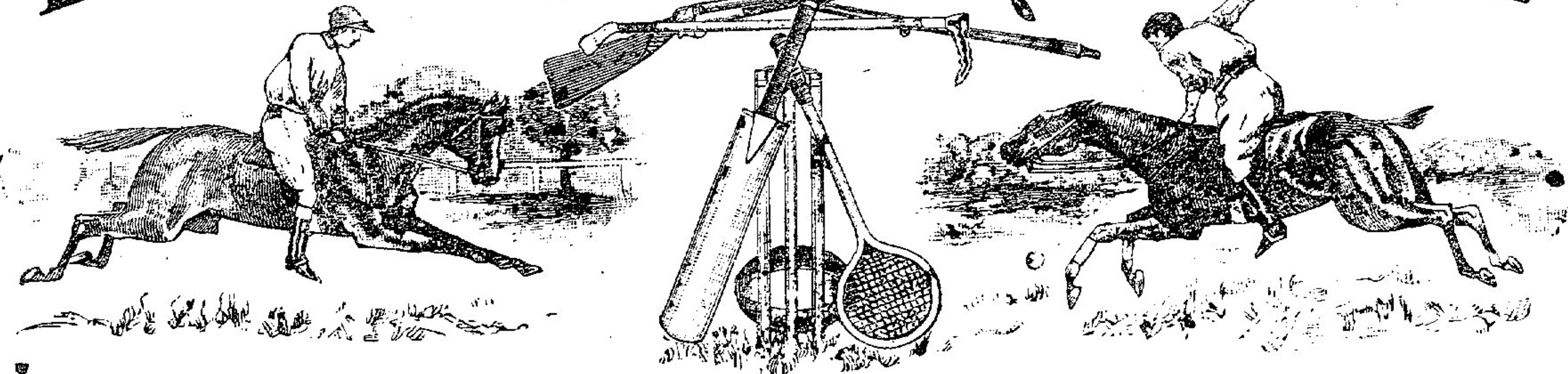


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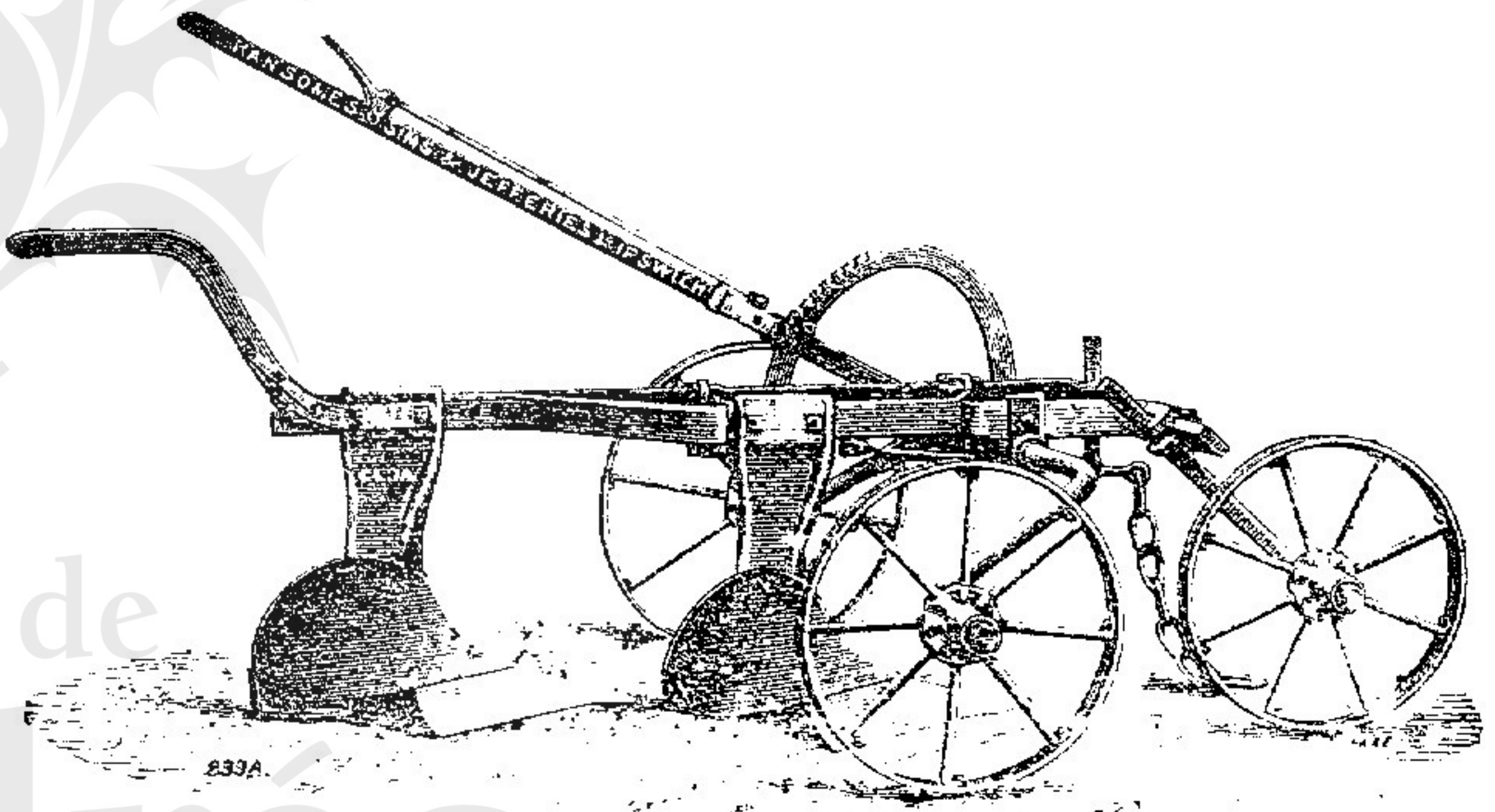
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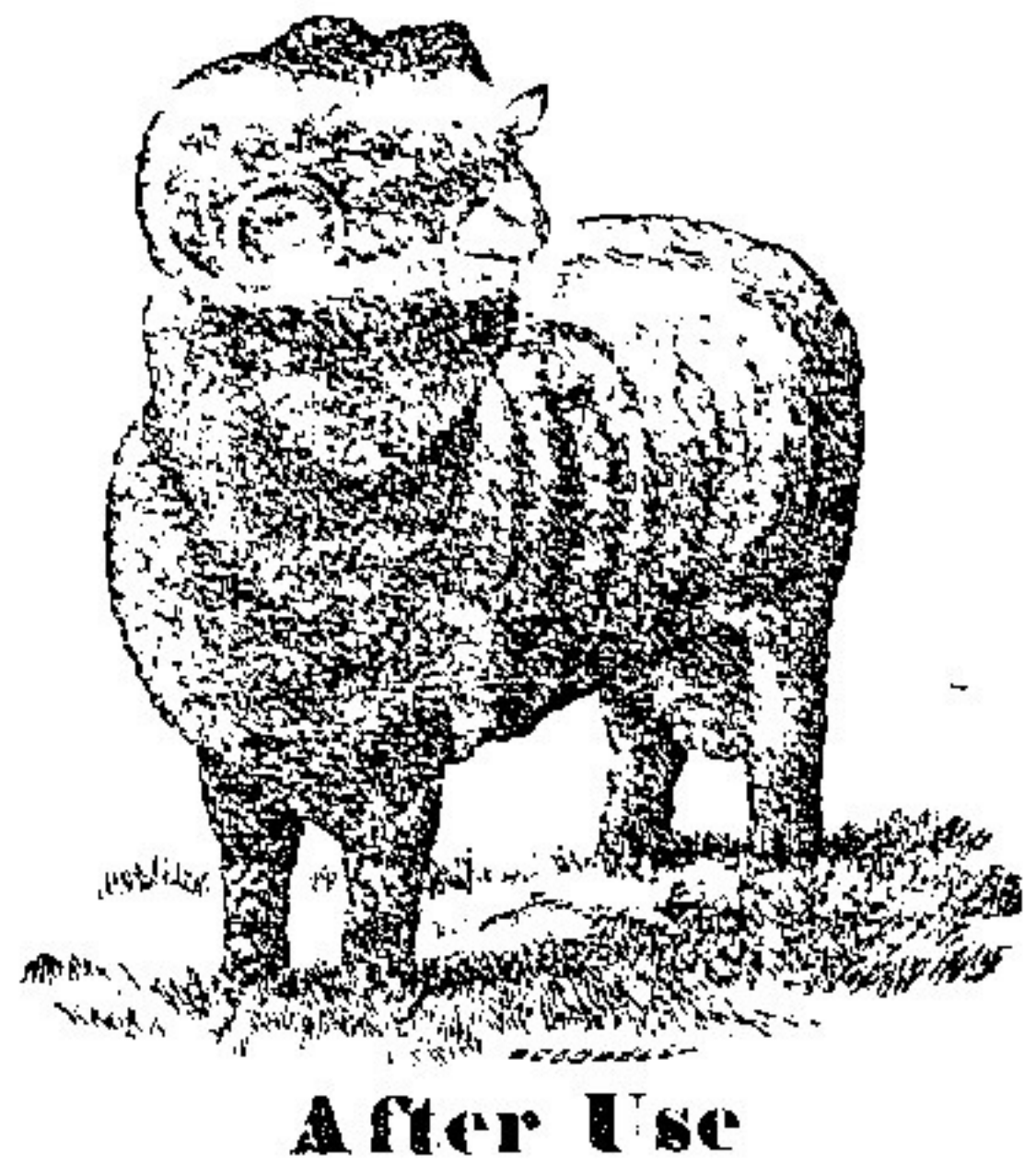


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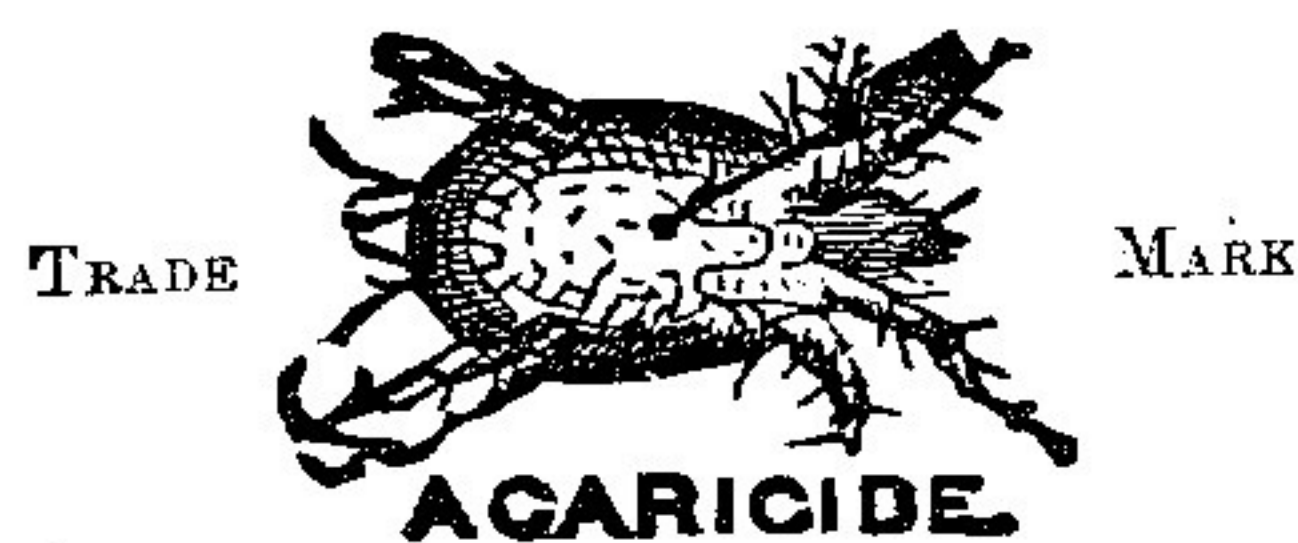


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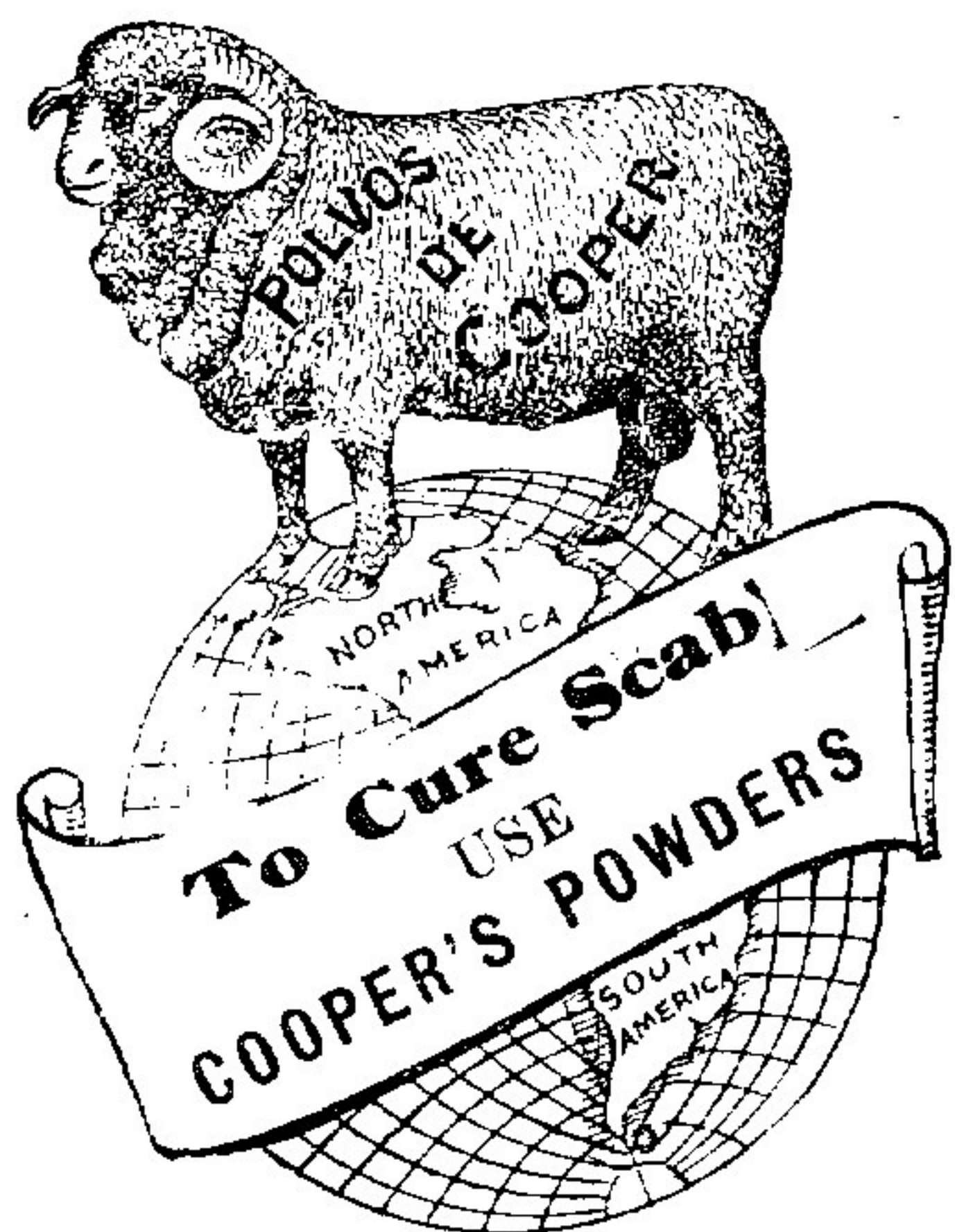


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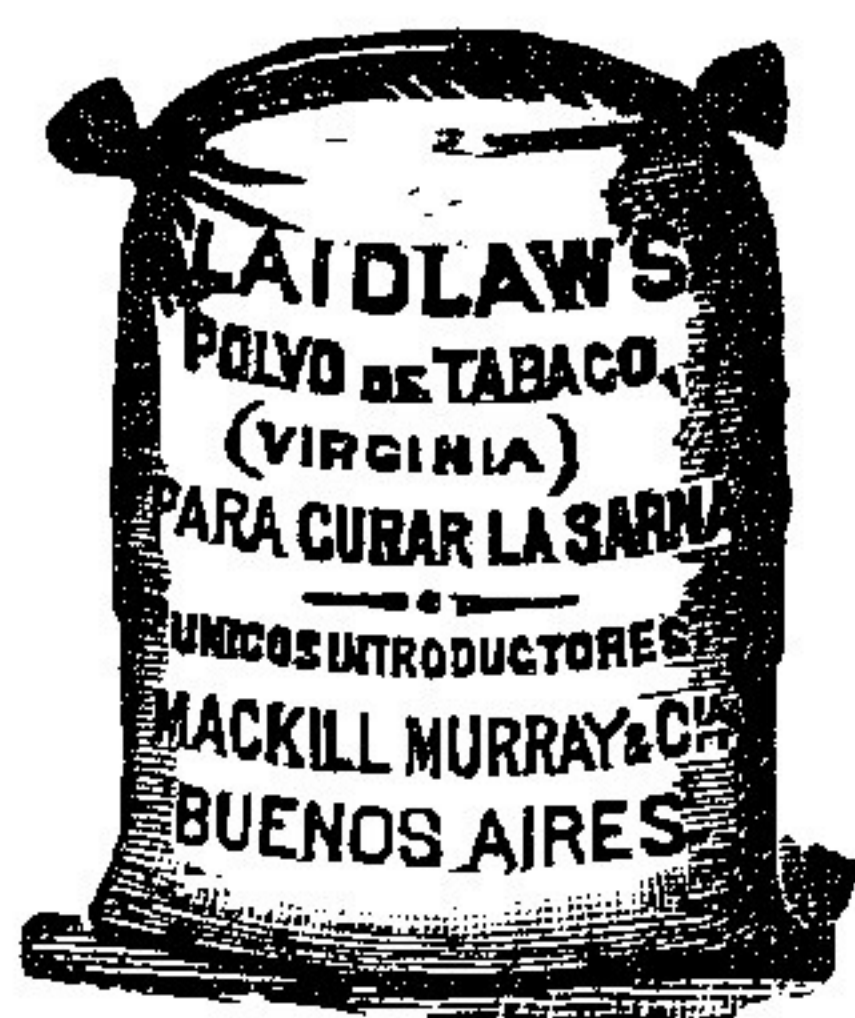
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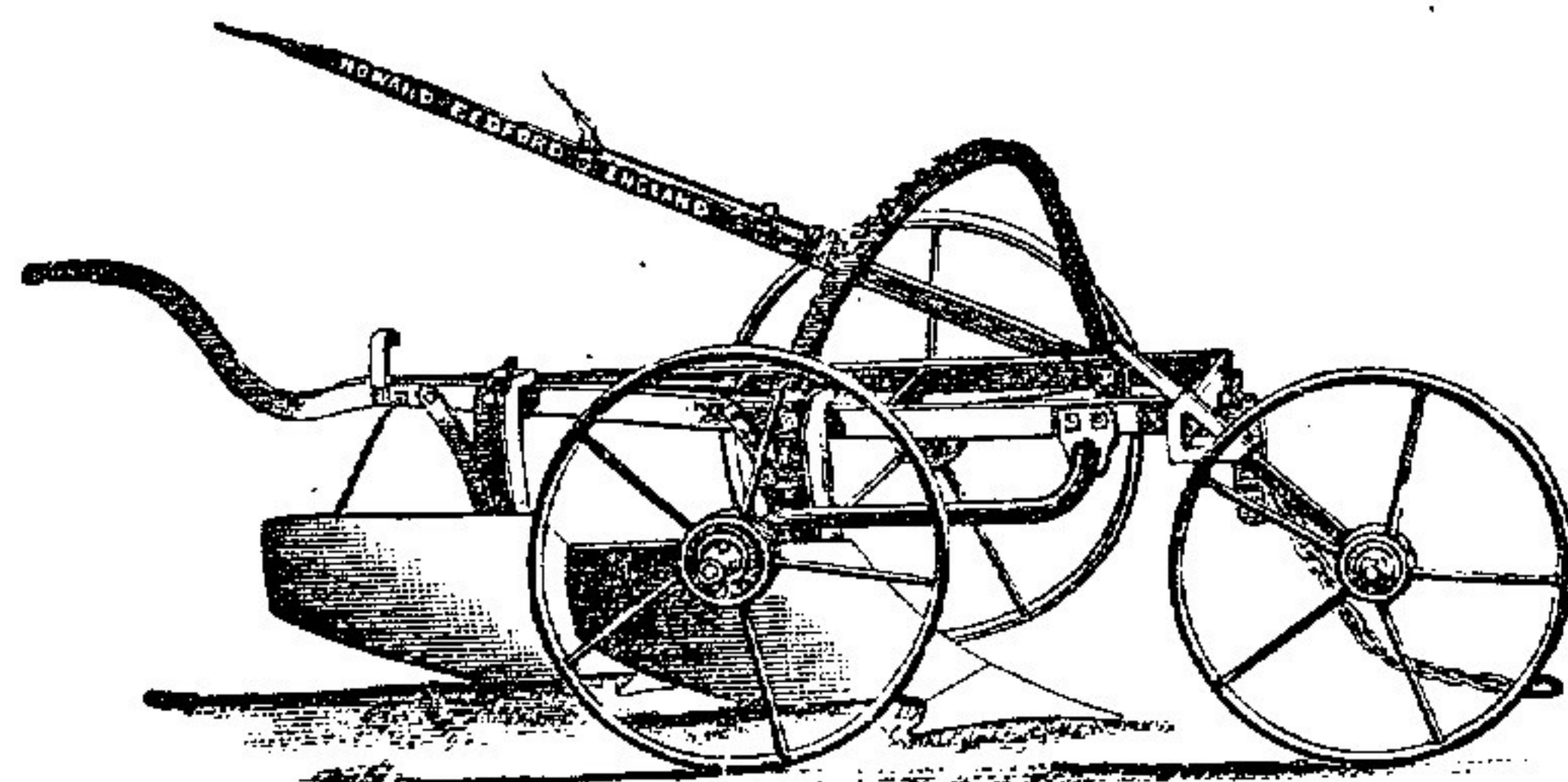
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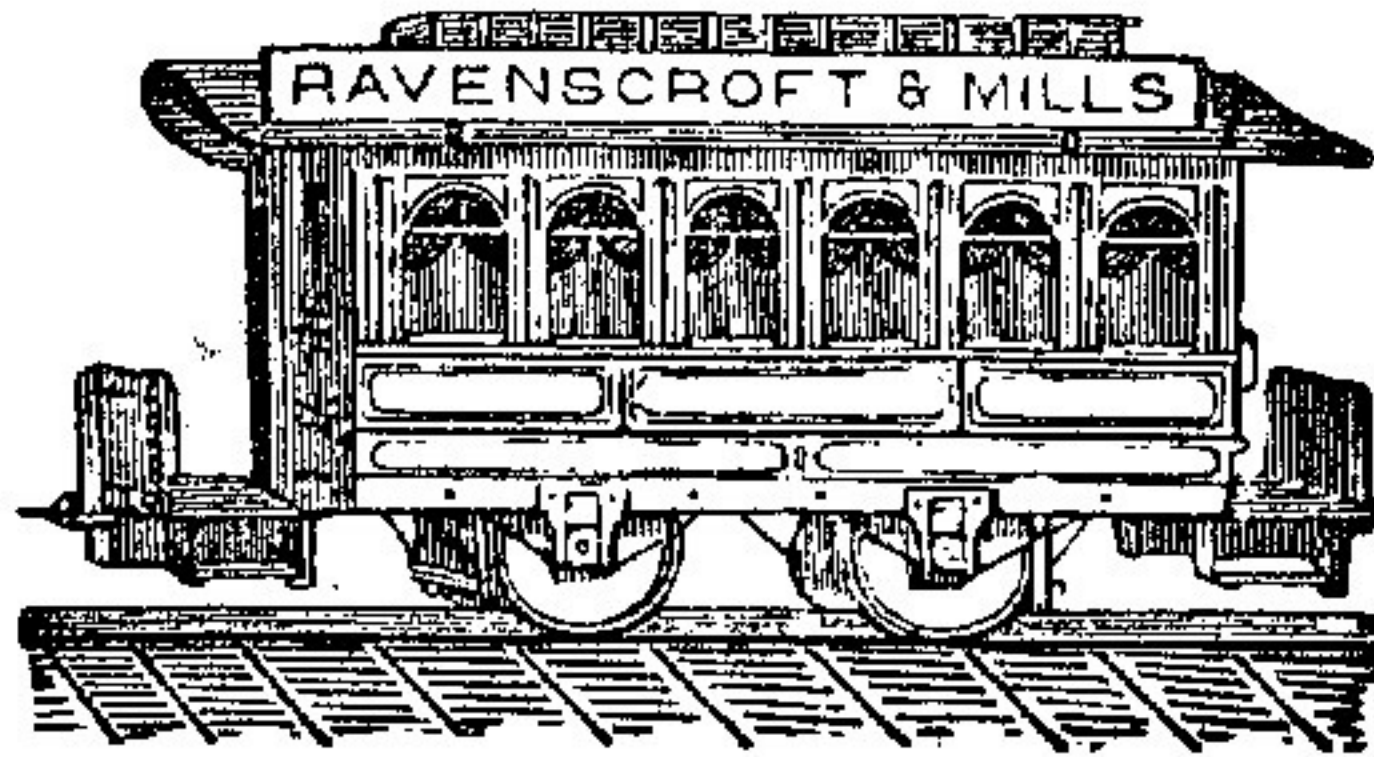
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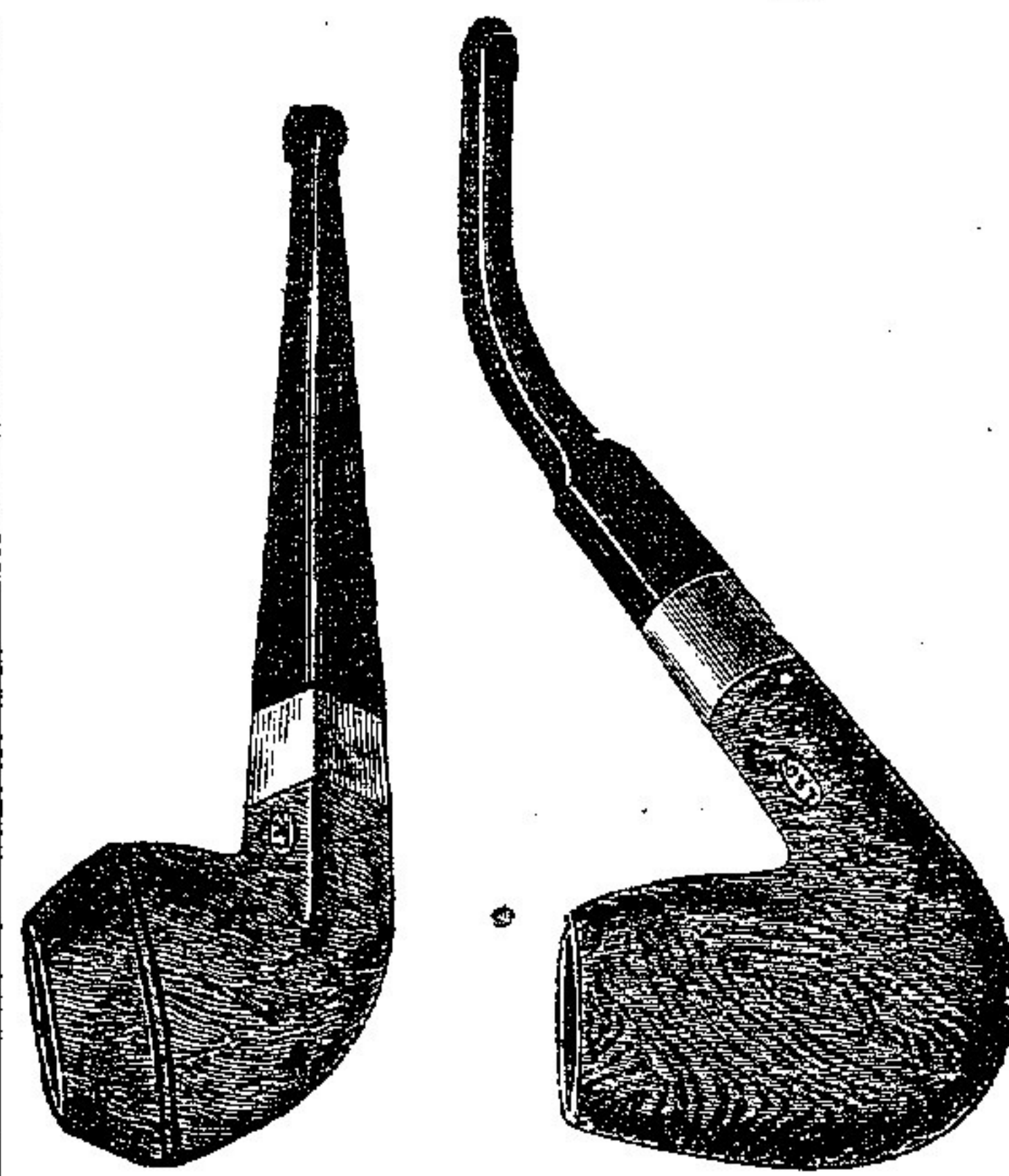
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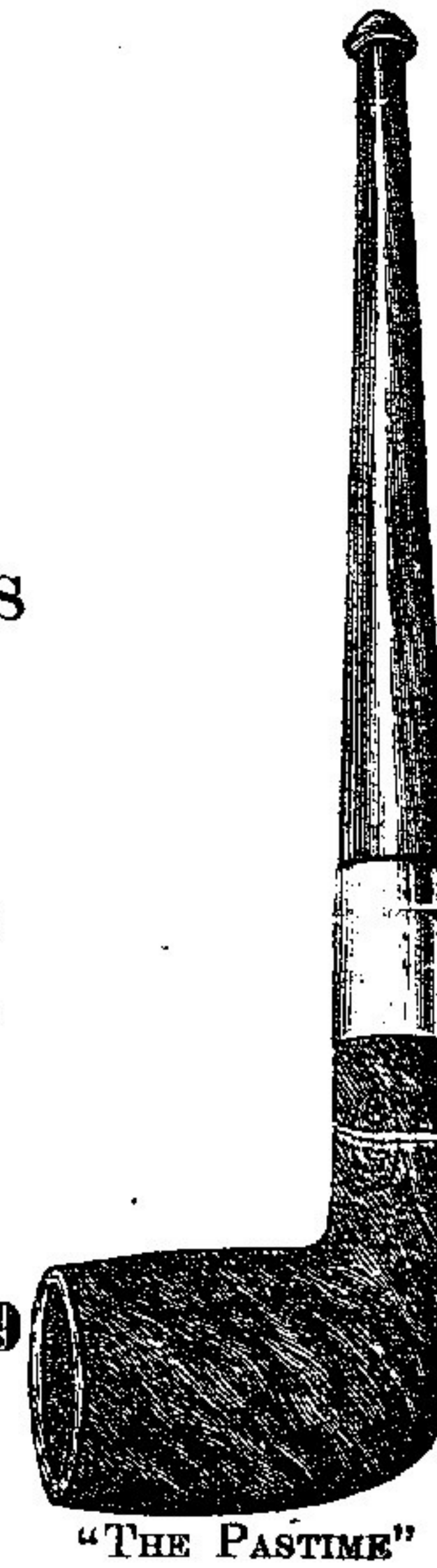
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### RACING

The York and Doncaster Spring Meetings are the principal racing events to chronicle by the last mail, which brought us dates up to June 10. A day's meeting at Hurst Park and the Bath Races have also to be mentioned, as containing several important races.

One of the most noteworthy features of the second day's racing at York was the extraordinary success of Lund's training establishment, Spring Cottage, and its jockey Finlay, who won the first four races off the reel; in the first only he rode the favourite his mounts in the remaining three all starting at longish odds.

We append below details of the Zetland Stakes, run on June 6 at the York Meeting, also of the Eglington Stakes, run on the second day, as perhaps being the two events in which our readers will find most interest:

Zetland Stakes of 5 sovs each, with 300 added, for two-year-olds; T.Y.C. (5 furlongs 44 yards).

Mr J. G. Joicey's b f Leveret, by Galopin—	
Sacrifice, 8st 13lb	T. Loates 1.
Lord Zetland's Royal Marine, 8st 9lb (car. 8st 11lb)	J. Watts 2
Mr R. Vyner's Cunctator, 9st 5lb	F. B. Black 3
Mr W. Chatterton's Barboreen, 9st 5lb	S. Chandley 0
Mr W. P'Anson's St. Germanus, 8st 9lb	C. Colling 0
Mr H. Kersey's Samarcan, 8st 9lb	R. Chaloner 0

Betting—2 to 1 agst Royal Marine, 5 to 2 agst Leveret, 6 to 1 agst St. Germanus, 100 to 12 agst Cunctator, and 20 to 1 agst Samarcan.

Won cleverly by half a length; bad third.

Eglington Stakes of 5 sovs each, with 100 added, for two-year-olds; T.Y.C.

Lord Zetland's b or b r f Lucy Cross, by St. Simon—Verdigris, 9st 3lb	J. Watts 1
Mr F. W. Lambton's f by Rosebery—Poor Thing, 8st 4lb	Fagan 2
Mr R. Vyner's Aumbry, 8st 4lb (car. 8st 6lb)	F. Osborne 3
Mr W. P'Anson's Glideaway, 8st 4lb	C. Colling 0
Sir R. Jardine's Artistic, 8st 4lb	Platt 0
Mr J. Joicey's Phantom Star, 8st 4lb	T. Loates 0
Mr W. R. Marshall's Amoor, 8st 7lb	Banner 0
Mr W. Newton's Clotaire, 8st 7lb	J. Woodburn 0
Mr J. Osborne's Frisky, 8st 4lb	F. Osborne 0

Betting—5 to 2 agst Lucy Cross, 3 to 1 agst Glideaway, 9 to 2 agst Aumbry, 7 to 1 agst the Poor Thing filly, 8 to 1 agst Phantom Star, and 100 to 8 agst any other.

Won by three parts of a length; same distance separated second and third.

At Doncaster on the first day, June 8, the Doncaster Spring Handicap Plate was won by Mr J. W. Houldsworth's Cornwall by Springfield, a ten to one chance; the Municipal Stakes by Lord Hastings' Smart; the Doncaster Stakes by Mr Vyner's Dendoscope; the Zetland Plate by Lord Hastings' Sir Jacob; the Lonsborough Handicap Stakes by Captain Cameron's Crusade, and the Hopeful Stakes as under:

Hopeful Stakes of 5 sovs each, with 200 added, for two-year-olds; 5 furlongs.

Capt. Greer's ch c Favour Royal, by Fav—	
Red Queen, 9st 5lb	J. Watts 1
Count Lutnow's Vitez, 8st 7lb	T. Loates 2
Mr J. H. Houldsworth's Veruna, 8st 4lb	Pratt 3
Mr F. Bates' Demonian, 8st 7lb	Platt 4
Mr E. C. Clayton's Kiltane, 8st 4lb	Allsopp 0
Mr M. Dawson's Roland Graeme, 8st 7lb	G. Chaloner 0
Mr J. G. Joicey's Anonyme, 8st 4lb	J. Woodburn 0
Mr J. G. Menzies' Mistress Prue, 8st 4lb	Finlay 0
Lord Penrhyn's Kilrush, 8st 7lb	Calder 0
Lord Rosslyn's Ravenscraig, 8st 4lb	G. Barrett 0
Mr J. Snarry's Terse, 8st 4lb	J. Harrison 0
Mr R. Vyner's Manna Ash, 8st 4lb	Fagan 0

Betting—6 to 4 agst Favour Royal, 100 to 30 agst Vitez, 6 to 1 agst Roland Graeme, 100 to 8 agst Veruna, and 25 to 1 agst any other.

Won by a neck, a short head separated the second and third.

On the second day, Clog Dance, Lord Ellesmere's filly by Lowland Chief, won the Scurry Stakes; Mr T. Holmes' Snow Queen the Corporation Stakes; Mr P. Buchanan's Cardrona the Chesterfield Handicap Plate; Mr J. Carlton's Maisey Hampton the Don Plate; Mr W. Stevenson's Pergamos the Portland Stakes; and the Fitzwilliam Stakes resulted as under:

Fitzwilliam Stakes of 5 sovs each, with 100 added, for two-year-olds; 5 furlongs.

Lord Zetland's b or b r f Lucy Cross, by St. Simon—Verdigris, 9st 2lb	J. Watts 1
Mr J. G. Joicey's Leveret, 9st 2lb	Loates 2
Mr F. Bates' Demonian, 8st 7lb	Platt 3
Mr R. Vyner's Cunctator, 9st 5lb	Black 0
Mr S. Platt's Girton, 8st 7lb	Finlay 0
Mr W. E. Elsey's Lady Mysie, 8st 4lb	Fagan 0

Betting—6 to 3 agst Leveret, 3 to 1 agst Demonian, 4 to 1 agst Lucy Cross, 7 to 1 agst Cunctator, and 20 to 1 each agst Lady Mysie and Girton.

Won by a length, five lengths separated second and third.

A rich prize in the Runnymede Plate of a 1000 sovs, was run for on June 3 at Hurst Park. The race is for three-year-olds over a mile, and Mr T. Cannon's White-stone turned up the winner from Watch Tower, Montezuma, Standard, and Aborigine, all well-known performers, so their defeat came somewhat as a surprise.

At the same meeting Lord Howe's Farndale, by Sterling, won the Middlesex Two-year-old Plate of 500 sovs, Sir J. B. Maple's disappointing filly, Faultless, starting favourite and only finishing third.

At Bath, Mr E. Weaver's La Belle Sarah, by Herald, won the Badminton Plate; Mr L. de Rothschild's Gatheral the Fortieth Biennial Stakes and Mr J. Charlton's Watch Tower the Thirty-ninth Biennial Stakes; Mr J. Lowe's Blue Jacket secured the Juvenile Stakes; Mr J. G. Joicey's Seafarer the Weston Stakes; and Mr T. Cannon's Hippomenes the Lansdown Two-year-old Stakes.

The following is the latest London betting on the St. Leger:

5 to 4 on Isinglass (laid and o).
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100 to 6 agst Raeburn (t and o).
20 to 1 agst Tanderagee (t and o).
25 to 1 agst Jew (t and o).
33 to 1 agst Phocion (o).

### CRICKET

Perhaps the most interesting match to record for the week ending on June 10th was that between Notts and Somerset. Several remarkable achievements were accomplished during the week, but that of Mr Stodart in this match was the most remarkable. In the first innings of Middlesex he went in first and carried out his bat for 195, and in the second his total reached 124 before he was caught off Mee's bowling. This record of scoring two hundreds in a match of importance is a feat which only three cricketers of our time can lay claim to.

With regard to the match itself, Middlesex won, though so nearly had time been approached when victory was gained that the finish became quite exciting and a great deal of enthusiasm appears to have prevailed when all was over. Middlesex scored 327 and 304, and Notts 301 and 273, the former county therefore winning by fifty seven runs. Gunn for Notts might have made a performance almost equal to that of Mr Stodart had he not been run out in the second innings after he had scored 46, as he had in the previous innings totalled 120, and was batting in fine form.

In the way of aggregates for the week there is one of 674 for Notts against Sussex for an innings which lasted for nine hours. This gigantic total is only twenty-four short of the record score is first class inter-county matches made by Surrey against Sussex in 1888, of the total Shrewsbury scored 164, Gunn 156, Barnes 102, Attewell 89, Mr C. W. Wright 84, H. B. Daft 32 and Flowers 38, against the bowling of no less than eight of the Sussex eleven, of whom Humphreys met with most

success, taking five wickets; Tate captured three, and Guttridge and Hilton one each. When the mail left Sussex had scored 80 runs only for four wickets, with another day left in which to conclude the match.

The Australians and Yorkshire played a drawn match during the week, of which the colonials had very much the best, as they scored 470 in their only innings against Yorkshire's 220 and 196 for six wickets. Mr Giffen scored 171 in a fine innings for the Australians of whom besides Mr W. Bruce made 47, Mr H. Graham 67, Mr R. W. McLeod 47, and Mr H. Trumble 55. For Yorkshire Mr A. Sellars scored 53, and Ulyett 51 in their first innings, and Wainwright 62 and Moorhouse 57 in their second innings.

Oxford University, with a not very representative team it is true, made a poor show against M. C. C. and ground who were victorious by an innings and forty six runs. For M. C. C. Mr G. Wilson scored 42; Mr E. D. Quinton 45, Mr S. M. J. Woods 63, Mr A. G. Latham 36 and Carlin not out 38. For Oxford Mr L. C. H. Palaret, who scored 40 in the second innings, and Mr R. C. N. Palaret, 56 in the first, were the only players to score over twenty runs.

Surrey, contrary to custom, this year met Cambridge University at Cambridge, the cantabs not quite playing their full strength. The University gained a little the best of the game on the first day, scoring 252 against Surrey's 182, mainly due to the batting of their captain Mr F. S. Jackson who totalled 123 runs. Going in a second time Surrey scored 274, of which Henderson made 63, Mr W. W. Read 86, and Mr K. J. Key 47. This left Cambridge 198 to get to win. The last day of the match was remarkable for the splendid performance of Lockwood, who captured eight of the University wickets for thirty-three runs, so in the result Surrey scored an easy victory though at one time their position did not look too good.

The match we have already mentioned, between the Oxford University and the Australians, proved one of the most interesting yet played by the colonials. The second day's play ended with Oxford requiring ninety nine runs to win and six wickets to fall. The Australian bowlers at first looked like gaining an easy victory but so good a stand did Mr H. A. Arkwright and Brain make for the ninth wicket that the aspect of the game was entirely altered, and not till the former was disposed of for a well played 30 and the last wicket had fallen did the Australians breathe freely. As it was their victory was only one of nineteen runs, though few expected to see Oxford make so stubborn a fight against so strong an opposition.

Other county matches not already mentioned by us and which were decided during the week resulted as follows:

Yorkshire, after a fine finish, beat Middlesex by three wickets and thus maintained their unbroken record in the competition for the County championship; Notts beat Somerset by 225 runs; Shacklock's bowling for Notts being the feature of the match, during which he captured eight wickets for 46 runs; Warwickshire gained a very easy victory over Leicestershire by an innings and 24 runs; Lancashire v. Sussex, and Gloucestershire v. Kent, had both to be abandoned as drawn; Yorkshire easily defeated Essex by ten wickets; and Surrey also gained a decisive victory over Lancashire by seven wickets; the M.C.C. and ground beat Kent by no less than an innings and 21 runs.

### POLO

Polo, as we have already told our readers, has taken a very strong hold in France, and now we see the Paris Polo Club has held a tournament, the winners of which were given a two hundred guinea cup. The club has a splendid ground and pavilion, everything being done in perfect taste like most things French. Owing to the Cavalry Canterbury and Hurlingham teams not being able at the last moment to compete, only four teams took part in the tournament, two from the Paris Polo Club, the 17th Lancers and the Rugby Polo Club. Although the Frenchmen played pluckily and with plenty of dash, their combination was bad, and against the older hands in the English teams they had little chance. After one or two capital games, the 17th Lancers came out of the tournament easy winners and secured the handsome cup, which was presented to them on the ground by Lady Dufferin.

The results of the different games were as follows: Rugby beat Paris Polo Club 2nd team, 9 goals to 2. 17th Lancers beat Paris Polo Club 1st team, 12 to 0. 17th Lancers beat Rugby, 7 to 0.

### ATHLETICS

A remarkable performance was made by S. Thomas in the Inter-Club race at the Ranelagh Harriers Meeting at Stamford Bridge on June 3. C. E. Willers, also, beat the record previously established for three miles in the same race. Five clubs, the Essex Beagles, Ranelagh Harriers, Highgate H., Walthamstow H., and Blackheath H., took part in the race, for which four from each club were to run, but only three to score, the course being one of three miles. Thomas and Willers at once detached themselves from the rest of the field and ran close together till almost in the home straight, where Thomas drew away and won one of the finest races ever seen by five yards, having beaten the previous best record for three miles by 5 3-5 secs., his times being as follows: Quarter mile, 1 min 4 3-5 sec; half, 2 min 15 3-5 sec; three-quarters, 3 min 28 1-5 sec; mile, 4 min 40 2-5 sec; 1 1-4 miles, 5 min 52 4-5 sec; 1 1-2 miles, 7 min 6 4-5 sec; 1 3-4 miles, 8 min 22 2-5 sec; 2 miles, 9 min 36 3-5



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On summing up the clubs were found to stand in the following order:—

- Inter-Club Race (Four from each club to run, and three to score).
- Essex Beagles: (C. E. Willers, 2; G. Martin, 3; T. Bartlett, 7; J. T. Collins, 0); 12 points, 1.
- Ranelagh H.: (S. Thomas, 1; E. J. Wilkins, 6; C. T. Carter, 9; A. E. Magill, 0); 16 points, 2.
- Highgate H.: (H. J. Dutton, 8; A. Everson, 10; Bailey, 11; H. Gilbert, 0); 29 points, 3.
- Walthamstow H.: (H. Watkins, 4; T. H. Robinson, 12; C. Jacobs, 14; A. G. Dabbs, 0); 30 points, 4.
- Blackheath H.: (G. M. Harris, A. R. Cooper, G. E. West, H. Bull), 0.

**BILLIARDS**

A billiard match on new conditions was played by Ives, the American, and Roberts at Knightsbridge early last month. To equalise the chances of the players smaller pockets and larger balls were adopted. This it was thought would handicap the American, who is accustomed to score by cannons only on a table without pockets, and sufficiently hamper his opponent as well. For a while Roberts led, but when he was 1,000 in front, Ives got the balls jammed in one of the corners, and made cannon after cannon until he had reached a break of 1,540; to these he next day added 999—2,539 in all, and then deliberately brought them out. He was able to reproduce the same position later, and ultimately went out a winner by 2,199 in 6,000.

**STORIES ABOUT THE DERBY**

Some good stories are to be found in Mr. H. B. Bromhead's "Derby Anecdotes" in the June number of the *English Illustrated Magazine*. The article is anecdotal and topical. Here is a story of Mr. Snewing, who won the Derby with Caractacus in 1862:—"After Caractacus won Mr. Snewing went to see Parsons weigh in. Full of excitement, to his horror the jockey failed to draw the weight. The bride was sent for, and Mr. Snewing often said afterwards—"The agony I felt at that moment I would not undergo again for a thousand pounds!" This set matters right, but all was not yet over. Lord Stamford objected on the ground that only his own horse, Ensign, and three others had gone the full course, the flag having fallen when a lot of the competitors were in front of the starting-post. Admiral Rous, however, was at the head of affairs, and he was about the only man present that did not lose his head. On his lordship making the protest, Admiral Rous took his watch out of his pocket, and, noting the time, said, "Twenty minutes!" The objection, to hold good, should have been lodged within a quarter of an hour, according to the 60th rule of racing. All those events so upset Mr. Snewing, that when he woke in his house in Euston Square the next morning all seemed like a dream to him. "Is it true that I have won the Derby, or have I dreamt it?" he called out to his niece. "Make hast down, uncle, and see the drawing-room hung with light-blue ribbons," she replied. Even that did not satisfy him, and he said, "Send out for a newspaper and let me see it in print." A copy of the *Times* was brought him, and looking over it he said, "Now I am satisfied; I know that I have won the Derby."

This is Mr. Bromhead's account of Bend Or's success in 1880:—"When Bend Or won, the famous 'Tinman' rode one of his greatest races, as he only got up in the last stride and bent Mr. Brewer's horse Robert the Devil with Rossiter in the saddle. 'I think he just won,' said poor Fred, as he pulled up not far from the hotel on the Downs near to the entrance to the paddock. For a moment a friend of ours who was standing hard by felt considerable heartburnings as Harry Jeffrey, who was riding Boreas in the race, came back and shouted to Rossiter, 'You've won, old fellow, you've won!' It was, however, tidings of comfort and joy to my friend when a second or two later he ascertained for a fact that one of the gamest horses that ever looked through a bridle had won the Blue Ribbon by the shortest of heads. What a disappointment it must have been to the late Mr. Charles Brewer, the owner of Robert the Devil. He was lolling on the rails in Tattersall's ring, just below the then stewards' stand, confidently pointing to his horse and being congratulated by his friends. Rossiter was looking back at Archer, and the latter was riding like a demon. Even after the horses had passed the post Brewer fancied that his colt, being on the lower ground, had just won. Archer had a weak arm that day, having been savaged a short time before on Newmarket Heath by Muley Edris, a horse belonging to Lord Falmouth."

Archer had gone to Sir James Paget to have his arm attended to. "The eminent surgeon having bound up the wound, the jockey asked how long it would take to heal. 'Oh,' said Sir James, 'I think in three or four weeks you will be all right.' 'But shall I be fit for the Derby?' asked Archer. 'Ye-es,' was the reply. 'Oh yes! I think you may go to the Derby.' 'No, but you don't quite understand me,' persisted the jockey; 'I mean, shall I be fit to ride?' 'Well, I don't know,' was the answer. 'Better drive; better drive!' Archer farther taken back by this very innocent and unexpected rejoinder, had to explain. 'I am afraid, Sir James, you scarcely realise who I am?' 'No,' said the surgeon, politely, referring to the patient's visiting-card. 'I see I have the honour of receiving Mr. Archer, but—' 'Well,' said Archer, 'I suppose I may say that what you are in your profession, Sir James, I am in mine.' Then

he proceeded to tell him what that profession was. The famous surgeon, on learning the status of his visitor, was at once greatly interested, and asked him eagerly many questions—amongst others, what would be his loss supposing he would be unable to fulfil the Derby engagement; to which Archer replied, 'About £1,000, perhaps more.' His average annual income he stated (if I mistake not) to be about £3,000 or £10,000; upon which Sir James is said to have remarked: 'You may well say that what I am in my profession you are in yours; but I only wish that my profession was half as profitable as yours.'

**RACING**

**BELGRANO—July 6.**

Last Thursday's meeting at Belgrano was the most disastrous one backers have had for a very long time. Only one favourite finished first, the other winners all being thorough outsiders; the consequence being that some very large dividends were paid.

The first race saw the beginning of the series of upsets when Corresponsal beat a field of fourteen, of which Anacoreta was favourite, and paid a dividend of \$40.31.

Marionette in the second race, for which Carpintero and Paysandu were most fancied, carried almost least money of the dozen starters, yet she won easily enough, and paid her lucky backers no less than \$86.75 per ticket.

The Stud Buenos Aires was thought almost a certainty for supplying the winner of the classic race of the day, the Premio Lavalle, yet Woodnymph finished no nearer than third, the handsome Cero, who had been stopped in his work and therefore was not even fancied by his stable, winning with great ease from Landseer, a nice colt belonging to the San Jorge stable.

Farandol ran a rare horse in the Premio Ecurie Gladiateur and under a heavy weight, a capital performance, and one which showed what a sterling good colt he is.

Don Carlos provided the upset in the Premio Stud Buenos Aires, in which Thalia was expected to run well, instead of which she was never prominent in the race at any time.

How Clarette came to be so overlooked in the Premio Stud La Prensa we do not know, as she won easily enough from eight other maiden two-year-olds, of which Gravity, Opal, and Leadstone counted on most followers, the board only crediting Clarette with a hundred and seventy tickets for a win.

Santa Lucia, the favourite for the last race, won it right enough, but too late to save the situation, and except for a few men who bet with their eyes shut, the majority went home very much out of pocket.

In spite of Thursday being a working day there was a capital attendance on the course. The going was fairly good, and there certainly was nothing in it to account for the downfall of the favourites all through.

Details of the racing are as follow:

**PREMIO STUD SAN JORGE**, a handicap for horses which have not won \$5000, \$1000 to the 1st, \$200 to the 2nd, 1600 metres.

- Ecurie Titan's b h Corresponsal, by Highland Chief—Feather Bonnet, 5 y, 63 k. . . . . E. Lopez 1
- Capitan Lopez' Melpomenes, 3 y, 56 k. . . . . P. Aguilero 2
- Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Anacoreta, 3 y, 56 k. . . . . G. Palacios 3
- Sr J. Maria's Cham, 3 y, 59 k. . . . . R. Garrido 0
- Stud Yuqueri's Yuqueri, 3 y, 58 k. . . . . A. Brezzi 0
- Ecurie Gladiateur's Mondaine, 3 y, 57 k. . . . . J. Rodriguez 0
- Stud Entre Rios' Gualaguay, 7 y, 56 k. . . . . P. Martinez 0
- Stud Paine's Lucifer, 5 y, 54 k. . . . . L. Gonzalez 0
- Stud La Tablada's Junio, 4 y, 53 k. . . . . P. Torres 0
- Stud Temerario's Never Mind, 8 y, 52 k. . . . . C. Peñalba 0
- Stud Niño Dorado's Pertoldi, 6 y, 52 k. . . . . L. Diaz 0
- Stud Parana's La Capital, 4 y, 50 k. . . . . C. Calistro 0
- Stud San Juan's Chiquito, 5 y, 49 k. . . . . D. Castillo 0
- Stud Buenos Aires' Carbine, 3 y, 48 k. . . . . I. Diaz 0

Junio led to the last turn, where Corresponsal took the lead and always holding Melpomenes in the straight the Ecurie Titan's horse won by a length; half a length separated second and third.

Tickets—Corresponsal with 136 win and 293 place, Melpomenes 115—742, Anacoreta 947—981, Cham 247—443, Yuqueri 7—13, Mondaine 44—106, Gualaguay 102—173, Lucifer 383—129, Junio 564—699, Never Mind 21—39, Pertoldi 159—122, La Capital 78—174, Chiquito 385—172, Carbine 171—277. Totals, 3646—4313.

Dividends—Corresponsal \$40.31 win and 6.24 place, Melpomenes 3.67 place, Anacoreta 3.26 place.

**PREMIO STUD E. CASAL'S**, a handicap \$2000 to the 1st, 1100 metres.

- Mr W. Kemmis' Marionette, by Philamon—Puppet, 3 y, 48 k. . . . . L. Gonzalez 1
- Stud Terminacion's Terminacion, 4 y, 52 k. . . . . F. Bayardi 2
- Stud San Jorge's Remigia, 3 y, 47 k. . . . . C. Peñalba 3
- Ecurie Indecis' Holland, 6 y, 59 1/2 k. . . . . S. Gil 0
- Stud Azur's Paysandu, 7 y, 59 k. . . . . P. Aguilero 0

- Stud Carpintero's Carpintero, 6 y, 57 k. . . . . R. Garrido 0
- Stud El Plata's Salaam, 5 y, 56 k. . . . . I. Cardoso 0
- Stud Colón's Egbert, 7 y, 50 k. . . . . S. Gandulfo 0
- Stud Santa Fé's Santa Fé, 5 y, 47 k. . . . . G. Ales 0
- Stud Radamés' Sensacion, 3 y, 46 k. . . . . R. Silva 0
- Stud Las Ortigas' Fraise au Kirsch, 3 y, 44 k. . . . . R. Bastiani 0
- Stud Whipper-In's Smiling Lass, 3 y, 41 k. . . . . C. Brasero 0

Marionette was first away and making the whole of the running throughout won by a length from Terminacion who was half a length in front of Remigia at the finish.

Tickets—Marionette with 117 win and 131 place. Terminacion 868—1330, Remigia 118—231, Holland 254—248, Paysandu 1304—1369, Carpintero 1243—1251, Salaam 587—754, Egbert 117—131, Santa Fé 51—58, Sensacion 173—272, Fraise au Kirsch 409—668, Smiling Lass 398—352. Totals, 5639—6808.

Dividends—Marionette \$86.75 win and 24.75 place, Terminacion 4.22 place, Remigia 14.80 place.

**PREMIO LAVALLE**, for two-year-olds, colts 55 kilos fillies 53 kilos, 2 1/2 kilos penalty for each classic race won, \$4000 to the 1st, \$300 to the 2nd, \$200 to the 3rd, 1300 metres.

- Ecurie Vendetta's ch e Cero, by Zanoni—Woodbine, 55 k. . . . . L. Calistro 1
- Stud San Jorge's Landseer, 55 k. . . . . G. Palacios 2
- Stud Buenos Aires' Woodnymph, 55 1/2 k. . . . . P. Torres 3
- Stud Buenos Aires' Carnot, 55 k. . . . . I. Diaz 0
- Stud Carpintero's Alhambra, 53 k. . . . . L. Gonzalez 0
- Stud Carpintero' Bumblybuss, 55 k. . . . . P. Aguilero 0
- Sr E. Casal's Ravachol, 55 k. . . . . R. Garrido 0
- General Paz' Bay Rum, 55 k. . . . . L. Gonzalez 0
- Ecurie Gladiateur's Clermont, 55 k. . . . . E. Figueroa 0
- Stud Red Lancers' Maybloom, 53 k. . . . . I. Cardoso 0
- Stud Santa Fé's Mercurio, 55 k. . . . . L. Diaz 0
- Stud Santa Rosa's Milagro, 56 k. . . . . C. Penalba 0
- Stud Temerario's Mayblossom, 53 k. . . . . R. Silva 0
- Stud Terminacion's Washington, 55 k. . . . . J. Bayardi 0

From a very bad start Alhambra took the lead and followed by Woodnymph, ran in front to the bend for home. Before reaching the straight Cero shot to the front, and Landseer also passed the leaders: the former came away easily and won by a length, a like distance separating second and third.

Tickets—Cero with 430 win and 530 place, Landseer 586—803, Woodnymph and Carnot 4326—3647, Alhambra and Bumblybuss 436—811, Ravachol 476—277, Bay Rum 37—35, Clermont 475—331, Maybloom 1137—1560, Mercurio 180—35, Milagro 130—37, Mayblossom 15—21, Washington 476—266. Totals, 8267—8893.

Dividends—Cero \$44.60 win and 5.80 place, Landseer 4.51 place, Woodnymph 2.55 place.

**PREMIO ECURIE GLADIATEUR**, a handicap, \$1800 to the 1st \$200 to the 2nd; 1600 metres.

- Ecurie Gladiateur's b e Farandol, by Childeric Fascia, 3 y, 58 k. . . . . J. Balla 1
- Stud Buenos Aires' Santa Lucia, 4 y, 60 k. . . . . I. Diaz 2
- Ecurie Talisman's Myosotis, 5 y, 53 k. . . . . I. Cardoso 3
- Stud La Prensa's Rivadavia, 3 y, 56 k. . . . . J. Bayardi 0
- Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Manon Lescaut, 4 y, 53 k. . . . . G. Palacios 0

Farandol took the lead from the start and never being headed throughout won easily by two lengths from Santa Lucia, who came a little late at the finish and beat Myosotis by a like distance for second place.

Tickets—Farandol with 1397 win and 984 place, Santa Lucia 1966—1174, Myosotis 1615—1183, Rivadavia 210—168, Manon Lescaut 1765—1305. Totals, 6553—4814.

Dividends—Farandol \$8.44 win and 4.96 place, Santa Lucia 3.85 place.

**PREMIO STUD BUENOS AIRES**, a handicap, \$2500 to the 1st, \$300 to the 2nd; 2200 metres.

- Capitan Lopez' ch h Don Carlos, by Patriarch Legitime, 5 y, 51 k. . . . . P. Aguilero 1
- Ecurie Sans Peur's Phoebus, 3 y, 42 k. . . . . C. Gomez 2
- Stud Tandil's Puygaveau, 6 y, 55 k. . . . . R. Garrido 3
- Stud Buenos Aires' Thalia, 4 y, 59 k. . . . . I. Diaz 0
- La Petite Ecurie's Alerta, 5 y, 54 k. . . . . P. Torres 0
- Ecurie Argentino's Fergus, 5 y, 42 k. . . . . C. Brasero 0

Don Carlos at once took the lead and held that position throughout, coming into the straight four lengths in front of Phoebus, who could not get nearer than a length to him at the finish.

Tickets—Don Carlos with 530 win and 297 place, Phoebus 936—1094, Puygaveau 1153—815, Thalia 2890—2143, Alerta 2204—1340, Fergus 468—411. Totals, 8192—6108.

Dividends—Don Carlos \$27.35 win and 15.82 place, Phoebus 5.75 place.

**PREMIO STUD LA PRENSA**, for two-year-olds which have not won a race, colts 52 kilos, fillies 50 kilos, \$1800 to the 1st; 1100 metres.

- Sr. J. M. Villanueva's ch f Clarette, by Pan—Nana, 50 k. . . . . G. Ales 1
- Sr. E. Casal's Gallo, 52 k. . . . . R. Garrido 2
- Stud Santa Maria's Mariposa, 50 k. . . . . P. Aguilero 3
- Stud Buenos Aires' Gravity, 52 k. . . . . I. Diaz 0
- Stud Santa Rosa's Loadstone, 52 k. . . . . E. Reyes 0
- Stud Paine's Opal, 50 k. . . . . J. Bayardi 0
- Stud Azur's Baretty, 50 k. . . . . R. Saavedra 0
- Stud Niño Dorado's Urania, 50 k. . . . . P. Torres 0
- Stud Floresta's Siempreviva, 50 k. . . . . L. Diaz 0

Baretty was first off but soon gave up her position to Mariposa. Half way down the straight Clarette went to the front to win easily from Gallo by two lengths, the same distance separated second and third.



Tickets—Clarette with 170 win and 179 place, Gallo 436—355, Mariposa 657—616, Gravity 1313—1070, Loadstone 1099—1190, Opal 1434—1459, Baretty 220—488, Urania 473—324, Siempreviva 402—644. Totals, 6204—6325.

Dividends—Clarette \$65.68 win and 18.81 place, Gallo 10.47 place, Mariposa 5.67 place.

PREMIO ECURIE VENDETTA, a handicap for horses which having run have not won more the \$6000 in 1893, \$2000 to the 1st, \$250 to the 2nd; 1900 metres.

Stud Buenos Aires' b m Santa Lucia, by Garrard—Santa Rita, 4 y, 59 k..... I. Diaz 1 Stud Argentino's Frobisher, 4 y, 49 k..... C. Braseco 2

Ecourie Gladiateur's Silex, 3 y, 42 k..... A. Saavedra 3 Capitan Lopez' Robert le Diable, 4 y, 52 k..... P. Aguilieri 0

Sr. E. Casal's Mudo, 4 y, 50 k..... J. Bayardi 0 Frobisher and Silex made joint running to the bend for home, where Santa Lucia was sent along and easily going to the front won by two lengths; a length separated second and third.

Tickets—Santa Lucia with 2461 win and 1631 place, Frobisher 895—702, Silex 1360—781, Robert le Diable 1852—1381, Mudo 899—42. Totals, 7467—5027.

Dividends—Santa Lucia \$5.46 win and 3.34 place, Frobisher 5.12 place.

HURLINGHAM—JULY 6.

It is a pity that such an excellent day's racing at Hurlingham was witnessed by so few people on Thursday last. Although the day was fine, and practically a holiday amongst English people there were very few present on the course during the afternoon: doubtless the departure of the Magdalena that day, and the Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club's Tournament had something to do with the small attendance.

The ponies fit and in training had it all their own way, Macuco and Mr Robson's Oscuro and Moloch winning all the pony races between them, whilst an old Hurlingham friend in Ladybird literally cantered in for the Hack Race. By the way, at a meeting which was conspicuous for bad jockeyship, we hope some of those riding learnt a lesson in the art of sitting still from the jockey of Ladybird.

After winning all his three matches, against Bon Bon, Daiman, and Tommy only two days previous to the meeting, Macuco naturally robbed the Open Handicap and Hurdle Race of most of their interest, as both these events seemed at his mercy, though Moloch pressed him hard in the former, and we think Gateado, had he been differently ridden, should have beaten him in the latter race. Daiman was not in his usual form by any means, he did not run prominently, and has no doubt rid himself of a kilo or two of the crushing weight he has now to carry in the handicaps.

There was naturally only a very little betting on the different events, but the racing was keenly enjoyed by all, and the meeting passed off most pleasantly and well. Details of the races follow:—

MIDGET STAKES, of \$10 each with \$50 added; a Handicap for Ponies 53 in. or under; 700 metres.

Mr H. Scott Robson's Oscuro, 53 in., 67 k..... Mr E. Robson 1 Mr J. Bennett's Compadrito, 53 in., 75 k..... Owner 2

Mr F. J. Balfour's Newty, 53 in., 69 k..... Owner 3 Mr M. G. Fortune's East Neuk, 53 in., 75 k..... Mr F. Yeomans 0

Baron Heintze's Countess of Hohenau, 53 in., 67 k..... Owner 0 Mr F. M. Still's Chico, 53 in., 64 k..... Owner 0

Mr McMorrans' Popsy Wopsy, 53 in., 64 k..... Owner 0 Compadrito was first away, and ran about two lengths in front of Newty and East Neuk to the paddock. Here East Neuk was beaten, and Oscuro raced up to the front, a close finish resulting in Oscuro winning by a neck from Compadrito, who was half a length in front of Newty.

Dividends—Oscuro \$9.90 win and 7.80 place, Compadrito 15.65 place.

AN OPEN HANDICAP, for Ponies 56 in. or under; 1500 metres; \$200 to the winner.

Mr H. Ewen's Macuco, 56 in., 74 k..... Baron Heintze 1 Mr H. Scott Robson's Moloch, 56 in., 76 k..... Mr F. Furber 2

Mr J. Ravenscroft's Daiman, 54 in., 82 k..... Owner 3 Mr E. Hick's Whitelegs, 56 in., 68 k..... Owner 0

not less than 75 kilos; 2000 metres; a Sweepstakes of \$20 each with \$100 added.

Mr H. Anderson's Lady Bird, 75 k..... Mr J. O'Dwyer 1 Mr A. Dyson's Sultan, 75 k..... Owner 2

Mr J. J. Keevil's Jonathan, 75 k..... Owner 3 Mr G. Potts' Zangano, 75 k..... Owner 0

Zangano went away at a tremendous pace and soon was leading by many lengths from Sultan and Lady Bird, with Jonathan lying a long way behind. At the thousand metre post Zangano and his jockey were both beaten, and took no further part in the race. Lady Bird and Sultan ran on together, but the latter cried enough before reaching the straight, and Lady Bird won with ridiculous ease by half a length; Jonathan two hundred and fifty yards behind, third.

Dividend—Lady Bird \$3.05.

OPEN HURDLE RACE, Handicap Sweepstakes of \$20 each with \$100 added, for ponies 56 in. or under; 1600 metres, over five flights of hurdles.

Mr H. H. Ewen's Macuco, 56 in., 79 k (car. 80 1/2)..... Mr J. Bennett 1

Mr W. D. Campbell's El Gateado 56 in., 73 k..... Mr E. Robson 2

Mr E. Hick's Whitelegs, 56 in., 72 k..... Mr F. J. Balfour 3

Mr A. Mackill's Tommy, 56 in., 80 k..... Mr F. Yeomans 0

Mr R. H. Morgan's Let In, 56 in., 70 k (car. 80 1/2)..... Owner 0

Mr McMorrans' Burleigh, 56 in., 70 k..... Owner 0

Baron Heintze's Turriddu, 56 in., 64 k..... Owner 0

Burleigh was first away, but was caught by Macuco and Whitelegs at the second hurdle, Macuco going on with the lead. When over the last hurdle Whitelegs was beaten, and Gateado, who had been kept in the rear, was sent along, but too late to catch Macuco, who won by a length and a half; Whitelegs eased up, third, about four lengths behind the second.

Dividends—Macuco \$4.40 win and 4.35 place, Gateado 3.15 place.

SELLING RACE, Sweepstakes of \$10 each with \$50 added, for ponies 56 in. or under; ponies to be sold for \$100 to carry 70 kilos, for \$75 65 kilos, and for \$50 60 kilos; 1000 metres.

Mr H. Scott Robson's Oscuro (\$100), 70 k..... Mr E. Robson 1

Mr J. Ravenscroft's Tiddlywinks (\$100), 70 k (car. 78 k)..... Mr J. Bennett 2

Mr Furber's Sir Hugo (\$100), 70 k (car. 73 k)..... Owner 3

Mr R. H. Morgan's Restless (\$100), 70 k (car. 80 1/2 k)..... Owner 0

Mr F. Stalard's Nambi (\$75) 65 k..... Mr F. J. Balfour 0

Baron Heintze's Countess of Hohenau (\$75) 65 k..... Owner 0

Oscuro drew away soon after the start, and won easily by three lengths, half a length between second and third. The winner was sold to Mr Preston for \$150.

Dividends—Oscuro \$3.95 win and 2.75 place, Tiddlywinks 2.85 place.

POLO HANDICAP, Sweepstakes of \$10 each with \$100 added, for Polo Ponies 56 in. or under; 2000 metres.

Mr H. Scott Robson's Moloch, 56 in., 74 k..... Mr F. Furber 1

Mr R. R. McIver's Bon Bon, 54 in., 68 k..... Mr F. J. Balfour 2

Mr H. Scott Robson's Peter Flower, 56 in., 70 k..... Mr E. Robson 3

Mr J. Ravenscroft's Daiman, 56 in., 80 k..... Owner 0

Baron Heintze's Turriddu, 56 in., 62 k..... Owner 0

Moloch and Bon Bon were first away, but were soon steadied, Peter Flower making the running to the 1000 metre post. Here Moloch took the lead, Bon Bon lying close up third. In the straight Bon Bon drew up level with Moloch, but at the paddock he was beaten, and Moloch going on easily won by three lengths, a couple of yards separated second and third.

Dividends—Moloch \$2.25 win and 2.00 place, Bon Bon \$3.35 place.

PALERMO—JULY 9.

In spite of the many other attractions elsewhere there was an unusually large attendance at Palermo on the great Ninth of July, when the racing was decidedly interesting.

In the first place the Premio Libertad was disputed by half-a-dozen of the best of our horses in training; then there was a novelty in the way of a race for gentlemen riders which also attracted tremendously. Proceedings were opened in the usual way with a race for horses which have not been startlingly remunerative to their owners, and this Wolf won from Pertoldi with Silex third. Limethorpe carried top weight in the second race, a kilo the worst of the weights with Nautilus. These two, however, showed the rest of the field all the way, and Limethorpe eventually won.

Ituzaingo, Amazon, Eridan, Thalia, Camors and San Martin went to the post for the classic event, the Premio Libertad. Camors was installed favourite a little in advance of Eridan; but he was ridden by an inexperienced English lad, who was beaten in the race even before his horse, added to which the celebrated son of Ed-

ward the Confessor did not appear at all himself. The finish between Ituzaingo and Eridan was intensely exciting, and when Eridan's number went up there was a bit of a demonstration against the judges, many of the public thinking that Ituzaingo had won, or at any rate that the race was a dead heat. However, the judges had the best view of the finish, and we see no reason to doubt the justice of their decision. Eridan carried his three kilos penalty well and thoroughly deserved his win.

Six members of the Jockey Club turned out on six very moderate horses for the Premio Chacabuco, but of the way one or two of them turned out the less said the better, as their costume was anything but tidy and workmanlike. We were glad to see the only Englishman riding, Mr J. Bond, set a good example in this respect and also in the way of riding. Most of the horses on their return to the paddock after the race showed signs of considerable more punishment than they usually get from professionals here.

Clermont upset all calculations by winning the two-year-old race, his dividend of \$100 was most remunerative. He is the first of the Soukaras youngsters to score a winning bracket.

Monk has of late shown much improved form and especially on Sunday, when after getting off badly he won from a very good lot, including Limethorpe, Golondrina, Sucre, Remolacha and Zangano.

Bumblyhuss carried off the last race, which was run in the shades of evening and more resembled a procession than a race, and closed a capital day's sport. Details:

PREMIO SAN LORENZO, a handicap for horses which have not won \$6000, \$1500 to the 1st, \$150 to the 2nd; 1500 metres.

Stud General Paz' b h Wolf, by Leonidas— Midge, 4 y, 51 k..... L. Gonzalez 1

Stud Niño Dorado's Pertoldi, 6 y, 53 k..... P. Torres 2

Ecourie Gladiateur's Silex, 3 y, 54 k..... S. Rodriguez 3

Sr. E. Acebal's Financiera, 5 y, 62 k..... J. Cardoso 0

Stud Wincester's Liniers, 5 y, 58 k..... R. Garrido 0

Capitan Lopez' Melpomenes, 3 y, 57 k..... P. Aguilieri 0

Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Andarin, 3 y, 56 k..... J. Balla 0

Stud Las Ortigas' Fraise au Kirsch, 3 y, 55 k..... G. Palacios 0

Stud Parana's Hierofant, 4 y, 52 k..... T. Lopez 0

Wolf made the running from the start and won easily by a length from Pertoldi, who came along well at the finish and beat Silex by about the same distance.

Tickets—Wolf with 794 win and 882 place, Pertoldi 124—271, Silex 622—819, Financiera 972—993, Liniers 506—588, Melpomenes 658—1098, Andarin 466—668, Fraise au Kirsch 348—545, Hierofant 149—172. Totals, 4630—6036.

Dividends—Wolf \$10.49 win and 4.61 place, Pertoldi 10.51 place, Silex 4.81 place.

PREMIO TUCUMAN, a handicap, \$2000 to the 1st, \$200 to the 2nd; 1200 metres.

Ecourie Sans Peur's Limethorpe, by Quicklime —Lady Danthorpe, 6 y, 61 k..... J. Viera 1

Sr. E. Acebal's Nautilus, 3 y, 60 k..... J. Cardoso 2

Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Manon Lescaut, 3 y, 51 k..... G. Ales 3

Stud Carpintero's Carpintero, 6 y, 58 k..... R. Garrido 0

Stud Entre Rios' Satarella, 4 y, 55 k..... P. Martinez 0

Estancia Santa Maria's Colmena, 3 y, 54 k..... R. Figueredo 0

Stud Revolucion's Siva, 4 y, 53 k..... I. Cardoso 0

Stud Winchester's Orissa, 3 y, 51 k..... P. Carabajal 0

Mr W. Kemmis' Marionette, 3 y, 52 k..... I. Diaz 0

Stud San Jorge's Remigia, 3 y, 49 k..... R. Bastiani 0

Stud Santa Fé's Santa Fé, 5 y, 48 k..... C. Peñalba 0

Stud La Noria's Noel, 4 y, 42 k..... R. Saavedra 0

Limethorpe made nearly all the running, followed closely by Nautilus, who, at the paddock, made an effort to get up but could get no nearer than half a length to the leader at the finish, beating Manon Lescaut by a length for second place.

Tickets—Limethorpe with 1799 win and 1529 place, Nautilus 1220—1263, Manon Lescaut 466—649, Carpintero 537—644, Satarella 1568—1721, Colmena 31—73, Siva 568—825, Orissa 300—579, Marionette 729—964, Remigia 638—834, Santa Fé 53—143, Noel 207—308. Totals, 8136—9522.

Dividends—Limethorpe \$8.14 win and 4.24 place, Nautilus 4.71 place, Manon Lescaut 7.27 place.

PREMIO LIBERTAD, weight for age, the winner of the Premio Hipodromo Argentino, 3 kilos extra, \$4000 to the 1st, \$500 to the 2nd; 2000 metres.

La Petite Ecourie's b h Eridan, by Robert the Devil—True Love, 5 y, 63 1/2 k..... J. Balla 1

Sr. J. B. Zubiaurre's Ituzaingo, 3 y, 57 k..... I. Cardoso 2

Stud Buenos Aires' Thalia, 4 y, 58 1/2 k..... I. Diaz 3

Stud Las Ortigas' Amazon, 6 y, 60 1/2 k..... G. Palacios 0

Ecourie Vendetta's Camors, 6 y, 60 1/2 k..... Livesey 0

Stud Terminacion's San Martin, 5 y, 60 1/2 k..... J. Cardoso 0

After going a short distance Camors took the lead with San Martin lying next; so they ran to the station, where Ituzaingo took the lead. At the paddock Eridan came up to Ituzaingo and a rattling finish between the pair resulted in the old horse gaining the verdict by a head. Thalia came with a rush at the finish but only secured third honours, a length behind Ituzaingo.



Tickets—Eridan with 4144 win and 3000 place, Ituzaingo 1774—1415, Thalia 1088—943, Amazon 677—510, Camors 4894—3385, San Martin 1125—1236. Totals' 13,682—10,489.

Dividends—Eridan \$5.94 win and 3.67 place, Ituzaingo 5.55 place.

PREMIO CHACABUCCO, for horses to be ridden by members of the Jockey Club, weights 73 kilos, an objet d'art and the entries of \$50 each to the 1st; 1000 metres.

Capitan Lopez' Robert le Diable, by Thurio—	
Pinaster, 4 y, 73 k	Mr F. Varela 1
Stud Entre Rios' Gualaguay, 7 y, 73 k	Mr E. Quintana 2
Ecurie Gladiateur's Silex, 3 y, 73 k	Mr C. Laro 3
Mr J. B. Zubiaurre's Guerrillero, 5 y, 73 k	
	Mr J. Bond 0
La Petite Ecurie's Gattatore, 6 y, 73 k	
	Mr R. Chevalier 0
Ecurie Avant Garde's Gauloise, 3 y, 73 k	
	Mr E. Lynch 0

Gualaguay ran in front followed at first by Robert le Diable, who gave way after rounding the bend to Silex. In the straight Gualaguay was still leading, and with Guerrillero, Gattatore and Gauloise all beaten, Robert le Diable was sent along and easily getting the best of the finish won by half a length; a length separated the second and third.

Tickets Robert le Diabolo with 1680 win and 941 place, Gualaguay 204—182, Silex 221—193, Guerrillero 1416—781, Gauloise 127—113, Gattatore 1650—866. Totals, 5304—3076.

Dividends—Robert le Diabolo \$5.68 win and 3.74 place, Gualaguay 11.04 place.

PREMIO LAS PIEDRAS, a handicap for two-year-olds: \$2000 to the 1st, \$200 to the 2nd; 1200 metres.

Ecurie Gladiateur's ch c Clermont, by Sou-	
karas—Clementina, 48 k	T. Lopez 1
La Petite Ecurie's Alejandria, 57 k	P. Torres 2
Ecurie Azur s' Friedland, 53 k	P. Aguilari 3
Sr. J. B. Zubiaurre's Malakoff, 55 k	P. Aguirre 0
Stud Buenos Aires' The Masher, 54 k	J. Diaz 0
Stud Santa Rosa's Loadstone, 49 k	G. Ales 0
Stud San Jorge's Landseer, 49 k	I. Cardoso 0
Esencia Santa Maria's Mariposa, 48 k	Gando'lo 0
Stud Terminacion's Washington, 47 k	L. Gonzalez 0
Sr. E. Casal's Gallo, 47 k	C. Peñalba 0

The flag was dropped to a horrible start, which left Malakoff at the post and left the chances of several others very small. Friedland got off in front, but Clermont and Alejandria passed him at the paddock, the former winning by half a length; a length separated second and third.

Tickets—Clermont with 188 win and 226 place, Alejandria 2225—2472, Friedland 686—865, Malakoff 2030—2274, The Masher 1564—1779, Loadstone 166—286, Landseer 2737—2668, Mariposa 238—435, Washington 167—273, Gallo 481—1125. Totals, 10,481—12,303.

Dividends—Clermont \$100.35 win and 24.15 place, Alejandria 4.02 place, Friedland 7.78 place.

PREMIO MAIPU, a handicap, \$2500 to the 1st, \$250 to the 2nd; 1750 metres.

Stud Niño Dorado's b h Monk, by Garrard—	
Santa Rita, 4 y, 53 k	P. Torres 1
Ecurie Sans Peur's Limethorpe, 6 y, 60 k	J. Viera 2
Ecurie Gladiateur's Sucre, 3 y, 55 k	J. Balla 3
Stud Las Ortigas' Golondrina, 5 y, 60 k	G. Palacios 0
Stud Principiante's Remolacha, 6 y, 58 k	R. Garrido 0
Ecurie Vendetta's Zangano, 4 y, 55 k	I. Diaz 0
Ecurie Talisman's Myosotis, 5 y, 53 k	L. Gonzalez 0
Stud Entre Rios' Federal, 3 y, 53 k	C. Bueno 0
Ecurie Argentino's Fergus, 5 y, 44 k	C. Braseco 0
Sr. J. M. Villanueva's Anacoreta, 3 y, 43 k	
	R. Saavedra 0
Ecurie Titan's Demos, 4 y, 42 k	A. Saavedra 0
Stud Parana's La Capital, 4 y, 40 k	L. Gonzalez 0
Ecurie Les Ardennes' Email, 5 y, 40 k	C. Peñalba 0

Limethorpe made the running till reaching the paddock, where Monk, who got away badly, caught and passed him and won eventually by a length with ease, the same distance separated second and third.

Tickets—Monk with 1225 win and 1975 place, Limethorpe 1890—2190, Sucre 2145—2055, Golondrina 910—947, Remolacha 1165—843, Zangano 2648—3215, Myosotis 431—433, Federal 589—593, Fergus 215—333, Anacoreta 394—706, Demos 785—983, La Capital 41—82, Email 238—318. Totals, 12,674—14,655.

Dividends—Monk \$18.62 win and 4.35 place, Limethorpe 4.12 place, Sucre 8.28 place.

PREMIO SALTA, for two-year-olds which have not won a race, colts 52 kilos, fillies 50 kilos, \$1800 to the 1st, \$180 to the 2nd; 1000 metres.

Stud Carpintero's ch c Bumblybuss, by Phoenix	
Queen Bee, 52 k	R. Garrido 1
Stud Painé's Relmu, 50 k	Galimberti 2
Stud Santa Rosa's Milagro, 52 k	G. Ales 3
Sr. E. Acebal's Barsac, 52 k	J. Paz 0
Sr. C. G. Palacios' Simoun, 52 k	P. Lara 0
Sr. A. E. Saiguero's Conde, 52 k	J. Acosta 0
Sr. J. B. Zubiaurre's Queque, 52 k	L. Gonzalez 0
Mr W. Kemmis' Lighthouse, 52 k	J. Cardoso 0
Ecurie Argentino's Brown, 52 k	Pasaletti 0
Stud José Maria's Revancha, 52 k	J. Bayardi 0
Stud Red Lancers' Speculation, 50 k	T. Lopez 0
Stud Wincester's Bogey, 52 k	P. Carabajal 0
Stud Buenos Aires' Clothilde, 50 k	I. Diaz 0
Stud La Noria's Dora, 50 k	P. Aguilari 0

Milagro made the running for the first part of the journey some distance ahead of the others, who tailed terribly. Half way down the straight Relmu and Bumblybuss passed the leader, the latter winning by two

lengths, about the same distance separating second and third.

Tickets—Bumblybuss with 2389 win and 2150 place, Relmu and Lightheart 445—446, Milagro 542—494, Barsac 812—823, Simoun 215—254, Conde 14—21, Quequen 780—742, Brown 83—105, Revancha 391—368, Speculation 381—318, Bogey 160—241, Clothilde 652—313, Dora 64—115. Totals 692—6390.

Dividends—Bumblybuss \$5.21 win and 2.89 place, Relmu \$5.87 place, Milagro 5.22 place.

## WOMEN'S GOSSIP.

Dear Kate,—

Though town is so full of things to write about just now that the difficulty is in choosing from the embarrassment of riches quite the most interesting things to describe to you, I am going to ask you to take a mental flight with me—

"Far from the roar and the rattle,

The din and the dust of the town,"

and imagine yourself having, in one of Scotland's most charming North-Eastern counties, a practical lesson in dairying!

In plain language, my dear, I am going to tell you about a most interesting experience I had lately in Forfarshire and as butter and cattle are much in evidence in your part of the world it ought to interest you also. Is there anything edible more hateful than bad butter? Verily I think not! And in spite of many advantages those three pleasant Scotch counties on the coast of the blue North Sea—that are so famous for farming do not produce that ideal quality of butter which the dweller in towns associates, in its pristine freshness, with green fields and butte up meadows! Of course at country houses and at the large farms where good dairy maids are kept and no expense is spared one does enjoy ideal butter, but try to buy it from the smaller farmers whose business it should be to sell it to you and you will wish yourself eating the danish salt butter of your town grocer! At least we did one fabled Deeside last summer holiday when after trying five towns and the village shop we shudderingly resorted to marmalade and thanked kind fate for jams and jellies.

As the result of experience and practical thought and enquiry as to farming matters Government and the County Councils have instituted schools of dairying, and when a County Council applies for instruction for its district two highly trained instructresses are sent down to give practical teaching to all who are wise enough to avail themselves of it, a small minority too often alas! of the wives and daughters of the working farmer, the very class it ought to benefit.

Aberdeenshire and Kincardineshire with their large agricultural interests having availed themselves with advantage of this practical teaching, the Forfarshire County Council have in their turn invited two ladies, Miss Massey and Miss Harriette Massey from County Wicklow, Ireland, to lecture in the County. A public spirited County Councillor, whose interest in the local well-being is well-known and who has himself had practically tried on a very large scale and with success the newest improvements, was instrumental in bringing these two ladies to the ideally picturesque village where I was staying, and in the little schoolroom of the place they held for a fortnight a most interesting class.

Picture to yourself the row of pretty model churns, each easily and quickly turned by a handle, and at every churn two eager pupils; pupils drawn from all classes; maids and mistresses, ladies cheerily working side by side with sturdy farm girls and two dear little children from "the big house" merrily turning their churn, while for each and all the county councillor already mentioned had a fatherly word of pleasant encouragement when he looked in to see how the novel work went on.

To and fro walked the two instructresses, in their real Irish dresses and large white aprons, and every now and then one heard "Rinse well," "Scald well," "use plenty of clean water" in the soft sweet voices of these young Irish ladies as they hurried about among their pupils. Outside a big boiler was boiling busily for washing and scalding purposes and inside besides the churns were the separator, the much used testing thermometers, and the neat butter machines the use of which prevents any handling of the butter, for as soon as it is sufficiently pressed in these machines it is made up with the wooden butter spoons and never touched with the hands at all.

The room and the busy workers were a pretty and interesting sight and this is what I, sitting on a high bench watching my practical country friends, gleaned from my lesson on butter making, the said gleanings being greatly helped by the trouble and interest so kindly taken in even a "towny-looking" outsider by the ladies in charge. Will this little description help you in looking after your dairying I wonder, if you have any personal say in the matter where dairying must be carried out on such wholesale and enormous lines as with you?

Into the separator went milk with the cream on it, and out came the cream of which the butter was made, while the separated milk which remained could be mixed later on with linseed meal and used for feeding calves. The cream was put into the pretty little churns and when the butter appeared clean cold water was three times poured through the churns to separate the buttermilk from the butter, for the buttermilk if allowed to remain in the butter quickly turns sour and gives it that horrid taste so peculiarly objectionable. As the water is poured through the churn a pail covered with a clean muslin cloth is placed under the opened hole to prevent the loss of the butter, and after the third

rinsing, if all is well with the butter, the water comes out quite clear. Then it is passed through the butter machine and thoroughly pressed, after which it is rolled and patted into shape with the wooden spoons. Such lovely shapes too! Lilies of the vale made of creamy butter, ideally artistic butter baskets, and prettiest of all, roses laid on real rose leaves floating green in crystal dishes, and making the butter roses look just like Marshall Neils, or that white enamel and gold Yorkist rose, the Queen has had made for the Princess May. Such a tempting display of pretty things that the most jaded epicure would be tempted to eat and having eaten to rejoice, for as "the proof the pudding is the eating of it," we who have eaten the school of dairying butter can confidently say it is excellent. After the practical lesson is over notes are taken and questions asked and answered, and I am sure you would have enjoyed that afternoon in the schoolroom of the pretty tree-sheltered village that looks over fertile fields and broom and whin-covered links, a veritable paradise of the golfer, to the sapphire stretch, wave flecked here and there, of the wide North Sea.

A scrap or two of town news to wind up with is, I suppose, "de rigueur" so here are some morsels; but really what with the drawing-rooms the Royal Wedding and the lovely weather dresses and fashions are so wonderful you really must have another whole "fashion" letter next week! They say Mrs Stannard "John Strange Winter" is superstitious in the matter of horse shoes and that ever since she found and carried home one on the very day "Bootte's Baby" was accepted by the publishers she has collected them, and now has quite an interesting assortment, most of them with histories. "The Queen," gives some pretty illustrations of the pictures by lady artists in the Royal Academy many of them noticeably good work, with a short notice of the fortunate exhibitors. The 10th of May "Degree Day" at the London University was an important day for women, as several ladies received their degrees from the vice-Chancellor, Sir James Paget. The famous "Westmoreland linens" are hand embroidered in exquisite designs in white and colours by gentlewomen, so that this interesting revived industry not only gives the employment of weaving and spinning the linen to the cottage women of the Lake district but well paid work as embroiderers to ladies in poor circumstances. The price of these linens is no doubt high, but they are so pretty, durable, and good that they repay the cost for table and household wear.

Another "women's industry," the blessed one of nursing which truly "blesses him who gives and him who takes" has received further Royal encouragement by the inauguration on June 1st at Edinburgh by the Princess Christian of the Scotch Branch of the Royal British Nurses' Association. And now, ta, ta.

MARGERY.

## ROSARIO ATHLETIC CLUB

The Annual Athletic Sports of this Club

WILL BE HELD ON

Wednesday, August 30,

When the SECOND CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING of the Amateur Athletic Association of the River Plate will take place, and Eleven Championship Medals will be competed for.

### PROGRAMME

100 YARDS, Scratch	(For the Championship)
QUARTER MILE, Scratch	" "
HALF MILE, Handicap	" "
ONE MILE, Handicap	" "
120 YARDS HURDLE RACE, Scratch	" "
HIGH JUMP, Handicap	" "
LONG JUMP, Handicap	" "
POLE JUMP, Handicap	" "
PUTTING THE SHOT, Handicap	" "
THROWING THE HAMMER, Handicap	" "
5 MILE BICYCLE RACE, Scratch	" "
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350 YARDS, Handicap, Members only.	
200 YARDS, Boys' Race, Handicap.	
100 YARDS, Boys' Race, Handicap.	
2 MILES BICYCLE RACE, Handicap.	
VETERANS' RACE, 250 Yards, Handicap 1 1/2 yards per year.	
OBSTACLE RACE, 250 Yards.	
TUG-OF-WAR.	
CONSOLATION RACE, 350 Yards.	

Entrance \$2 each event, general entry \$10.  
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 All entries close on the 15th of August, and in all cases the fees must accompany the entry.  
 Entry forms can be obtained from Mr E. Danvers, Hon. Sec. A. A. A., Piedad 559, Buenos Aires, and from the Hon. Sec. of the Rosario Athletic Club, 2 Plaza Jewell, Rosario.

T. A. HALL, Hon. Sec.



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## River Plate Sport and Pastime

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 1893.

## SPORTING NOTES

The Inter-city Association match between Rosario and Buenos Aires which was played at Rosario on the 9th, resulted in a draw of one goal each. The match attracted a large number of people to the ground and they were rewarded by witnessing a really exciting game. Beaumont scored for Rosario, and Syer for Buenos Aires.

On the 16th the return Inter-city Rugby match between Rosario and Buenos Aires will be played at Flores when a good game is sure to result. The Rosario fifteen will not be quite the same as the team played against Buenos Aires at Rosario on the 29th of last month.

The programme of the Rosario Athletic Meeting, which includes the championships of the year, is published in another column. Entries close on August the 15th, so athletes have only little over a month in which to get fit. In all there are eleven championship events, including the five miles bicycle race, the winner of which also carries off the Jewell Challenge Cup.

The Buenos Aires and Rosario Railway Athletic Club have decided to hold an athletic meeting on their ground at Belgrano on the 15th of August. This meeting will be found most convenient in view of the championship meeting at Rosario a fortnight later.

A committee meeting of the Amateur Athletic Association was held on Wednesday last, when Messrs. P. Bridger, F. Balfour, A. Luce, Hail (Rosario), H. Mills, C. Cox, Lang, E. P. Christian, E. Danvers, and F. W. Pothergill were present. After the minutes of the last meeting had been read and approved the election of officers was proceeded with. Mr Christian proposed that as the Association had now become such an influential body it was necessary to appoint a President. This proposition was agreed to, and Mr Mills proposing that Mr John Drysdale should be elected President that gentleman was unanimously appointed President of the Association. The remaining officers were elected as follows: Chairman of Committee, Mr E. P. Christian; Hon. Secretary, Mr E. Danvers; Treasurer, Mr C. C. Cox; Official Timekeeper, Mr H. M. Mills; Official Handicappers, Messrs E. P. Christian, E. Danvers, and W. P. Drabble.

Last year the Association had only two official handicappers but at this meeting it was thought advisable to elect a third so that, should one of them himself be competing in a handicap event, the handicapping would not revert on one man only. The programme of the Rosario Championship Meeting, to be held on August 30th, was then considered and approved of, and after a vote of thanks to the chairman, Mr Christian, and to the hon. secretary, Mr E. Danvers, for the hard work he has done since the formation of the Association, the meeting terminated.

The building of the club house at Hurlingham will in all probability be commenced this month.

The architect of the building will be Mr Basset Smith, whose plans are now completed and approved of. The house will contain some twenty or thirty bedrooms, and will no doubt be fully occupied by members of the club as soon as completed next spring, so that next summer Hurlingham should be more popular than ever.

Though a bye day on the 9th, the Buenos Aires Beagles had a good run from Belgrano to Olivos by way of Saavedra, a run which lasted the best part of an hour. On the 16th the hounds will meet at their new kennels in Calle Saavedra, Belgrano.

The race for gentlemen riders at Palermo on the 9th was dubbed a success, and it is more than likely that it will not be the last of the kind, though in order to get more entries the Jockey Club will have to allow others than the members of their own club to ride. A little more care in the way of dress would have been an improvement in one or two cases.

Many of my readers may not perhaps know that Gualaguay, the horse which finished second in the gentlemen riders' race at Palermo on Sunday, won the Prince of Wales' Handicap at Sandown and the Visitors Plate at Goodwood in 1889. He was then called Porlock.

The Hack Race run at the last Hurlingham meeting has been the cause of numerous matches between three of the horses which ran in it. The most important of these is one between Mr Anderson's Ladybird, the winner, and Mr Potts' Zangano, over the same course and at the same weights as they carried on Thursday last. This match is to be decided at Hurlingham on the 16th. The number of racing matches on the tapis quite reminds one of old times.

It is proposed to hold the next race meeting at Hurlingham on the 15th of August. On the 8th of September there will certainly be a race meeting, as on that day the Ayrshire Cup has to be run for, and I hear that in all probability a prize, to be raced for by members of, and by horses regularly ridden with, the Buenos Aires Hunt Club will be given at the same meeting. Mr Samson's Laddie won the Ayrshire Cup last year, Sr Bayo's Arabi having secured it the year before. The Cup has to be won twice by the same owner before becoming his absolute property.

On Sunday next the classic race of the day at Palermo will be the Premio Iniciacion. The race is one of 1600 metres, and in it Etoile will probably show herself as good a horse as over the shorter distance, though it is said she may have some of the Gay Hermit and St Mirim colts opposing her.

The Lawn Tennis Tournament arranged by the Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club to celebrate the anniversary of their club is not yet finished. It will be remembered that the tournament was originally to have commenced on the 29th, but had, on account of the wet weather, to be postponed until the following Thursday, when there was not time to play off the concluding rounds. The final rounds in the tournament will probably be only played to-morrow, so that until next week we cannot give the complete results.

The only one left of the extraordinary party which left Buenos Aires some time ago to walk to Chicago, is, I see, laid up with fever somewhere in Bolivia or Peru. The man is an Austrian and deserves to succeed in his object, but what good he will do either himself or the world at large if he does so is hard to see. However on his route people appear to give him money liberally enough, so he may reach Chicago eventually with something to repay him for his trouble.

The four men of different nationalities who say that they are about to start for Chicago on horse back intend, however, to pay their own expenses. The papers say that they are going to try and do the journey on one horse, and at that a criollo. I suppose they mean one horse a piece as there is not much room for a Spaniard, an Argentine, a Frenchman and a German on the back of one poor criollo pony. They expect to reach Chicago in about four months. I should like to see their arrival.

I hear that, after all, the Kennel Club will probably get permission to hold their show at the buildings of the Rural Society in Palermo Park, and that the show will be held within a short time from now if all goes well with the sub-committee who have the arrangements for it in hand.

To read the description of the ground of the Paris Polo Club should make the mouths of polo men water. They always do things nicely in Paris, and the way the Polo Club have laid out their ground must be no exception. At the first tournament held on it last month the show of beauty and fashion of smart frocks, of turn-outs ranging from road coaches to a perfect little team of ponies in a miniature drag, must have eclipsed anything ever seen at a polo match before. The pavilion too, must be a marvellous combination of comfort, luxury, and beauty. In it the ladies have a gem of a boudoir which, I read, is gracefully draped in fresh cretonne, and the walls of which are adorned with artistic water colours and prints after the best artists. In describing the club "Dooker" says that the whole thing breathes of sport tempered with art and good taste, a happy combination that we English cannot boast of, and add to this that the reunion to be found at Paris polo consists of the *creme de la creme* of Parisian society, and it will be understood that it is a sort of Polo Paradise.

From the following extract from the new racing rules adopted a short time ago by the American Turf Congress some useful hints may perhaps be taken by some of our racing clubs here:—

Horses must be ridden out for second and third place under the same rules that govern first place; no one interested in the result of a race can act in any official capacity; no horse's name shall be changed after he once runs under a certain name; owners of horses shall be suspended for non-payment of forfeits; no person but the rider shall be permitted to strike a horse; abusive language by a starter or assistant prohibited; all jockeys must obtain a license from the Turf Congress, through the License Committee; jockeys will not be permitted to have valets; jockeys will not be allowed to bet except on horses which they are riding; jockeys owning in whole or in part a racehorse in training will not be permitted to ride horses other than their own; a person shall be ruled off who uses any injection of drugs or electrical, mechanical, or other appliance other than the whip and spur for the purpose of stimulating the endurance or speed of a horse in a race; bets shall not be declared off because a horse that finished first carried more or a horse that ran unplaced carried less than its officially announced weight.

Boots.

## FOOTBALL

## ASSOCIATION FIXTURES

JULY

Sat. 15—B. A. and R. Ry. v. B. A. E. H. School, at Belgrano.  
Sun. 16—Flores A.C. v. Lomas A.C.  
Sun. 23—Quilmes C. v. Lomas A.C., at Quilmes.  
Sun. 30—Quilmes C. v. B. A. E. H. School, at Quilmes.

AUGUST

Sun. 6—B. A. and R. Ry. v. Quilmes C.  
Tues. 15—Montevideo v. Buenos Aires, at Montevideo.  
Tues. 15—Lomas A.C. v. B. A. E. H. School.  
Sun. 20—Flores A.C. v. Quilmes C.  
Sun. 20—Lomas A.C. v. B. A. and R. Ry.  
Sat. 26—B. A. and R. Ry. v. B. A. E. H. School.  
Sun. 27—United Railways v. United Clubs.  
Wed. 30—B. A. E. H. School v. Flores A.C.  
Wed. 30—Lobos A.C. v. Quilmes C., at Quilmes.

SEPTEMBER

Sun. 3—Lomas A.C. v. Quilmes C.  
Fri. 8—B. A. E. H. School v. Quilmes C.  
Fri. 8—Flores A.C. v. B. A. and R. Ry.

## RUGBY FIXTURES

JULY

Sun. 16—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Rosario A.C., at Buenos Aires.  
Sun. 23—London Bank F.C. v. Quilmes C., at Quilmes.  
Sun. 30—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Lomas A.C., at Lomas.

AUGUST

Sun. 6—London Bank F.C. v. Lomas A.C., at Lomas.  
Tues. 15—England and Ireland v. Scotland and Wales  
Sun. 27—Buenos Aires F.C. v. Quilmes C., at

RUGBY

## SCOTLAND AND WALES v. ENGLAND AND IRELAND.

The teams chosen to represent the above countries, met on Sunday last on the grounds of the Lomas Athletic Club, and after a very exciting game Scotland and Wales were declared the victors by two goals and two tries to one goal.

Anderson kicked off for the Scotch team against a slight wind, the English side defending the Pavilion



goal. The return into touch leaving the leather in the centre of the field, some stubborn scrimmaging at once took place, affording an excellent opportunity for observing the form of the opposing forwards. The Englishmen showed themselves to be the heaviest in this division, but the superiority in weight was more than counterbalanced by the quickness of the Scotch pack, as was soon shown by the ball being carried close to the English lines. Webster, Wilson, and Fothergill doing some pretty passing here, all the defensive power of the English team was required to prevent scoring. Earnshaw worked magnificently, and aided by Jacobs and Thompson, worked the ball up the field to the midway flag, where it went into touch. The relief, however, was of short duration, as from the throw out the Scotch forwards got possession, and once more rushed the ball close to the English line, where a lot of loose scrimmaging took place, Kennard, Carter, Corry-Smith, and Geo. Anderson playing well for their respective sides. Wilson finally getting possession, dashed for the English lines, and was only stopped before getting over, when he passed to Lees who grounded the ball behind the line, and gained the first try for Scotland, within a few yards of the touch line. The kick was unsuccessful.

This reverse seemed to put the Englishmen on their mettle, and after the ball was started, their forwards, playing with a force which for a few minutes seemed irresistible, carried the play well into the Scotch 25 yards line, where Tait and Lees proved themselves very safe for the Scotch team. From a throw out from touch, Carter got the ball, and by a good run brought the play close up to the Scotch line, but Fothergill, Wilson, and R. Anderson soon carried the game back into the English territory, where Webster (who played well all through the match) had an opportunity of which he availed himself, and planted the ball for the second time behind the English lines. Fothergill's kick did not increase the score. From this to the end of the first half the play was very even, both sides working hard for victory, and the great superiority of the Scotch back division being very clearly brought out. After some smart play on the part of Jacobs and Thomson, the ball was passed to Rowland, who made a fine run in from almost the halfway flag, and thus gained the only try obtained by the English side. Jacobs kicked an easy goal.

After the ball was started Scotland seemed to have all the best of the game, the English team acting on the defensive, and having hard work to keep the Scotch forwards from rushing over their line. From a pass by Tait, Webster got possession, and on being tackled (after a short run) he passed neatly to Fothergill, who carried the ball well up to the English goal, where in turn he passed to Wilson, who dashed over the line (minus his jersey, however, as he left that article in the possession of one of the English three-quarters) and gained the third try for Scotland right between the posts. Fothergill converted easily.

From this to the end of the half the play was principally confined to the forwards, the Scotch having the best of it, especially in the loose.

The second half may be said to have been played by the English entirely on the defensive, and on only two occasions did we see the ball on the Scotch side of the halfway flag. Once when Mayer, unbacked-up, worked the ball clean through the forwards, and passed the half back and dribbled the ball close up to the Scotch 25 yard line; and the other time when Thomson made a brilliant run right round the Scotch team and was only brought to ground by the back. Otherwise the play was confined to the English side of the ground, and was all through very fast and hard fought.

Fothergill got over the line and kicked a neat goal just before call of time.

For the winners Fothergill was undoubtedly the pick of the excellent back division, he played from first to last a splendid game, and to him, to a large extent, may be attributed the large score gained by his side. Tait also did good work, while the passing of Lees to his three-quarters was one of the features of the game. Corry-Smith, G. Anderson, and Hamay were most conspicuous amongst the forwards.

For the losing team Jacobs, Thomson, and Rowland played best behind, while Hardman, Mayne, Earnshaw and Briggs all deserve credit for their fine forward work.

We do not think this an unfitting opportunity for drawing the attention of other clubs to the fact that the Committee of the Lomas Club has erected a wire fence round their ground some six yards outside the touch line. This is a most excellent idea for preventing the over-excited and enthusiastic spectators from crowding on to the ground and thus interfering with the players.

We hope to see our other local clubs take the hint, and do likewise.

The following were the teams, with one or two slight differences:—

England and Ireland—  
Back—F. E. Jones (captain).  
Three-quarter backs—P. H. Jacobs, F. W. Westray, E. P. Rowland.  
Half backs—H. E. Gwyther, G. A. Thomson.  
Forwards—G. C. Kennard, J. D. Frost, J. Earnshaw, A. G. Thomson, W. S. Mayne, P. W. Cook, G. Hardman, E. Briggs, E. T. Mallett.

Scotland and Wales—  
Back—K. W. Anderson (captain).  
Three-quarter backs—F. W. Fothergill, E. L. Wilson, H. Webster.  
Half backs—T. M. Lees, Y. Tait.  
Forwards—G. S. Anderson, L. Corry-Smith, E. P. J. Kinch, E. W. D. Hamay, S. Gibson, A. A. G. Goodfellow, F. C. Rooke, J. McRoddie, Zimmerman.

The return intercity match, between Buenos Aires and Rosario, will be played on the ground of the Flores Club, on Sunday next, 16th inst., at 1 p.m.

The following will represent Buenos Aires:—  
Back—F. E. Jones (captain).  
Three-quarter backs—G. A. Thomson, F. H. Jacobs, F. W. Fothergill, E. L. Wilson.  
Half backs—H. E. Gwyther, T. M. Lees.  
Forwards—G. S. Anderson, L. Corry-Smith, A. A. G. Goodfellow, G. C. Keunard, J. D. Frost, J. Earnshaw, A. Thornton, Briggs.

ASSOCIATION.

BELGRANO (2nd Eleven) v. PACIFIC (2nd Eleven)  
The above match took place at Maldonado on Saturday, 8th inst., resulting in an easy victory for Belgrano by six goals to nil. During the first half Belgrano had three goals to their credit, which were increased to six in the second.

For the winners the goals were made by W. Page, G. A. Christian, B. van Domselaar and Ernest Dickenson. The Pacific players who most distinguished themselves were G. Green, W. Malm, S. Mackinnon and C. Hill.

The following were the teams:—  
Belgrano—  
Goal—G. Gamon.  
Backs—R. Barker and Edgar Dickenson.  
Half backs—K. Everill, B. Kruls and E. Newbery.  
Forwards—G. A. Christian, B. van Domselaar, H. Fraser, Ernest Dickenson and W. Page.

Pacific—  
Goal—F. Diaz.  
Backs—H. Green and W. Malm.  
Half backs—H. and P. Dates, and W. Ayr.  
Forwards—S. Mackinnon, C. Pearson, C. Hill, E. Taylor and G. Green.

SAINT ANDREWS v. BUENOS AIRES TEMPERANCE A.C.

The above teams met at Lanus on the 8th inst. to play their return match, and after a very good game, the result was a win for the Saints by three goals to nil. St. Andrews winning the toss played against the wind, and Scorey for the Templars put the ball in motion. The Saints forwards were soon in their opponents' quarters, but owing to the good play of Cooke and Williams and the splendid performance of Dawson in goal they were unable to score. The Templars at first made several runs up the field, but were well checked by the Saints' back. Play was now confined for some time in mid-field, when the Saints made a determined rush and Wright putting in a pretty shot scored the first goal. Play ensued from end to end, until half time was called leaving the score, Saints 1, Temperance 0. On restarting, the Saints had the benefit of the wind and were soon pressing, but were well repulsed by the back division, until a scrimmage in the goal's mouth gave Greenclees a chance of adding another goal. The ball was again set in motion and although the Templars made several attempts to score, they were unable to pass the backs, the latter tackling and returning well. Leather now was again in the Templars' goal and some good shots were magnificently saved by Dawson, notwithstanding this Nobili made a good run and passing the backs scored a third goal. The Saints kept their opponents busy, but were unable to add any more points and at the call of time, were left victorious by 3 goals to nil. For the losers, Edmonds, Cook and Williams played well whilst Dawson deserves every credit for his splendid display in goal, and most certainly saved his side from a worse defeat. The Saints' forwards played a good game and were well assisted by their backs.

Teams:—  
Saint Andrews—  
Goal—C. Smiles.  
Backs—J. J. Bridge, R. A. Brooking.  
Half-backs—T. Bridge, J. M. Davis, C. Tupholme.  
Forwards—E. Morgan, C. Pitblado, T. E. Greenlees, L. Nobili, J. Wright.  
B. A. T. A. C.—  
Goal—F. Dawson.  
Backs—C. Cook, J. Williams.  
Half-backs—J. Hutton, C. Lloyd, C. H. Weir.  
Forwards—J. Lucas, W. Mitchell, W. Scorey, J. Edmonds, A. Ainscough.  
Referee—P. Fothergill.

The following will probably represent the Flores A.C. in their League fixture against the Lomas A.C. to take place next Sunday at Flores, to commence more or less at 3 p.m., after the Rugby Buenos Aires v. Rosario match.

Goal—H. Fowler.  
Backs—T. V. M. Knox, F. Gordon.  
Half-backs—J. Gifford, Macadam, J. Murray.  
Forwards—L. Gahan, R. Gifford, A. Boyd, B. Guy, B. B. Syer.

P O L O.

Although there were no matches arranged for the 9th, capital practice games were played at Quilmes and Belgrano.

At the former Club we noticed Messrs Hope, Bailey, Hudson, and Bethel playing against Messrs Morkhill, F. J. Bennett, Henry, and Murray. The former team won by six goals to two after a fairly good game.

At Belgrano there was a superiority of players, amongst whom were Messrs H. S. Robson, J. K. Cassels,

E. Richards, F. J. Balfour, T. Hubbard, H. Stafford, F. Furber, F. M. Still, R. R. McIver, and C. Jeffries. Several games were played between teams representing Married and Single, and the two Halves of the Alphabet, the latter proving the best match, and the one in which there was most move on the ball.

Mrs Blagden gave afternoon tea on the ground to the large number of players and visitors.

E N P A S S A N T.

The first half of the present month has been pregnant with national fetes, commencing with the anniversary of the celebration of the national independence of our American cousins in 1776, 4th July, we ourselves on the 6th celebrating the marriage of H.R.H. Prince George, Duke of York, with Princess May of Teck, after which came the 9th of July, when in 1816 the Argentine nation signed the declaration by which they finally threw off the Spanish yoke, and on the 14th July the French commemorate the foundation of their republican form of government.

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The day of the royal marriage was among the British community regarded as a holiday to all intents and purposes, as all the leading English merchants closed their establishments and did practically no business.

Of course it was impossible that the banks could close their doors, but in all of them as many of the staff as could be conveniently spared were released from their labours, and accordingly many betook themselves to the race meeting at Hurlingham, which turned out a great success. As far as national demonstrations of enthusiasm were concerned there is little to chronicle, save the Banquet at Adroque and the nautical concert at the Opera Italiana, both of them passing off with great élan, and particulars of the latter will be found in another column.

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Perhaps the thing which is of more general interest to all in connection with the royal marriage is that last week the building of the English hall, which has been so long on the tapis, has at length taken definite shape, and at a meeting of leading merchants and others in Buenos Aires the programme for the execution of the project was finally drawn up, matters having already progressed so far as to give the place a name, Prince Georges' Hall. And, a propos of this, I heard of an amusing remark made by a well known gentleman during the discussion as to what the building should be christened, who said:

"Call it what you will, the place will always be known as the English saloon."

Of course, nothing ulterior to a very free translation of the Spanish word "salon" being intended.

No effort will now be spared to push ahead with the enterprise, which will be carried out by a syndicate and converted into a limited liability company. The concern should, properly managed, pay fairly well, and that it will supply a long felt want goes without saying.

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Englishmen are, sometimes, with reason I allow, very fond of deprecating the Argentine in the matter of social courtesy and nice feeling. A very marked instance of good taste and respect to our national custom came under my notice last Thursday. At a popular restaurant in the Calle Florida, the proprietor had dedicated the dinner concert to the English colony on the occasion of the marriage of Prince George, and one of the items on the programme was our national anthem. Naturally, on the orchestra playing the first bars, all the Englishmen present rose to their feet, which was followed by every Argentine and foreigner in the room rising. At the end of the music the Argentines applauded vociferously, and the orchestra was obliged to repeat the air, the same respect being evinced as before.

I fear that were the Argentine national anthem to be played at, say, the east room of the Criterion or the Savoy Hotel, though the natives might stand up, few Englishmen would follow their lead, not that any disrespect would be intended thereby but we are not given to stand much upon ceremony in these questions, and this mingled together with ignorance, might account for the omission.

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The stormy aspect of the political horizon towards the middle and latter end of last week did not point to a very jubilant celebration of the Argentine national fete on Sunday. However,



one of the sudden changes for which the country is remarkable, due to the successful organisation of a new cabinet, came over the spirit of the scene, and the programme was got through without a hitch. The weather was somewhat threatening and gloomy but apparently made no impression on the sightseers who thronged the Plaza Victoria, not to be baulked of their bi-yearly pageant. Proceedings, as usual, commenced with the arrival of the President in his stage coach, after which the Te Deum was sung at the Cathedral, followed by the march past of the troops, who all looked clean and well turned out, the marching of the infantry being especially commendable, particularly the 8th regiment, which looked very smart. The troops then proceeded by way of the Boulevard de Mayo down Florida to the Plaza San Martin, whence they were despatched to their respective quarters.

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The students of the National College here in Buenos Aires are showing their patriotism by taking a trip to Tucuman, to celebrate the signing of the treaty of their national independence by a personal visit to the house where the historical event took place. They have been joined by their colleagues from Cordoba, Santa Fé, and Santiago del Estero, and as we know these young gentlemen have any amount of enthusiasm and to spare for anything that can at all come under the head of patriotism or politics, their holiday should be a merry one. The house has been painted and transformed to give it an exact resemblance of its ancient appearance, and adorned with the portraits of the champions of the cause of liberty, including General Sarmiento. From an historical standpoint, a glimpse of the building would not be without interest to others beside our student friends.

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In the centre of the city there seems now to be going on a species of building craze, and which heightens greatly the discomfort caused by the narrowness of the streets.

I have never been sufficiently observant to notice how building operations are carried on in other large cities, but here there is an element of danger attending them which forcibly brings the fact under the notice of the passer by. Primarily the footpath is blocked up by very ricketty looking scaffolding, and should the pedestrian happily escape the fall of a loose plank while passing thereunder, he will certainly be saluted by half a brick or blinded with dust. Then, nearly dazed, in trying to avoid further pitfalls it is not improbable that he will come under the wheels of a passing tram or car, or be transfixed by the pole of a cab. Locomotion is by no means pleasant in the business haunts of man at present owing to the narrow streets and the many new buildings in course of erection, but I think the Municipality might call on the services of some competent inspectors to see that things are carried on without the danger and inconvenience which now menace the public in every direction.

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I see that polo has now taken a great hold of our Celtic friends in Paris, and last month a team of some eight English gentlemen comprising four or five officers of one of our crack cavalry regiments, the 17th Lancers, went over to initiate the French sportsmen into the true mysteries of the game. They were enthusiastically greeted, and from all accounts the game played by them as she is played, seems to have inspired the Frenchmen with a certain astonishment and wonder, though they promise by next year to try their best to be worthy of the steel of their English rivals.

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Doubtless the production of a newspaper in a foreign country, where one is to a certain extent dependent on foreigners for setting up the type, is attended with many difficulties, and I confess that we ourselves are sometimes not all that could be desired in that respect. Still, I trust that we have not yet arrived at the pitch of having to be read upside down as being more legible thus, a remark I overheard made by the purchaser of a certain weekly contemporary.

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The long distance ride, or I should say race, between Berlin and Vienna, which last year caused such excitement in sporting circles in Europe, is to be eclipsed by four or five individuals in this country, who propose to ride from Buenos Aires to Chicago.

A great deal has been said about the endurance of the criollo horse, which is to be the means of

locomotion in this particular instance, and I opine this will put it to a very severe test. It will be an unparalleled feat if horses and riders arrive well and in good condition, but, when all is said, the problem resolves itself to a great extent merely into a factor of time. It is to be hoped that the enterprising sportsmen will arrive at their proposed destination before the close of the World's Fair.

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On Saturday the new cruiser 9 de Julio built in England for the Argentine Republic, arrived safely in Dock No. 3 and was very appropriately visited on the 9th of July by the President, Minister of Marine and other state dignitaries who made an official inspection of the new man-of-war. She is under the command of Capt. Rivadavia, one of the ablest sailors this country can boast. The 9 de Julio is one of the very latest type of ironclads and fitted with every modern improvement, in fact it can be said she is one of the finest vessels of her class afloat. The Argentines may well be proud of possessing two such fine ships of war as this and the 25 de Mayo and it is to be hoped that, for their own sakes, they will not be left to rot away and go to rack and ruin through sheer neglect and ignorance.

### DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL NOTES.

In Edwin Booth, one of the most celebrated actors of the day, passed away at the Player's Club, New York, last month. An American by birth, it was in the United States that he was perhaps best known and appreciated though his greatest successes were achieved in London. His first visit to England was in 1860 and played in London, Liverpool and Manchester with some success though without creating anything approaching to enthusiasm and it was not until 1881 that London audiences were awakened to the fact that America had produced so fine an actor. Mr. Henry Irving very magnanimously and eager to secure due recognition for a brother artist of distinguished capacity and a stranger, cancelled his own arrangements so that Mr Booth might be introduced to London playgoers with every possible advantage in a series of performances in which they appeared together. With characteristic courtesy he made his plans subservient to those of his guest and alternated the parts of Othello and Iago with him and drawing all London to the Lyceum, enabled Mr Booth to win the appreciation he merited. During his career he did not regard it as his mission to create new parts. To interpret the great characters of dramatic literature was his choice. In tragedy he is held to have been most successful though Mr. Winter accords him credit "for the comedy of silvery speciousness and bitter sarcasm as in proportion of Iago and Richard III. and also in such grim drollery as is demanded by passages of Richelieu. Mr. Booth did a great deal for the benefit of the drama in the United States and in 1863 built a play house of his own in New York. Strange to relate it was his brother who in a fit of madness killed President Lincoln, a crime which is said to have well nigh broken his heart and blasted his life.

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One of the greatest of living prima-donnas is Madame Calvé, at present singing at Covent Garden. She is a great artist and journeyed to Sicily before playing Santuzza in the "Cavalleria Rusticana," and later to Spain to study the manners and habits of the class of which Carmen is a specimen. This is proof sufficient, but here is a little story which shows still more Madame Calvé's title to greatness. She was offered a very large sum, something like £2000 to sing three times in America the role of Marguerita in Boito's Mefistofele, but this offer she refused because she does not consider the part sui's her, consequently she could not do sufficient justice to it from her high artistic stand point. There are not many artists who would have the courage to confess as much. Many beautiful voices are ruined from forcing and their owners undertaking more than nature has fitted them for. Madame Calvé will be singing and charming the world when younger vocalists now before the public will have long been compelled to stand down.

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I am glad to be able to announce that towards the end of this month the Amateur Dramatic Club will hold their second performance. Sydney Grundy's comedietta "In Honor Bound" is to be the pièce de resistance to be followed by "A Happy Expedient" in one act by Miss Milne

Selvas, a niece of Mrs. Fennessy, whom many among us will doubtless remember.

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Frank Brown has been dedicating his performances during the past week to all nationalities, drawing crowded houses every night as he deserves. His show gains in variety each week, and the inimitable clown, ably seconded by his lieutenant Bozan, are as funny as ever. Rosita de la Plata, too, is still the same favourite as ever here, judging by the ovation with which the public greet her appearance every night.

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Concepcion Aranaz, sister of the popular prima-donna of the Zarzuela Theatre, which, by the way, for those who like this class of entertainment, is a long way ahead of the other houses of the same class, has succeeded Sra. Boetti Valsassura at the Politeama with a Spanish Comedy Company. I have not yet had the pleasure of seeing the troupe, but hope to be able to give some news of it next week. At the end of this month Sarah Bernhardt will return to the Politeama, telegraphic notices from Rio advising her departure thence on the 22nd inst. Sr Ciacchi, the well known empresario is already in Buenos Aires.

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During the past week at the Odeon Mignon was successfully produced, and is certainly the best representation given by this company of more serious opera. The pretty music of Ambrose Thomas gave ample opportunity to Mdle. Marcolini to add to her triumphs in the role of Filine, and M. Engel, as Wilhelm Meister, was also good, though somewhat handicapped by his stage presence in the part of the jeune premier. In the title role Mdle. Haussmann was at the best that we have seen her, and her acting was at times not devoid of real dramatic power, more especially in the third and fourth acts. Her voice, too, has improved considerably, and the same remark applies to the chorus and orchestra, who were not at such variance as usual when this class of music is given. Than Mignon, though well known and somewhat hackneyed, there is no prettier opera of its class, and M. Charley's troupe handled it well. A pleasing little ballet in the second act added to the general effect.

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I see that Sta. Luisa Tetrzzini, the sister of the prima donna of Ferrari's Company at the Opera House this year and who recently was the shining star of the Tomba Company at the San Martin theatre, is creating quite a furore at the Politeama in Rio Janeiro, being received nightly with great ovations by the Fluminenses, especially in "La Fille du Régiment." All who had the pleasure of seeing this artist here in that role must admit that it was a most charming impersonation and Sta. Tetrzzini certainly merits the laurels she is gathering in Brazil. Fortunately she is to return shortly to Buenos Aires with the rest of the Tomba troupe. The sooner the better.

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The public of Buenos Aires have every reason to be proud of the enterprise of Sr. Ferrari who with their support has successfully produced this season three new operas which have made a great sensation and shortly after their first production in Europe. With the first performance of Falstaff at the Opera House on Saturday night the empresario fulfilled the promise he had made to his subscribers at the beginning of the season, and the very excellent company which it has been our lot to witness this year has no doubt most efficiently assisted Sr. Ferrari in his attainments.

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Falstaff, the last work of the octogenarian Verdi, has already been so much discussed and commented on, since its first production at La Scala di Milan last year, in the columns of the European press that there really appears little to add which has not already been thrice told. Needless to say the house was crowded from floor to ceiling and the eve of the 9th July was an excellent date to choose for the first representation of the already famous opera. The libretto, is based upon Shakespeare's Merry Wives of Windsor and no small praise, is due to S. Boito for the way in which he has worked up his subject, in collaboration with the illustrious composer. The very puerility of the argument, the rapid action and profuse verbiage of Shakespeare's celebrated comedy, make it by no means an easy task to set to music and the inventive genius of the librettist is evinced in a very marked degree by the manner in which he has treated the subject.



Verdi, who years ago was dubbed by a famous musical critic "The Knight of Pom-Crash" owing to his fondness for brass, has by a natural evolution of progress diminished this fault, each of his successive works showing a distinct improvement in this direction, while at the same time he always retains his own characteristic and incomparable style of composition, redundant with all that is of the best of the pure Italian school of music in his inexhaustible richness of melody combined with the classic correctness of Pergolesi and Cherubini. The whole work abounds with humour and exquisite melody, in fact at times the visible faculties of the audience were excited to such an extent that a chance observer might have supposed that a comic opera and not a classical work of the nature of Falstaff was in course of production.

The audience, cold at first as always, were first moved to applause by Scotti in the monologue of the title role and later on in the second act he was encored three times for his rendering of the solo "Quando era paggio del Duca de Norfolk." As Falstaff, this artist was admirable and each successive creation only adds to the reputation he has made here. The principal features of the first act are the quartette of the Merry Wives and the male quintet, the latter of exceptional power rivalling the best efforts of Rossini who has hitherto been thought by connoisseurs to excel in the composition of this class of concerted music. Following these comes an exquisite duet between Nannette and Fenton, and the act is brought to a close by a chorus of laughter of the Merry Wives.

In the second act we have the above mentioned "Quando era paggio" by Falstaff, and the principal scene of the opera where Falstaff is hidden in a basket, Nannette and Fenton courting behind a screen and everyone else running hither and thither about the stage, shouting and gesticulating in search of Sir John. The music of this scene is a perfect masterpiece and one can only liken the effect to a pandemonium where all are allotted their correct note and the greatest precision and most correct vocalisation are required in the necessarily rapid movement preceding the fall of the curtain. The conductor of the orchestra and the artistes deservedly received an ovation at the hands of the public for the very able way in which they treated Verdi's score. The third act is very fantastic from Falstaff's solo at the commencement expressive of his disgust at the Thames water he has swallowed, the entrance of the gnomes, the cantabile of Nannette to the finale concluding with a fague movement, which however lacks the originality and genius which stamp the preceding scenes of the opera. The principal female characters were in the hands of Stas. Tetrizzini, Guidice, Brambilla and Rappini, who were one and all perfect, while Sres. Scotti and Cremonini as Falstaff and Fenton were beyond praise. Mention must be made too of the dresses and scenery which were pretty and correct, in fact, the whole performance was a huge success and recognised as such by the public who received Falstaff with every mark of gratification and approval.

On the occasion of the Royal Marriage last Thursday, the hall of the Opera Italiana was crowded with loyal subjects of our most gracious Majesty, and others, attracted by the programme of the grand Nautical Concert, the proceeds of which go to the benefit of the Sailors' Home. The programme was in every way a success, a foregone conclusion, in that the names of many of our most popular amateurs figured on the card. The items which call for special mention were "Caller Herrin," by Miss Nicholson, which called forth a well deserved encore, and "Rule Britannia," sung with great spirit by Mr Magrane. Under the able leadership of Mr Owen the choruses were well rendered as usual, and the proceedings terminated with "God Save the Queen," and hearty cheers for Her Majesty.

**ESTANCIA AND COLONY.**

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

The Rural Society have just laid before the Provincial Government of Buenos Aires, a letter which points out that in view of the serious state of affairs existing in the province owing to the long drought, which threatens to bring ruin to many estancieros, and through which cattle and all kinds of stock are dying by thousands, the Government should take measures to avert as much as possible the inevitable consequences and threatening

ruin to stock breeders. The example of the French Government is quoted who voted five million francs to protect the agricultural interests of France which is now suffering like Argentina from the effects of a long drought. The term fixed for the payment of the Contribucion Directa tax expired on the 30th of last month, and the Rural Society ask that it be extended to the end of the year. It is well enough known that money is not abundant, even amongst estancieros, who are supposed to be as a rule well off, and this is easily explained. Last year a large number of estancieros lost 50 per cent of their sheep through the lombriz, and the wool of the surviving animals, on account of the same disease, the drought which was also experienced last year, and the unexpected fall in the price of gold, was sold like other products of the country at wretched prices. Now the price of gold is much higher, and in consequence articles of consumption are dearer, and the products of the country instead of increasing are depreciating in value. Add to all this the terrible mortality in the cattle, and the situation is so serious that it behoves the Provincial Government to help. Besides prolonging the term for the payment of the Contribucion Directa it is necessary to lessen the tax on "guias" on hides in order to facilitate their sale, and to ask the railways to lower their freight on hides, and also on cattle which have to be moved from one part of the province to another in search of pasture and water.

The Rural Society does not ask much of the Government, and as their requests are made through dire necessity they should surely be granted.

The accompanying table shows that an increase of 155,800 cattle occurred during the first four months of 1893 in the receipts at the four leading markets of the United States as compared with the corresponding months of 1892. The receipts at Chicago decreased 75,000 head; there was an increase at Kansas City, Omaha, and St. Louis, amounting to 231,000 head, being respectively 76,835, 57,121, and 98,051 head. The three leading markets together show a loss in hog receipts of 1,350,000 head, while at St. Louis an increase of about 8,000 head occurred. At Chicago the gain in sheep receipts was 200,000 head, while at the other markets an increase occurred, the total gain for the four months over 1892 being close on 300,000 head. The figures are as appended:—

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Chicago .....	995,198	1,810,749	888,770
Kansas City .....	410,216	653,987	193,345
Omaha .....	293,550	396,487	114,502
St. Louis .....	194,170	320,088	61,081
Four months 1893	1,893,134	3,181,261	1,257,698
Four months 1892	1,737,327	4,534,608	960,646
Increase 1893 .....	155,807	—	297,053
Decrease 1893 .....	—	1,353,347	—
Four months 1891	1,492,062	5,198,738	1,025,397

The stockfarmers in some parts of Victoria, Australia, do not seem to be much freer of cattle robberies than are some of our estancieros here, as we read that cattle and horse robberies have become unpleasantly numerous lately. Some time ago it was thought that this class of crime was wellnigh a thing of the past in Victoria, but it is again becoming rife. Almost every week the local papers give descriptive particulars of animals which have mysteriously disappeared and are seldom recovered.

In reply to the article, "Cattle and Sheep from the River Plate," written by "G. T. T." in the "Live Stock Journal," and reprinted by us last week, Mr C. P. Hayward of Lincoln writes as follows:

I was exceedingly pleased to read the article of "G. T. T." under this head last week, but he is evidently more conversant with the animals coming to London than to Liverpool. As one of the consignees of cattle and sheep that come from the River Plate to Liverpool, I trust a few lines from me will not be out of place. I thoroughly endorse much that "G. T. T." states. The Lincoln rams, Shorthorn and Hereford bulls, &c., imported by the enterprising estancieros of Buenos Aires (for there are others who are not enterprising) are now having their effect in improving the native animals of the country, so much so that it is a difficult matter now with some to distinguish which are the pure-breds and which are the crosses. High prices are given for the stock in Buenos Aires, and two estancieros I know have often sold their novillos (three-year-old bullocks) at £10 gold each, and at the present time English speculators in live stock have even sent out buyers to give high prices for the best stock to ship and make money of them at English ports.

I must take exception to "G. T. T.'s" remark when he says, "It will probably be some time before South America can compete with the United States in the matter of their live bullocks." Let me tell your correspondent that the time is here, for such good cattle have recently arrived by the s.s. *Manin* and the s.s. *Sicily* at Liverpool, that the prices have been equal to those realised for States cattle, and when killed and hung up alongside the States cattle no perceptible difference was observable, and the retail butcher gives just the same price for it as for States beef. Why should it not be so? I have travelled through the States twice, and nowhere have I seen such crops of alfalfa (lucerne) as in South America, and nowhere have I seen a bullock get fatter at three years, old, fed on herbage only, than in South America. Why should we patronise a country like the States, that takes all the money she can from us with her surplus stock and wheat without a penny of a tax, and when we go there the ports are barred to us by enormous duties? While such is the case let us

patronise our own stock customers and colonies, and keep the money circulating among our own kith and kin and those who trade with us.

"G. T. T." writes:—"The supply from this source must for a long time be insignificant compared with those of fresh Continent-killed mutton-carcases from Germany, Holland, Belgium, &c." Neither the ships running to the River Plate can carry nor can the breeders send in any quantity at present, but in about two or three years' time, when ships are arranged and built to do the distance in twenty days, and the estancieros are in full swing of breeding, the States may look out; for, notwithstanding that the journey may be twenty days from South America, against ten from New York, the Argentine will have it, for the country is such that nothing can stand against it, with a good Government, and with a country seven times as large as France. The English agriculturist cannot afford to pay much rent to compete. All animals are coming healthy and well, and there is less scab in the sheep all over the Argentine, and, [considering the number of cattle, there is less disease amongst them than any country in the world. Little New Zealand must look out when the Argentine begins to ship heavily.

The cattle that have just been received at Liverpool from the celebrated estancia of Las Rosas (Mr W. Kemmis'), three years old and under, and have realised £19 per head dead weight (38 scores). The sheep—cross-bred Lincolns and Southdowns, twelve to fourteen months old—sold at 40s to 42s each, and the dead weight was running from 56 lb up to 80 lb, averaging about 62 lb each, but both the cattle and the sheep are some of the best-grown animals in the River Plate. Cross-bred lambs from this estancia sold at an average of 33s 6d each in the month of January last, at Liverpool.

In agricultural and horse-breeding circles in England, there has been a widespread feeling of satisfaction that the Queen has honoured with a baronetcy a gentleman who has devoted so much time and money to the furtherance of the interests of every breed of horse and cattle. About twenty-five years ago English horse breeders seemed to have lost heart, and Sir Walter Gilbey it was who made a strenuous, and, as the sequel proved, a successful attempt to rally them. He was chiefly instrumental in founding the Shire Horse Society, and as soon as that body was fairly launched he turned his attention to the Hunters' Improvement Society—the first association of its kind to offer premiums for thoroughbred sires suitable for getting hunters and harness horses. As imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, it is a testimonial to the Hunters' Improvement Society that the Royal Agricultural Society and the Royal Commission on Horse Breeding elected to follow in its steps. The Hackney Horse Society also owes a debt of gratitude to Sir Walter Gilbey, while he likewise stated that very popular function, the Cart Horse Parade. The obligations of the horse breeding world to Sir Walter Gilbey were acknowledged in 1891, when the Prince of Wales presented to him his portrait which had been subscribed for by upwards of 1,200 persons, who had not been slow to recognise the good work done by the recipient of the testimonial. In the interim the good work has been continued; while in connection with agriculture generally it is known that Sir Walter, in conjunction with the Duke of Westminster, has been instrumental in providing the Royal Agricultural Society with the site of a new home, that body having outgrown the accommodation of its present premises in Hanover-square. At shows of all kinds Sir Walter's horses have competed. He has won distinction with thoroughbreds, shire horses, and with hackneys; while not long ago he gave a very long price for the famous hackney sire Danegelt. There have been many breeders who have done good service to their fellows; but this is the first occasion on which a gentleman who has rendered valuable assistance to the cause of the breeder has been honoured in similar fashion. Had Sir Walter Gilbey elected to have sought distinction as a politician he might long ago have secured recognition; but he preferred instead the more peaceful *voie* of the country gentleman, and to identify himself with the national industry. That he has succeeded in accomplishing what he undertook is evident from the honour which has been accorded him.

According to the *Mail* there are about 18,000,000 sheep in New Zealand, 8,000,000 of which are in the North Island and the remainder in the South Island. It is estimated that about a third of these are merinoes; about a quarter of a million less than that number are Lincolns and crosses. Something more than one-sixth are Border Leicester and English Leicester, the former predominating. There are about a million and a half of Shropshire, South or other downs, whilst the Romney Marsh is represented by a little over a million. The sheep in the North Island consist principally of cross-breds, the Lincoln blood predominating. Where the land is wet there is a tendency to use Romney Marsh rams, and Border Leicesters are also being introduced, but the numbers of merinoes and Southdowns are very limited. In the South Island there are about five million merinoes, and a similar number of long-wools, downs, and crossbreds are kept and fattened.

The new Zealand Government are offering a first prize of £10 and a second of £5 for the best collections of dried specimens of noxious weeds collected in the colony, and similar prizes for the best collection of insects injurious to vegetation in New Zealand and their natural enemies and parasites. It is also in contem-



plation to offer prizes for collections of the internal and external parasites of stock, and larger prizes for the best collections of grasses and forage plants, native and introduced. A bonus of £250 is offered for the best means of eradicating the Californian thistle. The bonus will not be paid until the remedy has been proved to be effectual.

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The "Live Stock Journal" of June 9 publishes a portrait of the shorthorn bull Duncan Gray, 62,470, which has been imported here and is now standing at Messrs Bullrich's yard in Calle Alsina. Duncan Gray is a roan and was calved August 8, 1889, and bred by Mr Wm. Scorsby, Knapton, Killington, from whom he was purchased when he was six months old. His sire was Merryman 2nd 54,719, dam Red Roseite 3rd by Blairmore 49,156. The following is a note of the prizes Duncan Gray has won: 1890, as a calf, four firsts and three seconds. 1891, as a yearling, ten firsts, eight seconds and one third; including first at the Great Yorkshire at Bradford, second at the Bath and West at Bath for bulls calved 1889, and third in the same class at the Royal at Doncaster against bulls much older, he being calved Aug. 8, 1892, as a two-year-old, eight firsts and five seconds, making a total of thirty-nine prizes of the value of £172 15s. Duncan Gray was purchased at a high price by Mr Whigham for exportation to this country.

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It may not be generally known that the best way to keep eggs is to always stand them with their points down.

The best plan is to make a case—say 24 inches high, 24 inches across the front, and 14 inches from front to back. Leave the front part open. Have six or seven shelves made, three-eighths of an inch thick, of some hard wood. Make these shelves to slide in and out. This can easily be done by fixing thin pieces of wood across the slides for the shelves to lie on. Make the holes in the shelves about one inch and a half in diameter, and in rows. You will get about fifty holes in each shelf.

Procure the eggs new laid, and place them in the holes small point downwards. You can fill the bottom shelf first, and the others as you get the eggs. Those placed in first should be used first. I have never tested how long they will keep, but I have kept them good and fresh for a long time. If you do not want to keep so many eggs at once, an easy way is to get from your grocer a long box, three or four inches deep, three-parts fill it with dry bran, insert the eggs in the bran point downwards, but keep the broad ends bare. The eggs will keep quite as well. The chief point is to keep the eggs perpendicular, pointed end down.

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### Athletics at the World's Fair

We read in the "Asian" the following particulars regarding the great meeting to be held at Chicago in September. Our contemporary is indebted for his information to Mr J. S. Sullivan, Secretary of the Amateur Athletic Association of the United States.

The meeting will be held on the 14th, 15th and 16th of September in a specially constructed field surrounded by stands capable of seating 40,000 spectators. The running track, which will be a third of a mile in circuit, is to be oblong in shape with the corners rounded, and Mr Sullivan says "will be built of burnt clay. The curves will be properly banked and the path made as fast as any in the world. The 220 yards will be straight-away and the quarter mile will have but one curve," while the grass centre space will be large enough to enable baseball, football, and lacrosse matches to be played simultaneously without either interfering with the other. From the programme we see that the first day will be devoted to handicaps, the programme including 75-yard, 150-yard, 300-yard, 600-yard, 1,000-yard, and 2-mile "runs"; 100-yard and 200-yard hurdle races; 3/4 mile and 2-mile "walks"; a 5 mile safety bicycle race; and running high jump, running broad jump, pole vault, putting 16lb. hammer, throwing the 56lb. weight—handicapping in these last half dozen events strike one as rather a novelty—and a tug-of-war (team of four men). The second day will be given over to baseball, lacrosse and football matches and as the two former games are of Transatlantic origin and have so far not met with much favour in England, and the American Football Rules differ from both the Association and Rugby Union Codes, will, it may be assumed, be contested only by American and Canadian clubs. On the third and last day the Athletic Championships will be held, and there will be no less than twenty-two events, viz.,

100-yard, 220-yard, 440-yard, 880-yard, 1-mile and 5-mile "runs"; 120-yard and 220-yard hurdle races; 1-mile and 3-mile "walks"; a 2-mile bicycle race; standing high jump; running high jump; standing broad jump; running broad jump; running hop, step and jump; pole vault for height; pole vault for distance; putting 16lb. shot; throwing 16lb. hammer; throwing 56lb. weight for distance; and throwing the 56lb. weight for height—how this last and the "pole vault for distance" are managed we are curious to know, as we have never seen any competitions of the kind.

Foreign athletes will be required to furnish a copy of the amateur definition in force in their country, and a certificate from the Association which governs amateur athletic sport there, that they are duly qualified amateurs in accordance with the definition adopted by that Association, and a special concession is made inasmuch as no entrance fees will be charged to them. To induce them to come over Mr Sullivan writes:—

"During the Summer and Fall seasons, both before and after this International Championship Meeting, the various large clubs of the Amateur Athletic Union, situated in Boston, New York City, Philadelphia, Washington, Detroit, Chicago, St. Louis, and San Francisco, will arrange a series of open amateur athletic meetings, with programmes specially arranged to meet the capabilities of such athletes as may cross the ocean to compete in America this year. The dates of these meetings will be so arranged that visiting athletes can compete in all of them, and thus at the same time have a succession of athletic competitions and visit the more important cities of the United States. There will probably not happen again during the life-time of the present generation of athletes such an opportunity to combine sport, travel and sightseeing, and we confidently expect that a large number of amateur athletes of your country will avail themselves of these advantages, and take part in some or all of the series of meetings which will be held throughout the United States during the season."

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CANADA DE GOMEZ—*Red and Yellow*—J. S. Robinson, C. de Gomez, F.C.C.A.  
CASUALS—*Crimson and White*—R. McC. Smyth, Venado Tuerto.  
Guaqueguay—R. Gordon, Guaqueguay, Entre Rios.  
HURLINGHAM—*Blue, Red and Yellow*—E. Danvers, 559 Piedad, Buenos Aires.  
LA MERCED—*French Grey and Cerise*—P. H. Cawardine, La Merced, Chascomus.  
LEZAMA—*Red and Black*—E. J. Craig, Estancia Las Barrancas, Lezama.  
MEDIA LUNA—*Pale Blue with Crescent*—T. C. Fair, Soler, F. C. Pacifico.  
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## "ARMA VIRUMQUE CANO" AND THE LAST RAID OF THE RAUQUELES

(Continued.)

"Oh, I see, then they must have sent a spy up here last night, he would creep up that ditch to see how many of you there were, and no doubt he let them go."

Then it all came back to me as clear as daylight why the horses had been so uneasy the evening before, they had seen the spy in the ditch, and he had been watching us all the time we had been talking; if five or six had only come together they might have cut all our throats while we slept, as owing to the heat we slept with all our doors open. This was one of those things which occasionally bring before one the glorious uncertainty of life.

Had we only thought of that we should certainly have found the beggar, and I could have shot him, as he must have left his horse some distance away, and then I should have saved all my animals, and Zenon at least might not have been killed, though Roda probably would have met his fate. For if we had found the spy and killed him, we could have gone out that night and brought all the cattle and mares into the corral, which was close to the house, and which would hold them all easily, and we could have picked off any Indians who might have tried to take them out, as I had half a dozen remington rifles, a winchester, and over a thousand cartridges.

No doubt some people, who know nothing of what the Indians were in those days, will be inclined to think me a cold blooded brute for thinking of shooting a spy in cold blood; but if I were to relate a few of the examples of their cruelty to women and defenceless children that came under my personal notice during the seventies they would change their opinion, and would have acted as I certainly should have done had I found the man in the ditch.

One instance I will give which will suffice. In '75 I and some others were after the Indians between the Tortugas river and the Cruz Alta, and we came across a small boy of about ten years' old dead in the camp, with the flesh of the palms of his hands, and the soles of his feet, completely cut off with a knife leaving the bones bare. This must have been done while he was alive, for there were traces of blood some yards from where we found him. Fancy what the poor little chap must have suffered during the operation and until he died. They have been known to chuck babies and small children up into the air, and catch them on their lance blades as they fell, and carry off the mothers into captivity.

We showed them no mercy in those days, and asked none.

But I am diverging from my story.

I told Diego to go back and get us horses, and sat down to await his return and ponder over things. I soon got tired of my own thoughts, however, and beginning to feel hungry (as I had had no breakfast as yet) I sent Lorenzo's wife off to prepare some, and went inside to look up my arms. I cleaned the best remington I had, discarding the winchester as the cartridges sometimes stuck in the ejector, filled my cartridge belt with cartridges and took about two hundred more in a bag to tie on to my saddle, for I knew that if we overtook the Indians there would be a considerable amount of shooting to be done, and it was much pleasanter under those circumstances to have too many than too few.

Before three o'clock Diego came back with two led horses, one for me and one for Lorenzo and his wife, as the women in those days always rode behind their husbands on the same horse, and we started off after locking up the house.

The estancia, Los Chañaritas, was only a league from the Quebrachos, and when we got there I shook hands with the owner, an Englishman, and accepted his invitation to "come inside and have a tot." When we got inside he told me that one of his men had been killed, and he had sent a boy to advise Taboada of the matter.

"He will be here before 12 o'clock," he said, "and is sure to bring a lot of men with him, I suppose you will go out with him."

"You bet," I replied, "I am going to rub some of them out for this job, and get some of the cattle back too, if possible. You know they have killed Roda and Zenon?"

"Yes," he answered, "Diego told me."

We went out to the corral then to catch horses.

"I want two good ones, please," I remarked, "and they must be very tame as we shall have no end of a row, and wild ones would only cause trouble."

"All right, catch those two brown ones that are in the corner by themselves."

We all caught horses as quickly as possible, saddled them up, and waited.

Presently we saw a cloud of dust coming from the north.

"Here they come!" said D., the owner of the estancia; and it was true, for in about ten minutes we saw a lot of mounted men coming along as fast as they could.

As they rode up we saw that Taboada was there and behind him a soldier leading his favourite horse, a white, and one of the prettiest horses I ever saw and very fast.

"So, Don Arturo, they have humbugged you at last," he said as he dismounted, "they have paid out some old scores, and the only thing I wonder at is that they have never had you before; but they will have a chance now, for you are coming with us I suppose."

"Of course I am," I answered, "you never knew me to stay at home when there were Indians about, did you?"

"No," he replied, "I never did, certainly; but how many are there?"

"About a hundred and seventy, roughly counted."

"Caramba, they are too many for us, I am afraid, I could only get twenty-seven men in town, at least in the time I had, you will have to shoot straight to-day or it will go hard with us."

"I'll shoot straight enough," I answered, "if they only give me a chance, and there will be some more Englishmen with us too, D. here is going, and some more will soon turn up."

Meantime the natives who accompanied Taboada had all dismounted and began unsaddling, but not before most of them had shaken hands with me and sympathized as much as they knew how to. Of course I knew them all, and as I glanced along the line of brown faces before me I felt almost glad once more, for I recognised among them the best men in Frayle Muerto, men on whom I knew we could depend, as they had all of them been out with me heaps of times before. Daniel Bracamonte was there, and the two Prados, old Lucas Cuello, and Luis Viranell, in fact had I chosen the men myself I should first have chosen those that came.

It was an almost optional matter in those days going out to fight the Indians, but all men, who were men, never refused. As soon as an invasion was known to have taken place, on the arrival of the first news, an old black policiano called Martin was sent out of the cabildo with a drum with which he proceeded to patrol the town, then everybody knew what was up and ran to enquire and receive arms at the cabildo. Sometimes there happened to be more men in the place than there were rifles and carbines for, and then lances were given out. Sabres there were enough of for everybody, and everyone rode his own horse.

This time unfortunately there happened to be few men in town, otherwise Taboada would have brought more than a hundred.

Well, it could not be helped, we must do the best we could with what we had, and we were all willing and eager too to commence. We gave the men half an hour to get a snack if they could, and then Taboada gave the order to mount.

Two other Englishmen had come up by this time, and seven or eight more natives, so we mustered about forty. The Indians would be four to one, but nobody stopped to think of that. I was sorry more Englishmen had not come, but then the matter was so sudden and so purely local that of course they did not know about it.

A few more Englishmen would have been a welcome acquisition, as the natives were naturally very bad shots, and I began to think it a bad job as far as getting back any of my mares was concerned.

Our route lay past what had formerly been an Englishman's house called Laguna Verde, and about half a mile east of that we cut the track of the mares and cattle. There was no dust to be seen now, the Indians must either have stopped or else have got so far away that we could no longer see it. But the track was wide and plain, and we could have followed it easily at night. It led due south towards the Arroyo Saladillo, and we galloped steadily along it. Taboada, I, and the other Englishmen, first and the rest following.

When we got to the top of the last hill overlooking the arroyo we were some distance ahead of the natives who were following, and as we topped it we suddenly stopped, for there on the farther side of the river were my mares, and on this side the Indians, all off their horses, busy cooking.

They evidently never expected us to put in an appearance so soon, for they were taking it easy. They saw us as soon as we saw them, and in less time than it takes to write they were all on their horses and half way across the water. As soon as they reached the opposite bank they rounded up the mares and horses, and drove them helter skelter up the opposite hill, the cattle were not there, they had evidently sent them on ahead.

Taboada now called a halt for every man to tighten up his horse's girths and load his rifle, we then called the men together and told them to charge after the Indians and bring them to bay, but as soon as they attempted to charge every man must jump off his horse and not fire until they were close upon us.

All this did not take over a minute, then we all mounted again and galloped after the brutes. Taboada was first across the river, and pulling out his sword shouted "Siguen, mi muchachos!" (follow me, boys) and raced off up the hill.

By this time the Indians with the mares had reached the brow, when about half of them wheeled round and the remainder continued driving as fast as they could. We knew well enough what they meant by this, those that remained behind were the warriors picked to fight in case of their being pursued, or at any rate to detain the enemy while the others drove on at full speed.

And now there came about an event which put all hope of getting my mares back out of the question.

The Indians found themselves in a half moon on the top of the hill, but when they saw Taboada charging up almost alone, for as I have already explained he was a good forty yards ahead of us, one of them, probably a cacique, mounted on a large grey horse, charged down to meet him single-handed. It was a fine sight to see these two splendidly mounted men going for one another straight. I was one of the first of our lot behind Taboada, and I half reined in my horse to see them meet.

Taboada was a fine specimen of an Argentine soldier, tall, well made, and muscular, and the Indian too was doubtless a cacique, for he carried a tuft of scarlet flamingo feathers on his lance.

We saw them meet, and saw the blade of the lance come out between Taboada's ribs and left arm, he had

parried the thrust but only just in time; then we saw the white horse rear up and fall over backwards, crushing the comandante underneath him. The superior weight of the grey coming down had been too much for him, and tumbled him clean over. The cacique gave one glance at us, and then began stabbing furiously at our fellow comrade. I blazed away at him with my revolver, and so did the other Englishmen, as we raced up to protect him, and then just as we arrived the savage cleared out.

"Pull his horse off him!" shouted one.

"Get up, Taboada, quick: The Indians are going to charge!" shouted another, as we all jumped off our horses.

"I can't get up, my leg is broken," he replied, "you must fight it out yourselves."

In a second everybody's horse was hobbled, and we got the horse off Taboada and found that his leg was broken half way between the knee and the ankle, and his hands terribly cut by the lance. He had caught it by the blade, which was sharp on both sides, to stop the Indian from running him through.

And now the whole crowd came charging down, yelling as only they can yell, and we only just escaped getting completely smashed up. The horses, scared out of their senses, plunged and kicked, knocking several of our men down in their efforts to break away, one man, Vittorio Ibarra, went down with his head smashed in by a stone ball thrown by an Indian, another Luis Viaruel, was knocked over by another right in the chest which broke his breast bone, and a horse got his leg broken. Everybody was in confusion, and had it not been that we Englishmen stood to the front and knocked over three Indians, the natives would have been completely demoralised and fallen an easy prey to the enemy.

However, as I said, we all four fired at the same time, and three horses galloped away riderless, two men remained dead and the third was sitting up shot through the lungs, for the blood was trickling out of his mouth and joining a small red stream that came out of a hole in his chest.

Vittorio was quite dead, and Luis was so bad that we thought he would die, but how Taboada escaped being trampled to death in the confusion of that first charge I don't know. We shouted for the natives to close up, and luckily they had time to, for the Indians were somewhat discouraged by the result of their first onslaught and withdrew about six hundred yards.

Taboada now shouted out for six of our men to put down their arms and take charge of the horses, while his own particular "asistente" stood by him where he lay on the ground to keep the horses from trampling on him.

Again the Indians charged, yelling as before, and hurling their stone bolas in among us like a shower of hail. I knocked over another at about ten yards' distance, and three more fell besides. The stock of my rifle was broken clean in two by a ball just after I fired, but this time none of our men were hurt though several of our horses were badly damaged, and two got clear away and made off towards the river.

We fired at the Indians as they rode away, D. emptying another saddle, and I broke the knee of one man, who went howling away.

It is a well known fact that the Indians never charge more than three times; if they cannot rout their enemies in that time they clear out, or else content themselves with keeping them at bay for a time while the remainder drive off the plundered cattle. So we knew that we had to receive one more scrimmage and then it would be finished.

I knew now that my mares and cattle were beyond redemption, for we could not leave Taboada and Luis alone, and if we left any men with them we should be too few to overtake the Indians and force them to fight or give up the animals. We were not enough as it was, but to leave half of our number behind to look after and protect the wounded men would be to cause the destruction of the whole.

The third charge was a very poor and half-hearted concern on the Indians' part, they never got within fifty yards of us, and moreover they threw their balls badly, none of them taking effect, while we knocked over two more wounded, and a horse was killed, but the man jumped up and commenced running away. I had picked up Vittorio's rifle, for he was killed close to me, and D. and I both fired at him as he ran, both bullets took effect, for one rattled through his head and the other broke his spine. We could hear them strike quite plainly, and glad we were to hear the peculiar slap they gave as they hit the bone. At any rate if I did not get my mares back I had avenged my men who had been butchered by these brutes in the morning, but there was still more to be done.

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George laughed.

"That is a question and the expression of your wishes at the same time. Of course I will pay off the mortgage."

"That is like my dear, handsome son," cried the mother, clapping her hands. "I knew you would say that. Do you hear, father? George will pay off that pacto retroventa with his legacy, and you can now work in peace and sleep sound. That dreadful gambling man in Buenos Aires has been like the nightmare to me ever since we fell into his clutches. My blessings on old Uncle Connor for having remembered our George in his will."

And the pleasant little woman who was the mother of the family clapped her hands again, and laughed and cried alternately.

The father, a grave, careworn looking man, looked round the family circle, nodding his head sententiously in time with the more lively movements of his help-mate. When silence was restored, he spoke.

"I cannot allow George to put out his money that way unless he gets the same security as Mr Shady has, the gambling man, as you call him. No, no; business is business, even between father and son."

"Security to my son George, what would he want with security?" cried the mother.

"Security to George," echoed the younger members of the family, although they only half understood the meaning of it, "cock him up with security, indeed."

"Never mind the security, said George, laughing, "the first thing to do is to collect this legacy of mine and pay off the mortgage. The gambling man, as mother calls him, has threatened to turn you out, and as you are behind with the interest I suppose he can do it whenever he likes. We will settle that first, and talk of security afterwards."

"It will be all one day's work," replied the father. "When you go into the city you can instruct Dr Cornell to prepare the agreement in your favour, on the same terms as Mr Shady has it now."

"Ah, that means that I am to be the gambling man," said George. "Well, you are right. It is only fair, and mother and the young ones may rely that I will be an easier gambling man to deal with than old Shady."

"Have it as you will," said the mother, "I will be pleased to think that the camp and the sheep are now our own, and we can face a bad season without the terror of being turned out."

Next morning George Hudson and his father set off by starlight to catch the early morning train into Buenos Aires. They had four leagues to ride to the nearest station, the father accompanying him to take back the horses, as well as to give him the benefit of his advice in a score of prosy homilies which, as is usual with such advice, poured in at one ear and out at the other. The burden of it was to be sure and get all the papers. Not to part with the money without getting the pacto retroventa and all the documents connected with the property in exchange.

Not that Mr Shady would deliberately swindle him, oh, no: he would not impute dishonesty to any man; but a money-lender's honesty was different from a camp man's; and "George, lad, ye must be careful and prudent."

To all of which George replied impatiently, as youth is wont to do.

Arrived in the city, he found the first and pleasantest part of his business of easy accomplishment. The legal adviser of his late grand uncle paid him over the amount of his legacy without demur, and with only a few formalities in the way of signing papers, after which he betook himself in high spirits to the office of the money-lender, to lift the blister from the patrimonial estate.

To his enquiries the solitary clerk replied that Mr Shady was ill, and was prohibited from seeing any one, "but if it is business," said he, "I will do as well."

"I come to pay off the mortgage which he has over our property, Hudson, Los Cardos, near Chascomus."

"That will be all right," said the clerk, "I can take the money, and will give you a receipt."

"But I must have the documents," said George.

"Mr Shady keeps them locked up in his safe, you cannot get them till he is back at business; but the receipt will do your turn. I will describe on it what the money is for."

"That is very annoying," said George, "Mr Shady has called in the money, and I am not going to pay it unless I get back my papers."

"Please yourself," said the clerk, "only you run the risk of being turned out, for you are behind with your payments. If you are anxious to protect yourself you can ask your lawyer's advice, and he will tell you that the receipt is quite sufficient in the meantime. You can get the papers again, you know."

"Very well," replied George, "I will ask his advice."

Thereupon he betook himself to the escritorio of Dr Cornell, to whom he stated his business, and at the same time asked him to prepare a deed of security in his own favour, which his father would sign on the next occasion of his coming into the city.

"Is it right that I should pay the money to Shady's clerk against a simple receipt?" asked George.

"There is no reason against it," said the lawyer, "if it had been a simple mortgage it would be better to do it in a more regular manner, but a pacto retroventa is a dangerous instrument, and delay might be fatal. See that the receipt sets forth that the money is in discharge of all claims which Shady has against the property, whether by pacto retroventa, mortgage, or otherwise, and that it contains an obligation to deliver up all the documents on demand. You can tell them to send the papers to me; your father can take them away with him when he comes in to sign the new security. Remember," said the lawyer finally, "you must take especial good care of that receipt."

Fortified with that opinion George returned to the money-lender's office, paid the money, saw that the acknowledgement contained all the phrases which the caution of the lawyer indicated as being necessary, and in due course was back on the estancia, mending fences and gates, and full of projects of digging wells, erecting windmills, and so forth—undisturbed by any black shadow of a gambling man.

A few days afterwards there was some sheep dipping to be done. As the Hudson property was not a very large one, and as has already been seen the owner was scantily furnished with the capital necessary for the easy working of a sheep farm, this process of curing the sheep was performed for him at so much a head in the galpones of a wealthier neighbour. Here, father and son and their two peones were busy employed, and as the distance from their own house was considerable they were preparing to eat their mid-day puchero where they were, in order that the work be well concluded before sunset.

After the meal a short rest, the inevitable black cigarette, and a gossip with the mayordomo of their neighbour, were only in the well ordered sequence of things.

"This is dreadful weather," said that gentleman, "when do you think we are to get any rain, Hudson; you are reckoned to be a clever man in these things?"

"After the seca comes the rain," replied Hudson, oracularly; "they are worse off in some camps than we are here."

"We have plenty of thistles, if that's what you mean."

"That is just what I do mean, and without being donkeys we ought to be thankful for the thistles. Without them it would be a poor look out for the sheep."

"No doubt," said the mayordomo, "but I think, if I were you, Hudson, I would cut down all the cardos behind your own house."

"What for?"

"Why, just think what would happen if some fool put a match to them, they are as dry as tinder now, and would go off like gunpowder, and I am thinking your horse would stand a bad chance."

"They are a shade too near the house, I must admit. I will cut some of them down to-morrow. What is that in your pocket; is it to-day's paper?"

"It is yesterday's or the day before. What does it matter? A day or two is nothing in the camp; here, take it. I have read it, there is nothing in it."

George took the paper and began to read it to himself, while his father continued the conversation for a few minutes until the mayordomo mounted his horse and rode off.

"Is there any news in the paper, George?"

"Yes, father, old Shady, the gambling man, is dead."

"Dear, is he! poor man; to leave behind his beloved dollars. It can make no difference to us," he said somewhat anxiously. "Have you that receipt in a safe place?"

"Safe enough in my writing desk," replied George, "but, still, I think we should not delay in demanding back our papers. Let us go into town to-morrow and see Dr Cornell, you are due there in a few days, you know, to sign my security bond."

The galpon in which the dipping operation was performed was at some short distance from the estancia house, and hidden from it by a monte of gum trees, down the side of which, and leading through the middle of it was a broad path of communication. Down this path, and visible at intervals between the trees, a horseman was coming at a quick mad gallop. The unusual pace, as if the horse had bolted or that the man was riding for dear life, attracted everybody's attention, and they watched to see if he would turn into the path leading to the galpon or make straight on the road leading to the station.

"Why, it is John Butters, look again!" said Hudson, "he is coming here. Why does he ride so madly?"

The mayordomo got down from his horse, gesticulated wildly, and pointed to the potrero in which the horses were confined.

"God help you, George Hudson; catch your horses, and away with you, the thing we spoke of has happened, the camp is on fire. Do you hear, you dotted old fool? Fire! Don't stand there, like Lot's wife; your house is on fire. Fire! Must you see it before you believe it? Go up to the house tower, you will see the smoke over your own roof. Where is young George?"

"In the potrero, catching his horse."

"That is right. Antony! Pat! all of you, stop that work, get your horses, and follow me."

Digging his spurs into his horse's sides the mayordomo went off like a shot, and took a bee line across the camp in the direction of the Hudsons' house.

While the elder Hudson stood stupefied with the startling news, George had sprung into the potrero and attempted to secure the horses. His anxiety and his haste bid fair to defeat his object, the brutes were spitefully inclined, and would not be caught.

"Father, for God's sake don't stand there, come and help me catch the horses."

This cry brought his father to his senses, and with

the help of the peones they were soon mounted and in pursuit of the mayordomo, whose figure could be seen in full career over the plain half a league ahead.

Down below the horizon a faint, dark cloud was seen to extend to right and left, being the smoke of the burning camp, and from its position and the direction of the wind there was no doubt it would shortly engulf the house. Would they arrive in time to beat back the flames?

Riding breathlessly, with whip and spur, any interchange of thought was out of the question. Ride as they may, half an hour must elapse before they could meet the fire fiend.

A faint flutter of white garments was seen passing the mayordomo ahead of them, evidently one of the children who had been despatched to bring up assistance. The child saw her father and brother coming, and turned back towards the house, galloping alongside the mayordomo.

No doubt the little mother, and her children, and her solitary maidservant were out bravely fighting the flames, with wet sheepskins, with water from the draw well, with poles, or implements, or anything that would keep the demon at bay, and every little pair of hands would be wanted.

So it was. As the men rode behind the house the flame was shooting along the garden hedge, and beginning to wriggle snake fashion along the boxwood borders; outside the hedge the tall, dry thistles were a mass of roaring, raging flame, the wind ever and anon carrying over light flimsy firebrands, and with the heat and the smoke beating back the house defenders from the garden.

Darting hither and thither was the little mother and the children, while the stout Bridget toiled like a slave at the chains and buckets of the draw well.

The arrival of the men gave a short respite to the women, but soon a scream of terror announced a catastrophe.

"It is no use now, the house is doomed, save some of the furniture," cried out Mrs Hudson.

Her cry was too well founded, for the thatch of the long out house which abutted right up to the dwelling house had caught fire, and was blazing away merrily, yet by an attempt to tear off the thatch from that part of the roof which touched the dwelling house, George still fought on if possible to save it.

"George, George! It is no use, you will be killed, come down and help to save the things in the house."

Reluctantly he obeyed orders, and helped to carry out his mother's old piano, on which he and his little brothers had received their first music lessons. Then the beds and bedding, then the wardrobe, then the tables and chairs, and as the roof was now beginning to burn the latter were thrown incontinently out of the windows.

"George, make haste, have you nothing in your own room?"

"My writing desk—the receipt! How, oh how could I forget that!"

He rushed back into the house, which was now full of smoke, and the crackling of timbers gave ominous warning overhead.

(To be continued)

## ATHLETICS

Buenos Aires, July 9, 1893.

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.

Dear Sir,—

I observe in your last issue a letter signed "Alan Maclachlan" (who, I presume, is our already famous River Plate sprinter), in which he touches on the subjects of "Starting" and "Long Jumping," and, considering his letter calls for some comment, I beg of you to find room in your next for the present.

What Mr Maclachlan says in reference to the "Long Jump" is perfectly correct, and I do not suppose his proposal respecting the trench would find one single opponent; in fact, to my knowledge, the absence of such a trench has been hitherto simply an oversight, which should hereafter not occur.

As regards the "Starting," so much has already been published in your columns on the subject that I think any renewal of the discussion would be a waste of valuable space; it merely behoves me, therefore, to refer our worthy and able sprinter to the Badminton Library, pages 191 and 198-9, where he will find the matter thoroughly dealt with and finally settled by the Amateur Athletic Association of the British Isles, which our Association in the River Plate is humbly endeavouring faithfully to emulate.—Yours, etc.,

E. T. CHRISTAIN.

### Latest Intelligence

The most important item of news which we have lately heard—more interesting, in fact, to the community in Buenos Aires, than even the Duke of York's Wedding—is that the Half-Yearly Sale at "The English" will commence towards the end of this month. Further particulars of this undeniably Sporting Fixture will shortly be announced, and our friends had better be on the alert for some of the unquestionable bargains to be had as usual at

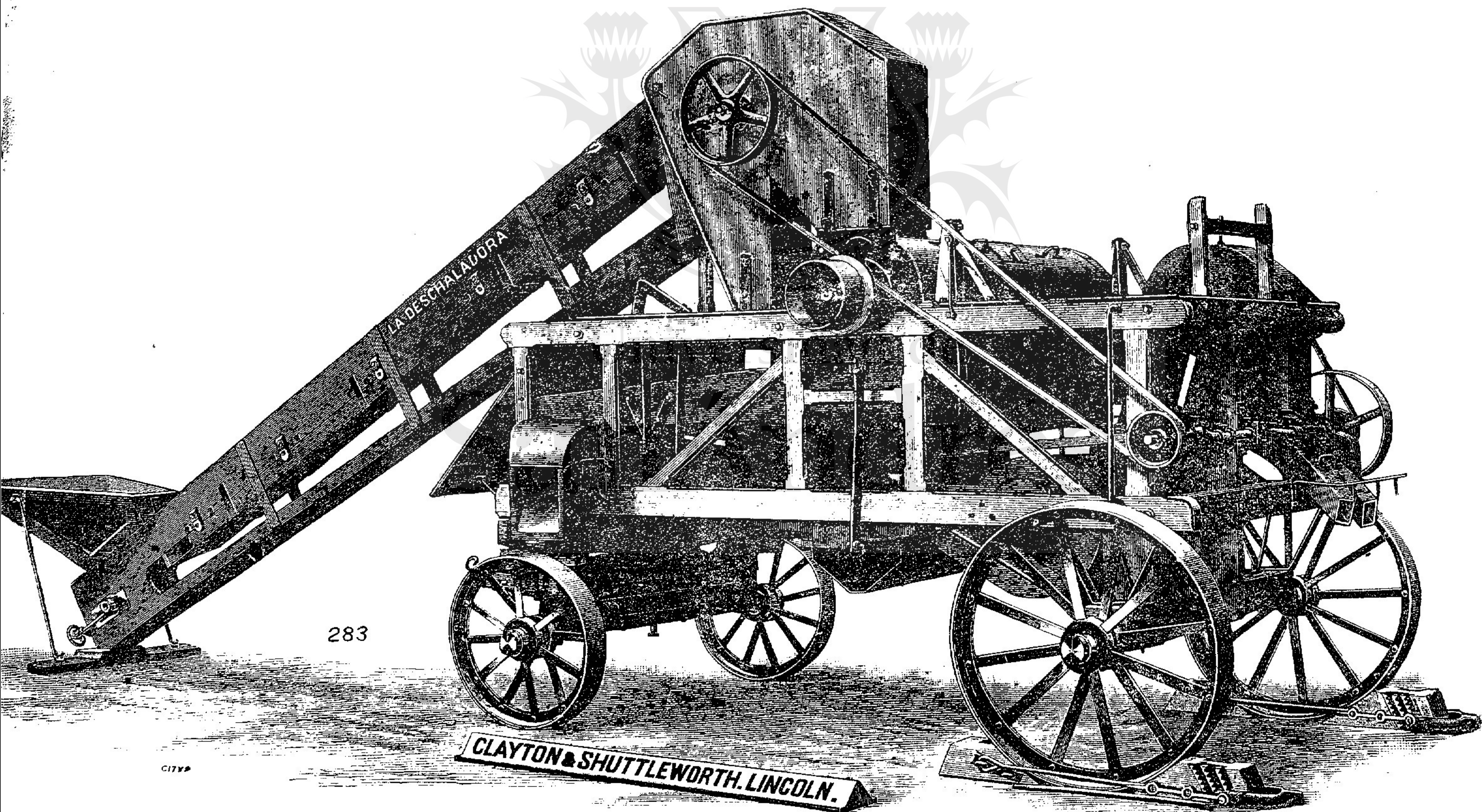
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