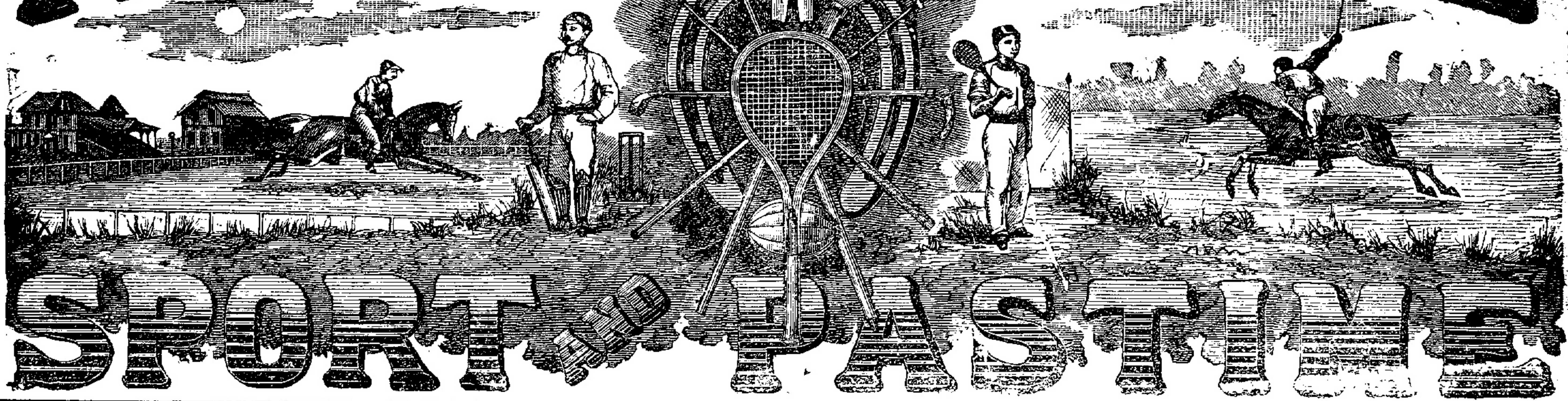


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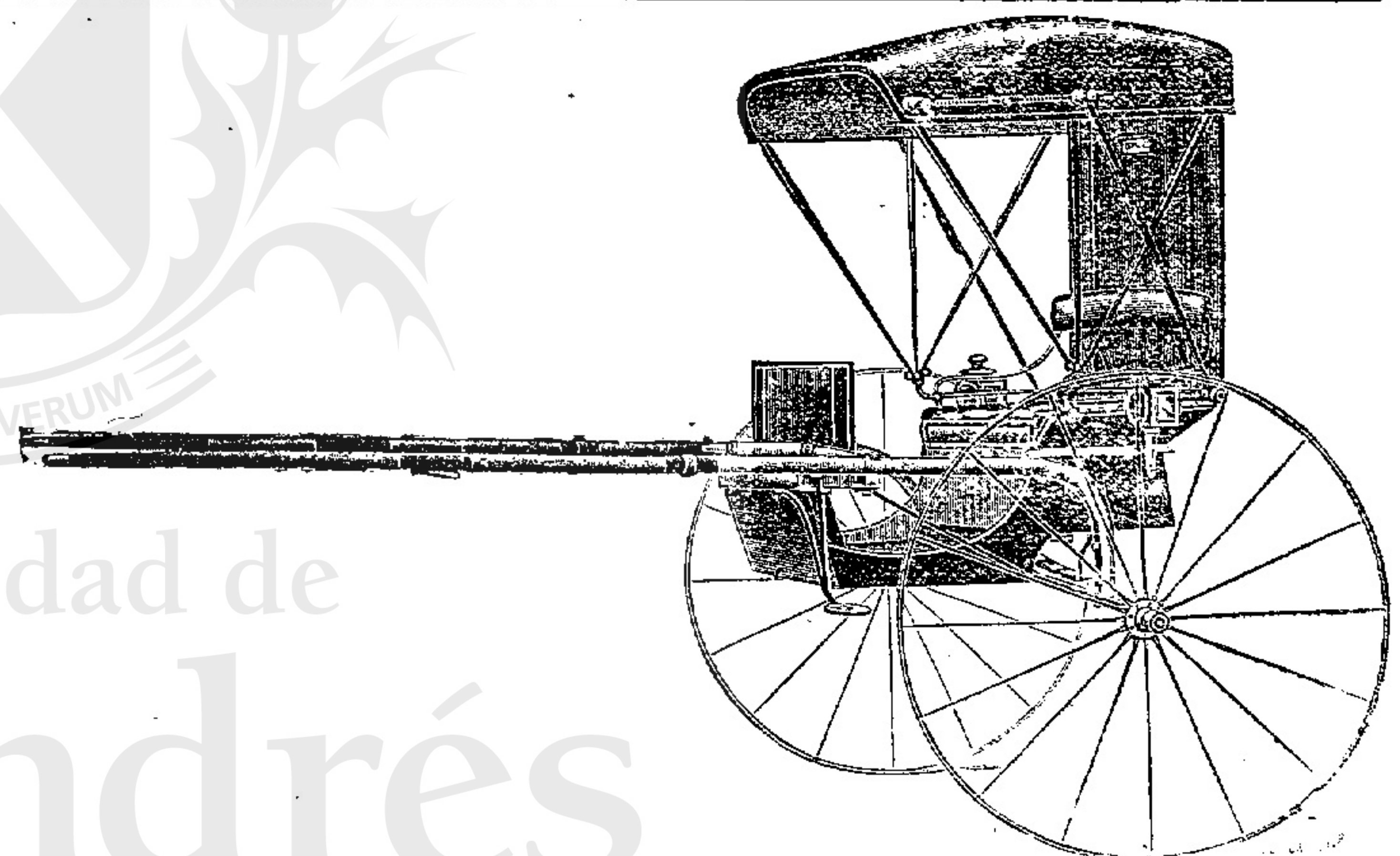
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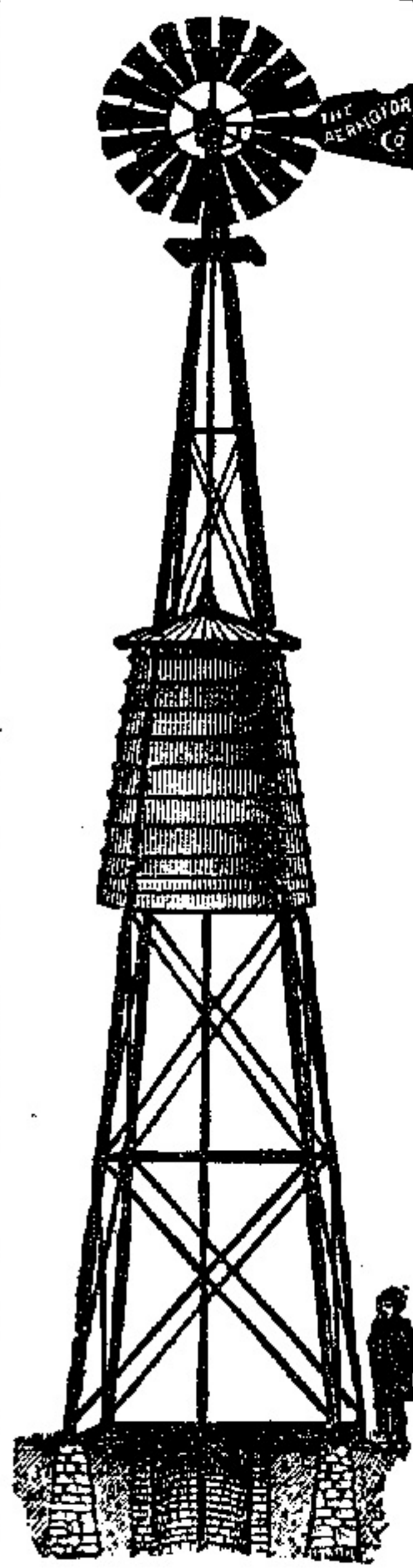
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RACING

PALERMO—SEPTEMBER 19.

The weather last Sunday was rather spoilt by a high wind which prevailed, at all events, for the early part of the afternoon, but the sun shone brightly all the day. Setting aside the conditions, however, the day's racing proved a peculiar one in many ways and backers had anything but a good time of it. The classic itself provided the greatest upset of all, and it was with feelings of the utmost surprise mingled with dismay that the public witnessed the Montevidean colt Guazunambi place this race to his credit. Nor can it be said that there was any luck or fluke about his win, for after none too good a start, he was never really prominent till towards the end of the race when he came away in fine style and won easily. The winner paid the enormous dividend of \$144.80.

The first event produced a capital field of sixteen and, as was generally expected, Guttemberg scored a clever win getting home half a length in front of Saint Brise. Pampero, who was also much fancied, never showed up at all.

Ten faced the starter for the Selling race, and of these Nobleza was made a very hot favourite, nearly half of the total tickets being to her credit. Crucero, however, romped in an easy winner and the favourite was unplaced.

All the entrants came to scratch for the Premio Balcarce, which provided another surprise, as Hipolito, who was by no means well supported, won cleverly by a neck from Palmar, the favourite, Avenir, again being unable to secure a place.

A field of eight turned out to despite the Premio Orange, of whom Voltigeur was much fancied, while Oriel and Don Gonzalo did not lack support. The race produced a very fine finish, as after Voltigeur appeared to have the race at his mercy, Brandzen challenged vigorously and was the first home, though by a short neck only.

Hipolito, who was well backed, scored an easy win in the 1600 metres race, as after once getting to the front, he made all his own running and finished a couple of lengths in front of Laurel, the favourite, who ran into third place.

The Premio Pillito, which closed the day's proceedings, brought out eleven. Lautaro having the call, while Rosemary also had a good following. The favourite, however, once again failed to show up, and Lince, after making all the running, was unable to do more than make a dead heat of it with Helecho, who got on terms in the last few strides, and the judge was unable to separate them.

The day, as we have already stated, was a disappointing one for backers, and as the track was in very much better trim than was expected, it only gave us another example of how little form goes for in this country, the in and out running of some of the horses being very remarkable.

The following are the details:—

PREMIO KEAN, for three-year-olds that having been a year in the country have not won, colts 56 kilos, fillies 54 kilos. \$2000 to the 1st, 200 to the 2nd, 1100 metres.

- Stud San José's br c Guttemberg, by Havre
—Crusty Girl, 56 k.....P. Aguirre 1
Stud Don Gonzalo's Saint Brise, 56 k...P. Aguilera 2
Stud Calchin's Ameliana, 54 k.....J. Olmos 3
General Zapiola's Gral. Zapiola, 56 k...M. de Armas 0
Ecurie Radamés' Cotillon, 56 k.....A. Ruiz 0
Stud Pampa's Pampero, 56 k.....R. Garrido 0
Ecurie Indecis' Quimera, 54 k.....J. Rivero 0
Stud Paysandú's Elimelech, 56 k.....V. Libonati 0
Ecurie Belgrano's Atico, 56 k.....H. Esteves 0
Stud Las Armas' Espingarda, 54 k.....J. Gomez 0
Stud Pobre's Mandarina, 54 k.....S. Gomez 0
Stud Las Damas' Hircania, 54 k.....P. Lara 0
Stud El Plata's Arbelia, 54 k.....I. Diaz 0
Ecurie Lucullus' Sincera, 54 k.....E. Rodriguez 0
Ecurie Montevideo's Justa, 54 k.....S. Urutia 0
Stud Maria Antonia's Centella, 54 k.....J. Cabrera 0

Saint Brise at once secured a useful lead which was retained to the stand, where Guttemberg came up to him and a good finish resulted in favour of the latter by a head. Ameliana finished third half a length behind Saint Brise.

Tickets—Guttemberg with 1675 win and 1963 place, Saint Brise 334—367, Ameliana 441—676, Gral. Zapiola 56—62, Cotillon 332—330, Pampero 1399—1202, Quimera 347—328, Elimelech 36—60, Atico 220—265, Espingarda 233—371, Mandarina 385—371, Hircania and Centella 235—263, Arbelia 147—259, Sincera 327—460, Justa 130—166. Totals 6297—7146.

Dividends—Guttemberg \$6.75 win and 3.15 place, Saint Brise 8.20 place, Ameliana 5.35 place.

PREMIO REMATE, an open selling-race weight for age. The winner to be sold for \$5000. Those horses entered to be sold for less to receive an allowance of 3 kilos for every \$1000 reduction. A penalty of 3 kilos for each selling race won previously. \$2000 to the 1st, 200 to the 2nd, 1600 metres.

- Stud Los Cardos' br h Crucero, by Gay Hermit
—Rada, 4 y, 51 1/2 k.....P. Aguilera 1
Stud Monfi's Clandestino, 5 y, 50 k.....J. Insauralde 2
Stud Estudiante's Estudiante, 6 y, 50 k.....J. Paez 3
Ecurie Chantilly's Tic-Tac, 5 y, 53 k.....J. Rivero 0
General San Martin's Bettina, 5 y, 51 k...J. Gomez 0
Stud La Porfia's Lighthouse, aged, 50 k...P. Lara 0
La Petite Ecurie's Nobleza, 3 y, 47 1/2 k...J. Olmos 0
Stud Calchin's Calchinera, 4 y, 46 1/2 k...A. Ruiz 0
Stud Winchester's Devona, 3 y, 41 1/2 k...C. Bustos 0
Stud El Plata's Tirana, 3 y, 40 k.....J. Rivas 0

Crucero at once assumed command followed by Devona and Nobleza, who were quite unable to get near the leader. Coming into the straight, Crucero held a lead of several lengths, and after making all the running won in a canter by three lengths. A length separated second and third.

Tickets—Crucero with 1039 win and 1395 place, Clandestino 517—448, Estudiante 435—471, Tic-Tac 393—415, Bettina 189—298, Lighthouse 54—51, Nobleza 4144—3144, Calchinera 750—1047, Devona 1176—1023, Tirana 60—144. Totals 8757—8756.

Dividends—Crucero \$15.15 win and 4.65 place, Clandestino 10.25 place, Estudiante 9.45 place.

PREMIO BALCARCE, an open handicap. \$1800 to the 1st, 150 to the 2nd, 1000 metres.

- Stud Las Piedras' br h Hipolito, by Zanoni—
Hippolyt, 5 y, 55 k.....S. Urutia 1
Stud Palmar's Palmar, 5 y, 52 k.....C. Cardoso 2
Ecurie Lucullus' Bab, 5 y, 52 k.....P. Aguilera 3
Ecurie Bismarck's Manon, 4 y, 56 k.....J. Viera 0
Stud Stiletto's Mariscal, 4 y, 50 k.....N. Sosa 0
Stud La Redencion's Huapi, 3 y, 50 k...G. Morales 0
La Petite Ecurie's Addio, 3 y, 49 k.....J. Olmos 0
Stud José Maria's Namuncura, 6 y, 48 k...J. Cabrera 0
Stud Amianto's Avenir, 4 y, 47 k.....J. Insauralde 0
Stud A. Lince's Asdrubal, 4 y, 44 k.....A. Ruiz 0
Ecurie Azur's Onagh, 3 y, 40 k.....C. Bustos 0
Ecurie Juncal's Fanciulla, 3 y, 40 k.....J. Felin 0
Ecurie Indecis' Rayon d'Or, 4 y, 40 k...M. Valdez 0

A considerable delay was caused at the start owing to Asdrubal breaking away twice, and bolting round the course. A fairly good start was at last effected, of which Namuncura got the best, and led to the straight, where Hipolito asserted himself and stalling off a determined challenge on the part of Palmar got home by half a length, a similar distance separating the second and third.

Tickets—Hipolito with 618 win and 565 place, Palmar 1056—871, Bab 1263—1495, Manon 50—43, Mariscal 462—557, Huapi 655—715, Addio 839—761, Namuncura 1616—1426, Avenir 1117—818, Asdrubal 420—283, Onagh 114—204, Fanciulla 670—771, Rayon d'Or 681—547. Totals 9561—8966.

Dividends—Hipolito \$27.85 win and 8.15 place, Palmar 6.00 place, Bab 4.50 place.

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- Stud Agraciada's ch c Guazunambi, by Kimbolton—Farsita, 57 k.....R. Coll 1
Stud La Confianza's Tantaló, 57 k.....C. Cardoso 2
Stud El Derby's Pillito, 57 k.....P. Aguilera 3
Ecurie Juncal's Gonin, 57 k.....G. Palacios 4
J. B. Zubiaurre's Limay, 57 k.....I. Diaz 0
Gral. San Martin's San Telmo, 57 k.....R. Gomez 0
La Petite Ecurie's Balcarce, 57 k.....R. Garrido 0
La Petite Ecurie's Amambay, 57 k.....J. Olmos 0
Ecurie Azur's El Payo, 57 k.....V. Libonati 0
Ecurie Indecis' L'Hermite, 57 k.....J. Rivero 0
Stud Calchin's Amelia, 55 k.....N. Peñalosa 0
Stud Calchin's Hidalgo, 55 k.....H. Esteves 0
Stud El Derby's Alarife, 57 k.....N. Sosa 0
Stud La Noria's Mirabeau, 57 k.....L. Diaz 0
Stud Las Piedras' Resigné, 57 k.....S. Urutia 0
Magna Domus' Ail, 57 k.....G. Palacios 0
Stud Manantiales' Pegaso, 57 k.....J. Viera 0
Stud Maria Carlota's Santa Jacinta, 55 k...S. Gomez 0
Stud Paris' Paris, 57 k.....P. Aguirre 0

Alarife was soon at the head of affairs making strong running for his stable companion Pillito, followed by Amabym with Gonin and Balcarce in close attendance. Coming round the lower bend Pillito and the Montevidean colt began to close up, while Tantaló also improved his position. At the paddock Alarife was done with and Guazunambi showed to the front and shaking off his field in fine style won easily by a couple of lengths from Tantaló, Pillito finishing another length behind and Gonin a like distance behind fourth, and Alarife a good fifth.

Tickets—Guazunambi with 168 win and 194 place, Tantaló 236—292, Pillito and Alarife 7227—4950, Gonin 197—202, Limay 402—594, San Telmo 60—57, Balcarce and Amambay 2205—3141, El Payo 63—70, L'Hermite 179—228, Amelia and Hidalgo 79—118, Mirabeau 756—887, Resigné 234—240, Ail 267—296, Pegaso 565—677, Santa Jacinta 26—19, Paris 849—1327. Totals 13,513—13,292.

Dividends—Guazunambi \$144.80 win and 24.90 place, Tantaló 16.90 place, Pillito 2.85 place.

PREMIO ORANGE, an open handicap. \$3000 to the 1st, 300 to the 2nd, 3000 metres.

- Ecurie Juncal's ch h Brandzen, by Whipper-In
—Marion, 5 y, 40 k.....J. Felin 1
La Petite Ecurie's Voltigeur, 4 y, 52 k...R. Garrido 2
Stud Don Gonzalo's Don Gonzalo, 4 y, 56 k...P. Aguilera 3
Stud Paris' Oriel, 6 y, 63 k.....P. Aguirre 0
Stud Yuqueri's Yerua, 5 y, 52 k.....J. Cabrera 0
Stud Las Armas' Policeman, 6 y, 50 k.....I. Diaz 0
Ecurie Belgrano's Rose Royale, 5 y, 49 k...J. Olmos 0
Ecurie Azur's Stamboul, 6 y, 45 k.....C. Bustos 0

Yerua led the field to the stand where Policeman went to the front and made the running to the straight. Voltigeur then shot ahead and looked like winning, but at the stand Brandzen challenged vigorously and a close finish resulted in the latter gaining the verdict by a neck, a length between second and third.

Tickets—Brandzen with 992 win and 737 win, Voltigeur 2697—1720, Don Gonzalo 1557—1701, Oriel 1761—1217, Yerua 1516—1054, Policeman 1481—1150, Rose Royale 904—714, Stamboul 863—627. Totals 11,765—8920.

Dividends—Brandzen 21.35 win and 5.50 place, Voltigeur 3.50 place, Don Gonzalo 3.50 place.

PREMIO PARIS, an open handicap. \$2000 to the 1st, 200 to the 2nd, 1600 metres.

- Stud Las Piedras' br h Hipolito, by Zanoni—
Hippolyt, 5 y, 54 k.....S. Urutia 1

- Stud Floresta's Laurel, 5 y, 46 k.....J. Rivas 2
Stud Calchin's Rosalvina, 3 y, 52.....J. Olmos 3
Stud Las Armas' Zafarrancho, 4 y, 48 k...I. Diaz 0
Stud Winchester's Devona, 3 y, 47 k.....M. Valdez 0
Ecurie Titan's Viroflay, 6 y, 40 k.....J. Felin 0
Stud La Porfia's Descubridor, 4 y, 40 k...C. Bustos 0

Rosalvina showed the way for a short period when Hipolito took the lead a position he remained in to the finish winning comfortably by a couple of lengths. A good race for second place ended in favour of Laurel by a neck.

Tickets—Hipolito with 2093 win and 1348 place, Laurel 1692—1386, Rosalvina 3763—2326, Zafarrancho 1418—1128, Devona 553—370, Viroflay 1009—525, Descubridor 554—418. Totals 11,082—7401.

Dividends—Hipolito 9.35 win and 4.60 place, Laurel 4.55 place.

PREMIO PILLITO, an open handicap. \$2000 to the 1st, 200 to the 2nd, 1800 metres.

- Stud Palmar's br h Lince, by Neapolis—La
Corgone, 5 y, 40 k.....A. Ruiz 1

- Stud Floresta's Helecho, 5 y, 45 k.....G. Morales 1
La Petite Ecurie's Lautaro, 4 y, 56 k.....R. Garrido 2
Stud Porteñitos' Pobre, 4 y, 60 1/2 k...J. Romay 0
Stud Don Gonzalo's Oriente, 4 y, 50 1/2 k...P. Aguilera 0
Ecurie Azur's Rosemary, aged, 5 y, 55 k...V. Libonati 0
Ecurie Pergamino's Salteador, 5 y, 57 k...P. Aguirre 0
Stud José Maria's Duque, 5 y, 49 k.....N. Sosa 0
Stud Rio Tercero's Coral, aged, 47 k.....J. Rivas 0
Ecurie Ben d'Or's Asteroide, 5 y, 47 k...J. Insauralde 0
Ecurie Titan's Oncativo, 6 y, 40 k.....C. Bustos 0

At the fall of the flag Lince shot to the front and made all the running to the end, but Helecho came with a rush at the finish and was just able to catch the leader on the front, then judge being unable to separate them Lautaro finish third a length behind.

Tickets—Lince with 1495 win and 810 place, Helecho 1052—793, Lautaro 3339—2393, Pobre 136—88, Oriente 1375—865, Rosemary 2098—1319, Salteador 1644—1183, Duque 1820—1017, Coral 475—291, Asteroide 416—232, Oncativo 687—339. Totals 14,537—9340.

Dividends—Lince \$12.00 win and 5.70 place, Helecho 9.05 win and 5.60 place, Lautaro 3.20 place.

PALERMO — SEPTEMBER 26.

Premio Remate—1800 metres.

Table with columns: Kilos, Name, Kilos. Includes Policeman (62 Kilos), Maratón (50 Kilos), Pick Pocket (56 Kilos), Helecho (50 Kilos), Venero (54 1/2 Kilos), Nobleza (47 1/2 Kilos), Salteador (53 Kilos), Indecisa (46 1/2 Kilos), Descubridor (51 1/2 Kilos), Virey (43 1/2 Kilos), Clandestino (50 Kilos), Devoná (41 1/2 Kilos), Coral (50 Kilos).

Premio Amianto—1800 metres.

Table with columns: Name, Kilos. Includes Delfin (56 Kilos), Flamant (56 Kilos), Ail (56 Kilos), L'Hermite (56 Kilos), General Zapiola (56 Kilos), Résigné (56 Kilos), Efrain (56 Kilos), La Destréer (56 Kilos), Cas (56 Kilos), Cordobez (54 Kilos), Babiole (54 Kilos), Mandarina (54 Kilos), Eclair (56 Kilos).

Premio Buenos Aires—1200 metres.

Table with columns: Name, Kilos. Includes Hipólito (60 Kilos), Guttemberg (51 Kilos), Río Negro (59 1/2 Kilos), Osmond (47 Kilos), Oriente (59 Kilos), Namuncura (46 Kilos), Alarife (58 Kilos), Avenir (45 Kilos), General Lavallo (57 Kilos), Extra (40 Kilos), Fauvette (56 Kilos), Usura (40 Kilos), Nemo (51 Kilos), Osman (40 Kilos).

Premio Casey—2000 metres.

Table with columns: Name, Kilos. Includes Virrey (57 Kilos), Abrojo (57 Kilos), Fernet Branca (55 Kilos), Ail (57 Kilos), Limay (57 Kilos), Diadema (55 Kilos), Amambay (57 Kilos), Chara II (55 Kilos), Atico (57 Kilos), Pegaso (57 Kilos), Gonin (57 Kilos), Rutha (55 Kilos), Faust II (57 Kilos), Odeon (55 Kilos), Sincera (55 Kilos), Santa Jacinta (55 Kilos), Foudre (55 Kilos), Lunlunta (55 Kilos), Pepina (55 Kilos), Sauce Corto (57 Kilos), Siton (57 Kilos), Paris (55 Kilos), Patentado (57 Kilos), Flor del Pago (57 Kilos), Victoria (55 Kilos), Caseros (57 Kilos), Tantaló (57 Kilos), Cotillon (57 Kilos), Mirabeau (57 Kilos), Gavotte (55 Kilos), Resigné (57 Kilos), Pompeyo (57 Kilos), Yatagan (57 Kilos), Florin (57 Kilos).

Premio Porteño—2200 metres.

Table with columns: Name, Kilos. Includes Blue Boat (60 Kilos), Flambeau (50 Kilos), Malakoff (59 Kilos), Helecho (50 Kilos), Pitanga (58 Kilos), Duque (50 Kilos), Reserva (55 Kilos), Stamboul (46 Kilos), Policeman (51 Kilos), Galatea (40 Kilos).

Premio Revelacion—1600 metres.

Hipólito .. .. .	60	Ortegal .. .. .	47
Oriente .. .. .	59	Mariscal .. .. .	46
Alarife .. .. .	58	Calchinera .. .. .	45
Nemo .. .. .	51	Extra .. .. .	40
Tetrarca .. .. .	51	Osman .. .. .	40
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Premio Bolivar—1800 metres.

Rosemary .. .. .	60	Asteroides .. .. .	48
General Lavalle .. .. .	59	Lince .. .. .	48
Rose Royale .. .. .	53	Coral .. .. .	48
Nobleza .. .. .	49	Dante .. .. .	45
Laurel .. .. .	53		

The race of the day on the 26th is the Premio Casey, another 2000 metres, for three-year-olds, from which all the cracks have been retired, including last Sunday's surprise from Montevideo. This leaves a very interesting and open contest between the second rate colts, and Limay, Gonin, Tántalo, Mirabeau, Paris, and the Los Cardos pair, and perhaps Pompeyo, should make a hard struggle for the \$5000 prize, with a likelihood of a close finish. The in and out running this season makes a choice difficult between these, but my vote will go to Tántalo, as apparently in the best form at this moment. There are also chances for outsiders such as Virey, Amambay, Pepina, Resigné, Pegaso, Gavotte, and Florin. Altogether a very doubtful case, and may bring out a large number of runners.

The Selling Plate, which begins the meeting, looks like another opening for Salteador, and if he does not run, Nobleza may be put up to the mark this time.

In the Premio Amianto, Opulencia should have a chance of leaving the ranks of the losers.

The disappointing Namuncurá, after many attempts, may win the Sprint, unless Usura, who is fast can be kept going for once.

The long distance will be a good race, and Flambeau appears to be well placed.

The mile should give Ortegal an opportunity to stay to the finish for a change.

The Consolation, 1800, may give the Ecurie Belgrano a win with Rose Royale, for which they have been trying for some time.

My selections are therefore:—

- Premio Remate—Salteador or Nobleza.
- Premio Amianto—Opulencia.
- Premio Buenos Aires—Namuncurá or Usura.
- Premio Casey—Tántalo.
- Premio Portefino—Flambeau.
- Premio Revelacion—Ortegal.
- Premio Bolivar—Rose Royale.

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HOME RACING.

There is no more popular race meeting amongst old-fashioned race goers than that which is held at York at the latter end of August, and it is evidently becoming quite as much of a favourite with the new generation. On August 24th in spite of heavy rain storms the attendance was a very large one. The Prince of Wales' Plate is generally interesting, and on this occasion the field of thirteen included many who had shown promise in earlier engagements, though M.D. was the only penalised horse among them. The party gave plenty of trouble at the post, but Airosa was first away, and she held her place until they were inside the distance post, where Simylla closed. Just for a moment the outsider held her own, but the favourite shot out nicely in the last hundred yards, and won with a bit in hand, the Lady Hetty colt securing third place, just about clear of M.D. and Devon.

None of the best classic form was engaged in the Yorkshire Oaks, but the party of seven included some useful performers, and notably Galatia who had split Cheltenham and Coletta in the One Thousand, and Galatia was nearly being brought off, as Unseen, who was the running from the flag fall, was only caught by Fortalice inside the distance, and the Newmarket mare had to be hard ridden to win by three parts of a length. Laughing Girl was clearly third best, but though she is a good stayer, she is deficient in pace, and when it came to the crucial point she could not increase her speed. She did much better than Galatia, who was well beaten below the distance, and is evidently a non-stayer.

On August 25 the crowd was perhaps one of the biggest ever seen at York, and although class was very moderate in the Ebor Handicap, plenty of good horses were on view during the day and most of the winners were well backed. Now nominally "Great" in name only, the muster at the post for the Ebor was limited to seven. The veteran Bach, with Asterie, did battle for the South, while the Midlands and the Yorkshire stables depended upon Harvest Money, First Foot, Carnation, and Auroscope—a moderate party indeed. Of the race, it need only be said that Harvest Money held the lead until a quarter of a mile from home, when Asterie, followed by Bach, ran into second place. Bach's effort to close with the leaders died away at the distance. Then followed the boy Maxey's abortive attempt on Asterie to get her out against Madden on Harvest Money, who ultimately was landed the luckiest of winners by a short head from the filly. Well might the backers of Asterie be discontented at the way she was handled, for it was quite obvious with a stronger jockey on her back that she must have won.

The meeting was concluded on August 26, when the sport was again very good, though backers were not exactly in luck, one or two of the results being quite unexpected. There was a respectable field as far as numbers go for the Great Yorkshire Stakes, and History (who ran third for the Derby), Merle, and Prime Minister

(who dead-headed with Silver Fox at Chester) represented the penalised division. The backers of History were able to get on at 6 to 4, there being a big demand for Prime Minister, who carried the confidence of his trainer. Bar two, long prices were offered, and to cut the story short, History came to the front at the entrance to the straight, and stayed there to the end, beating Prime Minister by a length, with Merle a head behind the representative of Stanton.

Below we give the particulars of some of the more important events:—

NOTTINGHAM SUMMER MEETING—AUGUST 21.

Nottinghamshire Handicap of 750 sovs; Straight Mile. Mr F. Luscombe's ch h Marco, by Barcaldine—Novitiate, 5 y, 9 st..... Allsopp 1  
Mr R. Lebaudy's Kopely, 4 y, 7 st 8 lb..... S. Loates 2  
Mr J. Hope's Lammermuir, 4 y, 7 st..... S. Chandley 3  
Mr Crest's Clipstone, 4 y, 7 st 8 lb..... K. Cannon 0  
Mr A. J. Schwabe's Marton, 4 y, 7 st 7 lb..... Trundley 0  
Mr J. B. Burton's Last of the Queens, 4 y, 7 st..... Luke 0  
Sir J. B. Maple's Omladina, 4 y, 6 st 13 lb..... Toon 0  
Betting—5 to 2 agst Marco, 4 to 1 agst Clipstone, 9 to 2 agst Kopely, 6 to 1 agst Marton, 100 to 12 agst Omladina, and 10 to 1 each agst Last of the Queens and Lammermuir.

Last of the Queens jumped off with the lead, followed by Clipstone, Marco and Lammermuir lying next, and Kopely in the rear. They ran in this order to the foot of the hill, where Omladina took command to the distance, soon after which Marco, who had been shut in, had a fair opening, and Omladina having died away, left Kopely with the lead. The latter, however, was resolutely challenged by Marco, who eventually won a fine race home on the post by a head, Lammermuir being third, three lengths behind Kopely. Omladina was fourth, Last of the Queens fifth, and Clipstone last.

YORK AUGUST MEETING—AUGUST 24.

Prince of Wales' Plate of 1000 sovs; 5 furlongs. Mr D. Baird's br f Simylla, by St. Simon—Palm-flower, 8 st 4 lb..... Rickaby 1  
Mr W. Johnstone's Airosa 8 st 4 lb..... Allsopp 2  
Mr J. W. Churton's c by Chelsea—Lady Hetty, 8 st 7 lb..... A. White 3  
Mr J. Bibby's Stamboul, 8 st 7 lb..... Fagan 0  
Mr F. F. Cartwright's M.D., 9 st 8 lb..... Weldon 0  
Lord Crewe's Bend Sinister, 8 st 4 lb..... O. Madden 0  
Mr J. Hope's Lord Hope, 8 st 7 lb..... Finlay 0  
Mr Houldsworth's Locarno, 8 st 7 lb..... K. Cannon 0  
Mr J. Lowthers's Queen's Gate 8 st 4 lb..... C. Wood 0  
Sir J. B. Maple's Devon, 8 st 7 lb..... Calder 0  
Mr W. G. Steven's Brenda, 8 st 12 lb..... M. Cannon 0  
Mr Vynar's Philumene, 8 st 4 lb..... Black 0  
Lord Zetland's La Fortune, 8 st 4 lb..... S. Loates 0  
Betting—11 to 8 agst Simylla, 9 to 2 agst Devon, 100 to 12 agst M.D., 10 to 1 agst Bend Sinister, 100 to 8 agst Brenda, 100 to 7 agst La Fortune, and 100 to 6 agst Lady Hetty colt.

After a long delay, Airosa was first to break the line, attended by Bend Sinister, the Lady Hetty colt, Simylla, and Lord Hope, in front of Devon, La Fortune and Brenda, with M.D., Queen's Gate, and Locarno prominent in the ruck. Without material change they came to the distance, where Simylla headed Airosa, and with Bend Sinister now beaten, the Lady Hetty colt became third. Airosa held Simylla to the half distance, from which point Mr Douglas Baird's filly drew out and won cleverly by three parts of a length; a length divided second and third; M.D. was a good fourth, Devon fifth, Brenda sixth, Queen's Gate seventh, Bend Sinister next, and Philumene a long way last.

Yorkshire Oaks of 15 sovs each, with 300 added; for three-year-old fillies, 1¼ miles.

Lord Ellesmere's b f Fortalice, by Fitzsimon—Zareba, 8st 10lb..... M. Cannon 1  
Mr P. Buchanan's Unseen, 8st 3lb..... Lane 2  
Mr J. Osborne's Laughing Girl, 8st 10lb..... F. Osborne 3  
Mr F. Alexander's Theale, 8st 10lb..... Morton 0  
Capt. E. W. Baird's Pyracantha, 8st 3lb..... Rickaby 0  
Mr R. Walker's Galatia, 9st 1lb..... Colling 0  
Lord Zetland's Grey Hag, 9st 1lb..... O. Madden 0  
Lord Zetland's Verdina, 8st 3lb..... S. Loates 0  
Betting—11 to 8 agst Galatia, 7 to 2 agst Fortalice, 5 to 1 agst Laughing Girl, 100 to 8 agst Grey Hag, and 20 to 1 agst any other.

Unseen at once made play at a moderate pace from Laughing Girl, with Theale next, in front of Galatia and Pyracantha, and Grey Hag in the rear, that order being maintained to the bottom turn—about six furlongs from home. Theale, soon after passing that point, became second to Unseen, Laughing Girl coming on third from Galatia, Verdina next, attended by Fortalice, and Grey Hag still last. A quarter of a mile from home Galatia was beaten and Unseen came on pursued by Laughing Girl and Fortalice, the latter of whom took up the running at the distance and won by three parts of a length; five lengths between second and third; Theale was fourth, Galatia fifth, Lord Zetland's pair next, and Pyracantha beaten off a long way.

August 25.

Great Ebor Handicap Plate of 1000 sovs; 1¼ miles. Mr E. J. Percy's b c Harvest Money, by Doubloon—Corn Rose, 4 yrs, 7st 7lb..... Madden 1-  
Sir R. W. Griffith's Asterie, 3 yrs, 6st 9lb... Maxsey 2  
M. R. Lebaudy's Bach, aged, 7st 9lb..... S. Loates 3  
Mr Booth's First Foot, 4 yrs, 7st 8lb..... Allsopp 0  
Mr C. H. Hannam's Auroscope, 5 yrs, 7st 6lb..... Harrison 0  
Mr G. H. Plummer's Carnatum, 3 yrs, 6st 11lb..... Mordue 0  
Mr H. Drage's Spitalfield's, 3 yrs, 6st 8lb..... Vasey 0  
Betting—6 to 4 agst Bach, 100 to 30 agst Asterie, 4 to 1 agst Harvest Money, 6 to 1 agst First Foot, 10 to 1 agst Auroscope, 100 to 7 agst Spitalfields, and 20 to 1 agst Carnatum. They were despatched at the first

attempt to a capital start, Harvest Money making running at a moderate pace from First Foot in front of Asterie, Bach following, attended by Auroscope, with Spitalfields last. After going half a mile Spitalfields ran into fourth place, clear of Bach, with Auroscope slightly last. Round the Middlethorpe turn, five furlongs from home, First Foot took close order, with Harvest Money, Asterie going on third, followed by Spitalfields, and Bach next. Quarter of a mile from home First Foot dropped away beaten, and Harvest Money was now followed by Asterie and Bach, the remainder being already well beaten. Bach was also left behind at the distance by Asterie, who challenged Harvest Money at the stand, the latter winning a fine race by a short head; a bad third; Carnatum was fourth, Spitalfields fifth, and First Foot last.

August 26.

Great Yorkshire Stakes of 1000 sovs; 1¼ miles. Sir S. Scott's b c History, by Hampton—Isabelle, 9st 4lb..... M. Cannon 1  
Mr T. Wadlow's Prime Minister, 9st 4lb..... Allsopp 2  
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Merle, 9st 4lb..... Rumbold 3  
Mr Aston's One More, 8st 4lb (car. 8st 5lb)... Weldon 0  
Lord Harewood's Upper Cut, 8st 4lb..... Robinson 0  
Mr J. Joicey's Dick Whittington, 8st 12lb... Madden 0  
Sir J. B. Maple's Royal Footman, 8st 12lb... Calder 0  
Lord Zetland's Highland Home, 8st 4lb... K. Cannon 0  
Lord Zetland's Puffball, 8st 4lb..... S. Loates 0  
Betting—6 to 4 agst History, 9 to 2 agst Prime Minister, 8 to 1 agst Royal Footman, 10 to 1 each agst Puff Ball and Merle, and 100 to 6 agst any other.

Highland Home was first away, but after going a furlong Royal Footman made the running, followed by One More, Upper Cut, and Highland Home, with Puff Ball, Merle, and History next, and Dick Whittington last. After going a quarter of a mile Prime Minister took second place, with Upper Cut third, One More fourth, and Puff Ball next. Before reaching the mile post Upper Cut took closer order, with Royal Footman at the head of affairs, in front of Prime Minister, Lord Zetland's pair, and History, with One More now tailed off. At the straight Upper Cut dropped back, and Prime Minister came on, followed by History and Merle. Inside the distance History headed Prime Minister, and won by a length; a neck between second and third; Royal Footman was a bad fourth, Dick Whittington fifth, Puff Ball sixth, Upper Cut seventh, Highland Home eighth, and One More beaten off.

PROGRAMME

OF THE

Spring Race Meeting

TO BE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1897

(Hurlingham Club Rules)

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE

Venado Tuerto Polo and Athletic Club

1. CRIOLLO FLAT RACE, 800 metres, for criollo horses; 75 kilos, owners up, others carry 78 kilos; entrance \$10.
2. POLO PONY RACE, 500 metres, for bona-fide polo ponies, 58 inches or under; 75 kilos, weight for inches; entrance \$5.
3. PONY HURDLE RACE, 1500 metres, for any pony, 58 inches or under; 75 kilos, weight for inches; entrance \$5.
4. MIDGET PONY RACE, 800 metres, for any pony, 54 inches or under; 70 kilos, weight for inches; entrance \$5.
5. HACK RACE, 3000 metres, for hacks regularly ridden by their owners; 75 kilos; entrance \$10.
6. POLO PONY RACE, 1200 metres, for bona-fide polo ponies, 58 inches or under; 75 kilos, weight for inches; entrance \$5.
7. HURDLE RACE, 2700 metres, for any horse (thoroughbreds excepted); 75 kilos; entrance \$5.
8. PONY RACE, 500 metres, for any pony, 58 inches or under; 75 kilos, weight for inches; entrance \$5.
9. LADIES' NOMINATION RACE, 1000 metres, catch weight; entrance \$5.

All races to be ridden in colours, by members of an affiliated club or their sons.

All horses to be the bona-fide property of a member of an affiliated club.

In Races 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 there is an allowance of three kilos per inch under stipulated height.

Winners of 1896 and 1897 (at any races held under Hurlingham Club Rules) are penalised, once 3 kilos, twice 5 kilos, thrice 7 kilos.

Entries close on September 26, and must be sent to the Secretary in writing on or before that date, with entrance money enclosed, also stating the name, colour and height (where necessary) of the horse, and the owner's racing colours.

Winners of 1896 and 1897 to be declared. Late entries will be received on payment of a fine of \$10 entry.

All races are sweepstakes, the club deducting 10 per cent.

The Committee reserve themselves the right to make any alteration in the programme.

HAROLD MILES, Hon. Sec.

P O L O .

AN OPEN TOURNAMENT will be held on the following days for any Teams that may like to enter. Entrance \$5.

**CRICKET.**

**CHAMPIONSHIP FIXTURES.**

**OCTOBER**

Sun. 8—Flores v. Lanus, at Flores.  
Sun. 10—Lomas v. Lanus, at Lanus.  
Sun. 17—Hurlingham v. Belgrano, at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 24—Lanus v. Belgrano, at Lanus.

**NOVEMBER**

Sun. 7—Flores v. Hurlingham, at Flores.  
Sun. 7—Lanus v. Banfield, at Lanus.  
Thur. 11—Belgrano v. Banfield, at Belgrano.  
Sun. 14—Hurlingham v. Banfield, at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 21—Lomas v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 21—Flores v. Banfield, at Flores.  
Sun. 28—Lomas v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.

**DECEMBER**

Sun. 5—Lomas v. Flores, at Flores.  
Sun. 5—Hurlingham v. Lanus, at Lanus.  
Sun. 12—Lomas v. Banfield, at Banfield.  
Sun. 19—Flores v. Belgrano, at Flores.

**JANUARY**

Sun. 16—Lanus v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.  
Sun. 23—Lomas v. Lanus, at Lomas.  
Sun. 30—Lomas v. Flores, at Lomas.

**FEBRUARY**

Wed. 2—Belgrano v. Banfield, at Banfield.  
Sun. 6—Belgrano v. Hurlingham, at Belgrano.  
Sun. 13—Lomas v. Belgrano, at Lomas.  
Sun. 13—Flores v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 20—Lanus v. Banfield, at Banfield.  
Sun. 27—Lomas v. Hurlingham, at Lomas.  
Sun. 27—Flores v. Banfield, at Banfield.

**MARCH**

Sun. 6—Flores v. Lanus, at Lanus.  
Sun. 20—Lomas v. Banfield, at Lomas.  
Sun. 20—Flores v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.

**APRIL**

Sun. 3—Hurlingham v. Lanus, at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 10—Hurlingham v. Banfield, at Banfield.

**CLUB FIXTURES.**

**SEPTEMBER.**

Sat. 25—Barker Memorial School v. Banfield, at Lomas.  
Sun. 26—B.A.C.C., opening match, at Palermo.

**OCTOBER**

Sat. 2—Lanus v. Barker Memorial School, at Lomas.  
Sun. 3—B.A.C.C. v. London Bank, at Palermo.  
Sun. 3—Palermo v. Banfield, at Banfield.  
Sat. 9—Barker Memorial School v. Belgrano, at Lomas.  
Sat. 9—Lomas Academy v. Lanus, at Lanus.  
Sun. 10—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Hurlingham 2nd XI., at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 10—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Belgrano 2nd XI., at Belgrano.  
Sat. 16—Barker Memorial School v. Committee and Masters, at Lomas.  
Sat. 16—Lomas Academy v. St. Andrew's Academy, at Lomas.  
Sun. 17—B.A.C.C. v. Banfield, at Palermo.  
Sun. 17—Flores 2nd XI. v. Palermo, at Flores.  
Sun. 24—B.A.C.C. v. Flores, at Flores.  
Sat. 23—Barker Memorial School v. English High School, at Lomas.  
Sun. 24—Flores 2nd XI. v. Belgrano 2nd XI., at Belgrano.  
Sat. 30—Lomas Academy v. Lanus, at Lomas.

**NOVEMBER**

Mon. 1—B.A.C.C. v. Belgrano, at Palermo.  
Sat. 6—Lanus v. Barker Memorial School, at Lanus.  
Sat. 6—Lomas Academy v. St. Andrew's Academy, at Lomas.  
Sun. 7—London Bank v. Belgrano, at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 7—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Palermo A.C., at Palermo.  
Sat. 13—Lomas Academy v. Lanus, at Lanus.  
Sun. 14—B.A.C.C. v. Lanus, at Lanus.  
Sun. 14—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Flores 2nd XI., at Flores.  
Sat. 20—Barker Memorial School v. English High School, at Lomas.  
Sun. 21—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Belgrano 2nd XI., at Palermo.  
Sun. 21—Palermo v. Lanus, at Lanus.  
Sat. 27—Barker Memorial School v. Scotch School, at Lomas.  
Sun. 28—Hurlingham v. London Bank, at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 28—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Flores 2nd XI., at Palermo.  
Sun. 28—Palermo 2nd XI. v. Banfield 2nd XI., at Banfield.

**DECEMBER**

Sat. 4—Lomas Academy v. Lanus, at Lomas.  
Sat. 4—Barker Memorial School v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.  
Sun. 5—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Lomas 2nd XI., at Palermo.  
Wed. 8—B.A.C.C. v. Old Bedfordians.  
Wed. 8—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Banfield 2nd XI., at Banfield.  
Wed. 8—Flores 2nd XI. v. Lanus 2nd XI., at Lanus.  
Wed. 8—Palermo 2nd XI. v. Barker Memorial School, at Lomas.  
Sat. 11—Barker Memorial School v. Banfield, at Banfield.  
Sun. 12—Flores v. London Bank, at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 12—Palermo A.C. v. Belgrano 2nd XI., at Belgrano.  
Sun. 19—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Lanus 2nd XI., at Lanus.

**JANUARY**

Sat. 1, Sun. 2—B.A.C.C. v. Hurlingham, at Palermo.  
Sat. 1, Sun. 2—Lomas v. Rosario, at Lomas.  
Sun. 2—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Belgrano 2nd XI., at Belgrano.  
Sun. 2—Flores 2nd XI. v. Palermo A.C., at Flores.  
Sun. 2—Lanus 2nd XI. v. Banfield 2nd XI., at Lanus.  
Thur. 6—B.A.C.C. v. Lomas, at Palermo.  
Thur. 6—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Lomas 2nd XI., at Lomas.  
Thur. 6—Flores 2nd XI. v. Lanus 2nd XI., at Flores.  
Sun. 9—B.A.C.C. v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.  
Sun. 9—Flores 2nd XI. v. Hurlingham 2nd XI., at Flores.

Sun. 9—Palermo 2nd XI. v. Banfield 2nd XI., at Banfield.  
Sun. 16—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Banfield 2nd XI., at Palermo.  
Sun. 16—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Palermo A.C., at Lomas.  
Sun. 23—Hurlingham v. London Bank, at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 23—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Flores 2nd XI., at Flores.  
Sun. 23—Palermo A.C. v. Banfield, at Banfield.  
Sun. 30—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Hurlingham 2nd XI., at Palermo.

**FEBRUARY**

Wed. 2—B.A.C.C. v. Flores, at Palermo.  
Wed. 2—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Lanus 2nd XI., at Lomas.  
Sun. 6—B.A.C.C. v. Banfield, at Banfield.  
Sun. 6—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Flores 2nd XI., at Lomas.  
Sun. 13—B.A.C.C. v. London Bank, at Palermo.  
Sun. 13—Lanus 2nd XI. v. Belgrano 2nd XI., at Belgrano.  
Sun. 20, Mon. 21, Tues. 22—North v. South, at Palermo.  
Mon. 21—Palermo 2nd XI. v. Barker Memorial School, at Lomas.  
Sun. 27—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Palermo A.C., at Palermo.

**MARCH**

Sun. 6—B.A.C.C. v. Lomas, at Lomas.  
Sun. 6—Flores 2nd XI. v. Banfield, at Banfield.  
Sun. 6—London Bank v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.  
Sun. 13—B.A.C.C. v. Lanus, at Palermo.  
Sun. 13—Hurlingham v. Old Bedfordians, at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 13—Flores v. London Bank, at Flores.  
Sun. 13—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Belgrano 2nd XI., at Lomas.  
Sun. 20—Palermo v. Lanus, at Lanus.  
Fri. 25—Flores 2nd XI. v. Barker Memorial School, at Flores.  
Fri. 25—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Palermo, at Lomas.  
Fri. 25, Sun. 27—B.A.C.C. v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.  
Sun. 27—Flores 2nd XI. v. Belgrano 2nd XI., at Flores.  
Sun. 27—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Palermo A.C., at Lomas.

**APRIL**

Sun. 3—Lomas v. London Bank, at Lomas.  
Sun. 3—B.A.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Banfield 2nd XI., at Banfield.  
Sun. 3—Palermo A.C. v. Belgrano 2nd XI., at Belgrano.  
Thur. 7—Lomas 2nd XI. v. Banfield 2nd XI., at Lomas.  
Sat. 9, Sun. 10—Lomas v. Rosario, at Rosario.

**ARGENTINE CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.**

The following are the rules by which all the matches in the above competition are to be governed:—

1. That this competition be called the Argentine Cricket Championship.
2. That a governing committee be formed of two representatives of each club entering the Championship, who shall elect their own President, Vice-president, Secretary and Treasurer.
3. That each club shall subscribe the sum of \$10 (ten dollars) yearly for necessary expenses.
4. Home-and-Home matches to be played by each club entering the competition.
5. Points to be scored + 1 for a win, - 1 for a loss, and drawn matches to be ignored.
6. The minimum time for each match shall be five hours actual play, unless stopped by the elements, or decided in a shorter period.
7. Umpires for all matches to be chosen from a list approved of by the committee unless the captains mutually agree to the contrary.
8. Professionals must not be played in the Championship matches.
9. Any club refusing to play on the originally fixed date shall be adjudged to have lost the match.
10. The results of all matches to be returned to the Hon. Sec: by the captain of the home teams within three days of the playing of the match.
11. The committee shall have the right to order any two clubs which may tie for the Championship to play a deciding match.
12. In all matches the rules of the Marylebone C.C. shall be followed.

**BANFIELD 2ND XI. v. BARKER MEMORIAL SCHOOL.**

The first match of the season will take place this afternoon, when the Banfield 2nd XI. will try conclusions with the Barker Memorial School. The game will be played on the old ground of the Lomas A.C., and will be commenced at 2 o'clock sharp.

The following will represent Banfield: J. W. A. Martin, W. J. Burton, E. Morgan, J. Dawson, A. Brooks, C. D. Moffatt, C. Kelly, A. M. Brown, R. Bartlett, R. Atkinson, F. J. Dawson.

**BANFIELD A.C.**

All the members of the above club interested in cricket are requested to turn up on the club ground tomorrow, as two sides will be picked up on the field. The 12.30 train from Plaza Constitucion will be in time for those coming from town.

**ROSARIO LOCAL CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.**

A meeting of the representatives of the Clubs entered in the above was held on Tuesday, 14th inst., when the following gentlemen were present: Messrs J. J. C. Daniell (chairman), Calder, Besserer, G. Brown, Penman, Bernard, Lamb and Spicer (acting secretary). The competition is to be carried on during the season on similar lines as last year. The Rosario Athletic Club have kindly given their consent to all matches being played on their ground at Plaza Jewell, and the fixtures have been arranged for dates which will not clash with the club matches.

The following is a list of the competition fixtures:—

**OCTOBER**

Sun. 17—Nondescripts v. Central Argentine Ry. A.C.  
Sun. 24—Rosario A.C. v. Cordoba and Rosario Ry. C.C.

**NOVEMBER**

Sun. 7—Central Argentine Ry. A.C. v. Rosario A.C.  
Sun. 14—Cordoba and Rosario Ry. C.C. v. Nondescripts.  
Sun. 21—Nondescripts v. Rosario A.C.

**DECEMBER**

Sun. 5—Central Argentine Ry. A.C. v. Cordoba and Rosario Ry. C.C.  
Sun. 12—Nondescripts v. Central Argentine Ry. A.C.  
Sun. 19—Cordoba and Rosario Ry. C.C. v. Rosario A.C.

**JANUARY**

Sun. 9—Nondescripts v. Cordoba and Rosario.  
Sun. 16—Rosario A.C. v. Central Argentine Ry. A.C.  
Sun. 23—Cordoba and Rosario Ry. v. Central Argentine Ry. A.C.

**FEBRUARY**

Sun. 6—Rosario A.C. v. Nondescripts.

The Rosario Athletic Club propose to open their cricket season on the 3rd October, when a match will be played, "Club XI, v. All Comers," the return match being arranged for the following Sunday.

**HOME CRICKET.**

A thoroughly interesting game was that between Middlesex and Notts, which ended in the second win of the season for the latter county by 56 runs. Middlesex had a strong eleven, including a new bowler, Webb, who made a successful first appearance. The Lord's team batted first and put together the capital score of 296, of which P. F. Warner made 79, and Rawlin 84. Notts made a terribly bad start, as Mason was caught before a run had been registered, while with 10 on the board Gunn was run out. A. O. Jones joined Shrewsbury, who at 72 was bowled for 24, and Dixon partnered Jones, who had been hitting brilliantly. In under two hours he reached the century, but was twice missed. His best previous score, 118, was soon passed, and Dixon was also playing in good form. The Notts captain was bowled for an effective 58, and soon afterwards Jones was also dismissed for a vigorous and dashing 162. After the stand of the two amateurs the remaining wickets soon fell against the bowling of Webb, who going on a second time, took seven wickets for 56. The Notts score reached 298 runs, two above the Middlesex total. The Middlesex batsmen were seen to fair advantage in their second innings, but Attewell bowled grandly, and only 169 runs were obtained. Notts were left with 168 runs to get to win, but Hearne and Webb bowled remarkably well, dismissing the whole side for 111. In the match Attewell took five wickets for 73 and eight for 68. Webb got three wickets for 45 in Notts second innings, and seems to be a bowler of considerable promise.

At one time it seemed more than likely that Yorkshire would go down before Derbyshire, who have not won a single match; but this disgrace was averted, and last year's champion county finally gained a five-wickets victory. The wicket was in a treacherous condition, and Derbyshire batting first were only able to put together 128. Yorkshire, who were without Jackson and Peel, the latter having been suspended for the season, found room for Mounsey and Brown, who had recovered from his injury. So badly did the home eleven fare against Davidson and Walker that their last wicket fell at 83, which was a bigger total than seemed probable before Hunter came in. He, however, played up for all he was worth, and made 19, the top score of the innings. Haigh and Wainwright bowled successfully during Derbyshire's second innings with the result that the visitors were dismissed for 120, Chatterton putting in a valuable contribution of 43. Yorkshire required 166 runs to win, and with three wickets down for 34 the start was not promising. Wainwright and Hirst put a better complexion on the game, the former scoring a neat 33, and Hirst a capital 63 not out, while Milligan's 32 was also of the utmost value.

Only two days play was possible in the Gloucestershire and Somersetshire match at the Clifton College ground, and a drawn game was the result. Gloucestershire batted first, and the feature of the innings was the vigorous hitting of Board and Jessop. The wicket-keeper made 50 in thirty-five minutes; but after that his rate of scoring slowed down very much, but his 67 was a fine performance. Jessop started more slowly than his wont, but he afterwards hit grandly, scoring 90 in fifty-five minutes without giving a chance. Goodwin 36 and Roberts 15 made a fine stand for the last wicket, which fell at 283. Somersetshire did well in putting together 218, F. A. Phillips displaying excellent form in making 92. V. G. Grace altered the order of going in when his county batted a second time, four wickets falling with the total at 2 and five at 7. With the score at 57 for six wickets, for some reason the innings was declared closed, with thirty-five minutes to play. In that time two wickets fell, those of V. T. Hill 20, and L. C. H. Palaret 27, for 51.

The match between Hampshire and Sussex ended in a draw, Hampshire scoring 218—105 for eight wickets to 156—83 for one wicket. The feature of the Hampshire first innings was a brilliant score of 111 by Webb. For Sussex Brann scored 23—43 (not out), Newham 40 (not out), and Parris 57.

Rain spoilt the wicket at Lord's for the Middlesex and Lancashire match, and the game which was in a most interesting condition had to be abandoned. On the first day the visitors went in first, putting together 176, only a fair score. H. B. Hayman and P. F.

Warner did not find the Lancashire bowling at all difficult, and when stumps were drawn on the first day 79 runs had been made for one wicket, that of Hayman, who scored 30 by free cricket. Next day so much was the pitch affected that the whole side were out for 132. Warner, who had 48 to his credit the previous day was caught without adding to his score, and Douglas and Lucas were the only others to reach double figures. With a good advantage on the first innings Lancashire went in again losing four wickets for 38, and no further play was possible. In two innings Maclaren only made

Only one day's play was possible on the Aylestone ground where Yorkshire met Leicestershire. The visiting eleven, although not quite representative, made 323 for six wickets, most of the men playing excellent cricket. Last year's champion county could hardly have lost had the game been played out.

There was some good scoring in the Sussex and Kent match at Brighton, both elevens showing to advantage in their first innings. Sussex made 320, and Kent 20 runs more. Fry gave a good display, compiling 122 by effective play. Brann, who is in capital form, contributed 52, Ranjitsinhji 35, Newham 31, and Parris 22. Rashleigh appeared for Kent and made 36, but Stewart's score of 114 was the feature of the second day's play. On going in for a second time, Sussex were dismissed for 116, Ranjitsinhji making 23, Murdoch 28, and Bean 20.

The 304 made by Surrey against Gloucestershire was a remarkably good performance, and there is no doubt that the Oval eleven is finishing up the season in brilliant style. Although Abel and Brockwell could do nothing, Druce and Hayward had a nice partnership, the amateur giving an attractive display and making 46. Hayward also played finely, scoring a beautiful 36. Four wickets were down for 112, when Baldwin and Jephson became partners, and when the partnership was dissolved the score board showed 267 runs. Jephson's share was 87 got by excellent play and without making a mistake. He was, however, at 34 bowled by a no ball. Baldwin's 81 was quite as brilliant as that of the amateur, but he gave one difficult chance. The last five wickets only produced 37 runs. Gloucestershire started badly. Before a run had been scored Hayward clean bowled Rice and Wrathall, and Richardson W. G. Grace, senior. The next wicket added 18 runs, when Goodwin ran himself out. On the second day there was no play, but on the concluding day Richardson and Hayward bowled so well on a sticky pitch that Gloucestershire's first innings was finished off for 53, while the second only realised 117 runs. Richardson took twelve wickets for 54, and Hayward seven for 80.

It is to be hoped that the Essex executive will see their way to doing something for Pickett, who not only had the least attractive match of the season allotted him for his benefit, but that was almost entirely spoilt by rain. The Essex Club must now be fairly prosperous, and such a respected, and in the past useful, player should be well rewarded for his services. There was a full day's play on August 23rd., at Leyton, but very little on the following days the game with Hampshire ended in a draw in favour of Essex, who had made 315 for five wickets, while Hampshire scored 115 and 125 for four wickets. Perrin batted extremely well for 101.

## POLO.

### LA CARLOTA v. LABOULAYE.

The Santa Rosa holiday time was taken advantage of at Laboulaye, by the La Carlota and Laboulaye polo teams, to bring off a previously arranged match. Santa Rosa being in better spirits than usual kindly arranged with the clerk of the weather to hold over the annual deluge till next day. The weather was beautiful and the ground in first-class going order, and this, added to the presence of a number of the fair sex, lent zest to the game.

The teams were as follows:

Laboulaye	La Carlota
1. H. Woodgate	1. Lloyd Land
2. A. E. l'Anson	2. S. Kidley
3. W. J. Grant	3. Best
Stanley Furber (back)	R. Land (back)
Umpires—Bradshaw and Todd.	

The game was fast from start to finish, but it was soon seen who the ultimate winners would be, as the Laboulaye men were the better mounted, notwithstanding it was only in the fifth quarter that Grant succeeded in scoring the two goals for Laboulaye. This placed the Carlota men on their mettle, and in the next quarter they got one goal which finished one of the most enjoyable matches ever played in the province of Cordoba.

On the day of the match lunch was partaken of in the house of the Secretary of the Laboulaye Club, Mr W. J. Grant, and in the evening dinner and a smoking concert was given in honour of the La Carlota team by the La boulaye Club, when a most enjoyable evening was passed in song, vigour being added to the proceedings by the frequent and rapid circulation of the barley-bree.

## Answers to Correspondents.

BLANCO.—Our report was written from notes supplied by a polo player who was present at the tournament in question.—[Ed.]

## GOLF.

### LOMAS GOLF LINKS.

The last match of the season was played on the above links on Sunday last, when a team representing the Buenos Aires Golf Club tried conclusions with the home team. Lomas proved successful in the singles by 3 matches and 26 holes, and in the foursomes by 4 matches and 25 holes.

Below we give the results of the different matches:

Lomas.		Singles.		Buenos Aires.		Up.	
D. Leighton	..	3	P. C. Smith	..	0		
J. Marjoribanks	..	3	V. G. G. Scroggie	..	0		
F. Carlisle	..	12	Russell Smith	..	0		
W. Flint	..	0	A. B. P. Boyd	..	0		
C. Alexander	..	0	W. Higgins	..	5		
H. A. Livock	..	4	T. S. Boadle	..	0		
C. J. Baumgartner	..	6	H. Nicholson	..	0		
T. Dodds	..	0	R. Paton	..	5		
A. Goodfellow	..	0	R. A. Sumner	..	3		
H. Dodds	..	6	G. Anderson	..	0		
C. C. Alexander	..	0	F. J. Coombs	..	2		
H. P. Wright	..	2	J. T. Darch	..	0		
		41			15		

Lomas 7 matches and 41 holes, Buenos Aires 4 matches and 15 holes.

Lomas.		Foursomes.		Buenos Aires.		Up.	
D. Leighton and J. Marjoribanks	..	8	P. Smith and V. G. G. Scroggie	..	0		
F. Carlisle and W. Flint	..	1	R. Smith and A. B. P. Boyd	..	0		
C. Alexander and H. A. Livock	..	6	W. Higgins and T. S. Boadle	..	0		
C. J. Baumgartner and T. Dodds	..	0	H. Nicholson and R. Paton	..	4		
A. Goodfellow and H. Dodds	..	0	R. A. Sumner and G. Anderson	..	12		
C. C. Alexander and H. P. Wright	..	0	F. J. Coombs and J. T. Darch	..	0		
		15			16		

Lomas 3 matches and 15 holes, Buenos Aires 2 matches and 16 holes.

Total results—Lomas won by 4 matches and 25 holes.

### FISHERTON v. HURLINGHAM.

To-morrow a match will be played on the Fisherton golf links between the home club and Hurlingham.

The teams are as follows:—

Fisherton—Messrs Fleming, Besserer, Hamill, Frennd, Huxtable, Jefferies, Graham, Lucas, and two others.  
Hurlingham—Messrs V. G. G. Scroggie, A. Williamson, W. Higgins, B. W. Gardom, R. A. Sumner, R. Paton, J. T. Darch, F. J. Coombs, C. Clarke, T. S. Boadle.

## ROWING

The new committee of the Union de Regatas now consists of the following:

President—Mr Julio Hosmann, R.V.T.  
Treasurer—Mr W. H. Krabbe, T.B.C.  
Secretary—Mr Ernest Danvers, B.A.R.C.  
Messrs T. Spott, R.V.T., R. F. Trillia, B.A.R.C., B. St. G. Verschoyle, T.B.C.

The regatta this year has been definitely fixed for November 11th, and the programme will be as follows:

Senior Fours, 2500 metres.  
Junior Fours, 1500 metres.  
Senior Single Sculls, 1500 metres.  
Junior Single Sculls, 1500 metres.  
Double Sculls, 1500 metres.  
Pair Oars, 1500 metres.  
Open Fours, 1500 metres.  
Two races for Men-of-War Boats.

The course will be decided upon at a meeting to be held on Monday next, and we are somewhat surprised to hear that there can be any difference of opinion on the subject.

In our opinion, the winning post should be at the Tigre Hotel, not only on account of a better course, wind and water, but also for the convenience of the general public, who up to the present have either had to stand in two or three feet of water, or put themselves to considerable inconvenience if they wished to see the races at all. The experiment was tried at the last March regatta and proved quite a success, while the change was much appreciated by the public.

As far as we can see the only argument that can be urged against this change is the width of the river at the finish. But even should two or three boats be finishing together, it will give the various coxes a very excellent opportunity of giving a display of their skill, and of showing the public what they are able to do.

With the approach of summer, rowing men are seriously beginning to think of again getting into training and as far as we can tell at present, a capital season is in store for them. The Buenos Aires Rowing Club have not been idle during the winter months, and in addition to numerous improvements, all the boats have been carefully overhauled and John Lewis, the club builder, has built two beautiful single scull clinker racing boats, 32 feet long and 11 inches in beam. These boats will be the lightest on the river and will only weigh nineteen kilos each,

## PAVILION GOSSIP.

After three attempts the vexed question as to the League Championship of 1897 has at last been decided, and Lomas have been declared the champions. The final match which took place last Sunday again brought together a large number of interested spectators who appeared to be as enthusiastic as ever. On each occasion that these teams have met to decide their tie, a strong wind has prevailed, and last Sunday was no exception, a fresh breeze blowing from goal to goal, otherwise the conditions were perfect.

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With the elevens so evenly matched it looked a very serious matter for the homesters when it was discovered that their goal keeper had failed to put in an appearance. The gap thus caused, was filled at a moment's notice in a very sportsmanlike way, by Mr P. L. G. Bridger, who, it will be remembered was forced to spend three weeks of this season in the hospital owing to a damaged leg. In spite of this he filled the unenviable position most creditably, and was the means of preventing the match ending for the third time in a draw.

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Although the home team started off against a stiff breeze they had very nearly as much of the game as their opponents' in the first half, while their general combination was distinctly superior. In the second half they had matters almost entirely their own way, and but for poor shooting should have won by a larger margin. As it was their one goal proved sufficient, though Lanus after forcing a corner from one of their very occasional bursts away, very nearly equalised matters, but the home custodian safely fisted the ball out when a score seemed inevitable.

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That these two teams have done an incalculable service to Association football in the River Plate, cannot be denied, and I trust we shall see many more such games in this country. In spite of the excitement that prevailed throughout all these matches, I saw no signs of ill-feeling or intentional foul play among the players, rather the contrary, for although there was no lack of energy, I venture to say that the referee had a very much easier time of it than he would have had with two teams in a similar match at home.

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The members of both teams will receive medals, one set being provided for, as I have already stated, by public subscription, and the other by the League. I do not hear of the subscriptions coming in very fast, but surely there is to be no difficulty about the matter after the excellent sport so many have enjoyed. It would have been possible to have charged a "gate" and so cover the expense of an extra set of medals, but it was decided that the present way would be more satisfactory. I hope all intending subscribers will forward their donations to Mr B. B. Syer, Avenida de Mayo 645, with as little delay as possible.

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Difficult as it is to believe, since writing the above note I hear about eleven paper dollars have been given spontaneously, the rest having been collected. Several, by the way, put their names down for certain sums when asked to subscribe on the field, and these have not yet been handed in. As many of these gentlemen are quite unknown to the Hon. Treasurer, even by name, he would be obliged if they would kindly forward him the amounts they are down for, as soon as possible.

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The cricket season here will commence to-morrow in real earnest, and I am glad to see several of the clubs organizing practice games. At Palermo a match will be played between the Captain's XI. and the Secretary's XI., and all members of the B.A.C.C. who have not already signified their intention of playing are requested to put in an appearance. Train leaves Retiro Station at 12 50, and play will commence at 1.30 sharp.

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At Flores a game has been arranged between the first eleven and the next sixteen, and as the club has a championship fixture on October 3rd, as many members as possible are requested to turn up on the ground. At Lanus the captain and vice-captain will pick up teams on the field, and those members who care for a game are re-

quested to travel by the 12.30 train from Plaza Constitucion. The game is important as the eleven will probably be chosen to play against Flores in the championship the following Sunday.

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A great disappointment is in store both for the members of Stoddart's Australian team and colonial cricketers. Captain Wynyard, the Hampshire captain, who was booked for the team, has been compelled to withdraw his name at the last moment, as, owing to the troubles in India, he has been ordered on service with his regiment. Briggs, the Lancashire bowler, has been chosen to fill the vacancy. This will be particularly disappointing to the colonial cricketers, as Captain Wynyard's style is so exceedingly attractive, he would certainly have been installed one of the favourites from the start.

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In spite of her reverses, it seems more than probable that Surrey will, after all, finish at the top of the tree in the County Cricket Championship. According to the last mails dated August 28, she has yet to play Somerset and Sussex. Somerset won the previous match, but Surrey has latterly shown such consistent form, both with bat and ball, that the result is, on paper at least, a foregone conclusion. Sussex is a strong team, and may prove a hard nut to crack; in fact, Sussex is a county which delights in dealing out surprises to the cricket world. Granting victory to Surrey in both these encounters, she will, of course, be dubbed the champion county of 1897.

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Yorkshire seems to be in a fair way to lose the services of her oldest and one of her best players, "Bobby" Peel. A short time back I read in a letter from one of our cricketers now at home, that Peel had been turned off the field. I have been unable to ascertain exactly what transpired, but it must have been a very grave offence to cause Lord Hawke to report the conduct of such a well tried and respected professional as Peel. A home paper dated August 28, gives us the following information:

Peel was suspended by the Yorkshire County Club a few days ago, and is, we understand, in negotiation with the Lancashire Club. The cause of the suspension is an open secret. Peel stoutly repudiates the charge made against him, but if the County Club acted on good evidence they have done the right thing. Peel, however, should be given every facility of repudiation.

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The visit of the Philadelphian cricketers this season to England has led to the formation of an English amateur team, which left for America on the 4th inst, under the captaincy of Mr P. F. Warner. The teams is composed as follows:

- P. F. Warner (captain), Middlesex.
- G. L. Jessop, Cambridge University and Gloucester.
- A. O. Jones, Notts.
- F. W. Stocks, Oxford University and Leicester.
- H. D. G. Leveson-Gower, Surrey.
- H. B. Chinnery, Surrey.
- W. McG. Hemingway, Gloucestershire.
- J. N. Tonge, Kent.
- F. G. Bull, Essex.
- R. A. Bennett, Hampshire.
- A. D. Whatman.
- J. R. Head.

Six matches will be played, but these had not been definitely settled when the last mails left.

THIRD MAN.

### Polo Association of the River Plate

A GENERAL MEETING of the above will be held at 4 o'clock on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, at 559 PIEDAD, to pass the following Resolutions proposed at the Meeting held at Cañada de Gomez:

1. That the Championship Tournament shall be held towards the close of the Polo Season.
2. That the Championship Tournament be held alternately in the Provinces of Buenos Aires and Santa Fé.
3. That a General Meeting of the Association be held at least once a year, in the Province of Santa Fé.

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### BLOOD STOCK SALES.

#### HARAS CALCHIN.

The annual sales of two-year-olds commenced on the 15th at Messrs Funes and Lagos' yard. We give below the prices of those sold on that day from the Haras Calchin, the property of Mr B. Acosta.

Cartagines, by Eneas—Central, Sr. Calastreme..	\$650
Barranca Yaco, by Eneas—Calèche, Sr. Mendendez	550
Lidora, by Gladiator II.—Lost Chord, Sr. J. Quaini	500
Barriloché, by Gladiator II.—Barata, Sr. J. Quaini	400
Cartaginesa, by Eneas—La Capital, Sr. Luque	300

#### SAN JACINTO.

Mr Unzué sent up the two-year-olds from his estancia at Mercedes on Wednesday. The colts only were for sale, the fillies being let for two seasons, those of 1898 and 1899. It has not hitherto been Mr Unzué's custom to send up his young ones to auction, he having trained and raced them under his own colours. The Ecurie Indecis has been so unlucky this year that it was natural the prices were not so good as they would have been had the St. Mirin's headed the list as in 1895 and 1896. Some of the colts deserved much better prices than the small average of \$1912.

The renting of the fillies caused more interest than the sale of the colts. Reseda, whose toes have the same fault as her sister Mignonette, and turn in very much, only let for \$2000, to Mr Zubiaurre; but Mr Hoevel gave \$3700 for the use of Giordino's sister, and a nice filly by St. Gall out of Linfa let for \$2500 to Mr Acebal.

The following are the prices in detail:

Ubajay, by Saint Mirin—Marigote, Sr. G. Lerena, on commission	\$2500
Naranjal, by Saint Gall—Mirabelle, Sr. A. Scott	1700
Potrero, by Saint Gall—Honey Bee, Sr. Saguer	3200
Batitú, by Saint Gall—Prow, Sr. Folguera, on commission	1300
Pisco, by Saint Gall—Pertoldi, Sr. G. Lerena, on commission	2500
Rayon d'Or, by Saint Mirin—Rose d'Or, Sr. A. Scott	2100
Salligué, by Saint Gall—Honey Bee, Sr. D. Cash	1000
Robespierre, by Saint Mirin—Gavotte, Sr. J. E. Anchorena	1000

#### FILLIES LET FOR TWO YEARS (1898-1899).

Indiscreta, by Saint Mirin—Agitée, Sr. C. Hoevel	\$1700
Reseda, by Saint Mirin—Mignon, Sr. J. B. Zubiaurre	2000
Invasion, by Saint Mirin—Noisy Girl, Stud Sta. Rosa	1000
La Bastilla, by Saint Mirin—Mignon, Sr. C. Hoevel	3700
Cañonera, by Saint Gall—Artilleria, Sr. C. Hoevel	2000
Cortadera, by Saint Gall—Polaina, Sr. M. Carabajal	500
Pinta, by Saint Gall—Ninfa, Sr. Duhalde	900
Menta, by Saint Gall—Linfa, Sr. Acebal	2500
Condenada, by Saint Gall, Alto, Sr. B. Araya..	2000
Niagara, by Saint Gall—Tepecuen, Sr. J. Bidart	1700

The Capitan Lopez stables were let for two years to the Ecurie Pergamino for \$300 monthly.

#### HARAS SAN AGUSTIN.

Very little interest was taken in the San Agustin youngsters, when Messrs Funes and Lagos sold them on Thursday last, and the six sold only realised an average of \$466 each. This can hardly have paid expenses, and no wonder the colts were not kept to sell as stallions for "mestizacion." The two unsold were Olimpo, a colt by Azur—O'Flaherty, and Pierette, a filly by Azur—Precedence.

Folletín, by Paysandú—Folie, Sr. Villar	\$450
Tamar, by Azur—Tiddlywinks, Sr. Villar	550
Pekin, by Paysandú—Puycerda II., Sr. Astudillo	500
Limay, by Paysandú—Lamia, Sr. A. Martinez	350
Missouri, by Paysandú—Mysic, Sr. R. Egaña..	500
Skylank, by Paysandú—Samarcande, Sr. C. Rojo	450

#### LAS ORTIGAS.

Yesterday afternoon the Las Ortigas colts and fillies were sold by Messrs Funes and Lagos. The top price was fetched by Flute, by Neapolis out of Fosette, but this was only \$3000. On the whole the lot were not nearly so good as last year's, so perhaps the average was a fair one.

Below we give the prices of each in detail:—

Le Sancy, by Neapolis—Loberia, Stud Los Cardos	\$2800
Picaro, by Saumur—Picardia, Stud La Noria..	1800
Cravate, by Neapolis—Crinolette, Stud Capitan Stero	2000
Mustafa, by Neapolis—Ménagère, Sr. J. Lopez..	1600
Grimace, by Saumur—Gibelotte, Sr. Favaro	1900
Fortune, by Neapolis—Finesse, Sr. M. J. Winaldes	900
Seducator, by Neapolis—Sagaz, Stud El Derby..	2300
Boulevard, by Destructor—Beaurivage, Stud Monge	900

Windmill, by Neapolis—Welcome, Stud La Noria	1400
Flute, by Neapolis—Fosette, Stud Los Cardos	3000
La Nena, by Saumur—Lady Ladour, Stud La Noria	1100
Illusion, by Saumur—Impetuosity, Sr. Calastreme	850
Satin, by Saumur—Satinette, Stud Tapalque ..	1300
Rouge Rose, by Neapolis—Rescue, Stud Tapalque	1700
Modesta, by Amazon—Mendiga, Sr. J. Lanus, on commission	1000
Dictadora, by Amianto—Dabrida, Sr. Calastreme	600
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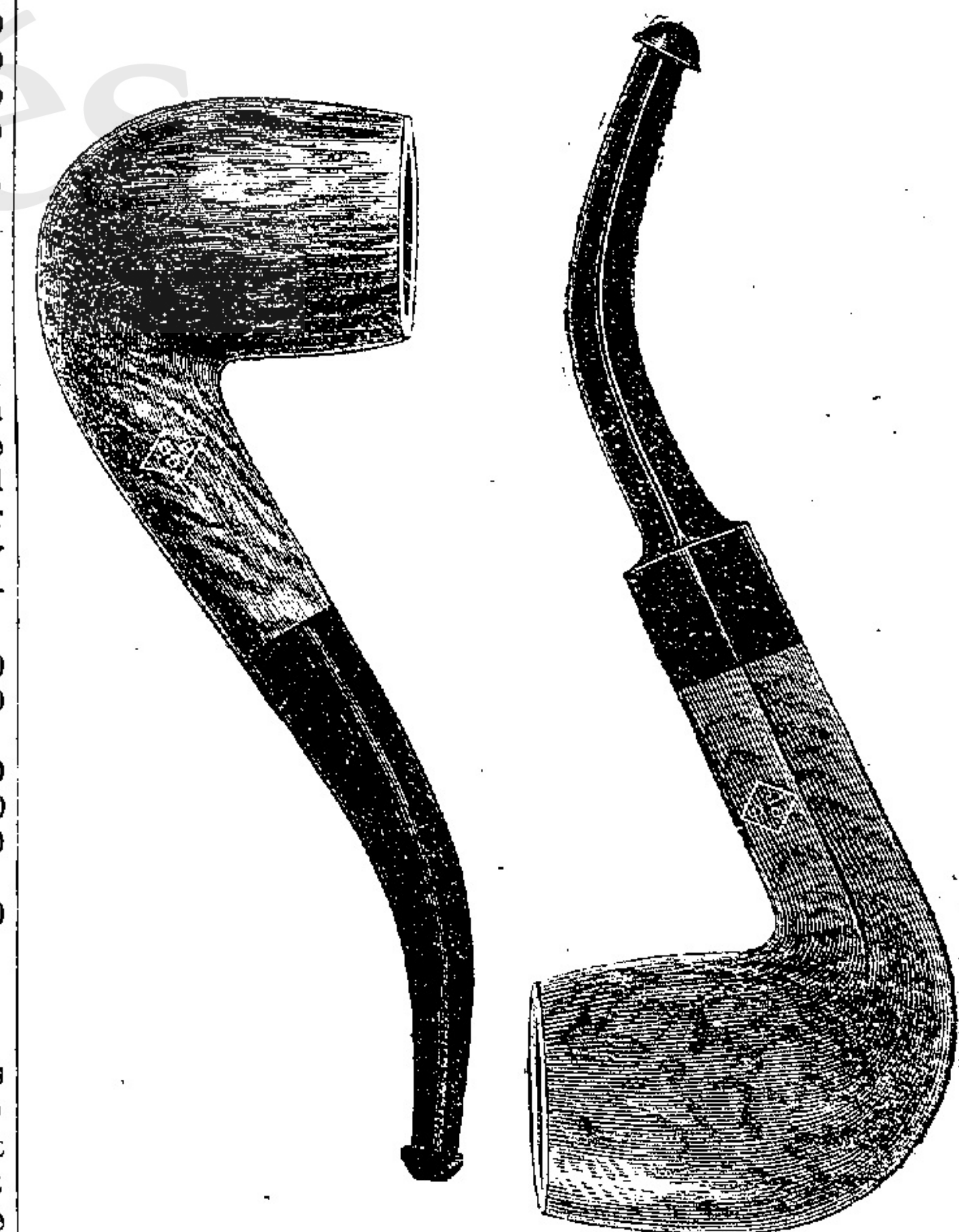
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SPORTING NOTES

The Jockey Club's new house will be opened by a great ball on Thursday the 30th inst. The invitations are being issued by the Sociedad de Beneficencia de la Capital, for whose benefit the ball will be held. It will be one of the smartest functions of the season.

I have just heard of the death of Sebastopol, the six-year-old son of Whipper-In and Silwood. Sebastopol has won a number of good races and is a decided loss to the turf. He died at Belgrano yesterday morning.

I have received the report of the committee of the Belgrano Athletic Club to the first annual general meeting which was held last Monday, and I am glad to see that the report is in every way a most satisfactory one. The club now boasts of 247 members made up as follows: 1 life, 63 lady, 176 town, and 7 camp. Both in cricket and football the club obtained good results, and great interest and enthusiasm was evinced by all the members in these branches of sport, while no fewer than 61 members took part in the lawn tennis handicap tournament held at the beginning of the year.

The members have also been well catered for in other ways. Two small athletic meetings or evening handicaps, consisting of short races and open to members only, caused a great amount of interest and provided sport for the summer evenings. A series of three dances was given during the winter, under the auspices of the club, and although the surplus handed to the Hon. Treasurer was not a very large one, the dances proved in every way successful.

During the past year several improvements have been made to the club premises. The pavilion has been added to, two excellent lawn tennis courts have been laid, and the land has been fenced. In this manner a large percentage of the cash receipts has been sunk, nevertheless the Hon. Treasurer was able to show a credit balance of \$726.24, which in view of the large expenditure above referred to, must be considered most satisfactory.

The new lawn tennis court of the Villa Devoto Club, which has been in active preparation for some time, is now finished and quite ready to be played upon, and the members of the club are invited to attend for practice. The return match with the Quilmes Lawn Tennis Club has been fixed for October 3rd when play will commence at 10.30 a.m.

At a committee meeting of the Argentine Cricket Championship, consisting of two members from each club entered, which was held on Tuesday evening last, the rules to govern the championship matches were finally decided upon, and may be found published under "Cricket." At

the same meeting the following officers were elected: President, Mr H. G. Sketchley; Vice-president, Mr B. B. Syer; Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, Mr P. L. G. Bridger.

I hope my readers will not mind my squeezing another note or two out of that good old threadbare subject—the height rule. Now that the polo season is over at home and ample opportunity has been had of seeing and judging how the new rules worked I think, perhaps, I may be excused.

There is no doubt now that they are a success, and are more or less what were wanted, and up to the present have been very well administered. The attendance of the official measurer throughout the season at any convenient time and place, as well as periodically at Hurlingham, when it was likely that a number of ponies required registration made it impossible for anyone to give the excuse that he could not get his ponies measured without sending them to London.

I like the system of the official measurer, Sir Henry Simpson. It is the one I have advocated in these notes before—to measure every pony as low as possible, and thus obtain a relatively equal height. The machine used by Sir Henry and which was invented by Mr A. W. Rawlinson, makes this easier than with the old fashioned standard. The pony is placed on a level floor, and the new machine placed near him, the stand having a heavy foot which permits of it being moved though at the same time making it almost as good as a fixture and allowing the operator to give the whole of his attention to the arm.

This arm has a level, and is fixed on to the upright with a universal hinge, and being fairly long the pony can be moved or move himself a good distance in any direction without ever getting out of its radius. When the pony is standing properly and fairly on his legs the arm is placed on his withers with the hinged end fixed at 14 hands 2 in. if the level then shows the arm is exactly horizontal or is lower at the pony's end than the other, the pony is passed and he is duly registered, but no note is taken of his actual height, it being sufficient that he is not higher than 14 hands 2 in.

No one is allowed inside the room in which the measuring takes place except the officials themselves. At Hurlingham the groom or owner hands in the pony with his name at one door and goes round to await him at the other, the room being quite closed up whilst the pony is inside, so all that is known is that the pony has either passed or not. A blacksmith is always in attendance and removes the shoes of any doubtful ones, it being permissible to do so whilst no allowance is made for their being worn.

A few ponies were rejected, but these can be remeasured if application be made to the committee, though one or two I saw will, I fear, never have their names entered in the book, their height being a good deal nearer fifteen hands than fourteen two. I am told that there were very few cases of a pony having been palpably "prepared" for measurement, though I happened one day to see a great big chestnut belonging to a well known player, who is also a member of the Hurlingham committee, being turned short round and round whilst he waited his turn and was evidently doctored and sick. This pony did not pass. If he had I should have for ever doubted the infallibility of the new system of measurement, instead of admiring it.

The "existing polo pony" clause does not seem to have let in so many overheight ponies as one would have expected. Mr Rawlinson has one or two and so has Mr Freake, and as these are two of the best players their ponies are seen in most of the important tournaments, which is a pity as their extra height always gives them an unfair advantage which should not exist when much depends on the result of a match. There are very few other players besides these two I have just mentioned, who own "existing polo ponies" that appear to have more than the regulation number of hands and inches.

The fears of those, who fought so strongly against the height being raised, that the game would become more dangerous on big ponies, appear to be groundless now that a good trial has been made, and there has hardly been an accident worth mentioning during the past season. Mr Mackey broke his collar bone early in May and the popular American player was kept out of the saddle till July, but this accident happened through his pony crossing his legs when he was all alone. Mr Menzies broke his collar bone this year also, but he was riding an Arab, and for getting a bad fall at polo none is a more suicidal mount than the ever popular desert born. This pony fell with Mr Menzies like a shot rabbit.

This reminds me of an incident in the final of the handicap tournament at Rugby. Mr Joe Ravenscroft and Captain Gordon Mackenzie were on opposite sides and as the former was riding with the ball Captain Mackenzie, on an Arab charged him at right angles. All who saw the accident expected to see the little Argentine pony Mr Ravenscroft was riding knocked clean over, but instead Captain Mackenzie's Arab went down all of a heap, gave his owner a very nasty fall and the Argentine pony galloped on without as much as losing a stride. Argentines are certainly wonderfully good at keeping on their legs in cases of collisions even against ponies of almost double their weight.

Writing of the Rugby tournament reminds me of one of the most brilliant pieces of polo I have ever seen. This was in the final of the Open Cup between Rugby Winwick and Hurlingham. Rugby had hit the ball down to the Hurlingham goal, where Captain Renton, on that marvellous little pony Nip Cat, got hold of it and took it across to the side boards out of danger. Here Capt. Sir H. Rawlinson essayed to ride him out, and on a bigger and evidently faster pony looked like doing so. Nip Cat held her own, however, and Captain Renton's next shot sent the ball close along the boards, and his third well down the side of the ground. Meanwhile Captain Rawlinson was doing all he knew to ride his opponent off, but without success.

Two more shots sent the ball from the side across to front of goal, and now seemed Captain Rawlinson's chance, as Nip Cat had not only to hold her ground, but had to work her way round against his chestnut to allow Captain Renton to shoot at goal. This she managed to do, and the final shot scored one of the very best goals I have ever seen. The satisfied way the little mare trotted back along the ground brought to my mind at once the heroine, or was it a hero, of that beautiful story of Kipling's, the Maltese Cat. The papers reported this run in several different ways, but none did it justice, so I hope I have done so now to both Nip Cat and her owner.

The double bridle still holds its own for polo at home and is likely to do so till the end of the chapter in spite of inventors and their enterprise. The standing martingale that most players seemed to think necessary last season has been given up a great deal, and only kept for ponies that really require them, not for all. Boots and bandages, too, are getting more unpopular every day as it is found they injure ponies' tendons a good deal more than they support them. I myself lamed a pony with boots this year, and quite ruined her. Bandages, if properly put on, are useful, but very few men can put them on really well. Boots, I am sure, are of no use.

Injury is caused by them, as a rule, just above the joints, where there must be pressure and consequently irritation, and so the few blows they may protect the legs from are as nothing to the permanent harm they are likely to do the tendon or its sheath. Many men at home have their ponies "roughed," by having their shoes turned down at the sides and heels, but this really requires to be put a stop to by law, as a pony so roughed is almost certain to cut and tear the legs of any other he is ridden up against in a close hustle. To give ponies a sure footing on slippery ground and help them to turn quickly roughing is an excellent plan, but it should not be allowed.



Next week we may hear the result of the Irish tournament at Dublin, and I hope Rugby have crowned their season's successes by winning it, as the Messrs Miller deserve all they get in the way of polo victories. The Deauville meeting this year has been, as usual, a pleasant gathering, but polo was not of a much better class than in former years, though the ground, I am told, is one of the best to be found anywhere. Many attractions were held out to English players to go over to Deauville, but only three teams availed themselves of the free stabling for their ponies and other hospitality offered by the club's committee.

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I write these notes on the way out to Buenos Aires, where I trust polo is again going strong, though the entries for the last championship tournament were so terribly few. The game is undoubtedly gaining in popularity every day at home and even with the new clubs round London that will be opened next season at Wimbledon and Whitton, there will be none too many for all the players there now are. In St. Petersburg the game has taken a great hold and the demand for ponies for the club there was very great all through the season. Amongst the many ponies exported to Russia were some Argentines.

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You will have seen in the last number of the "Polo Magazine" the miserable prices realised of late by some Argentine ponies at home. Ten pounds is quite an exceptional price. I suppose it is only in the natural course of things that a few men, seeing the good prices realised by those ponies which were really of the right sort, think that any ponies that are good enough to play here are fit to play at home, and they gain their experience at considerable expense to themselves and also to others who have better judgment and who are also exporting.

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Unless Argentine breeders try and improve their ponies by using Arab or other suitable sires, I fear they will never be able to compete with North America, from where some lovely ponies are now being sent. Mr Mackey, who played hardly any but North American blood ponies this year was one of the best mounted men at Hurlingham. Mr J. Dryburgh has some wonderful weight carriers that are also full of quality, and his brother has a very good lot of ponies that, for looks at any rate, are hard to beat by any English bred animals.

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Looks now-a-days are of great importance to a polo pony, and the common looking Argentine has no chance. In spite of the popularity of the bicycle, polo players' wives and sisters still like something smart to ride and drive, and look at in the stable, and the Argentine seldom fills this bill. I know one man whose crack pony is an Argentine, one of the best ever sent home, and who says he hates the sight of him and will never buy another, at the same time acknowledging the pony's perfection at the game and superiority to his other and better looking stable companions.

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Polo caps made so as to protect the head from blows or in case of a fall are now generally worn on English polo grounds, though they were found, when of the hunting cap shape, to be so hot towards the end of the summer that solar topees became popular. These would make a good head-dress for this country when the ground is hard and the sun hot. More than once this year I have seen accidental blows from both stick and ball which made a sound on these helmets that could be heard all over the ground, and which would have been more than serious but for the protection given by them to the head underneath.

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It will be seen from an advertisement in another column that a general meeting of the Polo Association is to be held on Wednesday next to pass three resolutions proposed at the general meeting held at Cañada de Gomez during the polo tournament there. These resolutions are that the annual championship tournament should be held at the close of the polo season, instead of near its commencement as at present; that the championship should be played for alternately in Buenos Aires and Santa Fé; and that a general meeting of the Association should be held at least once a year in the Northern Province.

The meeting at Cañada de Gomez was well attended, and so the meeting here will have nothing left to do but to pass these resolutions and make them law unless there be found strong opposition to them, and this, I should think, is unlikely. After the trouble that was taken to get the vote of every polo player as to when the championship should be held, it is disappointing to find that so much dissatisfaction has always prevailed at the result of the poll. The questions under notice are of such importance that it is to be hoped a large and representative meeting will be gathered together next Wednesday.

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The last golf match of the season was played last Sunday on the Lomas links, the occasion being the return fixture between the Buenos Aires and Lomas clubs. The home club won on the day's play by 4 matches, 25 holes. The greens were in excellent order, but the manzanilla was very troublesome in places. The frost experienced during the week has checked the growth of this weed, so that the links should be in very fair order for to-morrow, when it is expected that a large number will avail themselves of what will probably be the last opportunity of good play for the season.

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The Palermo show opened in most auspicious weather yesterday, and on Tuesday and Thursday next there will be the usual jumping competitions which form so attractive a part of it to the general public. This year the programme consists of five separate competitions, two of which are of simple hurdles, one a high jumping contest, and the other two over the usual course of mixed fences. The ring has been much improved, and the jumps, too, will be a great deal more natural looking than last year, so I am told. Entries only closed late last night so I am unable to give them, but I hear they are fairly numerous.

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The two-year-old sales are now in full swing and already three lots have been brought under the hammer. At present it looks as if prices were going to be very low this season. Though the Ortigas colts sold fairly well. At any rate the supply is not so much over the demand that a return to the old days of thousand pounders is out of the question. On Wednesday next, Messrs Luro's sale will be held at Funes and Lagos, and on the Wednesday following Mr Villanueva's. Messrs Bullrich sell the Haras Nacional lot on Tuesday next, the Las Rosas youngsters on Friday, Mr Casey's on Monday, the 4th October, and the Curumalan lot on Thursday, the 7th October.

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The three new lawn tennis courts, which the Quilmes Lawn Tennis Club have been building for some little time past, are now completed. They have been laid with great care and look first class. As they are now quite ready for use, the committee hopes to see members at practice without further delay. This afternoon a small tournament on the American system will be played, when it is hoped as many members as possible will put in an appearance.

BOOTS.

## FOOTBALL

### LOMAS A.C. v. LANUS (F.C.S.) A.C.

These teams met for the fifth, and as it turned out, the last time on Sunday last, to once again try and decide the question of the League championship for 1897. The Committee having already decided that both teams were to receive medals, the issue of this match simply settled the point as to which club was to have the honour of having its name inscribed on the Challenge Cup. As on the two preceding occasions when these teams met a strong wind prevailed, which again tended to spoil the play. A large attendance of spectators were again in evidence, though the crowd was not so big as on the previous Sunday. It was generally felt that the match would be brought to a definite conclusion at this meeting, and it was with a general feeling of relief that at the expiration of one hour's play, one of the teams was able to leave the field with an advantage. On the day's play the better team undoubtedly won, and although many aver that the Lanus men did not display their usual excellent form, to our way of thinking it was the improved play of the home team, especially noticeable in the front rank, that accounted for the result, a one goal to nothing victory for Lomas.

Shortly before half past two, the advertised time, the two captains tossed up for choice of position, and again Lomas lost, and Bridge at once elected to play with the

wind, leaving Lomas to defend the Banfield end goal. Just before the commencement it was discovered that the home goal keeper had failed to put in an appearance, the importance of which, in a match of this description, cannot be over-estimated, and the home captain was evidently at his wits' end to know how to proceed. An old Lomas player, P. L. G. Bridger, however, kindly came forward, and in the most sportsmanlike way filled the breach, and right well did he shape, on one occasion practically saving his side from the inevitable draw.

About 2.35, J. O. Anderson set the ball in motion, and Lanus, aided by the strong wind, at once attacked, but the home backs relieved well and kicking strongly the Lomas forwards were soon enabled to pay a visit to their opponents quarters, where the visitors' goal appeared to be in danger until Bridge kicked the ball out of play. From the throw in the Lanus right wing burst away, and Nobili and J. Bridge soon carried the ball to the home lines where the former shot wide. The ball being once more set going the home forwards got possession and came away nicely, and J. O. Anderson was only just pulled up in time by T. Bridge as he was preparing for a shot. It was thus early seen that Lomas were showing something like their true form, for in spite of the wind they were causing Lanus no end of anxiety and but for the brilliant defence of the back division they would have certainly scored on more than one occasion. To continue, however, the next item of note was a corner against Lomas, the kick being entrusted to J. Bridge, who made a fine effort, but the wind just placed the ball on the wrong side of the posts. From the kick out C. Gibson and G. M. Comber got well away, but Buchanan with a fine left foot kick prevented them becoming dangerous, and Munro and C. Comber got off together. A. Anderson pulled them up with a hard kick, which Munro stopped with his arms, which he put up to save his face. A loud appeal for hands was disallowed and A. Anderson instead of playing to the whistle picked the ball up and had the mortification of seeing "hands" given against his own side. This seemed to stir up the home team to even greater efforts and the front rank were soon charging down in fine style the combination being very pretty, but Comber kicked behind. Following this, Lanus pressed hard and several mis-directed shots were sent in, while some were taken from an absurd distance, but in every case the direction was bad. After this fusillade, the homesters again asserted themselves and a free kick being allowed them for a foul throw in on the part of one of the Lanus half backs, the ball was taken to in front of the visitors' goal, where T. Bridge again brought relief in the nick of time. After this the Lanus right wing again dashed off, but Nobili shot wide and the kick out going straight to the same player he again essayed to shoot, but his shot went both wide and high. From the kick out the home left wing went away nicely, passing and re-passing very prettily, but Boutell's centre went behind. Hands against Lomas threatened danger, but J. O. Anderson got possession and sprinted away, but the final kick proved harmless the ball going behind. On getting to work again the visitors' right wing again became prominent, but J. Bridge's shot went over. Boutell and Stirling then put in some smart play for Lomas, but the final effort was weak and the ball was soon travelling all over the ground at a great pace. As half time drew near both teams worked hard to obtain an advantage, but try how they would, nothing tangible resulted and once again the whistle sounded for half time with the score sheet blank.

After the capital and greatly improved display of the home team it was naturally thought more than probable that with the wind in their favour they would bring matters to a definite issue in the next period, and so it turned out.

After ten minutes interval G. Brown started the ball rolling and the home team at once attacked with a will and the ball was sent behind. After kicking out the attack was maintained, but hands against the home team brought momentary relief, but no more, as Lomas continued to be aggressive and gave the Lanus backs no rest. Coste was soon called upon and he was all there saving well, but after some neat passing by the right wing, Anderson passed to Stirling, who with a real clincker, and amidst loud cheers, banged the ball into the net, thus scoring the one and only goal of the match and the decisive one of the League championship. From the kick off the home team were soon at it again, nearly all the play being confined to the Lomas right wing, the wind having changed slightly and now blew more across the ground. Lanus gave us the impression at this period of being a beaten team, as the forwards became demoralised and were hardly ever in line or in their proper places. In spite of this one or two single handed efforts were made, but they rarely got much past the half-way line and never looked at all dangerous. Lomas on the other hand tried time after time to increase their lead, both the inside forwards and centre taking shot after shot, but the cross wind spoilt all accuracy and Coste was not seriously troubled. At length the Lanus right wing got well away and Nobili and J. Bridge, by some determined play got well into the Lomas quarters where W. Leslie taking a left foot kick screwed the ball behind his own lines. J. Bridge took the corner kick and placed a splendid one right into the goal mouth and some most exciting play followed. A grand scrummage took place and there must have been ten mis-kicks in succession, but neither side could make any headway, a regular block taking place. At last Bridger fisted out in fine style and again the homesters attacked. The play was in this state when the final whistle sounded, Lomas being returned victorious by one goal to nothing, by which victory they gain the title of champions for 1897. This is the fourth time they have been returned the champions, but last year, it will be remembered they were knocked out by a strong combination known as the Lomas Academy.

R. W. RUDD (Referee) H. P. WRIGHT

F. JACOBS

E. G. RITCHIE

A. ANDERSON

J. WRIGHT



G. M. COMBER

C. GIBSON J. O. ANDERSON (Capt.)  
F. J. C. BOUTELL

W. LESLIE

G. E. LESLIE  
W. STIRLING

## LOMAS A.C. FOOTBALL TEAM.

As we have already stated, the better team undoubtedly won, but they should have gained a more decisive victory, the score giving no indication of the true state of last Sunday's game, which may be gauged from the fact that only once did Lomas have to kick out in the second half. It was pleasing to see that the very best feeling existed between the two teams, and the sportsmanlike way these two elevens have returned again and again to the charge speaks volumes for the healthy state of Association football in the River Plate. May all our games here be played in such a spirit. Leaving all individual play out of the question we account for last Sunday's result from the fact that the Lomas forwards for the first time in this series showed their old combining qualities and also from the fact that the shooting of the Lanus front rank was very poor, and their forwards never got really well together.

Mr B. B. Syer officiated as referee, and Messrs H. W. Botting and R. W. Rudd were the linesmen.

The following were the teams:—

Lomas A.C.—

Goal—P. L. G. Bridger.

Back—W. Leslie, J. Wright.

Half-backs—L. Jacobs, F. H. Jacobs, A. Anderson.

Forwards—G. M. Comber, C. Gibson, J. O. Anderson (capt.), W. Stirling, F. J. C. Boutell.

Lanus A.C.—

Goal—A. Coste.

Backs—T. Bridge (capt.), W. Buchanan.

Half-backs—L. Nobili, A. A. Miller, W. Dunn.

Forwards—J. J. Bridge, L. Nobili, G. Brown, H. Munro, C. P. C. Comber.

## LAS HERAS v. LOBOS A.C.

The first match ever played at Las Heras took place last Sunday, and resulted in a hard earned victory for Lobos by four goals to one. Las Heras were short of three men, and consequently had to play substitutes, which considerably weakened their team. The spectators, among whom the fair sex were largely represented, numbered about five hundred, and the large number of "gauchos" present were greatly astonished at the "juego de los Ingleses." Mr Bowers had devoted a large amount of time, trouble and money to getting the field into first class order, and the way the goal posts, flags, etc., were arranged, left nothing to be desired.

Lobos won the spin, and the Las Heras centre, Maclean, started the ball rolling against a strong wind. At first the game ruled very even, but gradually the ball was worked down to the Las Heras goal, and once there, lay remained in their quarters for quite a quarter of an

hour, during which time the Lobos forwards made several ineffectual attempts to score, as Tucker and J. Murphy answered all the calls made on them in good style. From a kick out after the ball had been sent behind, T. Moore obtained possession, and with an excellent shot scored the first goal for Lobos. The ball being once again set going it soon found its way back to the Las Heras goal where a continuous attack was maintained, until Maclean and Jordan made a rush which nearly resulted in a goal. T. Moore kicked well down the field, and J. Gahan receiving, put in a long shot which proved too good for Bowers. On getting to work again, Lobos again pressed, and before the whistle sounded for half time, had placed another goal to their credit, so that at the interval the score stood at 2—0 in favour of Lobos.

On restarting, the Las Heras team had their turn at attacking, but they found the defence of T. Moore and Bracken very sure and time after time their attacks were repulsed. On several occasions the Las Heras forwards should have scored, but they did not lie far enough up the field and in consequence several chances were thrown away. A pretty run by Moore and Negrón was the next item of interest, but Tucker prevented them from becoming dangerous. This player showed up very well all through, and when it is taken into consideration that this was his first game for two years, he played a wonderful game. The next point of interest was a corner for Las Heras, from which Jordan scored the only goal for them amidst enthusiastic cheering. This was responded to by a fierce attack on the part of the Lobos men which eventually ended in another goal being placed to their credit. From this time on to the end the play ruled very fast, but no further score was made by either team so that the game ended as stated above.

For Lobos, the Gahans, Moores, and Negrón were by far the best, while those who especially distinguished themselves for Las Heras were Tucker, Murphy, Jordan, and Maclean.

Mr C. Bower acted as referee to the entire satisfaction of all concerned, and Miss Clara Cunningham kindly presided at the tea table.

After the match they all met at Mr. Maclean's estancia, where dancing was kept up with great enthusiasm until five o'clock the following morning.

The following were the teams: Lobos A.C.—

Goal—P. Bracken.

Backs—T. Mackern, T. Moore.

Half backs—J. Gahan, M. Bracken, T. Bulbridge.

Forwards—Eguino, F. Gahan, L. Gahan, J. Moore, J. Negrón.

Las Heras—

Goal—Bowers.

Backs—A. E. Tucker, J. C. Murphy.

Half backs—J. Murphy, T. Cavanagh, E. Hutchinson.

Forwards—W. A. Jordan, Geoghegan, H. Maclean, J. Mackern, Labiagumi.

## OUR PHOTOGRAPHS.

We reproduce this week the photographs of the two leading League teams, Lomas and Lanus. Our readers already know that for the second time in the history of the Argentine Association Football League, two of the competing teams tied for first place, and this, of course, necessitated a third meeting. This took place in due course and after a hard struggle another tie had to be recorded, each team scoring one goal, thus a record was made for this League. The next match was very largely attended, indeed so great was the interest displayed in the game that the Southern Railway placed a special train on for the occasion. This time the players of both teams had evidently made up their minds to finish the match one way or the other, but in spite of all their efforts, and in addition to "extra time" allowance, neither side could score. The League Committee thus decided that both teams should be presented with medals, and that it was absolutely necessary to play the match to a finish, as two clubs could not have their names inscribed in the Cup. The fifth and last meeting took place last Sunday, and after a bright game Lomas were returned victorious by one goal to nothing.

The holders of this year's Championship Cup went through the season without a single reverse until their last match when Lanus defeated them by a goal to nothing after a keen contest. Altogether they scored 55 goals to their opponents' 9, but they lost two points by playing drawn games in their first matches with Flores and Belgrano, so that they finished the season with 20 points to their credit.

The "runners up" met with a reverse at the hands of Belgrano in their very first engagement, and a month later had to again acknowledge themselves beaten, this time by Lomas to the tune of three goals to one. From this point to the end of the season their matches resulted in a brilliant series of victories, including one over the eventual champions. Altogether they scored 39 goals against 8 by their opponents.

The photographs are taken by Mr E. C. Moody, Calle Corrientes 677.

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I. NOBILI

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A. COSTE

C. P. C. COMBER

LANUS (F.C.S.) A.C. FOOTBALL TEAM.

### Summary of Association Football, Season 1897.

The football season, which was brought to a close last Sunday, must be described as the most successful we have ever enjoyed. To begin with, the weather has been far more fitted for the winter game than in preceding years, and the exceptional spell of cold that we have experienced, was most welcome to all footballers. The form all round also showed very considerable signs of general improvement, and this fact contributed in no small degree to the success of the past season, for we doubt if the League matches have ever produced so many keen struggles, or provided us with better exhibitions of football. Then again the impossibility of foretelling the ultimate winners of the League championship kept up the interest to the very last, and as our readers know, there has never been such a fight for the Cup. The Lomas, Lanus and Belgrano clubs all placed teams in the field which were considerably above the average, and the meeting of the representatives of these clubs created an extraordinary amount of interest which has without doubt placed Association football on a very sound basis in the River Plate. There is only one regrettable feature to relate with regards last season's results and that is the downfall of the Flores Club. To old football players in particular this came as a great disappointment, as Flores have always been one of our strongest combinations, and have invariably been within an ace of becoming the Cup holders. Although still fourth on the list, they have never been so low down before, and all footballers will join us in wishing them a return to their position in the near future.

The institution of goal nets was a very welcome feature of the past season, and we hope next year to see every club here in possession of these necessary perquisites.

Coming next to the question of play, the point that strikes us most forcibly is the weak shooting of the forwards. Their combination in every team engaged showed wonderful improvement, and time after time have we seen the ball worked up the field beautifully, only to have magnificent chances thrown away through weak shooting. This can only be remedied by practice, so that on off-days shooting practice should be indulged in as much as possible.

The half backs perhaps showed greater signs of improvement than any other division of the teams, and more care with their passing was noticeable, while a great deal of that reckless kicking we have noticed in

former years was conspicuous by its absence. The new "throw in" rule still bothered some of the halves at times, but prompt action in the part of the referees, has prevented this mistake occurring very frequently. The backs were, as usual, the strongest division in nearly every competing team, and we can certainly boast of two or three very fine full backs. We should like to see a little more combination among them, perhaps, but this no doubt will come in time. The goal-keepers were rather more numerous this year and one or two are distinctly above the average. The fisting out is rather weak and one seldom sees the ball well "punched" as it is by the home custodians.

Taken all round, however, the prospects of Association football in this country are very bright. Here in Buenos Aires the League was perhaps never so popular as it is at present. In Rosario, the League matches there caused great interest, and hopes are entertained of one or two fresh teams entering next year. In Montevideo, Association football has made such strides and become so popular that they intend starting a League there next year when, we may have the unique spectacle of three teams of different nationalities competing in the same League.

Before concluding our general remarks we should like to say a few words in appreciation of those good sportsmen who have undertaken the arduous duties of referee, throughout the season, whenever called upon. The duty is seldom pleasant, and to a great many is extremely distasteful, and therefore the thanks of all our players are due to those gentlemen who have so kindly stepped forward to fill this unenviable position.

The Lomas team which eventually secured the Cup, was undoubtedly a very strong combination, and in our opinion was, taken man for man, the best team in the League. At the same time, it must be admitted, they displayed very in and out form during the season.

Take for example their two matches against Lanus. On the first occasion these teams met in June last there was no question as to which was the better team, Lomas showing by far the finer combination and in fact displaying superiority at every point of the game. And yet when the same teams met again in August, the form was reversed, and the Lomas team entirely lacked the combination that had won them the previous match. They certainly experienced bad luck on one or two occasions. In their first match against Flores, after having all the best of the game, they only made a draw of it, owing to Flores putting in two goals in the last few minutes, each the result of a forward rush. Against Lanus also, the goal which decided the match against them was kicked within three minutes of time, and at

the next meeting of these teams Lanus again equalised just before time.

Lanus also varied considerably during the season, and although they gave two wretched displays against Palermo and Belgrano B, they also gave some very fine exhibitions against some of the other teams. They had a nice even team, and it is to their capital combination that they owe their present position in the League.

Belgrano started off the season in excellent style defeating both Flores and Lanus, and as in their next match they drew with Lomas, they were strongly fancied by many as the ultimate champions. They continued their victorious career up to June 24 when they were distinctly unfortunate in finding Lomas in their very best form and they had to put up with their first defeat by three goals to one. Early in July, Lanus just vanguardised them by one goal to nothing, and so they were put out of the running. They undoubtedly had a fine back division and an excellent right wing, but they sadly required a good centre. Altogether they won nine matches, drew one and lost two, scoring nineteen points out of a possible twenty-four.

Flores had a very disastrous season. With every promise of a good team they began their season with a reverse, and this apparently had a most deteriorating effect on them, as many times later on in the season, it required great exertions on the part of the captain and others to get an eleven together at all, and more than once they had to take the field short. Altogether they scored 44 goals against 22 and obtained 13 points, but their five defeats at the hands of Lomas (once), Lanus (twice), and Belgrano A (twice), placed them entirely out of the running.

Palermo figured in the League fixtures for the first time and were very unfortunate in their experiences at the commencement of the season. Having elected their captain, etc., he with two or three other members of the team without any warning offered their services to other clubs, so thus early Palermo began their uphill fight. In spite of their misfortunes, the Hon. Secretary set to work with a will and they closed their season with eight points to their credit, having defeated both Belgrano B and Banfield twice. The backs were decidedly good, but their forwards were very light and frequently found their weighty opponents too much for them.

The Belgrano B team after having eighteen goals scored against them in their first two matches, showed gradual improvement, but with a very weak line of forwards they were only able to score one win—that against Banfield—and so had only obtained three points at the end of the season.

Banfield also appeared for the first time in League

contests, and they had the unenviable distinction of gaining the "wooden spoon." We must not criticize them too severely as they were a new team and played up very pluckily, always coming cheerfully to the scratch. Their solitary point was scored by means of a drawn match with Belgrano B, while they only scored 6 goals to 52 made by their opponents.

In conclusion we trust that the enthusiasm and interest displayed in Association football this season will not be allowed to die out, and that next season we may be fortunate enough to witness more contests of a similar nature to those we have seen this year.

## NATURAL HISTORY.

In some parts of Central and South Africa a single firefly gives so much light that it illuminates a whole room. The British residents catch them in order to find the matchbox or lamp.

Paradoxical as it may sound, there are several varieties of fish that cannot swim. In every instance they are deep-sea dwellers, and crawl about the rocks, using their tails and fins as legs.

Coalfish, weighing sometimes 20 lb, or even of greater weight, appear annually in the Sound of Jura, on the west coast of Scotland, and elsewhere to the northward. They are caught frequently under sail with an artificial bait consisting of a wisp of yellow worsted lashed on to a No. 3 round bend Exeter-shaped hook, which measures  $1\frac{1}{4}$  in. across the bend. A stout line is used, with an oblong sheet-lead sinker of about 8 oz. weight.

It was recently announced that the Germans now employ the dogs called "Great Danes" in the army for the purpose of attacking and dismounting military cyclists. The use of "war dogs" is not new, for it appears from "L'Histoire de la Colonie Francaise" (New France or Canada), by Eugene Guenin, that the early colonists of Montreal in 1642 employed dogs to scour the neighbourhood of their settlement and give warning of the presence of the hostile Iroquois and Huron Indians.

The common Californian black ant is the strongest creature that lives—that is, relatively to its size. It is about three-eighths of an inch in length, is smooth and polished like a bit of jet, and has legs as strong as steel. These legs are not tough, but are brittle like a fine needle. The ant's jaws are almost impossible to conceive of. They have been known to cut through a piece of brass with one movement, and cut it as clean as though they were made of hardened steel. It has been known to bore holes in granite boulders, and yet this creature is perfectly helpless if it falls into a molasses jug.

Two specimens of the babirusa have just been received at the Zoological Gardens in London from Celebes, in the Eastern Archipelago. They belong to the swine family, but in their habits they differ very much from our domestic pigs. They are clean, and do not root up the ground with their snout in search of food. Their food consists mostly of fallen fruit. In form they are more slender and have longer legs than ordinary pigs. They have also two pairs of singular tusks. The lower pair are sharp, and somewhat resemble those of the wild boar, but the upper pair curve backwards, and form a protection for the eyes when the animals are in conflict with one another.

The most vicious and fearless of brutes is the peccary or wild hog, of Mexico. This animal seems utterly devoid of fear. It never turns a hair's breadth out of its path for any living thing. Man is its special *bete noire*. It displays an intelligence in fighting strangely in contrast to its apparent want of instinct. These animals are rarely found singly, but go in droves from hundreds to thousands. Their ability to scent men is particularly marked. Droves of them have been known to scent a man a mile off and go for him. There is no use to try to frighten them with guns. The cannonading of a full battery would have no more effect on them than the popping of a firecracker. The only thing to do when they get after you is to run away from them as fast as a horse can carry you, and then there is no certainty that they won't catch you. They are nearly as swift as a horse, and their endurance is very great.

The spider is a good example of the living barometer. Close observations of the work on its web castle will soon enable one to forecast the weather. When a high wind or a heavy rain threatens, the spider may be seen taking in sail with great energy—that is, shortening the rope filaments that sustain the web structure. If the storm is to be unusually severe, or of long duration, the ropes are strengthened as well as shortened, the better to resist the onset of the elements. On the contrary, when you see the spider running out the slender filaments, it is certain that calm, fine weather has set in, whose duration may be measured by their elongation. Every 24 hours the spider makes some alteration in its web to suit the weather. If these changes are made towards evening, just before sunset, a fine, clear night may be safely counted upon. When the spider sits quiet and dull in the middle of the web, rain is not far off. If it be active, however, and continues so during a shower, then it will be of brief duration and sunshine will follow.

On the borders of the Everglades, in Florida the rookeries of the birds in the southern part of the peninsula are the haunts of a large blue crab. He makes a hole in the ground, usually under a log, and when he hears a noise elevates his head and protrudes his eyes with startling effect. He is able to take care of himself, for his pincers are powerful, and his shell is hard—he is often as large as a saucer. There is perpetual war between him and the birds. He wanders among the nests at night and appropriates the bits of fish left by the nestlings, and the young themselves if he can find the mother off her guard. But he has to be sly, or he is killed by the stroke of a bayonet bill, and eaten in his turn. When the plume hunters have driven off or destroyed the parent of a rookery, these crabs swarm out and devour the orphan young in short order. But while the mothers are allowed to do their duty the crabs are ideal scavengers, and devour the insects that infest the bird cities. Their bright colours, like those of tiger, make them less dangerous than their appetites would otherwise be.

There is also a little purple crab along the coasts of Southern Florida which seems to feed almost entirely upon the fruit of the cactus. This it so much resembles that you are suddenly surprised to see one of the succulent little balls move away from your fingers before you are aware it is alive. Step back and the crab will resume its place, and seem to be as curious about you as you are about him. One of the most beautiful shells found along the coast of England is that of a large snail which climbs certain trees and grows delicately fat on the younger birds. The shell is as thin as tissue paper, oddly curved, and almost as transparent as the finest glass. It belongs to the family of edible snails so prized as a delicacy on the coast of France, and if properly prepared makes a delicious dish. It is most abundant about New River Inlet, where the slightest shake of the tree about sunset will bring a shower of them to the ground. The breakage of the shell seem to be of little trouble to the snail—he repairs the damage and moves on.

In many seas, especially those of the tropics are found fish provided with a poison apparatus, which consists usually of a spine or spines more or less erectile in character, and connected with a poison gland. Prof. James D. Brunton gives an interesting account of two of these fishes, the *Trachinis draco* and *Scorpena scropha*. They are only poisonous as a serpent is poisonous—i.e., by wounding. Upon each of its gill covers is situated the spine, connected with its poison gland through a duct. When the spine enters a resisting body, the membrane is pushed back, allowing the poisonous secretion free access to the wound. The *Scorpena* is an unattractive-looking fish, squat of body, and having a large head. It may attain a large size, and is called by the French fishermen "le diable." There is a spine on each gill cover connected with a poison gland. The effect of a wound from either of these fishes is quite a serious matter. At the moment of puncture only the sharp prick is felt. In a few minutes, however, the parts commence to burn and itch, and then become acutely painful. These pains increase in violence and extent. Then a feeling of suffocation is felt, and pain over the heart. Finally, delirium and convulsion supervene, which may pass on to collapse and death, or may, after lasting for many hours, gradually subside, leaving a malaise which is very difficult to get rid of. The point of puncture soon shows the results of intense irritation, and may eventually become gangrenous and necessitate amputation. The treatment is practically the same as that for a snake-bite. On coasts where these fish abound it frequently happens that bathers are poisoned by stepping on one of them, the *Trachinis* being especially fond of concealing themselves just under the sand in shallow water.

A rival to the sea serpent has turned up in Norway. He is now to be seen in the Natural History Department of the Museum at Thronhjelm. It is an octopus that appeared close to the banks of one of the fjords situated some fifty English miles north of that town. A fisherman was rowing under the lee of the shore when, in an instant, his boat was encompassed from below by a long and glistening arm. He dropped his oars and sprang to his feet, when another arm shot out over the gunwale. The man was unarmed save for an old boat-hook. He seized his oars and pulled to shore, shouting for his companions, who were luckily at hand. But even when he reached land, with the utmost difficulty, it took the combined efforts of three men to haul the boat up a slight incline, and still the octopus clung on. The animal now lies in a wooden case, eight feet long, and covered with glass. The body is "like a medium-sized elongated carpet bag;" it has two large protruding eyes, and out of its mouth comes a strong bluish-tinted beak. There are various suckers under the arms, and the arms themselves are 10 feet 4 inches each in length. Victor Hugo's monster is everywhere familiar and almost everywhere derided. But the monster of Thronhjelm has come to the rescue of the author of the "Travailleurs de la Mer," and almost makes his great incident credible. Hugo once discussed his monster with an English youth, the son of his neighbour at Guernsey. He said that he had seen such a creature pursue a swimmer near that island, and had rescued the latter in the nick of time, just as the arms of the octopus touched the rock upon which the man had scrambled. If octopi are found to the north in Thronhjelm and to the south off Guernsey, the coast of England may very well see more Channel of them. Practically, however, they are confined to the Island end of Britain.

## SOCIAL FIXTURES.

### DANCES.

Monday, Oct. 4—Lomas A.C. Subscription Dance, at Barker Memorial Hall, Lomas.  
Wednesday, Oct. 6—"Bal Poudre" in aid of the funds of the British Hospital, at Prince George's Hall.

### LECTURES.

Thursday, Sept. 30—Lecture by Dr. McLaughlin, at the English Literary Society.

## FIXTURES

### CRICKET

Saturday, Sept. 25—Barker Memorial School v. Banfield, at Lomas.  
Sunday, Sept. 26—B.A.C.C., opening match, at Palermo

### RACING.

Sunday, Sept. 26—Hipódromo Argentino, Palermo.  
Wednesday, Oct. 6—Meeting at Venado Tuerto.

### POLO

Thursday, Oct. 7, and following days, an Open Tournament will be held at Venado Tuerto.

### ATHLETICS.

Monday, Nov. 1—Rosario A.C. Sports, at Rosario.  
Thursday, Nov. 11—Championship Meeting, at Lomas.

### ROWING

Thursday, Nov. 11—Union de Regata, at Tigre.

## List of Clubs with their Secretaries

### ATHLETIC CLUBS

AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE RIVER PLATE—*Blue and White*—E. Danvers, 475 Piedad.  
BANFIELD—E. S. Rugeroni, Reconquista 274, B. Aires.  
BARKER MEMORIAL SCHOOL, LOMAS—*Blue and Gold*—Charles Young, Barker Memorial School, Lomas, F.C.S.  
BELGRANO—*Black and Gold*—J. G. Dunn, Bolsa, No. 6, Buenos Aires.  
CAMPANA—A. H. King, Campana.  
CENTRAL ARGENTINE RAILWAY—*Red and White*—R. H. Chamberlin, Almacenes, F.C.C.A., Rosario.  
CORDOBA—J. C. Bowden, Gerencia, F.C.C.C., Córdoba.  
ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL—*Red and White*—A. Coste, 3590 Santa Fé.  
FLORES—*Light Blue, Yellow, and Dark Blue with narrow White Stripes*—B. Henderson, Flores, F.C.O.  
HURLINGHAM—*Blue, Red and Yellow*—F. J. Balfour, 559 Piedad, Buenos Aires.  
JUNIN—D. A. Aird, Junin, F. C. Pacifico.  
LANUS (F.C.S.)—*Dark Blue*—E. Luck, Lanus.  
LOBOS—*Blue and Red*—James F. McKeon, Lobos, F.C.S.  
LOMAS—*Lincoln Green, Scarlet and Gold*—T. R. Griffin, Casilla de Correo 1491.  
MERCEDES—*Green and Gold*—G. Carey.  
MONTEVIDEO—O. Scoones, Zabala 104, Montevideo.  
PALERMO—*White with Red Rosette*—A. J. Rugeroni, 274 Reconquista.  
PORTEÑO—*Dark Blue and White*—T. Mullally, Piedras 338  
ROLDAN—T. H. Wilson, Talleres, F.C.C.A., Rosario.  
ROSARIO—*Claret and Light Blue*—Diego O. Le Bas, 421 San Lorenzo, Rosario.  
SAN MARTIN—*Light Blue*—J. W. Mace, 25 de Mayo 66, Buenos Aires.  
TUCUMAN—James F. Barnes, F.C.N.O.A., Tucuman.  
WANDERERS—*White, Light Blue Band*—H. Macgregor, 1045 Australia, Barracas al Norte.

## CHAMPIONSHIP ATHLETIC MEETING.

### Lomas Athletic Club.

Notice is hereby given that the above Sports, postponed from 8th September, will be held on 11th of NOVEMBER next. It has been decided to re-open the entries.

Intending Competitors may obtain entry forms from the Hon. Sec. A.A.A.R.P., Mr E. Danvers, 475 Piedad, or from the Hon. Sec. Lomas A.C., Casilla 1491, to either of whom entries must be sent, accompanied by the corresponding fees.

Entries close on Monday, 25th October.

Entrance fees—\$2 each event; Boys \$1 each event.

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**ESTANCIA AND COLONY.**

The Rural Society's Show at Palermo was opened yesterday formally. The President of the Republic, his Ministers, Senators and Deputies, with the whole of the foreign diplomats, had been invited, with many other celebrities, so the function was a most brilliant one and the attendance quite a record. The entries of animals in every class show an improvement, but as the judging does not commence till to-day we must postpone our full report of the exhibition till our next issue, in which we hope to report it as fully as in former years.

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The Society have laid out the \$25,000 at their disposal to some advantage, and the buildings no longer have the dilapidated appearance they wore last year and the year before, when little was done to them after their occupation by the soldiers who had been quartered in them. A great deal of work has been expended in draining the show yard properly, and so visitors need not fear being stuck in the mud round about the cattle corrals, as they were last year after the rain which fell during the first Saturday of the Show.

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The yard is arranged more or less as it was last year, except that there are four instead of two stands round the ring side, and sheep occupy the large building which was filled last year by sheep dip and other exhibits and the sheep-shearing machinery. The extra stand accommodation will be sure to be much appreciated by the public, especially during the judging and jumping competitions next Tuesday and Thursday. Needless to say a great many campmen are already in town for the Show, and before next week closes we shall no doubt have met the majority of our estanciero friends.

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The catalogue is an improvement over last year's, but we wish it contained more machinery exhibits. Perhaps next year the Society will have been able to arrange matters so as to have a truly representative exhibition of machinery. The most important exhibitors are the Argentine-Belgian Pastoral Company, who are only showing cattle; Mr M. A. Martinez de Hoz, whose Hackneys are better than ever; Mr Leonardo Pereyra, Mr P. Senillosa, and Mr B. Villanueva; but there are many others who are as important but not so numerously represented as those we have mentioned.

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No very serious news has come in about the locusts this week, and many tons of eggs have been recorded as destroyed. Large swarms have appeared in Santa Clara, Santa Fé, but are doing no damage as yet. In San Cristobal the committee is being blamed for doing nothing against the insects now that they have laid and are laying their eggs, but in other colonies the work of destruction is being carried on with good effect. In Maria Juana, Arequito, San José de la Esquina, and district, there have been several severe frosts which have done more or less damage to wheat and linseed.

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On the whole it is now fairly safe to predict that the damage caused by the locusts this year will not be greater to the wheat crop than ten per cent., if even it proves to be so great. In fact many say that the frosts of this week have already caused more harm than the locusts are likely to do. We sincerely hope this report prove true regarding the locusts, and that within the next six months things will look brighter all round.

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The following shows the increase in stock in Paraguay during the last ten years:

	1887	1896
Cattle .. .. .	912,245	2,102,680
Horses .. .. .	88,106	111,916
Mules .. .. .	2,763	14,811
Sheep .. .. .	42,490	130,352
Donkeys .. .. .	2,475	10,813
Pigs .. .. .	13,375	39,513
Goats .. .. .	15,542	33,514

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The Russian Government will shortly issue a decree prohibiting the exportation of wheat.

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The following sales of camp are reported:  
Two leagues near Vedia Station, at the price of \$104,000, bought by Messrs Wattine, Bossut and Co.  
Two leagues in Pehuajó, one laid down with alfalfa, at \$100,000 the league, sold by Mr M. Suarez to Mr E. Madero.  
One league in Vilella, in the south, for \$700,000, bought by Mr J. J. Blaquier from Mr Carabassa.

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Mr E. Artagaveytia has harvested this year, on his estancia in Nueva Palmira, 10,000 bales of alfalfa. As each bale weighs 50 kilos it will be seen that the harvest totalled 500,000 kilos, in spite of the first cutting being devoured by the locusts.

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The sales of stock at the Azul Show resulted as follows. Criolla cows from \$16 to \$20.50, bullocks for fattening \$26, wethers \$5.50, \$5.80, and \$6.65; Lincoln

rams from Messrs Gibson Bros.' estancia La Tomasa, in Cachari, from \$120 to \$250; rams from Messrs Peña Bros.' estancia Siempre Amigos, from \$120 to \$200; imported rams from the estancia La Escocia, at \$300; from the estancia Las Catalinas, \$140; Durham bulls from Mr W R. Grant's estancia Santa Catalina, \$780 to \$900; bulls from the estancia La Isabel, \$350 to \$800. The sales realised \$28,174.

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All notices received from the different parts of the camps are very favourable as regards the coming wheat harvest. The weather has been all that could be desired and the general opinion is that the harvest will be splendid, not only in quantity but quality.

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Messrs Funes, Lagos and Co. sold by private sale on Thursday the Shorthorn bull Master Recorder, imported by Mr F. Miller, to Messrs Hector and Manuel Cobo for £700. Master Recorder is a young, light roan bull, two years and three weeks old, having been calved on the 31st August, 1895, and is winner of 54 first prizes, six championships, and two gold cups of the value of fifty guineas each, in fact he beat every bull he was showed against. Undoubtedly Master Recorder is the finest bull ever seen in this country. He will be on view for a few days in Messrs Funes and Lagos' yard.

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Messrs Bullrich and Co. sold on Thursday by auction six Clydesdale colts from Mr Thomas Bell's estancia El Rincon, in Villa Elisa, at prices from \$150 to \$1550, an average of \$950; also, Rambouillet rams from the estancia Las Acacias, at prices ranging from \$110 to \$260, the average being \$130.

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The well known auctioneers Messrs A. Bullrich and Co. have given a handsome silver cup as first prize for the best bull of any bred or age in the Palermo show that opened yesterday, they have also given a similar cup as first prize for the best group of fine sheep of any sex, breed and age.

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The eighth yearly show held in Las Flores, closed last Monday, the sales realizing \$24,081.

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Last Sunday Messrs Bullrich and Co. held a sale of stock from Mr A. de Elia's estancia Yamahuida. The sale took place in the Maipú Rural Society's ground, giving the following result:—5 Lincoln rams \$55 to 105, 6 pure Durham bulls from \$320 to 510, 10 Lincoln two teathed ewes \$35, Lincoln crossed ewes from \$25 to 35, a point of 101 head of cattle \$35 each, 30 Durham heifers \$50, 10 Durham bulls off the camp \$45, 5 crossed Clydesdale colts \$43, 20 young Durham bulls \$15, and 6 crossed colts \$80 to 120. The total of sales being \$22,463.

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Messrs Funes and Lagos sold on Tuesday the following:—1 Durham bull imported by Mr G. A. Grant for \$1000, 10 Lincoln rams from the estancia San Martin in Cañuelas, belonging to Mr V. L. Casares for \$1995, giving an average of \$199.95, 25 Lincoln rams from Mr Archibald Bell's estancia in Villa Elisa at an average of \$115 each.

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Price of gold on the Bolsa from Sept. 18th to Sept. 24th inclusive—

Saturday .. .. .	288.50 %	Wednesday .. .. .	289.70 %
Monday .. .. .	287.60 "	Thursday .. .. .	288.50 "
Tuesday .. .. .	288.00 "	Friday .. .. .	287.70 "

The prices at the Corrales during the past week have been as follows:

Bullocks, \$50—65.	
Novillos for Export .. .. .	\$ 80— 90
Fat cattle for consumption—novillos ..	35— 70
“ “ “ “—cows .. .. .	35— 50
Calves—large, \$22-30; small, \$6.00-18.00	
Wool—Fine .. .. .	5.00— 7.50
“ —Cross Lincoln .. .. .	6.20— 8.20
Hides—Bullock .. .. .	\$14.00—15.00
“ —Novillo .. .. .	10.00—11.50
“ —Cow .. .. .	8.50—10.20
Sheepskins, consumo, per kilo .. .. .	0.31— 0.60
Lambskins, per dozen .. .. .	2.00— 2.50
Sheep—Lincolns .. .. .	\$10.00—12.00
“ —Mestizo-Lincolns .. .. .	7.00—10.00
“ —Rambouillet .. .. .	5.50— 8.00
Ewes .. .. .	4.00— 6.00
Wheat (barleta), 100 ks .. .. .	\$10.00—13.00
“ (French), 100 kilos .. .. .	8.00—13.50
“ (Candeal) .. .. .	10.00—15.00
Barley .. .. .	5.50— 8.00
Maize (morocho), 100 kilos (new) ..	5.50— 7.80
“ (amarillo), 100 kilos (new) ..	5.00— 7.50
Hay, 1000 kilos .. .. .	13.00—36.00

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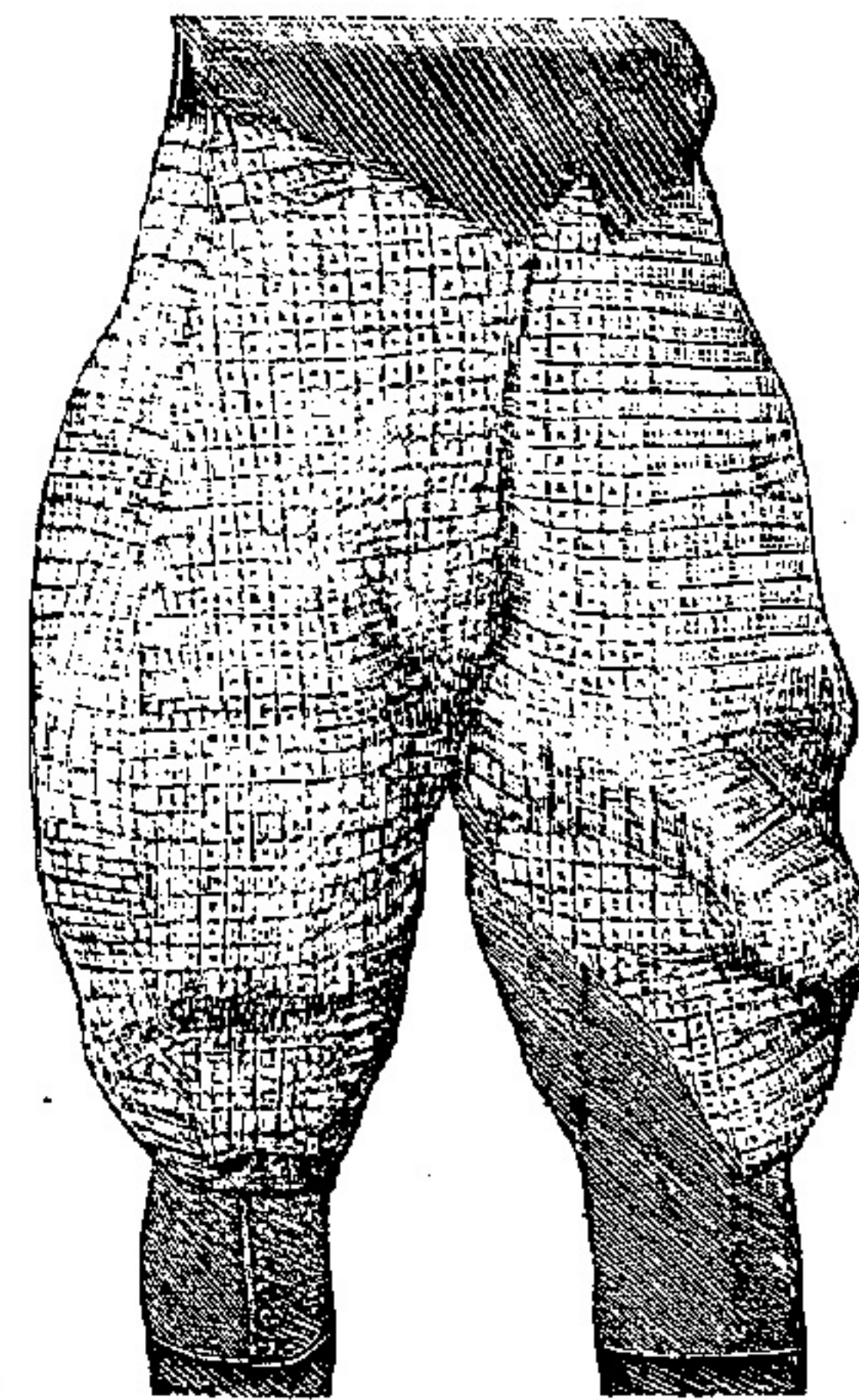
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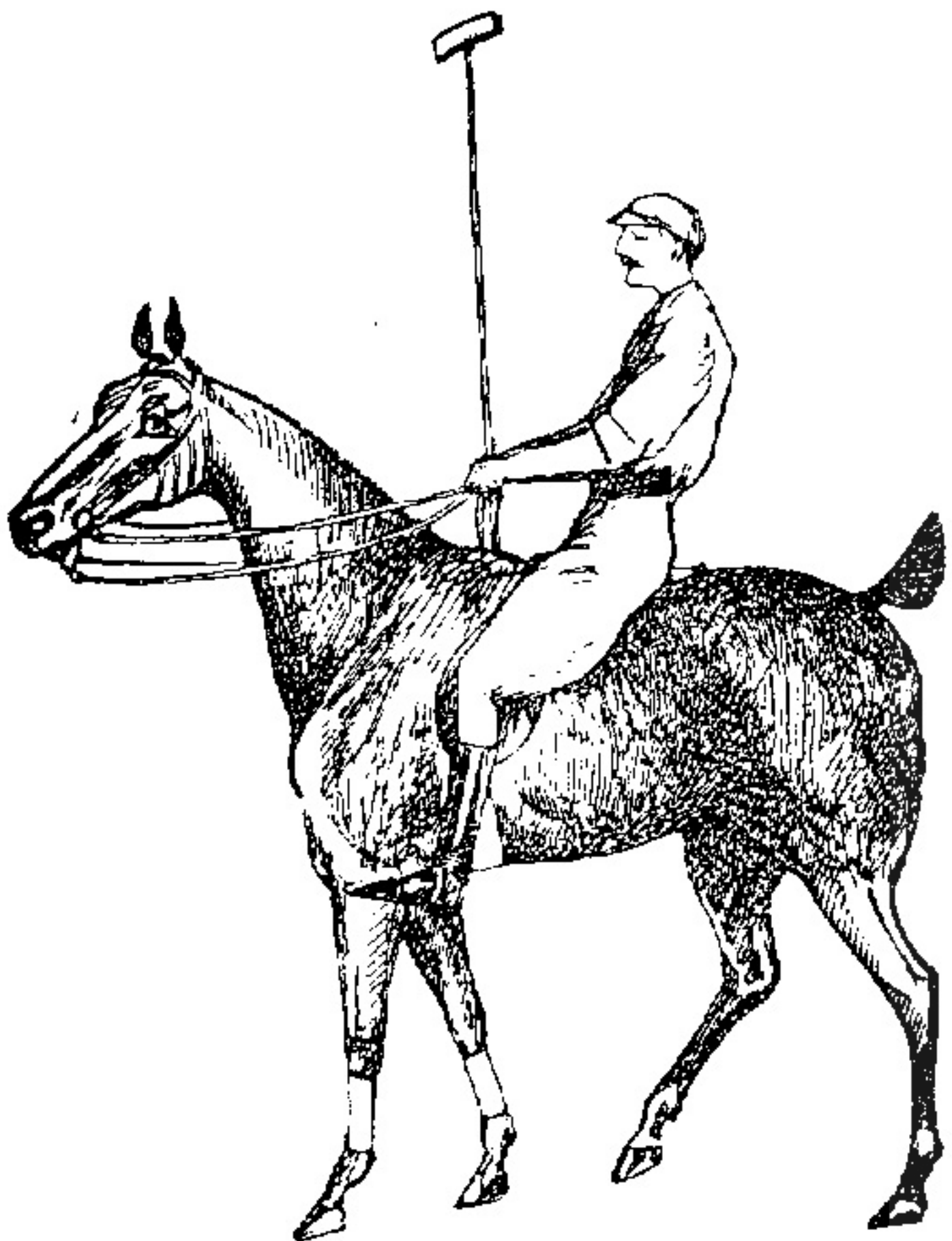
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## EN PASSANT.

London has over 500 railway stations. These figures do not include goods stations.

The athletic sports in connection with the Scotch School will take place in November.

Fifteen years ago about 3000 bicycles were annually produced in England. During 1896 over 500,000 were manufactured.

The provinces of Tucuman and Jujuy have transplanted 18,000 yerba mate plants that have been received from Paraguay.

It is rumoured that the Liebig Extract of Meat Co., of Fray Bentos, have purchased a saladero in Gualeguaychí, Entre Rios.

If the earth were equally divided between its inhabitants, about twenty-three and a half acres would fall to the share of each person.

Earthquake shocks were felt on Monday last at Lima, Callao, and Chorrillos. Very few lives were lost but the damage to property was very great.

From the beginning of this year the Custom-house of this city has collected for import and export dues \$38,642,463.09 paper and \$6,792,874.87 gold.

The "Old Sleuth" class of detective literature has been greatly in vogue during the week, owing to the apprehension of the robbers of the Sanctuary at Lujan, etc.

It is estimated that there will be a deficit of fifty million dollars in the American revenue for the year ending next July, owing to the working of the new tariff.

The Minister of War has received offers from British and German firms to construct the military port at Bahia Blanca, the payment for which is to be made in State bonds.

Seventeen hundred invitations have been sent out by the ladies of the Sociedad de Beneficencia for the ball to be held in the saloons of the new Jockey Club on the 30th inst.

Mr Edward Langlois has applied to Congress for a concession to construct narrow-gauge railway lines from Buenos Aires to Cordoba, Godoy to Rosario, and Rosario to Mendoza.

It is probable that the ironclad Garibaldi will be sent to Cape Town, to enter a dry dock there, after the naval manoeuvres that are now being prepared are brought to a conclusion.

President McKinley plays golf, and ex-President Cleveland was an angler, and neither amusement is believed to be conducive to truth in the highest official of a Republican State.

The Department of Public Works has reported favourably on the project of Messrs Zedlitz and Weyrach for the construction of a navigable canal from the City of La Plata to the Riachuelo.

At the Ladies' Swimming Championship of Scotland and Leander Club Gala, held at Glasgow on August 25, the 200 yards race was won by Miss Jeannie Veitch in 3 min. 40 sec (record 3 min 33½ sec.)

In Georgia, the other Sunday, the services in a church were adjourned for ten minutes to allow the congregation to lynch a nigger. After the execution the crowd returned to church and resumed its devotions.

That stupid custom of changing the name of a street, town, etc., to commemorate the last three days' wonder, is to be adopted in Montevideo, where it is proposed to change the Calle Queguay into the high-sounding name of Avenida de la Paz.

At the beginning of last week there were only twenty-two ocean-going steamers loading in the various ports of the republic—8 in Buenos Aires, 4 in La Plata, 4 in Rosario, 1 in Villa Constitucion, 3 in Campana, 1 in Lima, and 1 in Bahia Blanca.

The aggregate traffic receipts of our tramways still show a good increase over last year. The Anglo-Argentine has an increase of £8,416, and the City of Buenos Aires £14,363, from January 1st to the end of July, over the corresponding period of 1896.

From the 1st of January till the 15th inst. the Hypothecary Bank of La Plata has put up in public auction 559 properties, 190 of which were not sold through want of bidders, 119 were withdrawn owing to the mortgages being paid in time, and 250 were sold, producing approximately \$3,000,000.

A large number of women have petitioned the United Brethren General Conference of America to eliminate the word "obey" from the marriage service. Seeing how little the word means in practice, we may next expect the women to object to going through the marriage ceremony at all because it is called the marriage "service."

The returns for the United Kingdom of the number of marriages during the months of January, February, and March, and of the births and deaths for April, May, and June, issued recently, show that the increase in population for the three months under review over the preceding three months was 119,475. The number of marriages registered during the three months was 119,500.

An American paper points out that notwithstanding all that Britain owes to mechanics, there is but one workman who received the highest funeral honours of being buried in Westminster Abbey, and that was George Graham, a famous scientific instrument maker of his day, who in 1700 invented the dead beat escapement in clocks. Graham's obsequies were attended by the Royal Society in a body.

It is calculated by competent persons that, owing to the downward movement in price, the silver held by the U.S. Government has during the last fourteen months declined in value by no less an amount than sixty-six million dollars. It is further reckoned that the total shrinkage in value from the purchase price under the Bland-Allison and Sherman Act is very little short of two hundred million dollars.

Generally speaking, races living at high altitudes have weaker and more highly pitched voices than those living in regions where the supply of oxygen is more plentiful. Thus, in America, among the Indians living on the plateaus between the ranges of the Andes, at an elevation of from 10,000ft. to 14,000ft., the men have voices like the women, and the women like children, and their singing is a shrill monotone.

Lord Kelvin does not believe in the theory that the earth consists of a thin crust, inclosing a liquid, lava-like mass. Is that assumption has any ground, he cannot see how it is that the crust has not yielded to the tidal influence as readily as the sea, and thus caused the globe to be pulled entirely out of shape. There is, he says, no reason whatever for believing that there is anything more than a very moderate amount of lava under the earth's surface.

The report recently presented to a meeting of the Game Protection Association of the Cape Colony, at Cape Town, showed the big game in the Colony to be 150 elephants, 400 buffaloes, 9,500 gemsbok, 4,000 koodoo, 3,000 hartebeest, 150 wildebeest, 300 bontebok, 280 blesbok, 70 zebra, and 3,400 wild ostriches. The report stated that the Association's work had had a marked effect on the preservation of game throughout the Colony, though much remained to be done.

A statistical document has just been published by a German official, in which it is stated that the Czar of Russia receives 120,000 marks per diem, the Sultan 50,000 marks, the Emperor of Austria 50,000 marks, the German Emperor 40,000 marks, the King of Italy 32,000 marks, Queen Victoria 32,000 marks, the King of the Belgians 8000 marks, the President of the French Republic 2400 marks, and the President of the United States of North America 700 marks per diem.

Each May sees the stealing forth of literally hundreds of the white-winged pleasure craft, which throughout the summer months are destined to add materially to the gaiety and beauty of home waters; and the yachting bill of the British nation, a statistician asserts, amounts to nothing less than £600,000,000 per annum, taking nothing into account for owned yachts as regards a sum for their hire; and the estimate he forms of the value of the yachting fleet of Great Britain and Ireland is a far higher figure.

The system of "tipping" is so much in vogue now all over the world, and in this town and country particularly, that it might be interesting to some of our readers to learn the origin of the word "tip." The truth is that in an old English tavern a receptacle for small coin was fixed in a conspicuous place, over which appeared in writing: "To insure promptness." Whatever was placed in the box was divided among the servants. Other taverns followed the example, and soon the words were abbreviated to T.I.P.

Some people will boast about anything. It is said that Dr. Charles E. Mooney, of Lexington, Kentucky, is the "champion whisky drinker of the world." The doctor claims that he has for fifty years averaged over twenty drinks of whisky daily, a grand total of 365,000 drinks. If there was one gill at each drink, he has consumed 91,250 pints, or 45,625 quarts, or 11,406 gallons. This amount of liquor would fill 181 hogsheds. The doctor, it is said, is now "somewhat wrecked in health." We can quite believe it.

An official document recently issued sets forth some remarkable figures of the quantity of beer consumed throughout the world. The annual quantity consumed, it is stated, amounts to 17,700,000,000 litres or quarts. Of this amount 5,000,000,000 quarts are made in Germany; in Great Britain and Ireland, 4,790,000,000; in the United States, 3,200,000,000; and Austria-Hungary, 1,350,000,000. Belgium produces and consumes yearly 1,050,000,000 quarts of beer; France, 840,000,000; and All the Russias only 400,000,000 quarts.

A man recently, in New York, laid a wager that he would woo, win, and marry within an hour a young lady, whom, with his companions, he had just seen arrive at the hotel where he was living. There is nothing in the American marriage law to prevent this dispatch. He introduced himself to the damsel; she smiled upon his suit, and a minister was called in, and they were married within an hour. The wager, of no inconsiderable amount, was handed over to the bridegroom, who left with his bride on the following day. It was shortly afterwards discovered that the couple had long been man and wife, and that they had been travelling about playing the same trick at various hotels.

Mark Twain has been telling his cycling experience to Mr Stead. Cycling, he said, was doing good service in tending to simplify woman's costume, and in making clothes to be adapted to the necessities and uses of life. I asked him (says Mr Stead) if he ever cycled. He said—"Yes, I have, but it was a long while ago. It was in the days of the high cycles. I have never ridden, but I used to take lessons from a professor in cycling, who, after watching me for some time, remarked judiciously, 'Clemens, it seems to me that you have the art of falling off in a greater variety of ways that I had ever conceived it possible for, anyone to fall off.' I suppose it was so, for although I never happened to break a limb, I raised a large bump upon my head, and the skin on my legs hung in festoons.

A large number of people were present on Sunday last at the deposit of Messrs Gubba and Co. to witness the working of their locust exterminator. The experiments were made on a mass of locusts and the solution used proved very effective, the locusts first falling into a kind of dazed condition and afterwards dying. The solution, which is guaranteed to be perfectly harmless to animals and plants, was sprayed over the locusts by an apparatus perfected by Messrs Gubba and Co., and which answered the purpose excellently.

The Czar, in spite of his insignificant physique, is no mean athlete, and is a firm believer in all healthy exercises. Every morning, as it is light, he runs a verst (about five furlongs) at a good speed, usually timing himself by a watch he carries in his hand. His average time for this distance is a shade under three minutes—by no means a bad performance. He is a keen cyclist, and is seldom happier than when on his bicycle with a rook rise in his hand. He prides himself on being able to bring down three rooks out of seven while riding at a good pace.

One fowl-keeper recently found out that about a fifth of his birds neglected to lay eggs. It occurred to him that the hitherto inscrutable problem, namely, why hens did not lay, might be solved by the X-rays. So he tried them first on a dozen hens, four of whom straightway received the happy despatch. Thereupon he applied the test to his whole stock, with the result that about a tenth were found wanting, not on account of constitutional laziness, but from circumstances over which they had no control. So the farmer declined to feed them any longer, and sent them to market.

The expense of yachting has not tended to decrease of late years. The era of enormous steamers, ranging from 250 to even 2500 tons, and costing, according to the owner's whims and the luxury of the fittings, from £15,000, to £200,000, has largely tended to raise the standard of expense to be incurred by those who must be in the fashion and do the thing better than the majority of their fellows. But whether yachting is an expensive pastime compared with others or not, of its fascinations and its popularity with the British nation, and growing popularity with most nations possessing seaboard there can be little doubt.

Lord Dalmeny, eldest son of the Earl of Rosebery, has made his debut in the cricket field with marked success, whilst staying at Petworth House as the guest of his uncle and aunt Lord and Lady Leconfield. He was chosen as one of the eleven to represent the Petworth Park Club against a team from the neighbouring town of Midhurst, and justified the choice by making the top score for his side in the first innings. For a batsman who is not yet sixteen years of age, his performance was pronounced by the local spectators—who, bred in a thorough-going cricket county, are no mean judges of the game—to be full of promise.

Russians and Japanese alike are said to be highly delighted with the trials of an ice-breaking steamer built in Denmark, which arrived at Vladivostock early in June. It is said to be able to cut through ice twenty-eight inches thick at the rate of four knots an hour. It is hardly necessary to point out what an important revolution would occur in the political, and especially in the naval, position in the Far East should the craft answer the expectations formed of her, since, in that case, Vladivostock can be made practicable all the year round, and Russia will be deprived of a favourite excuse for seeking open harbourage further South.

The last of the series of Cinderella Dances was in every way a complete success. The decorations were extremely pretty, and the large number of small electric lights, of all shades and colours, which were scattered here, there and everywhere, helped to produce a scene as striking as it was beautiful. The floor and music, as usual, were perfect, and the supper arrangements in the hands of the Albion Club, were all that could be desired. The hard-worked committee are to be cordially congratulated on the brilliant success of their unceasing efforts, the results of which will leave very pleasant memories in the mind of those who have been fortunate enough to have attended this season's Cinderellas.

The following are some of the curious titles of old English books: 1. "A Most Delectable Sweet Perfumed Nosegay for God's Saints to Smell at." 2. "Bisouit Baked in the Oven of Charity, carefully conserved for the Chickens of the Church, the Sparrows of the Spirit, and the sweet Swallows of Salvation." 3. "A Sigh of Sorrow for the Sinners of Zion breathed out of a Hole in the Wall of an Earthly Vessel known among men by the name of Samuel Fish" (a Quaker who had been imprisoned). 4. "Eggs of Charity Layed for the Chickens of the Covenant and Boiled with the Water of Divine Love. Take ye out and eat." 5. "Seven Sobs of a Sorrowful Soul for Sin." 6. "The Spiritual Mustard-Pot to make the Soul Saeze with Devotion." Most of these were published in the time of Cromwell.

The King of Siam has a pretty idea of the grotesque, if the following story is to be believed. When in Berne his Majesty, who possesses a "pig" album, requested the staid and solemn members of Federal Council to present him with a souvenir in the form of a drawing in the book by each one of them. Laughingly, they agreed; but their merriment was short-lived, for they were speedily informed that it was a sine qua non that the artists of those pigs should be blindfolded. The unhappy legislators had to fulfil their promise, and there was thus witnessed the unique spectacle of the venerable fathers all blindfolded and drawing little pigs. The results of their artistic efforts under such trying conditions can be better imagined than described. The pigs' tails were found at the pigs' head, whilst the eyes happened to be in the middle of the body.

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