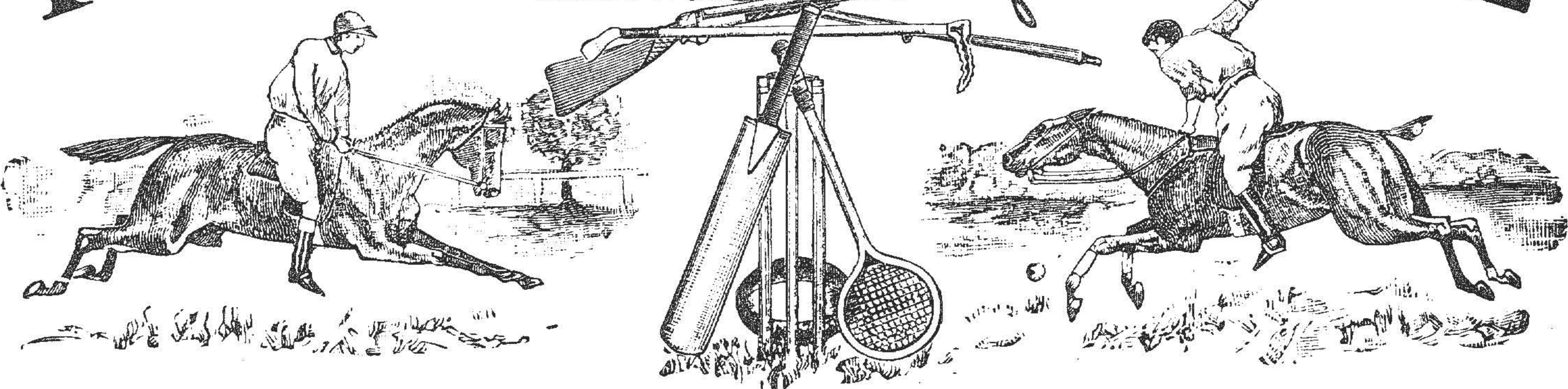


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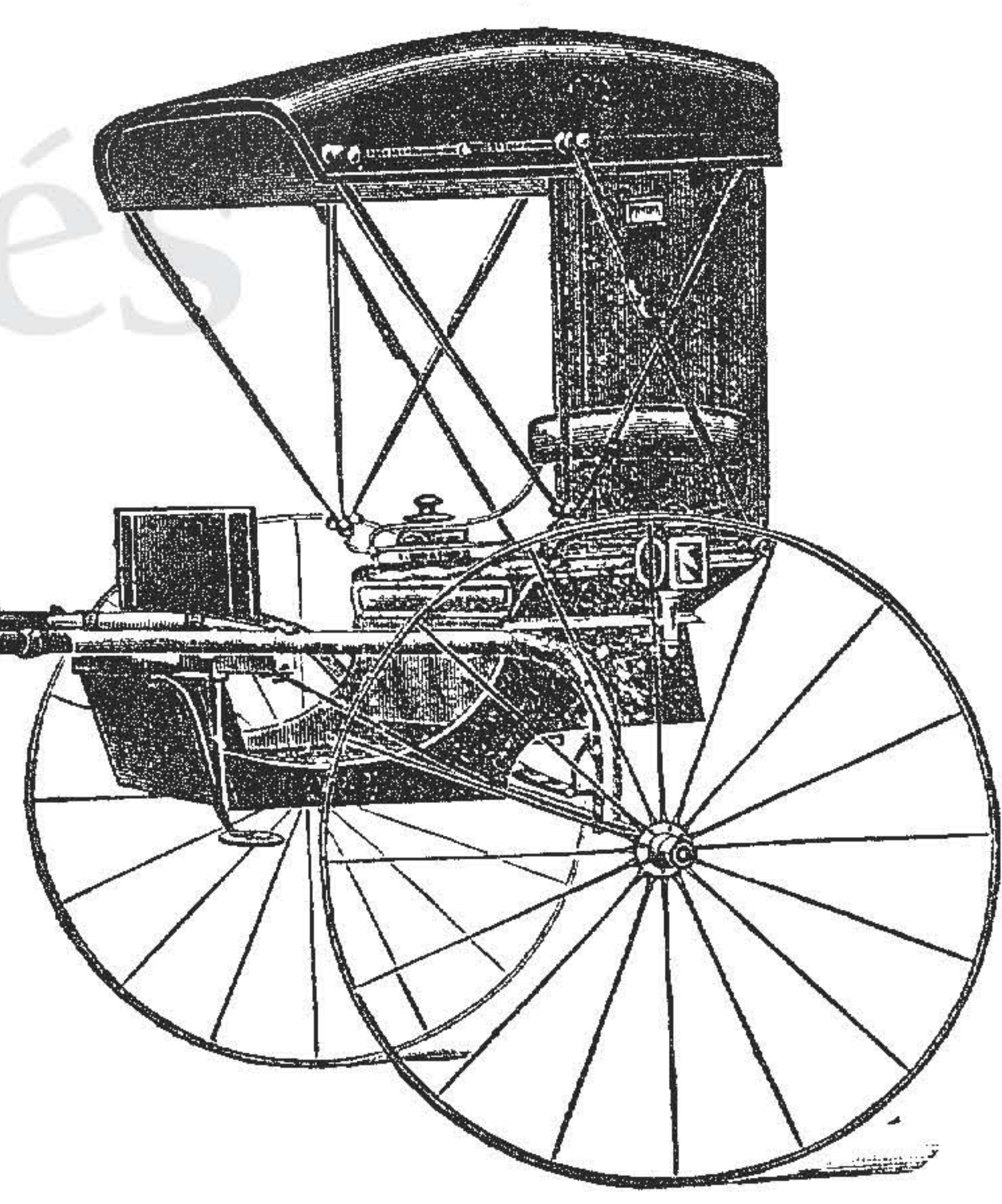
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ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

Sr. Felipe Senillosa has sold to Messrs Parker and Fraser, 100 export steers from his estancia El Venado, at \$38 gold each.

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A step in the right direction is the offer of prizes by the Government, for the best animals for army purposes, to be exhibited at the Horse Show at Palermo next week.

There will be three money prizes of \$1000 500, and 250 respectively, for the best horses in these classes, and two prizes of \$1000 and 500 for the best and second best mule for mountain artillery purposes.

It is certainly high time that something were done for the bettering of our breeds of horses, which as a general rule have rather lost than benefitted by the introduction of new blood.

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An important transaction in camp property is the purchase by Doña Martina de Cibils of some four leagues of camp, in the Rincon de Perez, Department of Paysandú, R.O., from the Sra. Maria Antonia Mendiharsu for the round amount of two hundred thousand gold dollars.

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The National Government has approved the statutes of a new Belgian company named the Bella Vista, formed for the purpose of fattening cattle for export.

The capital of the new concern is one million of francs. The representatives in Buenos Aires are Messrs F. Arionny and Adam Mahu.

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The Escandinaria Argentina will shortly start a big butter factory at Concepcion del Uruguay, in the province of Entre Rios.

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We have read somewhere recently that the live stock trade "is destined to be one of the great enterprises of this country." The writer might we think have gone further and said the most gigantic of this country's enterprises. With steamers suited to the trade, and proper government regulations properly applied, the business must, in the course of a very few years assume gigantic proportions, and we shall be called upon to supply the greater part of Europe, with fresh meat. It is also quite on the cards that before many years have gone by the Argentine Republic will be shipping live stock to the United States.

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Mr L. P. Dillon has sold to Messrs Parker and Fraser a batch of 100 export steers at \$37 gold each.

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In a letter on "Combining Beef and Milk," Mr F. B. Linfield, Utah Agricultural College, U.S.A., says:—"The dual-purpose cow is not the product of a cross between the beefing and dairy breeds, as some seem to reason, any more than the coach horse is a cross between the light and the heavy draught horse. These dual-purpose types must be independent creations bred up from animals possessing the dual characteristic in a marked degree. The practice advocated by some of mating the extreme types of beef and milk as a means of producing the dual-purpose cow is, I believe, a grave mistake. This indiscriminate mixing of breeds has done, and is doing, very much harm, and should be discouraged in every possible way. There are breeds of cattle, many individuals of which possess the dual characteristic in a marked degree, and these afford us the surest and quickest means of building the dual-purpose cow."

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In their March report Messrs Clay, Robinson and Co., of Chicago, make the following remarks:—"The cattle shortage has been a staple subject of discussion for the past year and its effects discounted to some extent; in fact, the strong market which has ruled for some time past has been due to no inconsiderable extent to this very thing. Our monthly tabulated statement of receipts at the various markets tells a story that he who

runs may read. Over 93,000 less cattle were received at the four great western markets during the first two months of 1899 than for the same period of 1898, notwithstanding the fact that the attractive prices of beef cattle, together with the enhanced cost of corn as compared with former years, have sent thousands of cattle to market which, under ordinary conditions, would have been held and fed two or three months longer. Our reports from almost every part of the feeding belt tell the same story, of half filled or empty feedlots that were last year at this time full of cattle. It is unnecessary to look far for the causes leading up to the present situation. The high prices asked for feeders together with the light corn crop in many localities caused many farmers to resolve that they would let the "other fellow" do the feeding, and market their corn as such rather than in form of beef. We are not extremists and do not wish to encourage the belief that a boom is about to burst upon the cattle feeding industry or that any sharp advance in values is likely in the near future. On the other hand we do believe that indications point to a continuance of present values and deprecate the policy of marketing cattle before they are fat.

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The following interesting notes are taken from the "Live Stock Journal":—

Some of the pleasant surprises in connection with the breeding and feeding of farm stock occur on holdings which give the animals a fresh range of pasturage. It is possible to overdo almost any sets of pasture land with one class of stock. The ground may not be trampled and eaten till it gets foul, but it may easily come to want that crisp relish which is desirable. Sir Walter Gilbey is right in holding that horses ought to have a wide feeding area when they are in the open. The immediate progenitors of the horse did undoubtedly roam over extensive tracts of land in search of fare. It can scarcely be questioned that the horse as we know him has a great notion of being free in the widest sense of the term once he comes to feel perfectly comfortable under the open sky. He falls quite easily into a vagabond kind of existence, taking here a little there a little on his way. Still if he has suspicion that he may at any time be hunted off a specially good bit of pasturage, how diligent he is to make the most of his opportunities!

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When hungry stock are set into a field they usually make the most of what falls first to them, but if they are only half hungry the desire to roam over the pasture is strong. In a herd or flock the grazing behaviour of the bunch as a whole is influenced a good deal by the peculiarities of the older and more masterful members. Should these leaders be of a discontented turn they are apt to infect their neighbours and to keep the group on the move. A quiet, easy going disposition on the part of the "elders," has a soothing and settling effect. But flocks and herds take strange fits at times. They are unaccountably restless even on a clean and pleasant range of pasture. They keep moving for no apparent purpose, and refuse to settle down. Matters are at the best when the stock fall to graze of their own accord. On a hillside or moor a flock of sheep or a herd of Highland cattle seems to be perfectly contented with the fare at command. One fears to disturb the group knowing full well that once the spell of peace is broken there cannot be rest for hours on end. In spite of long domestication our farm animals of the hardier varieties are never so happy as when they discover suitable feeding grounds for themselves. Once again they are the creatures of very ancient custom, and have vague glimpses of freedom.

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While it is true that horses and sheep often thrive amazingly on lands which are perfectly fresh to them, it is also a fact that cattle of the very best class have been bred for generations in certain districts. In the north-east of Scotland, for instance, native cattle grow and thrive most remarkably on holdings which are not to all appearance blessed with very good land. On turnips and straw they come out at a great rate where the management is up to average, and during the short summer they put on flesh in a way that surprises southern men. Of course there is a

juiciness in the straw, turnips, and grasses of the north-east, but with reference to the summer grazing, one must also bear in mind that the stock are mostly within reach of good water and are very little disturbed by insect pests. When all is said, however, it is by no means easy to tabulate even roughly the factors which make for successful wintering and grazing. Still, it is quite certain that land which is "run down" in condition does not make a good winter or summer job of stock, let the climate be what it may.

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In answer to Sir H. Vincent in the House of Commons last month, Mr T. W. Russell, on behalf of Mr Long, stated that 2072 cattle out of a total shipment of 140,710, or 1½ per cent., were lost in course of transit across the Atlantic during the four months from November, 1898, to February last. The President of the Board of Agriculture had no means of influencing the conversion of this trade into a purely dead meat trade—a matter which was obviously governed by economic considerations, over which he has no control—but he would continue to do everything possible to improve the conditions under which it was carried on.

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Regarding the fasting capacities of animals, the horse is perhaps the one of all others that succumbs most speedily to starvation, cattle being more tenacious of life; whilst it appears that carnivorous animals are able to fast for a longer period with impunity than those which live on herbs and cereals. Cases, however, innumerable have occurred in which animals in state of destitution have succeeded in sustaining life by eating substances of quite a different nature to their usual food. For instance, a horse has been known to keep itself alive upon fish, whilst birds have devoured flesh with benefit to themselves when pressed by hunger; though whether to the statement made by Blaine, which tells of sheep which have been buried under snow deriving nourishment from their own wool or from that of their fellow captives, is a matter upon which it would be unwise to speak decidedly especially as the dangers of balling would have to be reckoned with.

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Messrs Funes Lagos and Co., sold last week the following live stock on the Bayauca estancia in the partido of Lincoln.

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The total of the sale amounted to \$50,730. The buyers were Messrs Benigno Martinez, Juan Rocca, B. Busso, B. Ita, Arenaya and Juan Hughes.

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In our last week's issue we reported the sale of 200 export steers from Comandante Urquiza's estancia Fontezuelas, at \$40 gold each. We now hear that these animals were fattened on maize which will account for the long price; as regards the capones sale of which we reported as at \$3.10 gold, the price is correct, but the animals had to weigh 65 kilos and up.

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Messrs Lazaro Repetto and Sons, have sold from their estancia in Ayacucho, 1900 export capones of 60 kilos and up at \$3.00 gold each. Buyers Messrs Parker and Fraser.

The same exporters have also purchased from Sr. Felix Alzaga, from his estancia Pancho Diaz, in the partido of Magdalena, at \$80 paper.

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Deptford, April 27—1423 Argentine steers were sold to-day at 3s to 3s 7d per stone, and 6976 Argentine wethers at 3s 4d to 3s 6d per stone. There is a stock on hand of 367 steers and 2073 wethers. Market quiet.

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Messrs Parker and Fraser have, we hear, purchased from the Fernandez estancia in Chascomus, 50 Polled Angus steers for export, at \$100 paper each and 50 Durham steers, at \$95 each.

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The sale is reported of 1200 novillos mestizos from an estancia in the partido of Coronel Vidal, at \$28 each.

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Sr. H. Smith has purchased from Don Eustaquio Ariztizatal, estancia La Micaela, Vivorata, F.C.S., 1000 export capones at \$3.50 gold each, which is a big figure but then we understand that the capones must turn the scale at 70 kilos.

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Current prices for export novillos, in the province of Buenos Aires are from \$33 to 38 gold.

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The wool season is practically at an end, and the small parcels of wool of the last clip will probably all be liquidated

during the first half of the current month. In the Central Produce Market the stock is at present about two and a half millions kilos, composed almost entirely of coarse cross and inferior parcels.

The European market continues very firm with a rising tendency and prices here are consequently good. A parcel of 250,000 kilos of fine wool was sold on Saturday last, by Sr. Rivera to Messrs Masuel Fils, at \$7.80 the ten kilos. The total sales on Saturday were 570,000 kilos whilst the arrivals only amounted to 240,000 kilos.

Prices may be quoted as follows: Fine cross Lincoln \$6.50 to 7.80; Rambouillet \$7.00 to 8.20; Coarse crosses \$5.50 to 6.50

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Heavy losses in sheep are reported from various departments in the Banda Oriental, due chiefly to excessive rain and the consequent over abundance of soft slushy grasses. Cattle likewise are in poor condition.

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The sale is reported of a small camp in the partido of Mercedes, province of Buenos Aires, close to the station of the Western Railway, M. J. Garcia and belonging to the testamentaria of the late Don Francisco Sautidet, some 710 hectares at \$117 the hectarea. Buyer Sr. Anselmo Villa.

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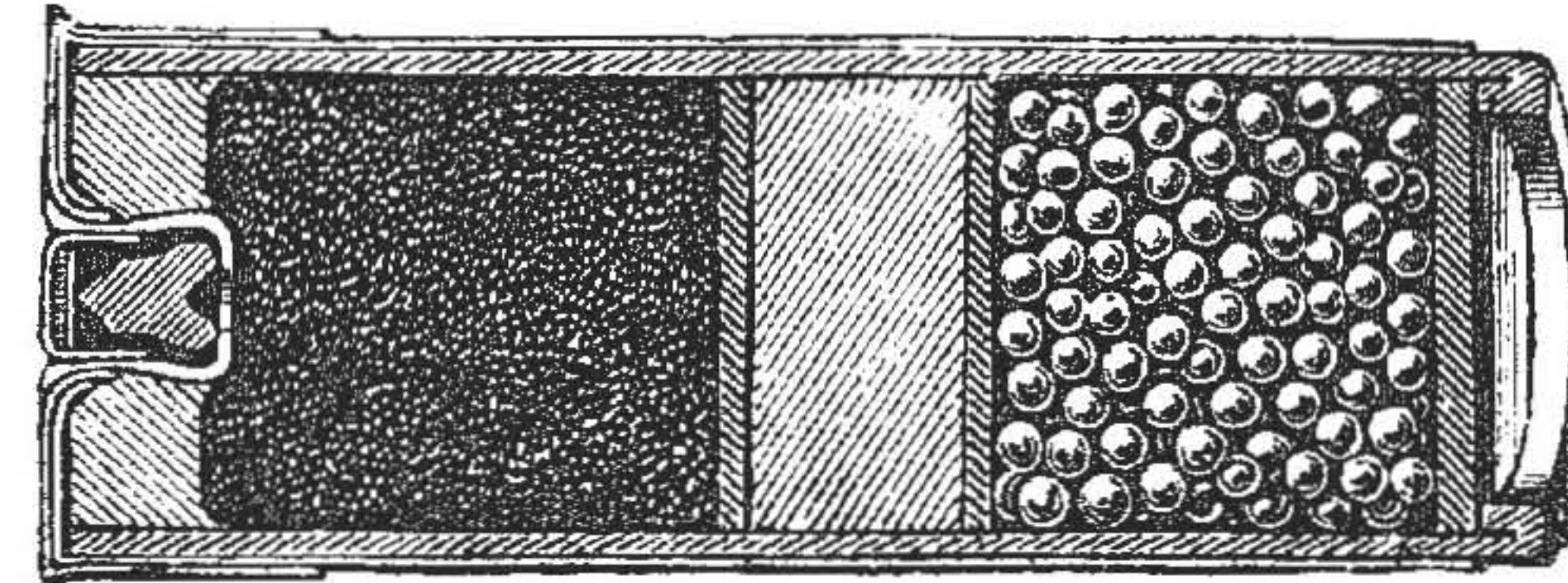
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1st April.—To-day we came upon an Indian fishing on the left bank of the river, he was so intent on his occupation that he had not noticed us, and was much startled when he looked up, we persuaded him by signs to stop and speak to us, and recognised him as an Indian who had formerly worked in the sugar harvest at Mr Leach's factory of La Esperanza. We sent him to advise his tribe of our arrival, and a number of Indians, men, women, and children, came down to visit us, among them we recognised the faces of other workmen, who in their turn seemed very pleased at seeing Mr Leach. I mention this, as, when one remembers that Mr Leach's factory is nearly a hundred leagues from this point, some idea may be formed of the distance to which these tribes are capable of travelling.

They told us they were in great fear of some soldiers scouring the opposite bank, and we have since heard that a large body of Indians (several hundreds) had killed a settler named Ibañez and also some of his peones, after which they attacked a fort of ten soldiers at Marcos Paz, and killed four; it was probably the primitive force from Rivadavia that our informers were afraid of, and, I expect they will get little mercy if discovered, although not the authors of the outrage.

I will take this opportunity of giving you what little information I have been able to collect concerning the Indian tribes of the Chaco. As far as the Bermejo is concerned, we need only deal with two, viz., the Mattacos and the Tobas, although there are many others in the Chaco as for instance the Orejudos to the North, in the Pilcomayo district, and the Vilelas and Moco-vitos to the South.

The Mattacos inhabit the western portion of the river near the province of Jujuy, and the Tobas the western portion near the province of Corrientes. The Mattaco Indians, generally not more than 5 feet 6 inches in height, do not compare favourably with the Tobas, many of whom stand over 6 feet. The Mattaco, the weaker of the two, lives in constant fear of the other, and it is needless to say, that they are in a constant state of warfare. Nor is he prepossessing in appearance, his head is large and his features flat and unsightly. There is a noticeable absence of hair on the face, among all the Chaco tribes, and such as does appear they invariably pluck out by the roots.

The women of both tribes are curiously short and thick, seldom I should think over 5 feet in height, those we saw were nearly all carrying children at the breast, supported by slings made of the fibre of the "chaguar" or wild pineapple, they wore a cloth of the same material hanging from the waist, and a little necklace of such shell or pieces of shell, as they were able to find in the river, constituted their only ornament.

I also noticed the men wearing small lizard skin finger-rings, and I was lucky enough to obtain several by exchanges of tobacco or cigarettes. They wear them, I was told, as charms against certain disease, and are not associated with the lymenal state. The Toba, on the other hand, wears huge blocks of wood hanging from his ears and generally a plaited band round his forehead.

Each family lives in a shelter called "toldo," which I have already referred to, as made by piling straw upon a frame of sticks. A number of such "toldos" are built close together forming a circle, for greater security, and in the centre of which they keep their cattle, water and provisions, etc., the whole being called a "tolderia." Constantly living in fear of an attack they train dogs and even birds (chajas) as guardians to warn them of danger.

When obliged to leave a "tolderia," which they do periodically, or immediately if an epidemic such as small-pox (scourage of these Indian tribes) breaks out, they always burn it, and it may be this nomadic life which has prevented them from becoming adepts in any form of manufacture. They know neither how to work in iron or in bronze, and their arrows, lances and even spades are only made of hard wood. They are skilful in making small bags, or thick shirts, from a twine manufactured out of the chaguar leaf already referred to. The former, each wears at his side to contain tobacco, roots, and the small articles of his simple life, and the latter he wears in war as a guard against the arrows and lances of his foe.

A singular absence of religion among these Indians, is I think, worthy of special notice, since the tribes of the Andes have, we know, so many deities. It may be perhaps that their mode of life has never been favourable for the preservation of penates—anyhow, they have none—unless perhaps the moon, but I cannot find that they make a practice even of worshipping that. It is singular however, that they should believe in the existence of the

soul, which they think wanders miserably, if the body of the deceased is not at rest in his own hunting ground. In the case of death they hollow out the trunk of a living yuchan tree, and place the corpse inside, not forgetting tobacco and fruits, to help the spirit on its journey; or else they place the body in the branches, and when the carrion birds have picked the bones clean, guard them in their own toldos. The Tobas, on the contrary, bury their dead in the ground and make no further ceremony.

Sr. Pelleschi, in his admirable book on the Chaco, argues that as cruelty has been the special privilege of religion, from the time of the priests of Baal to the Spanish Inquisition—there should be an absence of it among the Chaco tribes; and this seems to be the case, for I am assured that human sacrifices are not known among them. I cannot discover either that they are cannibals, although one native declared to me that they would eat the flesh of a white man, but this is not confirmed. Anyhow they always mutilate the dead bodies of their enemies, generally carrying the head away with them to be used as a drinking cup in the subsequent orgie.

Being very short of rowers we arranged with the cacique Moro-Moro for three Indians to accompany us on our journey—"Prisoners" our humorist calls them, and then we tried to assure the friendship of the tribe by gifts of shirts, tobacco, and bead necklaces. No Indian, however, is to be trusted such [is his character, and I called to mind the words of the Trojan seer as I left them, "Timeo Danae et dona ferentes."

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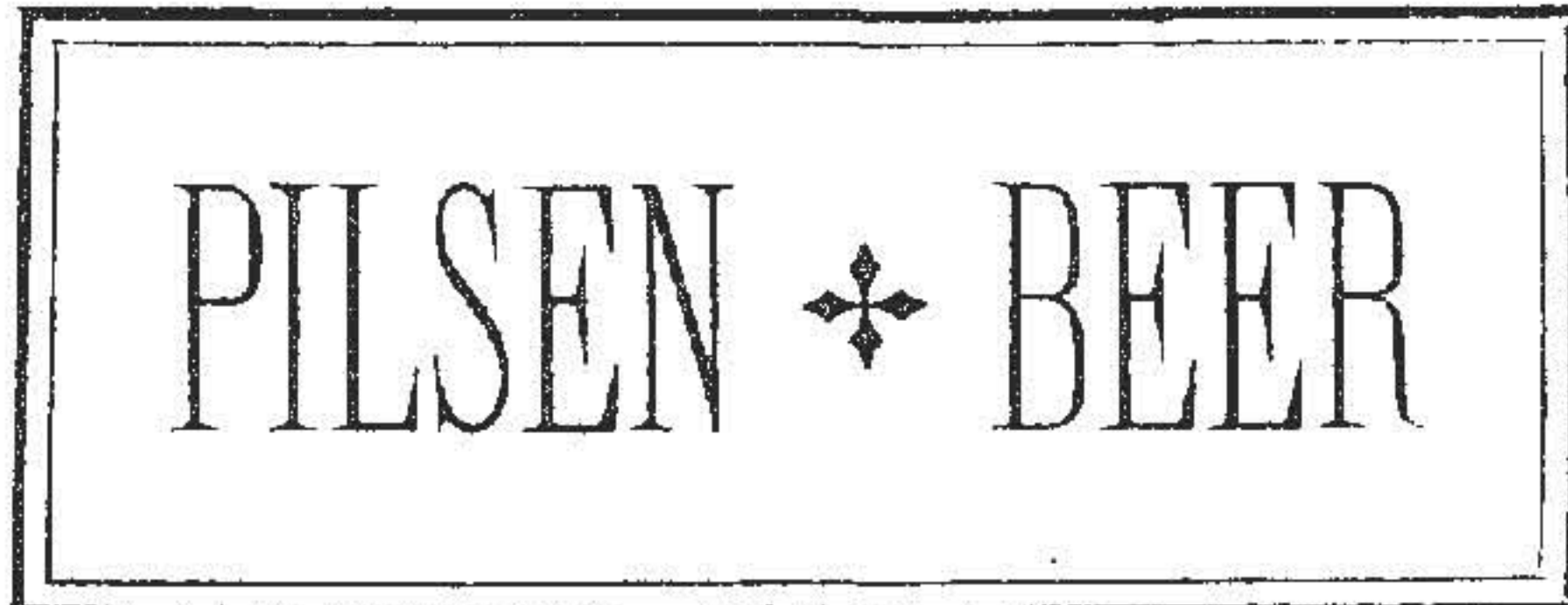
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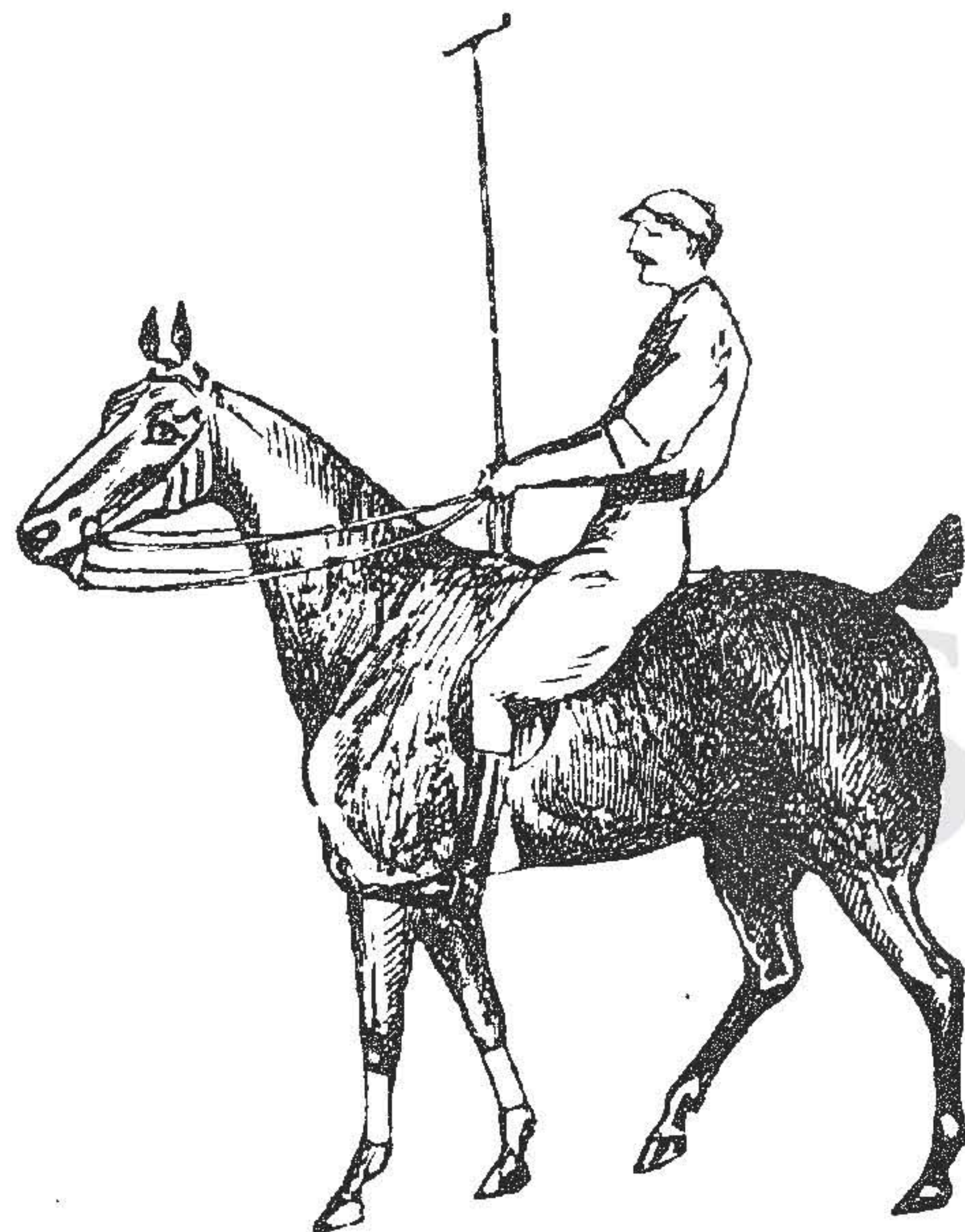


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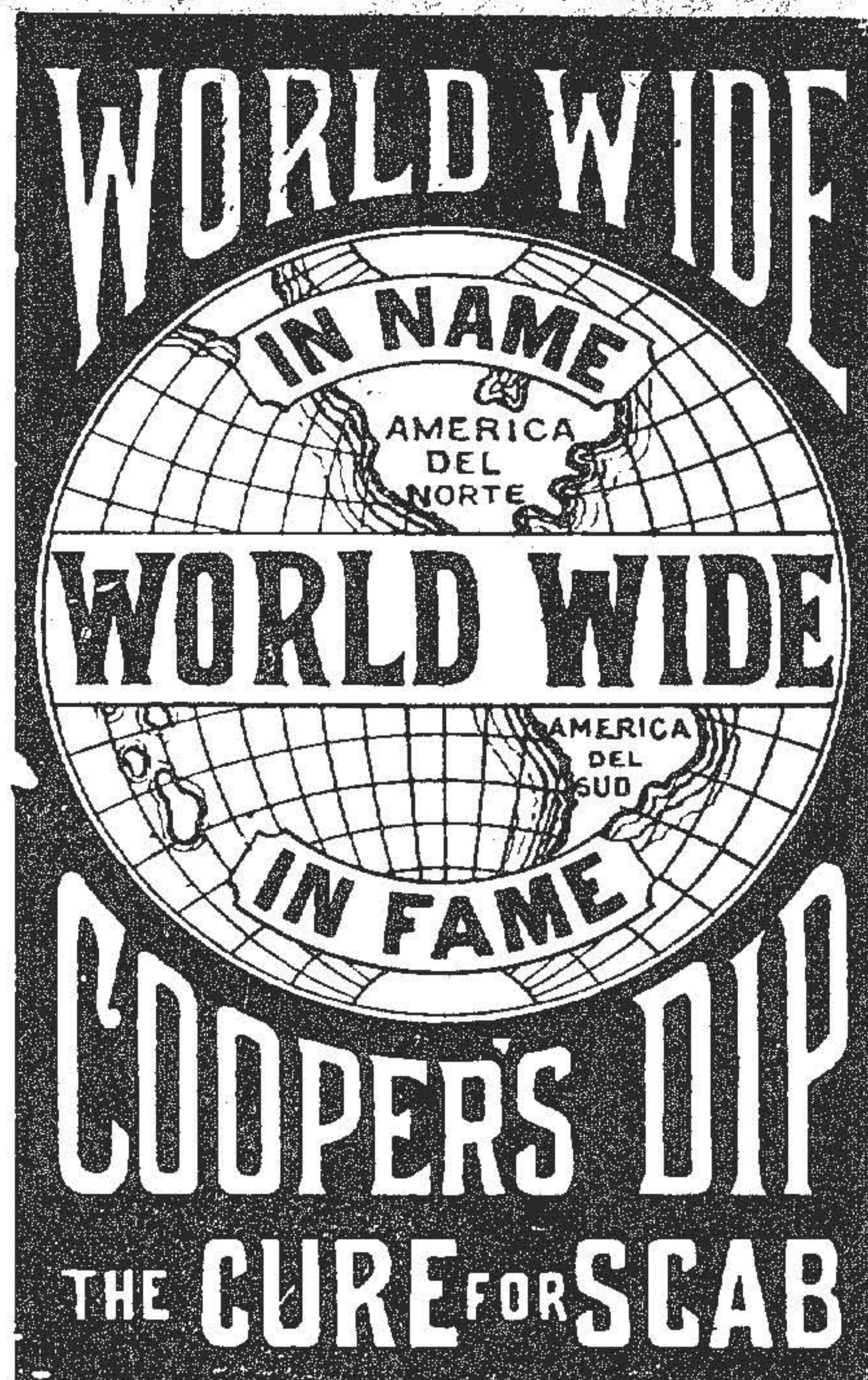
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HOME NEWS.

FOOTBALL.

RUGBY.

Blackheath visited South Wales on April for their return match with Newport. The game was typical of the varying styles of English and Welsh clubs; although, as Blackheath had a more or less holiday sort of team, it would scarcely be fair to take the result, a four tries to one victory the Newport, as indicative of the respective merits of the two clubs. Blackheath endeavoured to overrun the Welsh-men forward; and, for a time, this policy succeeded in keeping Newport's three-quarter line in check. Gradually, however, the "home" backs began to assert themselves, and Blackheath took W. E. Tucker out of the pack to act as a fifth three-quarter. Although this move answered for some time, Newport again assumed the aggressive, and scored two of their tries in the closing stages of the game. Many London clubs selected the West of England for their Easter tours, but few of them could claim victories in their matches. Lennox lost to Plymouth, Old Merchant Taylor's to Devonport Albion, Wickham Park to Torquay Athletic, Civil Service to Exmouth, Upper Clapton to Redruth, and Catford Rridge to Stroud. London Irish only went as far as Brighton and had the satisfaction of drawing with the fifteen of that name.

Leicester, having disposed of Moseley in the replayed semi-final tie of the Midland Counties Cup, opposed Nuneaton in the final round at Coventry. General expectations were fulfilled by the success of Leicester by one goal five tries to one try. Nuneaton played a capital game forward, but the holders were decidedly stronger in the back division. The Notts cricketer, A. O. Jones, and his brother, F. H. Jones, were particularly prominent in the three-quarter line, though the former's place kicking was nothing like up to its usual standard.

ASSOCIATION.

Corinthians and Southampton had already met twice this season; so that their match, on April 1st (the first of the amateurs' Easter tour) constituted a sort of "rubber" game. The Corinthians had a remarkably strong side out, although it was rather strange to find the Old Carthusian back, E. H. Bray, playing outside right. Both those international goal-keepers, W. R. Moon and Robinson, had to be ever on the alert, but in the end the Corinthians claimed a lead of two goals to one. The game was played in a thoroughly fair spirit, and an unfortunate accident, by which C. B. Fry had his left cheek-bone fractured, was the only incident to mar an otherwise pleasant match. The injured back is extremely impetuous, and it was this characteristic which, unfortunately, led to the mishap.

The Scottish Association had deferred selecting their side for the international until after the Glasgow game, between the English League and Scottish League elevens, and the difficulties of their task were not lightened by what they saw then. The Scotsmen had quite their full share of the play, but neither in speed, dash, nor shooting could they be compared with their rivals. When the pressure on the English goal was greatest, Hillman, of Burnley, did some marvellous things, and at the interval nothing had been scored. An accident to Prescott, of Notts County, reduced the English Leaguers to ten; but that misfortune had a revivifying effect upon the rest of the visitors. Bloomer scored with a characteristic shot. Glaring mistakes by one of the Scottish backs Smith, of the Glasgow Rangers, and the goalkeeper, McArthur, of the Celtic, enables Settle, of Bury, to register a second point, and before the spectators had recovered from their surprise. Athersmith added another. The match was now practically lost, for although Campbell scored for the Scots, Athersmith notched a fourth for the visitors, and the ten English League players had gained a remarkable victory by four goals to one.

Liverpool, having been thrown out of the Association Cup by Sheffield United, seem also to have lost all chance of the League Championship. A defeat at Liverpool by Nottingham Forest has been followed by another at Bolton, where the Wanderers triumphed by two goals to one. It is remarkable that, on April 1st, all the four leading teams, Aston Villa, Liverpool, Burnley, and Everton, were beaten; while the two clubs at the bottom of the table, Sheffield Wednesday and Bolton, registered wins.

CRICKET.

THE ENGLISH TEAM IN SOUTH AFRICA.

NINETEENTH MATCH—V. SOUTH AFRICA.

The tour was brought to a close at Cape Town with a match against a representative eleven of South Africa. A matting wicket was used, and favourable weather prevailed. The Englishmen, batting first, on April 1, could make little headway against

the bowling of Middleton and Sinclair, and were disposed of for 92 (Warner thirty-one). Four wickets were taken by Middleton for eighteen runs and six by Sinclair for twenty-six. The latter also showed good batting form, and was not out with fifty-six to his credit, seven wickets then being down for 126. On play being resumed on April 3, South Africa added 51 runs, Sinclair contributing forty-seven, so that his score reached 106, the only three figure innings registered against the visitors during their tour. Trott took four wickets for sixty-nine, Haigh three for eighty-eight, and Cuttell one for fourteen. Amends were made by the Englishmen for their moderate display on the previous day, 211 runs being placed to their credit for five wickets. Tyldesley was the principal scorer with eighty-seven not out, while Mitchell and Warner made forty-one and twenty-three respectively. The match was concluded on April 4 the Englishmen winning by 210 runs. They added 109 to the overnight score, Tyldesley being caught when he had obtained 112. The home side required 246 runs to win, but they were quickly got rid of for 35 by Haigh and Trott, the former taking six wickets for eleven runs and Trott four for nineteen. Of the matches played, the Englishmen won fifteen, lost one, and three were drawn.

BILLIARDS.

"Disappointing" is the only term that can be fairly applied to what has been constantly described as "the match of the century," and there is no doubt that Dawson made a fatal mistake in agreeing to break the original conditions of the articles, which stipulated for "a neutral hall." During the week's play at the Argyll Hall there was really nothing in it between the two men, for, at the end of the first half of the match, Roberts only held a lead that his opponent could have wiped out in a single good break. Directly, however, that play was resumed at the Egyptian Hall, the whole complexion of the match was altered. Roberts evidently felt that his "foot was on his native heath," and he went away so fast that the result was placed beyond doubt in two or three days. It was only indeed on April 1st that Dawson displayed anything like his real form. On that day he could do nothing wrong, and, whilst Roberts was hopelessly out of form, rattled up break after break in such style that he actually wiped off about 1,300 of his opponent's lead, and wound up the day with just a possibility of pulling through after all. Any hopes that his backers may have entertained were speedily crushed on April 3rd when Roberts accomplished his best performance of the entire fortnight, whilst Dawson's play would not have been creditable to a really high-class amateur. As a natural consequence the end was soon reached, Roberts finally winning by 1,814 points. Taken as a whole, the play of neither man was at all worthy of his reputation, but possibly the great importance of the occasion had something to do with his. Dawson, at this best, is not the player that Roberts once was, and very possibly never will be, but there is no disguising the fact that the latter has gone off his game. Considering that he will be fifty-two this year, it is not surprising that this should be the case, for very few men of that age retain full possession either of the eyesight or nerve. Under strictly neutral conditions there is little or nothing to choose between the two players, and the recent match will not have been played in vain if it puts a stop to ridiculous starts and the "waiting game."

CORRESPONDENCE.

Tucuman, April 1899.

To the Editor of the *River Plate Sport and Pastime*.

Dear Sir,—

In reference to some remarks that appeared in your paper re the raising of the height of polo ponies in this country to 14.2, I should like to say that I consider it beneficial to the popularity of the game as naturally two inches gives a larger field to select from, and for that reason would tend to make the ordinary polo-pony cheaper, but again ponies of better breeding can come under this standard and ambitious players and heavy-weights especially will buy these extra good ones, so as to be in the front rank and will have to pay more for them as generally a good big'un is better than a good little'un.

Light weights, however, in many cases will stick to their 14 hand ponies and a great many find them easier to play off, hence this goes to prove that there being a larger supply of the raw material in the shape of cattle ponies, players ought to be able to mount themselves more easily and more cheaply.—Yours faithfully,
REBENQUE.

ROSARIO

The annual general meeting of the Rosario Athletic Club was held in St. Bartholomew's Schoolroom on Tuesday evening last when there were about 40 members present. The balance sheet presented by the Treasurer showed the Club to be in a satisfactory financial position, notwithstanding a notable diminution in entrance fees and subscriptions of \$1039. The receipts for the past year amounted to \$6579.37 m/n and the expenditure to \$5664.70 m/n leaving a balance in hand of \$914.67 m/n. The list of members, compared with the previous year, shows a reduction in the number of 112, owing to the removal of the names of deceased members and of those who failed to pay up the necessary subscriptions. The number now on the books of the Club is 44 Life and 153 active members.

Owing to the annual athletic sports, having to be postponed on account of bad weather, and there being no feast day available, they were held on Sunday the 6th November which probably accounted for a falling off in the attendance, and in consequence of additional expense in making preparations, advertising etc., a second time, the nett profit to the club, was not so great as in previous years, but under the circumstances may be considered satisfactory. The committee express their best thanks to those who kindly donated the prizes on this occasion.

On the 25th March a Gymkhana meeting, a form of entertainment somewhat new to Rosario, was held under the auspices of the Club, for the benefit of the Anglo-German Hospital which resulted in a sum of \$170.40 being handed over to that deserving institution.

The last Football season was not so successful as previous ones owing to a number of players being obliged to attend the National Guard exercises. In the local competition three teams played viz., The Central Argentine Railway Athletic Club and the Rosario Athletic Club A and B teams the winners being the A's.

The Club games comprised two Association matches in Buenos Aires against Lomas and Belgrano respectively in both of which the visiting team was defeated, and one each Association and Rugby against Belgrano in Rosario the former of which was a draw and the latter a win for Rosario.

During the cricket season the following matches were played:— v. Venado Tuerto at Venado Tuerto, v. Northern Camps in Rosario, and v. Buenos Aires at Palermo in only one of which Rosario come off victorious viz, that against the Northern Camps. Owing to the continued rain only four competition matches were played all of which were won by the Cordoba and Rosario Railway Club.

The lawn-tennis courts have been well frequented by the residents near the Plaza, and recently three quoit pitches have been prepared and form an attraction to a number of players.

In view of anticipated improvements to the pavilion and Grand Stand the Committee propose to augment the annual subscription to \$20 per annum. This question was discussed at the meeting and the motion was carried by a small majority.

The committee express their thanks to H. H. Loveday Esq. who kindly lent the grounds at the Administration House of the Central Argentine Ry for the promenade concert, on the occasion of the visit of the Northern Camps team, also to those ladies and gentlemen who took part in the concert.

Thanks are also due to the Directors of "La Rosario" Insurance Company for the use of their Board room for the Club Committee Meetings and also to Mr Robb for the use of St. Bartholomew's Schoolroom.

The Committee elected for the ensuing year is as follows.—

Messrs J. J. C. Daniel, D. O. Le Bas, Malcolm Graham, F. Boardman, J. W. Besserer, G. Robb, V. Tenac, W. S. Pennan, A. W. Towse, J. H. Greene, T. Hall, H. Evans, A. D. Grant. Substitutes, J. H. Beaumont, R. H. Chamberlin, W. Boland, W. Robinson.

PONY RACING

SPORT CLUB TUCUMAN.

The above club opened the season last Sunday in splendid weather from a racing point of view, being cloudy, and dull, the going being very good, a slight rain having fallen on the previous day.

The opening meeting was a private one for members and their families, many of the public being very disappointed at being excluded. This is the first occasion upon which the Tucuman ladies have honoured the club with their presence, and we are sure from the enthusiasm displayed that it will not be the last. Many improvements have been made since last year and the management intend to still continue doing so and now intend to erect a large grand stand with better accommodation than the present one afford.

The 1st race on the card was a flat race once round the course 670 m. in which the following horses and ponies took part.

S. Sallas, No. 38.....	Owner
Ordoñe's, Indio.....	Mr J. Paz
C. Hill's Matungo.....	Mr Logan
V. Negri's, Gymkhana.....	Mr Finlayson

Flag fell to a fairly good start, that useful little pony Gymkhana getting well away on the inside, maintained his position to the end winning by half a length, the favourite 38 being second, Matungo 3rd close up with Indio. Dividend \$6.10.

1000 metres race open to all horses.

S. Gallo's, Tony.....	Owner
J. Ordoñe's, Nebrija.....	Mr M. C. Teran
V. Navarro's, Rosita.....	Mr J. Paz
V. Negri's, Picolo.....	Mr Finlayson

Tony cut out the running at a good pace but one round was enough for him; blood must tell in a long race and soon Nebrija and Rosita had it all their own way, a ding dong struggle down the straight ended in a head victory for Nebrija amidst much excitement, paying the handsome dividend of \$8.30.

1300 metres Hurdle race over 6 flights.

V. Lindop's, Electrico.....	Owner
A. Pretzel's, General.....	Mr Finlayson
A. Alluralde's, Chaja.....	Mr A. Morant
C. Hill's, Starlight.....	Mr Logan

This was a wonderfully good race and run in very good time. Electrico and Starlight being the first over the 1st hurdle—General refused to stay in the course to the first hurdle thereby losing much ground and could never reach the leaders although gaining very quickly at the last, Electrico and Starlight running a beautiful race taking most of the jumps abreast, ended in a good finish in favour of Electrico, whose owner is to be congratulated on his maiden win over the sticks, and the possession of such a good pony as Electrico.

The rest of the afternoon was passed in a game of polo, and a race for polo ponies which was won by Dr. Helguera's Chold, so ended a most pleasant afternoon. The next meeting will take place on the 7th of May, when the public will be admitted on payment of the usual fee.

HURLINGHAM—May 11th.

We give below the entries and handicaps for the above race meeting which is to be held to-morrow week the 11th inst.

PREMIO MAIDEN, for ponies of 58 inches and under which have not won a race at Hurlingham. Weight for inches, ponies of 58 inches and carry 75 kilos, 500 metres.

Martin Orrego's Vigilante 75 kilos; J. N. Drysdale's Kenneth 75; A. K. B. Mackintosh's Rayo 75; E. Lambruschini's Tero 75; M. R. Mackintosh's Nancy 75; G. Bell's Baccarat 72; H. Scott Robson's Abanico 72; J. Ravenscroft's Sloth 72; A. A. Sasso's Caprichoso 69; L. Grivar's Boy 69 ks.

PREMIO 11 DE MAYO, handicap for Polo Ponies of 58 in a under. Weight for inches, 800 metres.

Entries will be received for this race up to 10 o'clock of the morning of the race.

The Jockeys for this race must ride in Polo costume.

PREMIO HOPEFUL, Handicap for ponies of 58 in and under, 1000 metres.

M. Orrego's La Bruja 80 kilos; A. A. Sasso's Curioso 77; M. R. Mackintosh's Nancy 75; E. Lambruschini's Tero 75; A. Heran's Congo ex-Mistigris 75; H. Scott Robson's Florizel 73; R. P. Sidebottom's Heathen 73, J. N. Drysdale's Freda 72 ks.

PREMIO PEREYRA, handicaps for all mestizo horses, 1500 metres.

A. A. Sasso's Picardia 70 kilos; J. N. Drysdale's Vengador 70; R. E. Figuera's Aventurero 70; E. Lambruschini's Isabel 70; M. Juarez Celman (hijo) General Paz ex-Verdulero 70; T. Jeffery's Frigate 70, J. N. Drysdale's Kenneth 65.

PREMIO HUNT CLUB, for ponies of 58 in and under. Weight for inches, 2000 metres.

R. S. Moncrieff's Indio 75 kilos; J. S. Sheehan's Colinita 75; J. N. Drysdale's Freda 69; H. Schwind's Palenque 66 ks.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 1899.

NOTES.

We would again call attention to the fact that the entries for the annual Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Tournament close on Saturday next, the 6th inst., so that intending competitors should lose no time in sending in their names. Particulars regarding the entrance fees, etc., may be found in our advertisement columns. The tournament should this year be a greater success than ever, and we hear that the entries are expected to be exceptional. It is to be hoped that the delightful weather we have been experiencing of late will continue, so that the committee will not be put to all the trouble they were last year.

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In another part of to-day's issue may be found the entries and handicaps for the race meeting to be held at Hurlingham on Thursday, May 11th. For the second race, the Premio 11 de Mayo, entries will be received up to ten o'clock on the morning of the races, a fact to which we have been requested to call special attention. The entries are well up to the average, and given fine weather the meeting should prove a complete success.

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Yerba Amarga, the Montevideo crack, won the Premio Otoño on Sunday from start to finish. The time was poor, as the mare was allowed to lead at a slow pace for half the journey, but rounding the bend the jockey let her out and there was no lack of pace afterwards as she left her field as if shot from a bow and Pillito and Filou could get nowhere near her, the others being out of it from the start. This fine mare who has thus fully justified the remarks made previously in these notes will give more than one headache to owners and trainers in the big Classics. She goes quietly enough to the course, but once started, she seems simply to revel in running and whatever the distance is always eager to go another round.

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Pleasant though it is to have one's anticipations realised there is unfortunately another aspect to this case. Just a fortnight before, in another Classic, the Premio America 1600 m. under the same conditions and with the same weights, Yerba Amarga, who on Sunday seemed able to run round her rivals, never made any show at all and could only arrive fourth. Filou made a great race and won, which is not surprising, but the second was Pas-si-béte, and the third Balcarce. It seems to us that such a discrepancy, if occurring in England, would need categorical explanation.

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Such a crowd was attracted by the big race on Sunday that the people poured in from the electric trams in one continual stream between one and two o'clock, and after the races were over the cars were quite unable to

meet the traffic. The low open ones were filled up at once steps and all, and we saw a policeman stop one, but as fast he got the men off one side they were up again on the other and he had to give it up as a bad job and let it go on overloaded. Many walked on to the Palermo gates, but there again the people were waiting by the hundred, and the horse cars down Santa Fé reaped the benefit, they also getting full up. Such is the irony of fate that the special train on the Central Argentine Railway was the only place where everyone was sure of getting a seat!

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"What was the most valuable stake ever run for by horses?" is the nature of a question recently asked in an American journal, and in answer to it the following interesting information is given:--At Natchez, in Missouri, Mr. Claybourne matched his mare Susan Gaudell against Mr. Thurston's Rodolf for 2,500 bales of cotton on each side. The cotton staked was worth about £50,000.

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A remarkable story is told in connection with the late Lord Poulett, whose decease robs the English turf of one of its best supporters. Writing on December 15, 1870, to Mr. Thomas, an amateur rider, Lord Poulett said: "Let me know for certain if you can ride for me for Liverpool on The Lamb. I dreamt twice last night I saw the race run. The first dream he was last, and finished among the carriages. The second dream, I should think an hour afterwards, I saw the Liverpool run. He won by four lengths, and you rode him and I stood above the winning-post at the turn. I saw the cerise and blue sleeves, and you, as plain as I write this. Now, let me know as soon as you can, and say nothing to any one". Three months later the dream came true in every detail.

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A short time ago a camp subscriber wrote to us giving his definition of a sportsman and asking for further opinions on the subject. We have just received another definition from a friend outside and which is as follows:— "My opinion of a sportsman is one who puts his heart and soul into any game he takes up so as to attain excellence, without showing selfishness or taking advantage of the unwritten rules of a game, one who can win a victory with moderation and take a beating without showing jealousy or antipathy to foreigners in the event of their being successful."

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Unfortunately the rumour which we mentioned in these notes a short time back, concerning the retirement from first-class cricket of Mr. A. E. Stoddart, appears to be perfectly true, and he has stated his intention of practically withdrawing from first-class cricket, to which he has so long been an ornament and from which he will be greatly missed. Mr. Stoddart has been four times to Australia, twice with his own selected England teams. He holds the record for the highest individual score, four hundred and eighty-five for Hampstead against the Stoics, and was some years ago a great football player, being the best three-quarter back of his day.

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We have received the annual report and financial statement of the Rosario Athletic Club, and are very glad to see that the club is in such a flourishing condition. The number of members has decreased somewhat, but this is accounted for by the fact that a great many have been struck off the list during the past year for various causes. The committee hope to see plenty of matches arranged with Buenos Aires and other clubs in the various games, and we hope that our clubs will do everything possible to help our friends in the North in this respect.

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Rugby football players in all parts of the country are rejoicing at the successful way the formation of a Championship has been carried through, and everything points to an exceptional season. Old players are creeping out of their shells and the interest all round has increased wonderfully. We hear that in the North a camp team is being got together, so that the Rosario Athletic Club should be kept quite busy with fixtures, and we shall hope to see

the old days back again when this club could hold its own with any in the country at this branch of the winter game.

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At the last meeting of the Rugby Championship committee we understand that a beautiful cup was chosen from a design by Messrs Elkington and Co. the well-known gold and silversmiths. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Hon. Treasurers, Messrs J. W. Taylor and W. R. S. Baikie, for the manner in which they worked in getting up the subscriptions, which, at the time of writing, we believe amount to very nearly ninety pounds. When the arrangements regarding the Cup are definitely made we will give further details concerning it.

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It is now settled that five clubs will take part in the Rugby Championship, namely Rosario, B.A.F.C., Flores, Lomas, and Belgrano, the first-named being allowed the privilege of only having to play the runners up for the Cup, and if successful the leaders in the competition. Montevideo have reluctantly had to decline, as they are, to a great extent, dependent on the Navy men, and the movements of the latter are too uncertain for any definite dates to be arranged for matches. It is hoped, however, to arrange an inter-club match, and the Hon Secretary of the B.A.F.C. has already taken steps to try and decide upon a convenient date for it.

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The football match, played under Rugby rules at Flores last Sunday, between representatives of our Private Firms and Public Companies, resulted as was generally anticipated, in an easy victory for the former by thirty points to thirteen. The weather was rather warm for football, but the ground was in excellent condition, and the game was fast throughout. Quite a number of spectators were present, of whom a large portion were ladies, and everybody seemed pleased to see football again being played at Flores.

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We were pleased to see the forwards packing much better in the scrummages, and there were several beautifully formed "scrums," but in the loose we cannot offer praise. One or two there were who apparently knew how to use their heads and feet, but these were the exception, for as a rule, the majority, immediately the scrummages were broken up, seemed to lose their heads altogether and play became very wild. Too many free kicks had to be allowed for off-side, and there was far too much promiscuous hacking noticeable.

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The following up was also slack in the extreme, and, as a rule, the forwards offered very little assistance to their outsides in the way of tackling. The heat may, to a great extent, have accounted for this, but even so it was too absurd to see Mr. G. F. Elliot run practically right through the whole of his opponents more than once. It is no use whatever trying to tackle such a player round the neck, which seems to be the ambition of a great many, they must tackle low. If only all the players would bear this in mind, that they must go hard, straight and low for their men, we fancy there would be fewer tries registered.

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The half-backs must remember to keep the forwards informed as to where the ball is and not allow them to go on scrummaging long after the ball is out. On paper, by the result, it appears as though there was scarcely anyone on the field who could place-kick, and to a spectator it really looked as though this was the case, as some ridiculously easy kicks were missed. We noticed, however, at all events in three of the kicker, that the ball was very carelessly placed, and the kicks as well as the "placer" should take care to see that sufficient preparations are made to prevent there being any chance of the ball moving after being placed in position. Next Sunday there will be a good match at Flores, which should be well worth seeing.

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Two friendly games were played under Association rules last Sunday, one at Lanús between that club and Lobos, and the other at Belgrano. The former was a

return match and was again won by the Lanús representatives, who promise to be particularly strong this year. At Belgrano two teams under the titles of Great Britain and the River Plate tried conclusions, the game ending in a draw of two goals each. Both matches were well attended by interested spectators, so we may infer that this winter game is as popular as ever here.

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In another column may be found the Association football League fixtures which are smaller than has been the case for many years. The meeting of the committee was held last week when the officers for the ensuing year were elected. Mr. F. Wibberley was chosen as President, a post which we trust he will accept, for no better choice could have been made, his interest in sport and games of all kinds being well-known, while he enjoys watching a game of football as much as anyone.

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Mr. B. B. Syer was again elected Vice-President, a post which he has held for quite a long time, while he also accepted the post of Treasurer again. Mr. H. W. Botting, we are glad to say, still retains the Secretaryship, a post which entails a good deal of work. The committee is a strong one, and it seems a great pity that so few clubs have entered this year, the Lomas, Lanús, Lobos and Belgrano clubs alone placing teams in the field.

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Next year we shall probably see as many or more clubs entered for the League as ever, for the committee are determined to try and raise a second division of the League, an excellent idea, and one which we hope will meet with every support. There is plenty of room for it with the Palermo, Banfield, English High School, Barker Memorial School, Scotch School, and Quilmes clubs not taking part in the first division, while no doubt one or two of the larger clubs would place second elevens in the field. The committee met again last night and we trust that sufficient encouragement was received to induce them to form a second division.

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We heard one member proposing that those clubs who place two teams in the field should be allowed to play three of the first eleven in their second division teams, and, of course, if otherwise a second eleven could not be raised, it might perhaps be justifiable. We would strongly advise, however, to keep the two teams quite distinct, or as much so as possible. In this way more players get a chance, and the League becomes divided into two legitimate parts, one for first eleven players and the other for second eleven players, which will certainly save a great deal of unpleasantness.

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As regards the four teams already entered for the League, as far as we can tell at present, they are very evenly matched, and we should certainly be treated to a very much better class of Association football this season. For this reason we think that with a small first division and a large second one, the game will improve rapidly, as most of the games will be better contested. With quantity and not quality some very poor matches used to take place which only tended to dishearten the members of the weaker clubs and certainly failed to improve the play of those belonging to the stronger ones.

RACING.

BELGRANO—APRIL 27.

The heavy rain on Tuesday night and Wednesday morning had no bad effect on this meeting as Thursday turned out lovely and the going was not very heavy though there were still some soft places, notably on the rails at the finish for nearly all the afternoon. About the usual crowd assembled and things were pretty lively although the dividends were small, the biggest for a win being contributed by the best class horse coloured on the card, Travieso. Three big upsets were just staved off, two by Santa Jacinta and one by Rossignol.

Offembach scored his first win in 1400 metres from Portho and Calvino, the latter shewing very poor form this year.

The young ones made a good finish, Special and Regalia just catching Coracero on the post.

Rayon d'Or ran right away from his field in the Selling Plate and won by eight lengths.

Pompeyo made the pace hot in the 2000 metres followed by Santa Jacinta first and Regalina after, the latter being run out at the paddock where Santa Jacinta came again, but got near the rails where it was heavy, and Pompeyo again got away and won a good race by a length.

Porthos again made a bold bid in the 1200 metres, but was unable to hold out against Travieso, Orleans and Emir, who were too much for the light weights.

A good day's racing was wound up by the win of Huapi, the unlucky Santa Jacinta coming too late and getting within a head of the winner.

The following are the details:—

PREMIO DINERO, for horses of three years and more which have run more than twice and have not won more than \$5000. Weight, three years 50 kilos, four years and more 53 kilos. 3 kilos extra for every win. \$1200 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 1400 metres.

Stud Ituzaingo's Offembach, by Offenheit—Glenshee, 3 y, 56 k. F. Perez 1
Stud La Aurora's Porthos. 3 y, 54 1/2 k. R. Bastiani 2
Ecurie Mazappa's Calvino, 3 y, 56 k. A. Saavedra 3
Also ran—Tucapel, Cuaró, Victoriosa, Pólvora, Tapera, and Cariñosa.

Dividends—Offembach \$6.70 win and 2.50 place, Porthos 2.45 Calvino 2.35 place.

PREMIO DON CARLOS, for two-year-olds which have not won. Weight 55 and 53 kilos. \$1400 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 1000 metres.

Stud El Bosque's Special, by Carasco—Specie, 55 k. M. Valdez 1
Stud Criollito's Regalia 53 k. F. Perez 2
Ecurie Argentina's Coracero 55 k. I. Diaz 3
Also ran—Mein Herr, Olivero, Andariega, Guerrilla and Westfalia.

Dividends—Special \$5.45 win and 2.85 place, Regalia 5.55 place, Coracero 3.60 place.

PREMIO REMATE, for all horses. The winner to be sold for \$3000. Those entered to be sold for less to be allowed 3 kilos for every \$500 reduction, 3 kilos extra, for every win in a Premio Remate. Weight three years 57 kilos, four years and more 60 kilos. \$1300 1st, 100 2nd—1600 metres.

Stud Los Paraisos Rayon d'Or, by St. Mirin—Rose d'Or, 6 y, 51 k. G. Morales 1
Stud Red Lancer's Clamor, 3 y, 45 k. C. Bustos 2
Stud Estudiante's Don Carlos, 3 y, 54 k. P. Aguirre 3
Also ran—Apartacus, Pirata Calchinera, Kosir, Liberal, Azteca, Federacion, Financista, Olavarría, and Estoica.

Dividends—Rayon d'Or \$1.35 win and 2.60 place, Clamor 3.50 place, Don Carlos 3.75 place.

PREMIO DANTE, handicap for all horses. \$800 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 2000 metres.

Ecurie Semper Paratus' Pompeyo, by St. Honorat—Princess Belle Belle, 4 y, 48 k. M. Valdez 1
Stud Temerario's Santa Jacinta, 4 y, 40 k. F. Lissere 2
Stud San José's Guttemberg 4 y, 54 k. B. Oroná 3
Also ran—Regalona, Molécula, and Retraité.

Dividends—Pompeyo \$10.30 win and 5.20 place, Santa Jacinta 17.90 place.

PREMIO DON PEPE, handicap for all horses. \$1500 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 1200 metres.

Ecurie Tapalque's Travieso, by Orbit,—Moisonneuse, 3 y, 57 k. C. Cardoso 1
Stud Lo Alianza's Orleans, 5 y, 57 k. S. Urrutia 2
Stud Revolucion's Emir, 4 y, 54 k. P. Aguirre 3
Also ran—Genereux, Jeannette, Offembach, Pólvora, Chingolo, Orsino, Marat, Porthos, Punilla, Paz and Candil.

Dividends—Travieso \$15.45 win and 4.15 place, Orleans 2.60 place, Emir 4.75 place.

PREMIO DUQUE, handicap for all horses. \$1500, to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 1600 metres.

Stud La Alianza's Huapi, by Saumur—Agnes Hilda, 4 y, 48 k. I. Diaz 1
Stud Temerario's Santa Jacinta, 4 y, 40 k. F. Gomez 2
N. Pais' Rossignol, 5 y, 50 k. G. Morales 3
Also ran—Calfiao, Modesta, Rosalvina, Casuarina, Abrojo, Sorpresa, and Zambra.

Dividends—Huapi \$7.90 win and 4.05 place, Santa Jacinta 9.05 place, Rossignol 11.10 place.

PALERMO -- APRIL 30.

A lovely day and a full programme and a very interesting classic brought out the largest attendance seen this year. The movement in the boxes was exceedingly lively and the Jockey Club had quite a field day to make up for their unusual bad luck lately.

The Premio Otoño, 2000 metres, for all horses, weight for age, was competed for by eight good champions, three being from the other side. The chief interest was supposed to be the meeting of Pillito and Filou, considered at the moment the best representatives of 1897 and 1898, and they were both heavily backed. Yerba Amarga in spite of her poor show a fortnight ago, was the next on the list, and Primero had some tickets, the rest being little thought of. The race turned out a disappointment as the Montevideo mare took the lead to the turn and there Rivero gave her head and the race was at once decided, as she shot out so far that the others had not a chance of catching her. Unfavourable rumours about Filou had some foundation as he had a swollen foreleg from a kick, but he did very creditably, running Pillito to a head for second place.

The St. Oriel was on the job with Oribe and Orizon, the former winning the opening mile and taking second place to Modesta in the 1700 metres while Orizon who looked in fine fettle walked away from his field at the finish in the long distance.

Mago won the maiden easily, the second being Princesa, own sister to Primero, who looks like coming on.

Austerlitz won the 1400 in his usual style and why Daza and Hidalgo should have had more opinion is rather a puzzle.

Etolo and Langosta had a tough struggle in the young ones 1100 metres, running neck and neck for a 100 metres and the favorite getting a head advantage on the post.

The following are the details:—

PREMIO HARAS LAS PALMAS, handicap for horses of three years or more that have been a year in the country and have not won more than \$4,000. Weight three years 54 kilos, four years and more 56 kilos, three kilos extra for every race won. \$1500 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 1600 metres.

Stud Oriel's Oribe, by Orbit—Columbia, 3 y, 57 k. S. Urrutia 1
Stud America's Florete, 3 y, 57 k. R. Garrido †2
Stud Red Lancer's Clamor, 3 y, 57 k. I. Diaz †2
Also ran—Soliman, Patriota, Bambola, Joli, Union, Torpedo, and Llama.

Dividends—Oribe \$4.65 win and 2.90 place, Clamor 3.85 place, Florete 5.50 place.

PREMIO HARAS LA CURUMALAN, for two-year-olds which have not won. Weight 54 and 52 kilos. \$1700 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 1000 metres.

Jorge Atucha's Mago, by Napoleon—Cabula, 54 k. I. Diaz 1
Stud Winchester's Princesa, 52 k. J. Ribero 2
Stud Yuqueri's Dominó, 54 k. P. Aguirre 3
Also ran—Douglas, Leutres, Africano, Warness, Cuchufleta, and Hortensia.

Dividends—Mago \$1.05 win and 2.65 place, Princesa 3.90 place, Dominó 4.70 place.

PREMIO HARAS SAN JACINTO, handicap for all horses. \$1700 to the 1st, \$100 to the 2nd, 1700 metres.

Stud Modesta's Modesta, by Amazon—Mendiga, 3 y, 47 k. J. Olmos 1
Stud Oriel's Oribe, 3 y, 49 k. I. Diaz 2
Stud San José's Guttemberg, 4 y, 54 k. P. Aguirre 3
Also ran—Zarate, Judith, Juncal, Rayon d'Or, Araujc, Tula, and Normandia.

Dividends—Modesta \$16.00 win and 5.05 place, Oribe 4.60 Guttemberg 6.85 place.

PREMIO OTONO, for all horses. Weight for age. \$6000 to the 1st, 500 to the 2nd, 2000 metres.

Stud Charrua's Yerba Amarga, by Exmoor—Nelice II, 4 y, 58 k. J. Ribero 1
Stud El Derby's Pillito, 4 y, 60 k. P. Aguilera 2
Ecurie Argentino's Filou, 3 y, 56 k. I. Diaz 3
Also ran—Primero, Balcarce, Gonin, Chaná, and Salto.

Dividends—Yerba Amarga \$13.35 win and 2.80 place, Pillito 2.55 place, Filou 2.55 place.

PREMIO HARAS NACIONAL, handicap for all horses, limited between 62 and 50 kilos. \$2000 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 1400 metres.

Ecurie Pergamino's Austerlitz, by Acheron—Belle Fille, 4 y, 58 k. P. Aguirre 1
Stud El Derby's Hidalgo, 4 y, 56 k. P. Aguilera †2
Ecurie Prisionero, Daza, 5 y, 58 k. J. Paez †2
Also ran—Torcaz, Emir, Fagotin, Mirabeau, Ateniense, Lord Nelson, Reyezuelo, and Friolera.

Dividends—Austerlitz \$16.20 win and 3.95 place, Daza 3.25 place, Hidalgo 3.30 place.

PREMIO HARAS LAS ORTIGAS, for two-year-olds. Weight 52 and 50 kilos, 3 kilos extra to winners of one race, 5 kilos to those of two, and 7 kilos to those of three or more. \$2000 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 1100 metres.

Ecurie Nautilus' Etolo, by El Amigo—Estrella, 55 k. J. Ribero 1
 Ecurie Chantilly's Langosta, 55 k G. Morales 2
 Petite Ecurie's Vivaracho, 55 k R. Garrido 3
 Also ran—Guirapirú and Cosaco.

Dividends—Etolo \$2.95 win and 2.50 place, Langosta 4.00 place.

PREMIO HARAS OJO DE AGUA, handicap for all horses. \$2200 to the 1st, 100 to the 2nd, 2200 metres.

Stud Oriel's Orizon, by Orbit—Hourí, 3 y, 52 k R. Garrido 1
 Stud San José's Guttemberg, 4 y, 54 k P. Aguirre 2
 Ecurie Tapalque's Abeto, 4 y, 50 k N. Valdez 3
 Also ran—Lanza Seca, Brandzen, Rob Roy, Regalada, Mirto, Centella, and Santa Jacinta.

Dividends—Orizon \$9.35 win and 4.70 place, Guttemberg 6.10 place, Abeto 4.10 place.

FOOTBALL

RUGBY.

PRIVATE FIRMS v. PUBLIC COMPANIES.

This annual fixture was brought off last Sunday at Flores in beautiful weather, too beautiful as we heard an old footballer remark, as the sun was somewhat overpowering during the first half, and it was evident that several of the players felt it considerably. On paper it looked a good thing for the Private Firms, and so it proved, as before the end they had registered thirty points to their opponents thirteen.

The Public Companies were allowed two or three extra players, but it is doubtful if it availed them much, for the forwards were certainly unable to pack as smartly as their opponents, and we cannot understand why the captain did not throw out another three-quarter, at which position the Firms were immeasurably superior to the Companies.

Having lost the toss, Bellamy, the Captain of the Firms, kicked off at three o'clock. The start was rather sensational as almost before anyone had time to realise it, J. O. Anderson intercepted a pass in his own twenty-five and ran in almost unopposed, but failed to add the major points. Hardly had the ball been again set in motion than the Companies forced their way into the Firms' territory where after some rough and tumble play im Thurn forced his way over. Fothergill was entrusted with the kick but failed to improve. After this play became more settled and some close play ensued in mid-field. After various attempts the three-quarter line of the Firms was set in motion by a good pass from H. Mohr Bell to Elliot, who in turn gave to Anderson, and the latter slipping between two of his opponents transferred to Webster, who dashed up to the full-back and passed to Anderson, who again scored easily. A. Anderson took the kick but failed. After the drop out the Private Firms were soon attacking again and Leitch was able to force his way over the Companies' line. Bellamy took the kick, and although making a good attempt failed to convert. Some very fast play ensued after the kick out and the Companies should have scored twice as the Private Firms were penned in their own quarters, but were allowed to break away. The last point scored during the first half was by Leitch, who again forced his way over in spite of two or three pairs of hands holding him back. In scoring the try his head came in contact with that of H. Edye, the full back, the latter being somewhat hurt. Jacobs took the kick and broke the spell of bad place-kicking by registering a good goal, so that the teams crossed over with the Private Firms leading by fourteen points to three.

On restarting im Thurn kicked off and the pace became even faster most of the play taking part among the front divisions. At last the outsides got it and Elliot with a sharp dodgy run scored between the posts, but failed to make a goal of it. The following quarter of an hour's play was very even both sides attacking in turn, but at length J. O. Anderson got off and after gaining considerable ground passed to Leitch, who scored his third try. Bellamy tried to convert but failed. After the kick out the Companies made a determined onslaught on their opponents lines which continued until Coste dropped a pretty goal which was applauded as it deserved to be. Five minutes later Mohr Bell made a good opening for his three-quarters, and passing to Elliot at the right moment, allowed the latter, after a magnificent run, to score, Jacobs successfully negotiating the kick. Three minutes after Tully got over for the Companies, but Fothergill's attempt at goal was not successful. Hardly had the ball been kicked out when im Thurn crossed the Firms' goal-line, and although many thought that he had lost the ball in so doing a try was allowed, Fothergill again failing to improve. Time was now up, but it was agreed to play another ten minutes as the Companies looked like reducing the formidable lead of the Firms. The

result was that the Private Firms scored another goal, Elliot running round and easily outpacing the Companies' outsides and Jacobs converting the try. Thus ended a rather one-sided game, the score in the end being, Private Firms five tries, three goals or thirty points, Public Companies one goal (dropped) and three tries or thirteen points.

Mr L. Corry-Smith kindly officiated as referee, while the lines were looked after by Messrs J. W. Taylor and Williams.

The following were the teams:—

Private Firms—

Back—S. Mohr Bell.

Three-quarter backs—J. H. Webster, J. O. Anderson, G. F. Elliot, J. Leitch.

Half backs—D. King, H. Mohr Bell.

Forwards—J. C. Bellamy (capt.), A. Anderson, F. H. Jacobs, C. S. Edye, W. D. Campbell, A. Brodie, C. Romer.

Public Companies—

Back—H. M. Edye.

Three-quarter backs—F. W. Fothergill, A. Vernon, C. Tully, H. A. Cowes.

Half-backs—H. A. Wibberley, J. S. Campbell.

Forwards—A. im Thurn (capt.), F. Corry-Smith, M. F. Gilderdale, A. A. Miller, C. C. Mackenzie, A. O. Jones, G. Blagden, H. Blagden, A. Coste, M. Bagley.

ARGENTINE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

FIXTURES, 1899.

MAY.

Sun. 14—Lomas v. Lobos, at Lobos.

Thurs. 25—Belgrano v. Lanús, at Lanús.

Sun. 28—Belgrano v. Lomas, at Belgrano.

JUNE.

Sun. 4—Belgrano v. Lobos, at Belgrano.

Sat. 24—Lanús v. Lomas, at Lanús.

Thurs. 29—Lobos v. Lanús, at Lobos.

JULY.

Sun. 9—Lanús v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.

Sun. 16—Belgrano v. Lomas, at Lomas.

Sun. 23—Lobos v. Lanús, at Lanús.

AUGUST.

Sun. 6—Lanús v. Lomas, at Lomas.

Tues. 15—Lomas v. Lobos, at Lomas.

Sun. 27—Lobos v. Belgrano, at Lobos.

ROSARIO.

ASSOCIATION.

RIVER PLATE v THE WORLD.

The above return match was played at Plaza Jewell on Sunday last before a fair number of spectators, and in beautiful weather. During the first half the play was very even and the game well contested, both goals being strongly attacked, but the back division on each side showed good defence and at half time no points had been gained by either side. In the second half the "River Plate" scored three goals; the first being from a splendid long shot by C. Newell which was altogether too much for the goal keeper. The second was the result of an accident. Hopper one of the "World" backs putting the ball into the goal he was defending, and the third was the result of a well combined attack which enabled Middleton to score. Although the "World" made several dashing attempts they could not break down their opponents' defence which was well looked after by Angel and Newell, and the "River Plate" were returned the winners to the tune of three goals to nil.

The following were the teams:—

River Plate—

Goal—F. Boardman.

Backs—C. Newell, S. Angel.

Half-backs—E. French, C. Parr, H. Middleton.

Forwards—G. Middleton, J. Parr, V. Parr, A. Le Bas, P. Harrison.

The World—

Goal—J. Hollis.

Backs—W. S. Penman, H. Hopper.

Half-backs—R. F. Dorning, F. Ripley, A. Gibbons.

Forwards—J. Kean, J. Porte, A. H. Knight, A. W. Topping, E. Wortley.

RIVER PLATE RUGBY UNION CHAMPIONSHIP.

FIXTURES, 1899.

MAY.

Thurs. 11—B.A.F.C. v. Lomas, at Lomas.

Sud. 14—Flores v. Belgrano, at Flores.

Sun. 21—Lomas v. Belgrano, at Lomas.

Sun. 28—B.A.F.C. v. Flores, at Flores.

JUNE.

Thurs. 1—B.A.F.C. v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.
 Sun. 4—Flores v. Lomas, at Lomas.
 Sun. 11—B.A.F.C. v. Lomas, at Lomas.
 Sun. 18—Flores v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.
 Sat. 24—B.A.F.C. v. Flores, at Lomas,
 Sun. 25—Lomas v. Belgrano, at Belgrano.

JULY.

Sun. 2—B.A.F.C. v. Belgrano, at Lomas.
 Sun. 9—Flores v. Lomas, at Flores.
 Sun. 16 or 23—Rosario v. "Runners Up," for the Cup.
 Sun. 30—Final, for the Cup.

CYCLING.

The beautiful weather experienced last Sunday attracted a large attendance to witness the bicycle races at the Palermo Velodrome.

The racing was distinctly good all through and there were as accidents of any kind.

The following are the details:

FIRST RACE, 1000 metres, in heats. Final of 2000 metres, for amateurs of third category, first and second of each heat to run in the final:—

First heat—1. Romeo, 2. Roig, time 1.58 4-5 last round 28 1-5 seconds.

Second heat—1. Llanos, 2. Billiet, time 1.59 4-5, last round 24 4-5 seconds.

Third heat—1. Gnocchi, 2. Oriental, time 1.54 4-5, last round 25 4-5 seconds.

Also ran—Guiliasa, Mifistofele, Grasso, J. Sosa, Maximo and Venecia.

Final—1. Gnocchi, 2. Romeo, 3. Billiet, time 4.6 3-5 last round 24 3-5 seconds.

SECOND RACE, 920 metres handicap for amateurs of first and second category, 1st Petit Breton, (45 m.), 2nd Darioli (25 m.), 1. min. 15 4-5 seconds, last round 27 4-5 seconds, also Pereda, (scratch) Leo (60 metres.)

THIRD RACE, 920 metres handicap for all professionals, in heats.

First heat—1. Sintich (scratch), time 1 min. 18 2-5 last round 25 2-5 seconds.

Second heat—1. The Midget time 1 min. 19 2-5, last round 25 2-5 seconds.

Third heat—1. Listar (45), time 1 min. 17 4-5 last round 29 seconds.

Supplementary heat—1. Shilton (40), time 1 min 14 2-5 second, last round 24 2-5.

Also ran—Omodeo (50), Verdier (30), Cervera (40), Rade (30), Laborde (60).

Final—1. Sintich (scratch), 2. The Midget, 3. Listar (45 min.) Time 1 min 9 4-5 seconds, last round 25 3-5.

FOURTH RACE, Campeonato Internacional del Plata, 10 kilometres with pacers, open to all competitors who have resided two months here or in the Uruguay. 1. Jacquier, 2. Pereda (amateur), 3. Cervera. Time 13 min. 38 3-5 second, last round 23 2-5.

Also ran—The Midget, Omadeo, Rade, Dartiguelongue.

FIFTH RACE, 10 kilometres for tandems, open to all amateurs.

1. Gnocchi-Darioli, 2. Pereda-Leo, time, 17 min. 51 1-5 seconds last round 23 1-5.

Also ran—Mefistofeles-Billiet.

SIXTH RACE, 10 kilometres, tandems, open to all professionals, 1.

Listar-Bugallo, 2. Cervera-Sintich, time 16 min. 6 1-5 seconds last round 22 seconds.

Also ran—Dartiguelongue-Verdier, Laborde-Rade.

The following important races will be run off on the dates mentioned below, and should provide some good racing.

On Sunday next, May 7th, the Grand Prize of the Union will be run for over 50 kilometres. Open to all professionals with pacers.

On Thursday, May 11th, the Argentine Speed Championship, over a thousand metres, will be decided. Open to all with a two months' residence in the Argentine Republic.

On Sunday, May 14th, the Argentine Long-Distance Championship will be decided over a hundred kilometres. Open to all with two months residence in the Argentine Republic, with pacers.

We hear, with surprise we must confess, that Mr W. J. Shilton has deserted the ranks of the amateurs and has gone over to those of the professionals. He has now challenged C. Verdier, the holder of the "Brazal Sud America Ciclista," and the race will be run off next Sunday on the course at Palermo.

GOLF.

It was hardly surprising that the representatives of the Buenos Aires Golf Club gained an easy victory last Sunday over the Lomasites, for they took over a very strong team. The "home" side we notice contained one or two players whose first match it was, and therefore the defeat was not so overwhelming as it appears at first sight.

The links were in splendid condition and all the visitors appeared to be very well pleased with the improvements that have been made. The greens were excellent, and the grass, which has been rather long up to date, was much shorter, the sheep having evidently been at work on it.

Although there were twelve aside in the above-mentioned match, the links at both Flores and Rivadavia were well patronised. The former were looking charming on Sunday and the putting greens were as near perfection as possible. The same cannot be said of those at Rivadavia, several complaints as to their condition having reached us.

We will not mention names, but the following true story is too good to keep to ourselves. A short time back one of our oldest and most prominent cricketers was selecting a few clubs, not a mile from our office, and had chosen what he wanted with the exception of a putter. One was selected and handed to him for his inspection. Our noble cricketer planted his feet firmly on the ground and after one or two terrific hits at an imaginary nicely pitched up half-volley, decided to take the club remarking that "he thought it a very nicely balanced club and that he would be able to drive all right with it!"

B.A. GOLF CLUB v. LOMAS A.C.

Played on Sunday last at Lomas in delightful weather. The visitors brought down a very strong side and as was expected won comfortably by four matches and twenty-four holes. The following are the details of the score:—

Singles.			
Lomas.	Buenos Aires.		
J. Marjoribanks.....	0 W. Higgins.....	3	
W. Flint.....	0 J. W. Besserer.....	7	
D. Leighton.....	5 P. Smith.....	0	
W. D. Gardom.....	2 V. G. G. Scroggie.....	0	
A. Mohr Bell.....	3 R. Paton.....	0	
P. L. G. Bridger.....	0 M. G. Fortune.....	5	
C. Alexander.....	0 W. Miller.....	3	
T. S. Boadle.....	1 F. Henderson.....	0	
R. Smiles.....	3 L. Walker.....	0	
C. C. Alexander.....	0 A. Williamson.....	4	
R. L. Goodfellow.....	0 Dr. Petty.....	3	
H. Dodds.....	0 J. Grant Dalton.....	10	
Total.....	14	Total.....	35

Foursomes.			
Lomas.	Buenos Aires.		
Marjoribanks and Flint.....	0 Higgins and Besserer.....	2	
Leighton and Gardom.....	2 Smith and Scroggie.....	0	
Mohr Bell and Bridger.....	0 Paton and Fortune.....	3	
Alexander and Boadle.....	0 Miller and Henderson.....	4	
Smiles and C. C. Alexander.....	0 Walker and Williamson.....	1	
Goodfellow and Dodds.....	5 Petty and Grant Dalton.....	0	
Total.....	7	Total.....	10

Result—

B.A.G.C. 11 matches 45 holes
 Lomas A.C..... 7 " 21 "

FIXTURES, 1899.

MAY.

Sun. 7—Monthly Cup Competition, at Hurlingham.
 Thur. 11—Monthly Competition, at Lomas.
 Sun. 14—Flores v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.
 Sun. 21—Monthly Shield Competition, at Rivadavia.
 Sun. 28—Lomas v. Hurlingham, at Lomas.

JUNE.

Thur. 1—Lomas and Flores v. Hurlingham and Buenos Aires, at Rivadavia.
 Sun. 4—Monthly Competition, at Lomas.
 Sun. 11—Monthly Cup Competition, at Hurlingham.
 Sun. 18—Lomas v. Buenos Aires, at Rivadavia.
 Sat. 24—St. Andrew's Society's Competition, at Rivadavia.
 Sat. 24—Monthly Shield Competition, at Rivadavia.
 Sun. 25—Monthly Cup Competition, at Hurlingham.
 Thur. 29, Fri. 30—Reserved for Rosario matches.

JULY,

Sat. 1, Sun. 2—Reserved for Rosario matches.
 Sun. 9—Flores v. Hurlingham, at Flores.
 Sun. 16—Monthly Competition, at Lomas.
 Sun. 23—Flores v. Lomas, at Lomas.
 Sun. 30—Monthly Shield Competition, at Rivadavia.

AUGUST.

Sun. 6—Monthly Competition, at Lomas.
 Sun. 6—Flores v. Buenos Aires, at Flores.
 Sun. 13, Mon. 14, Tues. 15—Championship of the River Plate.
 Sun. 20—Monthly Cup Competition, at Hurlingham.
 Sun. 27—Lomas v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.

SEPTEMBER.

Fri. 8—Lomas and Flores v. Buenos Aires and Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.

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LAWN TENNIS.

QUILMES L. T. C.

The following are the entries for the annual tournament held under the auspices of the above club:—

Gentlemen's championship, for challenge cup. G. F. Earle, W. Cunningham, E. Cunningham, A. V. Carrington, E. E. Corder, A. J. Knight, H. A. Jordan, H. T. Howson, H. A. Ritchie, T. Troughton, A. G. Lovett, A. Eaton, W. Paterson, W. D. Bailey, F. H. Bethell.

Mixed Doubles Handicap. Miss M. Marrs and Cunningham; Miss Cobby and W. Pritchard; Miss Taylor and Pottinger, Mrs. Recknell and H. A. Jordan; Miss Marrs and H. A. Ritchie; Miss A. Howard and T. Troughton; Miss Pott and A. Crawford; Mrs. Eaton and G. R. Davenport.

Gent's Doubles Handicap: W. Cunningham and Earle, E. Cunningham and Garrington, Hooper and Knight, Jordan and Pottinger, W. C. Paterson and Torre, Ritchie and W. Paterson, Troughton and Lovett, Eaton and Turnbull.

Ladies Singles Handicap. Miss Cobby, Miss Taylor, Miss Torre, Miss M. Marrs, Miss Marrs, Mrs. Recknell, Miss A. Howard.

The handicapping will be ready for next week's issue.

The handicaps must be finished on or before July 1st. The committee with a view to getting more entries for the championship has decided it shall be held on the American system.

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P O L O .

HURLINGHAM—APRIL 30.

A match was arranged for Sunday last at Hurlingham between the first and second teams chosen by the committee to represent the club at the forthcoming championship tournament, and as the first team were without the service of their back, Mr. H. S. Robson, who was playing at San Carlos for Baron Peers, the game proved a most evenly contested one. The sides were not always the same, as eleven players took part in the game, and three or four of the men cut in and out. The foundation of the two teams, however, was as follows:—

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| First team. | Second team. |
| 1. H. Schwina. | 1. R. Sidebottom. |
| 2. F. Balfour. | 2. J. Mullaly. |
| 3. R. S. Moncrieff. | 3. T. S. Robson. |
| J. Ravenscroft (back) | R. W. Anderson (back) |

Messrs Bell, Challinor, and Willes cut in and out with some of the above players after the first period. The game all through was very slow. The second team drew firsts blood, but it was a disputed goal owing to a palpable off-side being claimed and pulled up for by the first team, but not given as the umpire was off the ground at the time. Eventually the first chucker, which was prolific in goals, ended in each side scoring three points. The second chucker, unlike the first, produced no scoring, but the third and fourth raised each side's score one goal each, and in the fifth the first team notched a point. The sixth chucker was unproductive, but a seventh was played in which again each side notched one point, so in the end the first team just won.

There was a number of new and unmade ponies out, but amongst them were some very promising players, and altogether polo at Hurlingham is going very much stronger than it has been up to date, and things look well for the present season with plenty of men, a good supply of ponies, and a practice ground in such good order that the match ground can be left untouched and sobethoroughly prepared for next month's tournament during the next month or six weeks.

HUNTING.

The Hurlingham Hounds had a short spin last Sunday morning, and though the meet was an unadvertised one quite a large field followed them. A drag was laid over about two miles of the usual Hurlingham country and from what we could see there is no doubt the hounds have come on wonderfully since their arrival, and when fit should show some good gallops this winter. In Mr. Thursby the Hunt have a master who will do things really well, and his two assistants, Mr. T. E. Preston and Mr. Howard, have done all that is possible to get the new pack in working order so we may look forward to a really good season. Amongst those who followed hounds last Sunday and went well were Mr. Preston, who carried the horn, Mrs. Howard, Mrs. Balfour, Mr. Thursby, still suffering from a sprained foot, Messrs Ravenscroft, Clunie, Bedford, Schwind, Wille, Moncrieff and Balfour.

The opening meet of the season of the above Hunt will take place next Sunday at the Club House, Hurlingham, at 11 a. m.

Sport Club, Tucuman

Fiesta Pública el 7 de Mayo de 1899

PROGRAMA

Carrera de perdedores, handicap, para caballos criollos que han corrido en fiestas públicas. Premio \$75; 650 metros. Entrada \$10.

Carrera de caballos criollos, handicap. Premio \$75; 650 metros. Entrada \$10.

Carrera de saltos, seis obstáculos, peso mínimo 65 kilos. Premio \$100; 1200 metros. Entrada \$15.

Carrera para todo caballo, handicap. Premio \$120; 1000 metros. Entrada \$20.

Carrera de caballos criollos, handicap. Premio \$100; 750 metros. Entrada \$15.

Les inscripciones se cierran el Jueves 4 de Mayo a las 6 p.m.

La Comisión.

BARRACAS ENGLISH INSTITUTE GYMNASTIC CLUB

We present to our readers this week, as our supplement, a photograph of the team of the above Gymnasium Club, which has done such good work among many of our young athletes who are fortunate enough to live sufficiently near to the gymnasium to be able to make constant use of it. The excellent advantages of a good gymnastic training are too well known to our readers for us to enter here upon its merits, etc.; but as it has struck us that such an institution as the subject of this article should be very much better known than it is, we have chosen the supplement we offer to-day with this aim in view, and trust we shall be the fortunate means of assisting both the Gymnasium and also many who wish to know of such a club.

The club was formed in August of last year in connection with the Barracas English Institute, it having been decided that no one could join the gymnasium without first becoming a member of the "Institute," the subscription to which is only \$5 per year.

Full particulars as to becoming a member of the Institute may be obtained from the Hon: Secretary, Mr D. Duncan, Calle San Antonio 628, Barracas al Norte.

The installation expenses were rather heavy, and ran to considerably more than the amount sanctioned by the Institute committee. They were partly met by the subscriptions of the members (\$5 each) and by the takings at two gymnastic concerts given by the club last year, which were very successful, but there is still a balance to be paid off, and for this reason it is proposed to raise the subscription to the gymnasium this year to \$10 for old members and \$15 for new. This subscription is, of course, independent of the subscription to the Institute.

Last year there were about thirty members, and this year it is hoped that the number will be greatly increased.

The gymnasium is well fitted up with all the necessary implements, Parallel Bars, Horizontal Bars, Roman Rings, Military Horses, a full set of Indian Clubs and Dumb-bells, Boxing Gloves, Fencing Sticks, etc., etc.

A meeting will be held sometime during this month for the election of Captain, Vice-Captain, etc., and to decide the exact date of opening the class, and what additional apparatus it is proposed to add to that already existing.

Intending members should lose no time in taking the preliminary steps of becoming members of the Barracas English Institute. There can be no doubt but that this gymnasium affords the members of the Institute abundant recreation in the winter evenings, nor do we know a better or more profitable manner of passing one's spare time after the day's work is done.

We cannot close this small article without giving a word of praise to Mr J. H. Merton, who, we understand, is mainly responsible for the good work done, and the excellent advancement made by the young recruits with whom he has taken infinite trouble and care.

In conclusion, we wish the Gymnasium every success, and trust that its membership roll will rapidly increase and that we shall soon have another opportunity of judging of the progress made in their various exercises.

ROUND THE TOWN.

We were, it seems, a trifle previous in announcing that the performance of "The Gondoliers" by the Buenos Aires Choral Union would come off on the 4th and 6th of this month, as we see that the dates have now been definitely fixed and advertised for the 13th and 16th, being Saturday and Tuesday respectively. It is as well that the production was not hurried too much as the actors were not as well prepared for this production as they are accustomed to be and had the opera been given on the 4th it would have been a bit of a rush. The odd days will no doubt help all those who are taking part to put some polish on to their work and become generally more familiarised with it. The prices, etc., the day of opening for the box office, etc. can all be seen from the usual advertisements of the society.

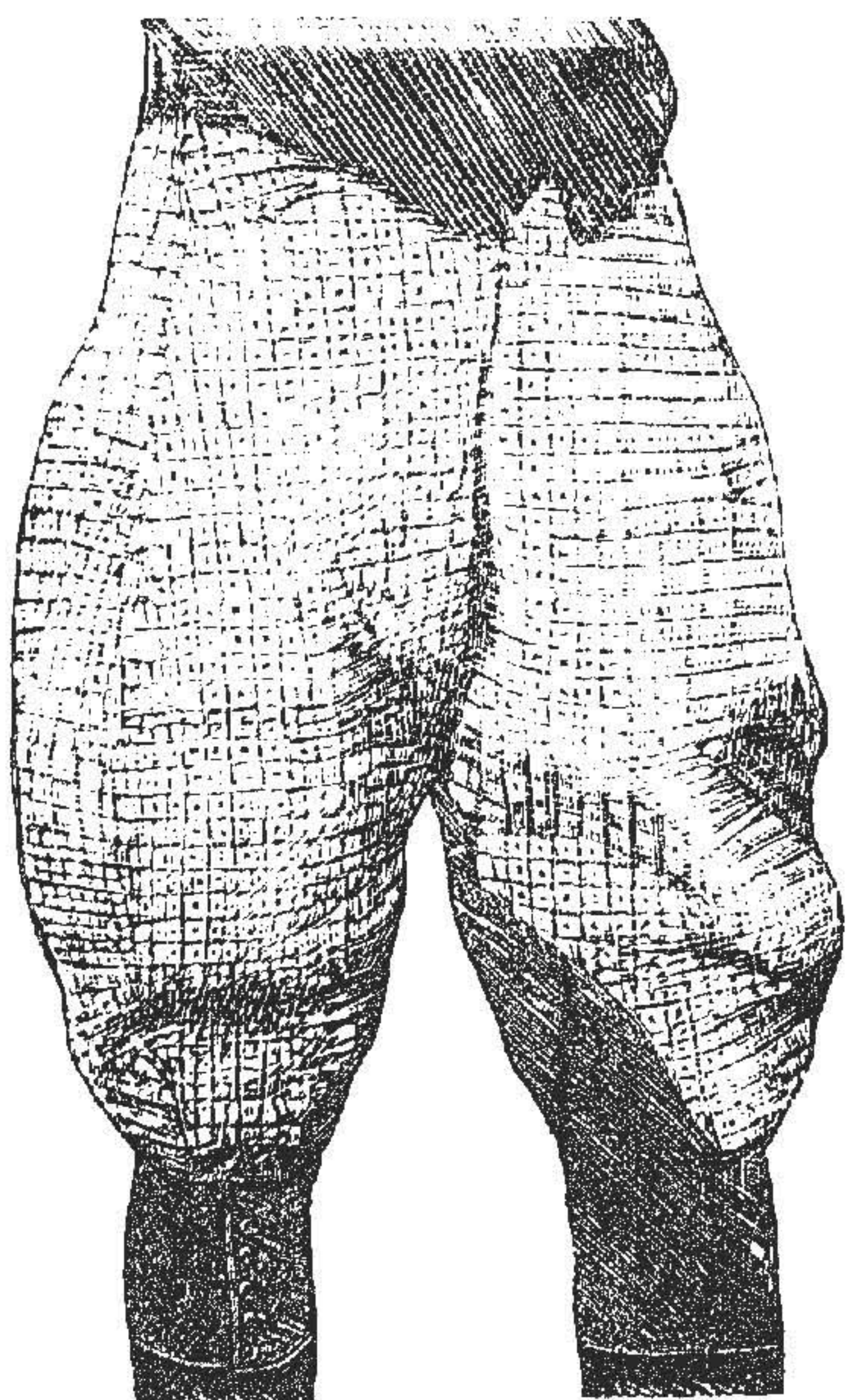
Man's inhumanity to man has been said to be one of the unkindest things in this world but nothing can equal the cool cruelty of a woman, when she sets her mind to it. Golf is a game which a number of ladies do not understand and apparently have no wish to, which we cannot blame, but rather sympathise with them for, and it was about a game of golf that we heard a lady say what was really a cutting and almost cruel thing. Her husband had lately taken to the extraordinary game, at which, though an enthusiast he, was not a great performer. He returned to the house after a days play and was dilating on the splendid time he had and the great improvement in his style. "What were you playing?" asked his better half with a show of interest. "Oh we had a match" he replied. And how did you get on?" she queried. "Oh, we won" said the husband with a glow of pride. "You won" said she, "whoever did you play with." There was an undercurrent of disbelief in his powers expressed by the question that brought a sickly smile to the golfer's face, and he ceased any further conversation on the subject, although as a rule it is a difficult matter to put a stopper on a golfer talking about his beloved game.

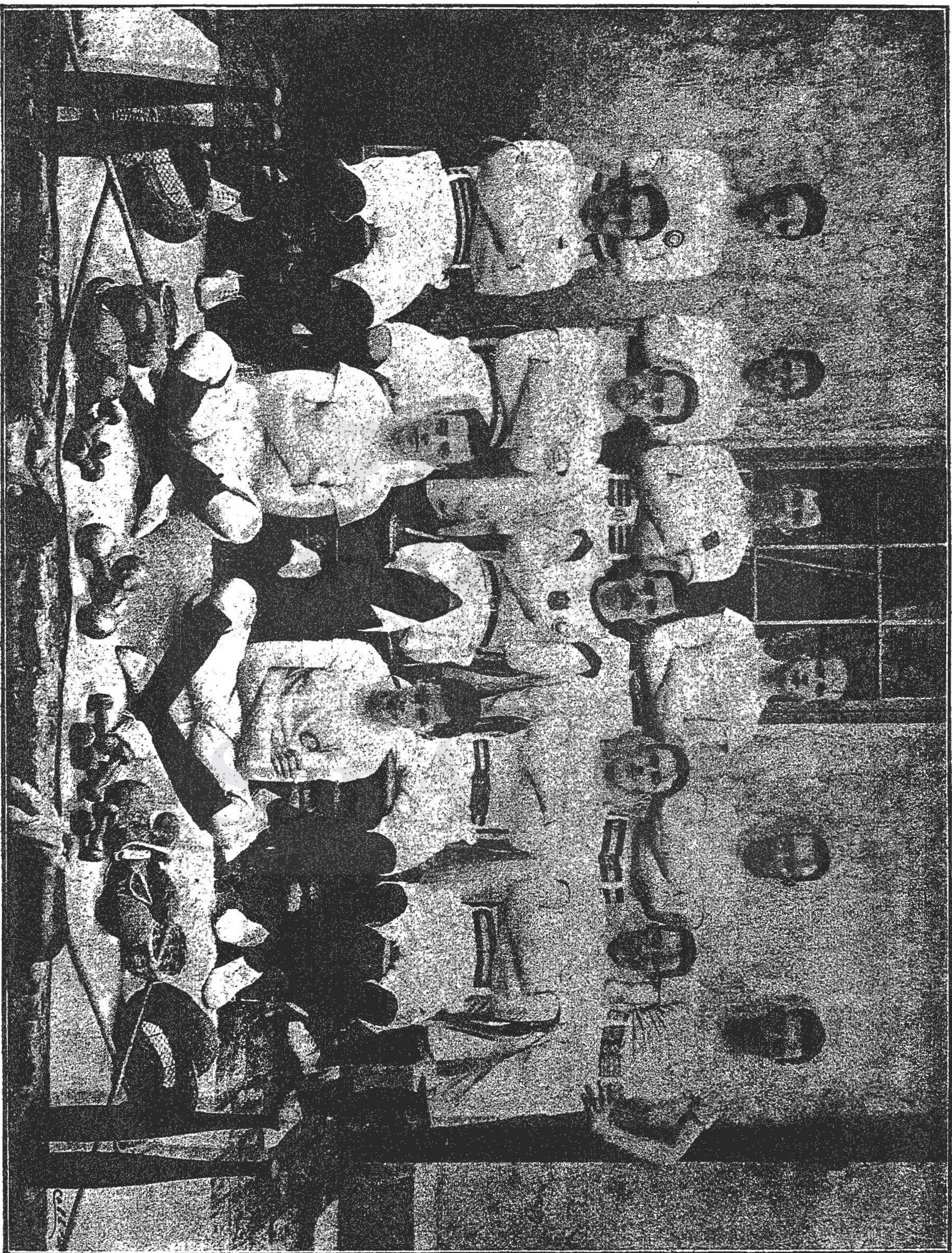
The first performance of the Dramatic Club for this season will be given about the 20th of this month and will consist of two small pieces. "By special request" and "To oblige Benson." Several of our well known amateurs will take part in these and although late in commencing the Club looks forward to a busy year.

The first Cinderella of the year will be held on Wednesday evening the 10th inst, the Prince George's Hall being the scene of the dance. The subscription for the season is fifty dollars more than last year, and as the wily gold dollar has decreased its paper value, the sterling cost of the dances comes out rather more stiffly than usual. Still taking one consideration with another, which is after all an excellent rule of life, the price of each ticket is not very much when we consider the amount of enjoyment which can be got out of each dance both before and after it takes place. There has been a good demand for the tickets and from all appearances the same hunting for a paste-board will be seen, a day or two before the event comes off, as has always been the case.

Buying lottery tickets and smoking cigarettes are two characteristics of the people of this city which can hardly be called vices, at least not if one wins a good prize or smokes good cigarettes. The "La Sin Nombre" of Calle Florida has just put a brand of cigarettes on the market which while supplying the smoker with good tobacco also gives him a chance of indulging his lottery ticket propensities by spotting the winners at Palermo. Each packet contains a form on which can be filled up the names of the horses which the smoker thinks are likely to come in first, and which if he is lucky enough to name seven winners will give him a thousand dollar prize. Of course the possible combinations of the horses running in the races mount into the thousands but still one may be lucky enough to pick out six or even five and thus win a prize. The brand is called the "Catedralico" and the contents of the packets are quite as good as any cigarette on the market, while the combination ought to prove very attractive to a gamble loving and hard smoking population such as ours is.

The first of the Over-seas Library is entitled "The Ipane" a series of sketches of various lands by that slightly erratic person Mr R. B. Cunningshame Graham. The sketches take the reader over a very considerable stretch of country and well deserve the name of over-seas ranging as they do from Iceland to the Pampas of this Republic. In the sketches of the life of the gaucho in this republic, Mr Graham is picturesque and correct and although he treats affairs of only a few years back, the march of civilization has been so rapid that already they seem almost like ancient history. The book is well worth perusal and if the fol-

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THE BARRACAS ENGLISH INSTITUTE'S GYMNASTIC TEAM, 1898

lowing volumes are equal in graphic writing and truth the venture should have a great success. The book is published in London at 1/6, but this is no criterion of the price at which it will be sold here. The author is at times inclined to bitterness of spirit and caustic utterance which carried as it is almost to excess slightly takes off from the pleasure of reading, but there is no doubt as to the cleverness and correctness of all, as we presume that those dealing with lands of which we know nothing are as truthful as those which tell of the life and manners we are more or less acquainted with.

The publishers wish to encourage local talent, as will be seen from the manifesto which they issue and we trust that they may not be disappointed in their hopes. There is already one well known author among us in the person of Mr A. M. Bourne and if we are to believe what our contemporary of the exhausted cellar says,—which far be it from us to hint we should not, a lately returned traveller from England has also blossomed out as a scribbler of tales. There is undoubtedly something to be written about this Republic but we fancy the illuminating genius has yet to arrive.

The "Over-Seas Library" is a new venture of the well known publisher T. Fisher Unwin, from whom we have received a copy of the first of the series "The Ipané" for review. The end and aim of the Library is well expressed in the introduction to the same, which reads as follows.

Where are the "Ends of the Empire?" and which are the Over-Seas? At "the Ends" of one Empire may arise the beginnings of other Empires to come. It is notorious that wherever an English-speaking community settles and opens up new lands, it speedily speaks for itself as a Centre; and so rapid is the growth of the great Colonies, that Ministers to-day writing despatches to Dependencies over-seas, receive their answers from nations to-morrow.

But great as is the growth of the Empire and the enterprise of its peoples, the new native-born literatures take years to germinate and generations to arrive. Thence comes it that often we do not understand the atmospheres of the new English-speaking peoples, and often misunderstand the problems, the ambitions, the attitudes befitting them as new races. And while the British Empire grows richer daily in patriotic fervours, in speeches, in splendour, in cant, and in the oracular assurances of Statesmen, the English people seeks to understand its cousins by the interchange of cablegrams, by debates, and by all the ambiguities of official memoranda.

It is, however, the artist's work to bring the people of his nation and their atmosphere before the eyes of another. It is the artist alone, great or small, who, by revealing and interpreting the life around him, makes it living to the rest of the world. And the artist is generally absent! In the case of the English in India, ten years ago, while the literature of information was plentiful, the artist was absent; Mr Kipling arrived and discovered modern India to the English imagination. And to-day, in the midst of a general movement for Empire-expansion, with talk of Federation, Jingoism, and with the doing of real work, the artists in literature are generally absent, the artists who should reveal the tendencies, the hidden strength and weakness, the capacities of the new communities.

The aim of "The Over-Seas Library" is purely experimental. It proposes to print literature from any quarter that deals with the actual life of the English outside England, whether of Colonial life of English emigrants, travellers, traders, officers, over-seas, among foreign and native races, black or white. Pictures of life in the American States will not necessarily be excluded.

"The Over-Seas Library" makes no pretence at Imperial drums-beating, or putting English before Colonial opinion. It aims, instead, at getting the atmosphere and outlook of the new peoples recorded if such is possible. It aims at being an Interchange of records of the life of the Empire without favour, an interchange of records of the life of the English-speaking peoples, and of the Englishmen beyond seas, however imperfect, fragmentary and modest such records or accounts may be.

The Editor will be glad to receive any M.S.S. addressed to him, c/o the Publisher, Mr. T. Fisher Unwin, 11, Paternoster Buildings, London, E. C.

We have had the pleasure of attending two of the rehearsals of "The Gondoliers" held in the Victoria Theatre. Our impressions of same, owing to exigencies of time and space, we hold over till next week. The opera is making headway and with a little more polish will no doubt result in as good a performance as any that has yet been given.

Our dear old colleague of Calle Maipu attained on Monday last its 39th birthday, a venerable age where a newspaper is concerned. The great charm of "The Standard" however is its perennial youthfulness and gaiety and we feel sure that when it reaches its hundredth anniversary—which none of us will be here to see in all probability—it will still be as gay and young. Well this is a sad world and we all have so many worries and troubles that we ought to be thankful to the old "Standard" for being as lively as it is and indirectly helping to make us a bit cheerful as well. Long life to you old colleague, and may we live as long and be as merry during our life.

The Committee of the San Martin Subscription Dances have decided to hold two dances this season, the first on the last day of this month, and the other on August 29th. Further particulars will be given next week.

PROGRAMA DE LAS CARRERAS

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El JUEVES 25 DE MAYO de 1899

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- 3a. carrera, para todo caballo; peso por edad, de 3 años llevarán 60 kilos, de 4 70 kilos, y así sucesivamente, siendo el maximum del recargo hasta 80 kilos. Distancia 1600 metros. Entrada \$50.
- 4a. carrera, de saltos, para caballos criollos, peso minimum 75 kilos. Distancia 1200 metros. Entrada \$10.
- 5a. carrera, de saltos, para todo caballo, peso minimum 70 kilos. Distancia 1800 metros. Entrada \$15.
- 6a. carrera, para caballos criollos, peso minimum 60 kilos. Distancia 800 metros. Entrada \$15.

Yeguas llevaran 2 kilos de ventaja en cada carrera.

Las inscripciones deberán solicitarse al Secretario, Sr A. B. S. Baikie, Laboulaye, F. C. Pacifico, debiendo adjuntarse el importe de las entradas.

Las inscripciones se cerrarán el 15 de Mayo, 1899, á las 5 p.m.

Se necesitarán 3 entradas para que la carrera tenga lugar; y serán sujetas al Reglamento del Jockey Club de la Ciudad de Cordoba.

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FOURTH TERM COMMENCED ON APRIL 21st

Applications can be made to the House Master direct.

CYCLING

ENGLAND.

London, April 30, 1899.

A case which afforded considerable interest to cyclists, was heard at the Victoria Law Courts, Birmingham, last week. The plaintiff was William Henry Hands, a well-known Midland road-rider, who brought an action for libel against the "Athletic News". This arose out of the now famous match between A. A. Chase and Hands, the former conceding the later 7½ mins. start in 100 miles, for a staked bet, Chase laying hands £100 to £75 that he beat him, the "Sporting Life" being appointed stake-holder. Chase won the match but Hands subsequently protested on the ground that the race had not been ridden fairly, and claimed the return of his money, the "Sporting Life" complying with his request. Commenting on this the writer of Cycling Notes in the "Athletic News" said:—I am told that the Chase-Hands matter has been settled, and each man has got his money back. What an awful farce this depositing of stakes, when a man who may prove successful is rooked out of his winnings. The folly of the whole business was to turn the stakes into bets. I have had a little experience in stake holding and know well what would happen when I heard that protest had been made against paying over the bets. A man who could act as Hands has done ought to be ostracised by all decent cyclists. The defendants did not deny the libel but pleaded justification. A large number of witnesses were called on both sides, when after a lot of cross-swearing, a consultation took place between the legal luminaries, with the result that a verdict was agreed to in favour of Hands, with £100 damages and costs. Chase to receive the £75 which he had won.

If ever cycling plays a prominent part in the military history of our country, it will be small thanks to the fostering care (?) of the War Office Authorities. With the vast sums yearly allocated to the advancement of our Naval and Military systems, with a view of maintaining the old country's supremacy, money told in millions sterling, no provision has, as yet, been made for the military cyclist. Our volunteer cyclists have to use their own machines, and no small honour and credit is due to their patriotic principles if they can forsake the attractions of the Saturday afternoon country jaunt to put in a fatiguing and monotonous, round of drill. However, notwithstanding its neglect in high quarters, the spirit of military cycling flourishes. The latest development is a motor-drawn maxim-gun. The motor is a petroleum-driven tricycle with pneumatic tyres, and everything of the most modern design. Eight men accompany the gun and this novel mode will be put to the test during the Easter manoeuvres.

It is a far cry from "cads on castors", and that period when in a certain class of society it was not considered "good form" to cycle, and when, in fact, the sport was tabooed as being unworthy of a gentleman's attention, and the splendidly successful dinner of the National Cyclists' Union, with a minister of Cabinet rank, nephew of the Premier, and leader of the House of Commons in the Chair, saying all sorts of nice things about cyclists and cycling. If one cares to look for the reason of this great change in the social status of the cyclists as we see him to-day, and that of the despised and rejected member of society of twenty years ago, it will probably be found in the fact that the two great bodies who watch over the interests of cycling, the N. C. U. and the C. T. C. have within that period gradually grown with the growth, and strengthened with the strength of the pastime. To-day the cyclist is on equal footing with other outdoor sportsmen and on all hands is received in a similar manner, which is exactly the state of affairs that should prevail.

Following the warm and genial weather with which March opened, and which was responsible for a great awakening amongst cyclists, and a wild desire among novices to possess a mount for the Easter holidays, the cold snap and arctic weather which ushered in the second half of the month would, had it continued, have been disastrous to the prospects of a brilliant Easter trade. The daily papers talked quite calmly of skating in London and the provinces, and the ice-bound roads and undissolved snow lying in the hollows and crannies, just for all the world as though it were mid-winter, made the outlook for the holidays about as black as it could be. But, hey presto, in a few days the arctic weather has disappeared, and the gentle spirit of ethereal spring is again manifest. This is as it should be, and depleted show-rooms at the great cycling emporia on Holborn Viaduct, and the general air of activity which pervades cycling circles show that the first great wheel holiday of the year will, given fine weather, be one of quite undiminished success.

That Inn Keepers and Licensed Victuallers have their duties as well as their privileges has once again been sharply brought home to a member of the protected trade, and through her the whole Innkeeping fraternity. The point raised was whether or not any obligation is cast upon the keeper of an Inn to supply fare beyond that which he may consider reasonably proper for the refreshment of man. Of course, it has always been recognized an incumbent upon an Innkeeper to supply reasonable fare for man and beast, but with whom does the decision lie as to what "reasonable refreshment" constitutes? The facts are, two cyclists called at the King's Head, Buttershaw, Yorkshire, and asked for a cup of tea and bread and butter. The landlady explained that she was too unwell to make tea and their request was politely but firmly refused. The cyclists raised the point at the West Riding Police Court, and the Bench was unanimously of opinion that a cup of tea comes within the denomination of "reasonable refreshment", and should have been supplied on demand. This magisterial decision should not be without good results.

In that part of the Garden of England known as Tunbridge Wells, famous for the healing effects of its natural mineral waters, and the scarifying consequences of the decisions of certain of its unpaid magistracy, the cyclist seems to have fallen upon evil ways. The town is in parts extremely hill, and it is impossible for the cyclist to ride down some of the declines at a walking pace without putting an altogether serious strain upon his machine. The worthy Mayor is a cyclist, and although seventy years of age, was an enthusiastic one, until, in an unhappy moment, he had a severe fall. Since then everything has gone wrong in matters cycling. The town which in spite of its hilly nature, prior to this accident enjoyed an immunity, from police prosecution, now has its weekly victim roll. The decisions are frequently difficult to understand in the light of logic. Why one cyclist, whom a policeman asserted rode at the rate of fifteen miles an hour, should be fined five shillings, and thirteen and six costs, and his companion, who was convicted on the same individual's evidence of riding twenty miles an hour, should be fined eight shillings, and ten and six costs, is hard to grasp, but it is fact nevertheless.

That interminable question—the taxation and registration of cycles has again been thrust into prominence by the announcement that there will be a deficit in the Budget; one writer suggests that the manufacturers should pay the tax, while another with owl-like wisdom, asserts that the authorities have a registration scheme on the tapis. It is refreshing to turn from these statements to the speech of Mr. Herbert Gladstone, M. P. delivered at the recent "coming of age" N. C. U. dinner, in which he said that "no Chancellor of the Exchequer, in his senses, would dream of taxing a glorious pastime, a great industry, and a convenient mode of locomotion". This statement should have the effect of silencing those who hitherto never lost the opportunity of recommending the cycle to the Chancellor of the Exchequer as a source of income to be speedily tapped.

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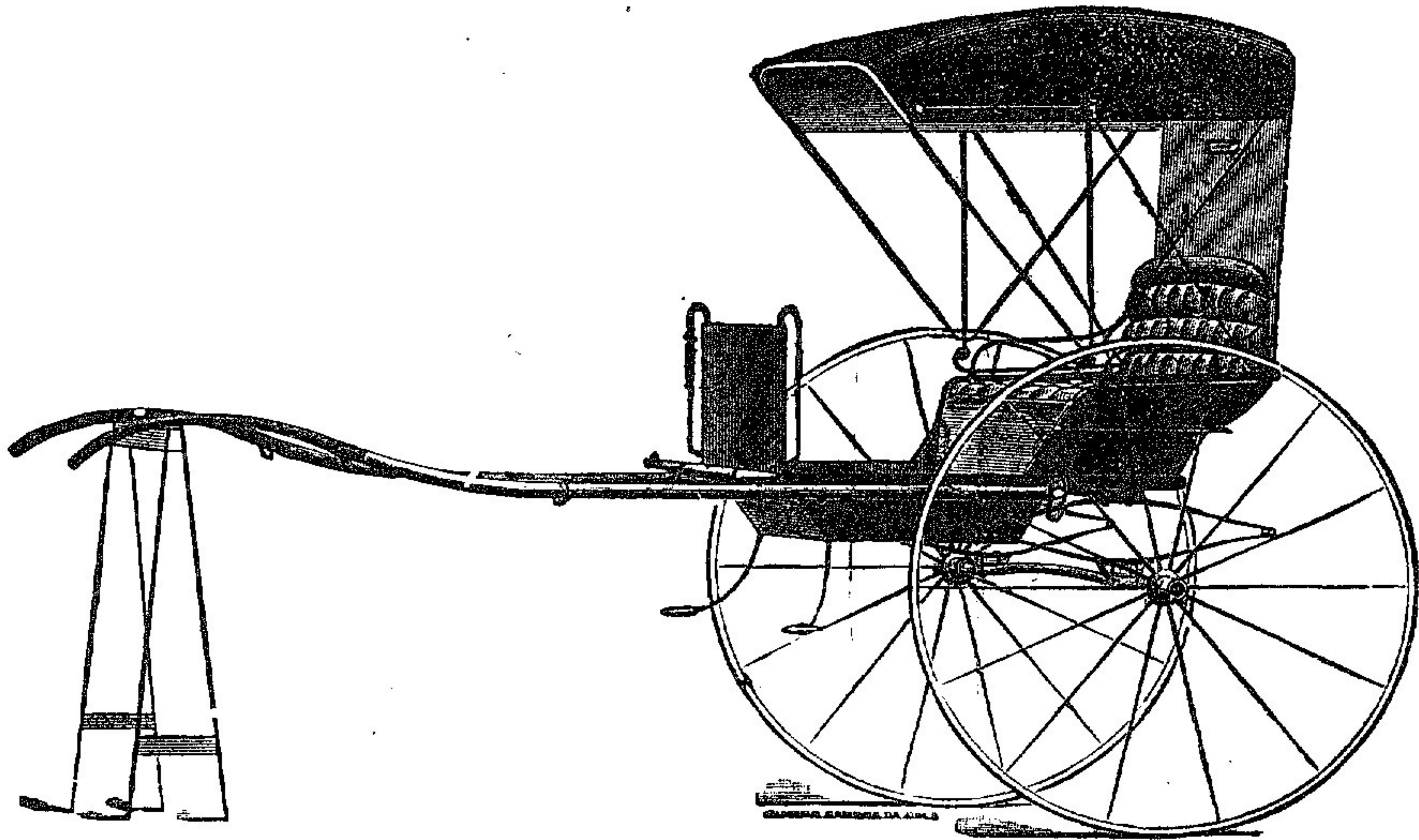
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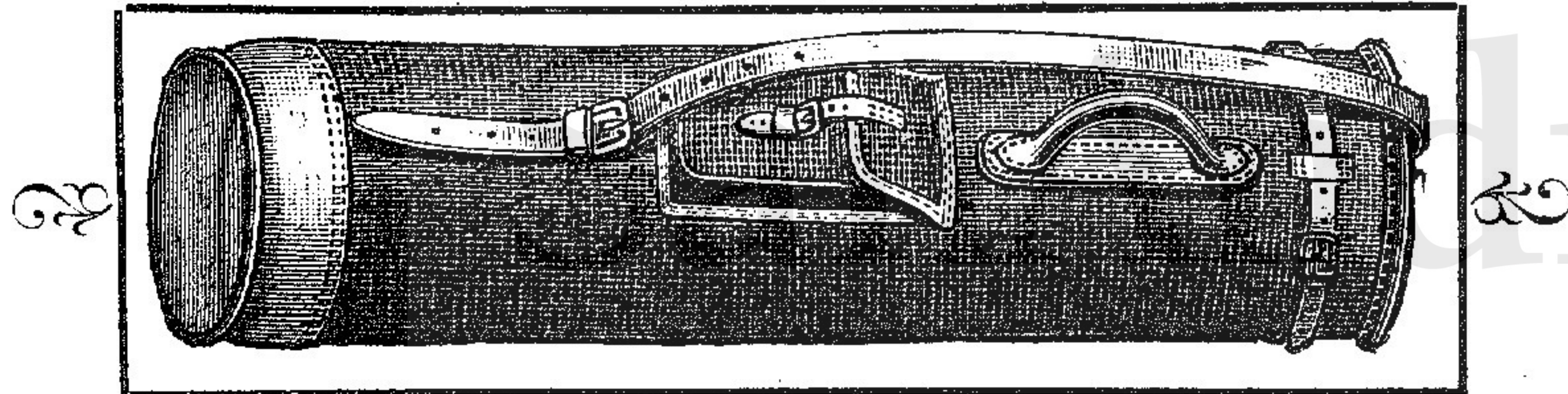
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