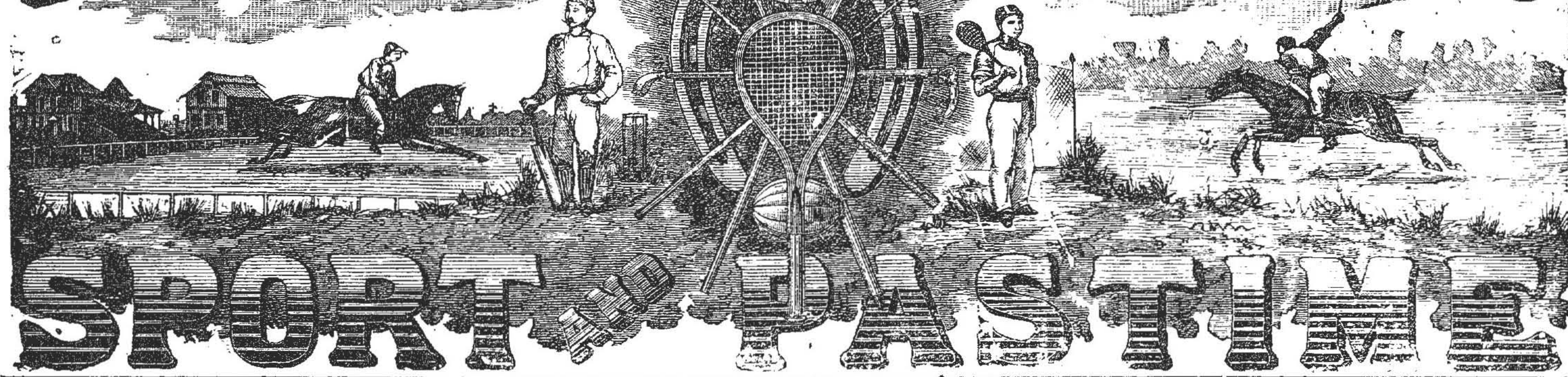


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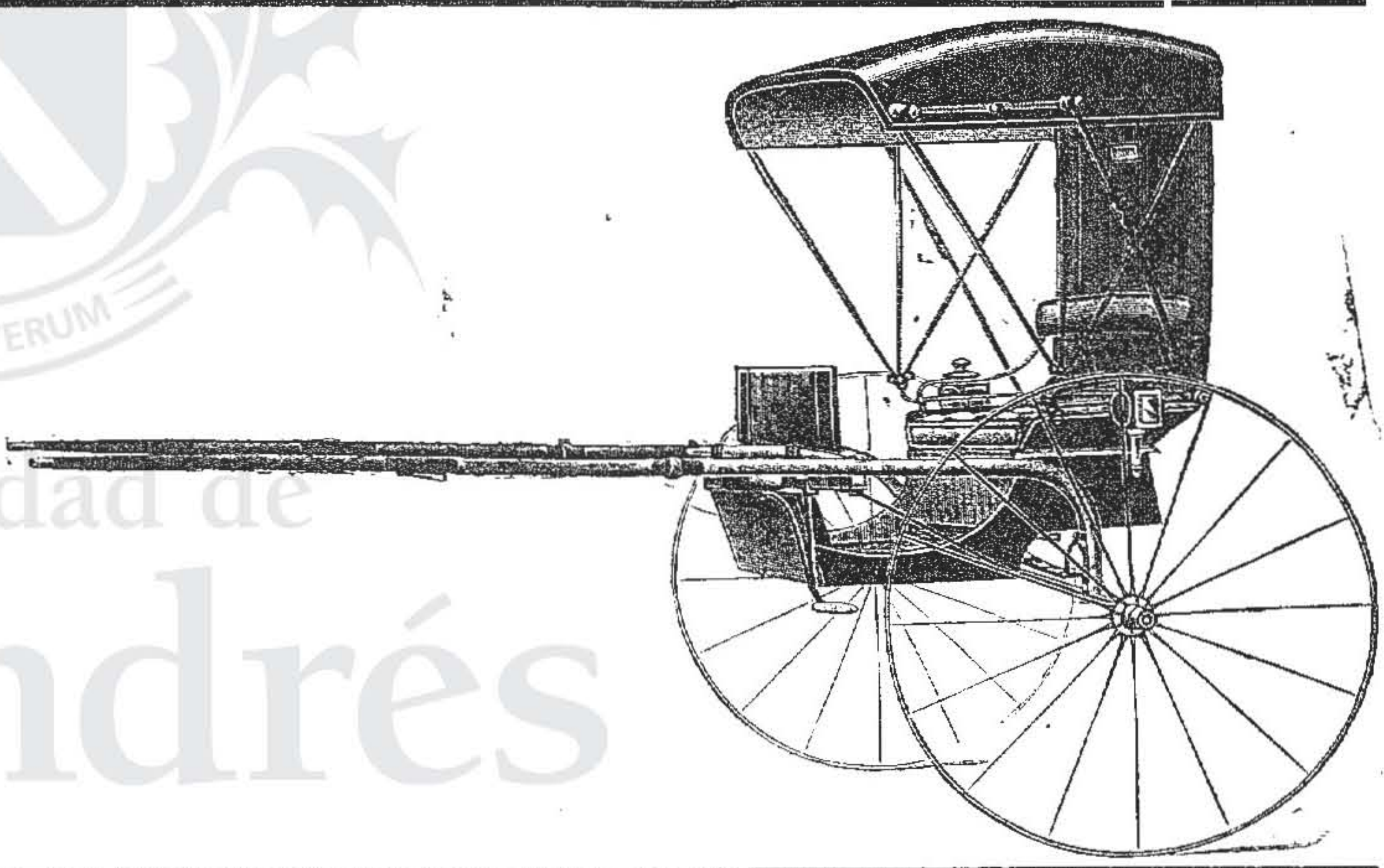
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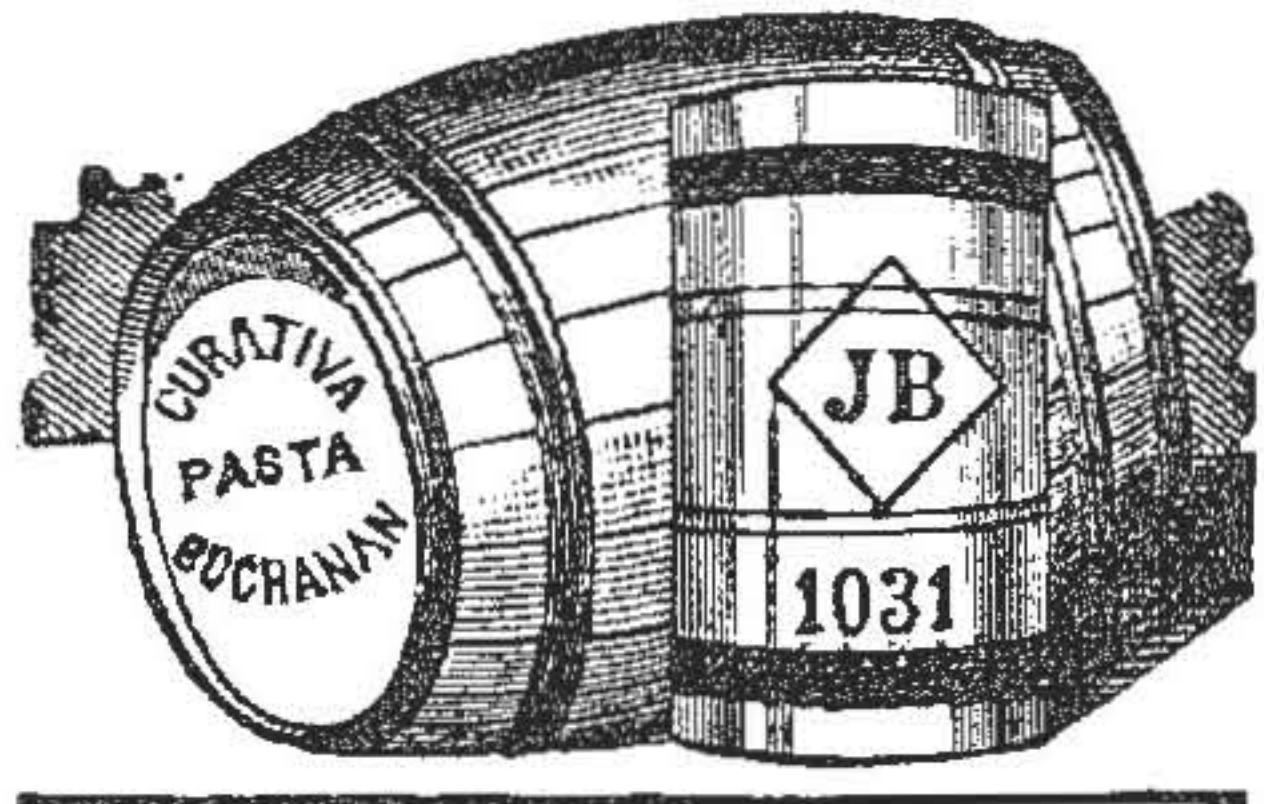
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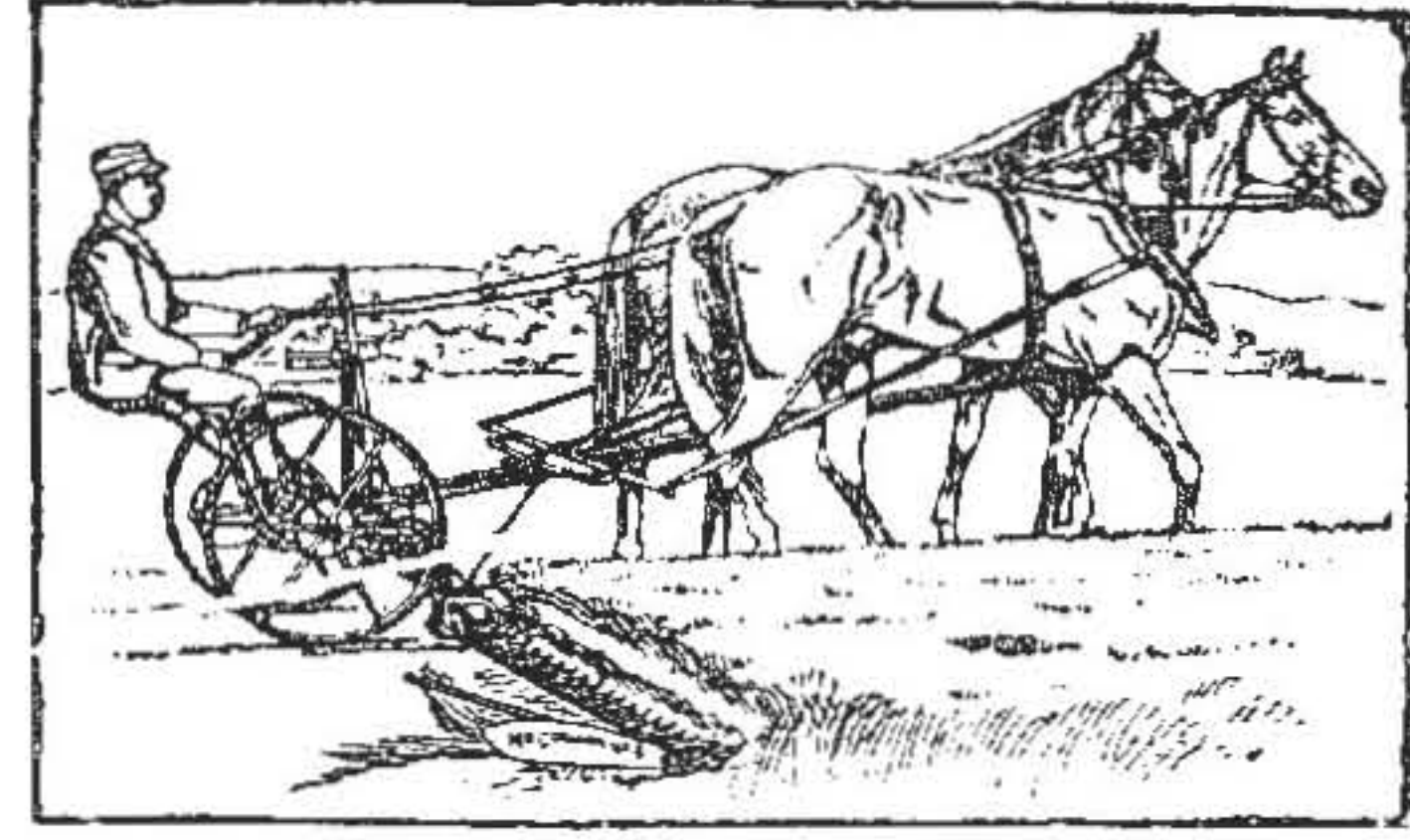
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The second round of the competition for the Association Cup did not furnish many surprises. West Bromwich Albion and Sunderland were the only teams to lose on their own grounds. The Albion received a visit from Liverpool, and a spirited game took place before some 15,000 spectators. Unfortunately for the home team, Bassett could not turn out, and his absence probably lost his side the match. West Bromwich opened with an attack. Liverpool then pressed, and, from a corner, scored a goal. The visitors worked hard and were better in front of goal than their opponents, and before the interval had arrived they obtained a second goal. The home side put plenty of vigour into their play, but could not get through till the second half, when they kicked a goal. The final score was Liverpool, two goals, West Bromwich one. Notts Forest did remarkably well to beat the Wearsiders by three goals to one. Quite 20,000 people witnessed the game, many doubtless hoping that Sunderland would make up for their disappointing form in League matches by making a hard fight for the Cup.

The Bolton Wanderers, after having met Grimsby Town three times in the first round, were certainly not fortunate in having to play Derby County at Derby in the second. The home team did most of the pressure in the initial half Bloomer soon giving them the lead. Fisher put through a second goal shortly afterwards, and these two early reverses put the Wanderers on their mettle. They looked like scoring more than once, but were not able to do so till the opening of the second half, when, going away with capital dash, they scored. The home club from this point held the upper hand, and obtaining two more goals won by four to one.

The Wolverhampton Wanderers paid a visit to Ewell Park to play the Blackburn Rovers. At first the exchanges were fairly even, both sides having a good share of the game. After some fast play the Rovers got through their opponents' defence, and scored. This point was appealed against, but the referee decided in favour of the locals. The visiting forwards by clever work took the ball to the Blackburn goal, where the score was equalised. Both goals had narrow escapes, and the interval arrived with one goal to each side's credit. From the restart the exchanges were of a give and take character, and it was not till near the end of the game that the Rovers gained their winning point.

Preston North End and Stoke were opponents at Deepdale, where great interest was felt in the result of the meeting. The visitors started the game in promising style, and within the first few minutes nearly scored more than once. The home defence, however, was capital, and it was some time before Stoke could get through. The teams crossed over, Stoke leading by a goal to nothing. The North End forwards attacked in good style, and fourteen minutes from the resumption, equalised. Another strong attack by North End was initiated, and resulted in North End gaining the winning goal.

Everton and Bury contested their tie at Goodison Park before 12,000 spectators. The home forwards went away neatly, but could not pass the visitors' defence. After half an hour's play Everton scored the first goal, and shortly after added another and so crossed over two goals to the good. During the second half both goals were constantly visited, but Everton really had more of the play, and scored a third goal. Bury could not obtain a single point, but deserved to do so on more than one occasion.

Aston Villa, the head of the First League, and Notts County, who head the Second Division, were opponents at Perry Barr. The Villa were the first to show prominently, and scored the first goal from a penalty. The Villa, at this reverse, once more attacked, and equalised the score. Half-time arrived with no alteration to the score. The Villa on resuming play, attacked briefly, their forwards swarming round the Notts goal, and from a corner they scored the second and winning point.

The only team representing the South was Southampton St. Mary's and they received a visit from Newton Heath. Contrary to expectations St. Mary's had all the best of the play, and were most unlucky in not winning. At half time Newton Heath attacked vigorously, but could not score, while St. Mary's, through good combined play, equalised. Both teams tried hard to obtain the winning goal, but in spite of spirited efforts, no further goals were registered, and a draw resulted.

Amateur Cup.—Second Round: Old Westminster beat 2nd East Lancashire Regiment at Leyton by four goals to one. The Casuals beat R.A. Portsmouth, by three goals to two; Marlow beat Leytonstone by six goals to two; Bishop Auckland beat Hunstlet by three goals to nil; and Old Carthusians beat Ealing by two goals to one.

At Cambridge the University played their return match with Millwall Athletic on Feb. 15, under favourable conditions. The Cantabs played the eleven selected to meet Oxford. They were unfortunate in being defeated, but this was mainly due to their indifferent

shooting, as they certainly held an advantage in the second half. As it was, the professionals scored their winning point within about a minute of time. The Light Blue forward line proved itself a strong one, both wings showing excellent work, but at times the back division were disappointing. The final score was two goals to one in favour of the Athletic.

Oxford University, on Feb. 13, met and defeated Clapton at Upton by three goals to none.

On the 15th they played their last trial match against a scratch team got together by Mr C. Wreford Brown, for which Lord Kinnaird, who was on the eve of celebrating his 50th birthday played, as did several others, who have passed their football prime. The 'Varsity, however, were only able to beat them by three goals to one.

Corinthians v. Celtic.—In spite of the drizzling rain which made the ball heavy and slippery, the ground at the Queen's Club, West Kensington, on Feb. 13, was in by no means bad condition. The match, however, with the Celtic F.C., with whom the Corinthians had for some years made no engagements, did not prove very satisfactory. The Scotch club is reputed to be at least equal in strength to any beyond the Border, and its team on this occasion included eight International players, but the style of play exhibited by several of the men was not only poor in point of skill, but far from creditable to them as sportsmen. Failing to hold their own by fair means they not only indulged in offside play, but had recourse to virious and illegal modes of tackling, which caused the referee, after inflicting many free kicks, to dismiss one of them from the field. This action was resented by some of the spectators, and, in consequence of insulting remarks proceeding from a part of the crowd where several soldiers in uniform were standing. Capt. Simpson very rightly stopped the game in order to rebuke the offender. This, of course, robbed the game of a great deal of interest. The Corinthians eventually ran out winners by four goals to none.

London v. Southern League.—Delightful weather prevailed at Catford on Feb. 18, when the above teams met on the sports ground in the presence of a numerous assemblage. Good form was displayed throughout, and an interesting game ended in a draw of three goals each.

London Senior Cup—Old Carthusians v. St. Bartholomew's Hospital.—This tie in the first round of the competition proper was decided on Feb. 17, on the Essex County ground at Leyton, in the presence of a moderate company. The Carthusians were the better team, but St. Bartholomew's played up resolutely, and an interesting game ensued, which ultimately ended in a victory for the Carthusians by four goals to one.

RUGBY

In the Rugby Union County Championship, Yorkshire met Cheshire at Dewsbury, on Feb. 13, in the last of the Champion County's minor matches. The game, which was witnessed by 4000 spectators, added in no way to the reputation of Yorkshire, as it was a repetition of their old habit of taking matters too easily against weak opponents; in the end they won by a goal and three tries to nothing.

Surrey v. Sussex.—This game was played at Richmond on Feb. 17, in weather of the most glorious description, but the fixture failed to attract a big crowd. It had no real bearing on the result of the championship, as Kent had already qualified for the leadership of the southern district, and had to meet Yorkshire or Cumberland at Dewsbury on the 27th inst. Surrey had a very strong pack, four prominent Richmond players assisting, and they fed the halves so well that the three-quarters were frequently set in motion. Sussex played with plenty of nerve and energy, but lacked combination, this being especially noticeable among the three-quarters. A very interesting game, however, ended in a victory for Surrey by 23 points to 13.

Eastern Counties v. Middlesex.—This match was played at Ipswich on Feb. 17, in delightful weather, and in the presence of a large crowd of spectators. The Middlesex team having shown very fair form this season, were expected to gain a victory, which surmise proved correct, as they won easily by four goals (one penalty) to one try.

At Cambridge, the 'Varsity received their annual visit from Blackheath on Feb. 13, at half time each side had scored two tries, and as the Cantabs added two more in the second half they won by four tries to two.

Cardiff v. Newport.—The third meeting this season between these old rivals took place at Cardiff Arms Park on Feb. 13. Phillips started for Cardiff, and for some time the game was fought out on neutral ground. The players went at a terrific pace, but neither could gain any special advantage. First Porter and then Gould left the field injured, but in a few minutes both returned. Newport were attacking strongly, when Gould made his mark and dropped a goal. Lloyd got away and passed to Gould, who, after drawing Huzzey from the wing, passed to Beasley, who altogether missed the ball. Car-

dif were penalised, and the ball was placed for Boucher in a good position, but his shot went wide. The Cardiff forwards brought relief, but Newport rushed the ball back to the goal-line, where Nicholls saved splendidly. By the good kicking of the Cardiff backs, and a rush of their forwards, Newport territory was invaded, Elliott eventually putting his backs in motion, and so enabled Nicholls to score a try, which was not converted. Newport worked their way to the Cardiff end, and Lloyd looked like scoring, but was well tackled by Huzzey. The visitors continued to press, and were close to the Cardiff goal-line when the interval arrived, Newport then leading by four points to three. On resuming, from a line out Parsons got away, but his effort was neutralised by the sound defence of Nicholls. The Cardiff backs passed cleverly, and play settled down in Newport quarters, Biggs getting the ball, and was only grassed a yard off the goal-line. The Newport forwards broke away, and dribbled the whole length of the field over the Cardiff goal-line; but this, the grandest effort of the day, only resulted in a touch down. Cardiff, principally owing to the good play of their backs, again carried play into the visitors' quarter, and Biggs dropped for goal, but failed to score. The game was still being played at a tremendous pace, and the tackling of both sides was deadly. As Cardiff backs were attacking so strongly, Boucher came out to the three-quarter line to strengthen the defence, and Cardiff were prevented from scoring by really fine tackling. The Newport forwards brought relief, and dribbled over the opposite goal-line, but Nicholls saved by kicking the ball dead. Newport, however, again attacked, and, after clever footwork, Porter scored a try, which Boucher converted. Cardiff were still defending when James picked up in the loose, and dropped a goal. Cardiff however, played on with great pluck and determination, and, by the fine play of Cornish, again pressed. Newport were penalised, but the attempt to place a goal failed. The Cardiff quartette were not to be denied, and, after good passing, Jones scored, but Huzzey failed to add the other two points. Time was now called, and Newport, for the third time this season were left winners by three goals (two dropped) to two tries. A disgraceful scene followed the conclusion of the match, a few of the spectators who had taken exception to the decisions given by Mr G. H. Harnett attempting to hustle him, but the players themselves and a few policemen prevented the genial Kent County secretary from coming to any harm.

Richmond v. London Scottish.—A bright sunshiny morning augured well for this fixture at Richmond on February 13, but about noon rain commenced to fall, and continued almost throughout the afternoon. This naturally deterred many spectators from being present, and caused the turf to be so greasy that a true exposition of the game was out of the question. The London Scottish were very anxious to wipe out the defeat they received early in the season, and, assisted by some of their best players, they made matters very warm for the powerful Richmond combination. The latter club was unlucky in not being able to place their full strength in the field, and the second fifteen half backs had to be called into requisition. This was all against them, as Bullock and Macdonald were quite outplayed by the Scottish half backs, and the well-known Richmond three-quarter line got very few chances. The game eventually ended in a draw, but each side time after time appeared certain to score, a proof that the defence was worthy of the reputations of these well-known clubs. It was not long before the ball became very wet, and this prevented accurate passing and kicking, consequently the forwards had most of the play. There was little to choose between the two packs, but, taking the play throughout, the Scottish perhaps had an advantage. However both sets did good service.

Morley v. Gloucester.—There was a capital crowd of spectators at this match on Feb. 13, at Birmingham. Previous encounters between the two clubs warranted the assumption that the play would be fast and furious. This proved to be the case, the play at times actually degenerating into positive roughness, and the referee had to warn more than one player. Except for this the play would have been most enjoyable as both teams worked very hard; at half time neither side had scored, but in the second half Morley scored two goals and a try whereas the visitors were unable to cross their opponents' line.

St. Thomas's Hospital cut up very badly on Feb. 13, when pitted against the Old Merchant Taylors. They were certainly not up to full strength and played under the additional disadvantage of being one short, but even then great surprise was occasioned by the extent of the scoring against them which at the close was three goals and four tries to nothing.

Croydon v. Oxford University.—This year the former club reached the twenty-first year of its existence, and to celebrate the occasion the Oxford University fifteen agreed to play a match at Croydon, and it duly came off on Feb. 13. It is the first time on record that Oxford have played on the White Horseground, and the largest crowd seen there this season witnessed the play. The local club has been showing good form recently, and, despite the fact that they met a strong combination of Oxonians, they were only beaten by a very narrow margin, which reflects great credit on them. The afternoon was decidedly an unpleasant one rain falling most of the time play was in progress, and this caused the ball to be fearfully greasy, so that accurate passing was out of the question. Play at once settled down in the Croydon quarters, and before the players had scarcely

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Leicester v. Old Edwardians.—The old boys of King Edward's School, Birmingham, lined out in strong force for this return match at Leicester, on Feb. 13, and the home club played the same fifteen that defeated Swansea a week before. After the opening exchanges, the visitors were penalised for off-side tactics, but nothing resulted. Just before half-time Leicester scored an unconverted try. In the second half Leicester added two goals and so won by 13 points to nothing.

Llanelly v. Neath.—The third encounter between the above teams took place at Llanelly on Feb. 13, but owing to the heavy rain which fell during last week, the ground was in very bad condition. Neath were the first to attack, but the good play of the home forwards transferred the game to the centre, and there it remained for some time. The Llanelly backs were several times very dangerous, but the Neath defence was equal to the occasion, and the interval arrived without anything having been scored. Shortly after resuming, Llanelly having been given a free kick right in front of goal, the ball was placed, but no score resulted. Llanelly continued to attack, and Bevan, after a strong run along the touch line, scored a try, which was not converted. The Llanelly forwards followed this with a fine dribble, and scored, but the place kick failed. One of the Neath halves now retired, having sustained an injury. Llanelly, during the rest of the game, had much the best of the play, and shortly before time, and after a pretty bout of passing, scored again, the home team thus winning by three tries to nothing. Llanelly were altogether the better team, their superiority being especially noticeable in the three-quarters. The Neath forwards played, pluckily and in the light scrummages held their own, but in the loose they were not so fast nor so clever.

Coventry v. Burton.—The return fixture between these old opponents was set for decision at Coventry Cricket ground on Feb. 13, and attracted a large attendance. Although the initial match, which was played at Burton on Sept. 26 last, was left undecided, neither side having scored, it was generally anticipated that Coventry, with a representative fifteen, would dispose of the Burtons in the match under notice. It is only fair, however, to state that the visitors were hardly up to their regular strength, and consequently the Midland champions, after a one-sided game, ran out easy winners by twenty-one points to nothing.

Harlequins v. Rosslyn Park.—These teams met at Chiswick on Feb. 13, but the strength of the Harlequins was most apparent and they won rather easily by three goals and a try to one goal.

RACING

PALERMO—MARCH 14.

Although the day was slightly too warm to be pleasant there was some very interesting racing at Palermo on Sunday, when Fraser's stable was in great form. Only three horses of this stable ran all day and they secured two and a half races between them.

There were the usual regular racegoers on the course, but not a large number of occasional attendants though those who had come, seemed to have brought a goodly amount of money with them, to judge by the number of tickets sold. That the fields mostly continued to be smaller than the average can only be accounted for by the hardness of the ground and the consequent difficulty that exists in giving the horses the few fast gallops that nearly all of them are in want of before running at this time of the year. The first appearance of the season's crop of two-year-olds was eagerly looked for, and that they were keenly criticised before leaving the paddock was fully evidenced by the state of the market which made the winner, a son of Gay Hermit and Maria Louisa a warm favourite. As was only to be expected with a lot of youngsters on their first appearance they were rather erratic in their behaviour, and gave the gentleman with the flag a considerable amount of trouble before he ultimately managed to get them away, and when it did come off, San Telmo was unluckily left at the post. Jumping into his bridle in businesslike fashion, L'Etourdi led them a merry dance round the bend, and into the straight, but when Garrido got his mount fairly straightened up with a clean run for the winning post he at

once set Balcarce going, and the Petite Ecurie colt was not long in placing the result out of doubt, and winning the first two-year-old race of the year, by a length from 25 de Mayo, who deprived General Paunero of second honours by a like distance.

Very favourable opinions have been expressed regarding the two-year-olds now in work, and a more than average good season's classic racing may be confidently looked forward to, with a fair allowance of luck.

Although only eight came to the post for the Premio Amianto, with which Sunday's sport began, it produced an excellent race, as when Voladora was collared in front of the stands by Regalona, the Petite Ecurie mare was unable to shake off the Stud La Confianza's representative, and the pair ran home locked together so close that the judge was not able to separate them, and was obliged to declare it a dead heat. Flecha II. was a good third.

A field the same size as the previous one turned out for the Premio Danton, which fell to the top-weight in Mundial, who paid his supporters the very useful dividend of \$16.23. Coronel Dorrego being a fair second, and Daza a good third.

After the Premio Kemmis had been decided the Premio Potosi came on for decision, and, as usual in races of this description, the number of starters was very limited, only four facing the flag, of whom the top-weight was again victorious, after he had been patiently waited with till nearly the end, Policeman beat Hugonote somewhat easily for second place.

In the sprint which followed, the Premio General Lavalle, the Petite Ecurie scored another win, this time by the aid of Tetrarca, a colt who only managed to score once last season out of eleven starts. On Sunday there were some fairly good performers among the beaten ones, so the winner has probably come on the right way during the recess.

The Premio Ontario was also won by the top-weight, Oriol, who was followed home by Little Darling and Antropofago in the order named, and the day's sport concluded when Ortegual placed the Premio Independiente to the credit of the Stud Amianto.

The following are the details:—

PREMIO AMIANTO.—For all horses that have been not less than a year in the country, and have run oftener than twice without having won over \$4000, three-year-olds 54 k four-year-olds and upwards 56 k. A penalty of 3 k to be carried for each race won. \$1400 to the 1st, \$100 to the 2nd, 1400 metres.

- La Petite Ecurie's br f Voladora, by Zanoni—Volmnia, 3 y, 55 k..... R. Garrido +1
- Stud La Confianza's br f Regalona, by Havre—Suri, 3 y, 55 k..... R. Bastiani +1
- Stud Calchin's Flecha II, 3 y, 55 k..... J. Rodriguez +3
- Stud Jefferson's Belgrano, 4 y, 59 k..... J. Garcia 0
- Ecurie Bend'Or's Rodin, 3 y, 54 k..... N. Sosa 0
- Ecurie Azur's Falstaff, 3 y, 54 k..... V. Libonati 0
- Stud Capt. Black's Waterwitch, 3 y, 52 k..... I. Diaz 0

Settling down with the lead Voladora made all the running as far as the stands, where Regalona managed to get on terms, and struggling on gamely to the end made a dead heat of it. Flecha II was third a length away.

Tickets—Voladora with 1886 win and 1416 place, Regalona 820—334, Flecha II 226—218, Belgrano 36—48, Rodin 175—261, Falstaff 119—159, Waterwitch 39—47. Totals 3115—2890.

Dividends—Voladora \$2.31 win and 2.59 place, Regalona 3.86 win and 4.53 place.

PREMIO DANTON, an open handicap, \$1700 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 1600 metres.

- Stud Paris' br h Mundial, by Keir—Cocotte, 5 y, 60 1/2 k..... P. Aguilera 1
- Stud Palmar's Coronel Dorrego, 3 y, 58 k..... C. Cardoso 2
- Ecurie Prisionero's Daza, 3 y, 56 k..... R. Bastiani 3
- Stud Amianto's Ortegual, 4 y, 58 k..... G. Palacios 0
- Stud Floresta's Laurel, 4 y, 58 k..... P. Bagu 0
- Ecurie Belgrano's Bay Rum, 6 y, 56 k..... N. Sosa 0
- Stud Temerario's May Blossom, 6 y, 48 k..... J. Rivas 0
- Ecurie Azur's Extra, 3 y, 47 k..... C. Bustos 0

Laurel held command for a short distance, but soon had to give way to May Blossom, who was not headed until the paddock was passed, but about a distance from home Mundial challenged resolutely and after a short but vigorous set to, drew away to win rather easily by over a couple of lengths. Daza a fair third.

Tickets—Mundial with 589 win and 405 place, Coronel Dorrego 855—843, Daza 1615—1572, Ortegual 1004—836, Laurel 325—295, Bay Rum 343—294, May Blossom 201—252, Extra 381—364. Totals 5313—4861.

Dividends—Mundial \$16.23 win and 9.72 place, Coronel Dorrego 5.70 place.

PREMIO KEMMIS, for two-year-old colts, weight 52 kilos, \$3500 to the 1st, 500 to the 2nd, 3rd saves his stake, 1000 metres.

- La Petite Ecurie's br c Balcarce, by Gay—Hermit—Maria Louisa..... R. Garrido 1
- Stud Amianto's 25 de Mayo..... J. Paez 2
- Stud La Redencion's General Paunero..... H. Esteves 3
- Stud A. Lincoln's Rebelde..... J. Bayardi 0
- Ecurie Belgrano's Atico..... N. Sosa 0

- Ecurie Indecis' L'Etourdi..... P. Aguirre 0
- Ecurie Prisionero's Loncoy..... R. Bastiani 0
- Ecurie Semper Paratus' San Telmo..... J. Cabrera 0
- Ecurie Semper Paratus' Pompeyo..... J. Calistro 0
- Stud Red Lancer's Hugo..... J. Mala 0

After some trouble at the post all got away fairly well except San Telmo, who got leftstanding. L'Etourdi was the first to show in front and led the way round the bend, into the straight, where Balcarce began to improve his position, and working his way to the front won with apparently a bit in hand, by a length or more. General Paunero was third a like distance behind the second.

Tickets—Balcarce with 2447 win and 2043 place, 25 de Mayo 690—554, General Paunero 528—526, Rebelde 617—665, Atico 210—219, L'Etourdi 550—452, Loncoy 1214—1090, San Telmo and Pompeyo 671—744, Hugo 186—169. Totals 7113—6462.

Dividends—Balcarce \$5.24 win and 2.87 place, 25 de Mayo 5.24 place, General Paunero 5.41 place.

PREMIO POTOSI, an open handicap \$2200 to the 1st 200 to the 2nd, 2200 metres.

- Ecurie Azur's br h Stamboul, by Azur—Mysis, 5 y, 54 k..... V. Libonati 1
 - Stud Las Armas' Policeman, 5 y, 49 k..... I. Diaz 2
 - Stud Revolucion's Hugonote, 3 y, 48 k..... C. Bustos 3
 - Stud Santa Fe's Malvina, 5 y, 47 k..... J. Rivas 0
- Hugonote showed the way as far as the Stud Las Ortigas, where he was displaced by Policeman, who set the pace followed by Hugonote and Stamboul in the order named, to the paddock, where the latter drew out to win by two lengths from Policeman. The same between second and third.

Tickets—Stamboul with 2961 win, Policeman 2002, Hugonote 1123, Malvina 2114. Total 8200.

Dividend—Stamboul \$198 win.

PREMIO GENERAL LAVALLE, a handicap for horses that have not won over \$6000, \$1500 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 1200 metres.

- La Petite Ecurie's ch c Tetrarca, by Gay—Hermit—Rallye Chamante, 3 y, 54 k..... R. Garrido 1
- Stud A. Lincoln's Cristiana, 3 y, 55 k..... J. Bayardi 2
- Ecurie Azur's Grillon, 4 y, 59 1/2 k..... V. Libonati 3
- Ecurie Chantilly's Tic-Tac, 4 y, 59 1/2 k..... J. Rivero 0
- Stud Santa Fe's Distinguido, 3 y, 59 k..... F. Goyenecheo 0

- Stud Las Piedras' Caprichosa, 3 y, 57 k..... N. Sosa 0
- Stud Jefferson's Belgrano, 4 y, 54 k..... J. Garcia 0
- Stud La Confianza's Regalona, 3 y, 54 k..... R. Bastiani 8
- Ecurie Prisionero's Orco, 4 y, 52 k..... C. Gomez 0
- Stud Floresta's Azucena, 3 y, 51 k..... P. Bagu 0
- Stud Red Lancer's Sorpresa, 3 y, 49 k..... J. Olmos 0

Getting to work at once Tetrarca made the whole of the running and won by a length from Cristiana, who was a similar distance in front of Grillon, the latter being third.

Tickets—Tetrarca with 1521 win and 1422 place, Cristiana 1793—1593, Grillon 277—308, Tic Tac 382—248, Distinguido 472—401, Caprichosa 63—89, Belgrano 118—112, Regalona 908—904, Orco 1146—1007, Azucena 392—453, Sorpresa 273—252. Totals 7345—6789.

Dividends—Tetrarca \$8.69 win and 3.30 place, Cristiana 3.16 place, Grillon 8.03 place.

PREMIO ONTARIO, an open handicap, \$1600 to the 1st, 100 to the second 1500 metres.

- Stud Paris' ch h Oriol, by Orbit—Brunette, 5 y, 59 1/2 k..... P. Aguilera 1
- Ecurie Indecis' Little Darling, 3 y, 47 k..... A. Malerba 2
- Ecurie Belgrano's Antropofago, 5 y, 54 k..... N. Sosa 3
- Ecurie Mazeppa's Regardez, 4 y, 57 1/2 k..... J. Canevas 0
- Ecurie Azur's Friedland, 6 y, 56 k..... V. Libonati 0
- Ecurie Las Piedras' Balmaceda, 4 y, 43 k..... C. Bustos 0

First Little Darling and then Friedland made running to the stand when Oriol being called on drew out and won after a good race by half a length. A length away Antropofago was third.

Tickets—Oriol with 4240 win and 2132 place, Little Darling 1256—918, Antropofago 918—547, Regardez 65—72, Friedland 1034—708, Balmaceda 685—428. Totals 8198—4815.

Dividends—Oriol \$3.48 win and 2.59 place, Little Darling 3.38 place.

PREMIO INDEPENDIENTE, an open handicap \$1800 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 1800 metres.

- Stud Amianto's ch h Ortegual, by Orbit—Geneve, 4 y, 53 k..... J. Paez 1
- Stud Palmar's Belle Etoile, 3 y, 44 k..... C. Bustos 2
- Sr. M. Gonzalez' Pichincha, 5 y, 54 k..... N. Sosa 3
- Ecurie de las Cañitas' Mariano, 4 y, 60 1/2 k..... I. Diaz 0
- Sr. B. Mendez's Abadia, 4 y, 52 k..... P. Lara 0

With the race in hand Ortegual made all the running, and won easily from Belle Etoile, who was followed home by Pichincha.

Tickets—Ortegual with 2949 win and 1543 place, Belle Etoile 1618—786, Pichincha 731—365, Mariano 4011—1451, Abadia 722—347. Totals 10,031—4492.

Dividends—Ortegual, \$6.12 win and 3.11 place, Belle Etoile 4.18 place.

PALERMO—MARCH 21.

Premio Divina—1500 metres.

Kilos.		Kilos.	
Bab	61	Rodin	54
Belgrano	59	Ataque	54
Hugonote	59	Waterwitch	52
Regardez	54	Caprichosa	52
Tiradentes	54		

Premio Folie—1000 metres.

Orange	52	Alarife	52
Addio	52	Ephraim	52
Loncoy	52	Catanga	50
Yanquetruz	52	Galleta	50
Rebelde	52	Chirimoya	50
L'Etourdi	52		

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Casares—1000 metres with names like Verónica, Sultana, Morisca, etc.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Etoile—2200 metres with names like Oriol, Rosemary, Stamboul, etc.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Primera—1200 metres with names like Vivas, Voladora, Daza, etc.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Rose Royale—1600 metres with names like Mariano, Pick Pocket, Distinguido, etc.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Brise—1800 metres with names like Mariano, Violin, Antropófago, etc.

PALERMO—MARCH 25.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Santa Lucia—1300 metres with names like Belgrano, Eureka, Tetrarca, etc.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Liana—1000 metres with names like Catanga, Chingolo, Dorrego, etc.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Criadores—1200 metres with names like Mignonnette, Minerva, Pitanga, etc.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Niobe—2300 metres with names like Revancha, Malakoff, Excelsior, etc.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Satanella—1600 metres with names like Mundial, Laurel, Regalona, etc.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Cordelia—1100 metres with names like Grillon, Bab, Vivas, etc.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Weight, and Race Name. Includes Premio Esfinge—1800 metres with names like Oriol, Violin, Pas de Quatre, etc.

Since the breaking up of the frost at home there has been quite a surfeit of cross-country racing, as several of the postponed meetings have been crowded into a very short space of time.

Although stakes were disbursed liberally, the racing at the two latter places did not rise above selling class; but at Sandown, in the Grand Prize, the performance of Knight of Rhodes in winning as he did under the crushing impost of 12st 9lbs, and giving such lumps of weight away to some of the smartest hurdle-racers of modern times, must have been worth going a long way to see.

The racing at Manchester was hardly so good as usual, as a thick fog hung over the course for the greater part of the time, and fog is an enemy that even the Manchester executive have not yet learned to combat successfully.

in force, and they seem to be as well supplied as they generally are with jumpers of high class. None of the week's doings, however, seem to throw much light on the approaching Grand National, for which the New Zealander Norton is still at the head of the market.

Below we give details of a few of some important events:

SANDOWN PARK—FEB. 13. Sandown Grand Prize (Handicap Hurdle Race) of 500 sovs; 2 miles.

Table listing race results for Sandown Grand Prize, including names like Mr Atkinson's b g Knight of Rhodes, Lord Rossmore's John o' Seaham, etc.

Mr Straker's Stop, aged, 12st 2lb. Mr Bewicke 0. Mr Priaulx's Grimpo, aged, 11st 4lb. H. Brown 0. Mr T. Arnfield's Emmalea, aged, 11st 2lb. R. Nightingall 0.

After clearing the first hurdles, Lord William drew out, but pecked badly at the next flight and only just headed Grimpo passing the stand John o' Seaham, Emmamalea, and Stop next. Without much change they covered a mile or more, Lord William there taking a decided lead.

Metropolitan Maiden Hurdle Race of 100 sovs; 2 miles.

Table listing race results for Metropolitan Maiden Hurdle Race, including names like Lord Cowley's ch g Bayreuth, Applause II, Lord Rossmore's Farthington, etc.

Mr F. D. Leyland's Athleta, 4 yrs, 10st 7lb. Morris 0. Mr Swan's Pope's Eye, 4 yrs, 10st 7lb. Acres 0. Betting: 11 to 10 agst Gazeteer, 11 to 4 agst Bayreuth, 10 to 1 agst Admiration, and 100 to 8 agst any other.

MANCHESTER—FEB. 15 AND 16. Manchester Handicap Steeplechase of 200 sovs; 3 1/2 miles.

Table listing race results for Manchester Handicap Steeplechase, including names like Mr R. W. Brown's b h Timon, Mabel Emma, Mr M. A. Maber's Whitehead, etc.

Mr R. T. Bell's Little Joe, aged, 10st 13lb. J. Walsh 0. Capt. Lindsay's Dean Swift, aged, 10st 9lb. Mr W. Lindsay 0. Mr E. C. Smith's Goldfish, 6 yrs, 10st 11lb. C. Hogan 0.

When fairly settled down, Timon made the running, and was followed past the stand by Lotus Lily, Prince Albert, and Goldfish, with Chevy Chase and Dean Swift next, and Whitehead last; but along the far side Little Joe headed Timon, and the pair went on in front of Prince Albert, Lotus Lily, and Goldfish, whilst Red Cross now dropped into the rear.

Timon was seen to have resumed the lead, and coming right away in the straight won by ten lengths; a bad third. Electric Spark was fourth, Little Joe fifth, Red Cross sixth, Lotus Lily seventh, Dean Swift eighth, and Prince Albert last.

February Hurdle Race of 200 sovs; 2 miles.

Table listing race results for February Hurdle Race, including names like Mr J. M. Walker's ch h College Green, Babilol—Village Green, Major Joicey's Linhope, etc.

Pounamu was quickest off, but soon gave way to Morganne, who made running from Pounamu, Darmstatter, Priestholme, and College Green, with Linhope last, until turning out of the straight, when Nassac became last.

Trafford Park Handicap Steeplechase of 150 sovs; 2 Miles.

Table listing race results for Trafford Park Handicap Steeplechase, including names like Lord Shrewsbury's b h Misanthropist, Ascetic—Miss Fanny, Mr J. Phelan's Sweet Charlotte, etc.

King Charles made the running for about a couple of furlongs, when Hall-In took it up, and went on from King Charles, Misanthropist, and Sweet Charlotte, with Deerstalker last.

LAWN TENNIS.

BELGRANO ATHLETIC CLUB'S TOURNAMENT

The remaining ties in the gentlemen's singles, up to the finals, will be played off on or before Saturday, 21st. The finals of the three events will be decided on Thursday, 25th—gentlemen's singles at 1 p.m., mixed doubles at 2.30 p.m., and gentlemen's doubles at 4 p.m.

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES.

Preliminary Round— J. S. Lee (+ 1/2 15) beat G. M. Gosschalk (+ 15), 5-6, 6-3, 6-4. C. C. Mackenzie (+ 1/2 15) w.o. against T. Fowler (+ 1/2 15).

First Round— A. M. Barton (- 1/2 30) beat R. C. Mackinnell (- 1/2 15), 6-0, 6-2. C. Stockdale (+ 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.

Second Round— H. W. Botting (scr) beat G. H. Brodie, 6-0, 6-0. A. M. Barton beat C. Edge, 6-2, 6-2. J. W. Todd (- 15) beat H. Buxton (+ 1/2 30), 6-0, 6-1; G. L. Miles beat C. Stockdale, 6-2, 6-2.

GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES.

Preliminary Round—
J. S. Macpherson and J. W. Wilson (+ 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 (- 1/2 30) beat A. M. Barton and J. G. Dunn (- 1/2 30), 2-6, 6-5, 6-4.
J. Boyd and P. Boyd (- 15) beat H. M. Edye and J. W. Todd (- 1/2 15), 6-1, 3-6, 6-1.
C. Edye and J. Negron (- 1/2 15) w.o. against T. Fowler and J. Bell (+ 1/2 15).

Second Round—
M. Wilson and R. C. Mackinnell (+ 1/2 15) beat J. J. Dowson and J. E. Croll, 2-6, 6-5, 6-4.
W. Bell and T. A. P. Macdonald beat A. Brodie and G. E. Brodie, 6-0, 6-0.
P. Hardcastle and J. H. Joyce beat S. J. Moore and G. F. Wallis, 6-0, 6-0.
J. Boyd and P. Boyd w.o. against C. Edye and J. Negron

Third Round—
J. Bell and T. A. P. Macdonald beat M. Wilson and R. C. Mackinnell, 6-0, 6-1.
P. Hardcastle and J. H. Joyce beat J. Boyd and P. Boyd, 6-5, 6-3.

MIXED DOUBLES.

Preliminary Round—
Miss M. Stockdale and S. J. Moore (- 1/2 30) beat Miss Mitchell and J. W. Todd (- 1/2 30), 6-3, 6-2.
Miss Fowler and A. Brodie (+ 1/2 15) beat Miss Stockdale and C. Stockdale (+ 1/2 30), 6-3, 1-6, 6-4.

First Round—
Miss Callis and G. H. Brodie (+ 15) beat Miss Martindale and J. G. Dunn (- 15), 6-4, 6-0.
Mrs Hoette and J. Boyd (- 1/2 30) beat Miss Buxton and H. Buxton (+ 15), 6-2, 4-6, 6-3.

Second Round—
Miss Fowler and A. Brodie beat Mrs Hoette and J. Boyd, 6-2, 6-2.
Miss M. Stockdale and S. J. Moore beat Miss Callis and G. H. Brodie, 6-2, 6-3.

BUENOS AIRES LAWN TENNIS CLUB.

Very few ties have been played off up to date in this tournament, but it must not be forgotten that Thursday, 25th inst., is the day fixed for the finals, so that the second and third rounds of the gentlemen's singles must be played off before that date.

LADIES' SINGLES.

First Round—
Miss Chawner (- 30), a bye.
Mrs Woodgate (+ 15) v. Mrs Mills (- 15.3).
Miss Burr (+ 3-6 of 15) v. Miss Goldsmid (- 30).
Mrs Thornton (+ 4-6 of 15), a bye.

MIXED DOUBLES.

Preliminary Round—
Mrs Woodgate and H. H. Woodgate (scratch) v. Mrs Wallace and F. L. E. Wallace (+ 4-6 of 15).

First Round—
Miss Burr and H. Burr (scratch), a bye.
Mrs Mills and A. G. Gumpert (+ 3-6 of 15) v. Mrs Thornton and C. R. Thursby (+ 3-6 of 15).

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES

First Round—
C. W. Cumming (+ 15) v. A. Boyd (3-6 of 15).
B. Goldsmid (+ 15.4) v. R. C. Jones (scratch).
B. Verschoyle (- 15.3) v. Rev. F. F. Hancock (- 15.3).
F. L'E. Wallace (+ 15.2) v. T. W. Earle (scratch).
R. L. Phillips (+ 15) v. A. G. Gumpert (+ 3-6 of 15).
H. H. Woodgate (- 3-6 of 15) v. C. R. Thursby (+ 15).
S. J. Moore (- 3-6 of 15) v. H. Tudor (+ 15).
T. V. M. Knox (- 30) v. H. Burr (scratch).

GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES.

First Round—
R. L. Phillips and H. S. Topping (+ 30), a bye.
Rev. R. F. F. Hancock and H. H. Woodgate (- 3-6 of 15) v. T. V. M. Knox and A. Boyd (- 15).
A. G. Gumpert and T. W. Earle (+ 4-6 of 15) v. H. M. Mills and H. Burr (+ 15.3).
B. W. Gardom and R. C. Jones (+ 4-6 of 15), a bye.

POLO.

A practice game was played at Hurlingham on Sunday, in which the following players took part:—
1. A. Ott
2. C. W. Thompson
3. G. Haig
H. S. Robson (back)
1. B. W. Alston
2. E. D. Drabble
3. R. S. Moncrieff
C. Hope (back)

Play in the first ten minutes was rather slack, but improved in the second ten, when Alston went out, and T. S. Robson went two, and Drabble one. In the third ten minutes C. Thompson retired Alston taking his place for this and the fourth ten. Only four ten minutes were played owing to the scarcity of ponies, but the second and fourth periods were very fast, and the game fairly even throughout. Robson's team eventually winning by five goals to four.

ROWING

UNION DE REGATAS.

A good day's sport is expected on Thursday next, 25th inst., by rowing men.

Perhaps the mixed double sculls in pleasure boats is creating more interest than any other race, and we hear a large number of entries have been received for it.

The two principal races of the day will be the Montevideo Challenge Cup, and the Bridgett Challenge Cup. For the latter four entries have been received, and we expect to see the well-known oarsman M. M. Kay carry off the trophy.

The Teutonia Club have put a good crew in for the clinker fours, and should be able to win, but the Tigre crew, although light, are rowing well and should keep the German crew going all the way.

We give below the different events:

- 1.—Four-oared Clinker-built Boats, 1000 metres. (The crew who won the Senior Fours in November last will not be allowed to compete).
- 2.—Canoe Race, 400 metres.
- 3.—Montevideo Challenge Cup; pair-oared Clinker-built Boats, 1000 metres. (Open to all members of affiliated clubs under 25 years of age).
- 4.—Inrigged four-oared Boats, 500 metres. (Open to members of affiliated clubs of 30 years of age or over).
- 5.—Junior Single Sculls; Clinker-built Boats, 1000 metres.
- 6.—The Bridgett Challenge Cup: Shell Boats, one mile (All who enter for this race will be considered "seniors").
- 7.—Double Sculls, Clinker-built Boats, 1000 metres. (Those who competed for the Bridgett Challenge Cup will not be allowed to enter for this event).
- 8.—Six-oared Men-of-War Boats, 1000 metres.
- 9.—Half-outrigged Pleasure Boats, Double Sculls; mixed pairs for ladies and gentlemen. The ladies must be either members or relations of members.
- 10.—Tub Race, 50 metres.
- 11.—Upset Canoe Race, 300 metres.
- 12.—Swimming Race, 100 metres.
- 13.—Single Sculls, Clinker-built Boats, Handicap. This will be a handicap race, a handsome prize of a Rob Roy Canoe having been kindly presented by Mr W. S. Parfitt.

PIGEON SHOOTING

HURLINGHAM.

The season will be closed on Sunday, March 23, when the following prizes will be shot for:

Autumn Handicap; prize, one case of Pol Roger Champagne, presented by Mr R. A. Sumner; handicap, for all members, one bird, entrance \$5.

Premio Perdice; prize, an Objet d'Art, and 66 per cent. of the entrances, the second to receive 33 per cent. net; three birds at 26 yards, three at 27 yards, and three at 28 yards, two misses out, entrance \$20. The winner of this prize will be handicapped 2 yards for the same prize next year.

Premio Consuelo, handicap for members who have not won a classic event during the season of 1897; five birds, two misses out, entrance \$10.

There were not a very large number shooting at Hurlingham on Sunday last, nor did the shooting seem to be quite up to the usual standard. As will be seen from the detailed account there were several members taking part who do not go in for this sport as a regular thing. Mr Mullaly was the most successful shooter, dividing the first sweep and winning another, and he also won the members' prize, and a match which he had with Mr Ballauf. Mr Penrose was shooting with fair success, and Mr Hope seemed to be shooting the best of the new men.

Handicap sweepstakes of \$10 each, one bird.

Yds.	Birds shot at.	Killed
26 .. J. M. Mullaly ..	1 1 1 1 (divided)	4
27 .. H. K. Penrose ..	1 1 1 1 do.	4
25 .. E. Ballauf ..	1 1 1 0	3
28 .. E. R. Gifford ..	1 1 0	2
25 .. C. Hope ..	1 0	1
25 .. C. Jefferies ..	1 0	1

Handicap sweepstakes of \$10 each, one bird.

Yds.	Birds shot at.	Killed
25 .. C. Hope ..	1 1 1 1 1 1	6
25 .. C. Jefferies ..	1 1 1 1 1 0	5
28 .. E. R. Gifford ..	1 1 1 1 0	4
30 .. H. K. Penrose ..	1 1 1 0	3
27 .. J. M. Mullaly ..	1 1 0	2
25 .. E. Ballauf ..	1 1 0	2
25 .. A. Mackinnon ..	1 0	1

Members Prize, handicap sweepstakes of \$15 each, 10 birds two misses out.

Yds.	Birds shot at.	Killed
26 .. J. M. Mullaly ..	0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	15
28 .. E. R. Gifford ..	1 1 0 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0	14
29 .. H. K. Penrose ..	1 1 1 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0	10
25 .. C. Jefferies ..	1 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 0	6
25 .. A. Mackinnon ..	1 0 1 1 0 1 1 0 0	6
25 .. E. Ballauf ..	1 0 0 1 1 0 0	3

Double Rise a Handicap sweepstakes of \$10 each.

Yds.	Birds shot at.	Killed
27 .. H. K. Penrose ..	1 1	2
23 .. E. Ballauf ..	1 0	1
23 .. C. Jefferies ..	1 0	1
25 .. J. M. Mullaly ..	0 0	0
23 .. A. Mackinnon ..	0 0	0

Handicap sweepstakes of \$10 each, one bird.

Yds.	Birds shot at.	Killed
27 .. J. M. Mullaly ..	1 1	2
25 .. E. Ballauf ..	1 0	1
25 .. C. Jefferies ..	1 0	1
25 .. A. Mackinnon ..	1 0	1
29 .. H. K. Penrose ..	0	0

Handicap sweepstakes of \$10 each, one bird.

Yds.	Birds shot at.	Killed
25 .. E. Ballauf ..	1 1	2
25 .. C. Jefferies ..	1 0	1
28 .. J. M. Mullaly ..	0	0
29 .. H. K. Penrose ..	0	0
25 .. A. Mackinnon ..	0	0

Match Double Rise.

J. M. Mullaly ..	1	1	1	1	4
E. Ballauf ..	1	1	1	0	3

CYCLING.

On Wednesday, the 17th inst., the Committee of the Union Velocipedica Argentina met to consider the arrangement which had been entered into ad-referendum between the sub-committee appointed by them and the Amateur Athletic Association of the River Plate with regard to the suppression of Art. 19 of the Rules of the U.V.A., according to which amateurs were allowed, provided no money prizes were offered, to run against, and be trained by professionals, without risk of disqualification.

The question was discussed at considerable length, and ultimately it was unanimously resolved not to make any alteration in the rule, and to advise the A.A.A.R.P. that the U.V.A. in framing it were convinced that to prohibit amateurs from running with professionals would have the effect of detracting from the interest which would otherwise be attached to the more important races.

We understand that several of the members of the U.V.A., whilst of opinion that the suppression of Art. 19 of their rules would seriously interfere with the liberty of the amateur "scorchers," as well as with the development of cycling in Argentina, are still in hopes that some satisfactory solution of the difficulty may ultimately be arrived at, and, though sincerely desirous that their hopes may be fulfilled, we fail to see how this can be effected except by the suppression by the Union of the permission granted by its rules to its affiliated members to compete with or against professionals, no matter on what terms such competitions may be conducted.

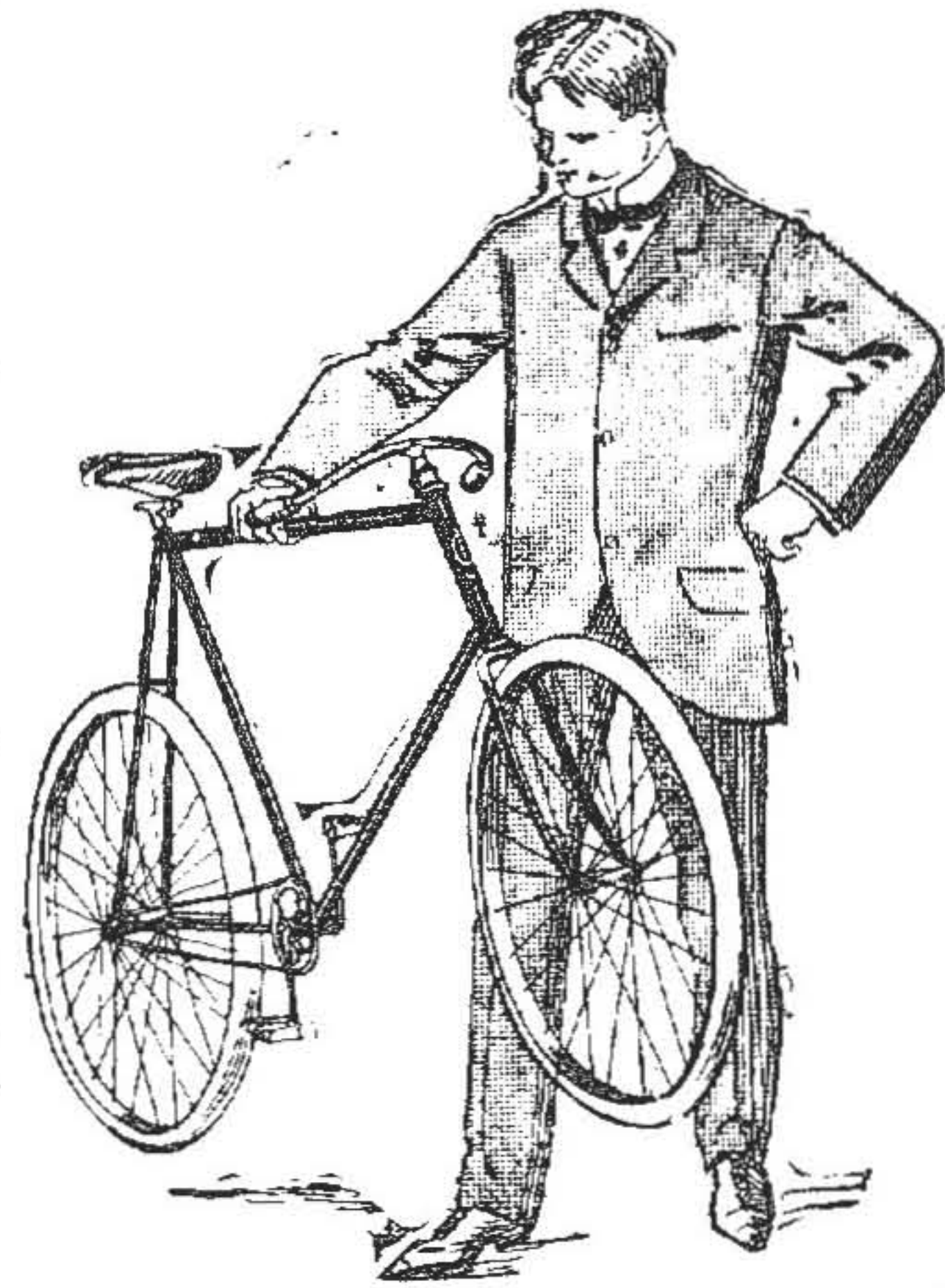
The following letter to "The Referee" of Chicago from Mr R. A. Greene, who represents the Everman Wheel Company, is in reply to a statement recently printed in the columns of that paper to the effect that women were not allowed to ride bicycles in Argentina.

Syracuse, New York., Jan. 23, 1897.

Gentlemen—I notice a squib in your issue of Jan. 21, on page 51, entitled "Horrible Treatment of Women in Argentina" which states that women are not allowed to ride bicycles in that country.—Having recently returned from there, I beg leave to correct this impression, for, while riding among the women of that country has not yet become a common practice, a visit to their famous Palermo park almost any morning, and especially on a Sunday, would reveal anywhere from six to sixteen riders of the "other sex" enjoying their morning ride. The fairly good roads in and around Buenos Aires admit of more indulgence by the women in bicycle riding than almost any other town in the country. Nor is the riding confined entirely to the "foreigners," as you will occasionally see a group of Argentine men and women pedaling their way through the semi-tropical drives and paths or sitting before a park restaurant, having their morning coffee. A mere glance at these riders, however, would tell you they were not old in the pleasures of bicycling as they do not give the attention or care to their dress which we have learned to adopt in this country.—Yours very truly, R. A. GREENE.

The conquering bicycle is to receive both a crowning triumph and a triumphant crowning at the approaching World's Exposition to be held in Paris in 1900. M. Paul Lemay has designed a monster palace, wherein is to be displayed a complete collection of specimens representing the wheel from its infancy to the end of the century. Furthermore, the palace itself is to be built mainly of marble cut in the form of immense bicycle frames and forks, sprockets and parts. Every section of the building, interior and exterior alike, will be designed either to represent or actually, to display bicycles and their parts. This plan will embrace the construction of furniture, ornaments, utensils and windows. All signals will be made by bicycle bells. The locks will be bicycle locks and the cushions pneumatic. Curtained partitions will separate the main lecture and exhibition hall from many smaller rooms on each side. The bicycling fraternity is already agog with enthusiasm over the project and its realization will undoubtedly be attended with great success.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 1897.

SPORTING NOTES

I wish to remind my racing readers that the entries for the Hurlingham meeting which is to be held on the 25th inst., close to-day at 5.30 p.m., after which none can be received.

Next Thursday, the 25th inst., will be a busy day for sportsmen. Race meetings at Palermo and Hurlingham, the regatta at the Tigre, a cricket match at Hurlingham against Belgrano, and other minor events will keep everyone fully employed.

At a committee meeting of the Buenos Aires Golf Club, held on Wednesday last in these offices, it was decided to retain, for this season at any rate, the ground at Catalinas already engaged, where a club house is to be erected, and where the ground man will be permanently in attendance. The marking of the course is in good hands, as Messrs. A. Williamson and W. H. Masters have undertaken the task. The large number of golfers who have indicated their desire to join the club, assure for its members a good season.

It has taken a long time to get Facundo, the Argentine bred son of Ormonde and Philosophy, acclimatised to our foggy and frosty home, but he has at last scored a victory in the Wentworth Steeplechase at Hurst Park, where he had a really useful field behind him, and started at the remunerative price of ten to one. I hope that having now apparently run into form he will accumulate a long series of winning brackets.

Not very long ago we gave the conditions of a huge international steeplechase which it was proposed should be run for in the year 1900. The St. Honorat colt, Cloister, who was sent home from here was nominated for it, and as the colt is reported to have done very well since his arrival in England, it is with the greater regret that I now hear the race has not filled from lack of the stipulated number of entries.

I am pleased to hear very good reports of some of the ponies that were taken home from here by the polo team last year, and as the ones I heard of lately were by no means the pick of the basket, it looks as though Argentine ponies were growing in favour, and demand at home, a state of things I have prophesied for a long time.

The Langton Grange, on which Mr Balfour went, home has at length arrived in England after a passage of somewhere about thirty-five days. This long voyage must have set back the ponies very much in condition, but as yet I have not heard anything of them beyond the actual arrival of the ship.

A note of mine a few weeks ago seems to have already borne good fruit. It was regarding the mares lately purchased in Cordoba by Mr. P. Furber, for they so pleased the Messrs Leach, who went to see them, after reading the note, that they have already bought a considerable number from the same estancias to take up to the province of Salta.

In response to demands from the suppliers of the home polo pony market I hear that fresh shipments of carefully selected ponies have been made within the last few days, but unfortunately accidents and illness have curtailed their numbers to a great extent. Those buyers whose experience and foresight have enabled them to have a good stock of ponies in the home market early this season are likely to do very well indeed.

The following curious horse story is at present going the round of the veterinary papers at home:—"A well known veterinary surgeon was called to examine a horse which had developed symptoms of feverishness. The animal perspired profusely, and shook his head from side to side with a jerky motion, indicative of acute pain. Colic at once suggested itself, and after an injection had been administered and the stomach gently rubbed, the horse was walked quietly round the yard. Suddenly he stopped, and after sniffing two or three times, he jerked his head sharply forward, when out of one of his nostrils ran a live mouse. How the mouse got into such queer quarters, is not, of course, definitely known, but possibly he was having a quiet feed in the horse's manger, and being disturbed, ran into, what in his hurry he mistook for his hole.

As a means of preventing false starts with the barrier, a suggestion has been made in Australia to have an official with a flag stationed about a furlong in front of the machine. At a signal from the Starter he could stop the field if any horses could not or would not start.

The Tigre Sailing Club will hold their next regatta on Sunday, April 4. There will be two events, one for race boats and the other for canoes, both handicap. The course will be a six-mile one. Entries close on Friday, April 2. It is to be hoped that the weather will be more favourable than it was at the first regatta held by the club.

The Banfield Athletic Club has decided to hold a Lawn Tennis Tournament for Members only, entries for which will close on Monday next, the 22nd inst. There will be three events as follows: Gentlemen's Singles, Gentlemen's Doubles, and Ladies' Singles. The entries will be \$2 each event for the gentlemen, while the ladies' event is free.

Those who have entered for the B.A. Lawn Tennis Tournament at Cinco Esquinas, have left their ties unplayed till rather late in the day. A few were played off on Thursday last, but all ties must be played off before next Thursday as the finals will be decided on that day. The full results of this tournament will be published in our next issue.

There is some talk of a Chinese football team going over to the States next season. It appears that one of Yale's most famous captains is over there as a missionary, and he has devoted a good deal of his spare time to teaching the 'pigtailed' the game. He states that they have taken hold of the sport with great enthusiasm, now that they are sound and plucky players.

The main drawback to their success, however, is the woeful lack of team play. It is a well-known constitutional failing of the race that no two Chinamen by any possibility can think alike. They need a firm disciplinarian and leader to force them into concerted action. Their chief delight seems to be in chattering advice to each other like magpies, and childish squabbles interfere seriously with their afternoon's practice. Of course a strong magnetic personality would cure this failing, but the question is to find the proper man to fill such an office. Judging from reports, there are few, if any, at present in China.

The Chinese as football players seem to have a wonderful faculty of avoiding injuries, and the chapter of accidents contains but few pages. Whether this is due to their fine physiques or their simple mode of living is a matter of question. The injury that seems most prevalent is neck strain, where the muscles in the neck swell to abnormal size. This is no doubt caused by their peculiar tackling, which is undoubtedly unique, for instead of a low tackle around the legs the Mongolian prefers to meet the runner with his head. The force of this head meeting is terrific, and the runner and tackler shoot in opposite directions as if tossed apart by an explosion.

Many of my readers will no doubt join with me in regretting extremely the unfortunate accident that occurred to Mr M. Whish on Saturday last, and which will, in all probability, confine this popular man to his bed for a considerable time, though everyone who knows him unites in hoping that it may prove less serious than is at present feared.

Since writing the above I am very pleased to hear that the accident to Mr. Whish is not now regarded as being so dangerous as was at first supposed, though it is undoubtedly of an extremely serious nature.

CRICKET.

FIXTURES.

MARCH

- Sun. 21—Lomas A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Flores.
- Sun. 21—Belgrano A.C. v. Mr N. B. Kitching's XI., at Belgrano.
- 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—Palermo A.C. v. Quilmes Rovers, at Quilmes.
- Thurs. 25—Belgrano A.C. v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham
- Sun. 28—London and R. P. Bank v. British Bank, at Palermo.
- Sun. 28—Albion Club (Buenos Aires) v. Social Club, at Lomas.
- 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.

B.A.C.C. v. LANUS.

This fixture, which was to have been played to-morrow at Lanus, has been unavoidably postponed to a later date.

LOMAS 2ND XI. v. LONDON BANK (A TEAM).

The following will play in the above match to-morrow at Lomas. Train leaves Plaza Constitucion at 10.30 a.m.
Lomas 2nd XI.—A. A. Miller, W. Flint, A. McMorran, C. P. Davis, W. Stirling, J. Tait, C. P. C. Comber, H. Dobson, F. Spencer, A. Dobson, R. Draper.
London Bank—J. Stuart, S. Francis, W. Fowler, L. Jacobs, C. W. Thomson, A. H. Poulton, D. Le Bas, R. C. Mackinnell, H. Fraser, G. L. Macfarlane, F. Couatts.

B.A.C.C. 2ND XI. v. ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

The following will represent the English High School in the above match at Palermo this afternoon:
Messrs R. W. Rudd, A. Costa, C. Benson, C. Brown, J. Brown, C. Knautt, M. Bruski, E. Brown, F. Kelly, G. Young, A. Hutton.
Train leaves Central Station at 12.50 p.m.

LOMAS A.C. v. FLORES A.C.

The following eleven will represent the above clubs in their match at Flores to-morrow:
Lomas A.C.—Messrs P. L. G. Bridger (captain), J. O. Anderson, H. B. Anderson, A. Anderson, F. H. Jacobs, R. L. Halstead, E. L. Willson, M. A. Halstead, W. R. Goodbody, G. M. Comber, A. N. Other.
Flores A.C.—Messrs B. W. Gardom (captain), B. J. Dillon, E. R. Gifford, W. Brown, R. W. Rudd, A. B. P. Boyd, B. B. Syer, T. V. M. Knox, G. F. Elliot, J. Huxtable, A. Palmer.
Train leaves Once station at 10 a.m.
Mrs Roberts has kindly consented to preside at the tea table.

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

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:
Banfield A.C.—Messrs G. Bingham, R. E. H. Anderson, A. Venn, W. F. Burt, W. Chevob, F. J. Dawson, H. Nicholson, D. Kingsland, H. W. Griggs, J. J. Dowson, A. Brooke.
Flores 2nd XI.—Messrs B. G. Henderson, F. E. Jones, A. S. Willes, W. D. Gardom, D. King, T. F. Palmer, J. H. Elliot, A. O. Jones, J. Holtum, D. R. Henderson, W. Duggan.

BELGRANO A.C. v. MR. N. KITCHING'S TEAM.

The above match will be played at Belgrano to-morrow. Play to commence on the arrival of the 10.50 train from Central Station (F.C.R.)
The following are the teams:
Belgrano A.C.—Messrs H. W. Botting, W. H. Harvey, W. Goodwin, J. Negron, W. Graham, G. L. Miles, J. D. Shepard, J. Campbell, H. W. Roberts, J. S. Prescott, S. J. Moore.
Mr Kitching's Team.—Messrs T. A. H. Forde, P. Permain, A. Virasoro y Calvo, R. L. Phillips, E. L. Rumboll, M. G. Fortune, R. Paton, C. J. Crank, J. S. Lee, J. L. Donovan, N. B. W. Kitching.
Lunch will be provided on the ground.

BATTING AND BOWLING AVERAGES.

This week the first ten on the list remain in the same order the first two with lower averages. F. H. Jacobs drops a place, as does H. B. Anderson.
H. W. Botting reappears in the list, while G. M. Comber and J. S. Prescott also find places. C. R. Tupholme drops out altogether, his average having fallen below 10.
In the bowling M. A. Halstead reappears in the list, taking first place with the splendid average of 5.7. E. L. Rumboll falls a place, H. B. Anderson goes up a place, and C. R. Tupholme drops to the end of the list, with his average four points worse.
Next week the minimum number of innings and overs bowled will be the same.

BATTING AVERAGES.

	No. of	not	High.	Total	Aver.
	innings	out.	Score.	Runs.	
A. Anderson	24	5	106*	713	37.5
J. O. Anderson	37	5	103*	1194	37.3
R. E. H. Anderson	26	3	122*	720	31.3
P. M. Rath	14	2	70	363	30.66
B. J. Dillon	21	3	76	552	30.66
J. R. Garrod	12	0	210	365	30.4
E. L. Rumboll	28	3	117*	698	27.9
R. W. Rudd	13	1	50	254	21.1
F. H. Jacobs	13	1	54*	224	18.6
G. A. Thomson	21	2	50	369	19.4
A. B. P. Boyd	10	1	52*	161	17.8
F. E. Jones	11	2	38	155	17.2
W. Brown	19	2	34	280	16.47
H. B. Anderson	21	1	55	329	16.45
E. R. Gifford	11	2	36*	146	16.2
G. F. Elliot	16	2	45	221	15.7
P. L. G. Bridger	14	4	53*	152	15.2
R. L. Halstead	10	1	33	136	15.1
E. L. Wilson	20	1	45*	245	12.8
G. M. Comber	10	1	25	113	12.5
W. H. Harvey	29	2	57	340	11.8
H. W. Botting	26	1	60	285	11.4
A. Venn	18	1	34	187	11.0
J. S. Prescott	10	0	31	107	10.7
J. Negron	21	3	28*	187	10.3

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av
M. A. Halstead	104.3	29	197	34	5.7
P. M. Rath	212.4	60	437	57	7.6
W. R. Goodbody	117.1	45	223	27	8.4
W. H. Harvey	292.1	55	686	71	9.6
T. V. M. Knox	342.2	99	730	75	9.7
W. Brown	280.1	93	621	58	10.7
A. Venn	124.2	16	316	28	11.2
E. L. Rumboll	341.3	91	791	69	11.4
H. B. Anderson	193.4	47	475	41	11.5
G. A. Thomson	261.3	51	659	51	12.9
R. C. Mackinnell	200.3	56	584	44	13.2
J. Stuart	105.1	12	317	21	15.9
J. O. Anderson	167.3	26	559	32	17.4
G. F. Elliot	149.1	29	422	23	18.3
J. R. Garrod	147	42	322	16	20.1
C. R. Tupholme	146	30	375	17	22.05

LOMAS A.C. v. HURLINGHAM.

The return match between the above clubs was played on Sunday last at Lomas. Probably owing to the exceptionally dry weather, the ground man had evidently over-watered the wicket, as from the very start it played in a most peculiar manner, and in consequence the bowlers held the upper hand throughout the match. Owing to quite unforeseen circumstances, Hurlingham turned up three short and this naturally helped to weaken their already unrepresentative team. Lomas on the other hand were up to full strength, in spite of which they were all dismissed for 101. However, they easily got rid of their opponents twice for 78 and so won comfortably. The fielding was decidedly good, especially that of Lomas, in spite of the hard and bumpy nature of the ground.

Lomas having won the toss elected to bat, the wicket having the appearance of being a real good one. A. Anderson and F. H. Jacobs were deputed to open the batting, while Rumboll and Lacey, were entrusted with the bowling. A four and a three resulted from Rumboll's first over and then Lacey clean bowled A. Anderson with the last ball of his first over. H. B. Anderson took his brother's place, but with the total unaltered, Jacobs in attempting to drive Rumboll, hit inside the ball and was taken in the slips. R. Draper came next and the score rose rapidly. Anderson made one fine drive, which should have been a 6, but the batsmen were unable to run fast on the slippery ground. With the score at 38 Anderson was clean bowled by Lacey for a well-made 15. J. O. Anderson joined Draper, and after hitting a four and two singles was bowled by Rumboll. Bridger followed in, but with only 3 runs added, Rumboll bowled Draper for a useful 11. G. M. Comber came next, and after making a boundary hit found one from Lacey too much for him: Miller took his place, but lost Bridger bowled by Lacey. M. A. Halstead fell a victim to the same bowler, as did D. Gibson, and then Goodbody joined Miller with the score at 78 for nine wickets. The new-comer started with two boundaries and then drove Lacey to the far boundary for five. Miller played patiently and scored in singles Goodbody, however, was not to be denied and continued scoring, until with the total at 101, he returned one slowly into Lacey's hands. Miller was left not out with 11 to his credit. The partnership had thus realised 23 runs. Lacey bowled extremely well and but for the last comer would have had a still finer analysis, as it was he took seven wickets for 30 runs.

Lunch was then taken, after which L. Wilson and Rumboll opened the Hurlingham innings to the bowling of M. A. Halstead and H. Anderson. A regular procession to and from the wicket then followed, no one except Rumboll offering the slightest opposition to the bowling. Rumboll, however, kept his wicket up well and was the eighth man out for a patiently compiled 16. The innings only realised 36 runs. Both bowlers naturally obtained excellent figures, Anderson securing four wickets for 15 runs and Halstead five for 12.

Shortly after 3 o'clock Hurlingham started their second venture, the same pair, Rumboll and Wilson, facing the same bowling. A still more disastrous commencement was made as Halstead disturbed Wilson's wicket with his first ball, and with his second he bowled Lacey, thus two good wickets were lost before a single run had been scored. Forde followed in and 18 appeared before Rumboll was bowled by a beauty from Anderson. Griffin failed to score, but on Williamson joining Forde a much better complexion was put on the game, 40 appearing before Anderson bowled Williamson for a useful 16, which included a hit for six out of the ground. Forde made 19 before Halstead caught and bowled him, but the rest did nothing, the innings closing for 43. Hurlingham were thus defeated by an innings and 23 runs. Halstead and Anderson again bowled unchanged, the former taking five wickets for 13 and the latter five for 24.

Below are the full scores and analysis:

Lomas A.C.	
A. Anderson b Lacey	3
F. Jacobs c Chevob b Rumboll	4
H. Anderson b Lacey	15
R. Draper b Rumboll	11
J. O. Anderson b Rumboll	6
P. L. G. Bridger b Lacey	7
G. M. Comber b Lacey	4
A. A. Miller not out	12
M. A. Halstead b Lacey	2
D. Gibson b Lacey	0
W. R. Goodbody c and b Lacey	19
Extras	18
Total	101

Hurlingham.	1st inn	2nd inn	
E. L. Wilson b H. Anderson	0	b M. A. Halstead	5
E. L. Rumboll b H. Anderson	16	b H. Anderson	5
Lacey b M. A. Halstead	0	b M. A. Halstead	0
		c and b M. A. Halstead	19
T. A. H. Forde b M. A. Halstead	4	b M. A. Halstead	0
H. Chevob b H. Anderson	2	b M. A. Halstead	0
A. Williamson b M. A. Halstead	0	b H. Anderson	16
M. G. Fortune b M. A. Halstead	2	b H. Anderson	0
G. Schwind run out	0	not out	1
C. P. C. Comber b H. Anderson	1	b H. Anderson	0
A. Leshe b M. A. Halstead	2	c J. O. Anderson b M. A. Halstead	1
T. R. Griffin not out	0	b M. A. Halstead	0
Extras	9	Extras	1
Total	36	Total	43

BOWLING ANALYSIS

Lomas.		Hurlingham.—First Innings.		
O.	M.	R.	W.	
E. L. Rumboll	16	4	53	3
Lacey	16	6	30	7
Lacey bowled one wide.				
Second Innings.				
M. A. Halstead	8	4	18	5
H. Anderson	7.4	2	24	5
H. B. Anderson bowled one wide.				

BELGRANO A.C. v. LANUS (F.C.S.) A.C.

This fixture was decided on Sunday last at Belgrano. The visitors, who were unable to place their full strength in the field, had to retire defeated by 37 runs.
The feature of the match was the extraordinary success achieved by F. B. Percy with the ball. He was the fifth and last bowler tried, the score at the time reading 145 for five wickets. He accounted for the remaining five wickets in four overs and two balls, while only 12 runs were scored off him. He also made the second highest score for his side. For Belgrano Botting played a good innings of 60, this being the highest score he has been credited with this season.
Lanus won the toss and elected to take the field. Shepard and Prescott were the first pair to face the deliveries of Tupholme and Brown. Ten soon appeared, as did twenty, but with the score at 27 Shepard was bowled by Brown. Harvey came next, but with an addition of 8 runs to the score, of which his share was three, he fell a victim to the same bowler. Graham joined Prescott, but after 8 more runs had been scored lost his partnership, caught and bowled for a useful 20. This brought Botting and Graham together and a useful stand was made, the score being raised to 75, before the latter put his leg in front of a straight one from Belton.

Lunch was then taken, after which Fowler joined his captain, and runs came at a good rate, Botting doing most of the scoring. The 100 went up with these two still together, but 16 runs later Fowler was run out. J. Campbell took his place and the score continued to rise. With 145 up Percy took over the ball and an extraordinary change came over the game as the new bowler carried all before him. With the second ball of his second over, he obtained Botting's wicket, the batsman playing the ball into his wicket after contributing a stylish and well-played 60. In Percy's third over he clean bowled Kitching, Roberts, and Mackinnell, while with the second ball of his next over he treated Moore, the last comer, in a like manner. The innings thus closed for 164, a much smaller total than at one time seemed probable. Percy, was of course, by far the most successful bowler, his five wickets only costing 12 runs.

Lanus then batted, Belton and Brown going to the wickets first, Harvey and Mackinnell taking charge of the bowling. A bad start was made for with 5 runs scored Harvey bowled Belton, and with the score unchanged he disturbed Sly's wickets. This brought Percy and Brown together and the latter again came to the rescue of his side. The score gradually rose the two batsmen playing well and carefully, the principal item being a hit for six by Brown off Mackinnell. When the score had been raised to 53, Percy put one up to leg off Mackinnell, and had to leave, after scoring a capital 20. Campbell, who relieved Harvey soon afterwards bowled Brown, who had played very well for his 29 runs. After his departure a "rot" set in and the whole side were dismissed for 77 runs, or 87 runs less than their opponents. Campbell came out with the best analysis, securing four wickets for 19 runs.

Below are the scores and analysis:—

Belgrano.		Lanus.	
J. D. Shepard b Brown	12	C. Belton b Harvey	3
J. S. Prescott c and b Brown	20	G. Brown b Campbell	29
W. H. Harvey b Brown	3	A. Sly b Harvey	0
W. M. Graham l b w b	13	F. B. Percy c Roberts	20
H. W. Botting b Percy	60	b Mackinnell	20
F. Fowler run out	10	C. Tupholme b Campbell	7
J. Campbell not out	29	D. Duncan b Campbell	0
N. B. Kitching b Percy	3	A. Dobson c Roberts	1
H. W. Roberts b Percy	4	Campbell	1
R. C. Mackinnell b Percy	0	J. Luck not out	4
S. J. Moore b Percy	1	E. Morgan run out	1
		G. Brooking l b w b	0
		Mackinnell	0
		J. Boyd c Prescott b Mackinnell	6
		Extras	6
		Total	164
		Total	77

BOWLING ANALYSIS
Belgrano A.C.

	O	R	M	W
C. R. Tupholme	16	3	56	0
G. Brown	16	5	40	3
C. Belton	9	0	29	1
D. Duncan	4	0	18	0
F. B. Percy	4.2	0	12	5
Lanus.				
W. H. Harvey	15	2	19	2
R. C. Mackinnell	13.3	4	33	3
J. Campbell	10	0	19	4

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

This match was played last Sunday at Palermo, when the Flores second eleven added another win to their already long list of victories. Palmer and Henderson made a splendid stand for the visitors, and put on 85 runs for the fourth wicket. The home team shaped very badly in the first innings, but in their second venture made a much better show and scored 134 for the loss of but three wickets.

Flores batted first, and 25 were up before the first wicket fell. Two more wickets were lost with an additional 7 runs scored, and then Palmer and Henderson came together and made matters lively, scoring 52 and 56 respectively, while each batsman hit nine 4's. Nobody else did anything of importance and the innings closed for 180.

R. W. Anderson and D. Kingsland were the most successful bowlers, the former taking five wickets for 53 and the latter three for 17.

The B.A.C.C. then batted and made a most disastrous start, losing five wickets for 15, and eight for 47. Lacey and Thornton improved matters somewhat, but the whole side were out for 71, or 109 runs behind. Thornton was left not out with 20 to his credit.

Gardom and Jones, who bowled unchanged, each obtained good analysis, five for 32 and four for 36 respectively.

The B.A.C.C. then followed on and again but a poor start was made, two wickets falling for 10 runs. Then, however, Stokes joined Hunt, and the bowling was completely collared, the score being taken to 134 before Stokes was bowled by Palmer, for a well played 64, while Hunt made 59 not out. Stumps were then drawn. We give the scores and analysis below:

Flores 2nd XI.

S. Francis c and b Hunt	1
F. E. Jones l b w b Hunt	19
A. S. Willes b R. W. Anderson	3
A. Palmer b R. W. Anderson	52
B. G. Henderson b D. Kingsland	56
D. Gardom b D. Kingsland	6
H. B. Elliot b R. W. Anderson	1
E. Palmer b D. Kingsland	5
D. King b R. W. Anderson	3
J. H. Elliot not out	0
J. Holtum b R. W. Anderson	11
Extras	23
Total	180

B.A.C.C. 2nd XI.

	1st inn	2nd inn
C. R. Thursby run out	7	1 b w b A. Palmer
D. Kingsland c and b Jones	1	
W. Higgins b F. Jones	1	
R. E. Hunt b Gardom	4	not out
D. J. Stokes c Francis b Jones	2	b Palmer
R. W. Anderson b Jones	4	
R. L. Phillips b Gardom	6	
A. Lacey b Gardom	15	
E. Thornton not out	20	b A. Palmer
H. C. Plews c Henderson b Gardom	6	
M. Bagley b Gardom	2	
Extras	3	Extras
Total	71	Total (for 3 wickets) 134

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
Flores.

	O	M	R	W
R. E. Hunt	12	2	50	2
R. W. Anderson	18	4	53	5
W. Higgins	7	0	37	0
D. Kingsland	7	1	17	3
Buenos Aires C.C.—First Innings.				
D. Gardom	13	2	32	5
F. E. Jones	12	1	36	4
Second Innings.				
A. S. Willes	7	1	20	0
A. Palmer	10	1	29	3
F. E. Jones	4	0	19	0
D. Gardom	4	0	15	0
H. B. Elliot	10	3	31	0
S. Francis	6	2	16	0

WEST INDIES

MR. PRIESTLEY'S TEAM.

Fourth Match v. Antigua.—Played on Thursday, Jan. 28 and following days, resulting in an easy win for the Englishmen in a single innings. They scored 272 (Mr A. E. Stoddart 107, Mr L. Barratt 96) against 101 (E. Samuel 37 and 75).

Fifth Match v. St. Kitts.—On Monday, Feb. 1, a match was started against a weak team representing St. Kitts, and the visitors had no difficulty in gaining their fourth consecutive victory. Mr Stoddart again was responsible for a three figure contribution amounting to 133, and Mr F. N. Bush and Mr A. Priestley subscribed 33 and 30 respectively. The scores were: Mr Priestley's team, 269; St. Kitts, 48 and 29.

LORD HAWKE'S TEAM.

First Match, v. Queen's Park C.C.—The tour was opened on Friday, Jan. 29, but such heavy scoring resulted, that the match eventually ended in a draw. All the Englishmen reached double figures, Mr P. F. Warner being top scorer with 119, and Messrs G. R. Bardswell (46) and Bromley Davenport (41) were next in order, the full score being 428. Against this Queen's Park obtained 217 (Mr M. Smith 45, L. S. D'Adé 42), and 24 for four wickets.

PAVILION GOSSIP.

The fears I expressed as to the interest in cricket falling off after the North and South match, are, I'm sorry to say, being realised. In consequence what is always looked upon as one of the keenest matches of the season, that between Hurlingham and Lomas, was on Sunday last, quite spoilt. Two had to stand out for quite unforeseen circumstances, but several prominent players were missing, and the Hurlingham eleven was not at all representative.

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The wicket had evidently been watered until up to the day of the match and was in consequence very peculiar. Although it looked very well, the bowlers were able to get plenty of work on the ball, and in addition to this most of the balls kept very low. This naturally accounts to a great extent for the low scoring, but it is not often we see Mr E. L. Wilson or Lacey "bagging a brace." The highest individual score of the day was Mr Forde's 19.

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During the match 180 runs were scored for the loss of 30 wickets giving an average of only 6 runs per wicket. Considering the strength of the Lomas eleven's batting, Lacey accomplished a very fine performance in taking seven wickets for 30, six clean bowled, while he caught and bowled the seventh.

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Another peculiar incident in this match was the extraordinary small number of catches given. In the Lomas innings F. H. Jacobs and W. R. Goodbody alone were caught out. In the Hurlingham first innings not a single man was caught out, while in their second venture only two were dismissed by catches, one caught and bowled. In spite of the exceptionally hard state of the ground, the fielding was very good all through, the Lomas fielding being particularly smart.

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The question of the "follow-on" is now being very much discussed in Australia, owing to a repetition of the Lord's incident, in the Inter-Varsity match, taking place during the game between Victoria and South Australia. On this occasion the Victorian captain, not wishing his opponents to follow-on, or his own men to bat on a well-worn wicket, gave Trumble orders to send down eight no-balls, and thus averted the "follow-on."

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I have already expressed my opinion with regards these tactics, and I think it was most unfortunate that the M.C.C. were unable to debate the question at their winter meeting, but they agreed to wait for the Australian replies. These must all have arrived by now, so that with the question again before the public, I hope the M.C.C. will call a meeting before the season opens at home and have the matter finally settled.

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In an account of a match given in a local paper in Ceylon a batsman is described as l. b. w. and caught. And asterisk against his name refers the reader to the foot of the score, where it is found that the batsman was "so given out by both umpires"

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A proof of the increased interest in South African cricket is to be seen in the large number of professionals now finding employment during the winter in the chief cricket centres out there. W. H. Lockwood of Surrey, A. H. Holland of Leicestershire, and James of Wiltshire, are engaged with the Western Province Club, which has a very beautiful ground at Newlands, some seven miles from Cape Town.

The team of Philadelphians about to visit England this season appear to be a fairly strong side. Their programme though not ambitious in point of length, is of unexceptional quality, and no possible objection can be urged against it being considered first class. It is a pity they are unable to stay long enough to play all the first class counties, as it is Essex, Derbyshire, and Leicestershire are absent from the programme.

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The old rival clubs, Lomas and Flores, meet for the second time this season at Flores to-morrow, and much interest is evinced in the match. Latterly Flores have been holding the upper hand, as last season they won both matches, the first one by nine wickets and the second one by 105 runs, while this season, Flores just managed to come out of the first encounter victorious by 12 runs. Both teams are strong all round, and an excellent game should result.

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As we are approaching the end of our cricket season, the liveliest interest is being displayed over the coming football season, especially as regards the League matches. Lanus and Banfield have decided to enter the League this year, Belgrano hope to be able to place two teams in the field, Flores and Lomas will be well represented, and there is just a possible chance of the Rosario Athletic Club once again figuring in the League. Retiro and the Lomas Academics (last year's champions) have decided not to enter, and the Palermo A.C. find it impossible to raise an eleven.

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All Association players here, and the long-suffering referees, will be delighted to hear that goal-nets have arrived, and several of the clubs have already obtained them. Those clubs who are not yet in possession of this desirable and even necessary article, I would advise to order them at once, as they will be out in plenty of time. Those who have played at home with goal-nets, will agree with me that they increase the pleasure of playing twofold, while it saves the referee a large amount of work and anxiety. If there are any clubs in doubt as to how to obtain them, I shall be pleased to give them full particulars.

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At a committee meeting of the B.A.F.C. held last week, the following members were awarded caps for their good play last season. Mr. R. E. H. Anderson, who so ably filled the post of full back, Mr. A. McMorran, whose safe tackling at three-quarters was so much admired, Mr. T. K. Gibaud and Mr. D. King, who took charge of the half-back division, and Messrs. Faram, A. O. Jones, and L. Jacobs among the forwards.

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Rugby football, though popular in Paris, has made little way as yet in provincial France, to judge from an article on the brutalities of the game which has lately appeared in a local newspaper. There we learn amongst other things, that the ground measures 20 yards by 25, that the posts are placed not more than one yard apart, that the number of players is 42, and that in the middle of the ground there is a stand for the umpire to prevent his being suffocated in the scimmages. Best of all is the concluding statement, "that nobody will be astonished at the savagery of the game when he reflects that it comes from Spain, the country famed for its sanguinary bullfights."

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EN PASSANT.

St. Patrick's Day banquet was a genuine success.

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The new Jockey Club, in Calle Florida, will be inaugurated in May.

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The revolutionary forces in the Banda Oriental lay claim to victory in the battle fought on the 17th.

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By the new tariff law all articles made by prisoners will be refused admittance into the United States.

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The Pacific Steam Navigation Co. will despatch the ss Potosi direct for Liverpool, without calling at Brazil, on Wednesday, April 14.

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The Bahia Blanca Custom-house collected \$29,705 during the first fortnight of March, making a total of \$231,522 since January 1.

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The Rosario Railway have reopened for traffic their lines to Tucuman and the north of Rafaela, which were stopped owing to inundations.

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The following are said to be the actual tenders for the construction of the port works in Montevideo: Guerrard, \$8,360,000; Pearson, \$11,937,000; Green, \$13,430,000.

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Telegrams from London affirm that a formal alliance exists between Germany, Russia and Austria against Greece. These three powers were the "spoilers" of Poland.

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The Chilian Government has accepted the tender of Guzman and Otten to repair, and keep in order for one year, the Uspallata road over the Cordilleras for the sum of \$18,000.

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Messrs R. J. Neild, C. W. Drabble, A. Pennard, F. Thompson, James Gifford, Dr. Colbourne, and Mrs J. B. Wanklyn are among the passengers who have left for Europe during the past few days.

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The rabble in Rio Janeiro are clamouring for the closing of the offices of our colleague "The Rio News," the crime being that the editor is said to be a correspondent of the London "Times."

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The "Navigazione Generale" are building three vessels of 6000 tons for the River Plate trade. The speed is to be 20 miles an hour, which will shorten the voyage from here to Italy to twelve or thirteen days.

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"La Porteña," a local insurance company, has applied to Judge Peyret for a moratoria. A balance-sheet gives the assets at \$3,047 gold and \$575,097 paper, and the liabilities \$8,947 gold and \$176,435 paper.

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The 3rd battalion of the 6th regiment, in Dennehy, have been removed two leagues from the other troops in camp, owing to measles having broken out. The grass on the site of their old encampment has been burnt.

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The "Razon" of Montevideo says that Aparicio Saraiva, one of the revolutionary chiefs, has written to President Borda, from Cerro Largo, giving him twenty days to clear out or be put out from the presidency.

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The new American Methodist Episcopal Church now being built in Calle Charcas will have seating accommodation for 1300 persons. The ground and buildings will cost \$303,000. The church, it is expected, will be open for service early next year.

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A telegram of condolence and sympathy with Mrs J. B. Wanklyn, and condemning the dastardly assassination of her husband, has been received from London, signed by no less than thirty-four British companies doing business with this country.

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Archdeacon Sinclair, in his "Leaders of Thought, &c." tells a good story of an Eton head master, known as "Flogging Keate." Finding one morning a row of boys in his study, he began, as usual, to flog them. They were too terrified at the awful little man to remonstrate till he had gone half-way down the row, when one plucked up courage to falter out, "Please sir, we're not up for punishment—we're a confirmation class!" "Never mind," said Dr. Keate, "I must be fair all round, and it will do you good." So he finished them off.

Dr. Carlos Pellegrini will leave for Europe towards the end of May.

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The tramways of the city carried 8,564,419 passengers during January.

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Mr Sims Reeves, the celebrated tenor, has been declared bankrupt. The accounts show—debts £1042 and assets £3.

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A German in search of English novelties in the straw hat line, and who was refused samples, committed suicide in London last month.

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The population of the City of Buenos Aires, during the month of January last, was increased by 2954, making the total on that date 715,052.

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The active and passive National Guards in the Department of Valparaiso, Chile, number 15,591 men, between 18 and 30 years of age.

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During 1896 French tobacco smokers paid into the Treasury the colossal sum of 333,000,000 francs, which is just 12,000,000 francs more than in 1895.

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A commission of ladies in Quilmes are interesting themselves for the placing of a memorial window in the church there to the memory of the late Rev. Mr Luckman.

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A Parisian newspaper has started a bar on its premises, so that the literary and artistic staff may not scatter themselves promiscuously over the neighbouring cafés.

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On the banks of the Laguna de Gomez, at a depth of two metres and a half, sulphur springs have been discovered. The laguna is only eight kilometres from the town of Junin in this province.

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The number of animals slaughtered for consumption in this city during January embraced 57,853 head of cattle and 75,099 sheep, and over 11,000,000 kilos of vegetables entered the markets.

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The Government of Bombay are making inocular experiments as a protective against the bubonic fever. Out of 512 inoculations that had taken place, in only two of them had there been any attack.

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Passports must be received from the Chief of Police in Montevideo before residents can leave the country, as without which no vessel can receive them. This applies equally to natives and foreigners.

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Contrary to general belief, the Sahara is not a barren and worthless waste. Some time ago there were 9,000,000 sheep in the Algerian Sahara alone, besides 2,000,000 goats and 260,000 camels. On the oases there are 1,500,000 date palms.

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The White Star Line are having built a new vessel which it is expected will make the voyage between New York and Liverpool in four days. The length of the vessel will be about 680 feet, the guaranteed speed is expected to be 27 knots, and the cost will be almost £400,000.

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A number of unmarried women of New York, says the "British Medical Journal," have formed a society for the prevention of hereditary diseases. They have registered a solemn vow not to marry a man whose family is tainted with consumption, insanity, alcoholism or other heritable disease.

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Anyone who imagines that Cecil Rhodes is to be a hack number hereafter does not know his genius for leadership, or understand the really great services he has rendered to South Africa and to British interests, the memory of which will not be effaced, even by the crime of the Transvaal invasion.

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It is a well-known fact that paper money is liable to transfer bacteria from one person to another. It was also supposed that coins, which are more in circulation than notes, might act as similar agents. In reality, says the Vienna "Medical Gazette," coins act, so to speak, as antiseptics to bacteria or microbes, the fact being that these microscopic organisms have but a very short lease of life while on metals. The destroying influences of metals increase with their temperature. At a temperature of 95deg. to 100deg. Fahrenheit, which is common in the pockets where money is carried, the destruction of microbes occurs within three hours.

There is a deficit of \$178,738 in the receipts of the Montevideo Custom-house compared with those for February, 1896. The receipts for January showed a deficit of \$300,080 when compared with the same month in 1896. Since October last, five months, the deficit is \$841,878.

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That old and important question as to whether the Municipality can collect taxes on railway stations has been definitely settled on appeal to the Civil Cámara. The Court condemns the Municipality in costs, and in the sentence declares the Municipality to have no right to impose taxes on railways.

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There is a warning out for British subjects to beware of the blandishments of agents who are shipping emigrants to the island of Chiloe, to the south of Chile. The only trades that ought to flourish there are those of umbrella and waterproof manufacturers. Even weather prophets have no chance, for it rains consistently all the year round.

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Only ten years ago the largest steamer belonging to the P. and O. Line for the first time touched 6000 tons; seven years ago 6800 was the largest. In 1894 the Caledonia, of 7000 tons, was the largest; then, in 1896, came the India, of 8000 tons, and the China, of the same tonnage; and now a 10,000-ton boat is promised for 1898. It is the Suez Canal, more than anything else, which limits the tonnage of the P. and O. Liners.

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On Feb. 12th there was great excitement in the Casino at Monte Carlo. A Russian gentleman broke the bank twice—that is to say, the roulette was stopped on two occasions until more money was supplied. For 20 consecutive coups he won the maximum on the last numbers, and when he lost one coup immediately departed. He won over 200,000 francs, but it is stated he will come back again. He had quite a royal reception when walking in the Atrium after play.

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The novelist "Ouida" has written a characteristic protest against the Immigration Bill of the United States. She argues that the reading and writing test of citizenship is not a proper test of citizenship, especially among Italians, as she has invariably found illiterate work-people ten times more industrious, temperate, honest, and intelligent than those who had been corrupted by a trumpery schooling. The bill will, she says, admit the city trash, able to read the reports of crimes in the cheap journals, but will exclude the stalwart peasantry.

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The London fire brigade consists to-day of 842 firemen, 25 men under instruction, 17 pilots and 76 coachmen. The material with which the brigade works includes 58 land fire-engine stations, five river stations, three substations, 15 street stations, 57 land steam fire-engines, nine steam fire-engines on barges, 77 manual engines, 115 hose carts, 37 miles of hose, eight steam tugs, 13 barges, 246 fire-escapes, 102 telephone lines between fire stations, and 580 fire alarm call points. The number of firemen on detail duty is 140 by day and 375 by night. The average number available for general work is 652 by day, and 388 by night. The number of accidents to members of the brigade during 1896 was 110, of which two were fatal.

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An ingenious appliance for the correction of watches which have become magnetised through being taken within the influence of electric dynamos has been devised by a watchmaker, and consists of a small electrically driven motor and a couple of fairly powerful magnets. The watch to be treated is attached to the spindle of the motor, and is revolved in juxtaposition to the magnets, and in a comparatively short time is restored to its original condition. The motor is driven from a two cell bichromate battery, each cell about a quart in capacity, and the motor is sufficiently small to be held conveniently in the hand while the operation is being conducted. The method has been in use for upwards of a year, and has proved entirely satisfactory.

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Great Britain has won the second international chess match with the United States, and the Newnes trophy returns to London after a year's absence. The match took place on the afternoons of the 12th and 13th of February. The British team were located in the Prince's Room of the Hotel Cecil, London, while the Americans played at the Academy of Music, New York, where there was accommodation for 4000 spectators. The Commercial Cable Company conducted the telegraphing as in last year's match, and gave great satisfaction. Notwithstanding that the messages travelled through 3500 miles of wire, instances occurred of moves and replies being communicated in less than a minute's duration. Last year's match was played on 16th and 17th March between teams of eight a-side—the British team consisting of four professional players—viz., Blackburne, Bird, Burn, and Tinsley, and four amateurs. The result was that the Americans won by 4½ to 3½, and the handsome trophy, given by Sir George Newnes, crossed the Atlantic. This year the only professional player in the British team was Mr Blackburne, the remaining nine being amateurs selected by a committee of the British Chess Club. The Brooklyn Chess Club selected the American team.

The "army" of Antonio "Conselheiro" is composed of four classes—fanatics by conviction; fanatics by interest, who see in the triumph of the "apostle" personal gains; deserters from the army and navy, and the criminal classes of the surrounding states. In Pernambuco and in the southern part of the State of Parana two new "apostles" have appeared, each with a considerable number of followers.

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The German Emperor has asked the Prince of Wales to become hon. president of the committee he has appointed to make the arrangements for the Jubilee Cup race from Dover to Heligoland on June 23. The Prince of Wales has sent the following reply: "I shall have great pleasure in complying with your request by becoming honorary president of the committee of your Jubilee Cup race and wish the yacht race every success."

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From an article entitled "The Brutal Truth," in the "Uruguay News" of 14th inst., we take the following: "The grand fundamental principle of Civilisation is the guarantee of security to person and property. That this principle has been utterly ignored in the past administration of Argentine law cannot be seriously denied for a moment. Crime, particularly the crime of murder, is there rampant as it is in no other country in the world. . . . Things will mend, some day—Argentines will themselves mend them, some day. And that day will be when they are told in unmistakable terms "The Brutal Truth." Told that while they thus disregard the prime principle of Civilisation, Civilisation regards them with horror, repudiates them, will have none of them."

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The exciting sport of whaling will soon be a thing of the past, for an electric harpoon has just been invented by an old whaler of Halifax, captain Charles Herschal, who claims that his invention will deal instantaneous death to the oil-producing cetacean. This will, indeed, be electrocution *in excelsis*, for the dynamo employed will be capable of administering a shock of 10,000 volts—in other words, the shock will be powerful enough to kill five whales. Attached to the dynamo will be a wire rope heavily insulated, and of sufficient length to be run out a distance of 10,000 ft. into the water. The whalers in charge of the harpoon will have to be extremely careful when handling it, for merely touching the barbed steel point would mean instant death. Of course, there is one thing to be said, and that is that if the harpoon performs half the work it is said to be going to do the whale will soon become as extinct as the dodo, for whereas a boat's crew up to the present time can rarely look forward to "bagging" more than one whale a-day, Captain Herschal's harpoon will be able to destroy a whole school of whales in a few hours. The invention is, therefore, looked at by those who regard whaling as a sport with very mixed feelings.

THE PEARL OF PONAPE.

The trading yacht Dreamland lay anchored in the calm waters of Jokoits, the chief port of the island of Ascension in the Caroline group. Called by the natives Ponapé, Ascension was an island colonised by French, Spanish, and English, with an occasional Italian or Portuguese here and there, all more or less traders or adventurers, and all acknowledging the dominion of one Eli Jackson, an eighty-year-old Englishman, who owned nearly the whole island.

The language spoken was a jargon of French, English and Spanish interspersed with Samoan and Malay. Each nationality spoke its own language mixed with Polynesian, therefore a stranger had to know many tongues to be thoroughly at home in Ponapé.

Robert Travers, owner and commander of the Dreamland, was an Englishman of good birth, who had struck out from boyhood for a life of adventure, and after a few years as a middy on a merchantman, he had purchased the Dreamland and had commenced trading in the South Seas on his own account. A bold, free life he found it too, for the Malay Archipelago and Micronesia teemed with pirates, rogues, and sharks of every nation and there a man had either to fight or go to the wall. Travers had evidently found it so, for a glance at the saucy Dreamland proved that she was a pugilist of the first order. The little yacht was armed to the teeth, even to a formidable gatling, which grinned ominously through her bows. As she rose and fell on the ebb tide she made a picture to gladden the eye of any sailor. One there was who admired her, yet hated her with a fierce hatred.

Jubal Rogers stood on the wharf at Jokoits one sweltering-hot summer's day, glaring at her exquisite shape as she danced on the deep waters of the Pacific, half-a-mile away.

"Curse her!" he growled, "she sails like a witch." The Hawk could never overhaul her, and as to cutting her out from here—Carramba! those British swine fight like wild beasts."

Rogers was a Portuguese (or "Podquee" as the Southerners call them) half-breed, and had the reputation of being "a beachcomber, all the way from Guam!" He was thief, pirate, and desperado in one. His experienced eye had scanned the beautiful proportions and symmetrical lines of the Dreamland, and he was thirsting to command her. With that raking racer under him, he knew he could range the Pacific from Luzon to the Low Archipelago, and make Micronesia pay toll and tithe to the bold buccaneer. But he had other cause for hating this lovely craft; he hated her commander. Travers, the blue-eyed, broadshouldered Hercules had captured the heart of one of whom Rogers had sworn on a sacred relic of the crucifix to possess. One who was even now tripping along towards him from the town of Jokoits, daintily dressed in a delightful costume of French finery.

Juliette, the daughter, so she was styled, of Eli Jackson. She was skipping over the springy turf like a gazelle, fresh in the tropical beauty of nearly seventeen summers. Fresh, tiny, and piquante, with a deep,

creamy complexion and dull red cheeks, the changing flushes of which were like the fading flashes of a southern summer's evening. Her auburn hair was a mass of crisp, curly untidiness, and her blue eyes were like the fathomless waters of the Pacific.

The angry light in Jubal's eyes changed to a fire of dull, despairing ferocity, as he caught sight of the advancing figure.

"Dio! Dio!" he groaned between his set teeth. "She is beyond compare."

Then as she came up to him, he bowed low and swept the ground with his palm-leaf sombrero like a stately don of the old days of the Spanish main.

The recognition of Juliette was a blending of haughtiness, courtesy and condescension that made up the bow of an empress.

Jubal spoke in the mixed jargon of the islands.

"Where go you, Senora, this fine morning? Has the old man forgotten his beautiful daughter that he lets her go alone?"

"I do not understand, Signor. To what do you refer?" replied Juliette.

Jubal turned and pointed with a long yellow finger to where the Dreamland danced outside the bar.

"Por Dio! You go there?" said he.

She flushed crimson—scorn flashed from her eyes.

"And why not?" she cried. "Answer me?"

"Dio! I will," he said, and Juliette crossed herself piously. "You go to see the Britisher. Juliette, are you mad? Know you not that I adore you?"

His ashy face glared down on her and great beads of agony stood on his face.

"Wretch!" said Juliette, stamping her foot. "Thief! Ladrone! Pirate! I hate you!"

He strode up to her savagely.

"Tei Diva!" and he clasped her hand roughly. "You know the world but little. You do not know him," pointing with his thumb over his shoulder to the yacht.

"He is an aristocrat, *gentilhomo, hidalgo*; he will love you and leave you. The old man is blind, but I watch. He will play with you, this Britisher; he will amuse himself; then he will sail away. The daughter of Estelle, is no wife for him!"

The name of her mother recalled her sinking spirit.

"Liar!" she screamed. "Let me go, scoundrel; I hate you!"

His eyes gleamed like red coals.

"You will go to him, then?" he hissed.

"Yes, he is a man, and you—you are——"

He left her no time to finish. One arm closed round her waist, the other, like a vice, encircled her neck, and he kissed her greedily, roughly. Hot, dry embraces.

She struggled desperately first, later on feebly. Her head grew dizzy, she felt surrounded by flames, the hideous breath of a volcano was round her. Then a cool hand clasped her bosom as she tottered backwards. Round the corner of the copra shed had come Travers, in his cool white yachting suit and gold-laced cap. In a moment he had rushed at the ruffianly pirate. No man born of woman could have stood up to the flush right-hander on the point of the jaw that came like a piston-rod from Travers' shoulder. And the beachcomber sank in his tracks like a slaughtered bullock.

Tenderly Travers lifted the slender form of Juliette in his arms and carried her away. Past the mango *tope*, through the *fara* avenue, up into the town to the big house of Eli Jackson. There he left her to the tender mercies of her Samoan handmaidens; returning swiftly to where he had left the beachcomber. The man was up, and cursing fiercely to a crowd of Manila men and Polynesians.

"Ah, you English dog!" he shouted, as Travers came in sight. "To hell with you!" and he pulled out a revolver from his belt.

Cool and passionless Travers came on. Jubal covered him deliberately with his revolver; yet Travers advanced with his jaunty step.

"Diavolo! Cursed Jubal, I will fill you full of holes if you come another step!"

"Drop it, Mongsheer!" growled a bass voice in his ear from behind. Jubal, turning quickly, encountered the cold barrel mouth of a six-shooter which almost buried itself in his ear. At the reverse end of the "bulldog" was the rigid bronze hand of the boatswain of the Dreamland. His seraphic smile warned Jubal to be circumspect. Jubal was circumspect. He dropped his revolver quickly. Travers had arrived opposite to him.

(To be continued).

FIXTURES

CRICKET

Sunday, March 21—Lomas A.C. v. Flores A.C., at Flores.
Sunday, March 21—Belgrano A.C. v. Mr N.B. Kitching's XI., at Belgrano.

Sunday, March 21—Lomas A.C. 2nd XI. v. London Bank C.C. 2nd XI., at Lomas.

Sunday, March 21—Banfield A.C. v. Flores 2nd XI., at Banfield.

Sunday, March 21—Palermo A.C. v. Quilmes Rovers, at Quilmes.

Thursday, March 25—Belgrano A.C. v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.

RACING

Sunday, March 21—Hipódromo Argentino, Palermo.

Thursday, March 25—Hipódromo Argentino, Palermo.

Thursday, March 25—Meeting at Hurlingham.

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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- THE GOLF-LINKS HANDICAP, a Sweepstakes of \$15 each, with \$50 added, for Ponies of 56 in. and under 1000 metres.

The Committee reserve the right to alter this programme, should it be found necessary.
Entries to close to H. H. Ewen, 559 Piedad, on Saturday, March 20, not later than 5.30 p.m.

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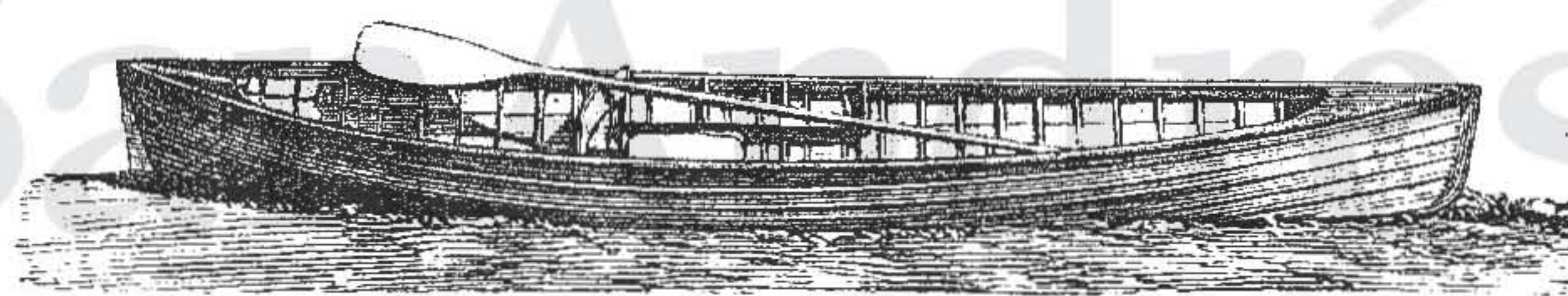
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ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

The managers of the Jewish colonies in Concepcion del Uruguay have resolved to give a trial to cotton growing.

Messrs Juan and Alberto Honkist bought last week 7200 hectares of camp in Cordoba, to the south of Carlotá, at \$15.50 per hectare.

The quality of the wheat in Entre Rios has fallen from the first class to that of fourth. Wheat that before gave 81 kilos to the hectolitre barely give now 70 or 71, and the difference between the two when turned into flour is 25 to 30 per cent.

At a butter-making lecture in Buchlyvie (Scotland) by an authority on the subject, an aged listener said that in his young days they made butter that would "keep twelve months—four times as long as it would do now—and yet they did not use thermometer, and technical education to help them."

Mr Ewart bought, for shipment to Buenos Aires on February 20th, from Mr R. Fisher's Lincoln flock at Leconfield, sixteen shearing rams sired by Riby Hermit 813, Casswell No. 13 1334, Haughton Judge A 1430, and other notes sires. They combine the fine lustrous wool and good mutton for which this flock has long been noted.

The bullocks shipped by Mr John Foster on board the steamer Port Ilando, which left here a month ago, consigned to Messrs Parker and Fraser, were sold in Liverpool on Wednesday last at £16 3s 4d, which represents \$40 gold on the estancia free of all charges. Messrs Parker and Fraser are sending live stock by sixteen steamers this month.

The sale advertised by Messrs B. Alchonson to take place last Sunday on the Estancia La Merced in the Tuyu district, gave the following result:—Oxford-down rams \$70 to 75, crossed Lincoln wethers for invernada \$6.80, Shetland ponies \$65, Anglo-Normandy mares \$100, colts from \$45 to 68, Durham bulls off the camp from \$80 to 100, heifers at \$28, crossed Durham brood cows with calves at foot from \$25 to 36.50, bullocks for invernada from 1½ to 3 years from \$34 to 34.50. The amount of sales realized \$46,427.97.

A report from New Zealand states that Dr. Brittin, of Papanui, and Mr. Glass, engineer of the Belfast Freezing Works, have "just succeeded in bringing into practical form an idea of the former gentleman for the freezing of meat in a manner that will obviate the danger of 'bonestink,' that fault which has told so prejudicially against frozen meat in the London market. The idea is to apply the greatest degree of cold first to the interior of the carcass or joint, so as to expel the animal heat therefrom before the process of putrefaction can possibly begin. In the ordinary course of freezing the outer part of the carcass is frozen first, and the heat is not expelled from the bone until, frequently, a taint is contracted.

By the new system the cold is applied by a hollow, dagger-shaped steel instrument, divided within so that brine or other refrigerating material passes down to the point and returns up the other side of the internal division. The brine is forced into the instrument through a tube from the refrigerating machine, and escapes through a tube leading back to the machine, and thus a constant cold current is kept flowing through the 'dagger.' The instrument is inserted into the hindquarter of a carcass through the hole of the aitch-bone, and passed along the bone to the stifle joint. In the fore quarter it is passed along by the shoulder-blade. Experiments have shown that a very short space of time suffices to cool the inner part of the meat beyond the danger of taint, and the meat is not discoloured or disfigured in the slightest degree by the operation, which would be carried out in the cool rooms of the freezing works."

An owner of a store in Reitfontein writes some interesting details about the rinderpest. The Colonial Government, he says, tried to stem the advance of the plague by stopping all work with oxen, and shooting the cattle affected; but, nevertheless, the sickness gained ground. The mortality amongst the native cattle was about 95 per cent. Oxen that have recovered from the rinderpest are called "salted" and are worth about £25 or £30 apiece, according to size. The normal price of oxen previously was £5 a head.

Now, however, it is stated from Cape Town that Dr. Koch has discovered a process by which cattle can be rendered immune from rinderpest by means of a mixture of serum and virulent rinderpest blood. The treatment produces active immunity within a fortnight. Dr. Koch is now making further researches with a view to finding if immunity can be obtained in a still shorter period. He is convinced that rinderpest can be eradicated within a short time and with little difficulty by these methods.

The colonial wool sales in London are well attended. On Tuesday 200 bales from Buenos Aires were sold.

Messrs Bullrich have sold some land in the Partido of Saavedra at the rate of \$15.10 per hectare. Buyer, F. Dietrich.

Mr N. F. Murphy will hold an auction of live stock in Mercedes to-morrow, which will comprise Lincoln and Rambouillet sheep, Durham bulls, Clydesdale and Trenkenham horses and mares.

The Minister of Finance has ordered the following Fiscal lands to be sold by auction: 30 chacras in the Partido of Bulcarce, base \$30 per hectare; 16 in Trenque Lauquen, base \$5; 13 in Suipacha, base \$45; 8 in Coronel Vidal, base \$18; 4 in Juarez, base \$18.

The reclaimed lands of the port, in the zone of Paseo Colon and calles Mejico and Europa, are to be put up in auction. The auctioneers named are Messrs Bullrich and Co., Funes and Lagos, and A. Silveyra. The sales are for cash, and with a base of \$50 per square metre.

Does alfalfa that has received excrement of the langosta do injury to horses, is a question that has been asked by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Veterinary Even has been named to study the matter. It is reported that in this city horses that have been fed with this class of alfalfa are dying. Sr. Juan B. Biga, one of the pioneers of agriculture in Sauce Corto, states that he has observed on his camp that horses that do not die from the effects contract a disease called "mancha."

The proposed new tariffs of the United States will give an increased revenue to the country of \$112,000,000 gold, and will no doubt close the ports against our wool and sheepskins. It is expected that the new taxes on wool and manufactured wool, sugar, tobacco, cotton, jute and lumber will produce \$6,550,000.

The members of the Commission of Supplies of the House of Representatives of the United States propose the immediate application of the new tariffs, especially that on wools, so as to check the large imports that are going on. The tariffs only wait the sanction of the Senate to become law. The tax on wool by the new law is causing great discontent in New York, and it is the opinion both of manufacturers and business men that it will have to be modified.

In 1896-97 there were 323,895 hectares under cultivation in Entre Rios—218,006 of wheat, 41,771 of maize, 36,527 of linseed, and 27,591 of various cereals. The wheat harvested has amounted to 34,592 tons, an average of 158 kilos per hectare, and the linseed to 9,483 tons, an average of 259 kilos per hectare. In the Department of Federacion the yield of wheat per hectare was as high as 387 kilos, while in that of Feliciano the yield was only 61 kilos.

There has been much movement during the week in live stock sales, mestizo bullocks for export averaging 650 kilos weight bringing \$30 gold, and mestizo Lincoln wethers \$3 gold. In Barracas weathers for the freezing establishments were going at \$6.50 and 8, and for exportation from \$8 to 12. In the Corrales, fat mestizo bullocks brought from \$48 to 58.

According to the Department of Engineers of the Province of Buenos Aires the area under cultivation is 393,158 hectares, out of a total of 30,512,100 hectares in the province. The harvest, although inferior to that of last year, gave the following results: 348,593,361 kilos wheat, 93,427,626 kilos linseed, 6,920,389 kilos oats, 6,182,386 kilos barley, 3,075,655 kilos birdseed, 383,767 kilos rye.

We are indebted to Messrs Fortune and Furber for the following camp sales:

The following fiscal lands in the Sierra Ventana were sold on the 5th inst.: 5174 hectares, at \$21 per hectare, buyer Pradero; 4791 hectares, at \$22, same buyer; 3000 hectares, at \$12.20, same buyer. These three lots lie to north-east of the Sauce Grande, and are limited by Messrs Samuel Boote, Peralta, Etchetto, and L. M. Campos. In the Sierra Ventana, south-west of Lainez, Borden, and Campos, the following lots were sold: 4512 hectares, at \$10.80 per hectare, buyer Russian Colony; 3029 hectares, at \$10.20, buyer J. A. Garcia; 5736 hectares, at \$10.20, buyers Th. Bracht and Co.

Last week, in an article on "Polled Durhams," we unfortunately made a misquotation from the "Breeder's Gazette," which made that journal appear to say that "the buyers believe that in Polled Acorn they possess the best bull of the breed," which should read as follows, "It is believed that they (the buyers) obtained the best two-year-old bull of the breed," and we hope that the error has not had time to prove misleading.

An estanciero from the western camps has sold 2000 cows for invernada at \$20 and 21 per head, and bullocks from \$32 to 40.

The auctioneer Mr R. A. Hassini sold by private sale last Tuesday to Mr Michael Equivarena, from Tuyu, eight leagues of camp in Villarino, twelve leagues outside the town of Bahia Blanca at \$18,500 per league.

Prices in the London and Deptford markets for Argentine live stock are more or less the same as last week—mutton bringing from 46d to 48d per stone and beef 41d and 42d.

Telegrams from Washington give the amount of wheat in the hands of farmers as 88,000,000 bushels, the half of which is ready for export. The wheat crop for this season promises to be better than that calculated, and it is probable that before July 50,000,000 bushels will have been exported.

The actual amount of maize in the United States is said to be 1,164,000,000 bushels, This includes maize in hands of farmers and in deposit.

Some important sales of Southdowns are spoken of at home for the coming season. Mr Edwin Ellis's noted prize-winning flock in Surrey and Mr George Jonas's old-established flock in the Eastern counties are both to be entirely dispersed, the lambs born this year alone retained in each case. During the last few years a very hopeful feature in the export trade has been the encouragement that sheep breeders have received from the Argentine demand. The greater portion of this has been for the Longwooled varieties, but last season several lots of "Downs" were exported in consequence of the expansion of the import trade at Deptford Market, when dark-faced "Argentines" of equal weight realise considerable more than their pale-faced neighbours when sold side by side. It is, says a correspondent, when put to the practical test of the weighing machine that the Southdown is found to produce a large carcass of the very finest quality of mutton, which often scales actually more than that of the longer-legged sheep, and we were lately told of the astonishment of some South Americans who saw "the weights go up" at 240 lb. for what had been previously called a "little" Southdown ram, but which pulled down the beam to this extent on his arrival at Buenos Aires.

In the "Mark Lane Express" of Feb. 15 we find the following remarks in an article entitled "New Sheep-Breeders' Association":

"This is not the only Flock-book Association at the present time in course of formation. To be sure the one about to be referred to is being established by breeders in a foreign land, but it is for a highly popular British breed of sheep, and English flock-masters will take almost as much interest in it as in its parent society here at home. The new society allude to is to be called "The Argentine Shropshire Sheep-breeders' Association," and of course, its object is to register all the pure-bred sheep of that breed imported or produced in the Argentine Republic. On the 5th of January last a meeting of all the Shropshire breeders of the Republic was held at Buenos Aires, when a provisional committee was appointed to carry out the object.

"The movement no doubt bears special reference to the earnest desire of Shropshire breeders, both in this country and in Argentina, to make the breed more popular among the flock-masters generally of the Argentine Republic. By the aid of rams of the Lincoln breed the whole of the native flocks have already been so transformed as to resemble English Lincoln in everything except not being quite so massive. This, is however, an advantage rather than otherwise for the English meat market. Argentine mutton, from the live sheep sent hither, commands very nearly if not quite 6d. per lb. Exporters appear to be tolerably well satisfied with this, but, of course, if a still higher price is obtainable by flock-masters generally employing Shropshire rams, they will endeavour to persuade them to have recourse to that expedient.

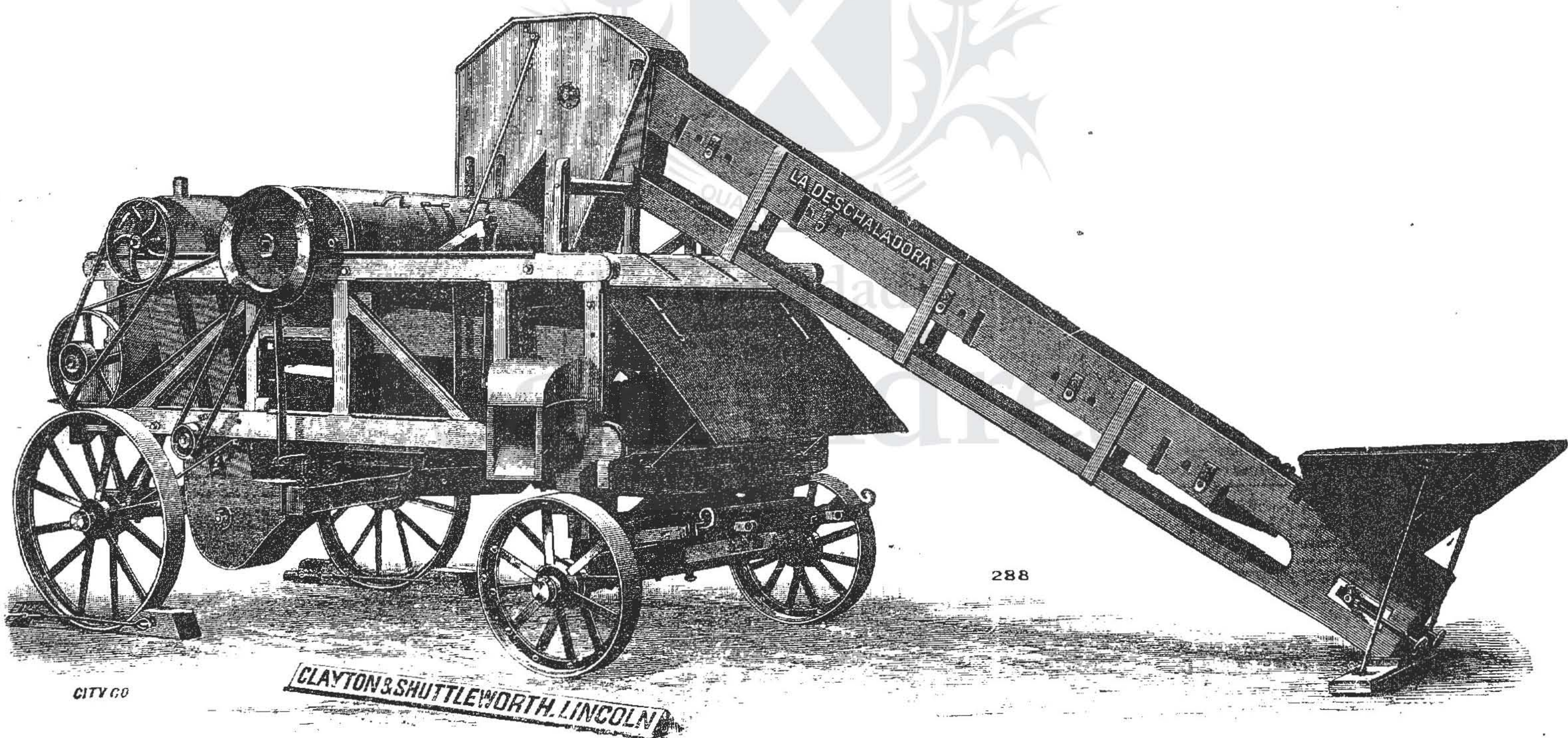
"In this country, as most people are aware, Shropshire sheep have supplanted thousands of the Long-wooled varieties solely on the ground of their yielding a more saleable kind of mutton than the flocks they were substituted for. But whether geographical situation and climate on the rich plains of the River Plate would be as well suited to the Shropshire as to the Lincoln breed, we are unable to state. Here in England, there are situations where no other but Long-wool sheep will thrive. On this point we presume the contest will depend, it indeed, there is to be one between Shropshires and Lincolns in the Argentine. Perhaps we are drawing on our imagination, however, that any such contest is about to take place, or is anticipated. May be there is sufficient room in Argentina for both breeds. The country is big enough, we know, and if there is any dissimilarity in its soils some districts may be better adapted for the Shropshire than for the Lincoln. To our home-producers of mutton, we fear the contemplation of future sheep-breeding in Argentina will be regarded with no very great satisfaction whatever may be the issue, as there cannot be the slightest doubt mutton can be produced and sent to England far cheaper than it can be grown here."

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