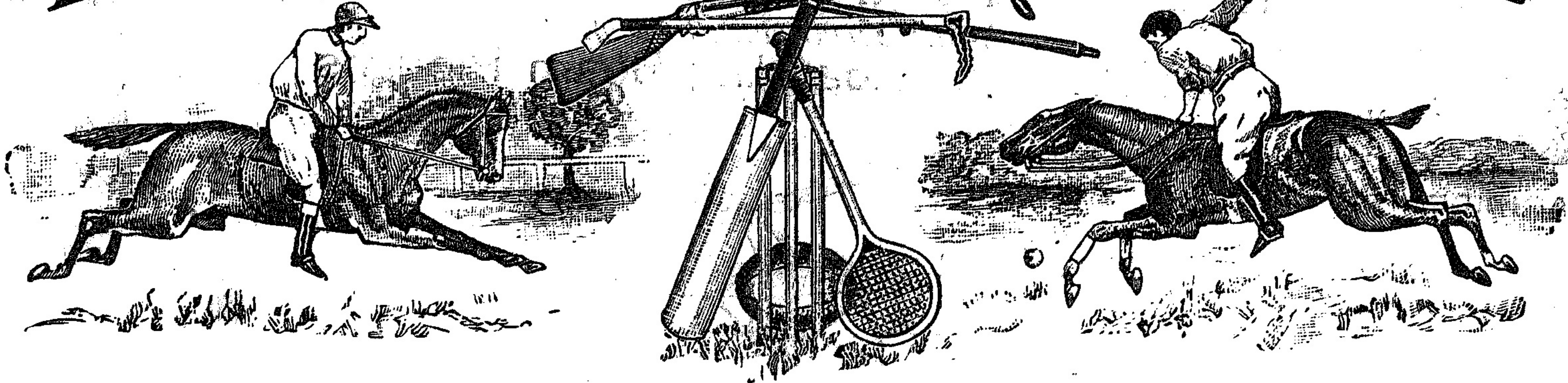


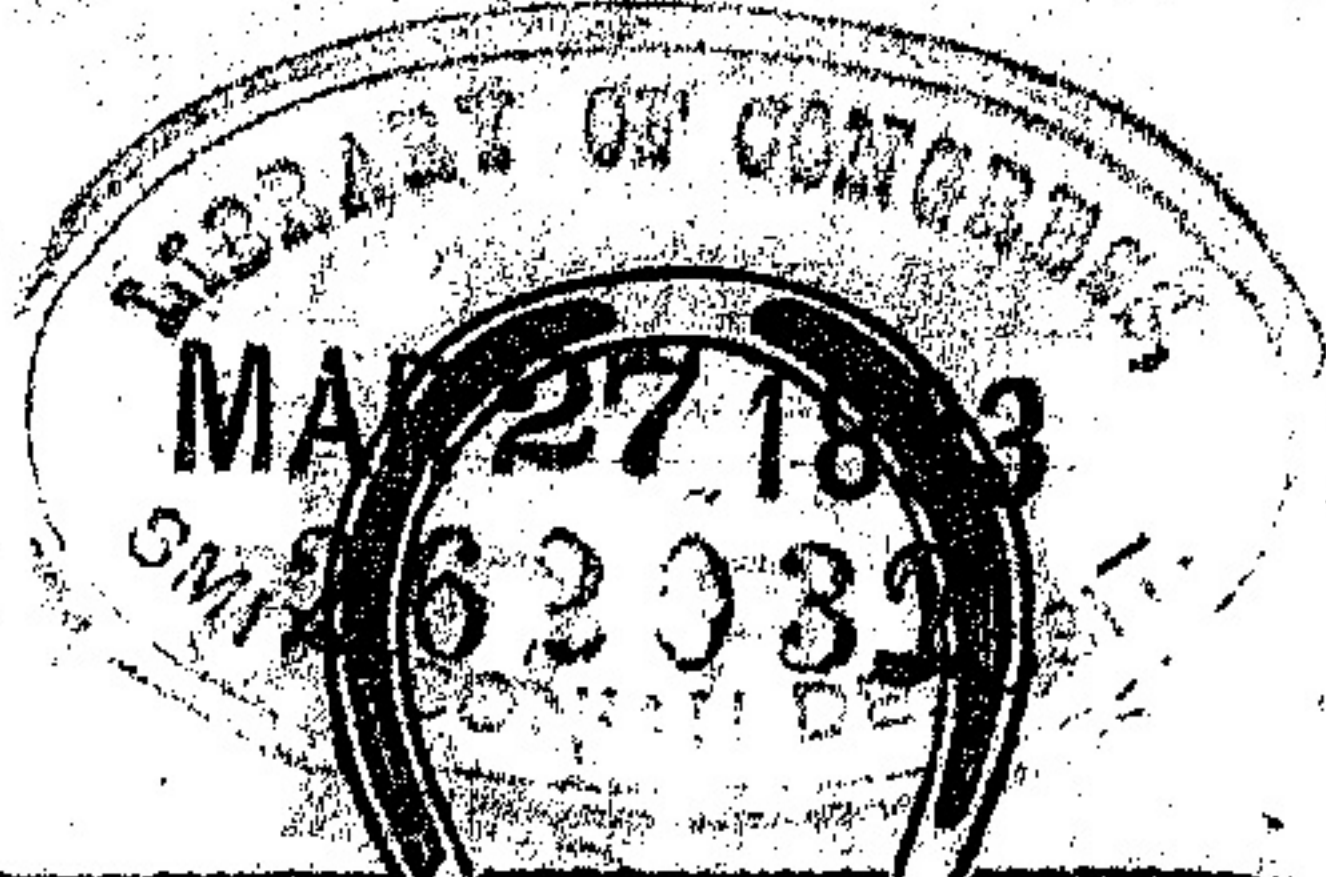
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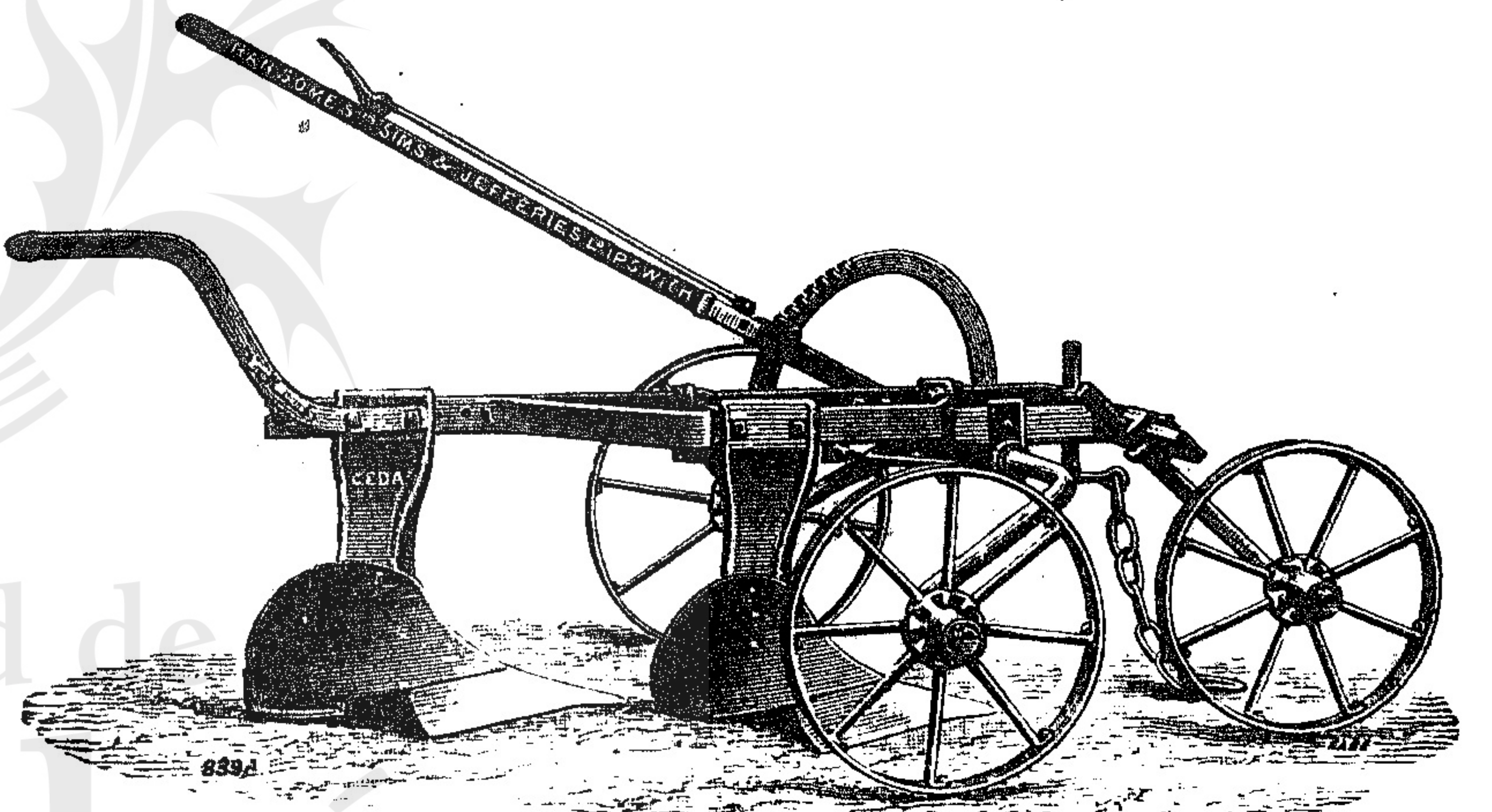
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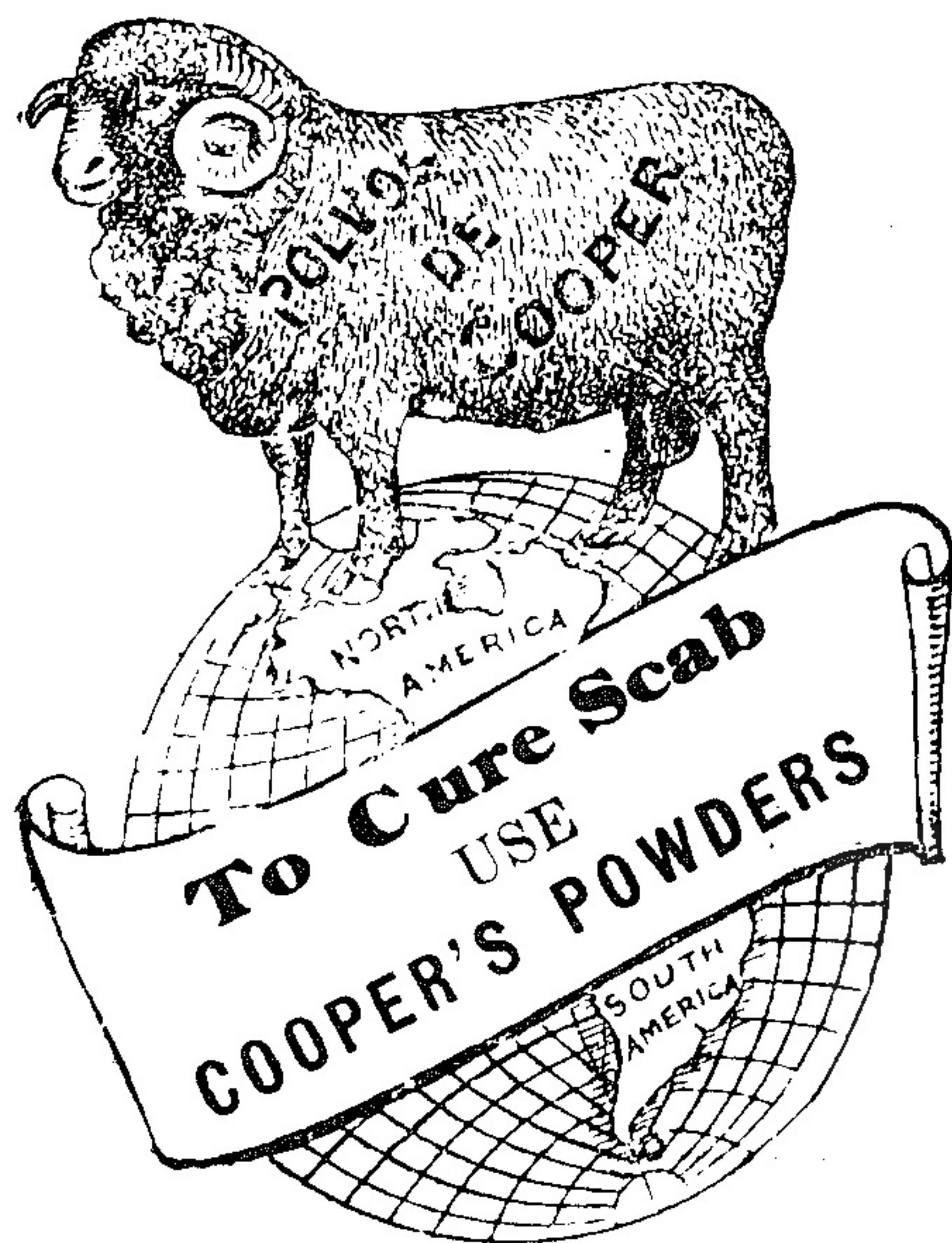
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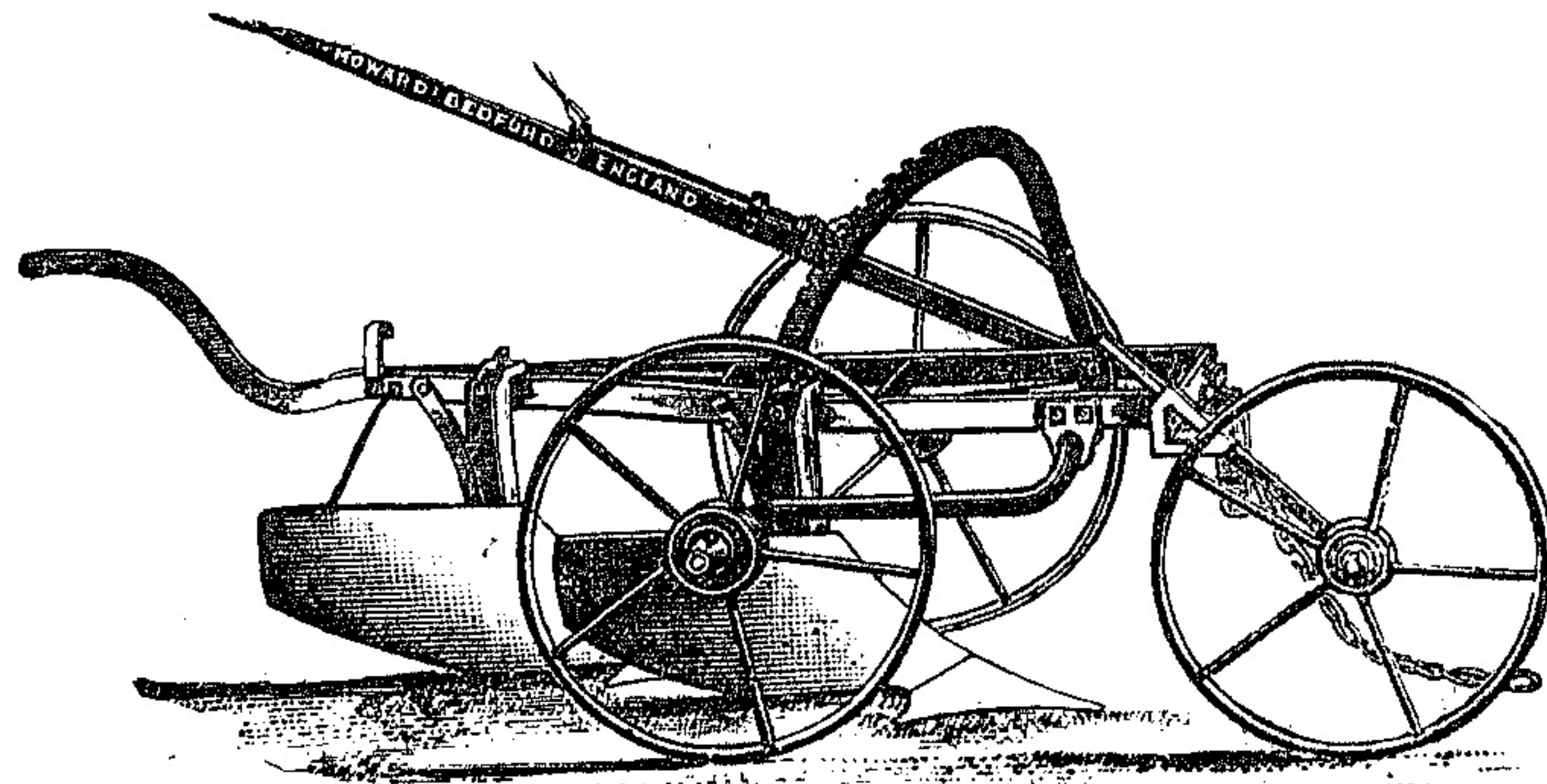
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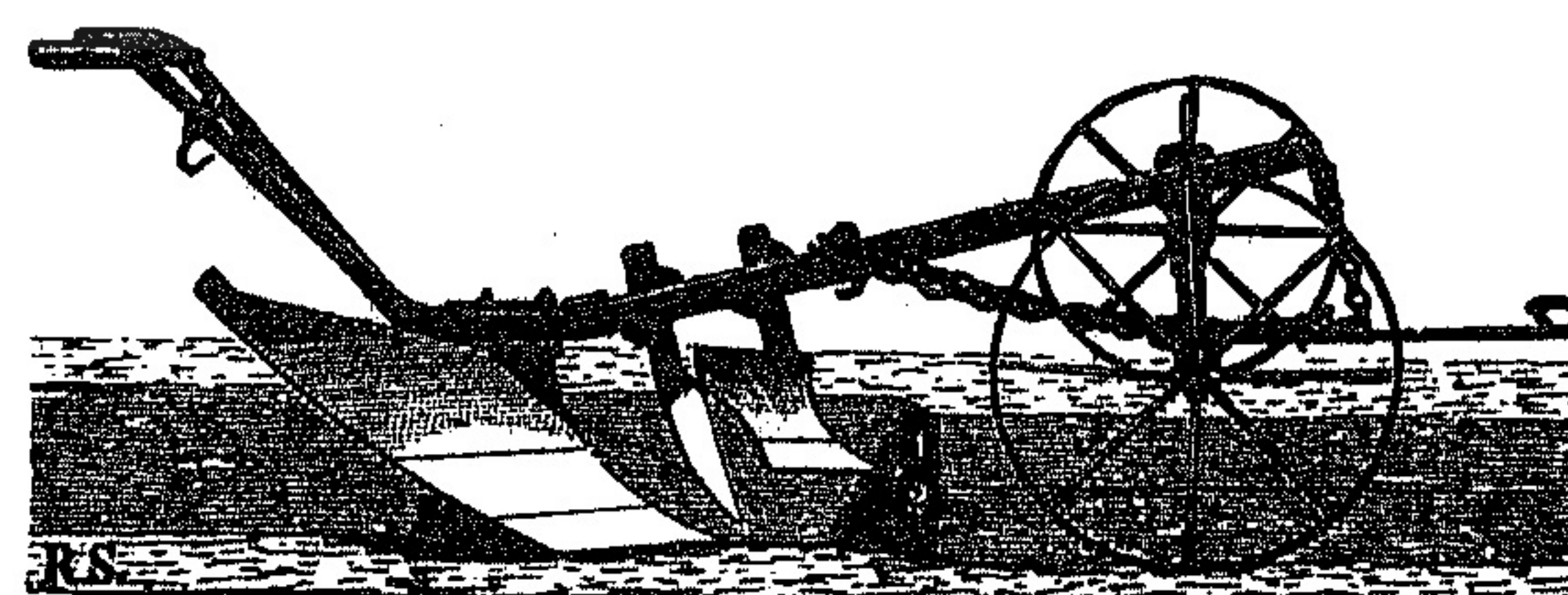
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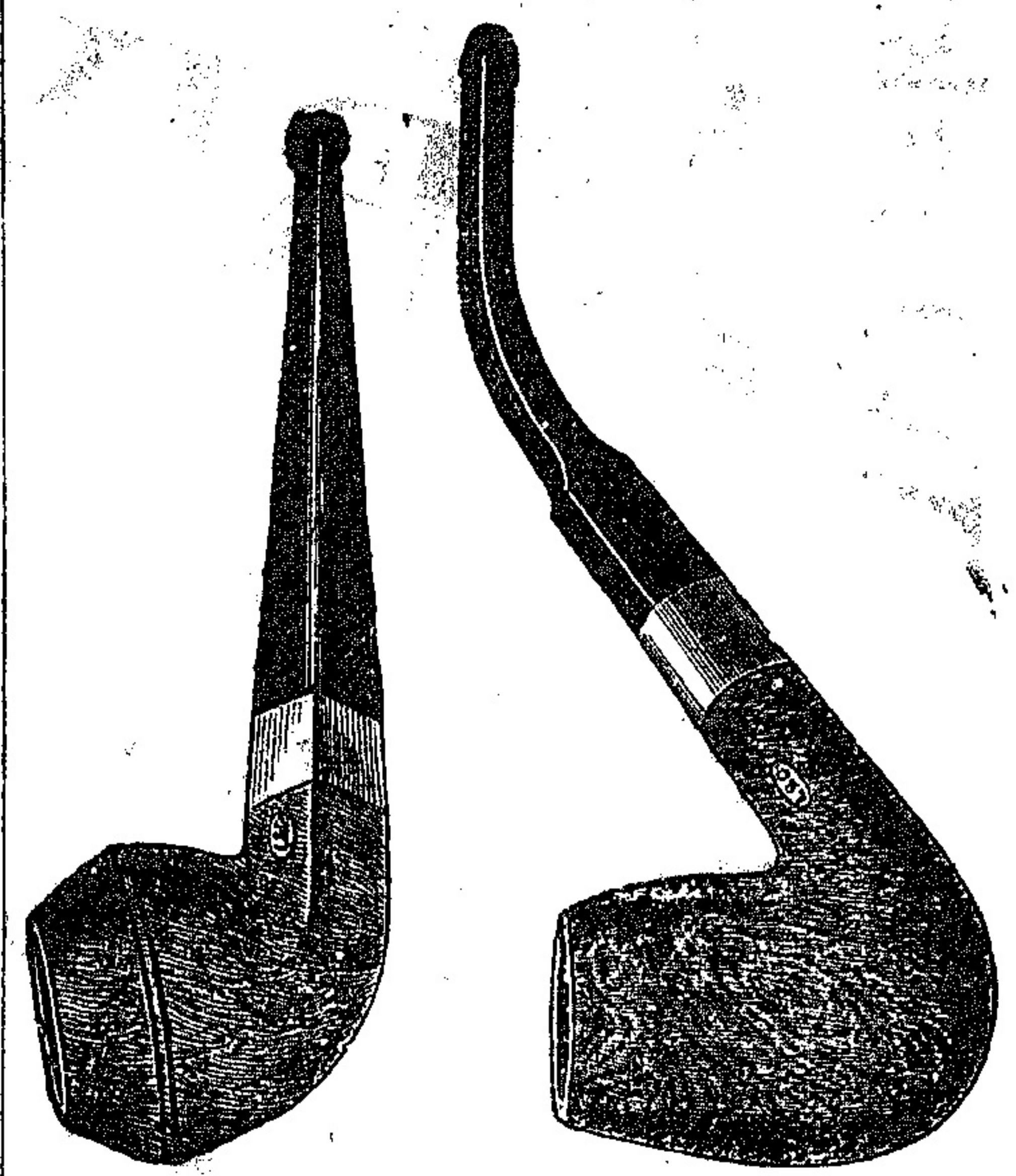
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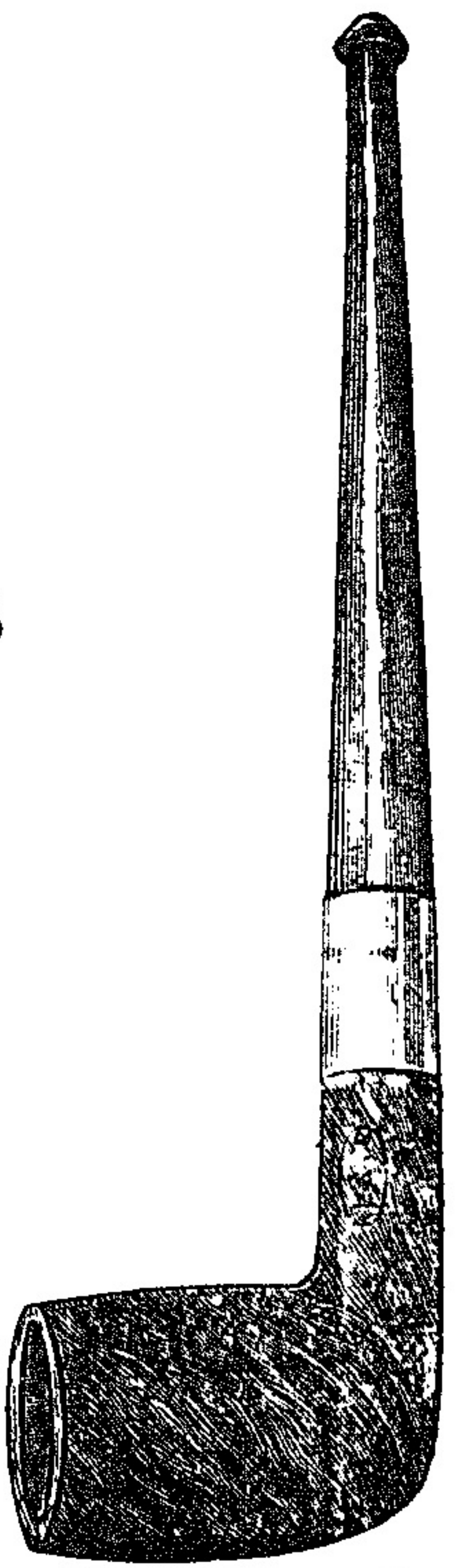
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 Categorico, colt—Categorica
 Leila, f—Baby
 Viola, f—Lady Blanche
 Mimado, c—Mariana
 Polvo, c—Pigüé

By The General—
 Timon, c—Talon
 By Balacklava—
 Rositon c—Rosita
 The Gloaming, f—Aurora

In all 23 by Zanoni, 2 by the General and 3 by Balacklava.

AT OJO DE AGUA

By Gay Hermit—
 Egipto, c—Smirna
 Artico, c—Themisto
 Biota, f—Poplin
 Mayolica, f—Framework
 Baccante, f—Cantimera
 Adriana, f—Andreina
 Guaviyu, c—Criptomera
 Guemes, c—Maria Louisa
 Rigolo, c—Regret

By Gloriation—
 Continental, c—Europa
 Alba, f—Dawn
 Alacran, c—Venusta

By Stiletto—
 Cartujo, c—Carmen
 Stentonia, f—Madreselva
 Bresco, c—Azalea

In all 16 by Gay Hermit, 5 by Gloriation and 5 by Stiletto.

AT THE CABAÑA LAURA

By Pan—
 Filly out of Leda
 Toujours, c—Suzon
 Colon, c—Bambina
 Cloe, f—Pillage

By Tissaphernes—
 Daphnis, f—Fair Beauty.
 Roi d'Is, c—America
 Lycenion, c—Haydée

By Pihuen—
 La Fé, f—Pretoria
 Le Hussard, c—Sydney
 Hecla, f—Sarah Jane

By Galileo—
 Jamais, c—Cleopatra.

By Beau Tibbs—
 Fleur de Thé—Gerua

In all 6 by Pan, 6 by Tissaphernes, 5 by Pihuen, one by Galileo and 2 by Beau Tibbs.

AT THE HARAS LAS ORTIGAS

By Star—
 Acelaga, f—Asperge
 Carabine, f—Dalriada
 Debacle, f—
 Luciole f—Legère

By Neapolis—
 Veleta, f—Valerie
 Floreal, c—Fossette
 Thebais, f—Tesoro
 Pick Pocket, c—Printaniero
 Cognac, c—Carte Blanche
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 Salvage, c—Sorrento
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By Phoenix—
 Sunshade, f—Sunshine
 Nautch Girl, f—Cora
 Tennessee, c—Derby Dear
 St. Anthony, c—Flirt
 Chibby, f—Chipbonnet
 Albuera, c—Mural Crown
 Lady Epsom, f—Countess of Epsom

By Whipper-In—
 Luna, f—Delicia
 Monteith, c—Marie Seton

By Lapidist—
 Sophiste, c—Sophonisba
 Conjuror, c—Galatea
 Crisis, c—Good Trade

In all 12 by Phoenix, 4 by Whipper-In, and 6 by Lapidist.

AT LUIS CHICO

By Ormonde—
 Raniqueo, c—Resignation
 Pelo de Oro, f—Girdle
 Fairview, c—Alicia
 Punta Piedras, f—Kirk of Field
 Calibar, c—Oriscn

By Humewood—
 Capitan, c—Westward-Ho.

In all 9 by Ormonde and 1 by Humewood.

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 Los Alpes, c—Lady Belle
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 Aereolite, c—Tiddlywinks
 Rataplan, c—Douce

By Azur—
 Nimbus, c—O'Flaherty
 Sorrento, c—Sound

In all 4 by Pauls Cray and 3 by Azur.

AT THE CABAÑA SAN JOSÉ

By Avril—
 Argenteuil, c—Intervention
 Alfalfa, f—Miss Ormerod
 Alhamar, c—Gaillarde
 Adalid, c—Barbée

By Cormeilles—
 Aspasia, f—Agrisipina
 Cosita, f—Haite

By Orbit—
 Ontario, c—Tyrannie.

In all 8 by Avril, 4 by Cormeilles and one by Orbit.

AT THE CABAÑA SANTA RITA

By Hanover—
 Hurican, f—Lent
 Master Bob, c—Marinette
 Honesty, f—Santa Rosa

By Dragon—
 Dentelle, f—Sunshine
 Diva, f—Loulou
 Driade, f—Lucy

By Petersburg—
 Princesa, f—Weatsheaf

By Humewood—
 Leader, c—Luera.

In all 5 by Hanover, 4 by Dragon, 2 by Petersburg, and 1 by Humewood.

AT THE CABAÑA ADELA (Córdoba)

By Davenport—
 Bendigo, c—Manola
 Carabina, f—Carthagena
 Kamera, f—Rafita
 Iguana, f—Isabel

By Champagni—
 Mahoma, c—Melinita
 La Galga, f—Signa
 Episcopisa, f—England's Pride

By El Plata—
 Macana, c—Gioconda.

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AT THE HARAS NACIONAL

By Soukaras—
 Saphir, c—Etoile
 Salteador, c—Esperance

Etoile, f—Embuche
 Framboise, f—Finesse
 Lavallo, c—La Migraine
 Lince, c—Corogüe
 Nicten, f—Nebulosa
 Abadia, f—Agnes Hilda
 Martin, c—Mendiga
 Crinoline, f—Crinolette
 President, c—Lutriche

By Orbit—
 Orjal, c—Himalaya
 Ortegai, c—Genève
 Orion, c—Tormentilla
 Orvietto, c—Brunehaut
 Lucerna, f—La Gázza

By Acheron—
 Arban, c—Scottish Belle
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 Asteroide, c—Medea
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In the above list there will doubtless be found many names wrongly spelt, as although we have taken them from the Jockey Club's official lists, these are full of printers errors, some of which we have been able to correct on referring to the Stud book, but as that volume was printed nearly five years ago, and itself is full of errors, it did not help us much.

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THE ABSURD DEFINITION OF "PROFESSIONAL."

Montevideo, Feb. 11.

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*,

Dear Sir,—

For the last time I venture to trespass on your space on this subject.

If the correspondence you have kindly published has done nothing else, it has certainly shown the strong feeling in amateur circles against money prizes, a feeling so strong that not a single correspondent has come forward to espouse my side of the question. That being the case, the A. A. A. cannot be held unjustified in excluding money prizes from their meetings. But I do not see that even that justified the A. A. A. in applying so entirely disproportionate a punishment as a perpetual boycott to the amateur who has once or twice competed for a money prize. Such a punishment is without parallel, for after all it must be remembered that the offence is merely a technical one, and to those outside the magic circle of the A. A. A., is no offence at all. I must beg leave to differ radically from Mr. Christian, authority though he be, when he asserts that no difference could thereafter be drawn between amateur and professional. As in many other cases the boundary may be difficult to define, but it certainly does not exist where the A. A. A. attempt to draw it. It requires something considerably more than having once or twice competed for money to transform an amateur into a professional, whether at athletics or any other pursuit. And I equally fail to see how the amateur who has competed for a money prize thereafter runs under "false colours," unless, of course he tried to disguise the fact. To compete occasionally when the prize is money instead of cups or medals is a vastly different thing from embracing athletics as a profession, and I can conceive its being quite possible for an amateur to compete for a money prize many times in the course of his career, and yet remain just as genuine an amateur as when he first started, though I know the A. A. A. will deny this, their denial being solely based on a misuse of the word professional. Suppose that the offering of money prizes at athletic meetings became customary—then in the course of a year, according to the strained definition of the A. A. A., there would be hardly an amateur athlete left in England, they would all be "professionals," an obviously ridiculous conclusion. In fact, it seems to me that the present rule, instead of making a real distinction, only raises confusion, and stands in the way of a correct and tenable definition, for it lumps together amateurs who have competed for money but are still amateurs, with real professionals (using the word in its proper meaning), whereas the two may be as far asunder as the poles.

Therefore, although I may yield to conviction in the matter of money prizes instead of cups, I decline to

budge an inch in my objections to the use—or misuse—of the word "professional." The matter stands thus:—

Professional—dictionary definition—one who makes a living out of what to others is an art or pastime. This is clear, of general application, and universally accepted, as a definition should be. A. A. A. definition—one who has taken part in a competition for a money prize. If this definition holds good, it follows that the majority of your readers, although ostensibly bank clerks, mercantile or railway employees, engineers, and so forth, are also professional billiard players, horse-riders, card-players, betters, word-guessers, etc., etc. But this is a "reductio ad absurdum," which at once destroys the original proposition.

Or it may be said it only applies to athletics. Then we have a definition with a man who knocks balls about with a bat or a racquet on a green field, but not with a man who knocks balls about with a cue on a green table; which holds good with one who runs a steeplechase on foot, but not with one who rides a steeplechase on horseback; which holds good with regard to jumping, or pulling, or throwing, but not with regard to a hundred and one amateur games, pursuits, occupations or hobbies into which the money element is allowed freely to enter without hint of disqualification. To which I can only reply that a definition which only holds good in such a limited number of cases is no definition at all, and has no right to exist. I think then that the sooner the A. A. A. choose some other word than "professional" when they wish to indicate an amateur who has competed for a money prize, the sooner will they avoid a possible imputation that they have cultivated their muscles at the expense of their brains.

With which parting shot, which I hope no one will take personally, for I only mean it good humouredly, I beg leave to retire from the controversy.

Once more thanking you for the exceptional demands you have allowed on your space, I remain, etc.

J. NIB.

Buenos Aires, Feb. 13.

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.

Dear Sir,—

I have read with great interest the different letters on the above subject that have appeared in your paper, but I think that most of your correspondents have gone rather wide of the real mark. The affair that started the controversy, I think, was the action the local representatives of the A. A. A. took in regard to the international tug-of-war. Well, Sir, the question then discussed was if they were right and consistent in so doing. I myself think that, owing to the special features of the late contest, that Amateurs should have been allowed to compete. If it had not been for the arbitrary notice sent out by the Secretary of the A. A. A. I am sure many athletes would have joined, if only to keep themselves in training, and then a good English team would have been entered that would have pulled everything before it, whereas we had the mortifying spectacle of seeing the "Old Flag" knocked right out of it.

I think that if the A. A. A. are going to purify sport in this country, by barring contests of this sort, they will have to declare nearly every one of their members professionals, because it was with great surprise that I not only read recently in the papers of some of their members organising horse races for money, but saw that some of their running members were actually riding side by side with professional jockeys, for cash prizes. If this does not disqualify an Amateur more than pulling in a tug-of-war I should very much like the Secretary of the A. A. A. to explain the reason, and if they still mean to make professionals of all who took part in the tug-of-war they are in duty bound to disqualify all who assisted at the late race meeting as well.—Yours truly,

CONSISTENT.

[If our correspondent knew, as we do, that the teams competing in the tug-of-war at the Skating Rink were paid so much a night for pulling, besides receiving prizes, and that the affair was simply organised as a spectacle for the public, and not as a competition proper, he would not have surely wished to have seen amateurs taking part in the show—not for the honour and glory of their country but for the benefit of the coffers of the proprietors of the Columbia Skating Rink. The gentleman rider and professional jockey question has been treated with too thoroughly in previous letters to require anything further on the subject from ourselves. Our correspondent may certainly have seen gentlemen riders riding side by side with professional jockeys on ponies whose owners received money prizes if they won, but the latter were paid for their services in the saddle whilst the former were not.

After next week this correspondence must cease.—Ed, "*River Plate Sport and Pastime*."

NATURAL HISTORY NOTES.

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INFUSORIA.

Of the many forms of minute life to which the Microscope introduces us, there are none of greater interest than the Infusoria. These animalcules, found in countless myriads in lakes, rivers, ponds, and in the wide ocean, in short wherever any water has lain for a short space of time, are of the deepest importance to the student of nature, not only in themselves but

also on account of the fact that they may be regarded as epitomes of animal life histories and exhibit their life and habits, on a small scale those great natural functions of growth and reproduction which in large animals are so difficult to follow out. The word infusoria means animalcules found in infusions; but it must not be supposed that all the microscopic forms of life found in infusions necessarily belong to this section of the animal kingdom, for below the infusoria are found numbers of even simpler organisms which are still plainly animal or belong to that undefined and extensive life territory whose members are not to be classified either as animals or plants.

What then are Infusoria? They are one celled animalcules which in the adult stage are furnished either with hairs (ciliae) or flagellae (whips). They may unite to form colonies but the individuals are always distinctly recognizable. There is no sexual reproduction but the latter function is performed either by fission, division, gemmation or by the entire coalescence of two individuals whose united contents give rise to innumerable spores.

Oken said of the infusoria that in them, we find in their primeral shape the very bricks and mortar out of which the entire superstructure of the animal world has been created; and it is this fact, for fact it is, that make the study of them so important. Originally all the infusoria were supposed to arise from spontaneous generation. A man who put a glass of water aside and a few days afterward found it swarming with life thought that that life had been spontaneously generated from the water.

The animalcules produced in infusions of decaying vegetable matter were thought to be the offspring of that very decay. We know better now. The theory of spontaneous generation, is for modern science, an exploded one and wherever and under whatever circumstances we see life we know that that life has sprung by reproduction processes from antecedent living matter. The discovery of the Infusoria is due to the Dutch Naturalist Antony van Leeuwenhoek who in 1676 published the earliest observations on these animalcules. After the door had been opened by Leeuwenhoek, numbers of other observers entered the field of observation until now the mere literature of the subject almost defies classification.

The shapes assumed by the different species of Infusoria are legion. Some are round covered with hair like ciliae, others are slipper-shaped, others bell-shaped, others shaped like a vase or cup, some with long neck like projections giving them the appearance of a microscopic swan some like flowers with ciliated margins, some solitary, others united with colonies, some with short stalks, others with long flexible evercoiling and uncoiling filaments attaching them to the spot where they grow. In colour too they vary. Green, crimson, orange, and other colours are found amongst them and where they occur in immense quantities they sometimes give a distinct tinge to the water.

The phosphorescence of the sea especially in temperate latitudes is due to the presence in countless myriads in the upper stratum of the water of an Infusorian (*Notiluca miliaris*) which according to Prof. Allman is the most strongly phosphorescent animal known to science. "Often on the high seas the revolving screw of the steamer leaves in its wake a broad luminous track as far as the eye can reach. A glassful of water taken from the surface of the sea immediately reveals the origin of the wonderful phenomenon; here and there will be seen floating, minute bladderlike transparent spheres, resembling as nearly as possible small granules of boiled sago and varying in size from 1/80 to 1/20 of an inch. Irritated by agitation in any shape or form, they at once respond by, as it were, angry flashes of silvery greenish light, and it is to the coruscations in their aggregate condition of millions of these minute bodies that the phosphorescence of the sea depends." This light reflected from the scales of passing fish often makes the latter appear to be luminous when really the luminosity is due to the Infusoria referred to.

One large and well known group of Infusoria are called Stentors or Trumpet Shaped which are animalcules exactly like a funnel with a wide ciliated mouth. They divide by fission; i.e. splitting in two, like others of the group but instead of dividing longitudinally or transversely they divide obliquely. The stentors generally form colonies and look very curious under the lens being to all intents and purposes of family of united microscopic funnels. One species of Stentor surrounds itself with a gelatinous tubular sheath which serves it for a home and into which it can retire when alarmed.

The Vorticellae or Bell Animalcules are Infusoria exceedingly graceful and beautiful. They are shaped like a wineglass on a long flexible stalk and in their adult stage fixed by this to their home, be the latter the body of some water animal or some other substance. One of these species is found on leaves under water covering them with what to the naked eye appears as bluish green slime; but which under the lens is a colony of animated crystal wine glasses in constant movement. Other species form dense green masses round the stems of aquatic plants. If we could imagine hundreds of wine glasses joined together by their stems as if having budded from each other we should have an idea of the sight under the microscope when gazing at the Infusoria called Carchesium, which forms in tree like colonies of some hundreds of individual units.

One of the commonest forms of Infusoria is called *Bursaria*. This is often found in stagnant water as for example the water in which flowers have been kept in a glass. Thousands of a singularly active animalculi with an end larger than the other forming a kind of broken ovoid may be seen bobbing about in all directions covered with dense ciliae like bristles. These belong to the family of the Bursariae.

Some of these creatures possess long tentacle like prolongations of their structure by which they are enabled to seize and hold their passing prey, which consists of other smaller infusoria or of still lower animals.

Other infusoria instead of tentacles possess long whip lashes which aid them in their movements.

As before stated, these animalcules have several means of reproducing their species. 1st by fission. One splits in two and each half becomes a separate and entire creature. 2nd by division. One splitting up into various creatures each to become like the original whole. 3rd by budding as in the case of the Carchesium referred to where whole colonies are formed of individual units produced by budding from the earlier members of the colony, and 4th by the union of two individuals. In this case these two animalculae entirely coalesce and their separate body contents become amalgamated. Then after a period of rest the outer wall bursts and the contents are found to be spores each of which becomes a complete image of one of its self-sacrificing parents. It will be readily surmised that so many modes of reproduction have a reason. The reason is to furnish food for the larger animals which prey on them. The water of ponds is found to be a kind of animal soup upon which fishes, etc. can thrive. This is due to the myriads of infusoria contained in it. It may be shewn that in the case of binary subdivision alone, the slowest of the method of reproduction cited, one individual would, by successive daily subdivisions, have become in 14 days 16,384 individuals or in 4 weeks this same individual would be represented by 268,435,456. So it is that the race is preserved and yet food found for so many large animals. There are many very interesting subjects not strictly of a zoological character which turn upon the studies of infusional life, such for instance as the fact that death is not a necessity amongst the home animals, seeing that the only death many of them experience is really a doubling of their existence: but these questions would lead us far and are perhaps, here, at all events, better left alone.

How I Discovered the Indian Mines

"By Jove, if this goes on much longer we shall be one mass of mildew," said M. coming into the peons' kitchen one damp afternoon. "Everything in the house is damp, my boots are all green with it, and I expect yours are too. I'm quite sick of it, but it surely can't last much longer."

It was one of those nasty damp days one sometimes gets out here towards the end of August, a south-easterly wind and a drizzle, not enough to wet one through, but enough to make everything damp, a damp that pervades everything, makes your clothes stick to you, and, as M. had just said, our boots turn green with mildew.

"Oh, hang the weather and the boots!" said I, "come along and have some maté, the water is boiling, and I want to hear where you found that Indian lance this morning."

M. and I were living at an English estancia he had been sent to "poblar" for a company near Gainza, on the old frontier. We had about 5000 head of cattle there, and, as there was only a small portion of the camp fenced in, we had to ride a considerable distance every morning in order to bring any animals back that might have strayed during the night or been driven off by the mosquitoes, which literally swarmed during this damp, foggy weather.

There had been some time or other a tolderia or Indian village a short distance away from our house, and

a large Indian road ran right across the camp, so seldom a week passed without one or other of us finding something or other belonging to them or the soldiers from some of the neighbouring forts.

That very morning M. had brought in a lance made of hard wood, about 12 feet long, with a long steel blade of about 18 inches, and what appeared like two wide iron ferrules, each about a foot deep, one where the blade was fixed on to the wood and one at the other end, but which on being polished with a little wood ash turned out to be solid silver. This was the best find we had yet had. We had already a regular museum; a dozen or two of stone bolas, a broken lance and three skulls belonging to the Indians, a sabre, two remingtons, an old pistol, a soldier's coat full of holes (probably lance holes), and two skulls, one of them smashed in, belonging to the soldiers.

The Indians and soldiers, three or four years before we went there, were always having ructions, and everybody that could get killed was killed, they stood on no ceremony, and the soldier was simply prodded through with a lance or the Indian was bored through with a bullet, and the carcass left to feed the chimangoes or carachos.

I never saw anything that would touch a dead Indian though, but I have seen native soldiers with their eyes picked out and partly eaten by birds and foxes—but an Indian never. He was generally staring all he knew, nothing molested him, but presently a subtle armadillo would come along, who, seeing so much good meat wasting, and not caring for it himself, would straightway burrow right alongside, and there wait patiently until the maggots began to fall in, and then he would eat them.

This was a mean way of doing things, a kind of secondhand business, but they prospered and got fat on it, and fat armadillo is very good eating, though it does not do to enquire too much into what he has eaten himself. I never did, but just ate him, and was thankful.

But to return to our muttons. M. drew a log out to the fire to sit on. Morenigo, our capataz, set to work to serve maté, and I waited to hear how M. found the lance.

"I got it down by the Blanca Manca medianos," he told us. "I was after that old beast of a spotted bull that always goes off by himself, and my horse kicked it up out of the grass. I found a skull, too, about 5 yards away, but all the other bones were broken. He must have been a big fellow, though, from the size of his head, it is on my bed; just bring it for me, there's a good fellow."

So I went and got it, and a pot of vaseline, too, for whenever we found a skull lying around us we brought it home for M., who polished it carefully with vaseline and stuck it up on a neat little bracket in his bedroom, and seemed quite fond of it. For my part I did not care about such things, but only stuck to any old weapons or other curios that came in my way.

I set to work polishing in the intervals between the matés. The silver on the lance roused my curiosity.

"Where the deuce," said I, "do the Indians get all their silver from? I remember shooting one some years ago in the south of Cordoba who had a pair of solid silver spurs on which weighed a pound and two ounces each one, besides nearly all we killed up there had something made of silver about them, and they must dig it up from somewhere. But some body must be coming, the dogs are kicking up such a row."

I handed the maté pot to Morenigo, and went outside, and there saw a most wonderful sight, nothing more nor less than a victoria drawn by 5 horses, all hitched on abreast, Jarvie on the box, and two people inside. I shouted to M. to come out forthwith, which he did.

"By Jove!" said he, when he saw the old rattletrap, "who the deuce can they be, and where the devil can they be off to?"

They drew up at the palenque, and out stepped a dapper little man, about five feet high, all boots and hat, who proceeded to help out an old chap who seemed rather groggy on his legs, and then they both came forward, and the younger of the two introduced himself as Mr Achilles Martin, and the elder as Mr Martin of Buenos Aires, and asked permission to stay the night.

Now, apart from any feelings of hospitality, we were only too glad to have anybody, for we seldom got any papers out there and hardly any news from the outside world, in fact, as far as news was concerned, we might have been living on another planet.

Well, we told them to come along inside. The little man chirped, said the weather was vile, tried to light a cigarette, found his matches were damp, expectorated, and swore, which told us that he was French, for he said "Sacre nom de Dieu" and other things which, I believe, are naughty words in that language.

They were much amused at the inside of our house. M. had a room to himself, and I also, and between the two there was another small one, which we used as a dining room. All round the wall were hung lazos, bolas, spurs, whips, in fact, all our own belongings and our museum also.

We soon got out of them what they were and where they were going. M. Martin was a well-to-do hatter in Buenos Aires, and had speculated in four leagues of camp in the national territory about 40 leagues S.W. of Victoria. Achilles was his nephew and a surveyor, and was going down with him to look at it and find the boundaries.

M. looked at me and I looked at him. The thing was preposterous, absurd; how could two men imagine that they could go 140 leagues across the pampas in a victoria with five horses, with no road, hardly any water, at any rate such water as they could find, and travelling so bad from the sandy nature of the soil that even on horseback one could in some places only travel at the rate of four miles an hour. They explained also

that they had a cart following them, and which turned up while we were talking drawn by 8 horses, and containing Achilles's surveying poles, instruments, and the luggage, a whole lot of preserved meat, some wine, brandy, etc. I thought I must have a yarn with the driver, so I went out, and found him to be a Basque, and rather a character in his way. After having greeted him with the usual Buena tarde, and told him to unhitch his horses, I remarked:

"So you are going down to the woods at the foot of the Cordilleras, are you?"

"So they say," he replied, jerking his head in the direction of the house.

"And do you suppose you will ever get there?" I enquired.

"Not much; but I can get as far as they do, and when they turn back I shall come back too. I am paid by the day, and I don't care if we never see the Cordilleras."

I told him not to fret himself on that account, as there was very little chance for him on that trip.

Meantime M. was doing the host to the two Martins, and great fun they seemed to be having, for I heard M. and Achilles roaring with laughter as I went in. He had been telling them some awful crams, and they it seemed had taken them all in. Poor old Martin ought to have known better, as he was quite 65 years' old, with a head the shape of an egg with the pointed end up and nearly as bald, but he had an air of having been bullied all his life, and now his nephew had bullied him into coming on this insane trip. I did not like the nephew; he was a conceited little beggar. I found him sitting on a chair with his little feet just touching the ground, laying down the law to M., and telling him about some wonderful journeys he had made in Algeria.

Why is it, I wonder, that all Frenchmen seem to have been to Algeria? Most of those I have known have been there, most of them have killed half a dozen lions, and all of them have fought with Arabs. Perhaps they went there for the same reason that people went to Botany Bay some 50 years' ago, "quien sabe."

From what we could gather during dinner the old man wanted to go back; he had already had enough of it, but little Achilles declared he intended seeing the land, and was not to be deterred by any difficulties, however great.

We had some very good caña at that time, a beverage hitherto unknown to our little guest, but to which he took exceedingly kindly, and the more he drank the more valiant he became, and the more wonderful his stories. M., seeing that he was getting drunk as quickly as he could, began to chaff him most unmercifully, and I thinking that all his attention was absorbed in listening to and answering him, took the opportunity of talking to the old man. I told him in an undertone how utterly impossible it would be for them to get such a distance in a carriage such as they had brought with them, and telling him that I had been pretty near to where he was going myself, and that if he chose to return to Buenos Aires I would go down and see the land for him, and send him in a report on it.

But I had reckoned without my host, for Achilles, although apparently taken up with M., had heard every word I said, and when I made the proposal to go down and look over the place myself, he fairly bounded off his chair, and, hanging over the table as far as his diminutive stature would allow him, he shouted out:

"So you think that you can get down there, do you, and that we cannot?"

"Yes," I replied, "I can get there, but I don't think you ever will."

"Nom de Dieu!" he shouted. "Allow me to inform M'sieu that where an Englishman can get a Frenchman can also arrive;" and then began stamping up and down, treading upon one of my terriers' nose, who naturally resenting the oppression, went for him after the manner of his kind, and would have bitten him badly had I not grabbed him by the hind leg. This luckily created a diversion in my favour, or else there is no knowing what might have happened, probably pistols and coffee next morning early. I felt very much like picking him up and seating him on the top of the door to cool for a bit, but the unwritten laws of hospitality forbade that, and M. saved the situation at this point by suggesting bed. The suggestion was timely, for old Martin was tired, young Martin was drunk and quarrelsome, and I wanted to have a yarn with M. about the feasibility of going to look at the land. We put them together in my room on a couple of little camp bedsteads and we went into the other. When once alone together we had a good laugh at the expense of the "bantam," as M. styled him, though we both were sorry for the old man. It was really a shame to bring an old man like that from his comfortable home in Buenos Ayres, and expect him to sleep out under a cart in the coldest month during the year, and the wettest, too, for at least six weeks, for even should they succeed in getting down to the place they wanted to go, they could not expect to be back for that time. "Don't say any more about it to them," said M., "let them go, and in less than a week we shall have them back."

That night the wind changed round to the south, the weather cleared, and the sun rose next morning on as lovely a day as one could well wish for. A bracing wind a blue sky with fluffy white clouds drifting over it.

We were all of us up betimes and finished our breakfast, just as the sun was rising, and then the preparations for their start commenced. In less than half an hour the horses were hitched up. We gave them some meat and biscuits and a demijohn of water. I shook hands with old Martin wishing him "bon voyage," and told him again that if he did not get down as far South as he wished I would be very glad to undertake the job. Achilles heard me, for he was standing right by us, he scowled horribly, and got into the Victoria without say-

ing good-bye or anything else. The old man followed him and they drove off.

"If those fellows don't get lost we shall see them again in less than a week," said M., and then we went off to look after the cattle. Well, things went on just the same as usual for the next day or two, but on the third evening just as we were having dinner the dogs began kicking up a row. M. got up and went out, but came in again immediately after, roaring with laughter. "Here they are again," he said, "come and have a look at them, you never saw such a sight. Well out we went, and [a more miserable pair it would be hard to find. One of the old man's eyes was completely bunged up, and Achille's face was like a tomato from mosquito bites, both had their heads tied up in handkerchiefs, as their foreheads were so swollen that they could not get their hats on.

Their story was pitiful, they had not slept since they had been away, as the mosquitos simply swarmed. The first day they had finished the water they took with them, and since then they had subsisted on such liquid mud as they could find in the small lagunas they came across on their travels, and very lucky they had been to find even so much, for the winter had been a dry one. True, we had had several weeks of muggy weather, but since the summer we had had no rain sufficient to collect water. We took them in, and gave them each a good stiff tot, which put them in a better humour with themselves, and then sat down to dinner again. Achille had all the starch taken out of him, and hardly spoke a word, and several times I caught the old man looking at him in an amused sort of way, and the twinkle of his one open eye made me think there was some fun in the old fellow if we could only delve deep enough down to find it. The upshot of the whole matter was that before going to bed that night we arranged that I was to make the trip for the remuneration of \$500. He also made me the present of a very good compass saying that it would be of no further use to him, as he never intended going outside Buenos Ayres any more, except in a train or steamboat. He also gave me his maps, with the exact position of the land I was to see marked on them, and his own address in Buenos Ayres. I have never seen him since the time he left us or Achille either, though he sent me the money all right as soon as I sent him the report. The next day they passed almost entirely in bed, making up time, and the next day they started for Buenos Ayres sadder and wiser men.

I got all my horses together, hoggied the manes of such as wore them in that style, cut their tails and feet, greased all the hobbles, and sent for my old servant Rios who as usual was amusing himself at a neighbouring pulperia. I only had then to wait for him to set out on one of the pleasantest trips I ever made, one also where I saw a lot learned a lot, and found the Indian mines.

(To be continued.)

Cañada de Gomez

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CONCORDIA.

Feb. 2, 1893.

The town of Cañada de Gomez may be said to be the most ill-managed and dirty in Santa Fé, dead dogs and manure are allowed to lie rotting in the streets, though the inhabitants are taxed to provide funds for their removal; but the environs are not at all of an uninteresting nature, rather the reverse. There are many small estancias in the immediate neighbourhood worthy of view.

Amongst these is Concordia, the oldest chacra perhaps in the district, and certainly both from its situation and luxuriant monte the most picturesque. It is the property of Don Guillermo Heiland, well known as proprietor of the caña fabrika here, and as an inhabitant who interests himself in the well being of the town.

Apart from its being situated in a good position, and from its being composed of fertile soil, Concordia is a most desirable property in every way, and one well suited for the residence of any one desiring to be in touch with the town.

The road leading out from Cañada is more straight and even than that, or those, which are the highways to the various estates in the district, and the distance being only a league and a half, with the camps of Don Luis Bianchi, Mr James, and Mr Greenwood on either side, it is a most pleasurable ride or drive.

The chacra consists of some 280 squares, under the management of Mr Dietrich Thoden, who, though up to his eyes in work threshing on my visit, kindly explained all that I required.

Mr Heiland is a wheat buyer to a large extent but he also grows. Here he has succeeded in obtaining (so far as he has threshed) from 130 squares exactly 24 quintales. This is as far as I know a record for the district. The grain is sound, clean, and heavy, as you will see by the enclosed small sample. The thresher and engine used are both of Clayton's make, on the old system. Mr Thoden says that he does not desire better either for good work or saving of labour. None of the wheat has been sold, the proprietor being so large a dealer in grain, buying, and selling, and growing, no price could be given me.

As will be seen from there being 130 squares out of 280 in wheat, there is little room for cattle, but sheep take up some room. There are about 1000 Lincolns with some slight cross, doing excellently well on variegated camp. They fetch good prices both here and in other markets. Novillos and other cattle only number some 100, this apart from 60 working bullocks, which are aided in their work by 25 horses.

To show the state in which the camps were before the recent rain, Mr Thoden told me that from 10 lecheras he could only produce 1 kilo of butter a week and sufficient milk for the house. Now, with plenty of grass, things should improve.

The montes on the south and east of the house and buildings are the largest both in extent and luxuriance which I have seen. Peach and pear for fruit, though thanks to the locusts of peaches and pears there are none, abound in great numbers, paraisos, sauces, and great eucalyptus as tall as those at La California, with the ostrich (I don't know if it is spelt this way) orange are in profusion.

Taken altogether Concordia is one of the prettiest properties which I have seen. One seldom has the pleasure of seeing trees numbering many thousands, but here they are.

C. W. W.

ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

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

We have received the following letter from Mr D. Kingsland, of the Anglo-Argentine Live Stock and Produce Agency:

"We rent the estancia Los Remedios, in the Partido of Lomas de Zamora, at about a league from the station Ezeiza, F. C. a Cañuelas, and use it as a deposit for animals awaiting shipment; at the present time we have there some 300 novillos besides other stock.

"On Friday last we received a telegram from our capataz stating that 35 novillos had been lost in the night before, and after making every enquiry, there is not the least doubt but that they have been stolen. The capataz informs me that on several nights he has heard people moving about in the potreros, who made off when he appeared; on the following mornings the wire fences were found cut in several places.

"No less than five of our immediate neighbours have lost small lots of cattle lately, and can get no satisfaction; they make no secret that the cause of it is the demand for beef for the troops at Santa Catalinas, combined with the facilities for disposing of animals without guias.

"As these robberies are becoming so frequent, we think that the only way to draw the attention of the proper authorities to the matter, is publicity through the papers."

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As Mr Kingsland truly remarks, this is a matter of public importance, as showing the amount of security which people have for their property within a radius of twenty miles of the capital of the Republic. The robbery may also serve to put other people on their guard who may have live stock in the neighbourhood.

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On the 1st and 2nd of March there will be a fair in the town of Chascomus, which will no doubt be well patronised by the neighbouring estancieros and agriculturists. The following tariff has been drawn up for the keep of animals:—In galpon, for each cow, bullock, horse, mule or pig, \$1, and for each sheep 50 cents; at "palenque," for each cow, bullock, horse or mule, 40 cents; in corral, for each cow, bullock, horse, mule, or pig, 20 cents; and for each sheep 5 cents. Applications for room should be addressed to Alsina 34 to the secretary of the committee, which consists of Messrs. R. J. Newton, A. Arrieta, and S. G. Alegre.

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Mr Church, of San Antonio, Azul, obtained the following prices for the stock he sold at his estancia on the 5th: 3400 meztiza Durham cattle, at \$17.50 each, to Messrs. Arning, Brauss and Co.; 1500 ditto at \$16.50 each to Sr. Bombe; 200 ditto to Sr Bilbao; 1000 ditto at \$14 to Sr J. Otaño; 500 ditto to Sr S. Sanchez at \$15.50 each; and 1400 at \$15.05 each to Mr W. G. Bell. The average for the 8000 cattle being therefore \$16.16 each, and the total realised \$129,270. The sale includes everything that walked.

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During February, 64,000 cattle were received at the Corrales de Abasto, which brought in to the Municipal Treasury the sum of \$92,589 in charges. Last year in the corresponding month these charges only gave \$58,009, so that this year shows an increase of \$31,980 over last, or say a thousand dollars more per day.

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The feeling amongst the colonists of Santa Fé, according to a telegram from Santa Fé, is said to be that they should appoint their own municipal authorities, who should administer their taxes. The German colonists refuse to pay the tax on cereals until the promises made by Governor Cafferata be fulfilled, but the Italians pay the tax without resistance.

The Camp town of Esperanza in Santa Fé to which so much attention has lately been turned, owing to the colonist rising, is described in Monday's "Prensa." The town is peopled with Germans, Swiss, and Italians for the most part, each of which nationalities has its own clubs. During week days Esperanza is a very dead and alive place, but on Sundays the town becomes very gay and animated with the influx of the colonists and their families. Some of the buildings and houses in Esperanza are very handsome. There is a line of tramway, a public market, a telephone, three newspapers, one in German and two in Spanish, the former being twenty years old, and electric light is being installed. There are six thousand inhabitants in the town.

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For the time being the question between the Santa Fé colonists and the Provincial Government is at rest, although the former do not mean to let the matter drop by any means. The colonists are organising associations all over the province to resist the tax by every peaceful means in their power, although as we have said the Italians are paying it without resistance. Should there be a stand up fight we very much fear the scratch troops of the Government would stand a very poor chance against the German and Swiss colonists, who are not only trained soldiers but the latter are some of the finest marksmen in the world.

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The Rural Associations of Balcarce and Dolores have fixed upon the same date to celebrate their autumnal fair, viz. the 26th, 27th and 28th of the current month. In a country where rural fairs are limited in their number as they are important to the rural interests, this clashing of rival associations is prejudicial alike to the buyer, the seller and the tradesman of the town where the fairs are celebrated. In 1890 or 1891 a similar thing occurred; the rural societies of Azul and Chascomús celebrating their respective fairs at the same date.

The estanciero cannot afford to have his interests hurt by the petty jealousy of such institutions, in a country where the field of labour is surely wide enough for all. If two associations select by accident or design the same date for their rural meetings the matter should be referred to the Argentine Rural Society—the supposed *almá mater* of these local branches—and the privilege should be given to the Association on whose side the right lay, and the other would have to select another date.

RACING

ROSARIO TALA—FEB. 3.

A very enjoyable little meeting was held at the Hipodromo Central Entre-Riano, on the 3rd of February, when the racing was good and the finishes close. The attendance was excellent, and beauty was well represented amongst the ladies.

An unfortunate accident spoilt the second race, as when Chacrero and Presidente were coming in neck and neck together, an old horse got on to the course, stopped them, and let up Argentino, who was some three or four lengths behind at the time, so that he eventually won by some two or three lengths. The owners of the third horse, Stud Inglés, claimed to have the race run over again, but this the stewards of course disallowed.

The following are the details of the racing:—

First Race; \$300 to the first; 500 metres.
P. C. Ramirez' Atrevido.....1
Stud Inglés' Ochenta.....2
Stud Gualaguay's Cautivo.....3

Won by a neck; the the third finished close up. Time 30 metres.

Second Race; \$400 to the first; 800 metres.
G. O. Juando's Argentino.....1
Stud Gualaguay's Presidente.....2
Stud Inglés' Chacrero.....3

Won by two lengths; time 51 2-5 seconds.

Third race; \$400 to the first; 1600 metres.
Stud Gualaguay's Por Cierta.....1
Sr. G. Puevana's Pajano.....2
Sr. J. R. Heaton's Pachorra.....3

Won by half a length; bad third; time 1 m. 53 secs.

Fifth Race; \$400 to the first; 1600 metres.
Sr. J. Gomez' Ciervo.....1
Stud Inglés' Kingslake.....2
Sr. J. C. Larriera's Guaycuru.....3

A ding dong race from start to finish, won by a neck, a bad third; time 1 min. 50 secs.

Sixth Race; \$100 to the first; 1000 metres.
Sr. L. Acosta's Reconquista.....1
Sr. F. Cardoso's Pacifico.....2
Sr. I. Sanchez' Rocamora.....3
Stud Gualaguay's Don Leandro.....0
Sr. J. Orsatti's Gringo.....0

Won by Reconquista by half a length with the rest of the field close up; time 1 min. 8 3-5. sec.

Seventh Race; \$100 to the first; 800 metres.
Sr. E. Colman's 25 de Mayo.....1
Sr. P. C. Ramirez' Guayquiraro.....2
Sr. J. Corfield's Rivadavia.....3

Won by two lengths, a bad third; time 53 secs.

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River Plate Sport and Pastime.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1893.

SPORTING NOTES

The Buenos Aires Cricket Club have obtained a most decisive win over the Montevideo Cricket Club at Montevideo, in the two days' match there, by ten wickets. The team representing the B. A. C. C. consisted of Messrs J. Gifford (captain), E. Gifford, R. E. Anderson, H. Anderson, B. J. Dillon, J. Garrod, W. Evans, A. Lace, G. A. Thomson, and D. J. Stokes.

The match was finished on the first day, Monday. Montevideo scored 70 and 44, and Buenos Aires 85 and, in their second innings, 30 without the loss of a wicket.

The Flores v. Quilmes cricket match which should have been played at Quilmes on the 12th did not come off, as Flores was unable to get up a team, several of their men having to represent the Buenos Aires Cricket Club in Montevideo on the following day.

There will be a meeting of the Committee of the Polo Association on Friday the 17th to fix a date for the first championship tournament at Hurlingham. The meeting will be held in these offices at 1 o'clock.

The first ordinary general meeting of the Belgrano Polo Club will be held on Tuesday the 21st at the Station Hotel, Belgrano, for the purpose of presenting the financial statement of the club, and for electing office bearers for this present year.

There were no races at San Fernando on Sunday the 12th, as announced, but the races which should have come off that day will be run next Sunday with the addition of three others, a 600 metre race for 56 in. ponies, a handicap for criollo horses, and a handicap for any horse.

The Committee of the Jockey Club previous to the 8th of March will issue an order compelling all trainers to take out a license. Any trainer failing to take out a license will be severely punished by the club.

The statement laid before the shareholders of the Hipodromo Nacional Club shows that this club has a balance of \$62,153 with which it is proposed to pay a dividend of four per cent on the capital, \$800 going to the reserve fund and \$17,350 to new account. The entrances for the past year show an increase of over \$8000 over the the previous year, and the betting shop an increase of \$44,430.

The first race meeting of the year at Palermo will be held on the 5th of March, or in a little over a fortnight. The Committee of the Jockey Club meet to-day to arrange the programme, which will include the Premio Apertura and six other events.

The exercise track at Palermo is shortly to be widened by some six yards or so. This extra width has been obtained by filling in the ditch on the inside so that it now is only three yards

wide. This will render the track slightly less dangerous than formerly for the large number of horses daily exercised on it.

Sr Callau is at present constructing a bicycle track at the Recoleta in front of the Belvedere. All cyclists will be glad to hear of this, and I have no doubt the venture will meet with every success, as what bicycle races there have been here have always attracted a great amount of interest though only ridden round a skating rink.

The programme of a race meeting to be held at Hurlingham on Saturday the 25th of March, will be found in another column. I hear that the Quilmes Club propose holding a meeting on the same day, no other suitable holiday presenting itself. It is a pity the two meetings clash, but as they will be so far apart they will perhaps not interfere with each other to any great extent.

From the list of foals born since the 1st of August last it will be seen that over three hundred foals, of thoroughbred or with thirty-one thirty-seconds or more of thoroughbred blood in their veins, have been foaled in this country at the different breeding establishments. At Curamulan there is an own brother to Amianto, at the Ojo del Agua stud farm, the home of Gay Hermit, the dam of Golondrina, Venusta, has a colt foal by Gloriation, at the Las Ortigas stud there is a half sister of Indecis out of Corogne, at Las Rosas there is an own sister to Thalia, and at many other studs may be found own brothers and sisters to some of our most successful racehorses.

Very little talent is shown in the way of nomenclature, in fact the only really good name we notice is the filly by King of Scotland out of Split Vote which is called La Rosales, and there is not much wit in that. Some of the foals have pedigrees too which lend themselves very well to experts in nomenclature, such as the filly by Gay Hermit out of Arte Diem, which is called Puebla for what reason I do not know; the colt by Gloriation out of Princess might have had a better name than Milico, and so might the filly by Pan out of Pillage than Cloe. Crisis by Lapidist out of Good Trade is well named. The names of most of our stallions however do not make naming their progeny an altogether easy task.

Habana is a good name for the filly by Lohen grin out of Regalia, and Se Fue comes naturally for the filly by Rawson out of Farewell. The colt by The Laddie out of Harp should have had a better name given him than Violin. Amongst Ormonde's foals I notice that two are registered by Sr. Boucau as having been foaled in English time, the colt out of Orison which is set down as foaled on the 15th of January, and the colt out of Queen of the South which is registered as having been foaled on January the 28th. Besides these two the colt by Humewood out of Westward Ho is registered as foaled on the 17th of January and therefore to English time also.

Thank goodness Carnival and all its nonsense is over, and people are going about again clothed and in their right mind, a condition a great many have certainly not been in for the last few days. The only smart turn out in the Corso in town was a coach load of black and white striped dominoes drawn by a very smart team of brown bays. I fancy I recognised the horses, and I fancy also I recognised the "whip," as the masterly way he handled the ribbons gave him away at once. The same "whip" is one of the best men on the box seat of a coach or tandem cart I think I ever sat beside. At Belgrano some sixty of the jockeys and stable lads all turned out in the colours of their stables and made a capital effect, though when they all rode at full speed over the stones, which they did two or three times, they became somewhat dangerous.

The entries for the classic races of the coming season at Belgrano were opened at the Hipodromo Nacional Club on the 9th inst. The number of entries for the twenty-one races amount to altogether 1353, or an average of 64 for each race, an increase of 510 over last year, when the average was 42 for each race. The following are the number of horses entered for the different classic events: Premio Primo Paso 25, Premio Porvenir 44, Premio Esperanza 55, Premio Mayo 53, Premio 25 de Mayo 25, Premio

Lamadrid 77, Premio Belgrano 49, Premio Lavalle 88, Gran Premio Hipodromo Nacional 108, Premio Gladiador 32, Premio La Milla 71, Premio Coronel Martinez 95, Premio Handicap Argentino 84, Gran Premio Internacional 116, Premio Primer Criterium 74, Premio Segundo Criterium 67, Premio Omnium 88, Premio Velocidad 64, Premio Niobe 52, Premio Rivadavia 74, and the Premio Terminus 52.

In Mr Brett's stables at Belgrano is a two-year-old filly named Alhambra. This filly is by Star out of Allumette and when she first came into the trainer's hands she refused to eat, kicked her box to pieces and it was impossible to do anything with her. The idea occurred to Mr Brett that if he kept a goat with the mare she might take to it, and so he procured one, and since then she has fed well and been tractable. Carpintero, too, is never happy unless he has his pet cat in the box with him.

My note last week on numnahs has brought me a most interesting letter from a camp man down south, which I am sorry to say I cannot publish as it was written privately. With regard to using no numnah at all under the saddle, I have found it answer splendidly to have one's saddle stuffing covered with the best linen obtainable. The linen is nearly waterproof, never gets hard, and the dirt can easily be washed off it, whereas the usual flannel has none of these good points. Leather panels are good, but they get hard unless they are very carefully looked after, and they are also difficult to get well made out here.

Boots.

CRICKET

FIXTURES.

FEBRUARY

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.

LANUS C. C. v. THE BUENOS AIRES AND ROSARIO RAILWAY.

The scores of this match we received too late to publish last week, but print them below. The game was remarkable for having so close a finish, one run only deciding the match in favour of Lanús.

The match was played at Belgrano on the 5th. The Railway went to the wickets first and compiled 78 runs, principally off the bowling of Tupholme and Howe, the latter of whom securing six of the wickets for 28 runs, whilst Syer with 23 and Godwin with 16, made most runs, Neil's 11, and Danvers's 10 scored in three hits, being the only other double figures.

Lanus scored with their first three wickets, but the last four or five did not add many runs, and it was very exciting at the finish when the scores were made level. With only one run to the good the whole side was eventually disposed of.

Scores:

B. A. & R. Ry. A. C. 1st inn	Lanus C. C. 1st inn
W. Ellison, b W. Brown	E. Robson, c Neil, b Webb..... 7
R. McCulloch, b Tupholme..... 4	J. A. Smith, c Danvers, b McKinnell..... 20
B. B. Syer, c Brooking, b Howe..... 23	Gordon-Brown, c Godwin, b Webb..... 31
Dr. Pettinger, b Tupholme..... 0	R. W. Rudd, c Danvers, b Pettinger..... 0
E. Danvers, c W. Brown b T. Howe..... 10	W. Brown, c Godwin, b Webb..... 10
W. Bond, c Robson, b Tupholme..... 3	R. Brooking, c Bond, b Danvers..... 0
W. Godwin, c Fothergill, b T. Howe..... 16	C. Tupholme, c Neil, b Webb..... 4
W. G. Neil, c Rudd, b T. Howe..... 11	F. W. Fothergill, b Danvers..... 0
F. F. Webb, not out... 4	F. A. Barker, b Danvers..... 0
R. McKinnell, c Fothergill, b T. Howe..... 4	T. Bridge, b Webb.... 1
R. C. Lloyd, c Brown, b T. Howe..... 0	T. Howe, not out..... 0
Extras..... 2	Extras..... 6
Total..... 78	Total..... 79

BOWLING ANALYSIS
B. A. and R. Ry. A. C.

	O	M	R	W
C. Tupholme	14	7	27	3
W. Brown	5	2	11	1
T. Howe	11	2	28	6
R. W. Rudd	2	0	10	0
Lanus C. C.				
W. G. Neil	7	2	15	0
F. F. Webb	11.1	2	15	5
Dr. Pettinger	5	0	19	1
R. McKinnell	6	1	14	1
W. Godwin	2	1	1	0
E. Danvers	5	2	10	3

ROSARIO v. LOMAS

Rosario sent an eleven down for Monday and Tuesday the 13th and 14th, to try conclusions with the Lomas A.C. at Lomas, and the match was brought to a conclusion yesterday afternoon with a win for Lomas by eight wickets. Both elevens completed an innings on the first day, Rosario scoring 64, of which Francis compiled 22, and Lomas 85, to which Frost contributed 16 and Jacobs 19. Yesterday Rosario only succeeded in scoring 47, Daniel's 13 and Beaumont's 10 being the only double figures. This left Lomas 28 to get to win, and after losing two wickets they hit up the required number, Rath batting as well as he had bowled. The Rosario men were at a great disadvantage on the cocoa matting, of which the pitch was formed, and to which they are not used.

From the scores and analyses below will be seen how the match resulted;

Rosario		1st inn	2nd inn
W. E. Ellery, b Rath	0	b Cornwall	7
Pumprett, b Cornwall	0	l-b-w b Cornwall	0
F. Francis, run out	22	b Rath	7
F. Martin, b Cornwall	5	c Cornwall, b Rath	0
W. S. Penman, b Rath	4	b Rath	0
J. J. C. Daniel, b Rath	3	b Rath	13
J. Beaumont, c Anderson, b Cornwall	3	c Tabor, b Rath	10
B. Wilkinson, c Jacobs, b Rath	10	b Rath	3
A. C. McLachlan, run out	3	b Cornwall	0
J. Lee, c Anderson, b Rath	4	not out	0
H. Lawrence, not out	0	b Rath	0
B 7, l-b 3	10	B 5, l-b 2	7
Total	64	Total	47

BOWLING ANALYSIS
First Innings

	O	M	R	W
P. M. Rath	14	3	26	5
H. Cornwall	14	4	28	3

Second Innings

P. M. Rath	9.3	2	17	7
H. Cornwall	9	3	23	3

Lomas A.C.

1st inn		2nd inn	
P. M. Rath, c Ellery, b Wilkinson	6	not out	15
A. Anderson, b Martin	7	b Martin	2
T. D. Frost, not out	16	Not out	4
H. Cornwall, l-b-w b Martin	8		
P. L. G. Bridger, b Martin	0		
F. H. Jacobs, b Ellery	19	ht wckt b Martin	7
C. A. Tabor, b Ellery	2		
C. Reynolds, b Ellery	0		
R. W. Anderson, b Wilkinson	4		
H. C. Crusoe, b Wilkinson	9		
J. Brayshaw, c and b Martin	1		
B. 5, l-b 5, n b 2	12	B. 1, l-b 1	2
Total	84	Total	30

BOWLING ANALYSIS
First Innings

	O	M	R	W
F. Martin	21	6	26	4
B. Wilkinson	15	4	23	3
W. S. Penman	6	3	9	—
W. E. Ellery	11	6	14	3

Second Innings

F. Martin	9	4	12	2
W. G. Ellery	6	3	8	—
B. Wilkinson	2.1	—	8	—

BUENOS AIRES AND ROSARIO RAILWAY A. C. v. LOMAS A. C.

The above fixture was decided at Belgrano on Sunday last, the 12th, when the visitors proved much too strong for the home team, and won easily by eight wickets. Bardrick saved his side from a worse defeat by his innings of 33 in the second attempt.

The scores were as follows:

B. A. and R. Ry. A. C.		1st inn	2nd inn
B. B. Syer, b Rath	4	c Atkinson, b Rath	8
Dr. Pettinger, c A. Anderson, b Cornwall	1	b Rath	2
F. Bardrick, b H. Cornwall	5	run out	33
W. Brown, run out	3	c Cornwall, b Tabor	3
W. Ellison, b Rath	4	c Crusoe, b Reynolds	15
W. Bond, b H. Cornwall	4	b Rath	0
W. Higgins, h-w., b Cornwall	1	b Bridger	2
E. Danvers, c and b Rath	4	b Reynolds	10
W. G. Neil, b Rath	6	did not bat	—
F. F. Webb, not out	1	run out	1
T. Godwin, c Atkinson, b Rath	0	did not bat	—
B 2	2	B 8, l-b 1	9
Total	85	Total	80

BOWLING ANALYSIS
First Innings

	O	M	R	W
P. M. Rath	9.1	3	15	5
H. Cornwall	9	3	17	4

Second Innings

P. L. G. Bridger	11	4	17	1
C. A. Tabor	10	4	15	1
F. Atkinson	2	—	6	—
P. M. Rath	6	2	13	3
A. Anderson	6	1	19	—
C. Reynolds	1	—	3	2

Lomas A.C.

1st inn		2nd inn	
P. M. Rath, c Pettinger b Higgins	9	b Higgins	13
A. Anderson, b W. Brown	27	c Brown, b Higgins	4
H. Cornwall, l-b-w b Neil	0	not out	6
T. D. Frost, c Brown b Neil	0		
P. L. G. Bridger b Brown	3		
C. A. Tabor, b Webb	11		
F. H. Jacobs, b Neil	3		
F. W. Atkinson, c Bardrick b Webb	3		
C. Reynolds, b Brown	2		
H. C. Crusoe, st Bardrick b Webb	1		
W. Cowes, not out	0		
b 2, l-b 3	5	b 1	1
Total	64	Total	24

BOWLING ANALYSIS
First Innings

	O	M	R	W
W. Higgins	6	1	18	1
W. G. Neil	10	—	25	3
W. Brown	7	2	12	3
F. Webb	2.1	1	4	3

Second Innings

W. Brown	4	—	10	—
W. Higgins	3.1	—	10	3
F. Webb	1	—	3	—

P O L O

QUILMES

The Lezama Polo Club, who have sent a team to Quilmes to play a series of matches during Carnival, played their first game on Saturday afternoon on the old ground of the Quilmes Club. A very fair number of people were present, and though they could not have seen very much of the game through the dust, showed great interest in the match.

The team to oppose Lezama was a Hurlingham one and, though the score was rather one sided, the game was by no means a bad one after the first quarter, Hurlingham eventually winning by five goals to two.

The teams were:

Hurlingham	Lezama
1. F. J. Balfour	1. C. Cawardine
2. F. Bennett	2. T. K. Fair
3. J. M. Mullaly	3. J. McC. Reid
J. Bennett (back)	F. Paton (back)

As we have just hinted, the first quarter was not a good one and was slow throughout. Hurlingham were the first to score, F. Bennett hitting a goal at the road end. Lezama were penned round their own goal most of the time, with a few breaks away, in one of which they nearly scored; but it was not till just before time was called that Hurlingham scored another goal hit by Balfour.

A change of ponies seemed to put life into the game and the pace improved greatly. Lezama played up much better, and there were some capital gallops up and down the ground. After some ten minutes of give and take play Fair scored for Lezama, but before the close of the period F. Bennett hit a third goal for Hurlingham, leaving the score Hurlingham 3 goals to 1.

The light now became very bad for the side playing against the sun, which was very low, and they had a decided disadvantage. Almost as soon as the ball was thrown in Lezama got possession of it, and Reid scored from a scrimmage, but Hurlingham scored twice before time, one goal hit by F. Bennett and the other by Balfour. Score—Hurlingham 5 goals, Lezama 2.

In the fourth quarter, Lezama, with the sun at their backs, succeeded in not only keeping Hurlingham from scoring but nearly hit a goal on one or two occasions themselves. This was one of the best and fastest quarters in the match, which, as no addition was made to the score ended in a victory for Hurlingham by five goals to two.

As may be imagined the ground was very hard and dusty, though otherwise in good condition. Visitors and players were indebted to Mrs Marriott Woodgate and the other ladies of the committee for an unlimited supply of afternoon tea.

For the winners F. Bennett was most conspicuous—he was always on the ball and played in capital form; J. Bennett played very steadily and well at back. For Lezama Reid played well all through, in fact so did the rest of his team, their defeat being only through want of combination, but as this was the first time they had played together not much could be expected in that line.

On Monday afternoon Lezama played Quilmes, the teams being as follows:

Quilmes	Lezama
1. A. M. Hudson	1. C. Cawardine
2. F. J. Bennett	2. J. McC. Reid
3. J. Bennett	3. T. K. Fair
T. Murray (back)	F. Paton (back)

Quilmes at once put Lezama on the defensive at the railway end, and after a few minutes play E. Bennett scored, and before time was called the same player hit a second goal for the home team. Score—Quilmes 2 goals to 0.

The second quarter was very prolific of goals, no less than four being scored in it. Hudson hit the first; then Quilmes obtained a free hit for a cross near goal, but J. Bennett failed to score; but F. Bennett scored two consecutive goals before the period was over. Score—Quilmes 5 goals to 0.

In the third quarter the game improved greatly and the ball travelled at a good pace. For the first ten minutes neither side could claim any advantage, Reid doing a lot of work for Lezama, and F. Bennett being most conspicuous, and always on the ball, for Quilmes. In the last five minutes of the period F. Bennett scored again and his brother had the narrowest possible shave of scoring also from a pretty cross shot. Score—Quilmes 6 to 0.

The fourth and last period was also good. F. Bennett kept up his reputation, gained in the early part of the game, for hitting goals, and scored two more, the last a very neat shot under the near side of his pony's neck. The game, therefore, ended in favour of Quilmes by 8 goals to love.

For the winners F. Bennett undoubtedly played best and was very much "on the spot" all through the game, seven out of the eight goals scored being to his credit. Murray let very few balls pass him, and J. Bennett also played steadily and well.

For the losers Reid did nearly all the work, and besides appeared the best mounted man of his side. Paton played steadily at back.

The Lezama ponies did not seem inclined to stretch themselves on the strange ground. They were a very good-looking lot and nearly all moved well, but could not hold their own with the Quilmes ponies, who were mostly shod and used to the hard going. On even terms the camp ponies appeared the better, one wiry pony of Mr Reid's, which looked rather on the big side, was perhaps the fastest pony on the ground and handy to boot. The majority of the Lezama ponies were much more true shaped than those we are used to see here, with smaller heads, shorter backs, better set on tails, and some really good looking. As this is the first time we have seen a polo team from the district we were very interested in the ponies and very well pleased with them.

After the foregoing game, another team of the Quilmes Club played a match against Lomas, and this proved by far the best game in the tournament.

The teams were:—

Lomas A.C.	Quilmes C.
1. C. M. Bell	1. F. Bethell
2. G. Anderson	2. J. Leitch
3. A. M. Bell	3. J. Lean
H. M. Bell (back)	A. Yeomans (back)

At first the game was very sticky, Lomas pressing and having a chance or two at their opponent's goal, but nothing resulted till A. M. Bell scored the first goal for Lomas. Quilmes now attacked, but H. M. Bell always saved well, and time was called with the game going again in favour of Lomas. Score 1 goal to 0.

In the second quarter the pace of the game improved, and there was plenty of galloping. Leitch scored a goal and equalised matters; 1 goal all.

At this point H. M. Bell, through trying to save his goal, collided with one of the goal-posts, and slightly damaged his head, but after having it bathed, was soon in the saddle again, none the worse. Lomas now pressed Quilmes very hard, but the latter's forwards took advantage of a slight opening, taking the ball down to their opponent's goal where Bethell scored. This goal was soon avenged by G. Anderson, who scored just before time for Lomas. Score two goals all.

The game was now naturally very exciting, and so when Lean hit a goal at right angles under his pony's neck, and gave Quilmes the lead, he came in for some well merited applause. Two other features in this period were a capital run down the ground by A. M. Bell, and another by Lean, neither of which, however, resulted in a goal as they deserved. Score Quilmes 3 goals to 2.

The fourth and last period opened a little slow, Quilmes pressing their opponents very dangerously, but no score resulted. It now became Lomas' turn to attack, and after two or three hits behind, H. M. Bell scored, and again made matters even. After the throw in Lomas, who evidently meant winning, got possession of the "pellet," and after a few reverses took it down to the Quilmes goal, where A. M. Bell hit it between the posts, a few minutes afterwards time was called, and Lomas was left winners by four goals to three.

For the winners A. M. Bell played his usual good game, and his brother H. M. Bell showed himself quite as good; the clean hitting of these two was well worth going a long way to see. Lean, though a very young player shows great promise, and will some day make his mark in the polo world. Yeomans hit well and clean at back, and Bethell stuck to his post well as No. 1.

Yesterday afternoon Lezama played the last of their series of matches at Quilmes, when they met Lomas. The afternoon was dull and threatened rain, but luckily it held off till after the game.

The teams were:

Lezama	Lomas
1. T. K. Fair	1. C. Mohr Bell
2. J. McC. Reid	2. H. Mohr Bell
3. F. Paton	3. A. Mohr Bell
C. Cawardine (back)	G. Anderson (back)

Lezama played up much better in this game than in any of the previous ones in which they had taken part. This was probably owing to their being mounted for the most part on ponies belonging to the Quilmes Club. Lomas started well by scoring two goals in the first quarter, but Lezama equalised matters in the second period, at the close of which the score was two goals all. Lomas, however, played up better in the two remaining quarters, and eventually won by seven goals to three. Reid for Lezama played a very fine and plucky game, but he was not too well backed up by his side. For Lomas the brothers A. and H. Mohr Bell were most conspicuous.

CAÑADA DE GOMEZ v. FISHERTON.

On Sunday the 12th a most interesting match between the above clubs fairly opened the season at Cañada de Gomez. The morning broke slightly dull, but shortly afterwards the sun broke out and dispelled the clouds, giving hope once more to those who had determined to play this time, wet or fine. Fisherton sent down by no means a representative team, two most prominent members having little or no claim to the title. At 11.30 it commenced to rain, and hopes of a pleasant match sank to zero, because it rained in that slow manner that is the precursor, not of a storm, but of a persistent downpour. But luckily it held up about 3 o'clock, and the pessimists who had predicted that polo, cricket, and tennis having all the fates against them were dead in this district, were doomed to their second disappointment. The ground, although it played very dead, and demanded hard hitting to make the ball travel, was still in excellent condition, not at all slippery, and certainly improved by the rain.

The competing teams were:—

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| Fisherton | Cañada de Gomez |
| 1. H. M. Doddington | 1. F. Leared |
| 2. R. Macintosh | 2. J. Forbes |
| 3. W. J. Christie (capt.) | 3. F. S. Robinson (capt.) |
| P. Talbot (back) | A. B. Dickson (back) |

The game was about as fast as any we have seen on this ground, and was well contested throughout. 1st quarter displayed hard and obstinate play on both sides, and though no goal was hit, Forbes, with an excellent back stroke, as nearly scored as possible. 2nd quarter at its conclusion showed a tie. Christie scored a fairly easy goal for Fisherton, but at the time one of the Cañada team was cinching up. This was followed by a grand run by Dickson, which resulted in a goal hit by Forbes. 3rd quarter, Robinson and Leared both scored for the "Ditch," after stubborn resistance from their opponents. Of the former it is needless to speak, but of Leared it may be said that he is a distinct acquisition to the Cañada Polo Club. 4th quarter was slowest and most uninteresting. No score was made, but Fisherton pressed and Dickson saved several times in his usual style. In the end Cañada were the winners by three goals to one. For the losers Talbot and Macintosh were certainly in the best form. Messrs Russell England and Jeffries were umpires.

CYCLING.

The news that Mr. Callau is about to build a track at the Recoleta, opposite the Belvedere, will be received with great satisfaction by all friends of the wheel. Cycle races on a real track will be a novelty for the Buenos Aires public, and will in all probability become as popular here as on the continent of Europe. With the exception of cycling, none of our English sports have found favour amongst the other nations of Europe, and in all likelihood this branch of sport will sooner or later engage the sympathies of the native population of Argentina. A year or two since the native papers hardly treated of the sport seriously, and a safety could be got through the Custom House as a "child's plaything." Perhaps some will remember an article in the "Diario" entitled "los imbecilos de dos o tres ruedas," which was condensed and reprinted by the French "Veloce-Sport," for the delectation of its readers. Some changes have taken place since then. "La Nacion" is now a powerful apostle for the sport, and cycles have now a special heading in the Custom House category.

There is scarcely a village within a radius of fifty miles round Buenos Aires that has not seen some of our wheelmen arrive, dusty and thirsty, from the metropolis. Our roads here are much the same as the ordinary "dirt-road" of the United States, and the wheelmen there are numerous as the sand on the seashore. It is a mistake to suppose that the roads in the country are bad.

It is only near the towns and villages that that adjective can be applied to them, and this will cease to be the case when our national and municipal finances get into anything like order again. A few inches of dust are scarcely felt by a man riding on pneumatic tyres. As regards the solid tyre, it should be restricted to the Plaza Victoria or the Paseo de Julio, for it is useless in the country. The liability to puncture is of course a great drawback to the pneumatic tyre. In mountainous parts of the country this becomes somewhat of a nuisance owing to the thorns which seem to grow in the road. Any cyclist riding in the neighbourhood of Corloba can count on at least twenty punctures in this way during a day's outing. In the real "camp" there is not much to fear from this cause. Mr. Leitch in his ride to Rosario was not once troubled by a puncture, and up to the present time there is

no recorded case of a punctured "Clincher" in the neighbourhood of Buenos Aires. There is one thing however which is absolutely essential to the successful propagation of the wheel and that is a properly organized cycling club. There should be a captain and a secretary and excursions should be carefully planned beforehand. Surely the villagers around Buenos Aires would not be sorry to see a dozen or more cyclists all spick and span in uniform turn up to take part in their little fiestas.

For all we know there may be more than one recordman in our midst. Here one can cycle all the year round and fine weather is conducive to records although the recordman tearing along over the plains of Argentina at a speed of 18 miles an hour or more does not give the same idea of enjoyment as the tourist trundling comfortably along, his whole system partaking of that "joie de vivre" so plentifully dispensed by Mother Nature to those who know how to appreciate her. Last Sunday two cyclists went out for a ride along the Palermo road and, being so overcome by the beauty of the morning, they passed on through Belgrano, San Martin, Ramos Mejia, Moron, Hurlingham and Muñiz to Pilar encountering everywhere excellent roads. Given a fine day and a good road the motto of the cyclist should be the same as that of the Germans in 1870—"immer torwaerts." Never mind what the peasants tell you. One will say you are thirty miles from Buenos Aires, another sixty. They have not the least idea of distance so go on for the road leads somewhere and the railway will take you back.

Ho cyclists sound a warning
Ho "carros" clear the way
Our cyclists ride
In all their pride
We know not where to-day.

HURLINGHAM

The largely increasing popularity of the Hurlingham Club was evidenced by the muster of members and their friends during Carnival, when some good all round sport was shown.

On Sunday in the morning there were several exciting sets at bat fives played, notably one between Messrs Curtis and Johnston representing Hurlingham v. Messrs J. Agar and Forrester representing Flores, at one time it looked as if the older settlement were going to win the day, but Johnston getting his second wind backed up his partner, who had been playing an excellent game, and pulled the match through.

Agar's forward play was splendid, Forrester at back was good also, but the condition of the Hurlingham men told in their favour, and won the match for them.

In the afternoon some scratch races took place, the principal one being a 500 metre sweep, catch weights. W. Lacey's Cricket C. Lacey 1
Dawson Campbell's Caseros Sam Smith 2
Henry Clarke's Malacara Owner 3
Thomas Andrano's Rosillo R. McIver 0
Sam Smith's Boots John James 0
W. Lacey's Kitty John Murdoch 0
M. G. Fortune's Trent Bridge W. Lacey 0

The ponies got away well together; the lightweight on Cricket went to the front and won easily, though at one time it looked as if the Malacara would get away in front.

The second race brought out eight starters for a 2000 metres sweepstake, stakes to go to winner, grass fed ponies.

Dawson Campbell's Caseros Sam Smith 1
R. McIver's Crespo G. Gordon 2
W. Lacey's Cricket Mr Wells 3
Thomas Andrano's Rosillo Mr McIver 0
M. G. Fortune's Summer Flower W. Lacey 0
Sam Smith's Boots John James 0
Henry Clarke's Malacara Owner 0
M. G. Fortune's Trent Bridge Mr Murdoch 0

At the fall of the flag Gordon and Murdoch raced away followed by Rosillo and Malacara; going round the first turn Wells came up on Cricket and colared the rails; before 500 metres were over Trent Bridge was beaten, Caseros passed Crespo in the straight and won a good race by a couple of lengths, a length dividing the second and third.

A match between Mr Tyre's Douglas (Sam Smith up), and Henry Clarke's Malacara (owner up), resulted in an easy win for the Malacara over the 500 metre course.

A lawn tennis match between Murdoch and Furber, the former giving points, created some excitement. Furber won somewhat easily, and later on playing even beat Murdoch again.

Mr F. W. Curtis backed himself to go round the cinder path against time, and won his match with a couple of seconds in hand.

In a match over the same distance McIver beat Gordon by five yards.

Sam Johnston, after an energetic day in the fives courts, too on a friendly wager against time once round the cinder track, and romped in with minutes in hand though he seemed somewhat distressed in the pavilion afterwards.

There were several matches at golf played, though the links were somewhat rough, owing to the continued spell of dry weather.

Quite a lot of ladies were present, amongst whom we were glad to see hale and hearty again Mrs Curtis.

There is some talk of a bat fives handicap taking place on the next holiday.

ST. HONORAT.

With to-day's issue we publish a phototype-portrait of St. Honorat, the son of Hermit and Devotion, who was acquired by the Curumalan Company for their stud, at the Marden Park sale, after the death of Mr Hume Webster. St. Honorat was foaled in 1882, so is now ten years old. He is a whole coloured chestnut of a beautiful dark hue, and stands about 15 hands 3 inches high. He shows a rare amount of quality, and more than our photograph credits him with, but he was in rather fat condition when it was taken.

His shoulders are of the best, muscular and oblique, running into the shortest of backs, and he is ribbed up to perfection. His quarters are well turned, and of great length, and he is a rare one to stand behind, his legs are good with plenty of bone below the knees and hocks, and taking him all round St. Honorat is a grand stamp of the thoroughbred stallion.

St. Honorat was purchased as a two-year-old at one of the Duchess of Montrose's spring sales for four thousand guineas by Captain Machell, who was then acting for Lord Calthorpe, and it is said that his lordship was offered a tremendous sum afterwards to cancel the sale which he refused to do. St. Honorat was tried a good horse, but unfortunately an accident in his box, through which he nearly lost his forefeet, but which has hardly left a mark, prevented his being trained.

It is only the other day, in a description of the Curumalan Stud, that we described St. Honorat's new home, and the mares kept for his service, so we need not recapitulate here, it is sufficient to say that Golondrina, his only get in training here, is one of the best horses on the Argentine turf, so it augurs well for his future success as a stallion in this country. The following pedigree shows that St. Honorat possesses the best blood a thoroughbred stallion can possibly have in his veins, and that he is an own brother to that grand mare Thebais, the winner of the oaks and Thousand Guineas, and St. Marguerite, winner of the Thousand Guineas and dam of Seabreeze.

St. HONORAT—Foaled 1882.	Newminster, 1818	Touchstone 1831	Camel	Whalebone by Waxy
			Banter	Mare by Selim by Buzzard
	Hennit, 1814	Beeswing 1833	Dr. Syntax	Master Henry by Orville
			Daughter of	Boadicea by Alexander
	Seclusion, 1817	Tadmor 1846	Ion	Paynator by Trumpator
			Palmyra	Beningbrough mare (K. Fergus)
	Stockwell, 1849	Miss Sellon 1851	Cowl	Ardroan by John Bull
			Belle Dame	Lady Eliza by Whitworth
	Devotion, 1869	The Baron 1842	Birdcatcher	Cain by Paulowitz
			Echidna	Margaret by Edmund
Alceste, 1860	Pocahontas 1837	Glencoe	Sultan by Selim	
		Marpessa	Hester by Camel	
	Touchstone 1831	Camel	Bay Middleton by Sultan	
		Banter	Crucifix by Priam	
	Sacrifice 1847	Voltaire	Belshazzar by Blacklock	
		Virginia	Ellen by Starch	

RIDING ON THE STAGE

BY LEONARD BOYNE IN "THE ROAD"

I will commence with the very obvious remark that the actor's mission is to act, and not to control "the fiery untamed steed!"

"Act well your part, there all the honour lies."

But stage realism has arrived at such a pitch that the drama's patrons nowadays, demand something much more realistic than cardboard horses and jockeys; they like anything real, anything with the element of danger largely entering into it.

I have been, so to speak, used to horses all my life, but my first attempt at driving, as at acting, was scarcely a success. My earliest recollections of driving tandem date from my schooldays.

I had been told off to accompany my uncle, behind two useful "bits o' blood," to our nearest town, distant seven miles from home. My uncle wanted to read his letters *en route*, so "Take the reins," said he, handing them to me. That I felt both flattered and delighted goes without saying, and I glanced unconsciously at the finger-post indicating "to M— 7 miles." We eventually reached the town of M—, after spinning along in what I considered fine style, albeit we "chanced" a few corners, and the leader occasionally wandered from the straight path of duty. However, we "got there all the same," and my uncle remaining ominously dumb on the subject of the drive, I ventured to ask, timidly, "If I had not brought him along fairly well?"

"Oh, yes," was the reply, "you've only made about ten miles of it."

This remark somewhat disheartened me; however, he made amends, some six months afterwards, by making me a present for riding the winner of a local steeplechase, the first prize for which was £5 and a saddle and bridle.

This was my first appearance "between the flags," and the course was a terribly stiff one. In fact, at these little meetings in Ireland, at the time, the first question asked by those who did not get a particularly favourable view of the race used to be, not "What won?" but "How many was kilt that time?" The reply was not infrequently, "Only two and jockey."

But all this has nothing to do with "stage riding" or driving, upon which I have been instructed to record my experience.

With regard to stage driving (I don't mean on the road) my experience is limited; but the day may not be far distant when I shall tool a tandem across the stage, having previously rescued the heroine from the haunted turret where she had been kept in close ward by the remorseless villain.

My first stage-mount was at the Theatre Royal, Stockport. I was then a humble "utility gent," playing many and various parts. A great "star" came our way, "Mazeppa," "Dick Turpin," and other dramas, in which a horse or horses added to the attraction. On the Saturday night, at the mayor's bespeak—I think it was the mayor's, but it might have been the beadle's—"Richard III." was to be put up, the great fight between Richard and Richmond having to take place on horseback, the "star," of course, playing the crook-backed tyrant. As I was the only member of the company who could sit a horse, I was "jumped" into the part of Richmond—a pretty considerable "rise" for an "utility gent."

Well, the fight went immensely! Gad! what a row we made, with our clashing swords, and our war steeds prancing, passaging and circling all over the stage. Eventually, having given the *coup de grâce*, I galloped off, leaving Richard to deliver his last dying speech. But he had barely finished the first line of that telling speech when there came a loud knock. The door leading from the stage to the street was suddenly opened, and a voice, hoarse with anger, shouted, in the broadest Irish: "Will ye take yer d—d ha-rses off the stage, now? Sure me children can't get a wink av sleep for lying awake listening to them."

This remark was plainly heard all over the theatre, and it served as the tag of "Richard III." that night. The curtain was discreetly lowered before the language became more emphatic.

In explanation, I should mention that immediately beneath the stage was a species of cellar, which was partitioned off, and let out to the poorer class of labourers, some of whom protested against their being disturbed in the manner indicated.

I have frequently played such parts as Tom King in "Dick Turpin," with "stars," in the provinces, and upon one occasion I had a narrow escape from a violent death through a badly-secured "trap" giving way and letting my horse and self down through the stage. Another accident which befel me whilst playing in "The English Rose," at the Adelphi, might also have been a bad one, but for good luck which stood me in stead.

This was my first mount on the Metropolitan boards. Now, I may say that I am most susceptible to ridicule, and I therefore refused horse after horse (as I don't like giving the scoffers a chance of calling my steeplechase horse a "cabber"), that was offered me for the part. The context of the play clearly showed my mount to be a high-class steeplechaser; and therefore I stuck out for something with some "go" in him. After a week or two's stage-work, a high-mettled and intelligent horse begins to "know his business" quite as well as the "veteran actor." It is a well-known fact that in a military riding-school the horses get to know the words of command far quicker than the men. A horse has a most acute sense of hearing, and gets used to "taking up his cue" on the stage just as smartly as the human histrion. Well, one night, my "gee" wouldn't wait for the most important part of the business, *viz.*, the thrashing of the villain, but he started off for the wing

at a gallop. I attempted to check this eagerness, with the result that the brute reared straight on end, and, catching his hind hoofs in a piece of scenery, he came right over! I always rode him (at this part) with my feet out of the irons, foreseeing that something of this sort might happen, for what with the villain tugging at his head, &c., this scene was a very difficult one for any horse to play with safety to his rider. I managed to "nip off" on the near side as he fell over, thus narrowly escaping what might easily have proved a fatal accident. Before the brute had sufficiently regained his feet I was on his back again, and I have never heard such cheering in a theatre as there was when I galloped off just in time to prevent the murder of my sweetheart.

During the temporary indisposition of poor Tar-ranague, (the horse I rode in "The English Rose"), I tried a rather high-couraged mare of my own in the part. But the experiment was not repeated! However harmless the recreation of "killin' a fiddler" may be in the land of my birth, it is not usually appreciated or rewarded in the Strand. The dead body on the stage objected to being trampled to death and the leader of the orchestra refused flatly—B flatly—to take his place again within six feet of "so murderous-looking an animal."

I have not often had a better mount than old Voluptuary, who carries me nightly over the jumps (and good jumps too!) in the mimic Grand National, in "The Prodigal Daughter." It is, indeed, cutting the record to introduce an actual Grand National winner on to the stage; to Sir Augustus Harris the credit of this daring and magnificent bit of realism is due. I was anxious to get as near reality as possible, and Sir Augustus, with characteristic liberality, gave me almost *carte blanche* to buy what I liked on his behalf. First of all I tried the owner of Ilex, who, it will be remembered, won the National in '90, and who also ran third last year. "Impossible, my dear Mr Boyne," was the owner's answer to my attempt at negotiation. "My poor horse is on three legs."

Voluptuary was my choice instead. His manners are perfect, but his old habit of "hugging the rails," causes much wear and tear of breeches and boot leather, to say nothing of "chipped knees." The sportsmen who throng the National Theatre nightly are unable to speculate on the result of the race, for it would be betting on a certainty; as Voluptuary, in his new name, "The Duke," wins cleverly every time. So the betting is all as to which horse will finish second, and in regard to this an element of doubt actually does exist. I may add that all the competitors in this race are thoroughbred, and that the "obstacles" are not such "pony-jumps" as some people appear to think. A five-foot fence with a cold bath behind it is quite formidable enough for most huntingmen to face—on the stage.

I may add that I am very fond of coaching, but my space is limited, or I should like to have told my readers of a very pleasant coaching trip I enjoyed this summer (thanks to the kindness of my friends the Brothers Baring) amid the beautiful scenery of North Wales, and so on to Dumfries, duty preventing me from finishing the tour at John o' Groats—the coach having started from Land's End. We made things "hum" a bit *en route*, and our memory will long survive in the peaceful little towns of Bettws-y-Coed and Penrith.

Apropos of coaching, I once experienced some little amusement while on the road in Ireland. Occupying the box-seat on the same coach upon which I was a passenger was a gentleman who, in spite of his appearance pointing decidedly to the contrary, had given out that he was well accustomed to the dangers and "excitements" of the road, and who, in fact, knew just as much about driving a four-in-hand as anyone could well tell him. We were, on the occasion referred to, spinning along at a smart pace down one hill in order that the necessary impetus might be given to carry us up the opposite incline, and no one seemed to entertain any fear of the result except our box-seat passenger, whose ill-disguised nervousness was something ludicrous, and increased in proportion to the speed of the team. He clung nervously to the coach box-rail, and his face assumed a perfectly livid expression of terror and apprehension difficult to describe. Presently, overcome with excitement and emotion he suddenly made a desperate grab at the reins held by our coachman (really a most reliable and steady whip and in whom we all had perfect confidence), and attempted to check the team which was now going at full speed. "Thunder an' 'ounds," cried our driver, "will ye let go thim reins, they're as rotten as a pear!" The qualms of our poor friend were increased to an agonising pitch at this announcement, and all he could do was to cling to his seat like grim death until our coach came to a halt, when he descended with prayers of thankfulness on his lips and a fixed determination in his "manly" heart never again to trust himself on the box-seat of a coach. He did not continue the journey.

One little anecdote and I have done. I was once riding Tip Top, the champion hunter, belonging to my friend Mr Horton, at the last Horse Show at the Agricultural Hall, and overheard the following dialogue.—

One of the Officials: "Who's that on the Champion?"

Another: "Why, Boyne."

One of the Officials: "What Boyne? Leonard Boyne, the actor?"

Another: "Yes."

One of the Officials: "An actor? Why, he can ride!"

from among us. A very short time before the new year opened the two trainers Jones and Rowe died leaving their respective families quite unprovided for, (a state of things which may possibly prompt those racing men who have not yet subscribed to send their contribution without loss of time. Mr Hume Webster's melancholy death, by his own hand, is not yet forgotten, while General Pearson and Mr Robert Osborne are two other well-known breeders of blood stock who are lost to us. Mr Withers was well known as a breeder in the United States; and Mr R. Ten Broeck, the first American who ran race-horses in England, was possibly better known to an earlier generation of racing men than to the present. Some French horses, Jouvence, Baroncino, and Monarque, had already won some of our more important races; but in 1857 Mr Ten Broeck's Priorss won the Casarewitch; while in 1859 and 1861 the American won the Goodwood Cup. The always cheery Capt. Middleton, and Mr W. Beasley, accomplished horsemen both of them, met their deaths while riding in steeplechases, the former it will be remembered on the day on which the Parliamentary steeplechase was decided; and the last racing man of the year to go was Sir Lydston Newman, who as soon as he returned from the Crimea turned his attention to the Turf and subsequently went in for breeding. In the Marquis of Drogheda steeplechasing, especially in Ireland, has lost a great patron, who was never weary of inveighing against the then existing rule in connection with the qualification of "hunters." The only flat-race jockey of note who has died is James Goater.

Not many masters of hounds have been lost to us, but the list includes Mr Henry Vigne, at the age of eighty-seven. For something like half a century he had been master of a pack of harriers which hunted in Essex round about Epping Forest, though of course some of his fixtures were much wider afield. Lord Eglinton had for some time hunted his country in Scotland: Lord Bathurst came to the fore a few years ago in order to do his country some service; while Devon has to lament the death of Mr W. C. Rayer, who for a long time hunted the Tiverton country. Lord Charlemont was a hunting man in his time, and a breeder of hunter stock; and Sir Richard Power was a known good man to hounds, both in Ireland and England. The Duke of Marlborough has devoted his attention to American trotters; and Lord Hampden was a country gentleman who took a great interest in, amongst other things, horse-breeding and hunting.

Dr S. D. Darbishire, a well-known Oxford oar, and the stroke of the four which so decisively defeated the Harvard crew, died quite recently, not long after Dr Charles Wordsworth, Bishop of St. Andrews, and a double blue at Oxford, he having rowed in the first University Boat Race and played for Oxford in the first cricket match; while earlier in the year there died Mr R. S. Ross of Bladensburg, formerly of Exeter College, Oxford, then a member of the bar, and ultimately a priest of the Society of Jesus. Mr Ross, who was one of the many oarsmen turned out from Radley, rowed for Oxford in 1863. Cricket has lost, in addition to Bishop Wordsworth, the Rev. W. Law, vicar of Rotherham, and formerly of the Oxford eleven, as also Mr Barclay Field, a Kentish squire who took great interest in the game; and he with the late Lord Justice Cotton may be said to represent shooting.

Sir C. P. Butt was a yachtsman as well as a lawyer and a judge; and Mr Macgregor, the "Rob Roy" of solitary travel and several books, indulged in aquatic pastimes. Many others less known to fame have passed away—poor Grayson, for instance (hunter to Sir Charles Legard's Harriers), who died on Christmas Day from the result of a fall, sustained while hunting with Lord Middleton's Hounds on the previous Friday; and Devonshire sportsmen have to regret the death of Mr Sanders, an Exeter solicitor, who was recently killed on the road while hunting with the East Devon.

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A RETROSPECT.

In the course of last year, says the "Sporting and Dramatic News," not a few persons now or formerly well known in connection of sport and pastime were taken

THE SPY'S RIDE.

There are few greater nuisances in life than being captured by brigands, and when Jack Prentice and myself were taken by the Carlists in '74, we thought it was much about the same thing. However, we found we had maligned these worthy people, for, after they knew that we were English and not French or spies, as they had at first supposed, they treated us very well and gave of the best they had.

This happy state of affairs did not happen till we arrived at their headquarters on the Ebro. For it was in taking an excursion from Barcelona that we were captured. Once there, however, a colonel on the staff of Prince Alfonso, who learnt our story, showed us every attention; and, ultimately, after a great deal of trouble, got me back my horse, an animal I should have been very loth to lose.

Old Up-Jack and I had long been friends, though like human friends sometimes parted for a while. I could lay claim to being Up-Jack's first owner, having purchased him from his breeder in Ireland. He was a make-weight. I had gone down to Mr M'Keown's place to look at a hunter, and as we could not agree within some fifteen pounds, he proposed to throw in Up-Jack just to make a deal of it, as he said.

"Sure you will never repent it, captain," quoth the dealer. "A cleverer fencer never was born, and if only a tit bigger, it's a fine charger he'd be making for the Lord-Lieutenant. Here, Mike, ride the young 'un over the wall."

He was a narrow, three-cornered little horse in those days, with a rough coat on him like a gipsy's pony, but he took the wall like a deer; so, thinking I could make something of him, I closed with the deal.

"It's making me a present you'll besome day, captain, for letting you have that horse," was M'Keown's parting remark, and I kept wondering on my way home what particular vice the little beggar had that made the dealer part with him so readily. I found out to my cost that it was the hunter he had done me so thoroughly about, which made him glad to throw in the other to close the bargain.

Up-Jack turned out a first-class jumping hack, a good leader in a tandem, and even carried me to hounds over a light country. When I left the regiment a brother officer bought him for his wife to ride. After the latter gave up riding an infantry officer bought him, and, being ordered to Gib, took the little horse with him, and won more than one race over the Neutral Ground with him. It was here that I came across my old friend again, and offering a fair price, bought him back, partly for old acquaintance sake. Prentice and I had gone by sea to Barcelona, and it was whilst riding out on an excursion from that city that we had been captured by an adventurous party of Carlists, who had made a dash into the open country by the sea-coast.

The colonel on the staff of Prince Alfonso (whom I mentioned before this long digression) was most kind to us, and after a few days obtained for us a pass through all the country held by his party.

"It will be both shorter and safer for you to do this and get into France by way of San Sebastian than to return to Barcelona," he said, "as coming from our direction you will have endless trouble with the Republican authorities. Take my advice, and push for the Pyrenees."

We took his advice and set out. After travelling a good many days through a rough, hilly country we arrived at the village of S. Antonio, between Tolosa and San Sebastian, and hoped, as our horses were fresh and fit, to be in a couple of days in France, now not many miles off as the crow flies.

We had put up at the one little posada which the village boasted of, and were eating a very poor supper, when a sudden noise of horses' hoofs in the street made us start up. They drew up at the door, and then, by the clash and clatter of their accoutrements as their riders dismounted, we knew them to be a party of Carlist cavalry. The door was quickly thrown open, and half-a-dozen of them, lowering the lances they carried, entered. There was a slight scuffle outside, and then two more came in, dragging a third man, who was dressed like a peasant and had his hands tied behind him with a rope.

The sergeant in command demanded our papers. After passing them as correct, we asked who the blind man might be.

"A dog of a spy," returned the sergeant, "whom we caught after a sharp run. We know him well. He'll spy no more, for to-morrow, when we bring him to headquarters, they will hang or shoot him in five minutes!"

The captive was a good-looking peasant, with a frank open face, and though he spoke in Basque, we made out that he was asserting his innocence.

Neither Prentice nor I liked the idea of the poor wretch being hanged, so during the night, which we all passed together in the kitchen, we managed to hit upon a plan which gave him a chance for life. Prentice, who laid next him, managed to loosen the cord around his wrist without being discovered, whilst at the first glimpse of dawn I slipped out, and, after a little trouble, managed to buy a mule, with an old saddle and bridle thrown in. I next took the mule to the stables, shifted the old saddle on to Up-Jack, and placed my own on the mule's back, also changing the bridles.

Prentice and I were at the door with our two horses and the mule, on which latter I was mounted, when the sergeant and the soldiers came out, dragging the poor devil of a prisoner with them.

"You will take a glass of brandy, sergeant?" I said. "The morning is raw." He was not unwilling; no more were the rest. I put a glass to the mouth of the peasant, who drank eagerly.

"Why don't you let him ride?" said I. "You see we have a spare horse. He will only retard you on foot."

"Your excellency is very good; but how shall we return you the horse?"

"Where do you go to?"

"To the forces besieging San Sebastian."

"We go there too; leave him at the outposts."

They threw rather than lifted the poor fellow on the horse; but as I put his foot into the stirrup I whispered, "Wait ten minutes, then gallop for your life!" I doubted whether he understood Spanish—as he was seemingly a Basque—but a quick glance of his eye told me he did.

The Lancers saluted us and started at a trot.

"Now, Prentice," I said, "up that hill yonder and see the fun." My mule made better work of it than his horse; but in less than ten minutes we were on the top of a detached hill, which commanded a good view.

We could see the little knot of Lancers, half obscured by the dust they raised. Suddenly there was a commotion in their ranks, and a horseman struck out in front of them. It was the spy or peasant. His hands were untied, and he rode gallantly.

I think the lancers at first thought they could overtake him at once, but they soon found out their mistake. Up-Jack had gained fifty yards in the first two minutes. Then there came the puff of smoke from a carbine, and we could hear the sharp reports. Another and another followed, and I began to fear that after all he would not escape; but the fellow was true grit. There was an awkward big ditch with broken banks, down which a torrent must have run in winter, beside the road. Towards this he turned his horse's head, and Up-Jack, pricking his ears, took it like a bird. I expected to see the others pull up; but I suppose in their wild warfare they were well accustomed to obstacles, for, throwing away their lances, they charged it to a man. Four got over, and away they went across a strip of ploughed land after their escaping prisoner. But Up-Jack had the pace of them. In a quarter of an hour they were pumped out, and my old favourite and his rider were but a patch on the distant hillside. I gave a sigh as I thought I had seen the last of my horse, but it was time for us to look to our own safety. Avoiding San Sebastian, we gained French territory and, after a few formalities, our freedom to go where we list.

Prentice and I were sitting at the door of a café at St Juan de Luz discussing where we should go next, when a peasant in a blue blouse came up, and, touching his cap, said in very good French—

"The horse of your excellency is quite safe. Believe me, I am grateful—I owe you my life."

It was the man we had helped to escape—the so-called spy, and from his proficiency in different languages I began to fear he really was one. Anyway Up-Jack was all right, and glad enough we both were to meet again.

A STAYER.

A perusal of old racing books suggests, says a contemporary, that our prototypes of a hundred years ago, both human and equine, were a much hardier lot than we of to-day.

It seems, indeed, to have been the fashion to race all the year round, or whenever weather permitted. Thus, upon December 24th, 1786, we find that Mr Hull's Quibbler, aged six years, and carrying a feather, was matched to run twenty-three miles within the hour at Newmarket, which he performed in fifty-seven minutes and ten seconds.

There is, so far as we are aware, no chronicle of a better galloping performance against time than this, nor do we feel certain that any horse now in training could improve upon it.

When Admiral Rous' typical favourite, little Gimcrack, covered twenty-two miles in the hour, after he had been transported for a short time to France by his then owner, Comte Lauraguais, it is known that long odds were betted on time; but in the case of Quibbler the odds were five to two on the horse, so that his staying powers must have been well known.

It would be satisfactory as a matter of curiosity to ascertain what is the longest distance ever covered by a horse in an hour, and for a correct response to this question we should probably have to betake ourselves to American sources.

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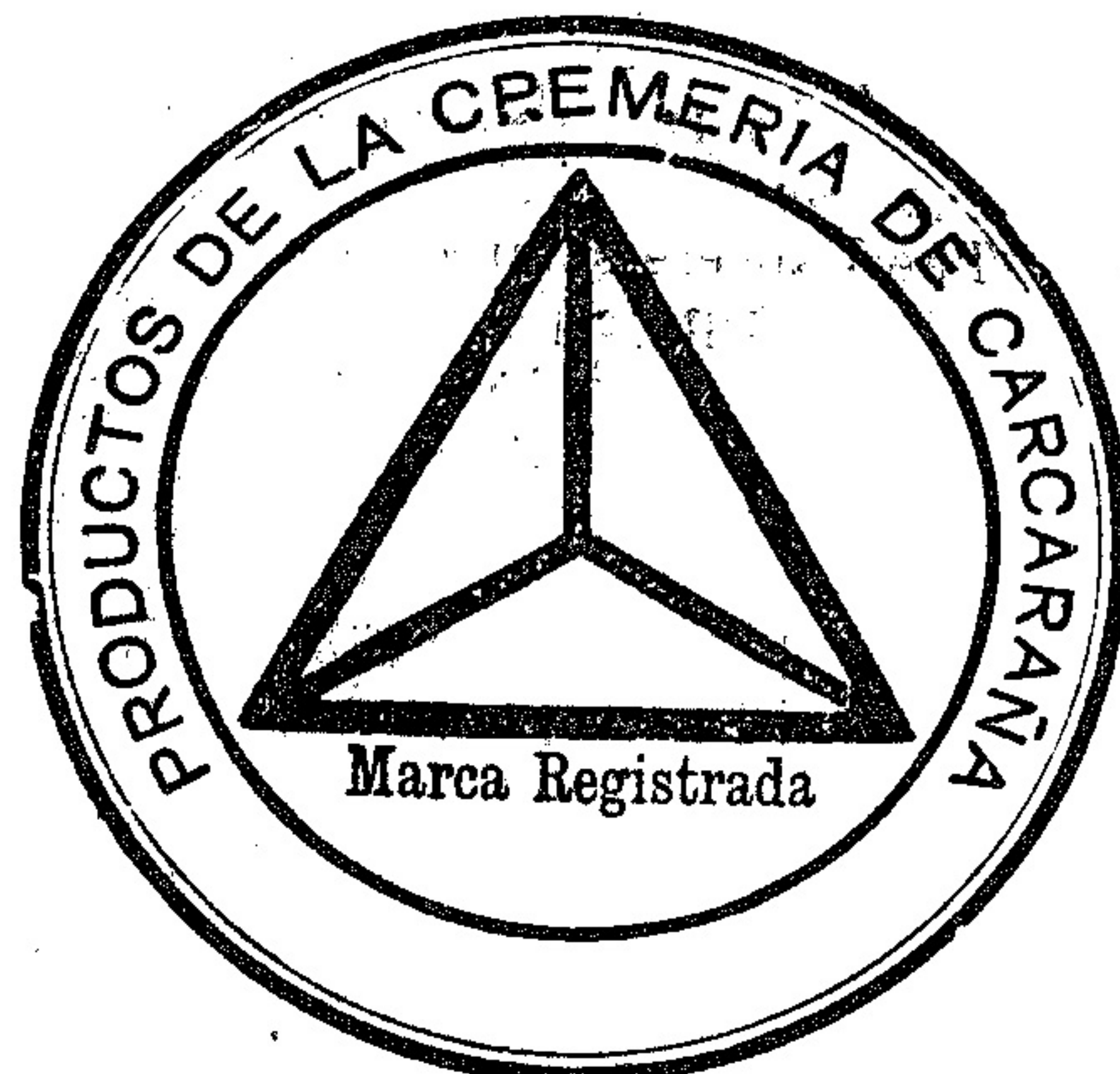
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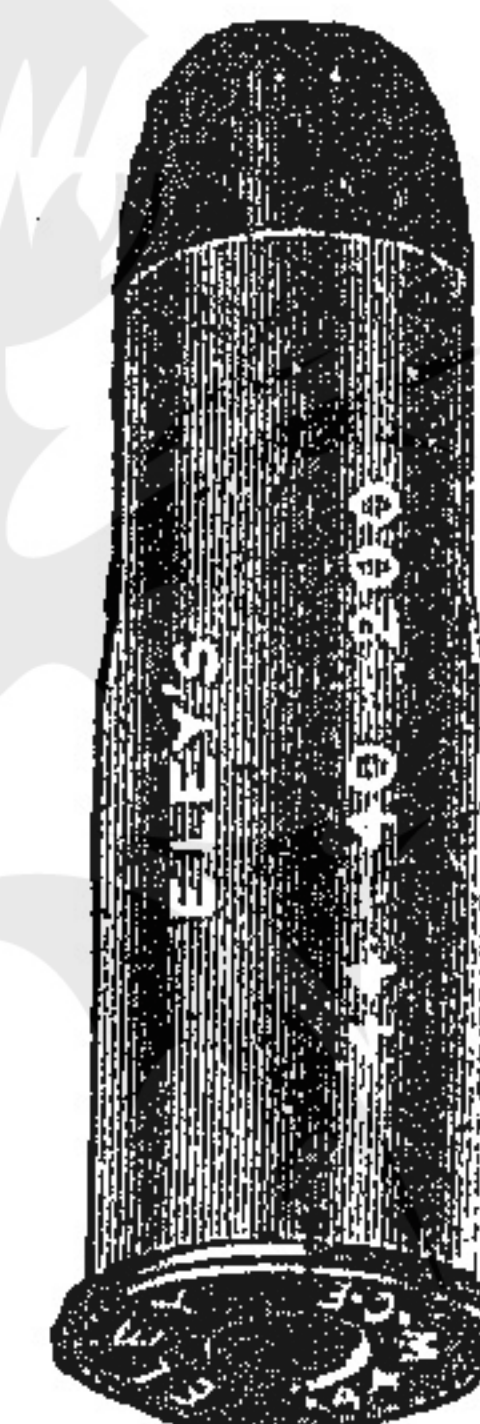
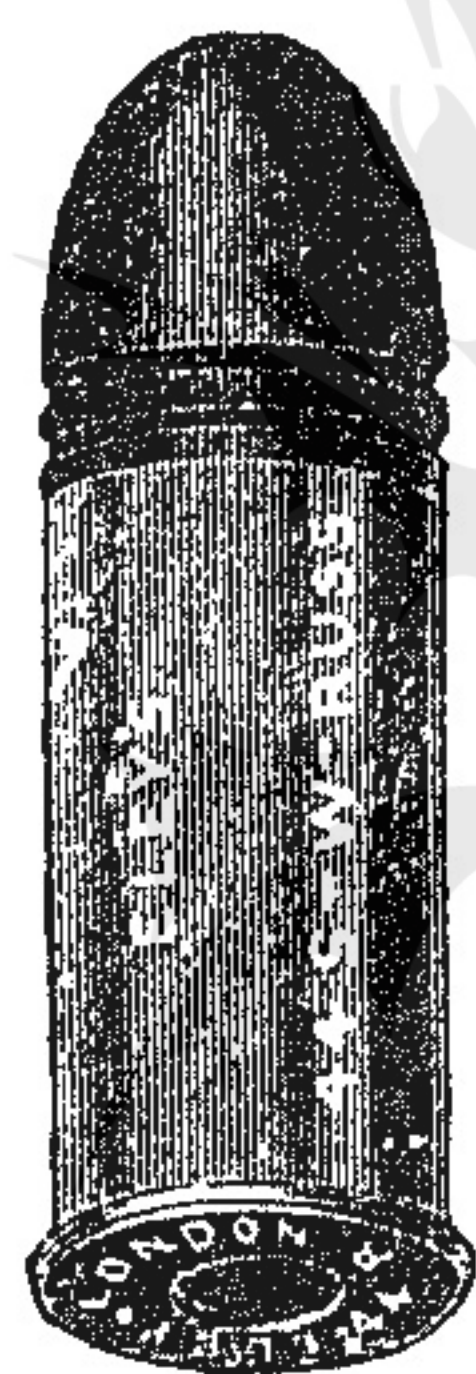
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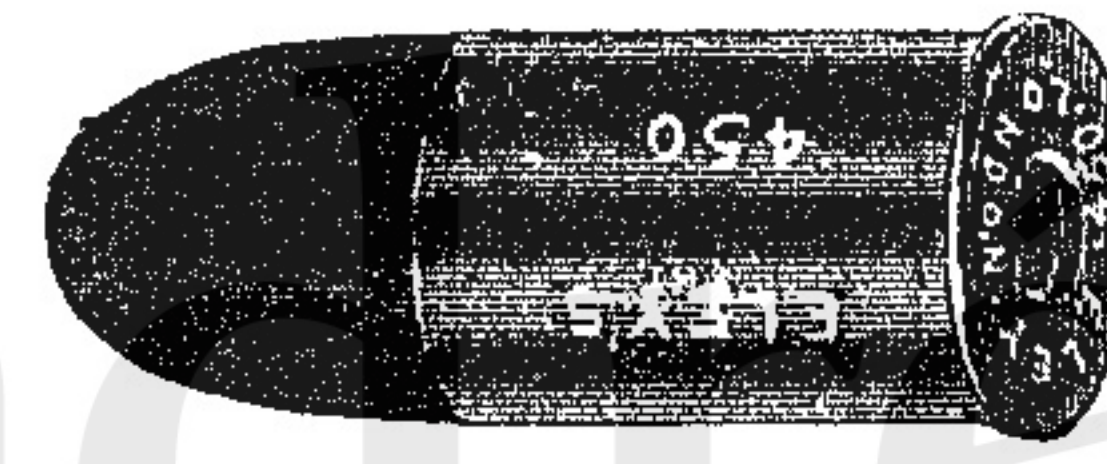
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Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club**OPEN TOURNAMENT AND CHAMPIONSHIP
OF THE
RIVER PLATE**

AN OPEN TOURNAMENT; consisting of the following events, will be held on the CLUB GROUNDS, Calle Vicente Lopez 299, Buenos Aires, on
THURSDAY, MARCH 30.
FRIDAY, MARCH 31.
SATURDAY, APRIL 1.

Play to commence each day at 10 a.m.

E V E N T S

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 \$100 m/n. 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 \$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 fee.

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 (of England).

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.

T. S. BOADLE,

Hon. Secretary.
Calle 25 de Mayo, 149.
Buenos Aires. 1st February, 1893.

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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TO BE HELD AT

San Fernando on Sunday, Feb. 19, 1893

PREMIO MONK, a Handicap for any Horse which has run but not won at San Fernando; \$500 to the 1st; 1100 metres.

PREMIO POLVORA, for Criollo Horses; weight 65 kilos, winners 5 kilos extra and seconds 2 kilos extra; \$150 to the 1st, \$50 to the 2nd; 600 metres.

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

PREMIO INQUIETO, for Ponies 54 in. or under; Ponies of 54 in. to carry 55 kilos, 3 kilos allowed per inch, winners at this distance 3 kilos extra; the entries of \$10 each to the 1st; 1000 metres.

PREMIO GENTLEMEN RIDERS, for Ponies 57 in. or less, Ponies of 57 in. to carry 75 kilos, 3 kilos allowed per inch, to be ridden by members of a recognised Club; the entries of \$30 each to the 1st; 500 metres over six hurdles.

PREMIO SARDETTI, for Hacks; weight 70 kilos; to be ridden by members of a recognised Club; \$400 to the 1st; 3000 metres.

PREMIO DESENGAÑO, for Ponies 56 in. or under; Ponies of 56 in. carry 62 kilos, 3 kilos allowed per inch, \$100 to the 1st; 600 metres; entrance \$15.

PREMIO IGUALDAD, a Handicap for Criollo Horses; \$200 to the 1st; 600 metres; entrance \$20.

PREMIO SARDETTI, for any Horse, weight 65 kilos; \$500 to the 1st; 3000 metres. To be ridden by members of the Hipódromo Nacional, Jockey Club, Hurlingham Club or Hipódromo de San Fernando.

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.

PROGRAMME OF A GYMKHANA MEETING

TO BE HELD AT

HURLINGHAM

ON

SATURDAY, MARCH 25th, 1893

TANDEM RACE, for Polo Ponies 14 hands or under; 1500 metres. Both ponies in each team to be the property of the same owner. Entrance \$10.

BAREBACK RACE, for Polo Ponies 14 hands or under; 1000 metres. Entrance \$5.

BENDING RACE, for Polo Ponies 14 hands or under; six posts. Entrance \$5.

THREADNEEDLE RACE. Entrance \$5.

UNSADDLING RACE; 1200 metres. Start with two buckles of girth fastened each side, finish carrying saddle in hand. Entrance \$5.

A HANDICAP, for Polo Ponies 14 hands or under; 500 metres. Entrance \$10.

VICTORIA CROSS RACE; 400 metres, over two flights of hurdles. Entrance \$5.

JUMPING COMPETITION, for Polo Ponies 14 hands or under. Entrance \$5.

JUMPING COMPETITION, for Hacks. Entrance \$10.

The above programme is subject to slight alterations or additions.

Entries close to the Secretary, Hurlingham Club, on Saturday, March 18.

All events must be ridden by Members of Hurlingham or other recognised Polo Club.

RIVER PLATE KENNEL CLUB

The second general meeting of the Kennel Club was held at the Scotch Church School-rooms on Thursday the 9th, when the rules which had been prepared by the sub-committee appointed for the purpose were read and approved, with a few slight alterations.

The other business for which the meeting was called was not proceeded with, as it was thought better to postpone the meeting till to-day, the 15th. The reason for this postponement was that no list of committees had been prepared and a list of members could not be laid before the meeting.

A meeting will, therefore, be held to-day at 1 o'clock at office No. 3, Piedad 559, when all those interested in the club are invited to attend.

Below we print the Rules, and Rules for Shows, of the River Plate Kennel Club:

R U L E S

1.—The Club shall be called the RIVER PLATE KENNEL CLUB. It shall endeavour in every way to promote Dog Shows, Dog Trials, and the general improvement of Dogs.

2.—The Committee to be elected annually at a general meeting of the Club to be held in March, and to consist of nine members. They will elect their own chairman and officers: three shall form a quorum.

3.—At the annual general meeting of the Club one-third of the Committee who have been longest in office shall retire. All retiring members shall be eligible for re-election.

4.—The Committee at their first meeting held after the annual general meeting in each year, shall elect a chairman from their own body, who shall, if present, take the chair at all meetings of the committee during the ensuing year; and at all meetings of the committee where the numbers are equal, the chairman of the committee shall have a casting vote in addition to his own vote.

5.—The election of members is vested solely in the committee and shall be by ballot, three members of the committee to be a quorum at such ballot, and two black balls to exclude.

6.—Candidates must be proposed by one member of the Club, and seconded by another. The candidate's name, rank, residence, and profession or occupation, if any, must be duly inserted in the book of candidates. The proposer and seconder are held responsible for the eligibility of the candidate.

7.—The entrance money on admission to the Club shall be \$10, and the annual subscription shall be \$10, payable in advance on the first of January in each year.

8.—Subscriptions are due on election, and no one will be considered a member whose subscription has not been paid by 31st March.

9.—No member of the Club shall, under any circumstances, knowingly either enter or exhibit dogs at any competition under a false name, age, pedigree, breeder, or description. Any member violating the rules or regulations of the Club for the time being in force, shall be liable to be expelled by the committee, and any member of the Club who shall be proved to the satisfaction of the committee to have in any way misconducted himself in connection with dogs, dog shows, or trials, or to have in any way acted in opposition to the fundamental rules and principles upon which the Club has been established, or in any other manner which would make it undesirable that he should continue to be a member, shall be requested to retire from the Club; and if a resolution to that effect shall be carried by three-fourths of the committee, of whom at least six members shall be present, at a meeting duly summoned to consider the case, the member so requested to retire shall thenceforth cease to be a member of the Club.

10.—The committee shall hold their regular meetings on the first Monday of every month when practicable, to transact the current business. Three shall form a quorum.

11.—The committee shall have the power to appoint sub-committees for any special object, and to delegate to such sub-committee the functions and powers of the committee relating thereto.

12.—The committee shall have power to elect honorary members without admission fee or subscription, at their discretion.

13.—In the event of any vacancies occurring in the committee after the annual meeting the committee shall have power of filling them up.

14.—The committee may at their discretion call a meeting of the club at any time, giving not less than fourteen days' public notice by circular, specifying the object to which alone the discussion shall be confined.

15.—Any vacancy or vacancies in the office of trustees secretary, or treasurer, shall be filled up by a specially summoned committee, which must not consist of less than seven members.

16.—These rules and regulations shall be printed, and a copy of them shall be delivered to each member on his election, or transmitted to his address, but no member shall be absolved from the effect of these rules on any allegation of not having received them or of ignorance of their contents.

17.—Any infraction of the rules and regulations of the Club shall be taken immediate cognisance of by the committee.

18.—There will be special prizes and classes in each show in which members of the Club only will be allowed to compete. Each member will be entitled at the discretion of the committee to entrance tickets to all shows held under club auspices.

N.B.—It is hoped that in time the Club may be in a position to secure premises by which the privileges of members will be largely enhanced.

RULES FOR SHOWS

1.—Every person who wishes to exhibit at any show held under the Kennel Club Rules, must at the time of entry clearly identify by name and age (if known) the dog he intends to exhibit; and the name of the sire and dam (if known) must be given, unless the dog has been entered in the Kennel Club Stud Book; in which case it will be sufficient to mention him by his name and number only. If the dam was covered by more than one sire the names of all of them must be mentioned; and in cases where the pedigree of a dog is not known, he shall be entered at each show as "pedigree unknown," unless his name has been duly registered in the Kennel Club Stud Book; and every dog exhibited must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor in whose name he is entered, and must have been his or her bona fide property on the day of closing entries. All dogs exhibited in shows held under the Kennel Club Rules, must have been previously entered in the Kennel Club Register, by name; age and pedigree of sire and dam if known, being also given. The registration fee shall be \$1 for each dog. In the Kennel Club Stud Book will be entered only the names of dogs of duly certified pedigree or of those who have won a prize in an open class under the rules of any recognised Kennel Club.

2.—If the name of a dog which has won a prize has been changed, it is necessary in entering the said dog to give his old as well as his new name every time he is exhibited, until his name has been duly registered in the Kennel Club Register or Stud Book; and if his name be changed again, all his names must be repeated for a like period.

3.—Every dog exhibited at a show held under the Kennel Club Rules must, previous to the time of entry for such show, be entered in a registry of names kept by the Kennel Club at their offices. A name that has been already assumed and duly registered in the Kennel Club Registry, or entered in the Kennel Club Stud Book, by the owner of a dog of the same breed, cannot be registered, unless by a distinguishing name or number. If the name of a dog is changed the new name will require to be registered also.

4.—Dogs that are already entered in any published number of the Kennel Club Stud Book or Register are exempt from the above rule, provided their names remain unchanged. Puppies exhibited in a class exclusively for litters of puppies are also exempt.

5.—If a dog should be entered without being clearly identified as before directed by rules 1, 2, 3 and 4, he shall forfeit any prize that may have been awarded him; and if the omission be detected in time he shall not be allowed to compete, and shall forfeit all entrance fees and subscriptions.

6.—The committee or authorities of any show may reserve to themselves the right of refusing any entries they may think fit to exclude.

7.—The breeder of a dog or bitch shall be considered the *bona fide* owner of the dam at the time she whelps. In cases where a bitch is lent for breeding purposes the person to whom the bitch is lent shall be considered the breeder of all puppies born during the period of such loan, provided he or she before the litter is born send to the Secretary of the Kennel Club a statement of the facts, signed by himself or herself and the owner of the bitch.

8.—A castrated dog, or spayed bitch shall be disqualified from competing, or from receiving a prize if awarded.

9.—Total blindness shall absolutely disqualify: partial blindness shall have great weight against a dog. Should a dog appear to be deaf or lame it shall be disqualified, unless the owner can satisfy the judge that such defects are temporary.

10.—Any person who is proved to the satisfaction of the committee of the Kennel Club to have been guilty of any fraudulent or discreditable conduct in connection with dogs, dog shows, or field trials, may, in addition to any pecuniary penalty to which he may be liable, be declared incapable of competing for or winning a prize at any show held under the Kennel Club Rules for such period as the committee of the Kennel Club may decide upon.

11.—No dog shall be qualified to compete, or entitled to receive a prize if awarded, who is suffering from mange, or any other form of contagious disease.

12.—No person, except the duly qualified and appointed Veterinary Inspector, shall decide whether a dog is or is not suffering from mange or any other form of contagious disease. The Veterinary Inspector shall give his opinion to the secretary or committee of the show in writing, and shall do so before the close of the show.

13.—A dog that has been exhibited or that has won a prize in a class exclusively for puppies under twelve months old, is not thereby excluded from being exhibited in a class where previous prize-winners are not allowed to compete.

14.—In estimating the number of prizes a dog has won, with reference to whether it should compete in a challenge class or not, the number of prizes won shall be calculated up to 12 p.m. of the day previous to the day of closing entries for the show.

15.—No dog shall be qualified to compete in a challenge class that has won less than two first prizes at shows of the River Plate Kennel Club or any other recognised Club; and no dog shall compete in an open class that is qualified to compete in a challenge class at any show where challenge classes are provided for that breed.

16.—No dog shall be entitled to be called a champion that has not won three first prizes at shows registered in or for the Kennel Club Stud Books, one of the three first prizes being in challenge classes, and one at least of the challenge class wins being at the River Plate Kennel Club's own shows. A prize in a Variety Class, a prize in a novice Class, a prize in a Selling Class, an extra prize for the best of two or more classes, or a prize in a class exclusively for puppies under twelve months old, shall not count as a win. If a prize-winner is disqualified the next dog in order of merit as placed by the judge shall be considered first, and the win shall count in every respect the same as if it had been the original award. An equal challenge, or first prize, shall be counted as a win to both dogs.

17.—An objection to a dog may be made by any person: it must be made to the committee or secretary of the show at any time within fourteen days from the last day of the show. The objection must be in writing, and the objector must, unless in cases where the objection is laid by the committee of the Kennel Club, or by the regularly constituted committee of the show, in which cases a deposit shall not be necessary, at the same time lodge a sum of \$10 in the hands of the committee or secretary, which deposit shall, if the objection is proved to be frivolous to the satisfaction of the committee of the Kennel Club, be forfeited.

18.—The term *foreign dog* (for exhibition purposes) shall not include any dog for which a separate class is provided for in the Kennel Club Register of names in the Schedule.

19.—In the above rules the word dog shall be interpreted to include both sexes.

BUENOS AIRES FROM DAY TO DAY

The "Diario" fell foul of the "Standard" a few days ago on account of a quotation made by the latter from some Chilian paper about the supremacy of crime in this country. The case for the "Diario" was in the hands of the champion chatterbox of the Plate—Gen. Mansilla—and he certainly chattered to little purpose. The sum and substance of his arguments was that in a short time Argentines would be civilised and then things would be better; but in the meantime even Gen. Mansilla cannot with all his chatter deny that this country is supreme as a murder-encouraging and crime-protecting land.

We write the foregoing as a kind of preface to the following, which we should be glad for the printer to put in large type so that the fact may be recognised. THE PENALTY INFLICTED BY THE ARGENTINE LAW ON THE MURDERER OF AN ENGLISHWOMAN IS FOUR AND A HALF YEARS' IMPRISONMENT.

Better establish a fine and have done with it than maintain the farce of protection of life and property in Argentina.

Did not the Argentine dandy cock crow and strut when it thought it heard the distant roar of the British lion? To read the papers last week in which it was reported that the British Government was going to suggest in a friendly way a little common honesty, was most amusing. British arrogance was the theme. "Osadia Britanica" was the heading of an article in "El Argentino," the writer of which must have felt a sorry fool when he found there was no truth in the rumour. Even more sober journals got excited, and the little rooster was seen crowing and strutting in the most approved style—and all for nothing. The lion had not even winked.

Whilst on this subject let us say that we differ altogether from our contemporaries as to the action of England in face of the Monroe Doctrine said to have been laid down by the United States. We feel somewhat sure that if the necessity arose England would make her voice heard in any part of the American continent, without even saying "By your leave" to Cousin Jonathan.

The duty of a policeman is two-fold, to protect the innocent and to punish the guilty, and if the U. States wishes to play policeman to the New World she has got her hands full. The Monroe doctrine is very pretty; but we are afraid would be respected by no European power, of the first rank at all events.

And so at last we have a Home Secretary—and a good man too—Dr Escalante is a man whose wise counsels had they been listened to in the Senate years ago, would have saved the country from great difficulty. We have long wanted to see Dr Escalante in harness, and hope he will prove as great a success as Home Secretary as we feel sure he would have done in the time of Varela as Finance Minister.

And the comisario is withdrawn from Corrientes—but the troops remain—just to see fair play and to be ready for practice in case any shooting should turn up. The President's action in Corrientes may be summed up in the expressive words of "Punch" in his "Essence of Parliament," "Business done, nothing."

And the colonists are quiet in Santa Fé—"Poor misguided gringos," as Governor Cafferata calls them. It is well for the Governor and his clique that they are quiet. The sturdy countrymen would have made short work of the whole crew. Let us hope the iniquitous tax on cereals will be abolished.

The Governor seems to think that being legal it must be right. Slavery was once legal, and infanticide and parricide are legal and commendable in some countries, but this does not make them right, especially in such a land of civilisation as this.

We read the other day a notice about Corrientes in which that province was described as "noble y benemerito." Now in what way is Corrientes more noble and worthy than any other Argentine province, and for that matter than any province of any country on God's earth? It is

this lavish use of adjectives that is half the cause of the absence of true patriotism and merit.

The question of hygiene is to the fore and the charges and counter charges are most interesting. Dr Piñero. Dr Ramos Mejia, etc., are all at it hammer and tongs. An amusing letter appeared in the "Prensa" by one of the combatants the other day, in which he proved (?) his competency to deal with the question by saying that at the National College he had got 3 marks more than Dr Piñero at the examination in hygiene. Dr Piñero's reply was both cutting and clever.

Negotiations are going on in the province about the new governorship. The present Governor wants to have the manipulation of the business, and trying to make friends with everybody; but the man to reckon with is "Maximo."

Who are the five prettiest young ladies in Buenos Aires? Now is the chance for young Englishmen. Let every reader of "Sport and Pastime" post to the "Diario" before Thursday the names of five English girls most noted for their beauty, and if they all hit the same five names they will cause such a feeling in Porteña circles as has not been known since the British invasion.

One of our dailies seemed to think £120 dear for a microscope, and stated that it had seen good ones in London for £20. Quite true, but there are lenses alone worth £70 to £100, and when Sr Mejia valued his stolen instrument at £120 he did not mean the stage alone.

It is rumoured that the Saenz Peña Government is going to have an organ of its own to be called "El Orden." We doubt it. The Government are much too reserved in their doings to court publicity by having an organ of their own.

Another naval scandal! Enquiry is being made into the charge against the captain of the 25 de Mayo of having inflicted 100 lashes on a sailor without either due trial previous, or subsequent notice to his superiors, and that apart from the inherent illegality of the punishment.

The sentence pronounced by the French Court upon the aged Count Lesseps, who will, in spite of the cloud which has overshadowed him, ever be one of the glories of France, has excited very severe comment. In a country where extenuating circumstances are sought for the vilest offences, we should have thought the presence in the dock of the aged Count would have been enough to have at least caused the justice to be tempered with mercy. Severe sentences, as in the case of Smithers in England, always to some extent neutralise their effect by the sympathy they excite, especially where the accused can in any way be regarded as a scapegoat.

Talking to a French friend of ours, he told us that there is some law in France whereby in the case of aged offenders the sentence may be carried out in the private house of the accused. That being so, Count Lesseps will most probably be imprisoned in his own house and not in goal.

We hear that Lomas de Zamora, which in consequence of its church, school, etc., is the most English-like of our suburbs, is to have another English institution added to its many attractions, in the form of a club and literary society. We believe that the exact form is not yet fixed upon, but active steps are being taken in the matter. We need not say to whom the initiative is due, as all who know Lomas will guess it.

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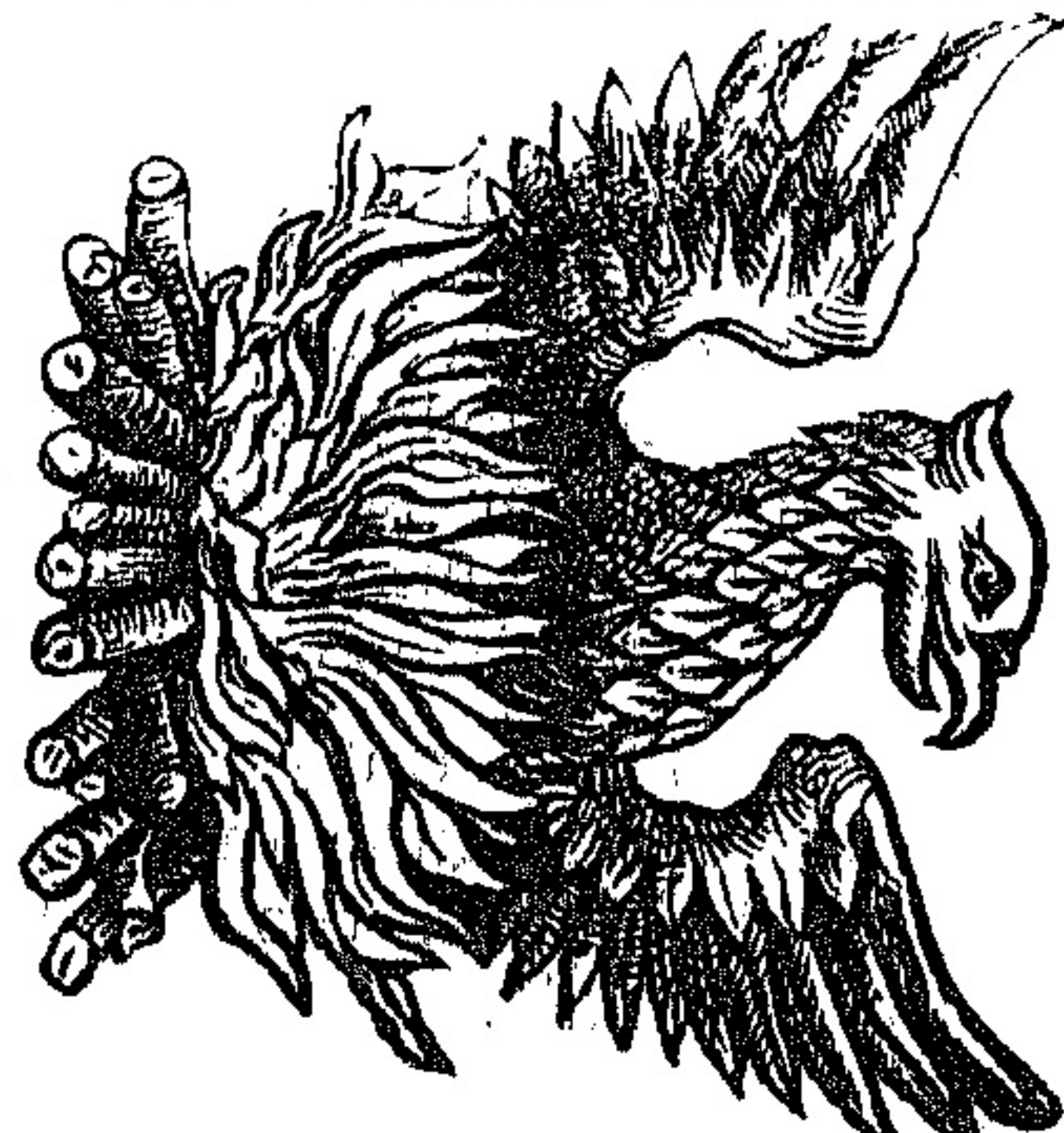
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