.m. In the second innings the Cantals were all out in half an hour for 2 runs only (from the bat), and the villagers had twelve minutes' play to get 15 runs required to win. At the call of time only 7 runs were scored for the loss of six wickets, the visitors thus winning on the first innings.
- 28—In Essex v. Surrey, at Leyton 1017 runs were scored for the capture of 39 wickets.
- 28-30—Tall scoring by a Youth.—F. D. Conry, a scholar not 18, at Mannamoad School made the following scores on three consecutive days: 60 not out v. R. A. of Western District; 106 v. Rifle Brigade Plymouth; 190 for Plymouth v. Plymouth Garrison (out of a total of 310), which included thirty-one 4's, giving an average of 178 for three days.

AUGUST.

- 1—For Kent v. Gloucestershire, at Canterbury, A. Hearne carried his bat through the first innings for 116, not out.
- 1—Notts v. Surrey, at the Oval. No match, perhaps, in modern times, has excited so much interest, and a record attendance was registered. The figures were as follow: Monday, 30,770 paid (record), with an estimated total attendance of 34,000 (record). On Tuesday, 29,370 paid; on the Wednesday, 3635; giving a total paying company for the three days of 63,775 (record), and an aggregate attendance of 72,555 (record).

- 1—For Robertsbridge against Battle, L. J. Nicolls carried his bat through the innings (which lasted an hour and a half) for 10 runs out of a total of 52.
- 1—Mr Sanders, of the Ivanhoe C.C., accomplished a wonderful bowling performance in the match against Downside, played at Cobham. In the first innings he captured nine wickets at a cost of 11 runs, and in the second eight for eight. At one time Mr Sanders took six wickets in seven balls.
- 3—For Carlton v. Fawcett (G.P.O.), J. Large and P. Wells scored 124 in 45 minutes. Large 61, Wells 55, extras 8.
- 4—In Notts v. Kent, at Canterbury, W. Attewell deliberately delivered a wide which went to the boundary for four in order to prevent Kent following on their innings.
- 4—For Notts v. Kent, at Canterbury, Shrewsbury carried his bat through the first innings for 111, not out and completed his 1000 runs in first class cricket.
- 4—For Leicestershire v. Surrey, at Leicester, Mr F. Wright took the last four wickets without a run being scored off him.
- 4—In Gloucestershire v. Sussex, at Gloucester, 924 runs were scored for the loss of 25 wickets.
- 5—Wellington, Incogniti v. Wellington. Capt. Greenway scored 20 (three 4's, a six and a two) from one over of S. M. J. Woods.
- 5—Toronto, Toronto C.C. v. London Asylum. Rev. F. W. Terry and Dr Beemer scored 186 without the loss of a wicket for the Asylum. This is a record for Canadian cricket.
- 6—Oval, St. Mark's v. One and All. W. E. Broomfield and Barton put on 186 at the end of the day for St. Mark's and were still in. Broomfield's 109 not out included a hit for nine all run out.
- 6—Leicester, Leicestershire v. Essex. Holland in Leicestershire's second innings hit a ball bowled by H. M. Taber twice, and, starting to run, was given out by the umpire.
- 9—Lancashire beat Somersetshire in one day, at Old Trafford, by 8 wickets, 22 wickets falling for 234 runs. Play was slightly prolonged.
- 12—Hampstead, Hampstead beat Islington Albion. The Albion's first defeat of the season.
- 13—In Mr A. P. Lucas's XI. v. Free Foresters, at Chelmsford, 1083 runs were scored for 15 wickets, while in the week 68 wickets realised 2605 runs. There were two three-figure innings for the Free Foresters, and four for Mr Lucas's XI.
- 15—Taunton, Somersetshire v. Surrey. H. T. Hewett scored 61 of the first 81 runs in Somersetshire's first innings in fifty minutes.
- 19—Manchester, Lancashire v. Middlesex. P. J. T. Henery, in first innings of Middlesex, scored sixteen from four successive balls of Mold.
- 22—Oval, Surrey v. Lancashire. In Surrey's first innings, J. Shuter hit a ball of Briggs 115 yards, Lohmann another 120 yards to the pitch.
- 22—For Sussex v. Kent, at Brighton, G. Brann scored a "century" in each innings, making 105 and 101. W. Humphreys was batting 70 minutes for 0 not out.
- 26—In Somersetshire v. Yorkshire, at Taunton, Messrs T. Hewett (201) and L. C. H. Palairet scored 346 for the first wicket, beating all previous records in a first-class match, the best being 283 by Messrs W. G. Grace and B. B. Cooper for the Gentlemen v. Players of the South, at the Oval, in 1869. This is also the second longest partnership on record in a first-class match for any wicket, the best being 398 by Shrewsbury and Gunn in Notts v. Sussex, at Nottingham, on May 15, 1890. L. C. H. Palairet, 132 not out at the time of Hewett's dismissal, raised his score to 146, and the total eventually reached 592, the highest aggregate in first-class cricket of the year.
- 30—In Robertsbridge v. Trant, Robertsbridge had 19 minutes to play and wanted 42 runs to win, which F. Hudson and T. Watson obtained in 17 minutes.
- 30—For Tunbridge Wells v. East Grinstead, at Tunbridge Wells, W. Martin took all ten of the East Grinstead wickets in their first innings for 25 runs, and also captured the four which fell the second time for 8. W. H. Andrews, the Sussex amateur, scored 90 out of 104 whilst he was at the wickets.
- 31—Messrs S. Colman (209) and P. Coles (247 not out) scored 472 for the first wicket (extras 16) for Devonshire Park v. Mr G. W. Morrison's XI, at Eastbourne, a record for the first wicket for any match.
- 31—Birmingham, Warwickshire v. Surrey. Rain prevented the delivery of a ball in the three days.

SEPTEMBER.

- 5—Philadelphia, Gentlemen v. Players of United States. G. S. Patterson and A. M. Wood put on 267 runs while they were together. This is a record for a partnership in a first-class match in America.
- 17—For 16 of Belgate and District v. Mr W. W. Read's team, Mr G. Brann, who made 230 out of 332, scored 56 from three overs.
- 22—Johannesburg, Home Born v. Colonial Born. A. E. Halliwell (139) and T. Routledge (147) scored 269 without the loss of a wicket for the former.
- 24—Rev. J. C. Crawford, for Married v. Single of Henley, bowled the last six wickets for no runs, performing the hat trick.

List of Clubs with their Secretaries

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 London Bank—R. L. Rumbold, Banco de Londres.
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 Buenos Aires (Association)—B. B. Syer, 423 Rivadavia. BUENOS AIRES (Rugby)—*Blue and White*—W. E. Coubrough, London Bank.
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 St. Andrews—E. Morgan, Plaza Constitucion, F.C.S.

LAWN TENNIS CLUBS

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

POLO CLUBS

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 CAMP OF URUGUAY—*Pale Blue*—L. Edwards, Barrancas Coloradas, Colonia.
 Cañada de Gomez—J. S. Robinson, C. de Gomez, F.C.C.A. CASUALS—*Crimson and White*—R. McC. Smyth, Venado Tuerto.
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 HURLINGHAM—*Blue, Red and Yellow*—M. G. Fortune, 559 Piedad, Buenos Aires.
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ANOTHER LONG DISTANCE RIDE

A new military distance ride between Vienna and Rome is in contemplation, and negotiations are so far advanced that the project has already taken definite shape, and a committee has been formed in Rome to draw up a suitable programme. There are, says a Vienna correspondent, many serious difficulties in the way which were not encountered during the ride from Vienna to Berlin. In the first place the distance is 1200 kilometres; that is to say, twice as great as between the capitals of Germany and Austria; then, again, the nature of the road is very unfavourable, for it leads up over the Styrian Alps, the Julian Alpine range, and then through the Po Valley over the Apennines. In view of all this, it has been decided that prizes will be distributed in the first place for good condition of the horses at the end of the ride, and that mere speed, without this, will be deemed insufficient. This is the lesson taught by the late military ride between Vienna and Berlin, the fatal results in which to the horses engaged continue to make themselves felt even now, three more horses having lately succumbed from the effects of that competition.

HURLINGHAM CLUB

Programme of the Meeting

TO BE HELD AT

Hurlingham on Thursday, February 2, 1893

(Under the Rules of the Hurlingham Club).

The following are the Entries and Weights for tomorrow's Meeting at Hurlingham:

THE BELGRANO STAKES, of \$16 each, a Handicap for Polo Ponies of 56 in. or under; 1000 metres. To be ridden by a Member of a Polo Club.

- Mr E. Hick's Whitelegs, 56 in, 72 kilos.
- Mr J. Ravenscroft's Daiman, 54 in, 72 kilos.
- Mr R. R. McIver's Jock Tansen, 56 in, 68 kilos.
- Mr H. S. Robson's Peter Flower, 55 in, 68 kilos.
- Mr R. R. McIver's Silvertail, 56 in, 65 kilos.
- Mr R. R. McIver's Folies Forlet, 56 in, 64 kilos.

PREMIO VACACION, for Ponies 52 in. or under; catch weights; 1000 metres. An "Objet d'Art" to the 1st. To be ridden by Boys at School, who must be introduced by a Member of the Club. Entrance fee \$5.

- Mr J. W. Travis' Punch, 50 in.
- Mr J. Mandia's Lucia, 52 in.
- Stud Nene's Nene, 51 in.
- Mr A. Brodie's Bantam, 50 in.
- Mr J. Ravenscroft's Old Tom 52 in.
- Stud Malbran's Vigilante, 52 in.
- Stud La Cruz' Verdolaga, 51 in.
- Mr J. Boyd's Cabo, 52 in.

MATCH, 800 metres, \$250 a side.
Mr A. P. Toll's Baby, 55 in, 67 kilos.
Mr A. Meyer's Fanny, -- in, 65 kilos.

THE ENSAYO STAKES, of \$10 each, for Polo Ponies 56 in. or under, which have never won a race; to be ridden by Members of a Polo Club who have never ridden a winner; catch weights; 2000 metres. This race may be ridden in Polo Costume.

- Mr R. R. McIver's Silvertail, 56 in.
- Mr H. Henry's Rufus, 56 in.
- Mr E. Richards' Starlight, 56 in.
- Mr A. J. Dutton's Dont Care, 56 in.
- Mr J. K. Cassels' Sloper, 56 in.
- Mr J. Ravenscroft's Old Tom, 52 in.
- Mr W. D. Campbell's Gauchito, 56 in.
- Mr H. S. Robson's Peter Flower, 55 in.

PREMIO FEBRERO, a Handicap for Ponies of 58 in. or under; \$250 to the 1st; 1000 metres; \$20 entrance fee, half forfeit. Gentlemen riders or professionals.

- Sr. C. Flores' Sol de Mayo, aged 58 in 65 kilos.
- Stud Lavalle's Athos, 2 yrs, 58 in, 65 kilos.
- Stud Colon's Invidia, 3 yrs, 58 in, 63 kilos.
- Mr J. W. Travis' Hopeful, aged 58 in 63 kilos.
- Stud Parana's Sultana, under 2 yrs, 58 in, 55 kilos.
- Mr G. W. Pott's Lavalle, 2 yrs, 57 in, 55 kilos.

THE HURDLE STAKES, of \$10 each, a Handicap for Polo Ponies 56 in. or under; 2000 metres, over six flights of hurdles. To be ridden by a Member of a Polo Club.

- Mr E. Hick's Whitelegs, 56 in, 78 kilos.
- Mr R. R. McIver's Jock Tansen, 56 in, 76 kilos.
- Mr R. England's Tilbury Nogo, 56 in, 73 kilos.
- Mr R. R. McIver's Silvertail, 56 in, 71 kilos.
- Mr J. Ravenscroft's Daiman, 54 in, 71 kilos.
- Mr J. L. McMorran's Popsy Wopsy, 54 in, 63 kilos.

CONSUELO STAKES, for Polo Ponies 56 in. or under, which having run have not won at the meeting; weight for inches, ponies of 56 in. to carry 70 kilos, 3 kilos allowed per inch; to be ridden by Members of a Polo Club; 500 metres; entrance \$5.

Hipodromo de San Fernando

Programme of a Race Meeting

TO BE HELD AT

San Fernando on Thursday, Feb. 2, 1893

PREMIO ESPERANZA, a Handicap, for Horses which have not won more than \$2000 in 1892; \$500 to the 1st; 1200 metres. Unless there are five entries there will be no race.

PREMIO CHACABUCCO, for Criollo Horses; weight 65 kilos, winners at San Fernando 5 kilos extra; \$700 to the 1st; 600 metres.

PREMIO SAN MARTIN, a Handicap; \$1000 to the 1st, \$100 to the 2nd; 1100 metres, entrance \$65. Unless there are seven entries there will be no race.

PREMIO SILENCIOSO, for Ponies 57 in. or under; Ponies of 57 in. carry 70 kilos, 3 kilos allowed per inch. The entries of \$50 each and \$50 to the 1st; 1600 metres.

PREMIO ITUZAINGO, a Handicap; \$500 to the 1st, 1500 metres. Unless there are five entries there will be no race.

PREMIO CALANDBRIA, for Criollo Horses of San Fernando; 500 metres; the Stakes of \$20 to the 1st.

The meeting will be held under the rules of the Jockey Club and under the direction of the Committee of the Hipodromo de San Fernando, whose decisions will be final.

Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club

OPEN TOURNAMENT AND CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE RIVER PLATE

AN OPEN TOURNAMENT, consisting of the following events, will be held on the CLUB GROUNDS, Calle Vicente Lopez 279, Buenos Aires, on

THURSDAY, MARCH 30.

FRIDAY, MARCH 31.

SATURDAY, APRIL 1.

Play to commence each day at 10 a.m.

EVENTS

CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE RIVER PLATE, open to any Resident in South America. Entrance fee \$10. A Silver Challenge Cup, value £30, offered by Members of the Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club, to be won three years in succession before becoming the property of the winner. The name of the winner of the year will be engraved on the Cup, and he will receive a prize value of \$100 m.m. A second prize will be given should there be ten or more entries.

LADIES' SINGLES, Handicap. Entrance fee \$5.

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES, Handicap. Entrance fee \$5.

MIXED DOUBLES, Handicap. Entrance fee \$5.

GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES, Handicap. Entrance fee \$5.

The entrance money, to which \$200 will be added by the Club, will be given in prizes.

Entries will be received by the Hon. Secretary at Calle 25 de Mayo, 149, Buenos Aires, up to noon of Wednesday, 1st March. No entry will be considered valid unless accompanied by entrance fees.

The Draw will take place at the "Sport and Pastime" office on Wednesday, 6th March, at 5 p.m.

Should the number of entries be excessive Preliminary Ties, as may be arranged, will be played off on such courts as may suit the convenience of players.

Ayres' Championship Balls will be provided by the Club.

The Tournament will be held under the Rules of the Lawn Tennis Association.

The best of three sets (the third to be an advantage set) will be played throughout the Tournament, except in the final match for the Championship Cup, which will be the best of three advantage sets.

The Club courts will be at the disposal of competitors on and after the 6th of March. Competitors' tickets admitting player and a friend, may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

Visitors' tickets, available for the three days of the Tournament, may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary in exchange for visiting card, signed by a competitor or a member of the Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club.

Calle 25 de Mayo, 149, Buenos Aires. 1st February, 1891.
T. S. BOADLE,
Hon. Secretary.

Lomas Athletic Club

A Handicap

LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT (OPEN TO MEMBERS)

Will be held on the CLUB COURTS, the entries for which will close on the 15th inst.

The Tournament will consist of

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES,

GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES,

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LADIES' SINGLES,

LADIES' DOUBLES.

Gentlemen pay an entry fee of \$2.50 each event or \$5 for the three.

FIXTURES

RACING

Thursday, Feb. 2 - Hipodromo de San Fernando, at San Fernando.

Thursday, Feb. 2 - Hurlingham Club.

POLO

Thursday, Feb. 2 - Flores A.C. (2nd Team) v. Lomas A.C. (2nd Team), at Lomas.

CRICKET

Thursday, Feb. 2 - London Bank v. Lomas, at Lomas.

Sunday, Feb. 5 - B. A. C. v. Lomas, at Lomas.

Sunday, Feb. 5 - Western Ry. v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.

Sunday, Feb. 5 - Lanus v. B. A. and R. Ry., at Bolgrano.

LAWN TENNIS

Lomas A.C.'s Tournament - Entries close on Wednesday, Feb. 15.

Thursday, Mar. 30, Friday, Mar. 31, Saturday, April 1 - Buenos Aires L. T. C.'s Open Tournament and Championship,

BUENOS AIRES ROWING CLUB

The Half-yearly Meeting of the Buenos Aires Rowing Club was held last night in the Schoolroom of the Scotch Church, for the purpose of electing a President and the five members of the Committee to take the place of those retiring.

The report of the half year was read and, after a short debate, passed. The election of the President and members of committee was then proceeded with and the following gentlemen were elected: -

President, Mr Robert Ramsay (re-elected).

Messrs E. Merian.

C. Maschwitz.

H. Altgelt.

A. de Urquiza.

T. Buxareo.

The voting appeared to be carried out in a somewhat slack manner.

RACING SWEEPS IN AUSTRALIA ON A BIG SCALE.

Notwithstanding the wide-spread depression in trade all over Australia, the sweepstakes on the two great handicaps of the spring racing season were as keenly patronised as ever. The figures appertaining to the old established and leading concern of the kind, known as "Tattersall's," and run by Mr George Adams, of Sydney, are striking. For instance, for the Melbourne Cup there were 100,000 subscribers at a sovereign, the winner of which received £27,000, the second £20,000, and the third £15,000, while holders of starting and non-starting horses all received prizes. There were also three 50,000 half-sovereign sweeps, the winner in each of which won £2,000, and the others in proportion; and a fourth closed with 22,000 subscribers, the winning prize being £3960. Further, a 50,000 half-sovereign Caulfield Cup sweep, produced £20,000 to the holder of the winning horse, £2700 to the second, and £1800 to the third. It may be explained that the promoter of these sweeps deducts 10 per cent for expenses, his share thus being £21,100 for the sweeps referred to.

PIGEONS AND MESSENGERS.

Continental Governments seem to be universally impressed with the value of the services which may be rendered by pigeons. Experiments with cyclers and carrier pigeons for transmitting messages are now being made by the Gynastic Society of Rome, in the interest of the Italian Army. The rider carries a small cage attached to his machine in which are several well-trained pigeons. When important observations have been taken and jotted down they are placed in envelopes and affixed to the birds, which are liberated. In every instance thus far the birds have flown promptly and in a straight line back to headquarters.

PRICES

Price of gold on the Bolsa from January 25 to 31 inclusive:

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

Bullocks	\$50.00 - 55.00
Novillos (mestizo)	39.00 - 63.00
" (ordinary)	24.00 - 35.00
Cows (mestizo)	32.00 - 36.00
Cows (ordinary)	15.00 - 24.00
Calves (regular)	8.50 - 11.50
" (small)	4.70 - 7.50
Sheep	4.00 - 4.70

Hay, 1000 kilos	26.00 - 32.00
Maize (morochó), 100 kilos ..	8.00 - 8.10
" (amarillo), 100 kilos ..	8.00 - 8.10
Wheat (barleta), 100 kilos ..	7.50 - 8.20
" (French), 100 kilos ..	7.50 - 8.10
" (Saldomé)	7.40 - 8.00

Novillo Hides	8.00 - 11.00
Cow Hides	5.80 - 6.90
Sheepskins	0.42 - 0.83
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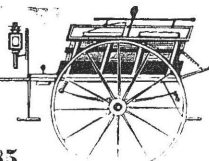
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SCIATICA.

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How Dan Carried the Dollars by Moonlight from Lágrimas

"I call this a regular nuisance," said the chief, "what do the men want to strike for, they know their money is safe enough?"

"I told them so, sir," replied the capataz, "but many of them were left in the lurch by the late sub-contractor, who took the job so cheap, and they are suspicious when a week passes pay day and no paymaster."

Just then a horseman dismounted at the office door and entered, while the chief was gloomily scratching his head.

"What brings you here, Hotchkiss?" he asked. "I thought you were going on to kilometre 200."

"Why, sir, the men at kilometre 190 have struck work till they get their pay, and they tell me they will do likewise at No. 200."

"This is getting serious," said the chief, "most unfortunate that the paymaster should fall sick at this particular moment. I must telegraph again to Buenos Aires. You, José, had better return to your gang, and try and get them to begin work again. You, Hotchkiss, wait about the office here, I may want you."

This conversation took place in the contractor's office, in a little camp town in the south. The work on which the contractors were engaged was the construction of the Pampa extension of the Buenos Aires Grand Trunk Railway, and the conversation sufficiently explains the contretemps which had arisen. The contractors had only a limited time in which to complete the work, and unlooked for delays like this, extending over the whole work, was a very serious matter. From the last point to which the line had been completed the telegraph wires had been run up for the convenience of the contractors, so that Mr Darbo, the engineer in charge, could communicate direct with the head office at will.

He now wrote out a long telegram while Mr Daniel Hotchkiss sauntered through the outer office, exchanging a word or a nod with the clerks, and so into the open air. He was a strongly built young man, rather under the medium height, square shoulders, narrow hips, and a close observer might notice that he had an uncommonly long reach of arm. As he sauntered about with his hands carelessly stuck in his pockets he looked the very picture of an English athlete, and a glance into his steady dark eye would convince anyone with hostile intentions that he might prove a very ugly customer to tackle. His position on the works was that of assistant engineer or inspector, and as such had nothing to do with book-keeping or cash matters; he was therefore surprised when after an interval of a couple of hours Mr Darbo informed him that he was to ride to the town of Lágrimas, a distance of nearly ten leagues, and bring in the money to pay the men.

"Here," said the chief, "is the telegram. You will take it with you as one of your vouchers. There is a branch of the Provincial Bank at Lágrimas; the company in Buenos Aires have opened a credit there by telegraph. I will give you an order for five thousand patacones. The pay sheet is over a hundred thousand dollars."

Hotchkiss stood looking on doubtfully when his chief was giving him these instructions.

"Is this work quite in my line, sir?"

"Ah, do you object?"

"No, sir, but I am green in this country, and I thought—"

"Never mind what you thought; you are the only man I could trust single-handed with the job. You have a good horse; the roads will be stiffish after the rain, and you might fall in with bad company. I suppose you could deal with them, eh?"

"As to that," replied the young man with a laugh, "I could only try."

"It's quite possible you may get into a situation where pluck and judgment will be needed to carry you through. You will of course be careful to conceal the nature of your business and the contents of your saddle bags. Have you a revolver?"

"No, sir. I never carry such a thing; this rebenque will be enough."

"Rebenque, pooh! Take a revolver from the office."

"There is one difficulty; I don't know the road. In a general way I know the direction of the town, and could strike it if I had plenty of time."

"After you get about a league from here the road is straight to Lágrimas, but you will be the better of a guide; I will send out to enquire. You be off and get ready."

The enquiry elicited the fact that a chasque, or mounted messenger, had come into the little town from Lágrimas the previous evening, and was now preparing to return. This is a class of man to be found in all camp towns. They know every foot of the country for leagues round, and are as a rule trustworthy. Nothing was known to the discredit of the present man, and he was engaged to pilot our friend Daniel into Lágrimas, that gentleman being well content with a guide for one way and satisfied that he could make the return journey by himself.

It was three o'clock in the afternoon when they set out. He rose easily to spare his horse for next day's journey, and about six o'clock, when the sun had set, he readily consented to halt and rest at a pulperia which the guide said was within three leagues of their destination.

At first he was for pushing on, but the guide emphatically shook his head.

"The road is full of pantanas between this and the town," said he, "and I would not attempt to pass it."

"Pesos corrientes," worth four cents gold at that time.

without a good moon, in half an hour it will be pitch dark."

That sounded reasonable, and Hotchkiss reflected that the moon would rise about nine o'clock, and by the aid of the light he could risk the journey by himself. They accordingly led their horses into the corral attached to the pulperia, took off the saddles to let them roll, spread a few armfuls of alfalfa before them, and then proceeded to refresh themselves.

Dan was not surprised to find that the landlord and the guide were old acquaintances, the profession of the latter making him a known man everywhere, but he thought that they had an unnecessary number of secrets between them from the whisperings that took place, and as he looked up at them from the biscuit and cheese and cerveza del país that he was discussing, they started, and separated as if he had caught them in something disgraceful.

"Curious," he muttered, "I think they are talking about me."

"The señor has eaten very little," said the landlord, "if I had known you were coming I could have had a hot dinner prepared."

"No matter, we'll get a hot dinner at Lágrimas."

The landlord shook his head.

"You will be too late for a hot dinner, you will only get a big one huevos; but to-morrow night, when you return we will have a grand supper. See, I am decorating the large room for a ball, a camp ball, señor; plenty of fun and beautiful girls; you might stop with us an hour or two when you return."

"Si, señor," said the guide; "a camp ball is great fun, it sometimes continues for a week you should see it to-morrow night when you return."

"Who told you I was going to return?" asked Dan. To which they only replied by a shrug of the shoulders.

Hotchkiss said to himself, "Evidently this guide has heard something about my business, but it doesn't matter. I will pass the place again about mid-day, and be back at the office before dusk," and added, aloud to them:

"If I come this way to-morrow night, I will be happy to look on at your dance for a little while."

The moon rose and lighted the travellers on their way, but it was near midnight before Dan saw his horse rubbed down and fed, and himself absorbing at every pore the comfort and rest of a clean bed in the Lágrimas hotel.

Next morning, on the stroke of ten, he presented himself at the Lágrimas branch of the Provincial Bank, but to his dismay the gentlemen there knew nothing whatever about his business. Dan showed his telegram and his cash order, and explained the situation, to no purpose. They could only reply, they had no advice; nor would they telegraph for instructions, even if he would pay the cost, to all his suggestions they responded with shoulder shrugs and *non possumus*.

It was absurd and ridiculous to be placed in a fix like this, the fellows at the office would laugh at him if he went back as he came with empty saddlebags. He went to the telegraph office, and wrote a long message both to the head office in Buenos Aires and also to his own chief at Santa Escopeta, and lounged about the town all day waiting for a reply.

It came from the company's head office at Buenos Aires, informing him that a second advice had been telegraphed to the bank, that he was to apply there again, and carry forward the cash with all possible speed.

It was a very peremptory telegram, but yet the bankers had received no advice, and as it was now three o'clock and they were about to close the doors, there was no alternative but to wait till the following day, when the post was bound to bring them their instructions.

With the best possible grace he departed to the hotel to amuse himself with billiards, and he might have been an hour pushing the balls about when a messenger came from the bank to request his presence there immediately. The advice had arrived at length after unaccountable delays, and the manager was willing, considering the emergency of the case, to pay him the money now although it was after hours.

Mr Hotchkiss promptly accepted, the telegram from headquarters had been so peremptory, and he reflected that the road by moonlight would be quite as safe for him as by daylight, indeed he dismissed from his mind with contempt any idea of peril beyond that of getting stuck in a pantana. He accordingly arranged that before the moon rose (the almanac said that night at 9.7) he would call at the bank, transfer the money to his saddlebags, and ride straight away from the courtyard of the bank.

(To be continued)

IS MONTE CARLO DECLINING?

Hereforward the gaming tables of Monte Carlo will be open until midnight, and not closed at eleven as heretofore. This innovation is a sign of decadence rather than of increasing strength. The fact can no longer be concealed that the receipts have recently been steadily falling off. The takings for October, November and December, 1892, as compared with the corresponding period of 1891, show a decline of nearly a million francs. Of course, at the Casino, the ostensible reason put forward for keeping open an additional hour is the opportunity of the popular demand. The consent of the Prince had to be obtained, and the ease with which he has granted it may possibly suggest to the cynical mind (says Dalziel) a doubt as to the sincerity of his declaration that if he had the power he would close the gaming saloons to-morrow.

CORRESPONDENCE

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THE ABSURD DEFINITION OF "PROFESSIONAL."

Montevideo, Jan. 28.

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.

Dear Sir,—

So far the opponents to the arguments I have adduced against the existing rule call for little answer, for the reason that—perhaps owing to my imperfect mode of expression—they have wandered from the real question I have tried to raise, and have occupied themselves in destroying phantoms of their own raising. Both Mr Christian—whose authority on athletics I should be sorry to dispute—and "An Old Public School Miller" jump to the conclusion that I propose to abolish all distinction between the amateur and the professional and to substitute money for all prizes now in vogue. I have not the least intention of either. My second letter should have undeceived them on the first point, at all events. I have merely expressed my dissatisfaction with the rule as it stands for the reasons which I set forth as clearly as my knowledge of the English language permitted me. So far from asking for an abolition of all distinction, I would gladly see a far stricter rule than the present, one which should exclude from competition with amateurs those experts who are professionals in everything except that they have not competed for money. But at the same time I confess that the mere fact of having competed for money does not make an athlete a professional, and that the capital punishment attached to it by the A. A. is not just.

I do not for a moment hold that money should take the place of all other prizes, I have never advocated anything so foolish, and I can quite see all the dangers pointed out by your two correspondents. But still I hold that there are plenty of occasions on which money might legitimately be offered as a prize for athletics, and I see no reason why the having competed for money should be held a perpetual disqualification. I should be sorry indeed to see money taking the place of championship medals and challenge cups, but for minor results and secondary prizes I hold it to be quite as legitimate as the articles generally offered now, at all events in meetings where the competitors are taken from a known circle. If, as a step towards abolishing pot-hunting, it were proposed to offer only inexpensive medals or parchment diplomas, I would second the proposal heartily, though I am afraid it would have a disastrous effect on the entries; but, on the other hand, so long as prizes of value are admitted, and are often competed for chiefly on account of that value, let money be admissible as one of the prizes, and let the winning athlete occasionally have the option of spending what he gains according to his own wants or necessities. I do not see that athletics would be made either better or worse by a moderate introduction of that money element which is now held permissible to the amateur in so many other lines. If an amateur is allowed to win money at horse-racing, billiards, cards, chess, missing word competitions, and a host of other matters, it cannot consistently be held either dishonourable or disqualifying for him to win it by running or jumping or throwing the cricket ball; any more than it is possible to attach to the word "professional" in athletics a meaning distinct from and sometimes directly contrary to its meaning in every other branch.

The A. A. if they wish to avoid contention, even perhaps ridicule, must find some other word than "professional" to use when they wish to indicate an amateur who has competed for money; for the mere fact of having once or twice competed for money, whether in athletics or anything else, does not and I never can make a professional of an amateur, even if the A. A. made fifty rules to prevent it, and they have no more right to call or "consider" such an amateur a "professional athlete" than they have to "consider" him a professional burglar. If they doubt my assertion, let them consult a dictionary, and see what "professional" means.—Yours faithfully, J. Nim.

P. S.—The sentence in my last letter "It has been proved once and once again that clubs, etc." should have read "It has been proved over and over again, etc."

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Box.—Your dog has most likely got canker of the ear. It is not difficult to cure, but you must have the ears covered with a light cap made of calico, covering both ears, and fastened under the chin, so that your dog cannot flap or scratch his ears. Wash the ulcers on the flaps of the ears with soap and warm water, and then apply an ointment made as follows:

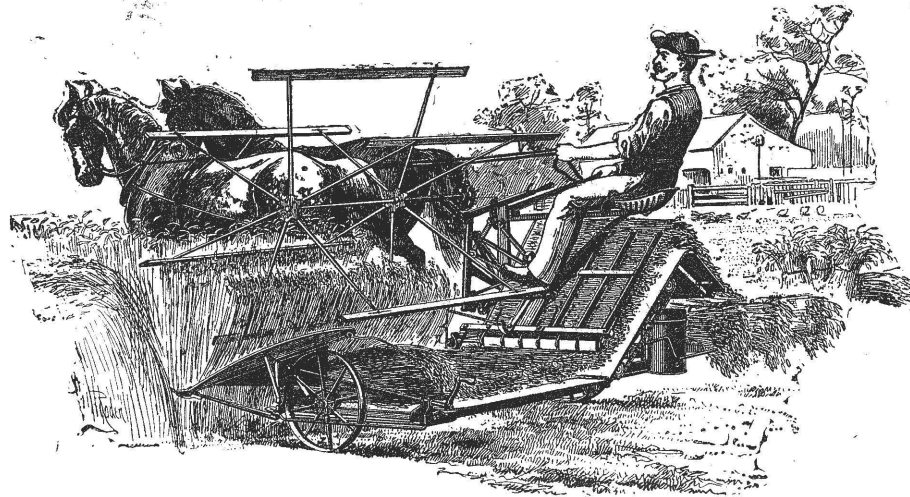
Mercurial ointment	1 drachm.
Powdered camphor	2 drachms.
Oxide of zinc ointment	1 ounce.
Mix well	

For the inside of the ear, where is the chief seat of disease, use a wash made of equal parts of Lead Water and Pure Soft Water. This wash you must pour into the ears, and to do it you will probably have some difficulty, and will require the help of someone to hold the dog's muzzle whilst you pour say a teaspoonful of the liquid into each ear, covering each one again carefully with the cap as soon as the wash has been poured down. Repeat this three times a day, do not give your dog meat, and he will soon be cured.

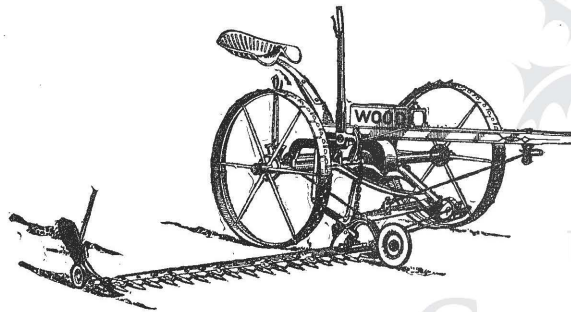
For the tapeworm we should recommend a worm powder, which you can get from any of the veterinary surgeons here.

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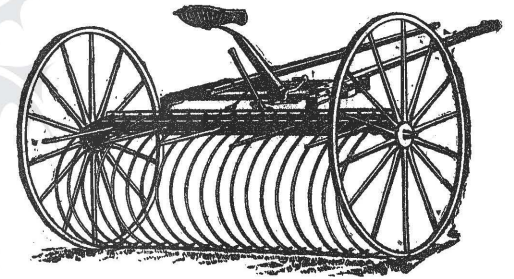
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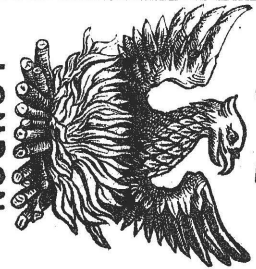
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