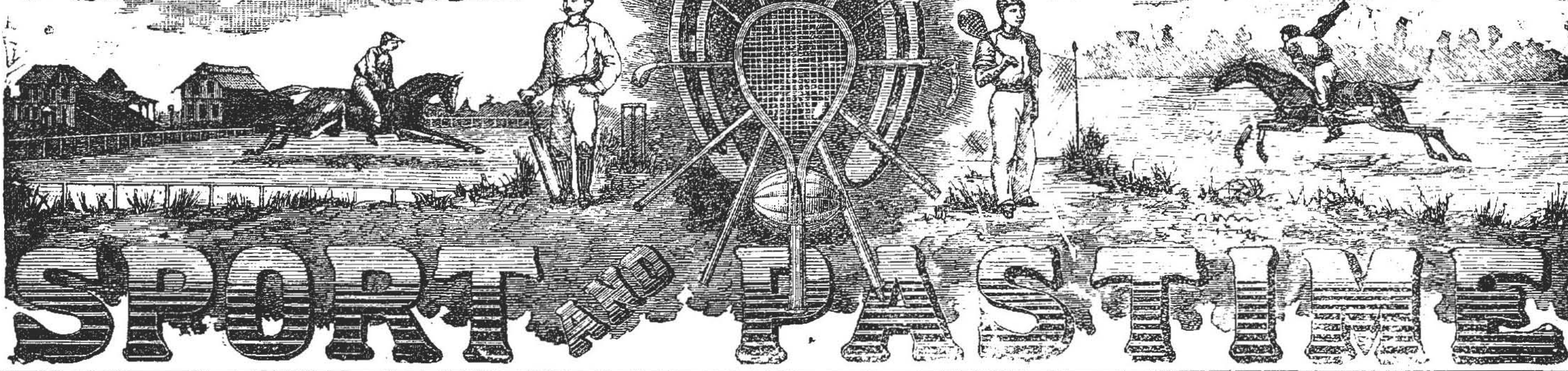


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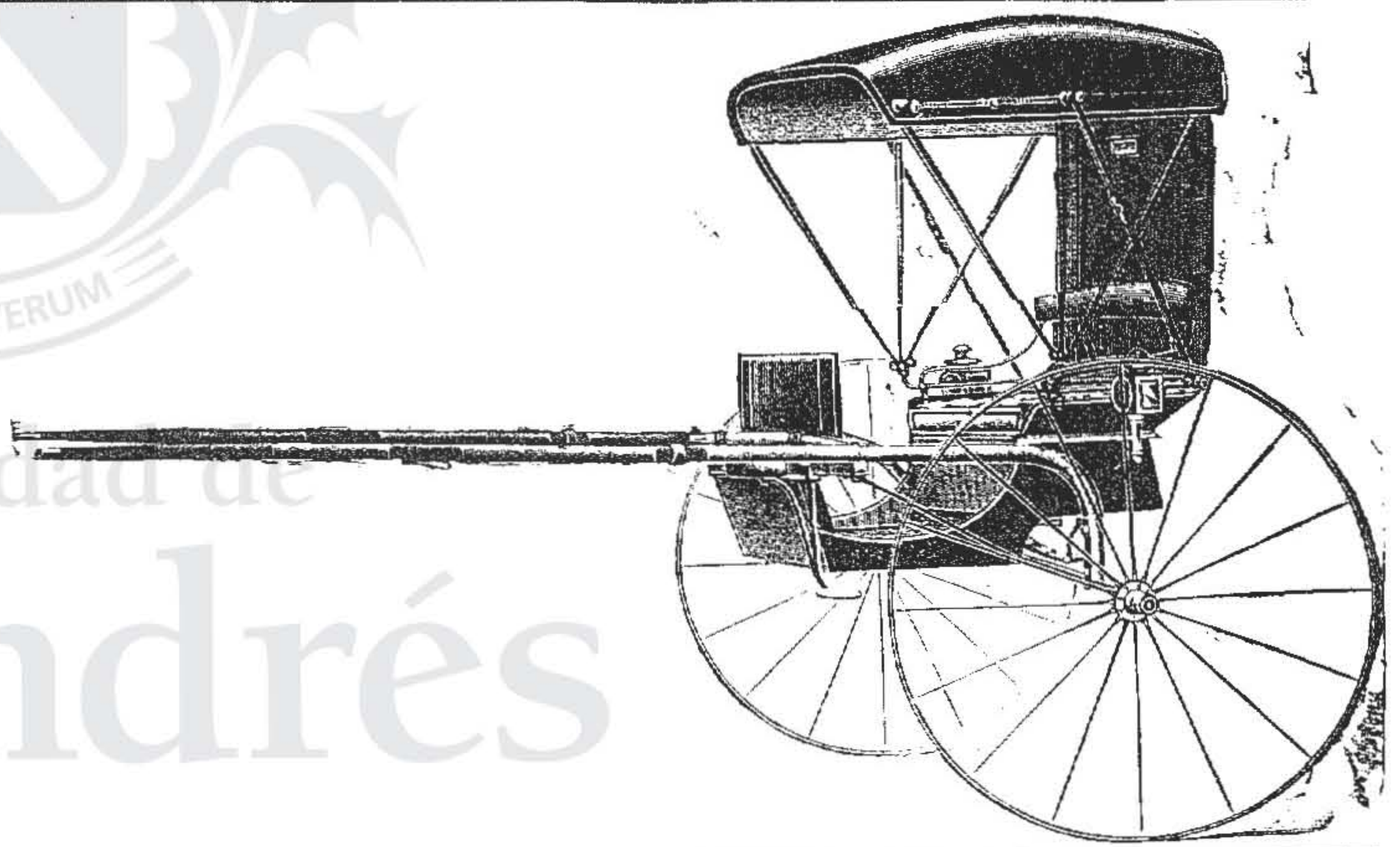
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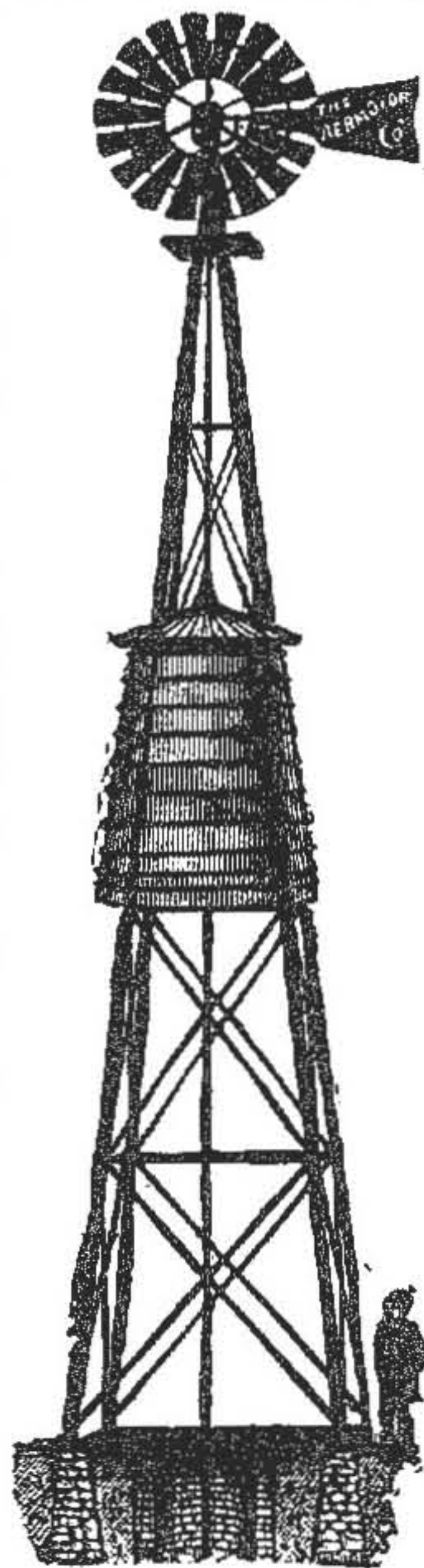
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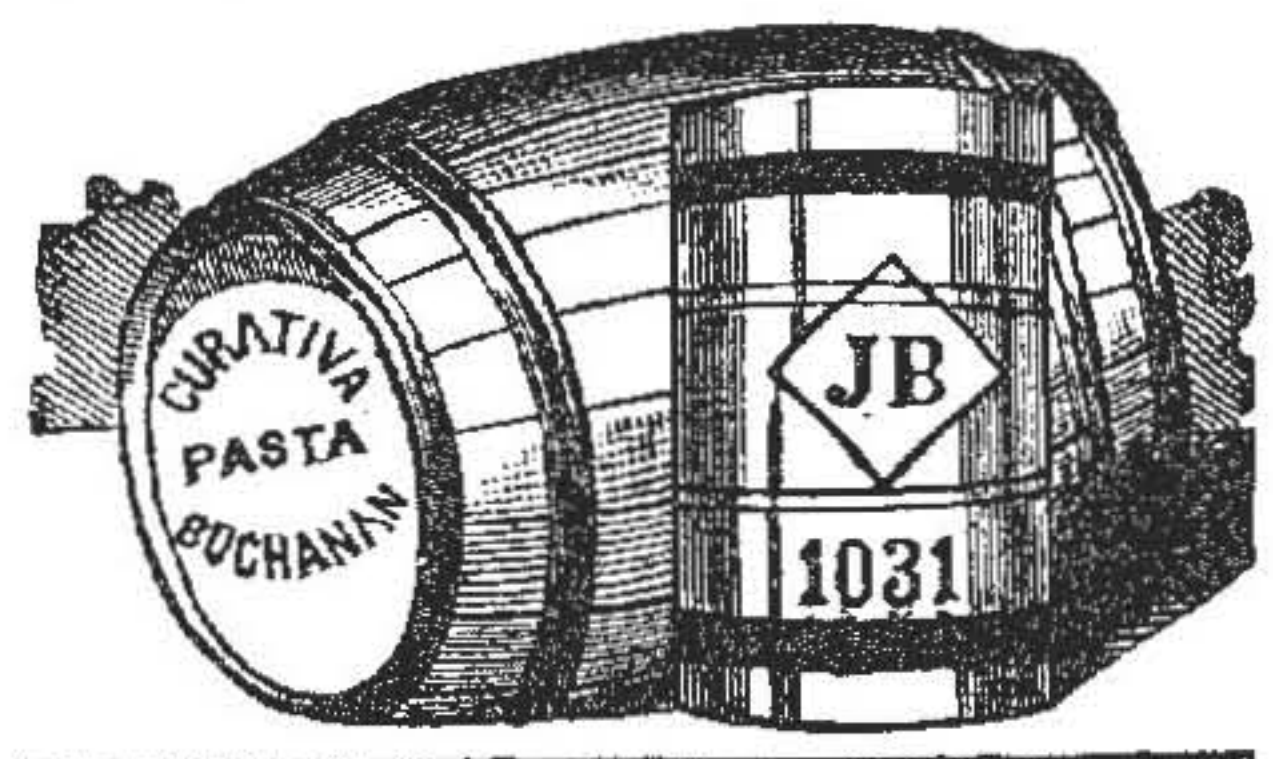
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RACING

PALERMO—MAY 13.

Considering that bad luck usually haunts a postponed race meeting, the Jockey Club may be congratulated on the success of their gathering last Thursday.

Proceedings opened with the Premio Brick, for which the smallest field of the day turned out. Talma was made a warm favourite.

For the Premio Rivalidad which occupied third place on the card there were thirty nine fillies entered.

Pepina carried the weight of public money, and won in a style that makes her out to be quite the best filly that has run this season.

There were only two absentees from the Premio Revancha which was won by the Stud Paris with Oriel.

Another favourite got home when Ciro placed the Premio Pas de Quatre to the credit of the Ecurie Radames after a very pretty race with Yera who at one time appeared likely to win.

The novelty of the day was the hurdle race for gentlemen riders, a class of event which has hitherto rarely been seen at Palermo.

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The following are the details :-

PREMIO BRICK, for three-year-olds, and upwards that have been at least a year in the country.

STUD LOS CARDOS' ch f Talma, by Gay Hermit — Jane Harding, 3 y, 55 k.

PREMIO PILLITO, for two-year-olds, colts 52 kilos, fillies 50 kilos, winners once to carry 3 kilos extra.

STUD SOLITARIO'S ch f Glicina by Jouquil—Glenshee, 50 k.

ABROJO who was favourite made running into the straight when Glicina drew away to win by a length from Lanza Seca who beat Abrojo double that distance for second place.

Tickets—Glicina with 74 win and 70 place, Lanza Seca 167—218, Abrojo 2953—2315, Veneno 528—545, Odin 34—55, Maceo 179—154, Plaisanterie 1647—1908, Hylda II. 172—215. Totals 5751—5480.

Dividends—Glicina \$139.96 win and 68.34 place, Lanza Seca 23.30 place.

PREMIO RIVALIDAD for two-year-olds, fillies weight 50 kilos, winners of one classic races to carry 3 kilos extra.

STUD AMIANTO'S b f Pepina by The Laddie — La Tablada, 52 k.

Mandarina made running for a couple of hundred metres when Pepina went to the front.

Tickets—Pepina with 1619 win and 1485 place, Tarantula and Alcachofa 1360—1090, Onagh 435—485, Catanga and Espingarda 523—542; Iliada 256—227, Esteatita and Nobleza 901—886, Mandarina 124—168, Amelia and Babiole 483—507, Filosofa 489—403, Santa Jacinta 65—51, Tutora 76—99, Gavotte 345—421, Victriz 97—124, Hilda 71—197. Totals 6797—6665.

Dividends—Pepina \$7.55 win and 3.31 place, Tarantula 3.73 place, Onagh 6.03 place.

PREMIO REVANCHA, an open weight for age race, the winner of the Premio Otoño to carry 5 kilos extra.

STUD PARIS' ch h Oriel, by Orbit—Brunette, 3 y, 61½ k.

M. de Armas 0

BRICK cut out the work to the stand where Sosa brought Oriel with one long run and won a good race by half a length.

Tickets—Oriel and Ney with 4746 win and 3783, Brick 1235—1239, Blue Boat 1321—1007, Palmar 267—277, Mariano 1846—1335, Chaipuel 372—492, Esfinge 115—128, Argentino 320—360, Gen Las Heras 28—23. Totals 10,280—8559.

Dividends—Stud Paris \$3.89 win and 2.29 place, Brick 2.30 place, Blue Boat 3.10 place.

PREMIO PAS DE QUATRE, an open handicap, \$2000 to the 1st, \$200 to the 2nd, 2100 metres.

ECURIE RADAMES' br h Ciro, by Pan—Inglese, 5 y, 49 k.

AT A GOOD PACE Artois showed the way for the first half of the distance when he was displaced by Tanger, who only gave way when fairly collared by Ciro.

Tickets—Ciro with 2390 win and 2080 place, Yeraú 832—588, Tanger 932—867, Cantiniere 672—515, Policeman 1345—1189, Artois 131—126, Cartujo 831—791, Diosma 551—424, Margot 343—329, Acero 698—577. Totals 8725—7486.

Dividends—Ciro \$7.57 win and 3.02 place, Yeraú 5.63 place, Tanger 4.46 place.

PREMIO GENTLEMEN RIDERS, a hurdle race for all horses that have not won \$8000, since the 1st of March 1896.

MR. YPSO'S br m Mundana by Keir—Cocotte 4 y, 73 k.

Mundana was first away, and looked like winning very easily when she pecked at the second last hurdle, letting Speculation get nearly up to her.

Tickets—Mundana with 950 win and 389 place, Speculation 294—264, Milico 580—248, Humo 954—436, La Fornarina 175—104, Saturno 213—94. Totals 3166—1535.

Dividends—Mundana \$5.99 win and 3.87 place, Speculation 4.75 place.

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

STUD GEN. SAN MARTIN'S ch h Pick Pocket, by Neapolis—Printanniere, 4 y, 52 k.

ORTEGAL showed the way at first, then Rayon d'Or took up the running and carried it on to the paddock where he was done with, and Pick Pocket drawing away from Mundial and Rose Royale won by two-thirds of a length.

Tickets—Pick Pocket with 1148 win and 876 place, Mundial 624—496, Rose Royale 2425—2177, Pergamino 2364—1665, Ortegal 395—318, Ocho 89—76, Rayon d'Or 824—689, Don Gonzalo 1639—1313, Hipolito 221—170, Estudiante 96—70, Daine 350—309. Totals 10170—8159.

Dividends—Pick Pocket \$15.94 win and 4.78 place, Mundial 7.09 place, Rose Royale 3.16 place.

PALERMO—MAY 16.

Table with columns for horse names, weights, and positions. Includes entries like Cartujo, Lanterne, Grillon, Rigolo, Orleans, Hugonote, Rosita de la Plata, Flecha II., Bristol, Independiente.

Table with columns for horse names and positions. Includes entries like Alarifo, Dobleto, Chingolo, Arlequin, Peixoto, Flambant, Hugo, Pompeyo, Victriz, Abrojo, Alcachofa, Glicina, Ancora, Marea, Samartana, Sultana, Sirena II., Onagli, Lavinia, Fanciulla, Primavera, Espingarda.

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The list of race meetings in England in this week's mail is again a long one, but the ones of chief importance were those held at Lewes, Nottingham, and Brighton. At Lewes both the weather and the racing was better on the 10th than it had been on the opening day, and some most exciting finishes were witnessed.

Nottingham can hardly be said to have started the season with its usual vigour, as owing to its clashing with Brighton many of the regular attendants of meetings at the midland town remained at the sea side till the whole of the Sussex fortnight was over.

The big race was won by Jaquemart, who is said to have been considerably favoured by fortune in the race, as his most dangerous opponent was seriously interfered with by another horse savaging him when nearly home.

The rest of the racing was scarcely of as high a class as is generally seen at Colwick.

We will give details of a few of the principal events.

LEWES—APRIL 10.

Landport Plate of 200 sovs, for two-year-old; 5 furlongs. Mr Gottschalk's ch c Goodwin, by Despair— Our Sarah, 7st 11lb.....Sharples 1

The running was made by Hand of Glory, attended by the Pero Cimon gelding and Parra. Goodwin bringing up the rear. They ran in this order into the dip, where Goodwin made his way to the front, and finished two lengths in front of Hand of Glory, three lengths dividing the latter and the Courageous filly; the Pero Cimon gelding was fourth.

Southdown Club Open Welter Handicap of 300 sovs; 1 1/4 miles. Mr M. D. Rucker's ch c Northallerton, by Hagioscope—Nunthorpe's dam, 3 yrs, 10st 6lb

Mr E. O. Bleackley's I O U, 5 yrs, 11st Mr D. Thirlwell 2 Mr F. B. Atkinson's Knight of Rhodes, aged, 12st 4lb.....Owner 3

Mr E. O. Bleackley's Ancajano, aged, 9st 13lb.....Mr H. S. Skelton 0 Betting—5 to 2 on Northallerton, 7 to 2 agst Knight of Rhodes, and 20 to 1 agst any other.

Nottingham Spring Handicap Stakes of 500 sovs; Straight Mile. Mr L. de Rothschild's b c Jaquemart, by Martagon—Fair Lady, 3 y, 7 st 12 lb.....C. Wood 1

Mr W. Chatterton's Anklebiter, 5 y, 8 st 7 lb Weldon 3 Mr Vyner's Sardis, 5 y, 8 st 13 lb.....F. B. Black 0

After a slight delay, the flag fell to a good start. Anklebiter, on the rails, got off in front, next to him being False Step, Jaquemart, and Tyranny, Sardis heading the others. At the six-furlong post Anklebiter's attendants were False Step, Sardis, Jaquemart, and Tyranny.

Little John Plate of 200 sovs; for two-year-olds; 5 furlongs. Mr R. Sherwood's ch c The Khedive, by Gervas —The Old Lady, 8 st 6 lb.....Rumbold 1

Mr W. Harris's c by Senanus—Caterwauling, 8 st 6 lb.....Bradford 0 Capt. Homfray's Heal, 8 st 6 lb.....Freemantle 0

NOTTINGHAM—APRIL 13.

Newark Stakes (Handicap) of 200 sovs; about 1 mile 3 furlongs. Mr T. Jennings, jun.'s b c Brechin, by Barcaldine—Distingue, 4 yrs, 7st 11lb..F. Finlay 1

The running was made by Ronehurst, attended by Roughside, Eileen Aigas, and Brechin, into the straight, when the last named took second place, soon after which the leader dropped out of it.

Bestwood Park Plate (Handicap) of 200 sovs; 6 furlongs. Sir R. Waldie-Griffith's ch f The Dowager, by Gervas—The Old Lady, 4 yrs, 8st.....Rumbold 1

Mr G. Davey's Surf Duck, 3 yrs, 6st 11lb (car. 6st 12lb).....R. Jones 0 Betting—6 to 4 agst Knockdon, 7 to 4 agst The Dowager, 5 to 1 agst Bank Holiday, 8 to 1 agst Fealar, and 10 to 1 agst any other.

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Oxton Hurdle Race Handicap Plate of 200 sovs; 2 miles. Mr Dobell's br c Priestholme, by Senanus— Legacy, 6 yrs, 10st 13lb.....R. Chaloner 1

Lord Derby's Carton Pierre, 4 yrs, 10st 4lb.C. Hogan 0 Mr R. S. Crompton's Sillybody, aged, 10st Mr R. H. Harper 0

Sillybody made the running, with Kieton and Grimpo as her immediate attendants, into the straight, when she was done with, and Lord Percy took command from Priestholme and Golden Ring.

BRIGHTON—April 13. Ditchling Plate of 200 sovs; 1 mile. Mr Jersey's ch g Unfrooked, by Saraband— Canterbury, 3 yrs, 7st 11lb.....J. Sharples 1

Betting—11 to 8 agst St. Johann, 7 to 4 agst Lapsa, 6 to 1 agst Unfrooked, and 100 to 8 agst any other. Straits jumped off in front of Demetrius and Unfrooked, with Lapsa last, and so they came until rising the crest of the hill, when Tagus for a moment took the lead, but quickly gave way to St. Johann, who, however, could not hold his place, and Unfrooked, racing to the front, always held his own from Straits, and eventually won by a neck; a length and a half between second and third; St. Johann was fourth, and Lapsa last.

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Mr L. de Rothschild's b f Guisla, by Lactantius— Guinevra, 8st 8lb.....M. Cannon 1 Mr Jersey's Canter, 8 st 8 lb.....C. Wood 2

BRIGHTON HANDICAP OF 200 SOVS; 1 MILE.

Mr Jersey's ch c Brayhead, by Arklow—Con- tour, 3 y, 7 st 5 lb.....J. Sharples 1 Prince Soltykoff's Spur-Royal, 5 y, 8 st 12 lb M. Cannon 2

April 14.

Patcham Plate (Handicap) of 200 sovs; 1 mile. Mr H. Bates's b or br c Tickhill, by Beauclerc —May Bloom, 3 y, 8 st 2 lb.....Horn 1

CORRESPONDENCE

I have received a note signed "Light and Dark," asking me to insert a letter said to be enclosed, but as "Light and Dark" has evidently forgotten the enclosure he will understand why it does not appear.—Ed. R. P. S. and P.

SOCIAL FIXTURES.

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SATURDAY, MAY 15, 1897.

SPORTING NOTES

An extraordinary general meeting of the Lomas Athletic Club will be held this evening at 8.15 in the Italian Hall, Lomas. The meeting has been called for the purpose of discussing the desirability of making a few alterations in the existing rules, and it is therefore very necessary that as many members as possible should attend.

It was most unfortunate that the downpour of last Saturday night should have come just when it did, as, of course, all the outdoor sports that had been arranged to take place on that day had to be postponed, and the members of the different clubs may be said to have passed one of the most miserable days they have had to put up with for some time.

As will be seen elsewhere, a nice run was enjoyed by those who were out with the Hurlingham hounds on Wednesday, among whom I noticed Mrs R. D. MacDougall, Messrs F. and S. Furber, Ott, Beard, Lane, Shore, Haig, Langworthy, the Master, and Whip, of course, and various others. The going was a little heavy, and with the pace good the whole way it is not surprising that only a select few got the entire line.

The racing committee of the Hurlingham Club, have received a letter from a well-known polo player in Santa Fé asking to have the dates of the polo tournament and race meeting reversed, but

as such an arrangement would inevitably cause a large amount of clashing with the other sports of the English community here, they have decided to keep to the original dates.

A good practice game at polo took place at Hurlingham on Wednesday afternoon when I was glad to see some of our visitors from England taking part. The ground unfortunately was still very wet and cut up considerably, but in spite of this, a fairly fast game resulted.

I hear that Col. Truman and some of the other members of the military commission from home, have gone down to the estancia Curumalan to inspect the horses there, with a view to purchase, if the animals presented answer the requirements of the commission.

The opening Hurdle Race at Palermo for Gentlemen Riders was not what may be called a success from a jockey's point of view. Six horses out of the nine coloured on the card faced the starter. At the fall of the flag only Mr Paats on Mundana, and Mr Swinburne on Speculation seemed to recognise the fact that the starter had dropped the flag and consequently they obtained a long lead of the other competitors, which was maintained until the finish. Mundana winning by three quarters of a length from Mr Barry's horse Speculation. Mr Paats rode a very good race and is to be congratulated on the great improvement he has made in his riding during the last year. La Fornarina came to grief at the second hurdle, and Mr Brown escaped with a shaking.

Unless the Jockey Club allow professionals to enter for these jump races, I am very much afraid that we shall soon see that branch of sport knocked on the head. There are plenty of horses that would be entered and trained for hurdle racing and steeplechasing, if it were possible to obtain suitable jockeys, but no man would keep horses to be ridden as they were on Thursday.

It is a common sight of a morning on the Palermo race course to see some of the best of our Argentine jockeys racing barebacked over the hurdles, on little weedy ponies with their great curb bits in a manner that would put to shame fifty per cent. of our gentlemen riders.

We hear that a funny incident occurred the other day during a run of the Lanark and Renfrewshire Hounds. The pack were out Newton Mearns way, and in course of the chase passed through a field in which reposed a donkey. The donkey looked looked with amaze for a moment or two as the gay and noisy cavalcade swept over his domain; then it woke up as the last horse and rider took the fence, and, after announcing its determination by a blood-curdling "hee haw," it started off to join in the fun. The donkey took its fences capitably, and was well in at "the death," three miles away from its place of residence.

My readers will see in our Golf column that the second of the series of the Monthly Medal Competitions of the Lomas Athletic Club will be played off to-morrow. I had the pleasure of seeing the last medal, which was of a very striking design, being a pretty combination of silver and blue enamel, executed in a most workmanlike manner. The links at Lomas are in capital order and as the entries are good, an enjoyable day's golfing may be anticipated.

An extraordinary incident occurred on the Hurlingham golf links a few days ago. Messrs Campbell and Brookhouse were playing from the "stable" to the "cricket" hole, when Mr Campbell drove from the tee and hit the top bar of the race course fence in front. The ball went straight up into the air out of sight. Mr Brookhouse, who was standing at the tee, with his clubs in a "dumb caddy" sticking upright in the ground, suddenly heard the ball drop, and to the astonishment of both players it was found in the "dumb caddy." Mr Brookhouse, of course, lost the hole, according to the rules.

The billiard match between the Belgrano and Lomas clubs is progressing steadily, and the Southern Suburb has pulled up slightly during the last week, and now claim four games out of the thirteen played. As far as the actual points go, Belgrano have scored 2344 points against the 1903 scored by Lomas, giving the former club a useful lead of 431 points.

The Quilmes Tennis Club, which for the last year has shown much activity is about to hold another club tournament. A silver cup will be given to the winner of the championship (gentlemen's singles), and prizes for the winners in the mixed and gentlemen's doubles. The club is in a flourishing state and is to be congratulated on having a very energetic committee.

The Championship Tournament of the Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club steadily increases in popularity as the years go by, and judging by the number of entries for the different events at the approaching gathering it will be quite the most successful ever held in this country. The championship itself is creating a considerable amount of interest, as the present holder is said to be playing at present a good deal below his best form.

FOOTBALL

LEAGUE FIXTURES.

MAY.

Sun. 16—Lomas v. Belgrano B, at Lomas.
Sun. 16—Flores v. Palermo, at Flores.
Sun. 16—Lanus v. Belgrano A, at Belgrano.
Tues. 25—Lomas v. Belgrano A, at Belgrano.
Tues. 25—Lanus v. Banfield, at Banfield.
Thurs. 27—Lomas v. Flores, at Lomas.
Thurs. 27—Belgrano A v. Belgrano B, at Belgrano.
Sun. 30—Lomas v. Palermo, at Old Polo Ground, Belgrano
Sun. 30—Flores v. Lanus, at Flores.

JUNE.

Sun. 6—Flores v. Banfield, at Banfield.
Sun. 6—Belgrano A v. Palermo, at Belgrano.
Sun. 13—Belgrano B v. Banfield, at Belgrano.
Thurs. 17—Lomas v. Lanus, at Lanus.
Thurs. 17—Belgrano A v. Banfield, at Banfield.
Thurs. 24—Lomas v. Belgrano A, at Lomas.
Thurs. 24—Belgrano B v. Palermo, at Old Polo Ground, Belgrano.
Sun. 27—Lanus v. Belgrano B, at Lanus.
Sun. 27—Banfield v. Palermo, at Banfield.
Tues. 29—Lomas v. Palermo, at Lomas.
Tues. 29—Flores v. Belgrano A, at Belgrano.

JULY.

Sun. 4—Flores v. Banfield, at Flores.
Sun. 4—Lanus v. Palermo, at Old Polo Ground, Belgrano
Fri. 9—Lomas v. Flores, at Flores.
Fri. 9—Lanus v. Belgrano A, at Lanus.
Sun. 11—Belgrano B v. Banfield, at Banfield.
Sun. 18—Lanus v. Belgrano B, at Belgrano.
Sun. 18—Lomas v. Banfield, at Lomas.
Sun. 25—Belgrano A v. Palermo, at Old Polo Ground, Belgrano.
Sun. 25—Flores v. Lanus, at Lanus.

AUGUST.

Sun. 1—Lanus v. Palermo, at Lanus.
Sun. 8—Flores v. Palermo, at Old Polo Ground, Belgrano
Sun. 8—Belgrano A v. Banfield, at Belgrano.
Sun. 15—Lanus v. Banfield, at Lanus.
Sun. 15—Belgrano B v. Palermo, at Belgrano,
Sun. 22—Flores v. Belgrano B, at Flores.
Sun. 22—Banfield v. Palermo, at Old Polo Ground, Belgrano.
Sun. 29—Lomas v. Belgrano B, at Belgrano
Mon. 30—Lomas v. Lanus, at Lomas.
Mon. 30—Belgrano A v. Belgrano B, at Belgrano.

RUGBY FIXTURES.

MAY.

Sun. 16—B.A.F.C. XV. v. Next XXII., at Lomas.
Sun. 23—B.A.F.C. v. Flores, at Flores.
Sun. 30—M. F. Gilderdate's XV. v. Belgrano, at Belgrano

JUNE.

Sun. 6—B.A.F.C. v. Lomas, at Lomas.
Sun. 13—B.A.F.C. v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.
Sun. 20—Lomas v. Flores, at Flores.
Thurs. 24—England and Ireland v. Scotland and Wales, at Flores.
Sun. 27—B.A.F.C. v. Rosario, at Rosario.

JULY.

Sun. 4—Lomas v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.
Sun. 11—Lomas v. Flores, at Lomas.
Sun. 18—B.A.F.C. v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.
Sun. 25—B.A.F.C. v. Lomas, at Lomas.

AUGUST.

Sun. 1—Belgrano v. Flores, at Belgrano.
 Sun. 8—B.A.F.C. v. Flores, at Lomas.
 Sun. 15—B.A.F.C. v. Belgrano, at Lomas.
 Sun. 22—B.A.F.C. v. Rosario, at Lomas.

SEPTEMBER.

Sun. 5—B.A.F.C. v. Old Bedfordians, at Lomas.

LOMAS A.C. v. BELGRANO B.

This match will be played at Lomas to-morrow. All players are particularly requested to catch the 12.30 p.m. train from Plaza Constitucion, as the kick off will be at 1.30.

The following are the teams:—

Lomas.—
 Goal—P. L. G. Bridger.
 Backs—A. Anderson, J. Wright.
 Half backs—L. Jacobs, F. H. Jacobs, H. P. Wright.
 Forwards—J. O. Anderson, W. Stirling, C. Gibson, H. B. Anderson, G. M. Comber.

Belgrano B.—
 Goal—R. Barker.
 Backs—W. H. Fowler, J. H. Boyd.
 Half backs—G. Wood, C. Edye, H. J. Fraser.
 Forwards—A. Colson, G. A. Christian, A. Brodie, E. N. Davies, R. McFarlane.
 Referee—R. W. Rudd, Esq.

PALERMO A.C. v. FLORES A.C.

The above League fixture will take place to-morrow at Flores. Train leaves the Once at 1.30, and the kick off will take place at 2.30 sharp.

The following are the teams:—

Palermo.—
 Goal—A. P. Campbell.
 Backs—A. J. Rugeroni, J. B. Campbell.
 Half backs—F. Mullaly, D. Brett, J. McCulloch.
 Forwards—Walter Stirling (cap.), J. C. Lea, E. Potter, C. Knaut, R. Levy.

Flores A.C.—
 Goal—W. Brown.
 Backs—F. Gahan, J. E. Gordon.
 Half backs—S. Murphy, W. H. Goddard, F. W. Fothergill.
 Forwards—W. Jordan, B. B. Syer, T. F. Allen (capt.), H. Wilson, F. Barthmann.
 Referee—C. W. Reynolds, Esq.

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

The above match will be played at Belgrano to-morrow. Kick off at 2.30 p.m.

The following teams have been chosen:—

Lanus.—
 Goal—A. Coste.
 Backs—T. Bridge, W. Buchanan.
 Half backs—A. A. Miller, W. Dunn, J. Holmes.
 Forwards—G. Minturn, C. P. C. Comber, G. Brown, G. Brooking, L. Nobili.

Belgrano A team.—
 Goal—T. Allen.
 Backs—H. W. Botting, T. Moore.
 Half backs—H. W. Roberts, H. Roy, C. C. Mackenzie.
 Forwards—W. H. Harvey, H. Rugeroni, T. Ibbitson, G. L. Macfarlane, J. Negron.

BANFIELD A.C. v. MALDONADO A.C.

The following will represent Banfield in the above match to be played at Banfield to-morrow, on the arrival of the 1.15 p.m. train from Constitucion:

Goal—W. Hirst.
 Backs—A. Harriman, M. Dunn.
 Half backs—J. J. Watson, F. Enright, A. M. Brown.
 Forwards—A. H. Poulton, E. Hirst, H. Scharenberg, J. McGough, Tapis.

The Banfield A.C. are anxious to arrange home and home matches for their reserve team. Regular League players to be excluded.

LOMAS A.C. v. BANFIELD A.C.

The above League fixture was decided on Sunday last at Banfield in most objectionable weather, a strong wind blowing from goal to goal while a fast fine rain fell throughout the game. The ground, in parts, was practically under water, which although somewhat amusing for the spectators was anything but pleasant for the players, and it made accurate play out of the question. Banfield won the toss, and elected to defend the Lomas goal thus taking advantage of the wind. It was thought that with such a wind to contend against the visitors would find it rather difficult to attack, but such was not the case and the play was soon round the Banfield goal. The shooting was wild and erratic and no score resulted though time after time the Lomas forwards were within an ace of scoring. F. R. Wilson saved some good shots and kept his goal intact, until after 20 minutes play L. Jacobs put in a cross left-foot shot and scored first blood for the visitors. After this reverse the home forwards tried to break away, but there was no combination at all and the individual efforts of Hunter and Woodwell were easily frustrated by the Lomas backs. After play had been in progress half an hour W. Stirling added a second point for the visitors with a very fine left-foot shot. No further score took place up to the interval and the teams crossed over with the score 2-0 in favour of Lomas.

The second half opened with a rush by the visiting forwards and except for brilliant goal-keeping on the part of Goode, who had previously taken Wilson's place, the score would have been considerably increased. After

12 minutes play F. Jacobs put in a good shot which Goode saved well, but could not clear, and W. Stirling being on the spot had little difficulty in adding the third goal. Ten minutes later C. Gibson again beat the home custodian making the fourth goal for the visitors. Lomas continued to press and the right wing coming away well, H. B. Anderson put in a good shot which hit the post and fell at Stirling's foot, and that player banged through the fifth goal. At this period Banfield made their one and only effort to score during the second half, Hunter getting well away with the ball, but Bridger saved well and the danger was averted. Shortly after H. B. Anderson put in another hard shot which Goode saved finely, but again was unable to clear and Stirling gave him no chance of saving the sixth and last goal. No further scoring took place and the match ended in an easy victory for Lomas by six goals to nothing. It would hardly be fair to criticise the players on such a day, but the Lomas half-backs worked very hard and were quite the backbone of the team. The Banfield team played up pluckily, but entirely lacked combination.

The following were the teams:

Lomas.—
 Goal—P. L. G. Bridger.
 Backs—A. Anderson, J. Wright.
 Half backs—L. Jacobs, F. H. Jacobs, H. P. Wright.
 Forwards—C. Gibson, G. M. Comber, H. B. Anderson, W. Stirling, F. J. C. Boutoll.

Banfield.—
 Goal—F. R. Wilson.
 Backs—A. Harriman, S. R. Wilson.
 Half backs—C. Heslop, E. Rugeroni, T. Chamberlain.
 Forwards—A. Stocks, C. D. Moffatt, A. Goode, J. Hunter, A. Woodwell.

FLORES A.C. v. BELGRANO B.

This League fixture was played on the Belgrano ground on Sunday last and resulted in a decisive win for the Flores team by 8 goals to 0. By account of the very bad weather, Flores turned up with only six men, and for this reason, and also on account of the bad state of the ground, it was proposed by Flores to postpone the match until a later date, but Belgrano preferring to force two points out of their opponents, they having a weak team, decided to play the match. At this point Fothergill and Syer arrived, making the total of the Flores team up to eight, against their opponents ten. Flores won the toss and elected to play with the wind at their backs, and at 2.55 p.m., Belgrano kicked off. From the start Flores pressed, their three forwards running the ball right down time after time, but shooting was dreadfully uncertain, owing to the greasy state of the ball and ground, at last Syer opened the scoring and shortly afterwards Allen put on another. The Belgrano backs at times relieved very well, but the forwards were not able to cope with the Flores backs, and the ball was only returned immediately; several corners were taken at the Belgrano end, but no score was made until just before half time when Allen put in a long shot which was successful, 3 goals to 0 being the mid-game score.

After a needed rest, Allen started the ball for Flores, and playing against the wind Flores played much better, the wind not causing them to overrun the ball and they kept up a continual attack on the Belgrano end, when five more goals were added by means of Syer (2), Murphy (2), and Allen (1), and the game ended with the score reading eight goals to love in favour of Flores. Nothing much can possibly be said as regards the game, as Belgrano were completely outclassed. The brothers Boyd at back being their only good point, for Flores all worked hard. Gahan playing a fine game at back, and Syer, Allen, and Jordan combining well as the forwards. Syer especially dribbling beautifully. Mr Wilson refereed to the general satisfaction, and Messrs Botting and Ibbitson acted as linesmen.

The following were the teams:—

Flores A.C.—
 Goal—J. E. Gordon.
 Backs—F. Gahan.
 Half backs—S. Murphy, W. H. Goddard, F. W. Fothergill.
 Forwards—W. Jordan, T. F. Allen, B. B. Syer.

Belgrano B.—
 Goal—J. G. Dunn.
 Backs—J. H. Boyd, J. R. Boyd.
 Half backs—H. Fraser, G. L. Wood, J. Todd.
 Forwards—G. L. Macfarlane, A. Brodie, W. Fowler, R. Mackinnon.

ASSOCIATION.

The Final for the Association Cup.—Of the 65,024 people who were at the Crystal Palace on April 10, quite a large number were visitors from Liverpool, Birmingham, and the Midlands generally. They made their way to the Palace in good time, in the hope of getting the most favourable positions, but the Sports Arena is so capitally laid out that there is a fine view of the game from any point. The scene at the Crystal Palace was one to be remembered, and one which would cause a great amount of surprise to any visitors from across the channel who might be present. These thousands had come from all over England to witness ninety minutes' play between two teams of professional football players. Lord Rosebery, the ex-premier, was present with Lord Kinnaird, at the end of the match presenting the Cup. He made a brief speech, to which Devey, the Villa captain, replied modestly. Aston Villa head the League, in which they have a much better record than Everton, who, however, possess a really brilliant team. Punctually to time the game was started by Hartley, and immediately the exchanges became of a very fast description, Milward got possession, running well, but

was robbed of the ball by Spencer. The next thing of importance to happen was a fine run by Athersmith, but Meechan was in the way, and then play had to be stopped for a few minutes, owing to an injury to Holt. On resuming again, Milward went away on the right wing, but nothing came of this effort. A foul against the Lancashire men proved of no value to their opponents, the ball going too high. The Villa were working together in good style, and the defence of Everton was also good, so that there was every promise of a close contest. The Birmingham forwards put in a combined run, with the result that Athersmith shot over the bar. The other side then showed to brief advantage, Hartley running nicely till stopped by Cowan. The ensuing kick was safely disposed of, and Athersmith once more ran down, but was tackled by Stewart. He was continually on the ball, and gave the Everton defence a large amount of trouble.

The Villa at last got their chance; Devey and Athersmith passing well, the ball eventually went to Campbell, who had the honour of scoring the first goal of the match. Thus encouraged, the League leaders kept up a strong pressure which was after some time relieved. Then came the equalising goal, Hartley running cleverly and beating the Villa goal keeper. Although Hartley was the scorer, both Milward and Chadwick did the passing which led to his opportunity. The game now favoured the Lancashire team, and from a foul, the kick well placed by Meechan went right into the goal mouth and the ball went into the net. Everton thus had the lead of a goal. The Villa defence was for a time hard pressed, but the game was gradually forced to the other end, where a foul against Boyle enabled them to draw up level once again. Three minutes later from a corner Wheldon put his side a goal in front. Everton, not dismayed at this sudden reverse, dashed away, Milward shooting outside. Then Bell put in a couple of remarkably good shots, which were safely negotiated. Both teams worked hard, and the play was as lively as could be wished. Half-time arrived with the Perry Bar representatives leading by three goals to two. On crossing over the Lancashire men made a rush, the ball going behind, and then a free kick against the Villa made their supporters anxious. Thanks to Spencer and Evans, the score remained unaltered, and Aston Villa, getting possession, took play to the other end. Everton returned to the attack, and were at this time more than holding their own. At last the Villa right wing ran in grand style, and Cowan sent in a couple of lightning shots. Everton retaliated by forcing a corner, but from the fruitless kick Athersmith got clean away, and from a pass Campbell nearly scored. The Villa were now again doing well, Athersmith showing to good advantage. Visits were paid from end to end, but the Villa maintained their lead till the final whistle, and finally won by three goals to two.

Of the six first division League matches played on April 10, only one was won by the visiting team, while only one, that between Liverpool and Preston North End, resulted in a draw. This game took place at Liverpool before 12,000 people. The first half was evenly contested, and the half time interval arrived with no score. Early in the second half the visitors attacked, and the home goal-keeper had to save on more than one occasion. Play then took a turn in favour of Liverpool, who, although having the best of matters, could not beat Trainer. A pointless draw was the final result.

Bury did a capital performance in beating Derby County by a goal to nothing. In this match also the exchanges in the opening half were of an even character, and after the interval the County did not shape too well.

At Bolton the Wanderers secured a couple of points by beating Sheffield Wednesday by two goals to one. The home team although facing the wind, were the first to assume the aggressive, and obtained the first goal. Some smart play by Spikesley enabled the Wednesday to draw up level. The Wanderers attacked strongly, but did not add to their score till the second half when a second goal was added.

Burnley, at home to West Bromwich Albion, won rather easily, although the visitors were the first to press. By half time Burnley had scored three times. Reader, in attempting to save put the ball through his own goal, and Burnley adding another point, finally won by five goals to nothing.

The Wolverhampton Wanderers journeyed to the Notts Forest enclosure, and the home team during the initial half had the best of matters, having a goal scored to their credit. On restarting the game for the second forty-five minutes, the Wanderers played for all they were worth, and equalised. Spencer was hurt and had to retire, leaving the Forest with only ten men. A long shot gave the visitors the victory by two goals to one.

Stoke beat Blackburn Rovers by a goal to nothing.

Wiltshire v. Dorset.—The meeting of these counties at Trowbridge, on April 14, produced a capital game, which took place in the presence of a tolerably good company. Although the weather was bright, a boisterous wind interfered with the kicking of the backs. The visitors had to make the journey without two or three of their usual forwards, though their back division was at full strength. Wiltshire also had a fairly good team. Play opened very fast, and the home men led off strongly. For a time they found the Dorset defence too sound for them. At last, however, they put in two goals in quick succession. The south-western champions quickly responded with a goal and at the interval were in a minority of two goals to one. Opening the second half, Wiltshire quite outplayed their opponents. The front rank kept remarkably well together, and were ably supported

by the backs. Hay was not long in adding a third goal, and the same player went through a few minutes later and registered a fourth goal. Dorset then looked thoroughly beaten, but they rallied in smart fashion, and the home backs being at fault, enabled the visitors to score a goal. That proved the turning point in the game, for the visitors afterwards kept up a determined attack. They soon put on a third goal, and as the result of some clever work equalised. All this scoring took place in the space of five minutes, and as no additional points were subsequently obtained the match ended in a draw of four goals each.

The Easter tour of the Surrey team was opened at Swindon on April 15, when they met a Wiltshire eleven before a moderate attendance. At the start the home team were favoured by a strong wind, and in five minutes they scored their first point, and added another shortly afterwards. Surrey then made a vigorous attack upon their opponents, but were unable to get through, and half time arrived with the score standing at two goals to none in favour of Wiltshire. The visitors gave a better account of themselves in the second half, and scored twice, while Munro registered a point on behalf of Wiltshire, who thus won by three goals to two.

Rangers v. Queen's Park.—To beat the Scottish cup-holders on their own ground is a feat extremely difficult of accomplishment, but the Queen's Park managed it on April 10. The occasion was the return match in the Glasgow League competition, and over 25,000 spectators were congregated at Ibrox. After a hard and vigorous game the Queen's Park retired victorious by three goals to none, a win they thoroughly deserved, but hardly perhaps by such a big margin.

On April 10, the London Caledonians defeated the Casuals after a keenly contested game by one goal to none.

RUGBY

Rugby Union County Championship.

Cumberland v. Kent.—The respective champions of the North and South met at Carlisle on April 10 in the final match for the Rugby Union county championship. Last year the deciding match was fought out between Yorkshire and Surrey, the Northerners gaining an easy victory. This season Kent beat Surrey, and Cumberland put Yorkshire out of the running for the championship, which, with the exception of one season, when they were beaten by Lancashire, they had held ever since its institution. Both teams entered the field with an unbeaten record this season, but the Cumbrians, remembering that the only point scored against them was a penalty goal in the match with Yorkshire, entertained hopes of beating the Kentish men. The weather was warm and bright, and the turf in good order, and there was an immense gathering of spectators. Cumberland took the field as selected, but Kent were unable to command the services of their captain, J. H. C. Pegan (Blackheath), whose place was taken by J. P. Royds, of the royal Naval College. Mr Graham Finlay, president of the Scottish Rugby Union, was referee. Cumberland won the toss, and elected to play with the wind and sun at their backs. Maud kicked off and Fletcher returned into touch at the centre. Livesay initiated a round of passing among the Kent backs, but R. Moore intercepted and kicked into touch at the Kent twenty-five. Scrummaging followed on the line, and Kent kicked over to save. From the ensuing five yards scrummage, the home forwards rushed the ball over and W. Moore scored, but Buckett failed at goal. Cumberland continued to press and Davidson almost got over, but eventually smart passing by the Kent backs took play to the home twenty-five where Kent obtained a free kick, and Livesay placed a goal. Subsequently play was mostly in the Cumberland quarters until half time, when the teams crossed over equal in points. Smith effectually returned a kick by Fletcher, and R. Moore making an injudicious kick in front of the posts, Royds took the ball at full speed and scored a try near the goal but Livesay failed at an easy place. The Cumberland men played up with dash, and attacked vigorously, and but for the admirable defence of Gordon Smith, who repulsed the home forwards time after time, would have scored on several occasions. The Kent backs at length raised the siege, and play was carried into Cumberland territory, where from a scrummage Livesay passed to Bunting, and the English International scored a fine try in the last minute of the game. Livesay again failed to convert and the game ended in a victory for Kent by one penalty and two tries (nine points) to one try (three points).

A representative Northumberland fifteen defeated Durham by five goals and a try to a goal and a try.

Leicester and Northampton played a hard-fought game at Northampton on April 10, the home team eventually winning by three goals to a goal and two tries.

The Barbarians journeyed up to Hartlepool on April 10, to meet the Rovers. Additional interest was lent to the game by the fact that F. H. R. Alderson was making his first appearance this season, though against his old team. After one of the most enjoyable games of the season the visitors won by one goal and three tries to a penalty goal and two tries.

Cardiff v. Penarth.—The return match was played on the Cardiff ground on April 10, in charming weather and

before a large gathering of spectators. It was soon seen that Cardiff were holding the scrummages and by heeling out frequently gave the back division chances to score, of which they took full advantage and ran out winners by five goals and four tries to nothing.

Newport v. Moseley.—The holders of the Midland Cup visited Newport on April 10, and were expected to give the home team a good game, especially as the latter were without the services of A. J. Gould. Up to half-time they fulfilled these expectations, but afterwards they fell away very much and retired defeated by five goals and four tries to one goal from a mark.

The second match this season between Bristol and Clifton produced a fast and exciting game which ended in a lucky win for Bristol by two tries (six points) to a goal (five points).

Swansea v. Neath.—The Neath team have recently been showing improved form, and although they were away from home on April 10, it was expected they would make a good fight with Swansea. The ground was in splendid condition for a fast open game, but, contrary to expectation, nearly the whole play was monopolised by the forwards; and on the few occasions when the backs handled the ball, they rather lost than gained any advantage. During nearly the whole of the first half Neath assumed the aggressive. Just before half-time Swansea got over and Bancroft converted. In the second half Neath again and again were within an ace of scoring, but no further score resulted and Swansea gained a lucky victory by a goal to nothing.

HOME NOTES.

You will have read that Orme has had to be temporarily withdrawn from the Stud. The other day the Hon. Cecil Parker, on behalf of the Duke of Westminster, issued the following statement to the Press with respect to the horse's condition:—

Various statements, more or less correct, having appeared in the Press with regard to the condition of Orme, I am desired by His Grace the Duke of Westminster, to furnish you with full particulars of Orme's case, which may be of some interest to your readers.

The letter goes on to say:—

Orme for some months past has been showing temper when at exercise; in fact, his temper has gradually become worse and worse. The climax was reached on Monday last, when at exercise he became quite unmanageable, though two men were with him, and it was with great difficulty they brought the horse back to his box, where he fought, and kicked, and plunged, and bit himself through his muzzle, taking small pieces out of his skin; it was with still greater difficulty that his tackle was taken off him. He then became quiet almost directly, and has since remained so. The moment, however, that any attempt is made to bridle him, or to put tackle on him, his bad temper begins to reassert itself.

Mr Williams, the veterinary surgeon, who did not see him in one of his paroxysms, thinks it would be very undesirable that the horse should serve any more mares this season. Notice, therefore, has been sent to those gentlemen who have sent mares to Orme, telling them of the state of the case. It is believed that any attempt to let the horse cover mares again this season would be attended with very great danger, both to the men and the mares.

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Ormonde's family certainly do seem unfortunate in every way. First of all this great horse himself seems to be quite a failure at the stud, as after getting Orme and one or two good ones his first season, he has been practically unheard of as a winning sire since, and now Orme follows in his footsteps. By the way people here are constantly asking me what has become of the really authentic Ormonde youngsters, but there is nothing to tell them. Such an ending to the greatest horse of his age is indeed a sad one.

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You would notice that the Ormonde colt Fecundo, out of Philosophy, of whom such great things were expected when he was sent home from the Argentine some five or more years ago as a yearling has been scratched from all engagements. He is really quite useless, and finally broke down after running in a steeplechase at Kempton a month or so ago. He is a terribly slow horse, but jumps really beautifully, and I believe has never fallen since he began the game, and a child could ride him.

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We are all very disappointed here at the news from New York that after all no American polo team will come over this year to play on English grounds. The players expected were Messrs Foxhall Keene, who has been hunting in the Midlands all the past season, Stevens, Cowdin, and Nicoll. The excuse is that the team have been unable to get practice. By the way I hear

that the American Polo Association is thinking of raising the standard of height of polo ponies to 14.2 from the existing limit of 14.1.

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I have spoken to several well known carriage builders lately, who all agree that motor cars are not going to be popular and that in the mean time horseless carriages have no chance. These opinions seem to be borne out by the fact that though the bill practically legalising their use has now been in force for some months one still never sees them on the roads, even on those most used for all kinds of traffic, and that horses for harness of all kinds still are eagerly bought up at the prices they have stood at for the past year or so.

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The hunting season is now really over and most packs have had runs which their followers can look back upon with joy for many years to come. This is principally so with one or two of the crack packs, notably the Quorn, the Cottessmore, Mr Fernie's and the Belvoir, whose countries still remain fairly free of wire. It is more than likely that, in spite of many fears to the contrary, the Queen's hounds will continue as of old again next season. A very influential committee of their followers has been formed at a meeting held to protest against the pack being discontinued.

BOOTS.

HUNTING

As it was impossible to hunt on Sunday, it was decided to have a bye day on Wednesday and run over the country that had been prepared before the rain. To enable those who wished to go to business after their gallop the meeting time was put forward to half past nine, and a pretty large party took advantage of the opportunity for a ride.

Shortly after the advertised time, hounds were laid on in the potrero of Hurlingham Station, and getting on the scent at once went off at a rattling pace over the lane towards Mr. Cuninghame's house. Passing the house they swung to the left along the arroyo and ran nearly parallel to it for a considerable way before striking off towards the tramway crossing at the foot of the Caseros cutting.

After crossing the bridge hounds again swung to the left, and began running up the hill in a slanting direction towards the San Martin road, and crossing the road some way to the left of the "Villa delas dos Hermanas" ran on the tambo where they checked. By this time the pace, and casualties had considerably thinned out the field, and even the horses who were in the best condition were grateful for the check.

After a few minutes breathing time hounds were again laid on, and after running for some distance in the direction of Caseros Station swept round to the right leaving Caseros house on the right ran down hill at a great pace, and jumping on to the road at the foot of the hill ran along it for a short distance, and recrossing the bridge at the tramway, finished in the open about mid way between the tramway, and the ombu.

KENNEL.

We read in the Sydney "Mail" that the Great Dane Freya, by Hero ex Minca, the property of Mr Schupp, of Bankstown, rather surprised her owner, and put up, as far as our knowledge extends, a record by supplying him with 17 puppies (10 bitches and 7 dogs) on Dec. 29, 1896. This whelping is somewhat phenomenal, more particularly as all the puppies and the mother are doing well.

The cure of mange is a matter of certainty if only we select the proper remedies for the destruction of the acari, and take care that they are properly applied. Whatever agent be used it is most effectual when the skin has been previously prepared by a thorough washing with warm water, and a free use of soft soap. The explanation of this is that the water softens the skin and loosens any scabs, whilst the soap not only assists the process, but in addition removes the sebaceous secretion from hair and cuticle, and breaks up the superficial layer of epithelial scales. Thus the parasites are deprived of any shelter, and all save those deep in the skin are acted upon by the dressing employed. The acari in the skin, and those as yet unhatched, must be met by another dressing, and as the period of incubation may extend to fifteen days we must, to make a radical cure, prolong our treatment over that time. A safe rule is to give three separate dressings, with intervals of six days between each. We may also use a dressing which will remain active on the skin for some time, and thus the newly-hatched parasites are destroyed immediately upon their reaching the surface.

There are many drugs which will effectually destroy the acari, and thus cure mange, but unfortunately, the most active ones may also kill the dog. Carbolic acid, creosote, arsenic, iodide of sulphur, mercury, sulphuret of potassium, green iodide of mercury, stavesacre, tobacco, petroleum, sulphur and spirits of tar, are all active parasiticides. They may be used as ointments or washes, but always with care, remembering that in all bad cases

the skin is more or less broken, and that the exposed true skin is capable of rapidly absorbing poisonous solutions. Some articles, too, are active caustics; some have most pungent and disagreeable odours. If possible, then, we should select an article which is poisonous to dogs, and we find both these properties in sulphur. Sublimed or precipitated sulphur made into an ointment with soft soap and lard is a perfectly safe cure for mange. It should be applied daily with gentle friction to all the sores, and to the skin immediately surrounding them. Less trouble is caused, and sometimes a quicker cure affected, by using solutions applied to the whole body at once. For this purpose carbolic acid or sulphuret of potassium may be employed, but they must always be used with caution, as numerous dogs have succumbed to the poisonous absorption of these drugs.

PAVILION GOSSIP.

Last Sunday was anything but an ideal day for football, nevertheless two League matches were decided. The game at Banfield was very one-sided, as the Lomas team proved themselves much too strong for the younger club, and in spite of the wretched state of the ground won very easily by six goals to nothing. Mr A. J. Goode kept goal in brilliant style for the losers, and had little or no chance of saving any of the goals scored.

The other match was played at Belgrano, where the B team of that club met the Flores eleven, which had the previous week been defeated by the A team. On this occasion, however, Flores were amply avenged, as with only eight men they simply routed the home representatives, who retired defeated by eight goals to none! A League match should always be played if possible, and the players selected should always turn up whatever the condition of the elements may be.

Three League matches are down for decision to-morrow. At Flores the home team meet Palermo, and as the strength of the latter club has been considerably weakened since they entered the League, owing to most unfortunate circumstances, the older club should experience but little difficulty in gaining their two points. Lomas will have the Belgrano B team as visitors, and the home club should repeat last Sunday's performance. The other fixture, that between Belgrano A and Lanus should produce a very fine game, as both teams have already proved themselves to be above the average strength, and I shall expect a close struggle.

By the way, the Rugby football season was to have been opened last Sunday at Lomas, but the weather frightened most of the players away and they could only muster fourteen or fifteen all told. Those who put in an appearance were naturally greatly disappointed at not getting their game. To-morrow, however, a really good pick-up game has been arranged for, which will commence immediately after the League match is over at Lomas, which is being played early for that purpose.

The attention of all football players and followers of the game at home, was, on April 10 mainly directed to the final match in the season's football Association cup competition. Over 65,000 people visited the Crystal Palace, and it is supposed that nearly all of them obtained a good view of the game. The match itself was a splendid exhibition of football, and though Everton were beaten by three goals to two, Aston Villa were on several occasions very severely pressed especially in the second half. In fact it was anybody's game, up to a few minutes before the final whistle sounded, and the fact that all the scoring took place in the first half, gives an idea as to how keenly the second part must have been contested.

Lord Rosebery was called upon to present the challenge cup at the close of the above match and in doing so, referred to the splendid game he had witnessed, which he described as a great Olympian struggle. He was certain from what he saw that to play football as he saw it played that day the highest physical attainments were necessary, and intellectual ability of no mean order. Though he could not speak about the points of the game, he could sincerely say that he had seen a sight that would live for ever in his memory, as he was sure it would in the minds of all who had shared

the enjoyment of that great struggle. The cup was then presented to the captain of the Aston Villa team, who made an appropriate though brief reply.

On the same day the final of the Rugby Union Championship was decided, when the Cumberland and Kent representatives met. Except for one year Yorkshire have held the county championship since its institution, but at last the coveted honour has fallen to a Southern county, and the result of the match, which was a win for Kent by a penalty goal and two tries to a try, it is needless to say, has given great satisfaction to Southern votaries of the Rugby game.

A laughable incident occurred a short time ago in an Association football match in a town in the North of Scotland. The occasion was the opening of a new football ground, and up to three minutes to "time" no goals had been scored by either team. Just then, the centre of the home team, made off with the ball, and as he got near the mouth of the goal he made a desperate kick, but missed the ball. Nevertheless, the excited goal-keeper was seen to catch something and run out with it. Whereupon the centre scored an easy goal with his bootless foot!

I regret to hear that Mr F. W. Brooker intends resigning the secretaryship of the Rosario Athletic Club. The marked improvement the club has shown of late, is in no small measure due to his untiring efforts, and I'm afraid the Rosario A.C. will find considerable difficulty in replacing him.

Another bad piece of news is that the Rosario Club do not see their way to raising a Rugby team this year. Cannot some of our Rugby players in the camp, be persuaded to come in and help, at all events, for the two matches with Buenos Aires?

The numerous old Bedfordians in this country will be glad to see and hear of the success obtained by the Bedford Grammar School representatives, both in the Public Schools championship meeting and at the Public Schools Gymnastic, Boxing, and Fencing competitions. In the former, one of their representatives won the 100 yards Challenge Cup, and was second in the high jump with a jump of 5 ft. 3 in., while another secured third place in the quarter mile. In the boxing their representatives carried off the heavy-weights, and middle-weights, and another got into the final of the light-weights, not a bad record.

Talking of Public School races, would it not be possible to have an annual athletic meeting here to enable the representatives of the various schools to compete against one another? I feel sure some club would come forward each year and lend its club ground, while the meeting might be made more attractive by having an old Boy's race and a stranger's event. With the English High School, Scotch School, Lomas Academy, and the Barker Memorial School each event could be well filled, while the smaller schools could also send representatives. The idea might be worth considering.

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MAY HURDLE RACE (Carrera de Vallas), entrada \$30, premio \$250 y más las entradas, el segundo salvará su entrada, para todo caballo, peso por edad, 6 años y más 80 kilos, 5 años 77 kilos, 4 años 75 kilos, 3 años 67 kilos. Distancia 2500 metros, 8 vallas.

GALLOWAY HURDLE RACE (Carrera de Vallas), entrada \$25, premio \$150 y más las entradas, para petizos de 58 pulgadas ó menos, peso por pulgadas, petizos de 58 pulgadas llevarán 80 kilos, distancia 2000 metros, 7 vallas.

MAIDEN STAKES, entrada \$15, premio \$100 y más las entradas, para petizos de 58 pulgadas ó menos peso por pulgadas, petizos de 58 pulgadas llevarán 78 kilos. Distancia 700 metros.

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TOURNAMENT STAKES, entrada \$15, premio \$100 y más las entradas, para petizos que hayan tomado parte en el torneo del polo, peso por pulgadas, los de 58 pulgadas llevarán 75 kilos. Distancia 800 metros.

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There were shipped 290,145 bags of coffee from Rio Janeiro during April.

Thirteen millions sterling is the yearly value of potatoes grown in the United Kingdom.

The Ladies' Mandoline Club gives a concert to-night in the Italian Hall, Belgrano, at 8.30 p.m.

That go-a-head suburb Lomas de Zamora is asking for tenders to pave forty squares of the town.

Robberies and assassinations are of everyday occurrence in the camps of the Banda Oriental.

Rosario is going in for "tres cosas buenas"—a skating rink, new golf links at Alberdi, and three Cinderella dances.

Our tramways carried 5,593,393 passengers, and the railways 861,297 passengers, during the past month of March.

It takes 37 specially constructed and equipped steamers to keep the submarine telegraph cables of the world in repair.

Due to the bad weather of Sunday last the inauguration of the monument to Falucho had to be postponed till to-morrow.

A police decree has forbidden the employment of barmaids in coffee houses and music halls, except under special conditions.

The National Senate could not get together a sufficient number of members to form a quorum for the very first session of this legislative period.

The expenses for the mobilisation of the twenty-year-old national guards this year did not pass the \$2,200,000 that was assigned for that purpose.

A race between an ostrich and a bicyclist decided recently at Capetown resulted in the victory of the bird, which soon outdistanced the wheelman.

Among the passengers who left by the steamer Mark were five of the German officers that the Chilean Government had engaged as military instructors.

By order of the National Bank (in liquidation) the tramway in the city of Cutamarca has been sold. It was bought by Sr. Justo V. Leiva for \$62,700.

The National Labour Office can find work for 1200 agricultural labourers and tradesmen, also for 1000 men to cut down trees and prepare railway sleepers.

Buenos Aires had a population of 720,050 souls on March 31, and out of that number 9,303 were sick in hospitals and 1907 were under treatment as insane.

The Municipal Intendente wants to have a military torchlight procession, composed of 600 soldiers and various bands of music, on the night of the 25th of May.

The Municipal Intendente has applied to the Bolsa authorities to allow the bonds of the last loan of five millions, shortly to be put in circulation, to be quoted on the stock list.

The motor-car will soon be with us. M. Mirás has presented a solicitude to the Municipality asking leave to be allowed to put motor-cars driven by electricity in circulation in the city.

The official organ of the Italian Government gives a total of 396,093 as the number of emigrants from that kingdom during the year 1896, of which 75,204 shipped direct to this republic.

The steamer Mark, which left on Wednesday for Europe, took \$800,000 in United States gold and £40,000 stg., and the R.M.S. Danube, which left yesterday, carried with her £60,000 stg.

The German Emperor, through the Ambassador in Paris, has given 10,000 francs to the committee in charge of the charitable bazaar that was destroyed by fire last week in the Rue Jean Goujon.

The site of the proposed industrial exhibition for 1898 is still doubtful. It is now said it will be held in the Plaza San Martin, embracing the Pavilion and some neighbouring ground and streets.

The Minister of the Interior received a despatch from London on Tuesday last stating that the boards of directors of the various railways have agreed to supply the funds for building the new Central Station.

A big locomotive jib crane, claimed to be the most powerful ever constructed, has just been set up in the U. S. Navy Yard, Mare Island, California. It can lift and deal with a load of 45 tons and has an overhang of 65ft.

The bases of a contract between Sr. Emilio Laborde and the Director of the Post-Office, for the construction of a telephone service between Buenos Aires and Rosario, have been approved by the Minister of the Interior.

Czernavoda Bridge, which has just been built across the Danube, is the longest in the world. It measures 13,325ft., against 10,725ft. of Tay Bridge. The largest span of the new structure is 620ft. wide, and it has two others measuring each 455ft.

The railway companies have agreed to make a reduction in their fares in favour of all persons who have entered for the international competition of the Tiro Federal Nacional. Some companies have made a reduction of 25 per cent. and others of 50 per cent. All competitors must apply to the society for a document crediting them with being members.

People in business in Minas, Paysandu and other towns of the Banda Oriental are removing their stock in trade to Montevideo, as nothing is safe from the lawless hordes which are scouring the country, all police protection having ceased to exist.

Fireproof wood, able to withstand heat at 900deg., has recently undergone severe tests in London with satisfactory results. The process is an American invention, and its adoption may possibly have a serious effect upon the tinsplate and steel trades.

A telegram has been received from the Spanish Admiralty, to the Spanish Minister here, thanking the subjects of that country residing here for the funds sent by them to build a war vessel for the mother country. The vessel will be named Rio de la Plata.

An inspection of the hull of the ironclad Garibaldi, at present in Bahia Blanca, has shown that several of her plates have been bent and twisted. It is said that this was caused by the vessel having struck on the Banco Inglés. No mention of such an accident is on the ship's log.

Shipbuilding in France costs, according to a recent computation made by the Vicomte d'Avenel, from 25 to 50 per cent. more than at a Clyde shipyard. It is, perhaps, unnecessary to add that the French workman is nevertheless paid a much lower rate than his Scottish mate.

Dr. Nansen's friends and admirers will be glad to hear that he has just been made the recipient of a unique gift by the British Government, the Treasury having instructed the Stationery Office to forward to the Norwegian explorer a complete set of the reports of the Challenger Expedition.

The Juez de Comercio, Dr. Amuchástegui, classified Francisco Guzzetti a fraudulent bankrupt because his books were not kept in order, but on an appeal to the Juez de Instruccion, Dr. R. Bustamante, the same person's character is cleared owing to his assets being in excess of his liabilities.

Dr. Berg, the eminent naturalist, and director of the National Museum, left for Europe on Wednesday last. He intends visiting the museums of Sweden, Norway, Finland, Denmark, Italy and England, and will be present at the annual zoological congress held in Kiel and the geological congress held in St. Petersburg.

In the interior of Crete the residents and troops are suffering from the disadvantages of blockade. Mutton, roots, heavy black bread, wild asparagus, oil, artichokes, and oranges form their staple nourishment; and of all these eatables they receive only oranges at discretion, seeing that the very sheep are fed upon them as a substitute for the herbs of which they have no longer a monopoly.

Congress will be asked to donate to the Municipality a square of the reclaimed lands in front of the docks for the purpose of building a meat, vegetable and fish market. The locale chosen is between Calles Belgrano, Moreno, Paseo Colon and the docks. When the new edifice is completed the present market in Mereno and Chacabuco will be demolished and the ground turned into a public plaza.

The Director-General of National Telegraphs proposes the laying of a direct cable from here to Europe. The idea is to break up so-called existing monopolies and to provide a cheap service, and this it is said would be the outcome if an Argentine cable was laid, but to enable the new line to pay the government would be asked to impose a tax of one dollar per word on all messages sent by other companies. Would that be a monopoly?

"El Municipio" of Rosario has two illustrations in its issue of last Sunday. One depicts a group of national guards as they arrived from their military encampment, and there is no doubt that they represent a true type of the class known as "atorrantes." In the second view they have been washed, fed, and clothed, and if they had been provided with walking-sticks, would pass as "jóvenes distinguidos." "El Municipio" paid the out-fitting expenses.

Four hundred years ago, in May, 1497, John Cabot sailed from Bristol in a small vessel with a crew of eighteen men, and for the first time crossed the Atlantic, but it is not certain what point of the American coast he touched at first. In the same year Vasco de Gama started on his first voyage round the Cape of Good Hope to India. The fourth centenary of these memorable events is to be celebrated in Bristol, and also in Canada and Portugal.

It was an Italian lieutenant who introduced the bicycle to the astonished subjects of King Menelik. Charged with a message for Ras Mangacia, the officer bestrode his bicycle, hung out a white flag, and dashed at full speed towards the hostile lines. The effect on the pickets was great. The mad pace of this wonderful cavalier, and the unknown appearance of his mount swifter than the wild asses of the Queen of Sheba, paralysed the sentinels. His arrival was announced to the Ras as the mysterious advent of a messenger from heaven.

The inhabitants of Buenos Aires evidently have good appetites if we may judge by the quantity of food it takes to appease their hunger. During the month of March past, according to municipal statistics, the city received for local consumption 61,705 carcasses of beef, 71,357 sheep, 1483 pigs, 260,000 fowl, 24,000 brace of partridges, pigeons, etc., 14,000 ducks and turkeys, 2495 geese, 9779 rabbits, 534,372 kilos of fish, 34,649 kilos of snails in shell, 9,053,233 kilos of vegetables, 5,411,536 kilos of fruit, 520,756 dozen of eggs, 63,637 kilos of butter, 63,954 kilos of cheese, and 4,256,879 kilos of bread.

That reserve fund of \$4,000,000 gold, which "La Prensa" said the Western and Brazilian Telegraph Co. possessed, turns out to be only \$90,000 gold. The shares of the company (£15) are quoted at £7 15s, and the largest dividend that has been paid since 1893 was 3 per cent. "La Prensa" refused to publish the refutation. It is a pity that some other of the public companies that receive almost daily attacks from the same paper do not act as the telegraph company has done.

At Yuma, Arizona, the close of the carnival festivities was signalled by a bull-fight, in which it appears that the animal had most of the fun. It succeeded in goring three picadores and four horses, and with its horns tore away part of the face of the principal toreador. Then it broke up the gates of the arena, tossed half-a-dozen of the spectators, took to the streets and upset a carriage full of ladies. As if the beast had a deep-rooted objection to "sport" of all sorts it next skied a roulette table which was doing business in the open air, and then, apparently satisfied with the superior holiday entertainment it had provided, it allowed itself to be led to the stable.

Among the several schemes now under consideration in connection with the proposed expedition to the Antarctic regions, which is to be undertaken next summer, the one that appears to find favour among prominent geographers is for a five year's settlement. It is admitted that a single summer is far too short a period for the important work to be done in a quarter of the globe which has been practically untouched since the days of the Ross and Challenger expeditions. The proposed expedition, though fully approved by the Government, will be financed by private individuals. It is computed that a couple of ships with a maximum of 300 men, would be required.

The Diamond Jubilee Publishing Company, have just issued a portrait of Her Majesty, which is at least unique in its way. The portrait is on a large scale, and is a fairly good likeness, but its peculiarity is that every line, and even the shading, is done in lithographic writing, the words—of which there are 173,000—forming a history of the Queen's reign. The work, it is said, has taken four and a half years to accomplish, and we have no doubt those who have the courage to decipher the production will have no difficulty in accepting the statement. Curiosity hunters will probably buy it as a curiosity, and they will at least have the satisfaction of knowing that it is not likely to have imitators.

We have been told several times within the past few weeks that the Portuguese Government have agreed to hand over Delagoa to the British Government for a consideration. Then it is announced, with equal gravity and circumstantiality, that there is no truth in the statement. The latest announcement is accompanied by its contradiction. "Great Britain has secured Inzuck Island, at the entrance to Delagoa Bay," says the Cape "Argus." "There is not a word of truth in the story," says the Press Association, fortified by a communication from the Foreign Office. And now comes a still more interesting and even startling statement. "I believe," says a London correspondent, "it is perfectly true that Mr Cecil Rhodes and a syndicate are negotiating for the acquisition of Delagoa Bay."

It is reported from Mexico City that the Mexican Government has arranged to receive the ex-Empress Carlotta, the insane widow of the Emperor Maximilian of Mexico who was shot at Queretaro, Mexico, on June 19, 1867. Her Majesty, it is stated, is to be taken to Mexico in the hope that the scenes of her early life will restore her mind. Prince Kevenhaller-Metsch, who came as an envoy from King Leopold of Belgium for the purpose of making arrangements, has received the consent of the Government. The ex-Empress is to be domiciled in the Palace and use the Royal carriage which belonged to the Emperor Maximilian, while a guard of troops will be accorded her, and everything done to create the impression that she is still a reigning monarch. Her physicians, however, feel that there is but slight hope of her mind being permanently restored. The Emperor Maximilian was a brother of the Emperor Francis Joseph, and the Empress Carlotta, who was born in 1840, is the daughter of King Leopold I. of Belgium.

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Sunday, May 16—Flores v. Palermo, at Flores.
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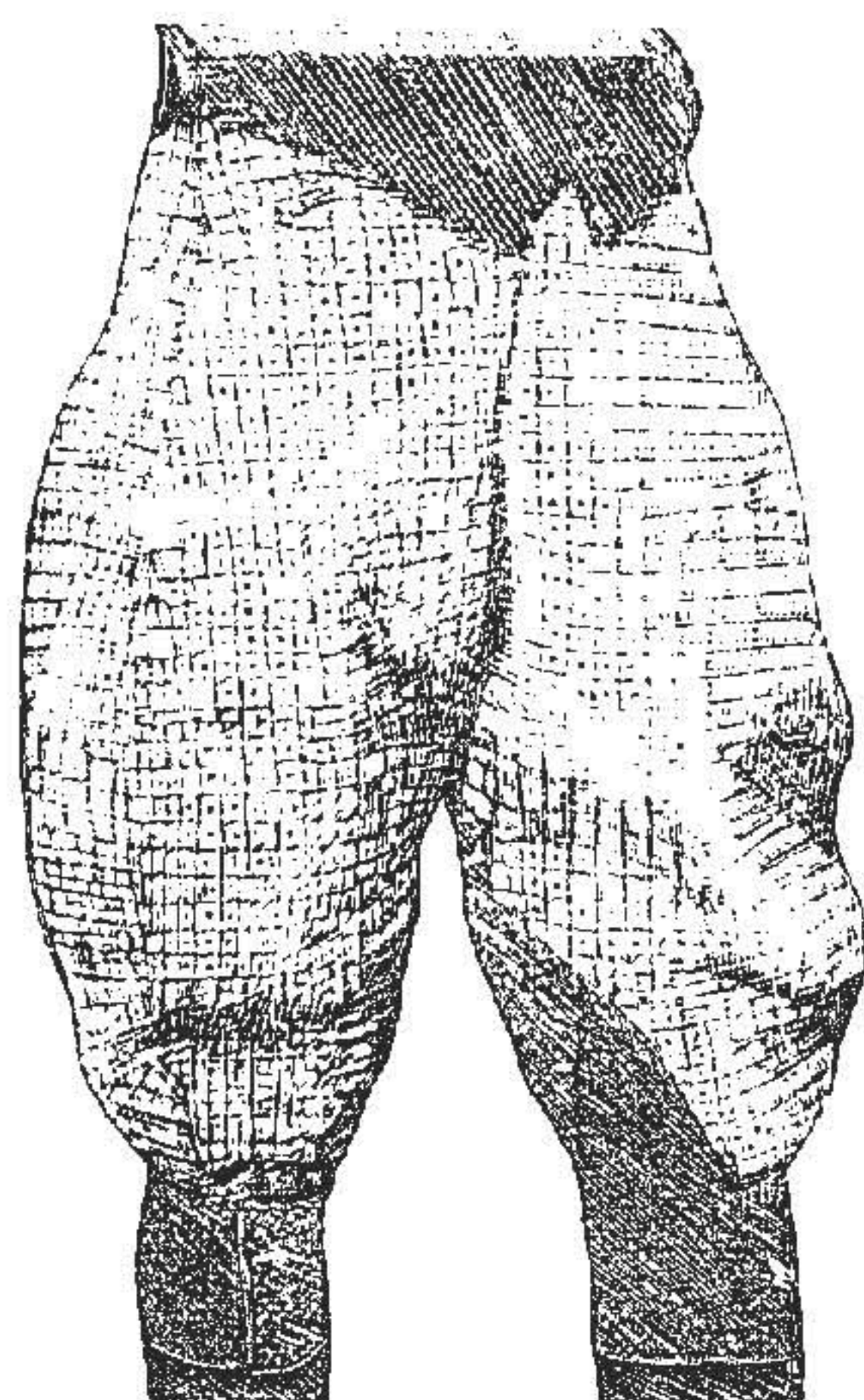
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"Put those things up then," I said, knowing Teddy was incorruptible, and starting to take the porcelain to our official's wife. I hardly was at the outer door when I heard a scuffle and a muffled cry. With a sudden fear I rushed back, and at the threshold, for a moment, stood horrified. Teddy was stretched speechless in a pool of blood, a knife with a strangely carved handle sticking in his side; and a stealthy figure—the same that had faced me shortly before—stood over him. For a moment we looked at each other; for a moment I could not move; and then, with a snarl, the creature sprang towards me. I was ready for him, but he slipped through my hands, and passed me—through the door.

Raising a dreadful cry, I was after. At the outside door I saw him; a lithe figure, that had dropped the loin cloth from his naked legs, running up the valley, past three of my men, who were on ponies.

"Stop him!" I cried. But he slipped past; and before they had recovered from their astonishment I was by them.

"Go in! Look to Teddy," I called dragging one from his pony and taking his seat.

"After him!" I said, kicking my brute. "Shoot him, if you can bring him down." I hadn't my pistols.

And we chased up that brown valley under the glaring North Indian sun. He seemed to run as fast as our ponies; but at last we gained a little. He looked about, showing white, grinning teeth. Two of the men answered with pistol shots. I bent well on to the pony's neck.

"Where is he?" asked one of the men.

"Where—?" began the other.

For before our eyes the runner had vanished, faded, what you will; and where he should have been was a lean wolf, turning now and then hungry eyes, and snarling lips, and grinning teeth.

The thing was so uncanny that I pulled up my pony; and then was charging up to the spot where the man had disappeared and the wolf appeared—believing he had found a hole in the earth. But there the short, yellow furze was unbroken. There was another click and report—a long, horrid, brutish howl—and the wolf was over a low slope, too, out of view, and the men alter. After a moment I followed, to find them dismounted by the man we had been chasing—without a wolf in sight, the man on his back.

"Damn it, sir, where's the wolf?" one of my bewildered fellows asked.

The great eyes stared brutishly up to mine. One fist was clinched. With sudden expectation I leaned over, and opened the sinewy fist, when from it fell the ring. I put it into my pocket, leaving the men with the dead thing, and rode back to Teddy, only to be met by my friend the official. Teddy was dead, like his murderer, who proved to be unknown at the station, and probably some wandering thief.

I told the eager listener of our hallucination.

"The men will swear to it, and I."

He looked at me, a moment, curiously.

"I have lived too long in India to doubt it," said he, slowly. "Tell me, how did you come by the stone?" When I had finished he asked, strangely:

"Have you not heard that a certain mind associated with a certain talisman can produce such an illusion?"

"I have seen it," said I. "Whether it were ordinary cupidity, or some desire for that particular stone, I cannot say. But I saw the wolf where the man was, and the dead man where the dead wolf should have been. Some persons would have given the diamond away, or have sold it, but I have kept it."

"There was no boy up a tree outside the mesmeric influence," said the sceptic. "May I see that stone again?"

"Yes, certainly," said Captain Willoughby, taking the diamond from the case. "That thing happened a year ago to-day."

They passed it from hand to hand; and above the storm roared.

"Will you mind if I look at it, sir?" asked a low distant voice. They looked up startled, for no one had seen this last enter; they saw a tall, dark person, modish dressed—with all the Western affections of some East Indians.

"You were listening," said Willoughby. "I didn't hear or see you. I must have been so absorbed in my story. Certainly, sir. I should like to have one of your race look at that stone."

A lean, sinewy hand stretched out, grasping the stone. Willoughby shivered and looked up.

"Where the devil," he began; for hand and ring and man were not there. They rubbed their eyes, and ran into the passage.

The steward was called. He knew no one on the ship answering the description; nor did the through search the next morning show the thief; perhaps he had been some strange stowaway—perhaps he had been washed from the deck.

JACKSON'S WHARE.

'And when your love
Has conquered pride—'

A man was singing to the accompaniment of the inevitable concertina. The notes were long drawn and filled with a certain rough pathos. His companions listened in approving silence until the song came to an end.

'Music's a cheering' thing in a man's life,' remarked an old, thin, weather-beaten shepherd, the owner of the put wherein the four men were seated before a large wood fire.

Jackson's whare was the only habitation for miles around. It was situated upon a lonely road, and was

the general refuge for all belated shepherds, stockmen and rabbits belonging to the 'run.' A long, narrow room, scantily furnished, with bunks built into the wall, a table and a few odd stools and chairs, all of which at present were drawn up to the fireplace.

The men were smoking; the atmosphere was dense; there was a general odour of tobacco, mackintosh, leather, also wet sheep dog, for there were several of these animals lying down or creeping about, and the musical programme was occasionally varied by a dismal howl from one or other of them which had rashly ventured into the charmed circle round the blazing logs and got in the way of somebody's great boots. A heap of damp saddles was thrown into a corner; whips, straps and spurs lay about on table and floor. There was no light save that of the fire, which shed a flickering crimson glow into the room, lending a certain picturesque charm to the common-place interior, and softening the rough faces of the men.

'Sing again, Willie,' said the host, and the musician, a thick-set, pleasant looking young man, complied, and gave them 'The Ship that Never Returned,' 'Rock Me to Sleep, Mother,' 'Annie Rooney,' and would probably have favoured the company with half a dozen more, not being in the least bashful, but that his next neighbour, a man whose distinctive characteristics were a pair of long legs, a pronounced scowl and a huge moustache, suggested that they had had enough of him; so he meekly deposited his instrument beneath his chair, and the party lapsed into silence, broken only by the cheerful cracklings of the burning wood and the sound of the rain on the roof.

The old man took his pipe out of his mouth and made a long shot at a glowing ember.

'She is a bad 'un,' he said, slowly. 'I don't like her eye.'

The remark was "apropos" of nothing, and nobody asked any questions.

'She's a d—d bad 'un,' he continued, in an argumentative tone; but still his companions puffed away gravely and made no answer.

'She's tricky, that's what she is,' he went on, after a pause. 'and my opinion is that the boss has got a handful.'

It was not a horse he was speaking of, but a woman, as a remark from the moustached man betrayed.

'You've only seen her riding, with a hat and a veil on,' he said, gruffly. 'What the—do you know about her eye?'

The old man squared himself up, ready for the fray. I haven't lived fifty-five years in this—world for nothing,' he said. 'I observed just now that music's a cheery thing in a man's life; so's a woman, when she's a good one. When she's not, his life is —'

'Old Dick is rather amusing upon social questions,' drawled the fourth man, who had not spoken before—a quiet individual, looking rather like a broken-down gentleman. 'Who is the lady in question?'

'Mrs Grant,' said Moustachio.

The quiet man whistled. 'His wife,' he said slowly. 'I say, Jackson, you'd better be careful what you're saying.'

'She'd better be careful what she's doing,' answered Jackson, angry at the rebuke, for he was generally considered something of an oracle. 'When a young woman with an elderly husband spends half her time riding about with a fellow like Spencer—'

'Spencer?'

'Yes, that idle, loafing cad of a remittance man.'

'I know. I don't admire her taste.'

'You'll never fathom a woman,' continued the old man, recovering his tone of wonted importance, and staring gravely into the fire. 'Everyone else considers the fellow a cad, therefore she's bound to be shook on him. He's as handsome as the devil, dresses well, and he rides Grant's horses as if they were his own and he had about fourteen more out in the paddock.'

The man with the moustache paused in his occupation of stirring up the tobacco in his pipe with his penknife, and turned to his host.

'You know a fat lot, Jackson,' he said. 'but I think you are wrong this trip. She seems a nice young woman. I have seen her once or twice pretty close.'

'What is she like to look at?' asked the quiet man.

'Oh, small and dark,' said Jackson, 'with a lot of black hair that's always tumbling down when she's riding, and that's one up agin her. A nice woman keeps her hair neat.'

The other man laughed.

'You're a rum old card,' he said; 'but I think I'd keep my mouth shut on this subject if I were you. Whether you are right or wrong it's a dangerous business to meddle with.'

Then one of them started talking 'sheep,' and everything else in heaven and upon earth faded into utter insignificance. Rams, hoggets, ewes, lambs, Merino, Southdown, Lincoln, it went on, an endless and all-absorbing topic. Pipes were filled again and again. The fire got low, they talked almost in the dark.

Suddenly the sleeping dogs started up with sharp little barks, more barking was going on outside and presently the sound of approaching horses became audible. Jackson got up and threw more wood upon the fire, a showers of sparks flew up the chimney, then he walked over and opened the door. The quiet man went on smoking. Willie rose and put his concertina into his bunk as if he feared the coming visitors might wish to steal it.

It was a stormy night. The wind blew the rain in at the door; the old man was calling out to someone.

'There's two of 'em,' he said, looking back into the hut; 'a man and a boy.'

He went outside; the visitors came nearer.

'Put your horses into the shed give 'em a feed,' he shouted.

There was more conversation and the flickering of a

lantern, and in a short time Jackson returned to the whare. His grey hair was all blown about; he had a queer expression in his eyes.

'They've lost their way,' he said; 'they are only going to stay a short time to rest the horses and the boy.'

'Who are they?' asked Moustachio.

Jackson did not answer, but looked at the quiet man, whose face was blank and unconcerned. The logs had blazed up; the hut was light and cheerful-looking.

A man entered; tall, fair, and extremely handsome. He was followed by a lad in a great coat and a knitted Tam-o'-Shanter.

'Sorry to disturb you, my friends,' he said, in a deep, clear voice. 'In the darkness and the beastly bad roads, we lost our way; the horses are knocked up, and want a bit of a spell, we have a long way to go to F—'

'Sixteen miles,' said the quiet man.

Jackson was busy hanging the billy over the fire.

'I'll give you some hot tea,' he said to the boy; 'come near the fire.'

'Oh, he's not 'cold,' cried the handsome man, hurriedly. 'Give him a rug and let him lie down. We came through a beastly bush track; he is tired.'

Moustachio threw him a large striped rug. He rolled the boy up in it, and he lay dozy down in a corner.

'It's d—d bad luck!' continued the stranger, coming forward.

'Who is the boy?' asked Willie.

'Oh, a nipper from town. I'm taking him back to his ma.'

'He's a good-looking lad,' said the quiet man.

'Yes.'

Jackson made the tea. He handed some in a pannikin to the visitor, then dipped out some—and was going over to where the boy lay, the other man put his own on the table.

'I'll take it to him,' he said.

The quiet man looked at Jackson and raised his eyebrows a hair's-breadth. The stranger came back to the fire, and sat looking into it with a moody expression upon his face. Suddenly he threw back his head and laughed—a laugh that made the dogs start up and growl.

'What's the matter?' said Jackson.

'Nothing,' he answered. 'I always laugh when I am in a d—d bad temper.'

'And cry when you are happy, I suppose?' drawled the quiet man.

'Yes,' he said; 'but I haven't cried yet.'

He drank his tea and lit his pipe. They all lit fresh pipes, the group round the fire was increased by one, conversation became general; they eventually returned to their muttons. The boy slumbered in his corner, the dogs remained quiet. Soon Willie crept away and got his concertina, and began playing softly to himself. It seemed to soothe the company, their voices sank to a murmur, the rain still pattered on the roof; and thus an hour passed away.

Willie ceased playing, left the fire, and tumbled into his bunk. Moustachio stood up and yawned. Jackson was gazing into the embers and nodding slightly.

After a time, the stranger stood up.

'I think we'll go on,' he said, and walked over to the boy. For a moment or two he bent over him, then raised him to his feet.

'Are you rested, young fellow?' asked the quiet man, coming forward.

'Yes thank you, answered the lad in a low voice.

He seemed rather sleepy and dazed. Between his coat collar and his hat there was nothing to be seen but two large dark eyes. He kept his hands in his pockets and shivered slightly.

The man turned round to Jackson.

'Thanks very much for your hospitality,' he said. 'If you will bring your lantern I think I will go and get the horses now. Come, laddie.'

He nodded to the other men, then took his tall figure and handsome face out of the hut, the boy followed, so did Jackson and the quiet man. Moustachio kicked the logs into a blaze and resumed his seat. Presently he heard the horses go off. In a few minutes Jackson and the quiet man returned to the hut.

'I must have another pipe after that, observed the latter, and proceeded to fill it.

Jackson's mouth was twitching. Something seemed to amuse him.

'What's up?' asked Moustachio.

The quiet man looked at the old one, who responded to the look with just the ghost of a wink.

'Now we'll turn in,' he said; but just then the dogs began to bark again.

'They are coming back,' said the moustached man.

'It's from the other direction, one person riding,' said the quiet man.

Jackson was listening.

'It's the boss,' he cried, 'on the grey,' and rose hurriedly, went out the door and closed it after him.

After a few minutes a horseman stopped suddenly outside, and a quick authoritative voice called out to Jackson. A short discussion followed, and a loud oath. The old man came back. A broad grin was upon his weather-beaten countenance. He shut the door and walked up to the fireplace.

'He'll catch them up,' he cried, rubbing his hands.

The quiet man nodded; he looked rather grave.

'Poor little thing!' he said.

'Snakes!' cried Moustachio.

Willie lifted his head out of the bunk. 'Who is the man?' he asked.

'Spencer,' replied the quiet man.

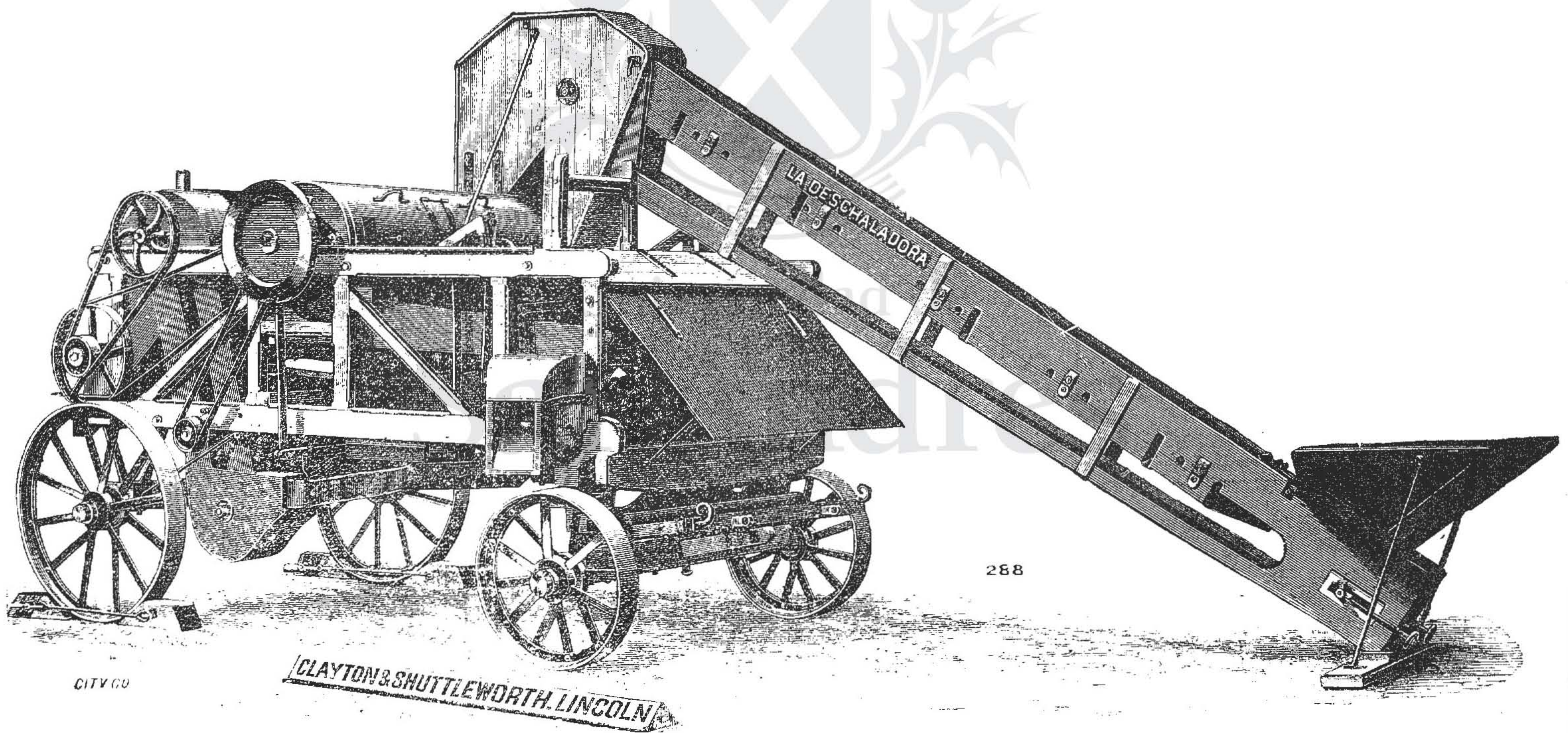
'Then the boy,' said Moustachio, with bulging eyeballs.

'I know a fat lot, don't I?' chuckled Jackson. 'I'm wrong this trip, eh? The boy, my young friend, is the boss's wife!'

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