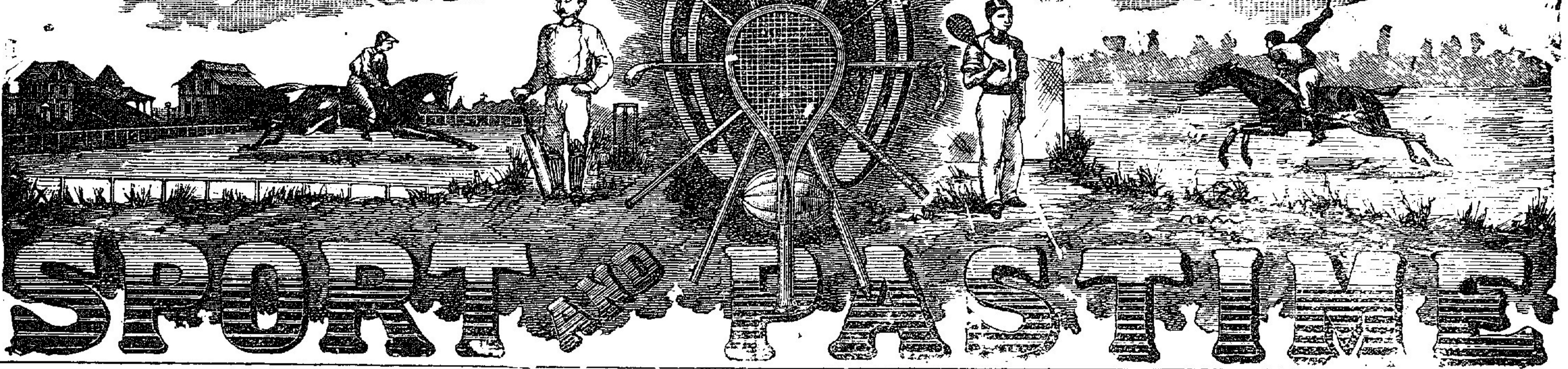


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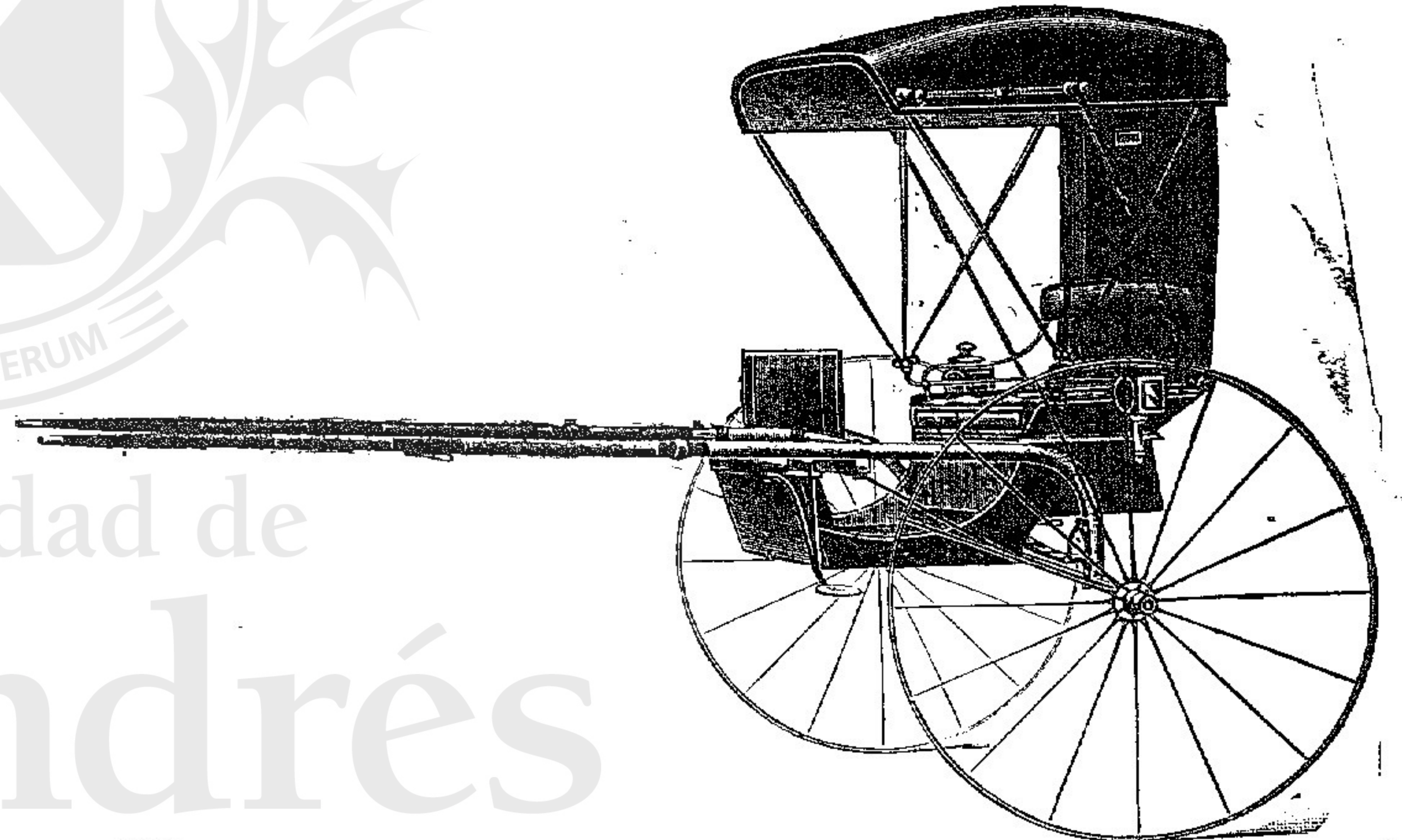
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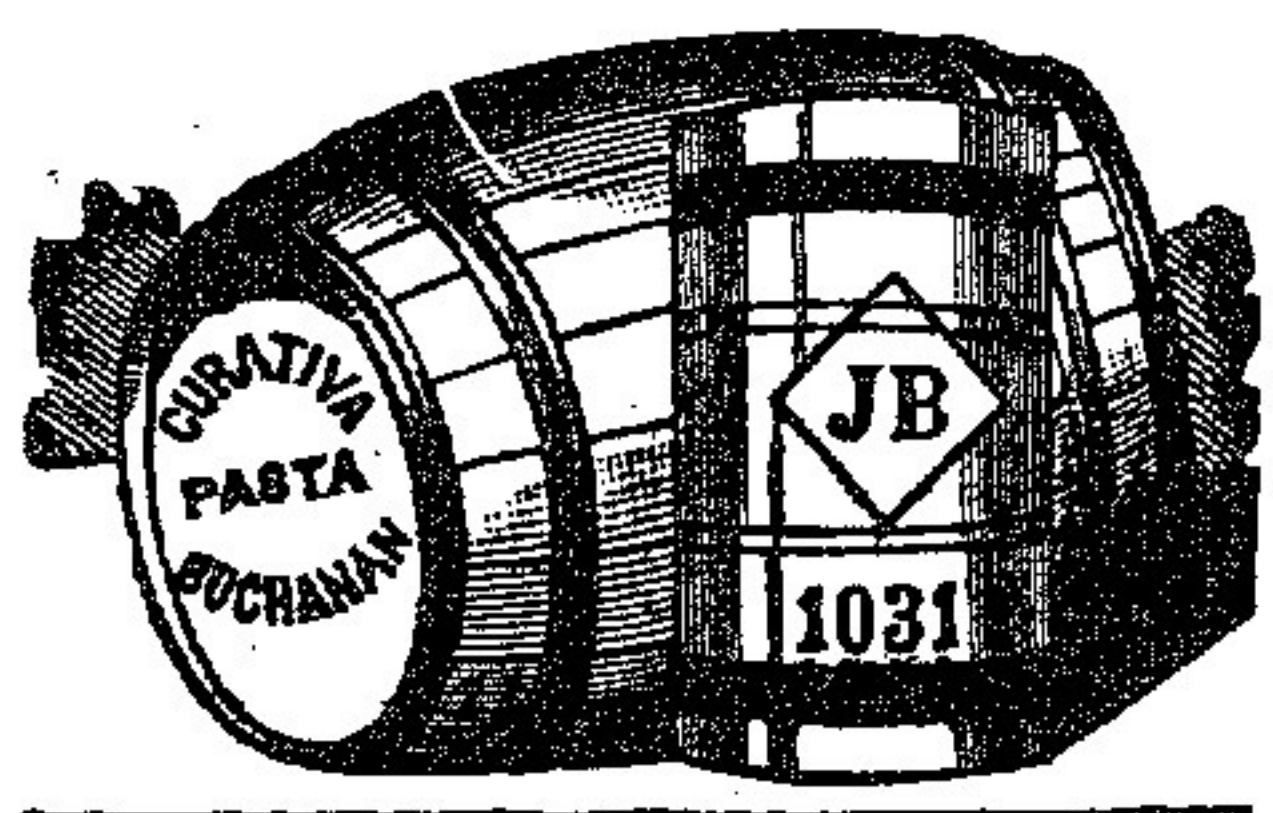
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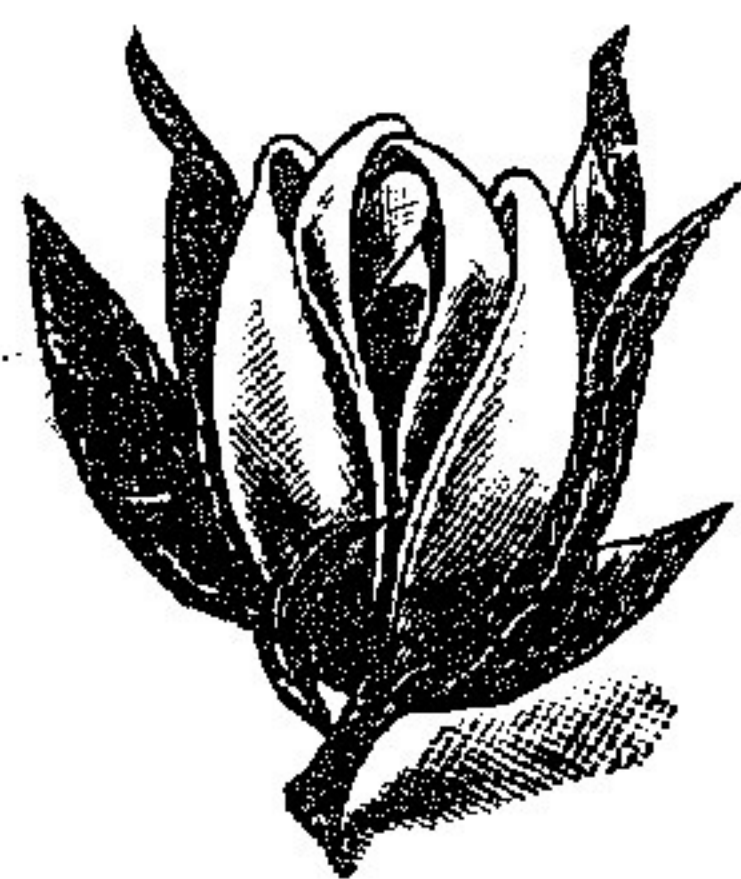
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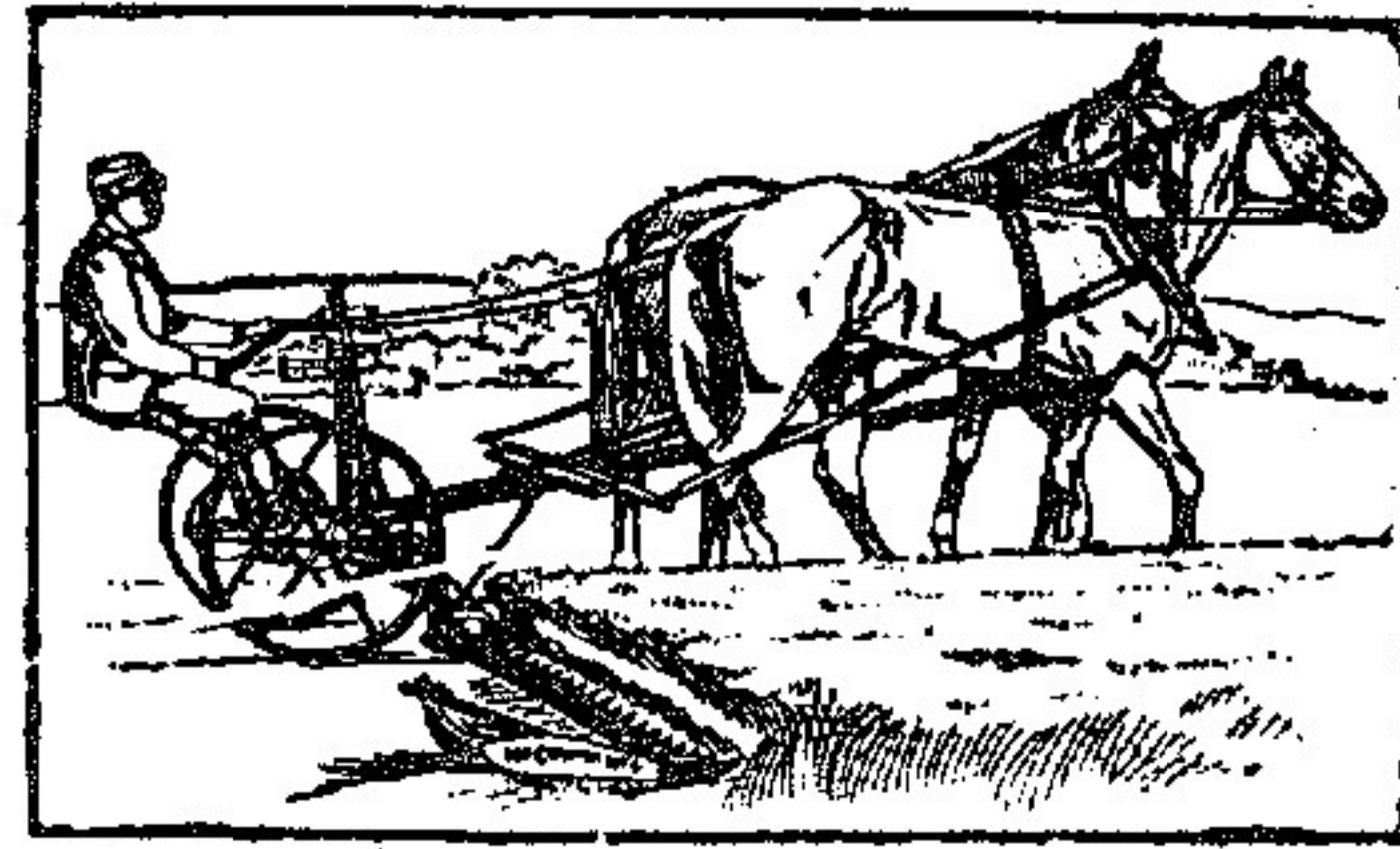
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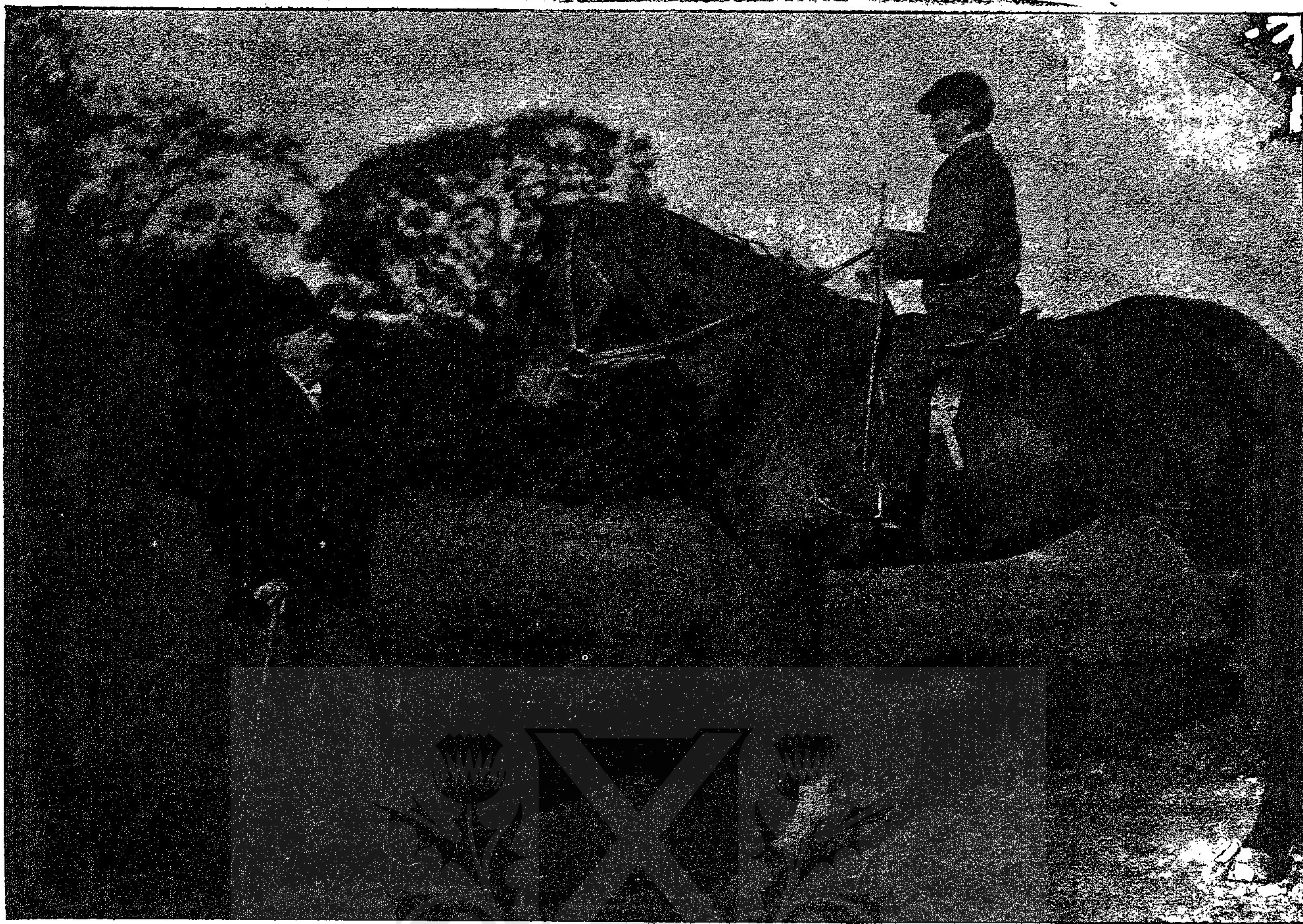
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by Arbitrator, and was bred to English time by Mr Kemmis, and sold by him to Mr D. Kingsland, who sent him to England to be trained. Buenos Aires is now

under the care of J. Halsey, who expresses himself as highly satisfied with the progress made by the colt since he has had him.

## RACING

### THE SPRING HANDICAPS.

The publication of the weights for the spring handicaps is another step towards the removal of the close time. The wintry aspect of affairs just now hardly suggests flat racing, but still the spring weights renew the names of many familiar flat racers, and when the acceptances are next week to hand, we venture to say there will be a fair amount of speculation, although it must be admitted that in the present era there is not the desire on the part of the owner to wager so long beforehand as was the case in days gone by. Of the various efforts just issued, Major Egerton, our chief handicapper, is responsible for the Lincoln race, and he has had not much ground to work on, as the entry was below the average, although when looked over the class is better than usual. That the two top-weights would be Victor Wild and last year's winner, Clorane, were likely to be anticipated, and former is called upon to concede the latter a pound. A gap, of course, divides these two good handicap horses from the others, of whom Quarrel stands next, a very different impost to that which he carried last spring. Handicapped then at 6st, it was thought advisable to declare as much as 9lb overweight for the services of Grimshaw, and he finished second to Clorane, who was conceding Lord Rosebery's horse 2st 9lb. Major Egerton now thinks 13lb will bring the pair together. The brilliant form displayed by Winkfield's Pride last autumn at Derby and Manchester, subsequent to his Cambridgeshire victory, was sure to give him a prominent berth in the Lincoln as well as in the other handicaps; indeed, with Clorane and Winkfield's Pride under his care, Robinson has an advantage over most trainers as to public form. Apart from Clorane and Winkfield's Pride in the Lincoln entry, the Foxhill trainer also has Dinna Forget, who, as compared with the Cambridgeshire, will be meeting Winkfield's Pride upon 29lb better terms. Then in succession come Prince Barcaldine, Lady Tertius, Bird of Flight, Favolo, Kosmos, and Prose. It is true, so far as ownership is concerned, this party of nine is cut up into no less than six separate interests, for Mr Basset is responsible for Clorane and Lady Tertius, Mr Sullivan for Winkfield's Pride, Mr Clarke for Dinna Forget and Prince Barcaldine, Mr Goulding for Favolo and Kosmos, Mr Menzies for Prose, and the trainer for Bird of Flight, the latter being a son of Loved One and Barometer, only twice seen in public at the Curragh—once unplaced as a two-year-old, and again similarly situated last year in the Irish Derby, won by Gulsalberk. Robinson's hand at Lincoln is indeed a strong one; in fact, whatever may be the result, he is pretty sure to supply a good favourite. We should prefer the best of

his batch to the winter-tip Yorker; nay, our recollection of last year's Cambridgeshire is that Winkfield's Pride gave Sir J. B. Maple's colt quite 11lb beating, a difference of weight the pair may meet in at Lincoln. Yorker's owner has Athlone also engaged, but the former is trained by W. Waugh and the latter by J. Day. Included in the trainers' lots at Lincoln are a couple of well-known Irish candidates in St. Jarlath and Bellewin; so, in all, there are no less than twenty-six separate interests, and this, poor as the entry seems, should bring about an average number of starters. Statistics of the Lincolnshire Handicap show not very large musters of late years, and a very fair effort on the part of the handicapper may bring about an acceptance productive of an average field. A feature of Major Egerton's work is the handicapping of Signorina. After being a failure at the stud, it was curious to see how he would handicap this mare, who ran second to Memoir for the Oaks, and subsequently proved the conqueror of Orme, Martagon, Alicante, and others in the now defunct Lancashire Plate at Manchester Signorina, who has been placed under Fred. Martin's care at Newmarket, has been allotted 8st 11lb at Lincoln, the only new engagement made for Chev. Ginistrelli's mare, for in vain one has to look for her name in either the City and Suburban, Chester Cup, Kempton Park Jubilee, or other spring handicaps.

Clorane, of course, is at the head of "the City," succeeded by Dinna Forget, Marco, Quarrel, Winkfield's Pride, and the French candidate Vigoreux; but as at Lincoln the list at Kempton in the Jubilee is headed by Victor Wild, and a favourite course of the latter has perhaps induced the handicapper to make Mr Worton's horse concede an extra pound as compared with Lincoln. In the Jubilee, close within hail of Victor Wild and Clorane, stands Kilcock, with a very different impost to that when beaten last year, and Winkfield's Pride and Dinna Forget, with Marco, Labrador, and Regret, also hold prominent berths. Of the three-year-olds dealt with at Kempton, Crestfallen and Melfitana have been most heavily dealt with, and Lord Derby's very useful sexless son of Ocean Wave and Dolores has been paid the highest compliment of those of his age entered for the City and Suburban. Harking back the Lincolnshire Handicap, the only three-year-old entered is Kilkerran, and Major Egerton thinks he is about the equal of Tambour and Conquering Hero. As a matter of fact, he has allotted Lord Wolverton's colt 6st 10lb, a heavier impost than that carried to victory by either Tomahawk, Clarence, or Wolf's Crag. Of the long distance races, it may be noted that in the Northamptonshire Stakes Dinna Forget has to concede Paris III., last year's winner, 11b, and The Docker and the Manchester winner Telescope come next; but at Epsom, in the Metropolitan, there is more variety both for quantity and quality, as we find the handicap headed by Labrador, a prolific

winner last season, also St. Bris, and Winkfield's Pride, the respective winners of the Cesarewitch and Cambridgeshire; while there likewise is another possessed with stamina close handy in the Ascot Stakes hero Arlequin. At Chester, in the time-honoured Cup, last year's winner, The Rush, seems rather hardly treated, as he is considered the equal of Labrador, and better than the two stable companions Dinna Forget and Winkfield's Pride; indeed, it should not be forgotten the latter showed stamina when attempting to concede Telescope 1st 12lb in the November Handicap at Manchester; furthermore, it is within memory that Mr Sullivan also entered his good-looking horse in the Ascot Cup. The value of the Chester Cup this season has brought together a better entry, which besides The Rush includes another previous hero in Kilsallaghan, to say nothing of Paris III., Marco, Count Schomberg, Shaddock, Portmarnock, St. Bris, Arlequin, Telescope all holding prominent berths in the newly made handicap. Between the top and bottom weight at Chester there is a difference of 3st 2lb; in the Jubilee, 3st 9lb; in the City and Suburban and the Metropolitan, 3st 10lb; in the Lincolnshire Handicap, 3st 9lb.

The Liverpool Grand National has a more open character than the Lincolnshire Handicap, as our steeplechasers are perhaps just now not of a very high-class character. It is true we have four previous winners weighted in Cloister, Father O'Flynn, Wild Man from Borneo, and The Soarer. Of this quartette the former, after making nearly every yard of his own running in 1893, won when carrying 12st 7lb, his now allotted weight; but for the other trio the imposts are rather different. Father O'Flynn in 1892 had 10st 5lb to carry, and last year, when following The Soarer home, had only 7lb extra on his back. Then Wild Man from Borneo, when successful in the previous year, had 10st 11lb against the new weight of 11st 5lb; and The Soarer, for his last year's win and subsequent Sandown race, has been raised from 9st 13lb to 11st 4lb. If the Cloister of old, the new blood would have a poor chance with Mr Duff's gelding, now under the care of Sir Charles Nugent; indeed, good a horse as the Australian Daimio may be, we would prefer Cloister of 1893 if well at the difference of a pound. The handicapper, as a matter of fact, has made little allowance for Daimio's Lingfield display. Another Antipodean in the front lot we have seen show good form here is Ebor, and, like Norton and Daimio, he is under the care of Escott. Personally, of what we have seen of Ebor, the chance of Mr Gollan's horse is more in esteem than that of Daimio. The latter dwells too long in the air, while the other goes on and seems well acquainted with the regulation fences. Still, of the little wagering which took place yesterday (Friday) in town, Daimio had a supporter, but favouritism was divided between Alpheus

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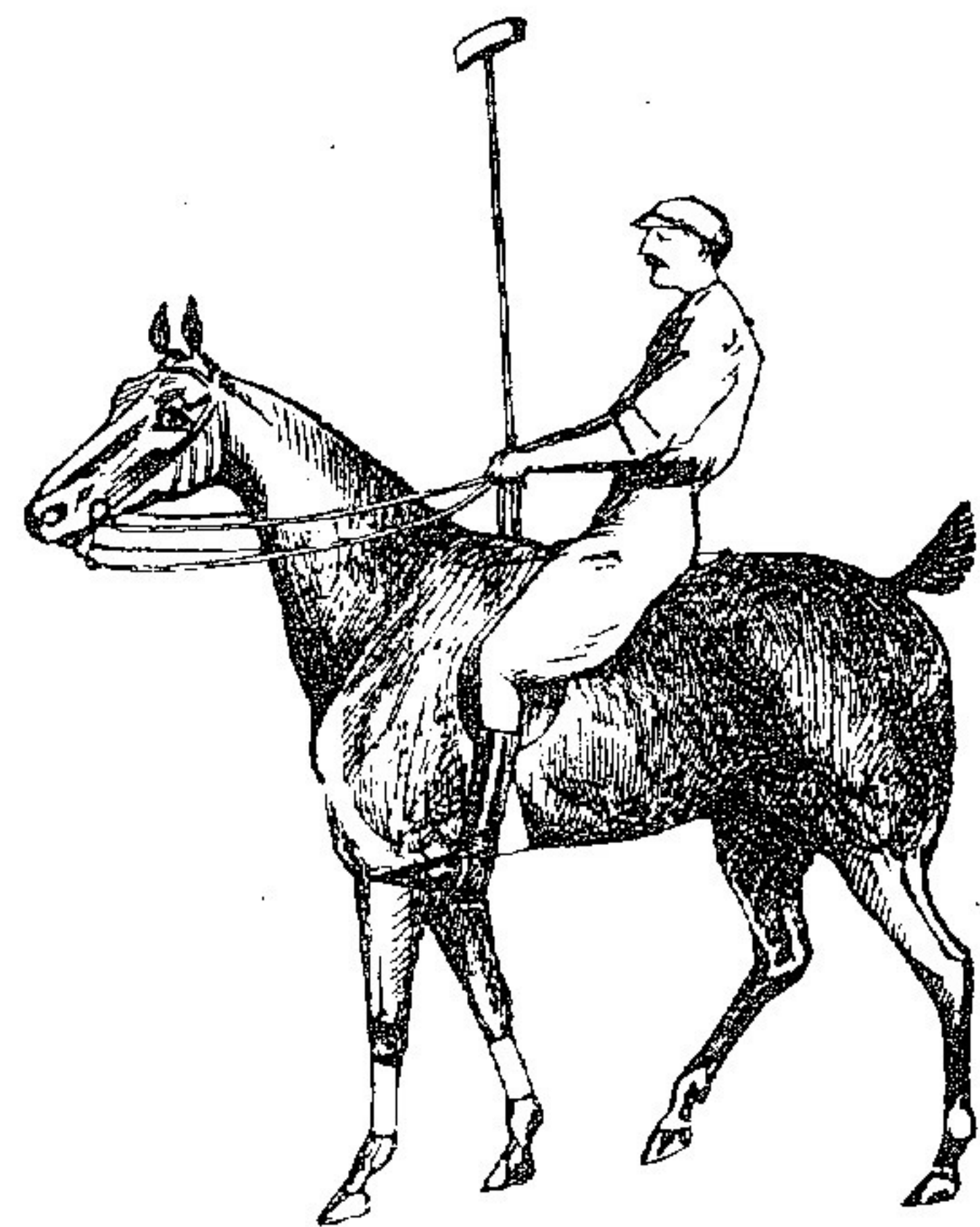
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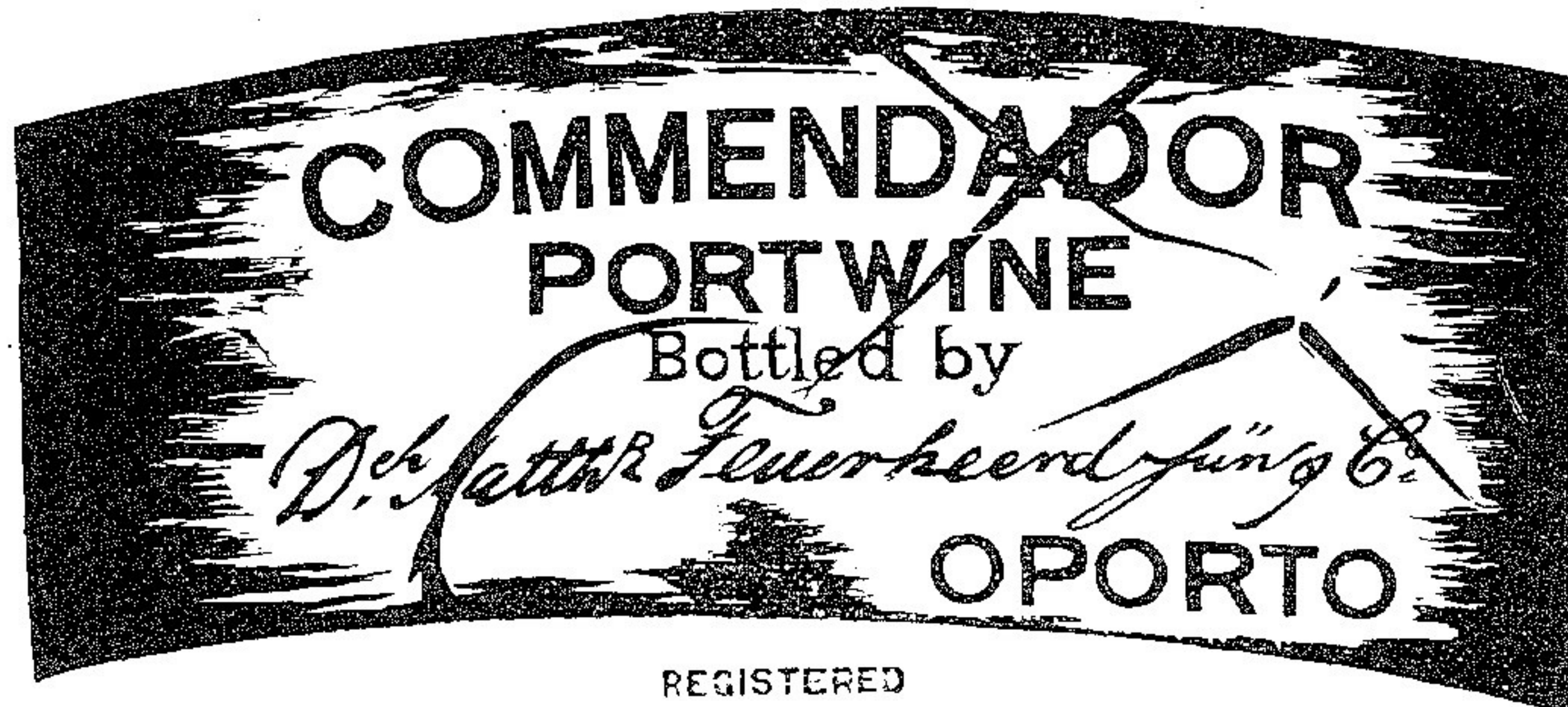
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and Stratocracy, the latter of whom belongs to Lord Cadogan. Rory O'More defeated the pair in the Sefton Steeplechase, run over a portion of the National course, last November, and in this important contest he must take a lot of beating. The handicap, at a cursory glance, as before stated, appears a very satisfactory one, and, even so far ahead, we must confess, in addition to Rory O'More, we like Ebor, Alpheus, Stratocracy, Norton, and Barcalwey best of the remainder.

## FOOTBALL

### INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF THE RUGBY UNION.

At a special general meeting held on Jan. 25 the proposed testimonial to A. J. Gould came up for consideration, the point at issue being the sum of £700 or more that is in the hands of a committee, who proposed purchasing with it a furnished villa. The International Board resolved:

1. That the gift of a testimonial in money or kind in opposition to the suggestion of the board is, on the part of the givers, or Mr Gould, an act of professionalism.

2. That the keeping of the fund in hand with the possible intention of presenting a testimonial in opposition to the suggestion of the board on Mr Gould's retirement is also an act of professionalism.

On the following day the Welsh Rugby Union held a special meeting at which the following resolutions were passed:

1. That in the opinion of this committee the International Board was not formed for the purpose of dealing with the rules as to professionalism, but merely to settle the laws of the game, and disputes arising between the different counties.

2. That assuming the International Board had any right to deal with the question of professionalism, they have not made any rules relating to it, neither have they adopted the rules now made by either the English or this Union. Therefore the question of professionalism can only be dealt with under the rules of the Union of which each player is a member, and therefore that, even if the International Board has any power to deal with the matter of the Gould testimonial, the case can only be judged by the rules as to professionalism made by this Union.

3. That this committee is of opinion that neither the subscribers to the Gould Testimonial nor Gould himself has broken the rules as to professionalism made by this Union.

4. That admitting the right of the International Board to interference with the testimonial, this committee have, with a view to meet the views of the International Board, withdrawn their subscription promised to the testimonial, and have also withheld their sanction to the presentation being made in any other form than that indicated by the International Board, and this committee, therefore, do not feel they can do anything further.

5. That even if this committee were to accept the resolutions passed at the last International Board meeting, they would have no power of putting them in force, as they have no control over the funds collected for the Gould testimonial which are now in the hands of a committee independent of this Union.

6. That this committee are willing for rules as to professionalism to be made by International Board, provided that four different unions agree to the same, and that such rules shall not have a retrospective effect.

The following telegram was then forwarded to the Scottish Union, then sitting at Edinburgh:

"To Secretary Scottish Union.—My committee regret cannot adopt resolutions of International Board. Am sending resolutions passed to-night to M'Alister. Presume, therefore, the match on Saturday must be postponed. Reply to Queen's Hotel at once.—Walter Rees, Secretary."

The reply received was: "Yes; match must be postponed. Smith." In any case the frost would have probably prevented the contest taking place to-day.

We reproduce the following article regarding refereeing in the Rugby game from the "Field" of Jan. 30:—

Since the issue of the new instructions to referees by the Rugby Football Union Committee, a divergence of opinion and practice has manifested itself, not only among the players and referees of different parts of the country, but also among the members of that most earnest and useful body, the London Rugby Union Society of Referees, which last week held an informal meeting, presided over by Mr Rowland Hill, in order to discuss some of the principal rulings. We have already found an opportunity to congratulate the Union in its attempt to discourage the perpetual stopping of the game by the referee's whistle, and by the delays which arise through the unnecessary formation of pack scrummages whenever a player has been tackled. The intention of the new instructions in this direction is altogether admirable, but considerable difficulty is found in putting them into force owing to certain peculiarities in the present phase of development of the game and its laws.

A player is ordered by the laws to place the ball on the ground in front of him as soon as it is held, and referees are now enjoined to see that this direction is carried into effect, or the appropriate penalty inflicted. Further, we are told that the International Board (which must, it would seem, have exceeded for the nonce its prerogative) has taken cognisance of a new offence—the prevention of an opponent from putting the ball down.

Referees are now perplexed as to how a player who has been thrown and surrounded is to comply with this law. It is suggested that he should first be allowed to rise and then compelled to put the ball in the scrummage, instead of handing it to the half-back. This arrangement, though solving the difficulty, is open to the criticism that it does not tally with the law, inasmuch as placing the ball in the scrummage from the side is not the same thing as placing it in front of one's feet. Further, it ought to have been embodied in the instructions, if not in the laws of the game themselves, of which it seems to be a distinct modification.

Other problems arise in connection with the ruling that a referee must not stop the game for a mere infringement of the laws, but only for such an infringement as gives its perpetrators an unfair advantage. In other words, a referee is either to wait, before blowing his whistle, until he has seen the consequences of an act, or to take upon himself the burden of prophesying them. The objections to both courses are obvious.

The genesis of the new instruction may be understood from a glance at the recent course of legislation. Before the introduction of the penalty-kick players were restrained from breach of the laws or unfair play by their own consciences and the reprobation of their compeers. The popularisation of football in the North of England caused the Union to introduce more tangible deterrents. In proportion as these were multiplied the reluctance of players to take illegal advantages diminished, inasmuch as they considered themselves as expiating their offences by suffering the penalty. The recognition of the practice of heeling out—or offside scrummage play—introduced a new crop of questionable practices and of penal enactment, such, for instance, as those dealing with lifting the foot in the scrummage, putting the ball in improperly and the offside play of half backs and three-quarters. The consequence was that the game was continually delayed by offences, appeals, and penalties. Accordingly the Rugby Union, adopting a plan which was reported to have worked well in Wales, gave the referee the power to disregard appeals, and to inflict penalties on his own initiative. This measure had the opposite effect to that which its framers desired. A sharp-eyed and conscientious referee would discern breaches of the laws invisible to the players, and he would stop the game and order a scrummage or a free-kick for infringements too trifling to be made the grounds of a claim by any but the most litigious. The game was accordingly more frequently interrupted than ever. To remedy this the new instructions have been issued.

It is now found that these instructions may have the effect of permitting considerable divergence of practice between referees, and of opinion between any referee and the players, to say nothing of the spectators, who are frequently the reverse of reticent. A referee may consider immaterial a small breach of the rules which may actually lead to important consequences. Further, an unscrupulous player is no longer menaced with the certainty of punishment, but will act up to his estimate of the referee's reluctance to stop the game. A whole set of forwards, by systematically obstructing their opponents at the line out, or at the moment when a scrummage is breaking up, have a good chance of escaping the penalty, because individually they may not appear to be "gaining an unfair advantage." Speaking generally, a team strictly observing and trustfully relying on the laws of the game is liable to be disconcerted by failing to understand the referee's methods of applying what the instructions term "a spirit of equity;" their opponents, released from the terrors of the strict administration of the laws, may, on the other hand, reap the reward of a by no means laudable policy. It may be added that in the opinion of many experienced referees the task of estimating which side will profit from a given irregularity is practically impossible. On the other hand, there are occasions—as, for example, the off side following up of a long kick—when the referee may award a free kick which is not desired, and would not be claimed by the aggrieved party, who might prefer to play on. A free kick taken against the wind from one's own in-goal is not always a boon.

It is for some reasons unfortunate that the process of legislation has been made cumbrous and troublesome by the institution of the International Board; but as the four national unions have always shown the greatest zeal in adapting the game to the requirements of the players, we may trust that they will be successful in dealing with these and other difficult points. Failing a better solution of the refereeing difficulty, it would seem that the restoration of the right of appeal to the players would be an advisable measure.

### ASSOCIATION.

On the afternoon of Jan. 25, the committee appointed by the Football Association, met to consider the position of professional clubs belonging to districts under the control of exclusively amateur associations and sat for two hours. The Universities had been invited to send delegates, in order that the claims or grievances of amateur clubs might also be taken into account, but replies had been received from them expressing regret that they could not take part in the deliberations until the dispute arising from the scratch team question had been satisfactorily settled. A resolution was passed inviting affiliated associations, the Universities, and other clubs to send "suggestions upon any matters relating to the game as affecting the status of amateurs." It was also resolved to recommend that any professional clubs which might be formed within the area of an amateur association should be admitted to membership of the Football Association, but without representation or voting power, unless or until they should be considered strong enough to be elected to full membership.

On Jan. 23, only four matches were decided in the League, the severe frost causing a large number of important fixtures to be abandoned.

Derby County v. Sunderland.—Played at Derby. The visitors had the advantage of the wind at the start, and were obliged to act upon the defensive. Some considerable time elapsed, however, before Derby County gained a point through the agency of Bloomer, and on crossing over the score stood one goal to none in favour of the home eleven. On resuming, the play was of a very even character, and the half time score remained unchanged.

Stoke v. Sheffield Wednesday.—A well-contested game was played at Stoke resulting in a pointless draw. During the opening half the home team placed the ball in the net from a free kick, but as it did not touch a second player, no goal was allowed. Spikesley broke away on several occasions after change of ends, but he failed to make any impression upon the Stoke defences. Just before the close Davis headed through for the visitors, who did not derive any benefit, as he was adjudged off-side.

West Bromwich Albion v. Notts Forest.—At West Bromwich, the home team gained a very easy victory over Notts Forest. The ground was very hard and slippery, this being the cause of the poor display of the visitors. After a vigorous attack by West Bromwich, Richards shot through on their behalf, and he quickly followed with two more, so that they led at the interval by three goals to none. Play was mostly confined to the Notts Forest end during the second half, and Williams, taking advantage of an opening, scored for West Bromwich, who thus won by four goals to none.

Sheffield United v. Wolverhampton Wanderers.—Played at Bramall-lane, Sheffield, when the United team gave an exceedingly moderate exhibition, and were beaten by three goals to one, despite the fact that the visitors had the misfortune at half time to lose the services of Smith, who fractured one of his ribs in a collision with Foulkes, the United goal-keeper. Three minutes from the kick-off McMain sent in a fast, low shot, and scored the first point for the Wanderers. Subsequently the United exhibited better form, and the ball was rushed between the posts. Just before the interval, Tonks gave his side the lead again. On changing ends the visitors had the best of the play for a time, and Miller put on a third goal. The United then presented, but failed to beat the opposing defence, and Wolverhampton Wanderers then gained a creditable victory.

Aston Villa v. Tottenham Hotspur.—The circumstances under which this match was carried out at Tottenham on January 23, were such as to detract from its interest as a trial of disciplined skill. The ground, it is true, had been cared for sufficiently to avoid the effects of the frost and the previous night's snowfall; but a cold wind, with frequent showers of snow, made the surface slippery, and caused the ball to bound and shoot irregularly. Playing against the wind in the first half of the game, the local team would have had a very difficult task if their opponents had put a little more determination into their attacks, though it must be admitted that they also, at the outset, seemed to be embarrassed by the state of the ground and the strength of the gusts, which frequently caused them to miscalculate the strength of their kicks. Eventually the Birmingham forwards settled down and managed to bring off some good passing, but the capital goal-keeping of Ambler just prevented them from gaining the victory. Though Tottenham Hotspur were outclassed forward, their backs throughout played very well, and compared not unfavourably with their antagonists, of whom Welford was conspicuously perplexed by the difficulty of turning quickly on the slippery ground. After some scrambling play, the home forwards made some runs, and from one of these Payne missed what on another day would have been the easiest possible chance of scoring. Aston Villa were easily able to work down to their opponents' end, but continually lost the ball or missed with long shots, until at length Athersmith, who had just previously brought the goal keeper into action, shot the first goal from a scrummage. Two corner kicks to Aston Villa were unproductive, and the Tottenham players took up the attack, a slip by Welford enabling Lanham to place his side on even terms. While don shortly afterwards, with the assistance of one of the Hotspur backs, put the ball in the net, but off-side was declared. Immediately after the change of ends the home forwards got away and, on the ball emerging from a scramble near goal, Lanham scored a second point for Tottenham with a long but very swift shot. The game at once became more spirited, but from this point until the end was considerably marred by "fouls," for many of which free kicks were given to one side or the other. Athersmith and Wheldon both shot hard and straight without success, but before this attack was quite repulsed, Smith had the ball sent across to him by Spencer and made the score level. The visitors had the best of the game until the finish with a few brief intervals, in one of which Payne ran through and ought to have scored. Good goalkeeping, however, prevented further scoring, and the game was drawn at two goals each.

In Scotland the snow and recurrence of frost compelled the abandonment on Jan. 23 of all Rugby fixtures and the postponement of five ties in the second round of the Scottish Association Cup competition. The most important tie in this competition, that between Rangers and Hibernians was, however, brought to an issue at Ibrox Park, Glasgow, before 23,000 spectators. It was the third time these clubs had met this season.

and as each had won in turn, a great amount of interest was taken in this game. The ground was found to be hard and slippery, and, as a consequence, the Hibernians, who played in ordinary boots, seemed never able to settle down. The Rangers, on the other hand, who wisely elected to use rubber-soled shoes, performed as well as if the turf had furnished the best of going. Seldom, indeed, were the visitors dangerous, and had it not been for the fine goalkeeping of Storer (Everton), whose services they had requisitioned for the day, they would have suffered a more severe defeat than three goals to none. Macpherson notched the Rangers' first goal rather luckily after half an hour's play. Hyslop shot, but failing to get a proper hold of the ball, it glanced across to Macpherson, who caught Storer napping. Early in the second half Low, when apparently off-side, had the ball passed to him, and put it into the net, while Storer and the Hibernian backs were appealing. To the surprise of most of those present, the referee allowed the point. Thereafter the Hibernians seemed to lose heart, and their discomfiture was complete when after Storer had saved, Low, who was close to the post, put through a third goal. Miller and Hyslop the old Sunderland forwards, were the most prominent players, and there are few better forwards in Scotland at present. The Hibernian defence was steady, but their forwards could not act on the frozen ground.

Queen's Park v. Dunblane.—At Hampden Park, on Jan. 23, before a poor attendance, Queen's Park experienced little difficulty in beating Dunblane by four goals to none. Dunblane were aided by the wind in the first half, but Queen's Park had the best of the play. Still Dunblane's defence was so sound that almost half an hour had gone ere McColl scored. R. A. Lambie soon followed his example, and the premier club crossed over, leading by two goals. The second period was practically a repetition of the first, save that McColl scored both goals. Thus the game resulted as above stated.

#### RUGBY

Owing to the severe weather on Jan. 23, nearly all the important matches had to be abandoned. Among others those between Blackheath and Richmond, Newport and Liverpool, Cardiff and Bristol, Yorkshire and Cheshire, Gloucester and Coventry, Old Merchant Taylors and Harlequins, and several others. The frost has been very severe and the grounds were totally unfit for play.

Ireland v. England.—The following were the selections for this International match, which took place at Lansdowne-road, on Saturday, Feb. 6:—

Ireland—J. Fulton (North of Ireland, back), H. Stevenson (Albion and Edinburgh University), S. Lee (North of Ireland), L. H. Gwynn (Dublin University), W. Gardiner (Dungannon) (three-quarter backs), L. M. Magee (Bective Rangers), C. G. Allen (Derry and Lancashire County) (half-backs), C. V. Rooke (Monkstown), E. G. Forrest, A. Lynch (Wanderers), G. Byron (Derry), E. McIlwaine, J. H. Lytle (North of Ireland), J. Sealy (Dublin University) M. Ryan (Rockwell College, Tipperary) (forwards).

England—J. F. Byrne (Moseley, back), E. F. Fookes (Yorkshire), J. Taylor (Castleford), W. L. Bunting (Richmond), G. C. Robinson (Northumberland) (three-quarter backs), C. M. Wells (Harlequins), E. W. Taylor (Northumberland) (half-backs), R. F. Oakes (Durham), W. Ashford, R. H. Mangles (Richmond), F. Jacob (Cambridge University), P. Ebdon (Somerset), F. N. Stout (Gloucestershire), W. B. Stoddart (Liverpool), J. H. Barron (Yorkshire) (forwards).

From these selections it will be seen that the English team differs considerably from that defeated by Wales on Jan. 9. Only one of the three-quarters remains viz. E. F. Fookes, the Yorkshire man, but contrary to general expectations, the two halves, E. W. Taylor and C. M. Wells, are again selected, though it is generally admitted that these two do not play well together, and they were undoubtedly out-classed in the Welsh match. Among the forwards only one change has been considered necessary, J. H. Barron (Yorkshire), taking the place of W. Ward.

Leicester v. Bedford.—Nearly 3000 spectators assembled on the Welford-road grounds, Leicester, on Jan. 23, to witness this return match, and with the grass for play cleared of snow, the ground was found to be in very good order. Leicester won the first match in December by thirteen points to nothing, and with their full strength in the field they were expected to repeat their victory. Bedford were without a forward, as well as being perceptibly weak on the three-quarter line; still, in the first half especially they played the "Tigers" a rare good game. Bedford were really the first to prove dangerous, but the Leicester halves, Foreman and Braithwaite, soon returned to the Bedford end, where Butlin failed at an attempt to drop a goal. It was during the latter part of the first stage that the Bedford representatives were seen to a better advantage than at any other period in the sixty minutes play, for they obtained a strong footing in the Leicester half, and playing a fine game in the loose, were frequently dangerous. Lippard once found touch near the corner, but the backs cleared, and the play was proceeding in mid-field when the interval was taken with the score blank. On resuming, Wilkinson went full back in place of A. O. Jones, and the forwards getting down to the Bedford end, Foreman ran over at the corner. The game con-

tinued to go all in favour of Leicester, play being almost entirely confined to the visitors' half. A. O. Jones dropped a magnificent goal from a difficult angle, and struck the post in another attempt directly afterwards. The try obtained for Bedford by Wells was the best stroke of individual play seen in the game. The Leicester full back obtained possession, and ran with the ball, and upon being tackled, Wells picked up in his own half, put in a splendid run, and touched down between the posts, so that Potter easily added the goal points. Just afterwards, A. O. Jones was again placed in possession, and the Leicester captain secured another exceedingly clever dropped goal. It was an interesting match, the enjoyment of which was only marred in the last five minutes, when Butlin, in a collision, had his nose broken. The result was in favour of Leicester by two dropped goals, one try (eleven points), to Bedford's one goal (five points).

West Hartlepool v. Tudhoe.—These teams, who are undoubtedly the strongest exponents of the game in Durham county, were fortunate enough to be able to bring off their fixture at West Hartlepool on Jan. 23. In spite of a hard and snowy ground, a fine game was played, full of interesting episodes. Lindsay kicked off for the visitors, who were forced back and submitted to a penalty, which brought no score. Eventually Guy dribbled away to the home quarters, where Lindsay secured and scored a try for Tudhoe, the point not being improved. Then West Hartlepool took up the running and quickly went to the front, owing to a fine run in by J. E. Parker from midfield, and the subsequent conversion of the try. West had several shots at goal, but were unable to direct the ball straight. However, J. E. Parker before the interval landed a second goal, from a try which he had helped to gain. In the second half Tudhoe allowed no further scoring on the part of their opponents, and from being in a minority of seven points at half time, they reversed matters and finished ahead. They first scored through Lee, a new three-quarter showing great promise, and after this even play was the order for a time. Afterwards the Tudhoe backs, by good passing, outwitted the home three-quarters, and another goal was added. Tudhoe were pressing when the whistle blew, and had then won by eleven points to ten.

Interprovincial Matches—Leinster v. Ulster.—The second and most important of the three trial games for the Irish fifteen was played at Lansdowne-road on Jan. 22, when the rather weak team which represented the northern province were defeated by Leinster, who the previous Saturday had vanquished the Munster men at Cork. The weather in Dublin was most disagreeable, and a hailstorm was in evidence during the greater portion of the time of play, and this, needless to say, was not appreciated either by the public or players. The attendance was fairly large, and the game, considering the adverse conditions, on the whole was pretty good. Leinster commenced with the wind in their favour, and they soon carried play to the visitors' line. Barr dislodged them, however, and following some scrambling work at the centre, the northern pack broke away to Leinster territory, where Gardiner and Pedlow in turn got possession, and might have scored but for the smart tackling by Butler and Louis Magee. Rooke raised the siege, and a moment later a fine run, in which Franks, Rooke, and Forrest participated, endangered the Ulster stronghold. Nothing came of the onslaught, and from this point up to the interval the play was of a rather even character. They crossed over with nothing scored, and, on a resumption being made, the home team led on by L. Magee, Forrest, and L. Gwynn attacked strongly, but the visitors defended well. The Leinster forwards now began to assert decided superiority, and, although the resistance offered was stubborn, Purser, receiving from L. Magee, penetrated the defence, and Brunker kicked a splendid goal from a very difficult angle. The metropolitans maintained the upper hand to the end, prior to which a capital passing movement between Smithwick, L. Gwynn and James Magee terminated in the last named racing over for a try upon which Brunker failed to improve. Within five minutes of "no side" being heralded, Lucius Gwynn, who had been playing up to his best form, strained a sinew in his right leg, and this may have prevented his playing for his country against England. Leinster thus left off victorious by one goal one try to nothing, and they deserved the success, although it must be mentioned that Ulster were playing a man short for the greater portion of the game owing to Montgomery meeting with an accident at the outset.

Ulster v. Munster.—There was a heavy fall of snow in Dublin on the evening of Jan. 21, and the Lansdowne-road inclosure was covered with a layer of snow some three inches thick on the following afternoon, so that it looked as if the final of the test games would have to be abandoned. However, the respective captains, after visiting the ground, decided to go on with the match, and the result was a really interesting encounter, the outcome of which was a meritorious win for the southerners by eight points to five.

#### NOTE.

From January 1, 1897, all business communications in connection with the RIVER PLATE SPORT AND PASTIME must be addressed to PIEDAD 559, where accounts will in future be paid and collected.

## LAWN TENNIS.

### BUENOS AIRES LAWN TENNIS CLUB.

The Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club has decided to hold a handicap tournament, for members only, to be played during the coming month, to consist of ladies' singles, gentlemen's singles, ladies' and gentlemen's doubles, and gentlemen's doubles. Entrance fee \$2 for each event. Entries to be sent in on or before Sunday, March 7, to the groundman, or to the hon. secretary, 130 Calle 25 de Mayo. Due notice will be given as to dates for playing off first rounds.

### BELGRANO ATHLETIC CLUB'S TOURNAMENT.

The interest in the tournament is still keen. Below we give the results of the ties played off to date, and would remind competitors that second and third rounds and semi-finals must be played off on or before Sunday, March 7. The committee hope that those interested will take advantage of the Carnival holidays to play off as many matches as possible.

#### GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES.

##### Preliminary Round—

J. S. Lee (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  15) beat G. M. Gosschalk (+ 15), 5-6, 6-3, 6-4.  
C. C. Mackenzie (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  15) w.o. against T. Fowler (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  15).  
J. G. Dunn (- 15) beat J. Gibson (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  15), 6-3, 4-6, 6-1.  
C. Edye (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  30) beat T. A. P. Macdonald (scr), 6-0, 6-4.  
R. H. Roberts (- 15) beat H. Kelly (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  15), 6-3, 6-2.

##### First Round—

A. M. Barton (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  30) beat R. C. Mackinnell (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  15), 6-0, 6-2.  
J. W. Todd (- 15) beat H. Buxton (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  30), 6-1, 6-1.  
C. Stockdale (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  15) beat J. S. Macpherson (scr), 6-1, 0-6, 6-1.  
G. L. Miles (scr) beat P. Boyd (- 15), 5-6, 6-5, 8-6.  
E. Buxton (+ 15) beat J. Boyd (- 15), 6-2, 6-2.  
G. H. Brodie (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  15) beat W. Goodwin (+ 15), 6-3, 6-4.  
W. M. Graham (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  15) beat J. H. Joyce (scr), 5-6, 6-5, 8-6.  
C. C. Mackenzie beat J. S. Lee, 6-3, 6-4.  
C. Edye beat R. H. Roberts, 6-3, 6-3.  
M. Wilson (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  15) w.o. against J. Bell (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  15).  
A. Brodie (scr) beat W. Fowler (scr), 6-1, 6-5.  
S. J. Moore (- 30) beat R. Roberts, jr. (scr), 6-1, 6-3.  
P. Hardcastle (+ 15) beat W. Bell (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  15), 4-6, 6-5, 7-5.

##### Second Round—

H. W. Botting (scr) beat G. H. Brodie, 6-0, 6-0.

#### GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES.

##### Preliminary Round—

J. S. Macpherson and J. W. Wilson (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  15) beat H. W. Botting and C. C. Mackenzie (scr), 6-2, 4-6, 6-4.

##### First Round—

W. Bell and T. A. P. Macdonald (scr) beat E. Buxton and H. Buxton (+ 15), 6-4, 6-0.  
P. Hardcastle and J. H. Joyce (scr) beat G. Wood and C. M. Thomas (+ 15), 6-3, 6-3.  
A. Brodie and G. H. Brodie (scr) beat G. Davis and W. Fowler (+ 15), 6-4, 6-4.  
J. J. Dowson and J. E. Croll (- 15) beat J. S. Macpherson and J. W. Wilson, 6-1, 6-4.  
S. J. Moore and G. F. Wallis (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  30) beat A. M. Barton and J. G. Dunn (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  30), 2-6, 6-5, 6-4.  
J. Boyd and P. Boyd (- 15) beat H. M. Edye and J. W. Todd (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  15), 6-1, 3-6, 6-1.  
C. Edye and J. Negron (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  15) w.o. against T. Fowler and J. Bell (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  15).

#### MIXED DOUBLES.

##### Preliminary Round—

Miss M. Stockdale and S. J. Moore (- 30) beat Miss Mitchell and J. W. Todd (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  30), 6-3, 6-2.  
Miss Fowler and A. Brodie (+ 15) beat Miss Stockdale and C. Stockdale (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  30), 6-3, 1-6, 6-4.

##### First Round—

Miss Callis and G. H. Brodie (+  $\frac{1}{2}$  15) beat Miss Martin-dale and J. G. Dunn (- 15), 6-4, 6-0.  
Mrs Haette and J. Boyd (-  $\frac{1}{2}$  30) beat Miss Buxton and H. Buxton (+ 15), 6-2, 4-6, 6-3.

### VILLA DEVOTO LAWN TENNIS CLUB.

The tournament now being held by the above club made good headway on Sunday last. The finals will be played off on the club ground at Devoto to-morrow, upon the arrival of the 1.5 train from Central. The finals have been arranged to be played off as follows: 2 p.m., ladies' and gentlemen's singles; 3.30 p.m., ladies' and gentlemen's doubles; 5 p.m., mixed doubles.

Below we give the particulars of the tournament up to date:

#### LADIES' SINGLES.

##### First Round—

Miss L. Lowe (+ 15.2), a bye.  
Miss Huxtable (+ 15) beat Miss Nelson (+ 3.6 of 15).

##### Second Round—

Miss A. Nelson (- 3.6 of 15) beat Miss Lowe (+ 15).

#### LADIES' DOUBLES.

##### First Round—

Miss Lowe and Miss L. Lowe (+ 3.6 of 15), a bye.  
Miss Nelson and Miss A. Nelson (- 15) beat Miss Huxtable and Mrs Reeves (+ 15.2).

MIXED DOUBLES.

First Round—  
Miss A. Nelson and J. Huxtable (- 15) beat Mrs Tetley and A. Tetley (+ 3-6 of 15).  
Miss Lowe and W. Lovett (- 4-6 of 15) beat Miss Nelson and G. Murray (+ 15).  
Mrs Reeves and R. Henderson (+ 3-6 of 15) beat Miss L. Lowe and R. Colvill Jones (- 15.3).

Second Round—  
Miss Huxtable and B. W. Gardom (- 15.3) beat Mrs Reeves and R. Henderson.

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES (Club).

First Round—  
B. S. Nelson (- 30) beat A. Tetley (+ 4-6 of 15).  
R. Colvill Jones (- 30) beat R. Henderson (scr).  
B. W. Gardom (- 33) beat J. Huxtable (- 15).  
F. A. Christie (+ 15.1) beat H. A. Miller (+ 15.3).

Second Round—  
R. Colvill Jones beat B. S. Nelson.

GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES.

First Round—  
C. O'Ryan and A. Mayne (+ 15) beat A. Tetley and F. A. Christie (+ 15).  
B. Nelson and G. Murray (- 3-6 of 15) beat J. Huxtable and R. Henderson (- 3-6 of 15).  
B. W. Gardom and R. Colvill Jones (- 30.1) beat A. C. Renton and H. A. Livock (scr).

Second Round—  
C. O'Ryan and A. Mayne beat B. Nelson and G. Murray.  
B. W. Gardom and R. Colvill Jones beat C. W. Shortt and A. Palmer (+ 3-6 of 15).

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES (Open).

First Round—  
D. Gardom (+ 15) beat B. Nelson (- 15.3).  
R. Colvill Jones (- 13.3) beat W. Lovett (- 15.3).  
B. W. Gardom (- 15.3) beat S. Francis (scr).

Second Round—  
D. Gardom beat R. Colvill Jones.  
B. G. Henderson (scr) beat B. W. Gardom.

PIGEON SHOOTING

HURLINGHAM.

The fortnightly prize for members was shot for on Sunday last at Hurlingham, and for the second time fell to Mr E. R. Gifford, who was on this occasion shooting from the 26 yards mark. The shooting in this event was not up to the average. Only six members competed, of whom all except the winner were out by the time the fifth round had been shot. In accordance with the conditions of the match the winner had to kill nine birds before missing two. Mr Gifford killed his first seven birds off the reel, but the eighth got away, so he had to kill two more to win the prize. This he easily accomplished, and he also divided the first sweep with Mr Penrose, all the others missing their second bird.

The second and third sweepstakes were both won by Mr Waring Smyth, whose shooting seemed to improve as the afternoon went on.

The following are the details:

Handicap sweepstakes of \$10 each, one miss out.

Yds.	Birds shot at.	Killed
26 .. E. R. Gifford ..	1 1 (divided)	.. 2
27 .. H. K. Penrose ..	1 1 do.	.. 2
25 .. L. Herbart ..	1 0	.. 1
28 .. Waring Smyth ..	1 0	.. 1
26 .. C. Jefferies ..	1 0	.. 1
24 .. M. G. Fortune ..	1 0	.. 1

Members' Prize, a Handicap sweepstakes of \$15 each, 10 Birds two misses out.

Yds.	Birds shot at.	Killed
26 .. E. R. Gifford ..	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	.. 9
27 .. Waring Smyth ..	0 1 1 1 0	.. 3
27 .. H. K. Penrose ..	1 0 1 0	.. 2
25 .. C. H. Jefferies ..	1 0 0	.. 1
24 .. M. G. Fortune ..	0 1 0	.. 1
24 .. L. Herbart ..	0 0	.. 0

Handicap sweepstakes of \$15 each, 10 birds two misses out.

Yds.	Birds shot at.	Killed
27 .. Waring Smith ..	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	.. 10
27 .. H. K. Penrose ..	1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1	.. 8
25 .. C. Jefferies ..	1 1 1 0 1 0	.. 4
25 .. L. Herbart ..	1 1 0 1 0	.. 3

Double Rise a Handicap sweepstakes of \$5 each.

Yds.	Birds shot at.	Killed
26 .. Waring Smith ..	1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1	.. 6
28 .. G. Brosset ..	1 0 1 0 1 1 0 0	.. 4
25 .. H. K. Penrose ..	1 0 0 0	.. 1

Messrs Jefferies and Herbart missed their first birds.

The following prizes will be shot for at Hurlingham to-morrow:

Handicap, open to all members. Prize—A silver-mounted flask. Ten birds, two misses out. Entrance \$15 each. Prize will not be given unless ten shooters face the traps.

Handicap, open to all members who have never won a club prize up to the time of shooting. Prize—A silver-mounted beer jug. Ten birds, two misses out. Entrance \$10 each. Prize will not be given unless ten shooters face the traps.

ATHLETICS

In a late "Gentleman's Magazine" there is an article which will be read with interest by a very wide public. It is entitled "Extremes of Human Achievement," and is in fact an account of "Records" which the modern athlete has established, and which it is the object of all athletes to break with as little delay as possible. The writer thinks that "the introduction of the present-day system of athletics in this country dates from about 1850, when the great athletic meetings began to be held." Here are some of the facts and figures:—

CYCLING, SKATING AND STILTING.

"One mile has been cycled in 1 minute 50 seconds, 100 miles in 3 hours 53 minutes; in one hour 28 miles 1084 yards have been covered, and in twenty-four hours 529 miles 578 yards. As *tours de force* of endurance note may be especially taken of the cycling of 1404 3/4 miles, in six days of eighteen hours a day, of 1000 miles cycled on the road in 5 days 5 hours 49 minutes, and of Mills' wonderful ride from Land's End to John o' Groat's, 900 miles, in 3 days 5 minutes 49 seconds. The skater far outstrips the runner in speed, but does not nearly come up to the cyclist. A mile has been skated 2 minutes 12 3/5 seconds, five miles in 17 minutes 45 seconds, and 100 miles in 7 hours 11 minutes 38 1/5 seconds.

"A form of competition quite unknown in this country—stilt-walking—is practised to a considerable extent in some districts of France. Recently, at Bordeaux, a young man beat the record by covering 275 miles in 76 hours 35 minutes. The stilts used were about six feet long and weighed 26 pounds. With these rather ungainly implements he took steps of four feet in length, thus being enabled to cover the ground with comparative ease."

RUNNING AND WALKING.

"There is little doubt that twenty-five years ago there were very few men who could run a mile in five minutes, whereas now four minutes and a half for the same distance is considered to be below the standard of first-class performances. The mile, indeed, was actually run, in 1886, by W. G. George in 4 minutes 12 3/4 seconds. Briefly to recount some of the most prominent present day 'best on record' in running, one hundred yards has been run in 9 4/5 seconds; half mile in 1 minute 53 2/5 seconds; five miles in 24 minutes 6 3/5 seconds; and a hundred miles in 18 hours 26 1/2 minutes. The celebrated 'Deerfoot,' in 1863, ran 11 miles 970 yards in an hour, and in 1882 another performer ran 150 miles 395 yards in 23 hours.

"In walking contests, which are by no means so attractive to the ordinary spectator, a mile has been done in 6 minutes 23 seconds; five miles have been walked in 35 minutes 10 seconds; and a hundred miles in 18 hours 8 minutes 15 seconds. In one hour 8 miles 270 yards have been covered by walking. The only other pedestrian feat of which mention need here be made is the remarkable distance of 623 miles 1320 yards done in a six day's contest in 1888 by Littlewood, at

New York—a truly remarkable example of what can be done by unaided human effort."

JUMPING AND THROWING.

"In no department of athletics has a more remarkable improvement taken place than in jumping. At the first Oxford and Cambridge meeting in 1864 the best high jump was only 5 feet 6 inches, and the best long jump 18 feet. Not many years ago it was supposed to be beyond human power to jump higher than 6 feet, and to cover by a long jump more than 22 1/2 or 23 feet was thought little short of impossibility. Yet these have all been exceeded, to the incredulous amazement of foreigners who take the trouble to interest themselves in such matters. The record for high jumping stands—and probably will long remain—at the remarkable height of 6 feet 5 5/8 inches, and a running long leap has been made of 23 feet 6 1/2 inches. In polejumping, in which human effort is aided by the use of a pole, a height of 11 feet 9 inches has been cleared.

"In other branches of athletics which do not attract so much public attention as the more showy walking, running, or jumping, weight-putting and hammerthrowing have also had their champion performers, who, by training other muscles, have been able to make remarkable records. The sixteen-pound weight has been thrown a distance of 47 feet 10 inches. This performance dates only from last year, and this year the hammer, also weighing sixteen pounds, was thrown 147 feet. An apparently much more astonishing performance is that of throwing a cricket ball the extraordinary distance of 127 yards 1 foot 3 inches before it struck the ground, which has not been surpassed since 1873."

SHOOTING

A rather curious incident, showing the audacity of Reynard, occurred recently whilst a number of sportsmen were shooting in Gannaway Wood, Warwickshire. One of the party shot a pheasant, and immediately afterwards a fox appeared on the scene, picked up the bird, and passing along a ridge near where some of the guns were posted, bore it away in triumph from the wood straight across some fields out of sight.

Polo Association of the River Plate.

At the request of some of the Representatives of the Camp Clubs, the GENERAL MEETING of the POLO ASSOCIATION to fix a date for the increased standard of height to come into force, and to adopt the new Hurlingham Club Rules (England), has been postponed till THURSDAY, MARCH 4, at 4.30 p.m., when it will be held at 559 PIEDAD.

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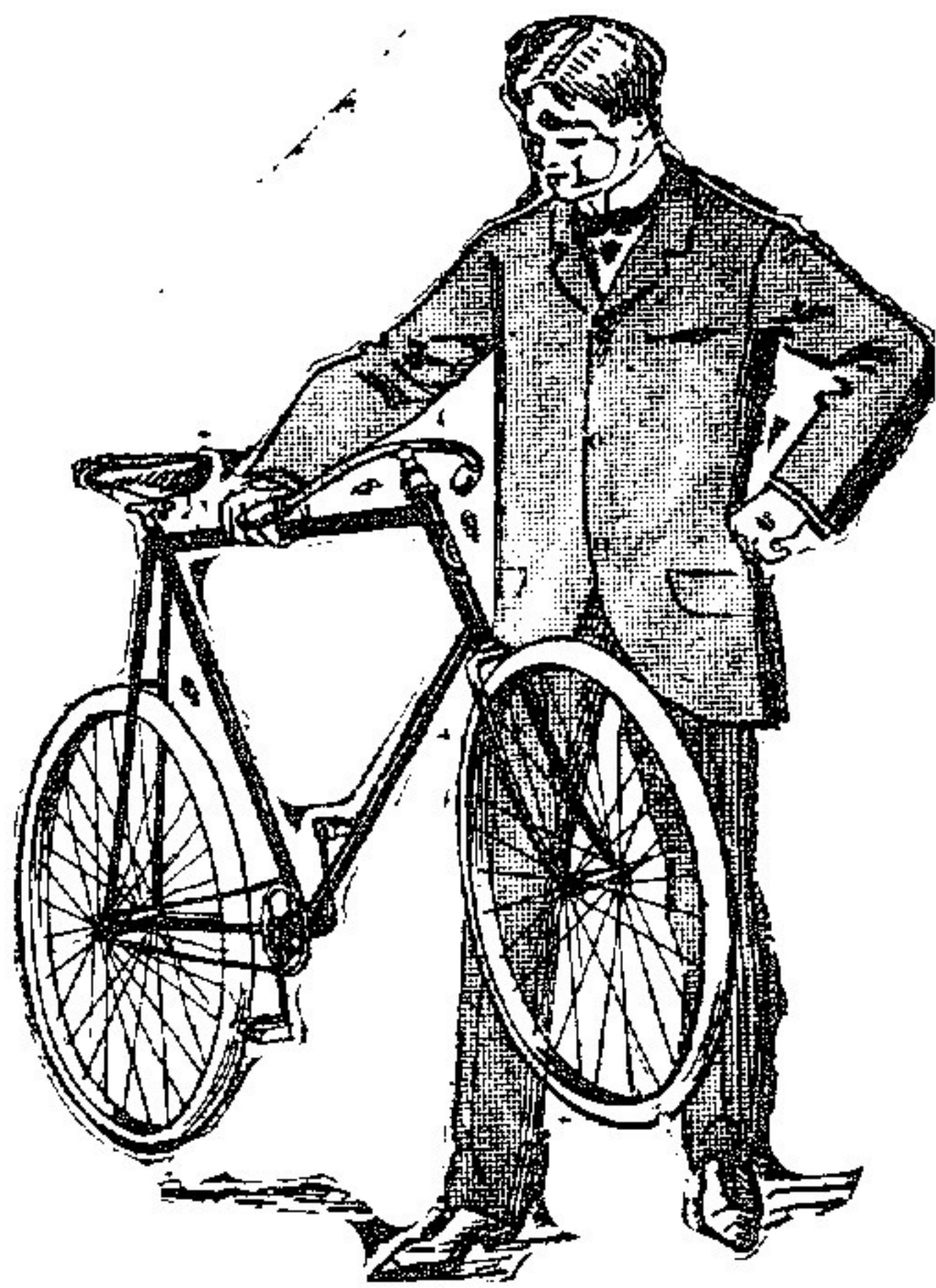
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SPORTING NOTES

At the extraordinary general meeting of the Banfield Athletic Club held on Saturday evening last at the Italian Hall, Banfield, Mr W. F. Burt tendered his resignation as Hon. Treasurer, and Mr A. H. Poulton was appointed. The latter gentleman is now therefore, both Treasurer and Secretary of the Club.

The result of our plebiscite will be satisfactory to the Southern Selection Committee, as the team chosen is the same as theirs with the exception of one man, A. Anderson instead of G. S. Anderson. This may easily be accounted for from the fact that the name of G. S. Anderson evidently escaped the memories of those who sent in teams, and he has played so little this season, that others were naturally in doubt as to whether he would play.

This being the case the teams are practically the same. Almost every year letters of dissatisfaction are published in the daily papers with the selected team, but this year we have seen none at all, so that the eleven chosen has evidently given universal satisfaction. The committee are to be congratulated on the successful way they have carried out their unenviable task.

A large amount of Lawn Tennis is going on just at present. The new club at Villa Devoto are holding a tournament the particulars of which we publish in another column, and we have been requested to remind those interested that the finals will be played off to-morrow, the train for there from town leaves the Central Station at 1:05 p.m.

The Belgrano Athletic Club's lawn tennis tournament is also causing a large amount of interest among the members. They have been allowed till March 7, to get the second, third and semi-final rounds played off. For next month yet another tournament is under course of arrangement. This one is to be held at the Cinco Esquinas court under the auspices of the B.A.L.T.C., all entries for which are to be sent in on or before March 7, to either the ground man or to the Hon. Sec., Calle 25 de Mayo 130.

Some of the pigeon shooters at Hurlingham on Sunday were in very fair form, one gentleman killing eleven out of twelve birds, and another twenty out of twenty five, but on the other hand several shots who are usually to be depended on, were shooting in a very erratic manner, and not doing themselves justice at all, though in the double rise sweepstakes with which the sport was brought to a close, the heavy rain which was falling, must have spoiled the shooting to a great extent.

Pigeon shooting appears to have many votaries at Hurlingham just now, and the conditions of two handsome prizes for members, to be shot for to-morrow, will be found under pigeon shooting, and as several of the camp members who are at present in town are keen shots, there will most likely be an unusually large number of shooters.

I am sorry to have to record the death of the celebrated Irish Steeplechase mare Empress. As a five-year-old and ridden by Mr Tom Beasley, Empress won the Grand National in 1880. Liberator the previous year's winner being second a couple of lengths away. Empress was bred by Mr Lindesay, and was by Blood Royal—Jeu des Mots, by King Tom.

Some important engagements have lately been made at home for Titare, so it is reasonable to suppose that the Las Rosas bred daughter of Whipper In, and Puppet is going on in the right way, and I am sure that all Argentine sportsmen will be glad to see one of Mr Kemmis's breeding taking a prominent position in the first class of English three-year-olds.

I am sorry to hear that Messrs Luro's latest importation, East Sheen, has apparently suffered considerably on the voyage out, and as yet has not recovered his tone, and appetite. As he is in this state, it has, of course, been impossible to work him, and so the critics have not been able to form any decided opinion on him.

The Pepper and Salt colt lately purchased at home by Sr. Unzué is in all likelihood now on his way to this country, though I understand the original intention was to delay his departure until he had fulfilled some of his home engagements, and the season was further advanced.

It has been decided to put Girondino, Namuncurá, and Rayon d'Or into training again, and probably by the time these notes are read they will again have joined the Ecurie Indecis. In the careful hands that know each of them so well, it is quite likely that they may be got fit enough to place more winning brackets to the credit of Sr. Unzué.

In case it should happen to be overlooked, I may call attention to the fact that the entries for the races at the Jockey Club's opening meeting for the season, close to-night at 9 p.m. As a very attractive programme has been provided, and as horses and men will all be fresh after their summer's rest, large entries may be confidently looked for.

I hear that a fresh field for polo ponies, of the increased standard has just been discovered. It is in the sierras of the province of Cordoba, and as it has hitherto never been drawn on, for animals of this description, there is quite probably a large number to be had in the district, though, of course it is not to be expected that they will be found without search.

Nearly all of these ponies are said to show a considerable amount of breeding, combined with a good quality of bone so that they may be expected to develop weight carrying powers as well as speed and handiness. Mr F. Furber has recently purchased a number of these ponies, and his opinion is that the mares are much better grown in proportion than the geldings, and I am told that the prices asked are very reasonable.

The following yachts are preparing for a cruise up the Uruguay to Fray Bentos. They start this evening and will return on Wednesday morning: Venturita, Emma, Gaviota, Veloz, and perhaps the Gladys.

A meeting of the Buenos Aires Golf Club was held at this office on the 25th inst., at which the somewhat unsatisfactory business of the past season was definitely arranged, and the club will proceed without any monetary liability. A suitable ground has been found at Catalinas on the other side of the railway line, and the new committee is now making arrangements for rent, etc. A large increase of membership is confidently expected, and there is no reason why the Club should not have a very successful season.

The following are the new committee:— Jason Rigby, Esq., President; T. S. Boadle, Esq., vice-President; C. Smith, Captain; G. T. Cripps, Secretary and Treasurer. Committee: Messrs J. T. Darch, W. H. Masters, V. G. G. Scroggie, W. Higgins, and A. Williamson, and I am requested to say that due notice will be given when the course is available for play.

Two prominent members of the Club who are always to the front where sport is concerned, Messrs Samson and Boadle will each give a gold medal to be played for under handicap on the opening day. One will be open to all comers, and the other confined to members of Hurlingham. A cup has also been promised, to be played for by members, the conditions of which will be arranged later, though it is decided that it has to be won outright during the season. A subscription has also been opened for a cup to be the property of the Club, and to be held by the winner under conditions not yet arranged.

Hurlingham Club with any luck as regards weather should have a very successful golf season this year. The course should be ready towards the end of March, or perhaps earlier if the weather is favourable. A good club maker and player is expected to arrive from home in three or four weeks, and will be welcomed as well by those whose clubs are not in a healthy condition, as by those who wish to improve their play.

CRICKET.

FIXTURES.

FEBRUARY

Sat. 27—Northern Camps v. B.A.C.C., at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 28—Banfield A.C., Married v. Single.  
Sun. 28—Lomas A.C. 2nd XI. v. Lanus 2nd XI., at Lomas.  
Sun. 28—Palermo A.C. v. Belgrano A.C., at Belgrano.

MARCH

Mon. 1—Banfield A.C. v. Mr Watson's XI., at Banfield.  
Mon. 1, Tues. 2—North v. South, at Palermo.  
Sun. 7—Nondescripts v. Bohemians, at Lomas.  
Sun. 7—Lomas A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Flores.  
Sun. 7—Belgrano 2nd XI. v. Lanus 2nd XI., at Belgrano.  
Sun. 7—Palermo A.C. v. Bohemians, at Palermo.  
Sat. 13, Sun. 14—B.A.C.C. v. Montevideo C.C., at Montevideo.  
Sun. 14—Lanus A.C. v. Belgrano A.C., at Belgrano.  
Sun. 14—Lomas A.C. v. Hurlingham, at Lomas.  
Sun. 14—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Flores 2nd XI., at Palermo.



Sun. 21—Lomas A.C. 2nd XI. v. London Bank C.C. 2nd XI., at Lomas.  
 Sun. 21—Banfield A.C. v. Flores 2nd XI., at Banfield.  
 Sun. 21—Lanus A.C. v. B.A.C.C., at Lanus.  
 Sun. 21—Palermo A.C. v. Quilmes Rovers, at Quilmes.  
 Thurs. 25—London and R. P. Bank v. British Bank, at Palermo.  
 Thurs. 25—Belgrano A.C. v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.  
 Sun. 28—Banfield A.C. v. Hurlingham, at Banfield.

APRIL

Sun. 4—Lanus A.C. v. Hurlingham, at Lanus.  
 Sun. 4—B.A.C.C. v. Old Bedfordians, at Palermo.  
 Sun. 4—Palermo A.C. v. Portefios, at Palermo.  
 Sun. 11—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Palermo A.C., at Palermo.  
 Sun. 11—Flores A.C. v. Old Bedfordians, at Flores.  
 Thurs. 15, Fri. 16—Rosario A.C. v. Lomas A.C., at Lomas.  
 Thurs. 15, Fri. 16—Montevideo C.C. v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.  
 Sat. 17, Sun. 18—Montevideo C.C. v. B.A.C.C., at Palermo.  
 Sat. 17, Sun. 18—Rosario A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Flores.  
 Sun. 25—United Banks v. Lomas A.C., at Lomas.

THE PLEBISCITE.

THE NORTH v. SOUTH TEAMS.

We give below the result of the plebiscite on the North and South teams. Very few teams for the North were sent in, so that the team cannot be taken as one chosen by a large majority, which is a great pity, especially as the North team has not, up to the time of writing, been definitely decided upon.

The following is the South team chosen by the plebiscite, in their order:

1. James Gifford,
2. J. O. Anderson,
3. P. M. Rath,
4. R. E. H. Anderson,
5. B. J. Dillon,
6. A. Anderson,
7. E. L. Rumboll,
8. E. R. Gifford,
9. W. Brown,
10. R. W. Rudd,
11. G. A. Thomson.

The North team was selected as follows:

1. F. Leach,
2. F. M. Martin,
3. H. Dorning,
4. H. A. Willis,
5. W. S. Penman,
6. P. C. Bury,
7. H. Bury,
8. J. R. Garrod,
9. H. R. Miles,
10. W. Leach,
11. G. C. Barnard.

No one sent in teams in the plebiscite order, but one or two differed only slightly, to whom a bound copy of "Sport and Pastime," vols IX and X., will be forwarded in due course.

NORTH v. SOUTH.

The following elevens have been selected to play in this important match on Monday and Tuesday next, at Palermo. The train leaves the Central at 9.55.

On Monday Mrs Nuttall and Mrs Mills have kindly consented to preside at the tea-table, while on Tuesday Mrs Penrose and Mrs J. Drysdale have kindly promised to do the same.

Messrs H. M. Mills and F. Carlisle have been appointed umpires, and Messrs H. H. Woodgate and G. Watts will score.

South team—James Gifford (captain), J. O. Anderson, P. M. Rath, R. E. H. Anderson, E. L. Rumboll, B. J. Dillon, G. S. Anderson, R. W. Rudd, G. A. Thomson, E. R. Gifford, W. Brown.

North team—W. E. Leach, F. Leach, J. R. Garrod, H. R. Miles, S. Leach, H. Dorning, H. Bury, F. M. Martin, H. A. Willis, W. S. Penman, J. L. Bury.

B.A.C.C. v. NORTHERN CAMPS.

The following have been selected to play for the B.A.C.C. in the above match to-day at Hurlingham:

Messrs J. Gifford, J. O. Anderson, B. J. Dillon, B. B. Syer, J. McC. Reid, F. E. Jones, B. Bedford, C. R. Thursby, D. Kingsland, R. E. H. Anderson, E. Thornton.

BELGRANO ATHLETIC CLUB.

The following will represent Belgrano A.C. in their two matches at Montevideo on Sunday and Monday:

Messrs A. M. Barton, H. W. Botting, A. Brodie, J. G. Dunn, C. S. Edye, H. M. Edye, W. H. Harvey, R. C. Mackinnell, S. J. Moore, J. Negron, H. W. Roberts.

On Sunday they meet the Central Uruguay Railway Cricket Club, at Peñarol, and on Monday the Montevideo Cricket Club.

The team will leave the Darsena this evening at 6.30 by the Venus.

LOMAS 2ND XI. v. LANUS 2ND XI.

The following will represent Lomas 2nd XI. in the above match to be played at Lomas to-morrow:

Messrs G. M. Comber, R. Draper, J. Tait, A. MacMorran, C. P. Davis, A. Dobson, T. R. Griffin, C. Gibson, S. Gibson, and two others.

Play to commence on the arrival of the 12.30 train.

PALERMO A.C. v. FLORES A.C. 2ND XI.

The following will represent the above clubs in their match to-morrow at Flores:

Palermo A.C.—Messrs Willie Stirling (captain), G. Brown, A. Campbell, J. Campbell, A. J. Rugeroni, A. J. Goode, J. C. Lea, H. Fraser, J. Boyd, E. Potter, R. Levy.

Flores A.C.—Messrs B. G. Henderson, F. E. Jones, W. D. Gardom, H. Willes, T. Palmer, D. King, J. Holtum, G. V. Forrester, H. B. Elliot, J. H. Elliot, A. O. Jones.

As play will commence at 11 o'clock, all the above players are requested to be in plenty of time to catch the 10.30 train from Plaza Once.

Lunch will be supplied on the field.

BANFIELD A.C.—MARRIED v. SIN .LE.

The above match will be played to-morrow at Banfield. Play to commence on the arrival of the 12.30 train from Plaza Constitucion. The following are the teams:

Married—Messrs G. Bingham (captain), D. Kingsland, G. Burton, H. W. Griggs, A. Brooke, F. Dawson, A. Venn, W. F. Burt, J. F. Goode, W. Chevob, J. Martin.

Single—E. L. Wilson (captain), R. Kingsland, A. Goode, F. Moore, A. M. Brown, J. L. Prescott, M. A. Halstead, J. J. Dowson, J. Johnstone, H. Chamberlain, J. D. Watson.

BANFIELD 2ND XI. v. LANUS (F.C.S.) 2ND XI.

Owing to the great interest shown in the forthcoming match North v. South, it has been found to be quite impossible to raise elevens for the above match, which has accordingly been cancelled.

BATTING AND BOWLING AVERAGES.

With this week's cricket several changes have taken place in the average list. J. O. Anderson has now come up to first place and has succeeded in obtaining his thousand runs. Garrod has come up to fourth place, thanks to his grand innings last Sunday. Dillon goes above Rumboll and H. B. Anderson goes up three places, and F. E. Jones appears in the list for the first time, with a very fair average.

Next week the minimum number of innings will be 10.

In the bowling several changes have also taken place. W. Brown, who has been head of the list for some time, drops to fourth place, while Rath takes the premier position. G. F. Elliot also falls to a lower position, while D. L. Mann drops out altogether, not having bowled 100 overs.

Next week the minimum number of overs bowled will be the same.

BATTING AVERAGES.

	No. of inns.	Times not out.	High. Score.	Total Runs.	Aver.
J. O. Anderson	32	5	103*	1122	41.6
A. Anderson	22	5	106*	661	33.8
P. M. Rath	12	2	70	326	32.6
J. R. Garrod	10	0	210	361	31.6
B. J. Dillon	19	3	76	504	31.5
E. L. Rumboll	25	3	117*	650	29.5
R. E. H. Anderson	22	2	122*	508	25.4
R. W. Rudd	11	1	41*	204	20.4
F. H. Jacobs	12	1	54*	220	20
G. A. Thomson	19	1	50	336	18.6
E. R. Gifford	10	2	36*	145	18.1
A. B. P. Boyd	10	1	52*	161	17.8
F. E. Jones	10	2	38	135	16.8
H. B. Anderson	20	1	55	314	16.5
W. Brown	18	1	34	275	16.17
P. L. G. Bridger	13	4	53*	145	16.11
G. F. Elliot	16	2	45	221	15.7
E. L. Wilson	17	1	45*	245	15.3
R. L. Halstead	10	1	33	136	15.1
W. H. Harvey	23	1	57	293	13.3
A. Venn	17	1	34	186	11.6
J. Negron	17	3	28*	160	11.4
H. W. Botting	20	1	38	206	10.8
D. L. Mann	13	3	31	102	10.2
C. R. Tupholme	13	2	57*	111	10.09

\* Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
P. M. Rath	152.4	38	341	46	7.4
W. R. Goodbody	117.1	45	223	27	8.4
T. V. M. Knox	342.2	99	730	75	9.7
W. Brown	253.1	86	570	58	9.8
E. L. Rumboll	314.3	81	704	65	10.8
W. H. Harvey	194.1	33	474	42	11.2
A. Venn	109.2	11	294	24	12.2
G. A. Thomson	229.4	46	576	44	13.09
R. C. Mackinnell	169	47	500	38	13.1
H. B. Anderson	178	45	436	32	13.6
J. Stuart	105.1	12	317	21	15.9
J. O. Anderson	157.3	26	525	31	16.9
G. F. Elliot	149.1	29	422	23	18.3
C. R. Tupholme	130	27	319	17	18.7
J. R. Garrod	125.1	35	259	21	21.5

NORTHERN CAMPS' TOUR.

FIRST MATCH—v. LOMAS A.C.

The first fixture arranged for the eleven representing the Northern Camps was decided at Lomas on Wednesday last, in beautiful weather and before a very fair number of spectators, the majority of whom were ladies. Mrs Coulon kindly gave tea and a very pleasant afternoon was spent.

Most unfortunately the Messrs Leach were unable to arrive at the ground until it was too late to take part, and this, of course, weakened the batting strength of the visitors considerably.

The Camp men played a good keen game right through, and it was difficult to realise that several of them had not seen a bat or ball for a considerable time. Their fielding was excellent, and very few if any mistakes were made by them in the field. Rath proved very deadly and when he went off bowling, five of the visitors' wickets were down for 28 runs. Bradney and Miles, however, brought about a great change and the score had been raised to 96 before the partnership was broken.

Lomas did not bat up to their true form at all, H. Anderson alone playing his usual free game, while two wickets were thrown away attempting impossible runs.

The visitors arrived by the 9 a.m. train, so an early start was made. As they were four short the Lomas captain agreed to put them in, in order to allow the absent ones time to get out there. H. Bury and C. A. Hay were the first pair. Rath and J. O. Anderson (Temperley end) sharing the bowling. Runs came steadily, both batsmen batting with confidence, until with 21 runs scored, Bury was smartly taken at the wicket, though there appeared to be some doubt as to whether the ball came off the bat or the batsman's body. His brother, J. L. Bury, took his place, but only three runs had been added when Hay stepped in front of a straight one from Anderson and had to retire. C. T. Wright was the next comer, but with an addition of one run he tipped a fast ball from Rath to the wicket-keeper, which the latter half stopped, slip eventually securing it after two attempts. P. Bury came next, but the first ball he received proved too good for him. Four wickets down for 25 runs did not look promising and when three runs later Rath bowled J. L. Bury, matters looked even worse. This, however, brought Miles and Bradney together, and the stand of the innings was made. Miles was contented to play a quiet steady game, but Bradney opened his shoulders and punished both bowlers. The first change in the attack was then made, Bridger going on in place of Rath. Runs still came, however, Bradney landing one on to the Pavilion roof, while he frequently found the boundary with others. Anderson coming in for rather severe punishment gave way for Draper and the rate of scoring steadied somewhat. With 96 up the Lomas captain handed the ball to J. O. Anderson, who with his second ball "yorked" Bradney, who had played a fine dashing innings of 45, including a six and eleven boundary hits. As the others had not arrived a short interval was taken, during which Horner arrived and he continued the batting with Miles, and another capital stand was made. With the score raised to 142 Draper gave up the ball to H. Anderson, who had also arrived late and the change immediately took effect, Horner being bowled for a very useful 25. By this time all hope of the brothers Leach being able to play had been given up and three substitutes were obtained. Ritchie, the first of them, joined Miles, who was playing very well, but after the new comer had scored 2, Bridger, who had previously relieved Anderson clean bowled him. Griffin followed in and opened his account with a pretty forward stroke which reached the boundary. After the score had been increased by 21, Miles, in trying to pull a short long-hop, was easily taken at mid-off. He had played extremely well for his 57, taking no liberties and yet punishing all the loose balls he received, and he well reserved the general applause he received. Mohr Bell was the last comer, and after another 7 runs had been added, H. Anderson disturbed Griffin's stumps, the innings closing for the respectable total of 178. Rath came out with by far the best analysis (four wickets for 15 runs), and it was a great pity he was unable to continue. H. Anderson scored two for 10, but the other bowlers proved rather expensive.

As there was half-an-hour to lunch time the home team started this inning. A. Anderson and E. L. Wilson going to the wickets first opposed by H. Bury and C. T. Wright. The scoring was very slow, both batsmen finding considerable difficulty in getting the bowling away, Wilson, however, relieved the monotony by scoring two good boundary hits to leg, after which play again slowed down. With 23 up Anderson played a ball just out of short-legs reach, but instead of calling his partner at once, he hesitated and then called him, but it was too late and a good wicket was sacrificed. Lunch was then taken.

After the usual interval Rath and A. Anderson resumed the innings, the same bowlers sharing the attack. With 6 runs added Wright bowled Rath with a beauty and H. Anderson followed in. The new comer soon got to work and opened with two fours, bringing on Hay for Wright, while two overs late J. L. Bury relieved his brother. Runs, however, continued to come H. Anderson making some fine drives, which brought about a further change P. Bury for Hay. After the score had been increased by exactly 50, A. Anderson chopped a ball to point and had to retire, though he was apparently dissatisfied with the decision. J. O. Anderson took his place, but only 8 runs had been scored when H. Anderson was well caught in the long-field from a lofty drive off L. Bury. Though he should have been caught just previously he had batted very well and his 44 contained 8 boundary hits. Bridger followed in and after another 8 runs had been added saw J. O. Anderson caught at point off a bumping ball, which he should have left alone. Halstead took his place, but with the total unaltered succumbed to a long-hop which kept low. Six wickets down for 96 runs made matters look very serious for the home team, and when 3 runs later Draper threw his wicket away attempting a hopeless second run, it looked as though the visitors were going to have it all their own way. Comber and Bridger,

however, then settled down and gradually the score was increased. Several changes were made in the bowling, but without effect, until Horner went on and he succeeded in causing the needful separation, bowling Comber for a useful and well-played 19 (189—8—19). Miller filled the vacancy, but with 5 more runs added, a ball from Horner closed Bridger's careful innings. D. Gibson took his place and as the score steadily rose a possible chance of pulling of the match seemed probable. But this was not to be, for after several changes J. L. Bury bowled Gibson, Miller being not out 14, made by stylish cricket, and the total being 167 or 11 runs behind. J. L. Bury came out with the best analysis, obtaining five wickets for 21 runs.

As there was an hour left for play, it was decided, after some discussion, to continue, H. Bury and Horner opening the visitors' second venture to the bowling of H. Anderson and Bridger. In the former's second over Horner was clean bowled, hitting across a straight ball. F. Leach followed in and the bowling was collared. Rath then bowled an over, after which F. Leach retired so that his brother, S. Leach, might take a turn. With the total at 58, H. Anderson bowled the new comer off his pads, and stumps were then drawn, leaving H. Bury not out with 20 to his credit.

Altogether it was a most pleasant match, marred only by the general disappointment expressed at the unfortunate incident which prevented the brothers Leach taking part.

The highest praise is due to the camp eleven for their excellent display, especially to their captain, H. R. Miles, who not only contributed a fine innings of 57, but captained the team with great judgment.

Below we give the full scores and analysis:—

Table with columns for Northern Camps and Lomas, listing players and their scores in two columns.

Table for Northern Camps—Second Innings, listing players and their scores.

Table for Bowling Analysis Northern Camps—First Innings, listing bowlers and their statistics.

Table for Second Innings, listing players and their scores.

Table for Lomas, listing players and their scores.

SECOND MATCH—v. HURLINGHAM.

The second match of the above tour was played on Thursday last at Hurlingham, when once again the Northerners gave ample proof of their batting strength. Unfortunately the game was delayed between the two innings by a sharp downpour of rain, which had been threatening for some time. Otherwise it was a capital day, the light being very good until the latter part of the Hurlingham innings, when at times the batsmen failed to get a good sight of the ball. The wicket was perfect, in fact quite one of the best we have seen in this country, and it did the highest credit to those who were responsible for its preparation.

The feature of the match was the beautiful innings played by F. Leach, who placed the excellent score of 111 not out to his credit without giving a single chance. H. Bury and Miles again gave a good account of themselves, scoring 49 and 61 respectively. For the home side Rumboll and Dillon made an excellent start, 84 appearing on the board before Rumboll was bowled. Anderson and Dillon then played out time, but not before

200 had appeared on the board. Unfortunately the home team were by no means representative, which makes their performance the more meritorious.

The visiting captain won the toss and of course decided to bat, H. Bury and Horner opening the innings, while Lacey and Rumboll (railway end) shared the bowling. Runs came steadily from the outset, both batsmen scoring freely, and 42 runs had been scored before Horner was bowled, jumping out to hit a ball from Lacey. L. Bury took his place and the rate of scoring slowed down, the new comer playing very carefully. Bedford took over the ball from Rumboll but the change had no effect, so Rumboll resumed in place of Lacey. L. Bury hit the new bowler to the boundary, but in trying to repeat the stroke was caught at third man (72—2—12). W. E. Leach filled the vacancy and a further change was made in the attack, Anderson for Bedford. Leach opened with a beautiful square cut to the boundary, but on getting to the other end hardly appeared at home with the slow deliveries and eventually put one up to third man and had to retire (83—3—4). His brother S. Leach followed in, but with another 9 runs added lost the partnership of H. Bury, who was well caught by Dillon in the long-field off Anderson, for a well played 49, which contained 7 fours. F. Leach joined his brother, who was evidently in a hitting vein, but after being nearly stumped he mis-hit a ball from Anderson and was easily caught. With five wickets down for 115 matters looked brighter for the home side, then, however, Miles joined F. Leach and a determined stand was made. Anderson gave way for Lacey, and Bedford tried again at the opposite end, but all to no purpose, and the luncheon interval arrived with the batsmen still together.

On resuming Anderson and Bedford had charge of the bowling, but the former after two overs gave way for Lacey. Runs continuing to come rather freely, Rumboll gave Bedford a rest, but this change rather increased the rate of scoring, so Gardom was given a trial. This change stopped the high rate of scoring, while each batsman had a narrow escape of being bowled, when most unaccountably Gardom was taken off and Bedford again took a turn. Meanwhile the score was rapidly increasing and the second century was hoisted with the same batsmen still together. Rumboll then went on again, and later Bedford relieved Lacey, who took the gloves. With the score at 230 the long-desired separation took place, Miles being caught at third man off Rumboll. His score of 61 was made with great care and judgment and contained 6 fours. C. T. Wright then joined Leach, who continued to bat in the most brilliant style, scoring with equal freedom all round the wicket. Fortune relieved Rumboll, and soon after Leach completed his century with a beautiful off-drive. When the score had reached 306 the innings was declared closed the rain having commenced to fall just previously. This left Leach not out with the fine score of 111 to his credit, made without a mistake, and in excellent style. Wright was also left not out, after scoring 15 by nice free cricket. The rain then fell heavily, and it was some time before play could be resumed, and even then the rain continued.

Rumboll and Dillon were the first pair, and P. Bury and C. Hay started the bowling. Runs came from the first and a change was soon deemed advisable, Wright relieving Hay. This change, however, had no effect and the score continued to mount up. L. Bury gave his brother a rest and though he kept the runs down, Wright came in for severe punishment, so Horner was given a trial, while shortly after P. Bury again resumed and this time the change took effect, Rumboll in stepping out to drive missed the ball and was bowled for a lively 49, which contained six 4's. With the score at 84 and with 45 minutes left for play Anderson joined Dillon. The rate of scoring then became very slow, runs coming at odd intervals, neither batsman taking any risks. On the appearance of the first century, however, a wonderful change came over the game, Anderson in particular dealing out very severe punishment to the bowlers, while Dillon was by no means idle. At this rate, the score rose in leaps and bounds and many and varied were the changes in the attack, S. Leach, Bradney, H. Bury, all went on turn, while each of the previous bowlers also tried to bring about a separation, but the second century was hoisted at five minutes to six amidst applause. Three runs later Dillon cut at a rising off ball and a general and confident appeal was made for "caught at the wicket," but the decision went in the batsman's favour. Stumps were then drawn, the score reading 203 for one wicket, Anderson and Dillon being left not out 73 and 71 respectively. Some idea of the rate of scoring may be gathered from the fact that 119 runs were put on in just over three-quarters of an hour.

Below are the full scores and analysis:

Table with columns for Northern Camps and Hurlingham Club, listing players and their scores.

Table for Bowling Analysis Northern Camps, listing bowlers and their statistics.

Table for Hurlingham, listing bowlers and their statistics.

THIRD MATCH—v. FLORES.

This match was played yesterday at Flores, and after an exciting game ended in a draw, very much in favour of the visitors, as Flores with only two more wickets to fall required 107 runs to save them from defeat. The wicket played very well and was quite one of the best we have yet seen at Flores.

The Camp team were again lucky enough to win the toss, and very good use they made of it, scoring 220 for six wickets. Of these H. Bury claimed 93, and though perhaps he should have been caught, his innings was a very good one.

The Flores fielding was certainly not good, one or two very easy chances being dropped.

At about 11.15 the visitors started their first innings with H. Bury and Horner, Brown and Knox having charge of the bowling. A bad start was made, Horner being caught and bowled by Brown before a run had been scored. S. Leach followed, and the score was raised to 24 before Brown bowled him. P. Bury came next, but allowed his brother to do most of the scoring, and with the score at 58 he was caught off Brown. W. Leach then joined Bury and a capital stand was made. Elliot and H. Anderson went on, and W. D. Gardom tried an over, all changes were, however, of no avail, until, with the score at 156, Brown bowled Leach, for 47, obtained by real good cricket. J. L. Bury came next, and after the score had been carried to 192 lost the partnership of his brother, who fell to catch by Dillon off Elliot, after making the excellent score of 93, which was made up of one six, 7 fours, 4 threes, 16 twos, and singles. Wright followed in, but after scoring 5 he was beaten by a ball from Anderson. F. Leach took his place, and after the score had been further increased to the extent of 11 runs the visiting captain declared the innings closed, leaving L. Bury not out with a carefully made 34 to his credit.

With a little over an hour and a half left for play, Flores opened their innings with Dillon and J. Gifford to the bowling of Horner and Hay. Runs came from the first, but after Gifford had lifted Horner over the leg boundary for six, he succumbed to a ball from that bowler, who got the batsman in two minds. Jones filled the vacancy and immediately started operations scoring very fast. With 58 runs scored and just as the batsman appeared well set, Dillon called Jones for a short run, and Wright gathering the ball well, returned smartly and threw Jones out. He had made 38 by nice free cricket, and it was very bad luck, especially as there was no run at all. Brown followed in and hit out freely, but with 80 up Dillon called him for a run which he refused to answer and with both batsmen at the same end Dillon was easily run out. Syer came next, but lost Brown with the total unaltered, bowled by H. Bury. H. B. Anderson had not scored when the same bowler quite beat him with a good length ball. Elliot followed in, but also retired without scoring being caught off Bury. Handcock came next and after scoring two failed to stop one from Wright. With seven wickets down for 89 and a quarter of an hour left to play, there seemed a reasonable prospect of the visitors' winnings when W. D. Gardom joined Syer. The latter just appeared to be getting set when Wright bowled him off his pads. There were still 10 minutes left for play when B. W. Gardom joined his son, who was batting very prettily and carefully. These two, with careful cricket, soon dispelled all hope the Camp eleven had of winning the match, and at half past five were still together, the score standing at 114 for 8 wickets. Too much praise cannot be given to young Gardom, who kept his wicket up splendidly and undoubtedly saved his club from defeat. H. Bury bowled well and secured three wickets for 25 runs.

Below are the full scores and analysis:

Table with columns for Northern Camps and Flores A.C., listing players and their scores.

**BOWLING ANALYSIS**

Flores A.C.				
	O	M	R	W
W. Brown	27	5	72	4
T. V. M. Knox	20	4	47	0
G. F. Elliot	20	7	39	1
H. Anderson	19	5	33	1
W. D. Gardom	1	0	9	0

Brown and Anderson each bowled one wide.

**Northern Camps.**

	O	M	R	W
H. Horner	7	0	37	1
C. A. Hay	7	4	16	0
C. T. Wright	11	4	21	2
H. Bury	11	4	25	3
P. C. Bury	3	1	3	0

**HURLINGHAM v. FLORES A.C.**

This important return fixture was played off on Sunday last at Hurlingham. The weather in the morning and for the early part of the afternoon was all that could be desired, but unfortunately a tremendous storm came up against the wind shortly before 4 o'clock and burst over the district, and though the players pluckily continued playing they eventually had to seek the shelter of the pavilion, the rain falling in torrents. The match was then left drawn, Hurlingham scoring 330 for the loss of six wickets, while Flores had made 31 without the loss of a wicket when the game had to be abandoned.

The feature of the match was the magnificent display with the bat given by J. R. Garrod. Going in first with the total at 37, he was the sixth man out the total having been increased, during his stay at the wickets, by 293 runs. It was a wonderful display of hard and clean hitting, and his first hundred was made without a chance, in fact he gave no real chance until his score was 162. His score of 210 is the second highest he has made in this country, and it was scored at a tremendous pace, the ball finding the boundary very frequently. All the bowlers naturally came in for severe punishment, B. W. Gardom with two wickets for 10 runs being by far the most successful.

The wicket was perfect, the bowlers being quite unable to get any work on the ball.

The home team won the toss and elected to bat, Drabble and E. R. Gifford opening the batting while G. F. Elliot and W. Brown took charge of the bowling. From the start runs came steadily, the first three tens going up quickly, Drabble being responsible for most of the runs. With the total at 37, however, Elliot clean bowled Drabble, who had scored 29 by nice free cricket. Garrod took his place and at once started off opening with a two and two fours. Gifford on the contrary kept very quiet, playing good steady cricket, and taking no risks, though he missed several late cuts, particularly off Elliot, Garrod, however, continued in a most lively strain his cutting, driving and leg hitting being equally good and hard, and both bowlers came in for most unmerciful punishment. In consequence the score mounted rapidly and after play had been in progress for three quarters of an hour the first hundred was hoisted. With the score at 115, Jones, who had relieved Brown bowled Gifford, the ball gliding off his pads into the wickets. He had only made 15, but had been at the wickets for close upon one hour, the board reading when he left 115—2—15. J. O. Anderson then joined Garrod, the latter, if possible, hitting harder than ever, and paying particular attention to the deliveries of Jones, which he hit to the tune of 32 in two overs. W. D. Gardom then gave Elliot a rest, but Garrod treated all the bowling alike, getting terrific power in to his strokes, among which were several very fine straight drives. The next change in attack was Elliot instead of Jones, but runs came as fast as ever Garrod scoring off nearly every ball he received. With the score at 229 the luncheon interval arrived, Garrod being not out 146, and Anderson 28.

After an interval of one hour and twenty-five minutes play was resumed, Brown and Rudd bowling. Runs came quite as fast, it not faster than before, but Garrod should have been taken in the long-field off Rudd with his score increased by 16, a little later he gave the same fieldsman another chance off the same bowler, but again escaped. With the total at 299 Anderson was taken at short slip off B. W. Gardom. He had made 50 in his usual style, and had with Garrod put on 184 runs. Rumboll joined Garrod and got Elliot away to the leg boundary, bringing up the third century. Next over, however, he hit a full-pitch straight into Jones' hands at short leg. Bedford followed in, but also failed to give any trouble being well stumped by Syer when playing forward to Elliot. Thomson came next, but after seeing Garrod nearly stumped twice off B. W. Gardom's deliveries eventually saw him caught at the wicket. Garrod's magnificent contribution of 210 was made up of two sixes, 28 fours, 8 threes, 17 twos and 28 singles. It was a splendid innings and though he did give three chances in the long-field they would all have been excellent catches had they been made, as they were all big lofty drives. After Garrod's downfall the innings was declared closed, indeed it would and should have been closed sooner, but a general wish was expressed to allow Garrod if possible to beat the existing record individual score of 217, which he himself made over three years ago.

After another tedious delay of 25 minutes play was started in a by no means good light a big storm threatening and rain falling, rather heavily. Jones and Dillon were the first pair, Garrod and E. R. Gifford sharing the bowling. Gifford came in for most of the punishment being hit for 4 fours, three of which went to the credit of Jones. After each bowler had sent down 5 overs, the downpour became very heavy and the players were reluctantly compelled to stop, the score being 31,

Dillon (13), and Jones (16), both being not out. As the rain continued to fall very heavily the game had to be abandoned, and consequently what would have probably proved an interesting match had to be left drawn.

Below are the full scores and analysis:—

Hurlingham.				Flores.			
E. Drabble b Elliot	29	B. J. Dillon not out	13				
E. R. Gifford b Jones	15	F. E. Jones not out	16				
J. R. Garrod c Syer b		R. W. Rudd					
B. W. Gardom	210	A. Palmer					
J. O. Anderson c Elliot		B. B. Syer					
b B. W. Gardom	50	G. F. Elliot	did not bat				
E. L. Rumboll c Jones		W. Brown					
b Elliot	4	W. D. Gardom					
B. Bedford st Syer b		T. A. H. Forde					
Elliot	6	J. Huxtable					
G. A. Thomson not out	0	B. W. Gardom					
Lacey							
H. B. Anderson	did not bat						
M. G. Fortune	bat						
J. T. Darch							
Extras	16	Extras	2				
Total (for 6 wks) *330		Total	31				

**BOWLING ANALYSIS**

Hurlingham.				
	O	M	R	W
G. F. Elliot	31	102	1	3
W. Brown	15	82	0	0
F. E. Jones	6	52	0	1
W. D. Gardom	5	28	1	0
J. Huxtable	2	7	0	0
R. W. Rudd	5	33	0	0
B. W. Gardom	4.4	10	1	2

B. W. Gardom bowled two wides.

Flores.				
	O	M	R	W
J. R. Garrod	5	7	1	0
E. R. Gifford	5	22	0	0

**BELGRANO 2ND XI. v. FLORES 2ND XI.**

The above second eleven match was played at Flores last Sunday, and in spite of the home eleven not being up to its usual strength they contrived to win very easily. B. G. Henderson compiled the highest individual score, placing a vigorously played 93 to his credit. The visitors batted first, C. Stockdale (24), G. Wallis (29), and A. Brodie (not out 14) were the only ones to obtain double figures, and the innings closed for 99.

Flores then batted, and after a good start continued well, and at the call of time the score was 228 for the loss of six wickets.

Willes batted well, as did H. B. Elliot, jun., but of course Henderson's performance dwarfed the others.

Belgrano 2nd XI.				Flores 2nd XI.			
J. J. Prescott c Palmer		H. Willes c and b Wallis	30				
b Willes	1	F. Foster b Wallis	18				
C. Stockdale b Willes	24	J. Holtum b Wallis	3				
N. B. Kitching c Elliot		B. G. Henderson b Rugeroni	93				
b Willes	8	G. V. Forrester b Stockdale	24				
G. Wallis b Elliot	29	H. B. Elliot (jr) not out	31				
H. Rugeroni b Willes	0	J. Elliot b Prescott	6				
W. Chevob b Forrester	3	T. Palmer not out	11				
H. Fraser c Anderson		F. Graham   did not bat					
b Forrester	0	A. O. Jones   not					
G. Macfarlane b Willes	4	H. B. Elliot (Sr)   bat					
A. Brodie not out	14						
R. S. Macfarlane b Elliot	3						
H. L. Brugh b Elliot	5						
Extras	8	Extras	12				
Total	99	Total (for 6 wks)	220				

**BANFIELD A.C. v. PALERMO A.C.**

This fixture was played off on Sunday last at Banfield. The weather broke up about four o'clock, a heavy shower falling, but play was not interfered with and no stoppage of play was considered necessary.

The home team batted first, and thanks to a good innings by their captain—who carried out his bat for a well played 32—the total reached 114 for eight wickets, at which period the innings was declared closed. G. Brown obtained five wickets for 31 runs.

The visitors then batted and from the start runs came freely. J. Campbell (20), A. Campbell (36), and G. Brown (not out 25) all helped to swell the total, which reached 117 for the loss of 5 wickets.

Below are the scores and:

Banfield.				Palermo.			
A. Venn b G. Brown	17	W. Buchanan c Wilson					
H. W. Griggs c Brown		b Venn	17				
b Campbell	6	H. Fraser b Burt	8				
H. Nicholson b A. Campbell	2	J. Campbell c and b Burt	20				
E. L. Wilson c Levy b Brown	6	J. C. Lea c Burton b Venn	1				
W. F. Burt c and b Brown	2	A. Campbell c Poulton b Dawson	36				
G. Bingham not out	32	G. Brown not out	25				
A. Brooke c F. Potter b Brown	0	A. Goode not out	5				
F. J. Dawson c Rugeroni b A. Campbell	26	A. J. Rugeroni	did not bat				
G. Burton c Lee b Brown	2	R. Levy	bat				
A. H. Poulton not out	0	F. Boyd					
D. Campbell did not bat		E. Potter					
Extras	21	Extras	21				
Total (for 8 wks) *114		Total (for 5 wks)	117				

\* Innings declared closed.

**B.A.C.C. 2ND XI. v. LANUS (F.C.S.) A.C.**

This match was played at Lanus on Sunday last, and resulted in a win for the home eleven by 29 runs. This was principally due to the excellent bowling of A. Moss and H. Hartley, who bowled unchanged and divided the wickets, obtaining five for 20, and five for 18 respectively. After the second innings of Lanus was over the B.A.C.C. were set to get 103 runs to win, but the time left for play was not sufficient and so the visitors had to retire defeated.

The home team won the toss and elected to bat. A fair start was made until Topholme was run out after knocking up 13, after which the wickets fell very fast and a small total was anticipated. Billing, however, hit out well and the total reached 68.

The B.A.C.C. then batted, but with the exception of D. J. Stokes, who tried hard to save his side, no one could offer any resistance to the deliveries of Hartley and Moss, and the whole side were dismissed for 39 runs.

Lanus then batted again, Topholme coming once more to the fore and scored a well hit 28, and Luck assisted with a useful 12, the total being 73, or 5 runs more than their first venture. This gave the visitors 103 runs to get, and though Francis and Phillips hit well the score was only 51 for three wickets when the stumps were drawn.

Below are the scores and analysis:

Lanus 2nd XI.				1st inn				2nd inn			
C. R. Topholme run out	13	b Kingsland	28								
A. Moss l b w b Bell	4	not out	0								
F. W. Pothergill b Webster	4	c Bell b Anderson	5								
F. B. Percy b Bell	1	son	1								
C. H. Weis c Anderson b Francis	6	run out	2								
C. M. Belton c Francis b Bell	2	b Anderson	1								
J. Luck c Anderson b Webster	1	c Anderson b Webster	0								
T. D. Belton c Ford b Anderson	1	b Kingsland	2								
H. Hartley c Phillips b Kingsland	9	c Cumming b Anderson	0								
H. Billing not out	13	b Webster	4								
E. Luck c Phillips b Kingsland	1	s Francis b Anderson	12								
Extras	10	Extras	18								
Total	68	Total	73								

**B.A.C.C. 2ND XI.**

1st inn				2nd inn			
J. H. Webster b Hartley	0	not out	0				
E. Thornton b Moss	2	did not bat					
D. J. Stockes c Pothergill b Hartley	17	not out	3				
S. Francis b Moss	0	b C. M. Belton	21				
R. W. Anderson hit wicket b Moss	0	c Weir b Hartley	1				
R. L. Phillips b Moss	0	b Hartley	22				
D. Kingsland c Weir b Hartley	2						
F. Bell b Hartley	5						
C. W. Cumming b Hartley	4	did not bat					
H. H. Woodgate c T. D. Belton b Moss	3						
J. V. Ford not out	5						
Extras	1	Extra	4				
Total	39	Total (for 3 wks)	51				

**BOWLING ANALYSIS**

Lanus.—First Innings.				
	O	M	R	W
F. Bell	8	2	7	3
J. H. Webster	10	3	25	2
S. Francis	3	1	9	1
R. W. Anderson	4	1	11	1
D. Kingsland	2.3	0	6	8

Second Innings.

	O	M	R	W
R. W. Anderson	10	2	26	5
F. Bell	4	1	9	0
J. H. Webster	8	2	17	2
D. Kingsland	2.1	0	3	2

**Buenos Aires C.C.—First Innings.**

	O	M	R	W
H. Hartley	10.2	3	18	5
A. Moss	10	3	20	5

Hartley bowled one wide.

Second Innings.

	O	M	R	W
A. Moss	6	1	17	0
H. Hartley	9	2	14	2
C. M. Belton	5	0	16	1

**MR. J. G. DUNN'S XI. v. NONDESCRIPTS.**

Mr Dunn's XI. proved too strong for the Nondescripts in their match at Lomas on Sunday last, winning easily by 83 runs. The Nondescripts' captain won the toss and elected to bat, but so well did Mackinnell and Goodbody bowl that seven of their wickets were down for 17 runs. Sketchley and Goodfellow put a better complexion on the game, however, and were chiefly instrumental in carrying the score to 59. Spencer played with the utmost caution and was in a long time for his 9 runs. Mackinnell and Goodbody divided the wickets between them, the former having rather the better analysis.

Going in to bat, Mr Dunn's eleven lost their first three wickets for 10 runs, but then Miller and Botting got together and passed their opponents' total before the former was bowled for a nicely played 21. Botting continued to hit away merrily, and was not got rid of until he had made 64 by fine free cricket. Negron knocked up 19 in quick time, and with his dismissal the

innings came to an end for a total of 142 runs. This score might have been somewhat curtailed had the Nondescripts' fielding been up to its usual form. Tabor came out with the remarkably good analysis of six wickets for 26 runs.

The following are the scores:

Nondescripts.		Mr J. G. Dunn's XI.	
J. N. Tait c Graham b Mackinnell	0	W. M. Graham b Tabor	0
F. Spencer c Mackinnell b Goodbody	9	J. D. Shepard c Romer b Leighton	2
D. Leighton b Goodbody	0	A. A. Miller b Tabor	21
A. Dobson b Mackinnell	3	W. R. Goodbody st Tait b Tabor	2
W. Flint b Mackinnell	2	H. W. Botting b Tabor	64
C.A. Tabor b Mackinnell	0	G. L. Miles run out	3
E. W. McGregor b Goodbody	5	S. J. Moore b Tabor	0
H. A. Hannay b Goodbody	2	J. Negron b Tabor	19
H. G. Sketchley c Botting b Goodbody	18	C. C. Mackenzie st Tait Sketchley	1
A. Goodfellow l b w b Mackinnell	16	R.C. Mackinnell run out	9
C. Romer not out	0	J. G. Dunn not out	3
Extras	4	Extras	18
Total	59	Total	142

ROSARIO

UNITED RAILWAYS v. UNITED BANKS AND ROSARIO ATHLETIC CLUB.

The above match took place at Plaza Jewell on Sunday last, 21st inst., before a meagre attendance of spectators, probably due to the fact that the match was not arranged until late in the week and consequently not generally anticipated. The weather was perfect, but the same cannot be said of the wicket, which again played somewhat bumpy. The game did not prove of such interest as might have been expected seeing that a number of the principal players in the Competition matches were engaged in it. Willis and Lamb on the part of the Railways commenced operations to the bowling of Barnard and Bartlett, the former sending down a maiden to Lamb, the first over from Bartlett to Willis resulting in a single only. No score was made off the first four balls of Barnard's following over, but the last delivery was cut by Willis for two. Lamb succeeded in scoring four off Bartlett's second over, and Willis a single, after which Lamb was well caught in the long slip by Daniel off Barnard. (8-1-4). Leunda followed in and took the remainder of Barnard's over, from which he notched one. He then received an over from Bartlett, and succeeded at once in finding the boundary for four, following immediately with a drive for two. After Willis had put on a couple of threes, Leunda was caught in the slips by Middleton with a good single-handed catch off Bartlett (21-2-7). Martin then joined Willis and took the remaining three balls of Bartlett's over, Barnard following with a maiden to Willis, the next over from Bartlett resulting in a couple of singles and two byes. Martin secured three off Barnard and then Bartlett sent him down a maiden. Barnard's next over cost 6 runs, four going to the credit of Martin and 2 to Willis, the latter batsman following with a three off Bartlett and the same number off Barnard. After adding another brace Martin was nicely taken at square leg by Patterson (who was fielding as substitute for an absent member of the Banks' team) 46-3-10. R. F. Dorning then took his place at the wickets, and after six singles had been added to the score, harder hitting was indulged in, a boundary and various twos being registered, which called for a change of bowling, Middleton replacing Bartlett at the pavilion end. His first ball was put through the slips by Willis for two, followed by a couple of singles, one to each batsman. Coatts, who had taken over the ball from Barnard at the stand end, commenced delivering to Dorning, his first over costing six runs, equally divided. Runs then came frequently, and the bowling was again changed, Barnard relieving Middleton, and Bartlett shortly afterwards taking over from Coatts, but the change did not appear to make any impression. Bartlett's first over being delivered at an expense of five runs. Not until the score had reached 104 was the partnership broken by Dorning being stumped after having scored 23. Usher filled the vacancy to receive the remainder of the over, but his companionship with Willis was not of long duration as the latter was bowled by Bartlett, the outgoing batsman having put together a useful 58. H. Dorning was the next man in, and commenced scoring freely. Parr then took over the bowling at the pavilion end for a couple of overs but was not very successful and gave way to Middleton, off whose third ball Usher was caught by Daniel, the telegraph reading 136-6-14. Patterson was the next comer, but after contributing three runs he was caught by Parr. Mayne and Green failed to score, Bartlett's bowling proving too much for them. The last man was Hanill who, after hitting to the boundary for four, also fell a victim to Bartlett, leaving H. Dorning not out 31, which comprised 2 fours, 3 threes, 4 twos and singles, the innings closing for the respectable total of 164.

After the usual interval, Ellery and Bartlett commenced the Club and Banks' innings to the bowling of Martin and Leunda, Ellery taking the first over from the former, off which he scored a single, two being notched in Leunda's first over. The following over from Martin proved very disastrous, no less than three of the best wickets going down before him, Bartlett, Barnard and Middleton being his victim. With the score at 5 runs for three wickets the out look was not very promising and Spicer joined Ellery, but after augmenting the score by 8, including a boundary (4), a three and a single, he

was forced to retire, being caught and bowled by Leunda. Coatts failed to put on any runs, as he was caught by H. Dorning off Martin, the telegraph then reading 19-5-0. Ellery was playing very steadily and looked like making a stand, but met with no support from the other members of his team, Robinson the next man in being run out after annexing 3 singles. Daniels followed, and succeeded in putting together 8 before being caught by Martin off a ball from Leunda. Parr increased the score by two only when he was caught by Usher off Leunda, the innings closing for 41, including 8 byes. Ellery who was the first man in carried out his bat for 12.

The Banks and Club batted two men short, one man failing to turn up, and the other leaving before the game was finished. Martin and Leunda bowled unchanged, the former taking four wickets for 14 runs and the latter three for 19.

It was rather unfortunate that the full team did not bat, as it somewhat detracts from the otherwise decisive victory of Railways' team, whose fielding left little to be desired, but the same can hardly be said of that of their opponents, whose fielding got rather loose as the game progressed.

The following are the full scores and analysis.

United Railway.		U. R. and R. A. C.	
H. A. Willis b Bartlett	28	I. W. Ellery not out	12
A. M. Lamb c Daniel b Barasoro	4	R. Bartlett b Martin	0
A. Leunda c Middleton b Bartlett	7	G. Brnard b Martin	0
J. M. Martin c Patterson b Barnard	10	H. Middleton b Martin	0
R. F. Dorning st Ellery b Bartlett	23	H. H. Spicer c and b Leunda	8
F. H. S. Usher c Daniel b Middleton	14	H. Coatts c H. Dorning b Martin	8
H. Dorning not out	31	W. A. Robinson run out	3
A. Patterson c Parr b Middleton	3	F. Daniel c Martin b Leunda	8
A. H. Mayne b Bartlett	0	H. Parr c Usher b Leunda	2
M. Green b Bartlett	0	E. Clarke did not bat	
G. M. Hanill b Bartlett	4		
Extras	10	Extras	8
Total	164	Total	41

BOWLING ANALYSIS

United Railway.					
	O	M	R	W	
F. Martin	6.3	1	4	14	
A. Leunda	7	—	3	19	
United Banks and Rosario A.C.					
Barasoro	15	2	2	40	
Bartlett	20	2	6	62	
Middleton	8	1	2	26	
Coatts	4	0	0	16	
Parr	2	0	0	10	

PAVILION GOSSIP.

On Sunday last at Hurlingham Mr J. R. Garrod gave probably the finest exhibition of clean hard hitting ever seen in this country. He treated all the bowling alike, and boundary hits followed one another with amazing rapidity, while among other items in his score were two hits clean over the boundary.

This is the second score of over two hundred he has made in this country. On the former occasion he carried his bat for 217, playing for B.A.C.C. v. Quilmes on Jan. 14, 1894, at Quilmes. This score still stands as the record individual score of the River Plate, and all present at Hurlingham on Sunday were very disappointed that he did not beat his own record.

His first hundred was scored at a terrific pace the actual time taken being forty-eight minutes. Fast as this is, it does not come up to one of the performances of Mr C. I. Thornton, who in June, 1890, when playing for the Lyric Club v. Green Jackets scored 138 runs in fifty-eight minutes, while for the first hour's play the telegraph showed 180 or an average of 3 runs per minute.

Mr G. A. Thomson, well known in our cricket circles, will probably make his last appearance for some little time on our cricket grounds here on Monday and Tuesday next, as he leaves almost immediately for Montevideo. I hear his arrival on the other side is eagerly looked forward to by the Montevideo Cricket Club, who will doubtless be only too glad to avail themselves of his valuable services.

Another piece of bad umpiring has been brought to my notice. On Sunday last at Banfield one of the batsmen insisted on backing up too soon and was frequently out of his ground when the bowler delivered the ball. Eventually

his bails were whipped off, but the umpire gave him "not out" on the ground "that the ball is dead until it leaves the bowler's hand."

His decision was, of course, wrong, as the ball is in play, as soon as the bowler starts to deliver the ball. No one cares to see a bowler always trying to catch the batsman napping, but there is an erroneous idea that it is sharp practice for the bowler to run a batsman out in the above manner. Those who think thus quite forget that the batsman is doing a very mean action in trying to sneak a foot or two, so as to get a good start, a very great help in the case of a short run.

The eleven representing the Northern Camps opened their tour here by gaining a brilliant victory over the Lomas eleven on Wednesday last. This was principally due to the batting of Mr H. R. Miles and Mr J. Bradney, who scored 102 runs out of the total of 178, and also to the bowling of Mr J. L. Bury, who besides sending down seven maidens, captured five wickets for 21 runs. A special word of praise is also due to Mr Miles for the great judgment he displayed in managing his team.

Their victory is all the more brilliant, when the absence of the Messrs Leach is considered, which, of course, weakened their batting strength to a great extent. Unfortunately their train was very late and they were quite unable to get to the ground in time to participate in the match. It is not often we have the pleasure of seeing them bat, and the keenest disappointment was expressed by both spectators and players alike.

I cannot let this opportunity pass without giving a special word of praise to Lacey. Hurlingham has now, for some time past, been noted for its good wickets, but on this occasion he quite surpassed himself, and the wicket was as near perfection as possible. To bear me out I will just quote the figures of the last two matches, and they, I think, will speak for themselves. On Sunday last 361 runs were scored for the loss of six wickets, or an average of 60.16 per wicket. On Thursday last 509 runs were scored for the loss of seven wickets, or an average of 72.71 per wicket, so that in the last two matches played on the same wicket 870 runs have been scored for 13 wickets, or an average of just under 70 runs per wicket. I think that will take some beating, and it is with the liveliest satisfaction that I hear Lacey is superintending the Palermo wicket for the North v. South match.

During Thursday's match at Hurlingham some very fine batting was exhibited. Mr Frank Leach particularly distinguished himself with a splendid innings of 111 not out. Although he let off a few on the leg side, his cutting and driving were hard and well-timed, and it really seemed incredible that he had not touched a bat since this time last year. It was a really good innings, the batsman taking no undue risks and yet punishing the loose balls as they deserved, while his defence was very strong.

Messrs. Miles and H. Bury, also again distinguished themselves, and by the form they have exhibited, should have little difficulty in finding places in the North team. For the home side, Dr. Dillon played a capital innings, and his sound defence should be of great service to the South this year.

The Northern Camps had decidedly hard luck in not winning their match yesterday against Flores, as the draw was certainly in their favour. H. Bury again distinguished himself scoring a capital 95. They have one more match to play, that against the B.A.C.C. to-day, and if they do as well as they have in their other matches, they may return very well satisfied with their display down here, as they have clearly shown they have just as good cricketers in the North as we have in the South.

All this points to the North and South match this year being a very different game to that of last year, and it would be difficult to say who will win. The North team appears in another column and they are undoubtedly a fine all round team, If the wicket is a really good one I do not see

how the match can end in anything but a draw, but if the wicket does not wear well, I fancy the result of the toss will have a great deal to do with the ultimate result of the game.

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In the crowd assembled round the ropes at a first-class cricket match the man with a very vague idea of the rules of the game is often to the fore, and his remarks are generally worth listening to.

The other day Lord Hawke, captain of the Yorkshire team, hit a ball clean over the pavilion into an adjacent meadow, where it was lost.

"That's wot I calls 'ard lines," remarked an individual from the country—"very 'ard lines."

"How so!" demanded a bystander. "I don't see it at all."

"Woy 'e's oot, ain't'e?" went on the first speaker. "That's 'ow we allus plays at whoam! Lose t' ball an' yer oot! Lord 'Awke's played cricket lang eneaft to know that, sure-ly."

However, his lordship evidently did not know it, for he added another hundred runs after that.

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Hockey, which has always been very popular in Canada, has now caught on in the States. There is to be a championship, and with the usual enthusiasm of the Americans, every nerve must be strained to win the distinction. Every inducement is being offered to the young Canadians, who are the best exponents of the game, to go over to the States.

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In another column it will be seen that the International Board of the Rugby Union passed two important resolutions regarding the testimonial to A. J. Gould. The sum of £700 has been collected, and the International board consider that they have a right to decide in what form this testimonial should be presented, and further that if this gift be made in opposition to the suggestion of the board, it shall be considered an act of professionalism.

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This, of course, is a very serious matter, for should the committee (in whose hands this fund is) decide to act in opposition to the International Board, not only does Gould himself become a professional, but all those who subscribed to the testimonial are to be considered professionals also. There is, however, a great deal to be said

for the other side of the question, and as the Welsh Rugby Union have pointed out, there are no existing laws about this matter, nor is it one for the International Board to deal with. The ultimate decision will be awaited for with great interest.

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The principal match during the fortnight of the Valparaiso Cricket Club was played on the 7th of this month between teams representing the Brokers v. All Comers. It turned out a one-sided match, the Brokers being in at the wickets nearly all day, and ran up the respectable score of 343. Their opponents were only allowed three-parts of an hour to bat before stumps were drawn, their total being 88 for the loss of one wicket.

**CYCLING.**

With regard to the difficulties which have arisen between the Union Velocipédica Argentina and the A.A.A.R.P. with reference to certain rules in connection with racing laid down by the former, but which were not accepted by the latter, a meeting of the U.V.A. was held on the 24th inst, at which the delegates of the various cycling clubs affiliated to that body were present. A letter was read from the secretary of the A.A.A.R.P. suggesting the desirability of their naming a sub-committee to act in conjunction with the A.A.A. with the object, if possible, of modifying certain of the original rules laid down by the Union, so as to bring them into accord with those of the A.A.A. This suggestion was acted upon, the committee named being as follows: Messrs J. M. Miranda, E. L. Abadie, J. A. Tenorio, Victor Jourdan, M. Curatchet.

**Answers to Correspondents.**

W. L. L.—We have forwarded your letter to our Paraguayan correspondent, and will answer your inquiries on receiving his reply.

L. R. C.—No steps have yet been taken by the R. P. K. C. to adopt the new rule of the English Kennel Club as regards cropping, so that cropped dogs are still admissible here.

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**FIXTURES**

**CRICKET**

Saturday, Feb. 27—Northern Camps v. B.A.C.C., at Hurlingham.  
Sunday, Feb. 28—Banfield A.C., Married v. Single.  
Sunday, Feb. 28—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Lanus 2nd XI, at Lomas.  
Sunday, Feb. 28—Palermo A.C. v. Belgrano A.C., at Belgrano.  
Sunday, Feb. 28—Belgrano A.C. v. Central Uruguay Ry., at Peñarol.  
Monday, Mar. 1—Belgrano A.C. v. Montevideo C.C., at Montevideo.  
Monday, March 1—Banfield A.C. v. Mr Wilson's XI, at Banfield.  
Monday and Tuesday, March 1, 2—North v. South, at Palermo.

**ROWING**

Thursday, March 25.—Regatta at the Tigre, under the auspices of the Rowing Association of the River Plate (Union de Regatas).



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## EN PASSANT.

Blondin, of Niagara fame, died in London on the 23rd, aged 73 years.

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The Blanco revolution is now said to be put off till some time in March.

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By a presidential decree all foreign officers have been dismissed from the army of Ecuador.

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Frank Brown, with a host of new artists, will open in the San Martin Theatre on March 10.

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From the 1st of March the offices of the River Plate Trust, Loan and Agency Co. will be removed to Avenida de Mayo 645.

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The Pacific Railway, with a view of concluding the fencing of their lines, are purchasing great quantities of algarrobo posts.

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In Edinburgh, in 1791, the first institution for the blind in Scotland was established, and in 1799 the first was established in London.

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Complaints are coming from Tucuman that most of the immigrants sent there lately to the sugar factories are either sickly or old people.

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A serious explosion of dynamite has taken place in Nobel's factory, at Irvine, Scotland. Six men are known to have been killed, and the damage to property is very considerable.

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Silver lodes were discovered recently near Vacas Heladas, in the Cordillera. The surface ore assayed 12 marks, and at a depth of a few metres the grade has risen to 50 marks.

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In spite of the heavy arrivals of immigrants lately the National Labour Department are unable to comply with requests from Mendoza, Tucuman and Santa Fé for some 500 peons.

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The annual fêtes of St. Cloud, for the benefit of the French Hospital, were brought to a close on Sunday last. The sum of \$30,000 was added to the funds of the hospital in the twenty-two days they lasted.

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The late Radical leader, Dr. Leandro N. Alem, is to have his name given to posterity. The site for a new town to be named after him has been given by Sr. Martin de Irigoyen, in the partido of Lincoln.

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Dr Arata says that the water in Dennehy "no es apta para ser bebida, por la cantidad considerable de sustancias minerales que contiene." The troops there are using the water of the Western Railway tanks.

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One of the most prominent of our public nuisances, that of street hawkers offering their goods for sale on the footpaths and corners of our most central streets, is to be put a stop to by imposing fines on the offenders.

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The death of Mr Thomas Haynes Brooks, of the well-known photographic firm of Chute and Brooks, is announced from Montevideo. Mr Brooks was born in Boston, United States, fifty-four years ago, and came to these shores in 1867.

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It must be rough on the twenty-year-old National Guards of the 11th Regiment of this city, after been drilled as infantry for the past three years, to be sent to Mercedes, San Luis, for the sixty days' mobilisation and there become artillerymen.

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The present year, so far, would seem to be a record one for fires, but that on Tuesday night in the auction-rooms in Calle Florida was a new departure, the fire breaking out in two different places of the premises. The business was well insured.

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The British cruiser Amphion has arrived at Montevideo from Plymouth, under the command of Captain F. Finnis. She is built of steel, carries 10 guns of 6 in., 4 quick-firing guns, 13 metrailluses and 2 torpedo tubes; her engines are of 5000 horse-power, giving a speed of 16 knots.

The two great social clubs of this city—Club del Progreso and Club del Plata—will open their saloons for two masked balls during Carnival. The Progreso dates are Tuesday and Saturday, March 2 and 6, and the Plata Monday and Sunday, March 1 and 7.

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Governor Leiva of Santa Fé has revolution on the brain. As a pretext to be prepared for seditionary movements the police have given up their peaceful duties and are now turned into a military force. All the rumours of an invasion of the province can be traced to the governor or his creatures.

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The total production of all the nitrate zone in Chile, in 1896, amounted to \$24,105,172 Spanish quintals, as compared with 28,137,597 quintals in 1895. In 1896 Europe consumed 21,843,560 quintals, as compared with 21,061,560 in 1895; the United States in 1896 consumed 2,471,642 quintals, while the total consumption for all countries amounted to 23,603,583 quintals, a trifle more than three per cent. above consumption in 1895.

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The third largest nugget ever found in America has just been discovered. It weighs 15½ lb. troy, and the estimated value of the pure gold is £756. This, however, does not compare with the one found in Zlatoust, a district in the southern Ural. It weighed 96 lb., and is now in the Imperial School of Mines in St. Petersburg. The Blanch Barkly nugget from Australia weighed 140 lb. 3 pennyweights, and the famous nugget from Ballarat weighed 181 lb.

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At a meeting of the commission of the Irish Orphanage it was resolved to buy the plot of land at the corner of Gauna and Bella Vista, measuring some 15,000 square varas, for the sum of \$90,000. The proprietor of the land, Mr Thomas Duggan, promises to give to the institution \$50,000, a donation made by the late Mr Michael Duggan, thereby reducing the cost to \$40,000. Architects will shortly be asked to send in plans for the new buildings, which are to accommodate 200 children.

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The "Uruguay News," talking of Uruguay politics, says: "The judicious application of nitro-glycerine might meet the situation, but then a pig-headed public would be safe to get into the way of the subsequent explosions, and, besides, there is no guarantee that the stuff would be equitably distributed. Civil war might effect the desired end, if only the military could be persuaded to stand on one side and see fair play, while politicians—both White and Red—emulate the worthy example of the historical cats of Kilkenny."

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A lecture on electric traction was delivered last month by Mr T. C. Fulton, in Glasgow. The lecturer based his remarks on the "Car and the Track." Referring to the proper equipment of the car, he showed, by the help of diagrams, how the electric motor was constructed, and explained the proper way of suspending it, in order to free the car from vibration. At the same time he laid down rules for enclosing the motor to protect it against water and to guard against the strong magnetism picking up nails and such like articles from the streets. He gave it as his opinion that it was easier to start and control a car with two motors than if it were only equipped with one. Touching on an ideal circuit, he thought that the best was an insulated return all the way. The next best was one having rails well bonded with a separate electric conductor alongside to ensure that the current did not go astray and cause mischief with gas and water pipes.

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The following is an extract from the Message of President Idiarte Borda at the opening of the Uruguayan Chambers: "During the past year the Government has taken special pains to carry out many of the public works that were schemed the previous year, and also to continue studies for future works of importance. The canalisation of the Rio Negro in the passes of Barrientos, Pantanoso and Mercedes is nearly finished; this will open the river as far as Mercedes for navigation to vessels not drawing more than three metres (ten feet). The works for canalisation of the Arroyo de las Vacas should be finished in May; these consist of an open canal in the River Uruguay to the bar of the said arroyo, with corresponding improvements in the port of Carmelo. The works of canalisation of the Paso del Almiron (Paysandu) will be carried out, in order to open an experimental canal 1000 metres by 20. The providing access for ocean steamers to ports above Paysandu can only be carried out with the assistance of the Argentine Government, the river being under common jurisdiction, and negotiations to that effect are so far advanced that preliminary surveys and estimates are already made. Work on the Western Railways and the Port of Sauce proceeds actively. Surveys have been completed and rough plans prepared for improving the ports of Colonia, Maldonado and La Paloma. All the documents necessary for carrying out the Port of Montevideo will shortly be presented."

## LOCUSTS.

Comision Investigadora de la Langosta,  
Buenos Aires, Feb. 19, 1897.

To the Editor *River Plate Sport and Pastime*,

Dear Sir,—

Herewith I beg to hand you some of the "Circulars of Enquiry" that are being sent to various parts of the republic asking for information in regard to the movement, etc., of locusts, and am desired to say that the committee will be grateful for names and addresses of any persons who have not received the circulars but who will kindly undertake to give the information that is required.

I may further state that any general information in regard to the existence and habits of locusts in the northerly part of the republic or in neighbouring countries during past years will be of the greatest importance and is most earnestly desired.

Communications can be addressed to Oliver C. James, Esq., Sub-Comision Estadistica, Carcarañá, Ferro-Carril Central Argentino, or to

WILLIAM GOODWIN, Hon. Secretary,  
Reconquista 268, Buenos Aires.

The following are the enquiries referred to in the circular, and, as the committee state, as it is a matter affecting not only the interests of the agriculturist, but of every one living in the country, we have no doubt the appeal for this information will lead to an active and earnest co-operation.

I.—When did the locusts make their appearance in your neighbourhood? (a). Did they come in "mangas" as "voladoras"? (b) or, were they developed from the "saltonas" hatched in the vicinity?

II.—If, as "voladoras," from what point did they appear? (a). did they fly with the wind, head first? (b) or, were they carried backward by the wind, while apparently flying against it? (c). or, did they fly at right angles to the direction of the wind?

III.—Note when they began to mate.

IV.—Note when they began to deposit eggs. (a). Note if any subsequent deposit was made by subsequent flights.

V.—Note whether the eggs appear sound and healthy; whether enemies of any kind prey on them, beetles, flies, wasp like insects, grubs, etc.

VI.—Note when the eggs hatch, and about what proportion are hatched.

VII.—Note whether any large numbers die in course of development from the young "saltona" to the "imago" or "voladora."

VIII.—Note whether, at any time, the "saltona" or "voladora" is infested with parasites, such as the long white, thread-like worms, small white grubs, etc.

IX.—Note carefully direction of flight and course of wind when they finally leave as migrating locusts.

X.—Do the adults generally die after depositing their eggs?

XI.—Record the course of flight, direction of wind, with date of passing "mangas."

Approximate replies to the questions is all that is required, though, when possible, exact information regarding date of first appearance, course of flight, direction of wind, and particularly their course when making their final disappearance, will be appreciated.

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**ESTANCIA AND COLONY.**

The manager of the port of La Plata has written to the Finance Minister asking him to influence the exportation of live stock from that port by reducing the dock and harbour dues on vessels loading cattle there by 50 per cent., he founds his request on the total failure of the harvest.

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The sale is reported of 3000 bags of wheat from Chubut, of very good quality, at the price of \$11.10 the 100 kilos. This is the highest price yet reached.

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The 9th, 10th, and 11th of March have been fixed for the fifth yearly cattle show and agricultural instrument exhibition of the Bolivar Rural Society, all the estancieros in the locality and surrounding districts have already sent in large entries.

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According to late telegrams received from Belgium, every animal from here arriving in Antwerp must be killed within 24 hours of arrival, special carts being provided to take them to the slaughter houses.

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Mr A. Pless, of Venado Tuerto, is offering for sale and rent in that district, very excellent camps at moderate prices and good terms, these camps are all provided with sweet water and are well suited for agriculture, situated in a district that has a good future before it, being on the Sud de Santa Fé and Cordoba and Pacific lines. There are already very flourishing colonies there, which in spite of the bad season, have given very good harvests.

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English farmers have become convinced of the value of alfalfa during the dry summers which have prevailed since 1890. In the past summer particularly its drought-resisting capabilities have been well tested. One farmer fed a field of alfalfa quite bare in May, and a month afterwards it yielded a heavy cutting of green fodder. There was no rain during that period, and while the alfalfa plants grew rapidly, the surrounding meadows were brown and bare. This is but a repetition of Argentine experience extending over many years.

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In the branding of cattle the system in the United States and Canada is a wiser one than ours. It is illegal in America to brand cattle, save on the neck, with ear marks; but in Argentina the practice is to deeply mark the animals on the most valuable part of the hide. This system not only destroys that portion of the hide that has been seared by the branding iron, but weakens the whole side where the marks have been placed. Consequently, the value of the hides are materially lowered in value, as they are unfit for making high class leather, and, at the most, only rank as second rate products. In the European markets they are at a great disadvantage as compared with American hides, with which they have to compete. Were it not for our own faulty system of branding and carelessness in flaying, Argentine hides, according to the opinion of leather experts, would be quite equal to those obtained in other parts of the world. Many practical graziers are of opinion that it would be sufficient to brand cattle only upon the necks and checks, and some affirm that ear tags could be used with advantage. If this change in the system is practicable, and there appears no reason why it is not, the sooner it is adopted the better.

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Sr. M. Blomberg, head of the inspection office for the exportation of live stock, has sent to Dr. Escalante, the Finance Minister, the following measures that he proposes should be put in force against the introduction of the rinderpest:

- 1.—Every steamer arriving from the south coast of Africa, or having touched at other ports that have had communication with Africa and that bring cargoes of live stock, meat for the crew or for other purposes, hides, wool, etc., not to be allowed entry to Argentine ports.
- 2.—Every vessel in ballast arriving from said ports must remain in the outer roads until the necessary disinfection has taken place, under the survey of the official veterinary surgeon.
- 3.—The disinfection to be carried out with the utmost rigor, by such means as the veterinary surgeon deems necessary.
- 4.—The crew, passengers, all articles of clothing, etc., to be thoroughly fumigated.
- 5.—Shipowners or their agents, under a penalty of \$1000, must advise the authorities of the arrival of any vessels at Argentine ports from Africa. Any penalty incurred to be enforced by the Finance Minister.
- 6.—The Finance Minister will be advised by the inspection office of every vessel arriving from infected ports and the means adopted for their disinfection.
- 7.—The Marine Sub-Prefectures will lend all necessary help for the carrying out of this decree.
- 8.—The prohibition of the exportation of live stock to Brazil and Europe on vessels that have proceeded from infected ports, until forty days from date of arrival have elapsed.
- 9.—In ports where no inspection offices of live stock have yet been established, under no conditions are vessels from infected ports to be allowed to anchor.

Sr. Blomberg urges that these measures should be immediately adopted, as already the export of live stock from here is not as great as it should be. Australia and the United States cannot rival Argentina in the exportation of cattle, owing to the distance of the first and the condition of the cattle in the latter.

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Dr. Koch, who at present is in Cape Colony, sent by the German Government to study the rinderpest, announces that the disease that attacks the cattle in South Africa is the true form of rinderpest. From experiments made from the gall of sick animals, and the results obtained, he is induced to believe that the germs discovered by Mr Simpson of Calcutta are not the same as the rinderpest microbes. Up to the present Dr. Koch has not yet been able to discover this microbe in the blood, but his experiments in producing a light form of the disease in sheep and goats have met with success. He says that the most important matter is to discover a means by which may be found a lesser virus for the inoculation of cattle so as to act as a preventive.

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Owing to the continued robberies of stock in the Pilar district several well-known estancieros have decided to approach the Chief of Police of the Province complaining that, in spite of their many appeals to the sub-comisario, Sr. Silvio Vazquez, no steps have been taken to capture the robbers, and beg for his removal.

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Messrs Funes, Lagos and Co. will sell next Thursday in their yard a special lot of animals from Messrs Marcelo Paz and Co.'s estancia Los Pinos.

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To-morrow Mr Manuel Castellar will hold his fourth yearly sale in Azul, on the grounds belonging to the Azul Agricultural Society. Amongst the many estancieros who will have animals for sale we may mention Messrs Gibson Bros., Peña Bros., Purvis and Good, Jas. Davis, J. B. Bloy, Dr. C. Pereda, and others. There will be offered for sale Lincoln and Rambouillet sheep, Durham and Polled Angus bulls, Clydesdale and Percheron colts, wethers for export and invernada, and several lots of bullocks.

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The fair in Maipu, held on the 18th, 19th and 20th of this month, was well attended, Messrs Gibson Brothers topping the sales with some Lincoln rams that brought as high as \$400 each. The total amount realised for animals sold was \$14,733.

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The mayordomo of the Curumalan Estancia Co. has advised the authorities that a large number of animals have been stolen from the estate. Sr. Lozano has already taken the necessary measures for the apprehension of the thieves.

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An estanciero in Saavedra has had 500 ewes stolen from his estancia during the week.

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The fair advertised to take place by Messrs Alchourroc and Co. in Laboulaye on Monday last was a great success. The attendance was large and the stock offered for sale brought excellent prices. Mr J. Oliva buying to the amount of \$32,000. The day's sale brought \$61,600.

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The Rural Society's Show in Ayacucho closed on Wednesday. The entries filled well and buyers were numerous, the sales reaching \$30,000.

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Mr José Guerejita has bought the wool from Mr Leonardo Pereyra's estancias in Ayacucho, Tandil and Junin, at prices from \$6.50 to \$7 the ten kilos.

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One thousand bullocks from Reconquista have been sold to the saladero of Messrs B. Rocca and Co., at \$42 each.

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A slight reduction in prices of Argentine live stock has taken place this week in the Deptford markets, although every head offered was sold: 694 bullocks were sold yesterday at prices from 38d to 42d per stone. There is a good demand for wethers, 1690 being sold from 50d to 52d per stone.

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"    —Novillo.....	10.00-11.50
"    —Cow.....	8.00- 9.50
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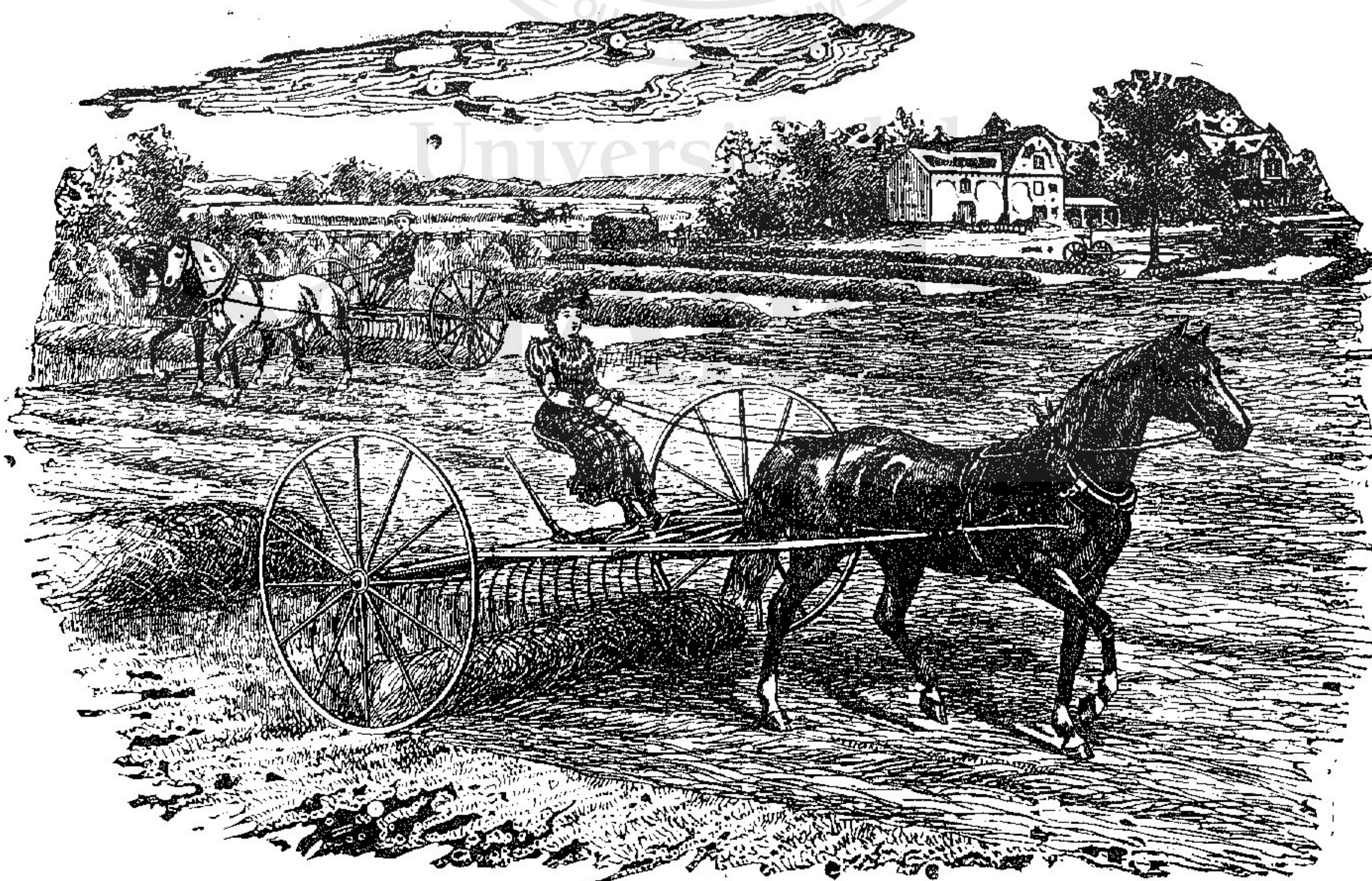
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