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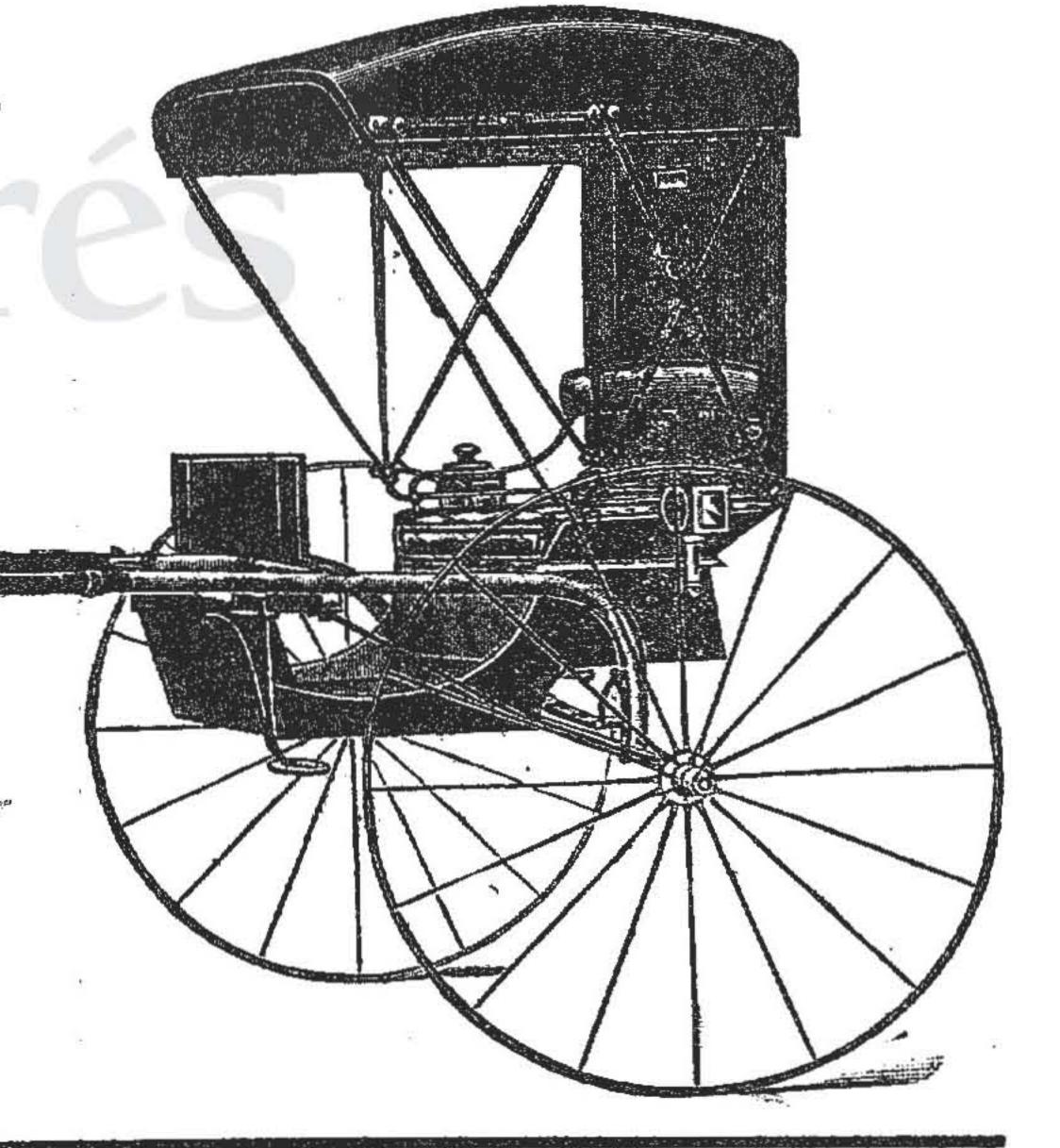
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ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

The San Miguel Saladero, in the Banda Oriental has purchased 3,500 novillos in Corrientes from Don José Lebau at \$14.50 gold each.

Sr. Carlos Casares has sold from his estancia Huetel in the partido of 9 de Julio, 3700 Lincoln ewes at \$4.00 each; and another lot of 2,300 from his estancia Los Galpones in Navarro at \$4.20 each, the purcheser of both lots being Sr. Adolfo Cabo.

The sale is reported of 1,000 novillos from the estancia La Alianza, at \$26.00 each, the buyer is Sr. Juan Campon.

Sr. Agustin Garcia has sold from his estancia San Pascual, in the partido of Tandil, 400 steers for export at 31.00 gold each, deliverable in the embarcadero.

We hear of the outbreak of a disease in horned stock, which amongst the neighbours of the infected districts, Marcos Paz and Las Heras, lacks a name. From the information we could gather, the animals suddenly get attacks of cramps in the legs and the muscles generally, and are unable to walk, or, when once they fall, rise again; many animals succumb altogether, and die where they fall but as a rule, the sick animals begin to recover about the third or fourth day. The disease naturally leaves the beasts in a very emaciated condition.

Perhaps some of our readers can throw some light on the subject.

Messrs J. Olde and Son, have purchased from Sr. Domingo Bariola from his invernada in Marcos Paz, 90 export steers at \$41.00 gold each.

The sale is announced, of the camp in the Banda Oriental, known as the Rincon de Perez, and situated on the river Queguay. The camp which measures some 20,070 hectareas, is wired, and divided into potreros, with good houses, puestos, etc. was sold for \$211,555 Oriental gold.

By the end of the current month the new regulations, governing the export and import of live stock, which have been drafted by the head of the Direction de Agricultura and Ganaderia Sr. Ronaldo Tidblou, will come into force. This gentleman is at present engaged in drafting a sanitary police law, which will go before Congress during the present session.

Statistics go to show that the export of live stock from the Banda Oriental, have decreased rather than increased during the last twenty years.

Last year the number of animals exported was smaller than any other year of the past twenty.

The printers played the devil, printers devil of course, with these columns in our issue of May 10th.

In the note of the sale of Mr Casares' carriage pairs for Morgans they have Moyans. In the note following the name of the purchaser of the 700 hectareas of camp in Magdalena should read Langenheim.

The price paid for the 944 squares of camp in Canuelas the property of the brothers Castro, the sale of which we reported in our last issue, was \$162,000 and not \$102,000, as we had it.

We suppose that the Horse Show was a great success, but to say that we share this opinion would be to diverge considerably from the strict path of truth. No doubt there were lots of pretty fancy animals there, that would look very well in the Park, either

in harness or saddled, but useful horses, as we understand the term were conspicuous by their absence.

The great idea in this country seems to be to produce showy animals, without taking into consideration whether they are useful or profitable animals to breed. The useful classes, viz the heavy draught horses were practically neglected at this show, the chief interest apparently centring in the Hackneys and fancy saddle horses. It is a pity that the show is not taken a little more seriously, and more as a matter of business, for it appears to us that es it is at present, it is more like a race meeting, and an opportunity for "doing the swell" than what it is intended it should be, a stimulant and incentive to bettering our breeds of horses in this country.

Sr. Ricardo Repetto his sold from his estancia Santa Catalina in Rodriguez, a lot of 140 export steers at \$93 paper each, and another lot of 200 export steers at \$90 paper each, the buyers being respectively Mr Frederick Miller and Messrs Kingsland and Cash.

Messrs P. and G. Hughes have sold to Messrs Kingsland and Cash, 100 steers, fattened on corn, at \$40 gold each, to receive on the estancia at Navarro.

Sr. Cipriano Newton has sold from his estancia Vista Alegre in the partido of Chascomus, 3500 pure bred Lincoln sheep, al corte at the very low figure of 5.50 each.

Last Friday "El Diario" received the following telegram from London:—The price of wool continues rising in this and in the continental markets. The merino classes are selling at present 20 per cent to 25 per cent higher than at this time last year.

It is probable that this rise wil be maintained and even accentuated for the next two years or more, for the clip in the colonies this year is much under the estimate, due to droughts and the consequent underdeveloped condition of the young sheep.

It certainly looks as if there were a good time coming for sheep farmers, and if the United States Government would only see its way to admit our coarse cross wools free of, or at a reasonable duty wools would boom all along the line.

Under the heading of "Una excelente idea" the same paper, advises estancieros to take advantage of the good prices at present ruling, by making contracts to deliver coming clips at the end of the year. If practicable, it is certainly tempting, but it is to say the least of it decidedly speculative.

The sale is reported of a camp in Cordoba, department of Marcos Juares, and known as the Colonia del Rosario, some 2560 hectareas in extent, and the property of Sr. Alejandro Argüello, for \$65,000, the purchaser being the Sra. Manuela A. de Velez.

Mr Adam Young, of Pergamino, has purchased from Messrs Juan and Bautista Abadié, 800 squares of camp close to Alcorta station, the price paid being \$50,000.

Sr Cesar Ramella has sold the camp property in the partido of Azul, known as the Pedro Navas camp, at \$42 per hectarea, or say \$70 the square. The purchaser is Sr. Felipe Vigna.

At a shearing contest held in Australia in the year 1874, Mr David Robertson, a sheepfarmer, shore 250 sheep in eight hours, a record unsurpassed and likely to remain so. He naturally still holds the prize, a silver cup, presented to him on that occasion.

A well known English breeder says, that the following facts relating to breeding are now so thoroughly well established that they should serve as a base to start from in all stock-breeding:—

1. The influence of the sire is shown chiefly in the external structure and appearance of the product.

2. The influence of the mother, is shown chiefly in the internal structure, vital organs and constitution, and in the constitution and temperament of the product.

5. The finer the quality of the sire or mother, the greater the probability of their qualities being transmitted to the product.

4. Except for certain disturbing influences, the sire if of pure breed and uniform colour, transmits his colour to the product.

5. The influence of the first sire, is shown in following products, even when by other sires.

The results of experiments made at the Agricultural School, of Canterbury, New Zealand, in crossing various breeds of sheep, go to show that the best cross of sheep for freezing purpose is the cross of the Shropshire Down Ram on Border Leicester ewes.

Messrs Olde and Sons have purchased from Sres Roth Hermanos, from their estancia San Federico and Santo Tomas in Pergamino, 250 export steers at \$35 gold each, with plazo to receive up to 15th of June.

Mr G. M. Scott, Andrew Co., Mo., gives in the Breeders Gazette," Chicago, the following account of his experience in the breeding of mules:-"In May of 1898 I sold seventeen head of four-year-hold unbroken mules. They were an average of 16 hands and weighed about 1,150 lbs. in good working order, but not fat. They were never in barn or shed and consequently were rather rough-haired. If they had been fed under cover, where they could not have taken so much exercise, they would have been heavier. I sold them for £20 each. They were by a jack 14% hands high that weighed about 850 lbs. They were from mares of almost all breeds. The best sellers among them were from mares that weighed from 1,000 to 1,200 lbs. and 153, to 16 hands high, and the more good blood they contained the better the mules. Mules from mares of that class invariably have more style and finish, while mules from the grade draft mares usually have coarse hair, heavier bone and much lower carriage, and as a rule are not so much in demand as the mules of more finish. A jack of my choice to cross on all kinds of mares (for we have all kinds to contend with in the jack trade) would be 15 hands high, with long neck, large, pointed ears, smooth head, and good bone, but not too heavy. He should stand up well on his feet, he of high carriage and the more action the better. When matured should weigh from 900 to 1,000 lbs. As to the per cent, of mares that will raise mules to be old enough to wean I think 60 per cent. is about an average and, I think with proper care 95 per cent. will live to maturity."

From census enumerations and official and reliable estimates (says the "American Agriculturist") it appears there are some 75,000,000 horses in the world. Our figures subjoined are the best obtainable, and while not quite complete, as nothing is available covering some rather prominent countries, such as China, Brazil, and Mexico, they afford a fair approximation of the totals by countries. In connection with this table it is interesting to note that the estimated number of mules and asses in the world is 9,000,000 head, of which North America is credited with 2,340,000; South America, 1,240,000; Europe, 3,200,000. Numbers in millions and tenths:-

North America.		Asia.	
U.S	14.9	India	1.1
Canada	1.0	Japan	1.6
Other		Russia	5.9
		Other	.5
Total	17.4		
South America.		Total	9.1
Argantina	4.4	Africa.	-
Uruguay	. 4	Algeria	. 2
Venezuela	. 4	Cape Colony	.3
Other	.2	Orange Free States	. 2
		Other	.3
Total	5.4		
Europe.		Total	1.0
Austria	3.7	Australasia.	
France	2.8	Queensland	. 4
Germany	3.8	New South Wales	. 5
United Kingdom	2.1	Victoria	. 4
Russia	21.7	New Zealand	. 2
Roumania	.6	Other	. 4
Italy	. 7		
Other	3.0	Total	1.9
Total	38.4	Grand total	73.3
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Sr. Gregorio J. Fraga has sold from his invernada at Baradero, 500 novillos for export to Brazil, at \$50 paper each, and 100 novillos for export to Europe, at \$33 gold each.

Messrs Kingsland and Cash are reported to have closed an important transaction in export steers, namely the purchase from Sr. Pelegrini Botto, of Marcos Paz, of 2,000 steers with plazo to deliver until the end of the current year. The price paid is kept in reserve, but is supposed to be \$36 gold per head.

The wool market keeps as firm as a rock and the small remaining stocks are getting rapidly cleared out. Prices in Europe keep rising, and what is better for long dates which looks as if the coming clip, will sell at good prices. A small parcel of fine wool from an estancia in the partido of Coronel Vidal was sold last week at \$9.50 the 10 kilos.

Sr. Martin Torino has sold from his estancia in Ajó, 8000 cows al corte, for invernada, at \$17 each.

Messrs Ramon Bravo and Co, have sold 10,000 hectareas of camp in the Pampa Central, three leagues from Bernasconi station on the F.C.B.B. and N.O., at \$4.20 per hectarea. The buyer is Sr. Manuel Avendaño.

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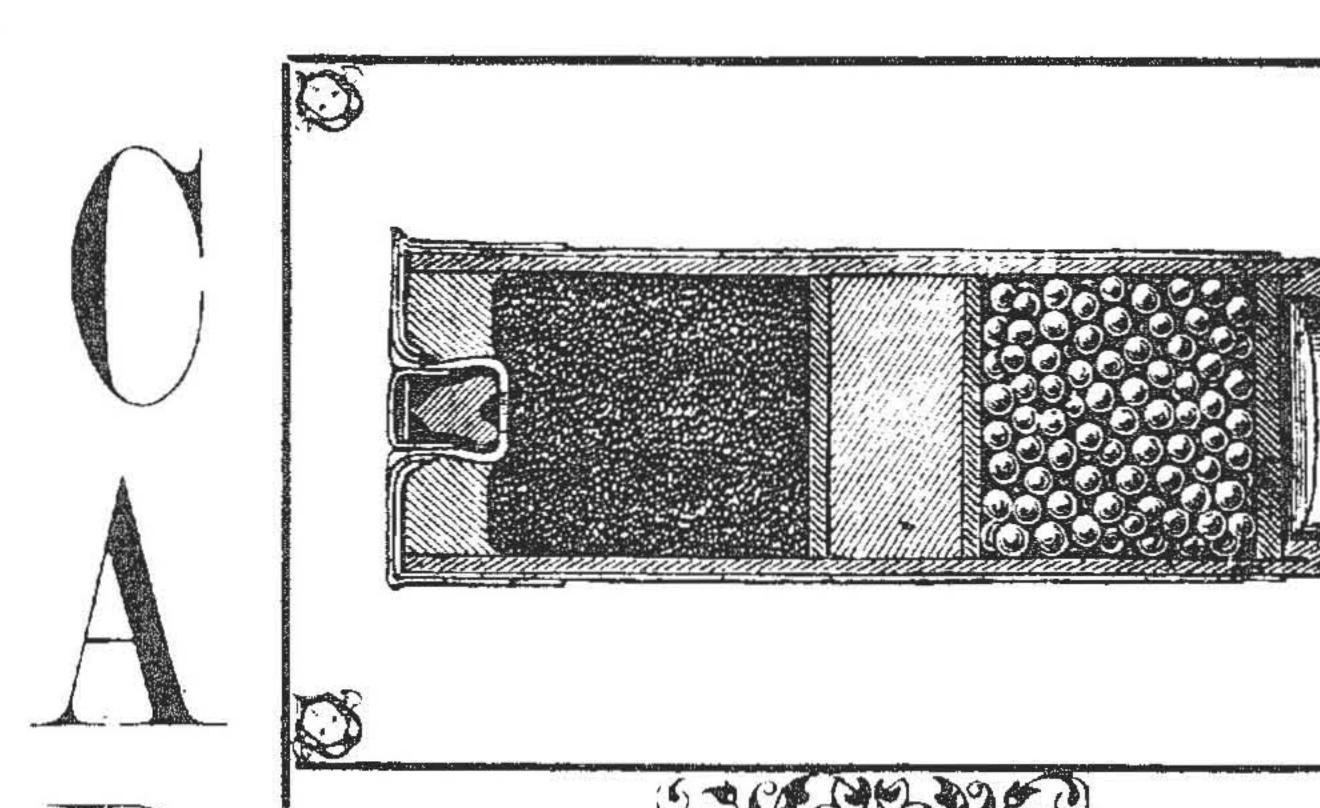
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(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

WE RE-ENTER THE BERMEJO.

April 7th.—Last night Capt. Zorrilla startled us by insisting that we had left the Teuco and re-entered the Bermejo—it was impossible—when, then, had we passed the junction of thetwo rivers?nevertheless he insisted. "To-morro," he says, "we shall reach the fort at Presidencia Roca, and are now within eight days of Corrientes." This was news indeed, since we imagined ourselves

weeks perhaps from home-but to-morrow will prove.

The Barranca has become higher (four to five metres), and more continuous. I notice the forest trees to be of greater size, I notice quebracho colorado, quebracho blanco, and pacara, all hard woods of great commercial value, also moro, and the San Antonio tree, whose little round nuts are used for beads of Catholic ladies' rosarys; the large leaves near the river edge belong, I think, to the castor oil plant, tártago, and wild fig tree. We have heard the cry of Parbos in the branches, and our sportsmen have bagged quite a number. Lobos (water wolves) are sporting in the current, and their small bobbing heads are no easy mark for the rifle, Mr W. Scott is the first to score.

We have also seen herds of wild pigs on the shore. I must mention that these animals should always be approached with great care as they will charge a man at sight, even without having been provoked, and persons have thus lost their lives.

Towards evening a sudden pampero comes on, and we must exert all our strength to get the shelter of the shore, the trees are bending with the blast, and we have first to cut down several

threatening to fall, and swamp the boats.

Getting into shore is at all times a difficult task, owing to the great rapidity of the current; and the first boat to tie up is as likely as not to be rammed by the second. Mr Campbell is most successful at slipping his boat gently into the best place, but Mr McSmith comes up like a tobboggan sledge—he always uses his own bag, as a fender, so nobody grumbles.

April 8th.—This afternoon we are surprised at seeing a zinc roof appear upon the cliff, boat No. 1 is putting in to shore—a man is descending—it is a soldier! for now we catch sight of his red military cap and peak. Captain Zorrilla is right after all, this is an outpost-fort Regimiento 12, Presidencia Roca is but two leagues further on, and all doubt about our position is at an end.

To-night we feast, the allowance of biscuits is forthwith raised from three to four per day, and we discuss the possibilities of opening various casks of luxuries, oatmeal, flour, and vegetables, etc., held in reserve. But what of the old river Bermejo? When did we pass the junction?—it has disappeared, a small stream and chain of 'laganas marks its former course, and the Teuco is now the only navigable water way.

At the Presidencia we found a sergeant and ten men—I must own I admired the way in which they allowed themselves to be betrayed into no surprise whatever at seeing a fleet of five boats arrive at the fort—a sight never probably witnessed on the river

before.

The sergeant told me his life was monotonous, and complained bitterly of the mosquitos. Last month, he said, a captain and forty men had engaged three hundred Indians in the neighbourhood, killing sixty or seventy, with a casualty of only one soldier wounded on their side. The Indians had drawn the punishment upon themselves by some theft of sheep or cattle. Both women and children had been killed in the volleys, it could not be avoided, he told me, owing to their custom of remaining with the men while fighting—such is the Chaco warfare, and must, I think, lead to as complete an extinction of the Indian races in the north,

as has already taken place in the south.

April 10th .- Lately the river has become exceedingly tortuous, and cannot be more than a hundred metres in width, the barranca is higher (six or seven metres), and, as the river is now swollen two or three metres, normally, the barranca must be even higher still. The action of the water eating continually into the sides causes great masses of earth to fall down suddenly, and we must always be careful to keep the boats at a safe distance from the shore. The tendency of the current, I notice, is generally to eat into one bank of the river only, and this, I think, may account for the fact of there often being barranca on one side only, for, as the water eats into one bank, it recedes from the other, leaving a low shelving shore. Here again I notice the phenomenon of a stratum of black vegetable earth at the foot of the barranca, and have also taken specimens of a substratum of white potters clay (marga arcillosa) from the same place. I see fine open camp, dotted with seibo trees, stretching to the horizon, and am surprised that Messrs Mackern and Maclean's colony at Asara should have proved a failure. We reached the site about ten o'clock, and found machinery lying in all directions, choked with. grass, and caught sight of deserted buildings in the distance. Money was not forthcoming, I understand, and the colonists some two hundred in number, wrecked the place and dispersed, those in charge having escaped by the river to Corrientes.

It was not till to-day that we saw our first anta (tapir), although I have been told that there are many of these shy animals in the Chaco, the one we saw was swimming across the river, and, as it climbed the bank presented a target to our rifles, which was at once taken advantage of the body was unfortunately lost in the current, and we were unable to get the skin, which, on account of its great thickness, is valuable for certain sorts of harness and leather goods.

We also shot a small deer that had found its way to the foot of the barranca. Later on we heard a great deat deal of growling grunting on the bank, and pulled in expecting to find pigs, congratulating ourselves on the expectation of a supper of roasted porkand they were monkeys!! I saw some black, some yellow, and some of a greenish colour, and, most of them I think, could not

have been less than 2 ft. 9 inches in height.

April 11th.—At noon to-day, we arrived at the pueblito of Uriburu, having passed the estancia of the distinguished officer of that name on the opposite shore. It consisted only of seven or eight ranchos and a policia, and here I first noticed the roofs made of palm tree bark, which is cut into regular lengths and used like tiles. They told me there were many tigers in the neighbourhood, and also good stag shooting.

To-night we anchor at a place called Pueblo de la Expedicion, three or four leagues further down; a colony had been founded there by the military expedition of 1875, but had come

to grief as soon as the soldiers were withdrawn.

April 13th,—Yesterday we passed the island of Nacuruti, likely, I think, to become famous for its fine forest scenery, and to-day we reach the spot known as Palmeyra, where innumerable tall palm trees cover the plain. The species (copernicia cerifera) is of value for telegraph posts, and also for the roofing of buildings already referred to.

April 14th.—We have anchored at a suitable spot, and intend to remain for a couple of days, in order to clean up the boats and prepare for Corrientes. Mr Leach and Captain Bolland have gone on in boat No. 1 to make necessary arrangements for us. surrounding plain is deep in water after the recent heavy rain, I The innumerable an heaps (2 ft. high) in all directions, locomotion is consequently difficult and nobody seems inclined to start off on shooting expeditions.

At night we have a grand concert, everybody has to sing or

recite somethin—and bring his mug with him.

April 16th.—At 6 sharp this morning we were eff, and at 10 o'clock we entered the river Paraguay, we landed for breakfast at the junction, and Mr McSmith, our amateur horticulturist, obtained some fine specimens of Orchids to carry back with him to his garden at San Lorenzo which has already been referred to, he also obtained some flowers of the magnificent Victoria Regia. I found a small wild orange tree growing in the neighbourhood, and also a species of the bamboo attaining a great height.

Two hours later we arrived at the little Argentine port of Timbo. It was a holiday, and after we had made the boats fast we walked up to the open space behind the church on the hill, and listened to the inhabitants wrangling and chaffing each other over the usual impromptu horse-races, and, we felt that we had

reached civilisation once more.

We were ready to pay almost any price for a piece of bread and must, I think, have bought up the whole stock in trade of dried fruits and dulce.

April 17th.—If possible, we will reach Corrientes to-night, so we agree to forego the usual hour of lunch, and lay in a quantity

of sardines and chees, etc, to eat at our oars.

We are off at daybreak; we fly past the little Paraguayan port of Humaitá with its Jesuit ruin and its orange groves—all day we stick to it—about one o'clock we see the river widening—a boundless expanse of water to the north-east, tells us that we have reached the Paraná. Corrientes must now be near, and at 3 o'clock we catch sight of its spires and pinnacles on the uncertain mirage of the horizon. It has been a long pull, but it is the last, an hour later we drop wearily into the calm water of the little creek behind the mole—home.

CONCLUSION.

So our journey is ended, we have been away forty-four days, and have traversed a waterway of nearly a thousand miles through the heart of the mysterious Chaco. The good fortune that has attended us throughout, has been extraordinary, since we have lost neither man nor boat, nor encountered insurmountable difficulties to impede us.

That we saw tew Indians I attribute to our rapid passage (50 or 60 kilometres per day), and also to the flood season of the

river, when the Indians withdraw to the interior.

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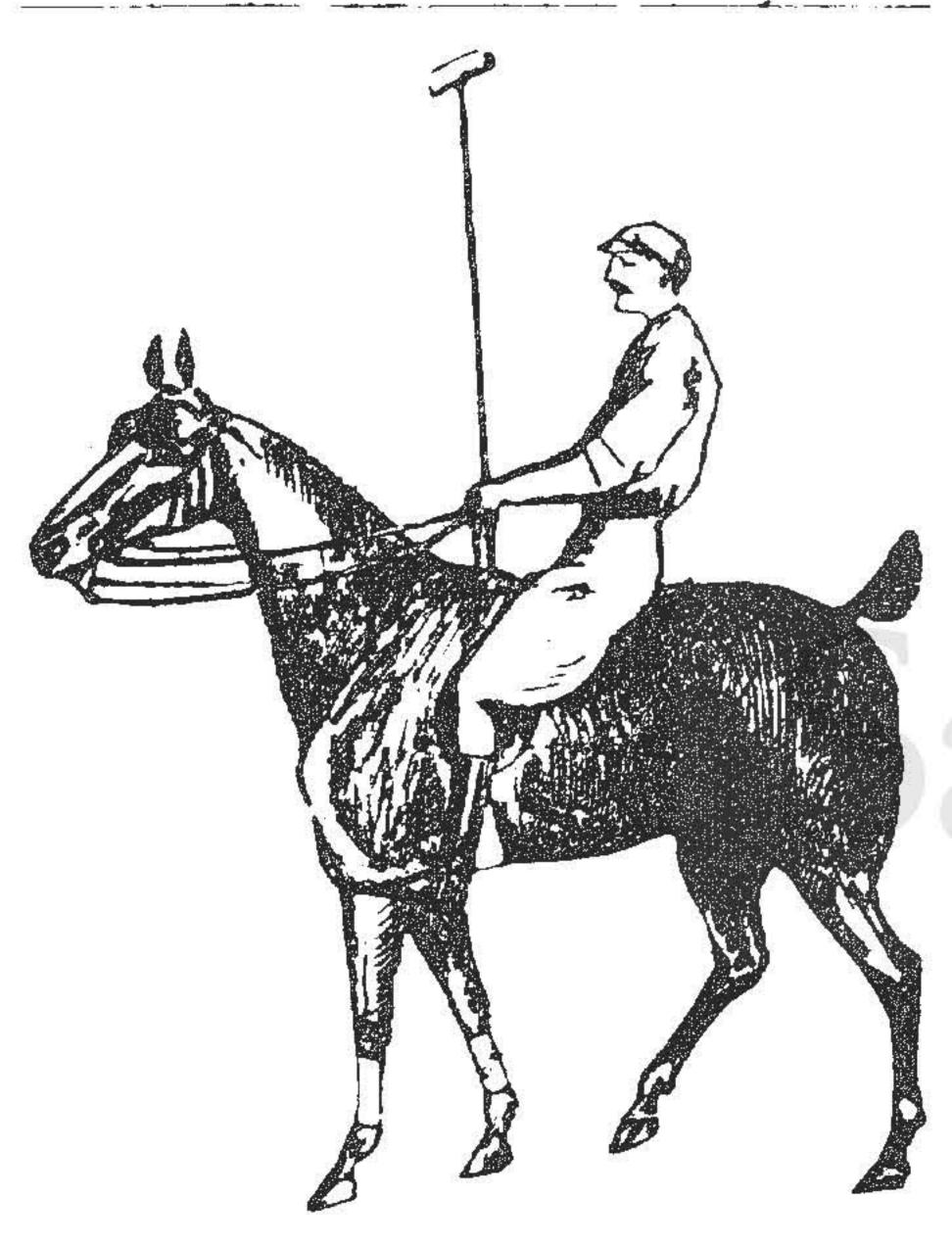


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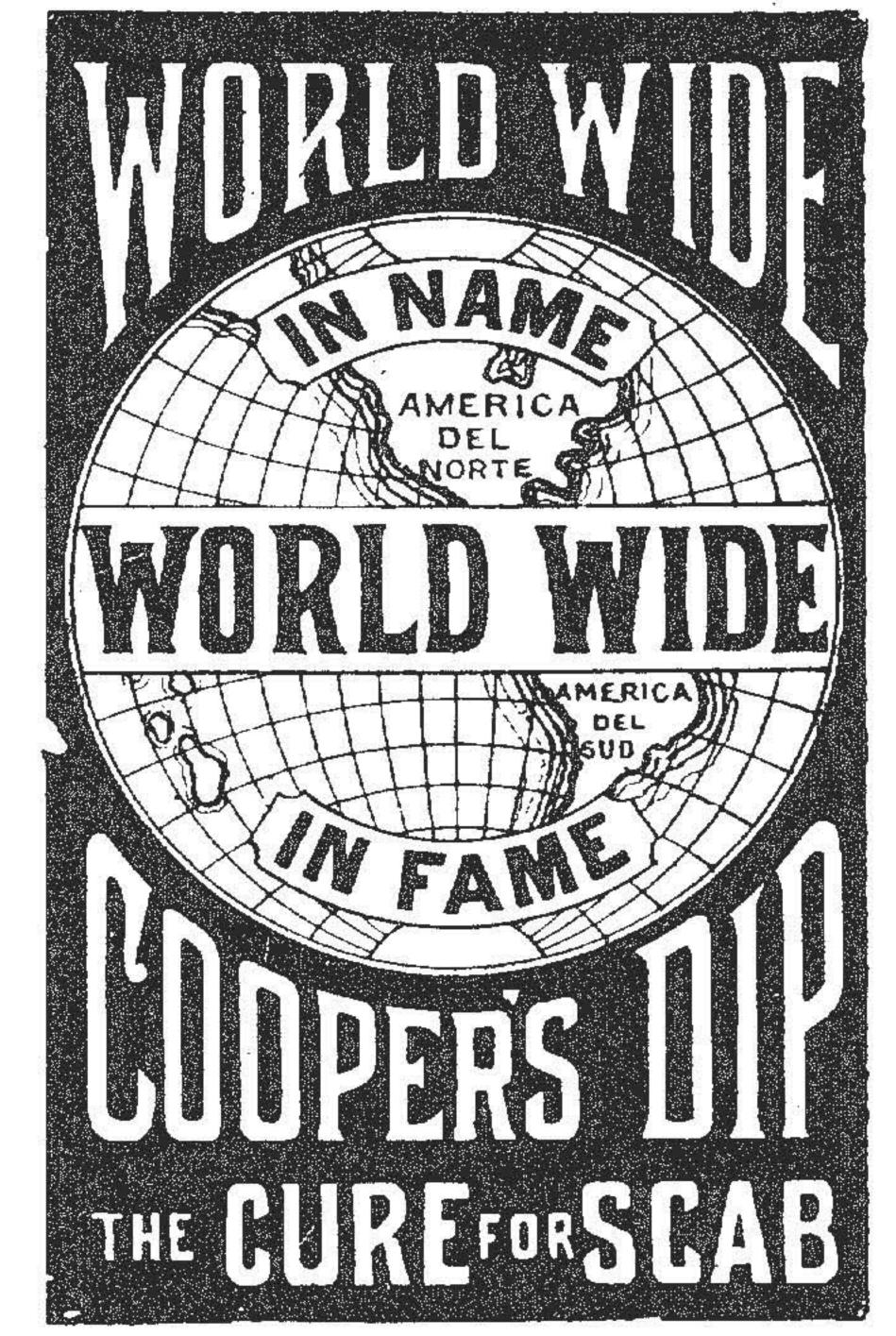
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"Don't go back," was the advice of a Correntino to me, who had lived many years in the Chaco Austral. "You have been let off once," he said, "but don't go back."

I told him it was not our plan, and he seemed happier.

Now with regard to the river Bermejowe have proved its navigability since we have traversed it, but the question of its prac-

ticability, I leave to those whom it most concerns.

The least service Mr Leach has done the country by his expedition, has been to use his extensive knowledge of the Indians' nature to establish their confidence, and assure their goodwill to any who may have to follow him; and the Argentine Government should recognise this.

If we have had no thrilling adventures, we have had hard work and hardships, if we have made no rich discoveries, we have nevertheless gained the best prize of all-viz., success-attribute of the English nation. Every man in the expedition did his share

of the work, and did it well.

It was Mr Leach's toresight and attention to our need that sustained us, and Mr McSmyth's energy and enthusiasm that carried us through.

In conclusion, I give you a list of the names of the persons in each boat, who took part in the expedition, which I omitted to do before:

Boat No. 1-Captain Bolland, Captain Zorrilla, Dr. Paterson, H. Elstrang, and three peons.

Boat No. 2-W. Leach, W. Scott, L. Butterworth, Stot, Bar-

ton, three peons and two Mattacos.

Boat No. 3 - H. R. Miles, A. Dobson, R. Kay, Hartley, and

one paon.

Boat No. 4-R. McSmyth, Clunie, Brierly, Clayton, three

peons and one Mattaco.

Boat No. 5-W. Campbell, E. Kage, Teniente Pellegrini, Lituria, and one peon.

A. Dobson.

RUGBY FOOTBALL NOTES.

As we have received several inquiries as to the rules of the lately formed Rugby Championship, we give them below. More will probably be added from time to time as occasion requires, but the following are the fundamental rules:-

1. That the Championship be called "The River Plate Rugby

Union Championship."

2. (a) The office bearers shall consist of two representatives from each club, who shall elect a President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

(b) That the last three official posts need not necessarily be

filled by representatives of any club.

3. The committee shall conduct the business of the Championship, and shall have power to deal with any offending club or

clubs, player or players, as they may think fit.

- 4. A list of fixtures will be drawn up by the Committee whereby every club will have a home and home match with every other club in the Championship, with the exception of Rosario and Montevideo, for which clubs special arrangements may be made.
- 5. The entrance fee for each club to the Championship shall

be \$20 m/n.

6. The Championship shall be determined by the number of points scored by each club, a win to count two points, a draw one, and losses ignored.

7. No player can represent more than one club during a

season.

8. Every member of each competing team shall wear uniform

colours.

9. The River Plate Rugby Union Championship Cup will be competed for annually, and the Championship club for the season shall be entitled to hold the Cup tor a full year, and in the event of any club winning the Cup for five years, not necessarily in succession, it shall be held in perpetuity by that club.

10. That the Championship matches shall be played under the

rules of the English Rugby Union.

11. That the referee in each Championship match shall be chosen by the opposing captains, and in case of a disagreement by the Championship Committee, to which body due notice must be given.

12. In all matches the captains of teams shall hand to the referee the names of the players in their respective fifteens, which shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Championship, within three days thereafter together with the result of the match.

13. The committee shall have power to alter and add to the above rules as they may from time to time think necessary.

(BY "SPECTATOR.")

Having been asked by our Editor to give some weekly notes on the series of matches, which have just been started, I have begun this week by journeying to Lomas and watching that club

play off its first match against the B.A.F.C. I ought to say firstly that I am sure every old Rugby player must be delighted to see Rugby going sufficiently strong in this country to support a championship for which five clubs will compete.

I understand the match is fully reported elsewhere, and my only object, in obedience to our Editor, is to make a few comments on the games together with a few respectful suggestions and hints to the players taking part, such as may be offered by an old player, who has always kept up his interest in the game, both in this and the old country.

Firstly, what struck me most last Thursday, was the truth of a remark I overheard made by one or two of the players, to the effect that under such conditions as we experienced last Thursday, it was anybody's game. The better team won, but both teams shewed faults, which, with a little attention, could easily be remedied. To begin with, the forwards of the losing side played a game, which, judging by their size and apparent weight, they ought not to have done. Cne glaring error I noticed on the B.A. side was the way they packed; I, several times, saw five men spread out in the front row and two behind. Now how can a "scrum," packed in this way, hold its own against a compact and well-packd nine?

A front row composed of five men may be the best forwards in the world, and yet against a well-organised pack be nowhere in no time. No forward worthy of the name, when he sees the front row complete should add imself to it, he should take his place behind and shove, otherwise he might as well not play, and it is to be hoped any of the younger players who may read these notes will take this to heart.

Screwing or wheeling the scrummages, which has now developed into a science in the old country, seems sadly neglected here, although Jacobs' team on Thursday made some good attempts which came off simply and solely owing to the formation of their opponents' pack. Any team formed as they nearly always were can be simply rushed off their feet by one "old hand" on the other side applying his weight at the right time and in the right place. I have myself often seen in a good hard first class match at home a light set of forwards screw the "scrum" every time in this way, and, therefore, any light set of forwards playing in this competition should bear this well in mind. If they will only do so, they need not be afraid of the heaviest line of forwards opposed to them.

Coming next to the half-backs, I noticed the utter absence (except on one or two occasions by Rumboll) of assistance from them in the way of screw-kicking into touch. It contrasts strongly with what is done in the old country, where I have seen a half like WP. Donaldson save his forwads a tremendous amount of work and gain for his side nearly one-third of the field by getting the ball, running round the "scrum," and kicking into touch. As regards full-back, the Lomas back, who seems quite a youngster contrasted very favourably with his opponent, and, with expe rience should make a good full-back.

It was not a three-quarters day, but I was pleased to see th only point scored by B.A. was from a left-foot drop-kick which would have delighted the eyes of old players in England. Thi question of drop-kicking seems to me much neglected now-a-days and should be cultivated by our budding three-quarters here though I should be the last to encourage promiscuous attempts Still many a match has been pulled out of the fire by a man, who is cool and a good kick, taking a shot at goal when surrounded by opponents and unable to pass or run, and this is the time when i is to be recommended.

In conclusion I would suggest to the forwards, who are afte all, the mainstay of any team, though many of them here do no seem to recognise the fact, that they must follow up the bal when it is kicked off. They must try and tackle their opponents three-quarters and thus help their own men in that position.

Last, but not least, when they go into a "scrum" they mus keep their eyes on the ball and follow it until the whistle goes And this reminds me that there is no better motto in Rugby foot ball for forward or back than "Play to the whistle."

The Belgrano and Flores match was played under very dif ferent conditions to Thursday's game. It struck me as a part cularly good game and I think Flores will do much better ye They need an experienced forward to lead them. The Belgran forwards packed very well, but I noticed one or two Flores for wards with their heads sticking up in the air, a man might jus as well not go in at all.

I was glad to see the referee give a free-kick once for the reason that at the kick-off the ball was not sent the legal distance which players ought to remember is ten yards.

It did not seem very good policy on Flores' part to try short kicks off towards the end of the game. This is a great mistake, the idea should be to help tired forwards as much as possible.

This can only be done by long kicking up the field.

Another noticeoble point was the amount of talking on each side every man seemed to have something to say. This is not right and differs greatly from a good match played in England. At an International match hardly a voice can be heard save that of the respective captains. The passing on Sunday struck one as very fair, especially on the Belgrano side. Tapper being very good in this respect.

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GOLF.

HURLINGHAM v.FFLORES.

The above match was played last Sunday at Flores in beautiful weather, and resulted in an easy win for the home team as may be seen from the scores given below. The visitors were unfortunately without one or two of their more prominent players. The links were in excellent order, the greens being particularly good. The following are the details of the score:—

Singles.

Hurlingham.	100	Flores.					
V. G. G. Scroggie	2	H. Smith	0				
M. G. Fortune	O	H. Hume	7				
R. Paton	0	T. Ferguson	4				
C. S. Clarke	U	W. Agar	3				
F. J. Coombs	0	M. L. Runciman	10				
J. P. Clarke	0	F. E. Jones	0				
Robertson	0	A. Macdonald	1				
T. S. Boadle	O	R. Agar	5				
G. V. Forrester	U	J. T. Leitch	O				
A. Virasoro y Calvo	O	E. H. Theobald	6				
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Foursomes.							
Scroggie and Paton	0	H. Smith and Ferguson	1				
Calvo and Robertson	0	Theobald and Macdonald	9				
Boadle and J. P. Clarke	2	R. Agar and F. E. Jones	0				
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Total result—				
Flores A.C.	11	matches	55	holes
Hurlingham	2	44	4	и

LOMAS ATHLETIC CLUB.

The second monthly medal competition of the above club was played on Thursday last at Lomas. Altogether there were eighteen competitors but owing to the exceptionally heavy rainfall during play the following were the only rounds completed and these under the most unfavourable conditions.

Mr Henderson's performance was a very good one, as those

who saw the half-submerged greens can testify. The following are the details of the scores:

	Gross	Handicap	Nett
F. Henderson	108	-8	100
J. Marjoribanks	102	+5	107
R. L. Goodfellow	114	-4	110
W. D. Gardom	112	scr	112
C. Alexander	118	4	114
W. Flint	121	4	117
F. J. Coombs	124	-5	119
H. O. Dodds	128	-9	119

The first monthly handicap of the Rosario Golf Club will be played on Sunday next at the Alberdi Links.

FIXTURES, 1899.

MAY.

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.

June 11-Flores v. Rosario, at Rosario.

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.

Sept. 8-Mixed Foursomes, at Flores.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1899.

NOTES.

With the numerous sporting fixtures arranged for Thursday last it was distinctly disappointing to find that nearly all of them had to be put off owing to the heavy storms. The races, both at Palermo and Hurlingham were postponed, while, except for those who made an early start, only a few were able to turn out for golf. Notwithstanding the weather and the terrible state of the ground, the first match in the recently formed Rugby Union Championship was played; and caused considerable interest.

Of course the game was principally fought out among the forwards, the ball being far too wet and slippery for any accurate passing among the outsides. It was thought by many that this would be greatly in favour of the visiting team, but the Lomas forwards gave an excellent account of themselves, and splendidly led by their captain, Mr. F. H. Jacobs, time after time wheeled the scrummages in excellent style and eventually won a fast game by eleven points to four. We must refer our readers to our Rugby Notes by "Spectator" for further comments on the game.

The second match of the Championship series was played on Sunday last at Flores between that club and Belgrano. The visitors, with probably the strongest set of forwards of any competing team, early showed their superiority over their opponents, and playing a sound and hard game never allowed the Flores men to cross their lines while they helped themselves to sixteen points, by means of two goals, one try and a penalty goal. The game was fast and interesting and was witnessed by a fair number of spectators.

While on the subject of Championship matches, why, we wonder, do so many people refer to them as League games? The name of the competition is "The River Plate Rugby Union Championship," and we have seen it referred to as the "Rugby League Competition Championship," the "Rugby Football League," and the "Rugby League Championship." To-day we publish the few rules which have been drawn up by the committee to govern the competition.

The Cup for the Rugby Championship, which has been ordered, should be a very handsome one. A hundred guineas has been the price fixed for it, and the order has been given to Messrs Elkington and Sons, through their representatives here Messrs C. R, Simons and Co. The style of Cup is that known as "the Grecian," and it will be mounted on an ebony plinth containing several small

silver shields on which the name of the championship club each year will be engraved. We shall hope to present our readers with a photograph of the Cup when it arrives.

A large number of people travelled out to Hurling-ham last Thursday to see the races, which unfortunately had to be postponed owing to the heavy rain having flooded the course in places. The races will now be held on the 25th inst., the programme, as far as we know, being exactly the same as that we published in our issue before last. Let us hope that better luck will attend them on the above date, for they have certainly had more than their share of ill-luck at Hurlingham as regards the weather on their race-meeting days.

Although the races were suspended, those that went out to Hurlingham did their utmost to be cheerful after their disappointment. This is one of the great charms of the Hurlingham Club, for whatever the weather may be, one can always obtain one form of exercise or another. On this occasion, after a good lunch, the band was brought into play, and dancing in the pavilion was kept fup with much spirit until the 3.56 p.m. train for town left.

Since writing the above note we learn that the races have been still further postponed until the first of June, as the above mentioned date would clash with the finals of the Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Tournament. It is probable that in addition to the programme already published, there will be added a hurdle race or sterplechase for horses, as a preliminary for the Ayrshire Cup and Grand National, which races well be run in August and September.

Last week we prognosticated that Yerba Amarga would be expected to win the Premio Porteño, that there would be noise if she did not, in which we were quite correct, the public protest on Sunday taking the form of a whistle all round as she galloped back to the paddock. The mare has now run four times here and has come in 1st, 4th, 1st and 4th. Next time it will be the turn for 1st. Running against Pillito and Filou over the same distance as before, the only difference in the weights being that all three carried 2 kilos. more, she was never near the fron although she simply frollicked before them in the previous race, -- and arrived behind Omnium, galloping quietly alongside of Gonin and Senegal. Pillito and Aguilera received a great ovation after the race, but the honours belong by rights to Filou, who got off very badly but made the winner run his best to win.

But if Yerba Amarga cut a sorry figure, it was by no means the same with the other champion from over the water, Euskaro, the son of Réverie, who seems to be making a monopoly of the half Classics, now that the slight stainin his blood keeps the big prizes out of hisreach, and who was called upon to give 12 k. to Hidalga, Rob Roy, Guttemberg, Regalona and Regalada, and accomplished the task with ease. Regalona made running with her olp vigour and put many lengths between herself and her field, running the others clean out, but at the paddock Euskaro, who had been last, suddenly appeared alongside the leader, as he always does at this spot and once getting level won in a canter, as usual.

We have been requested to call especial attention to the fact that all the preliminary ties in the Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Tournament must be played off before Saturday evening next, and, as far as possible, first rounds, by Sunday evening next the 21st inst. The time being so short, and the ties so numerous, players are requested to assist the Committee by arranging to play their ties at the earliest convenience.

We have received, and we regret to say too late for publication this week, the full scores in the Autumn tournament of the Santa Lucia Lawn Tennis Club. The finals were played on the 14th inst. before a good attend-

ance of spectators. Both the Open and Club singles fell to Mr. H. A. Hannay, who is playing in wonderfully improved form, and the Gentlemens' Doubles were carried off by Messrs Forrest and Nixon. The Mixed Doubles fell to Miss Nelson and Mr. B. Nelson. The full details will be published next week.

The jumping competitions at the Palermo Horse Show, which have been twice postponed, and which were to have taken place yesterday, have been postponed until to-morrow afternoon. For the six events which are down for decision, no fewer than fifty-one entries have been received. Let us hope that the weather will be more propitious on this occasion.

That all-round athlete, Mr. C. B. Fry, has added another achievement to the numerous ones he is already credited with. The last is a cricket drive of a hundred and forty-five yards and three inches. He was practising at the nets on one of the Hampshire cricket grounds when he made this enormous hit. It was a straight drive over the bowler's head, and was measured from the batting crease to the spot where the ball pitched by Alfred Shaw, who was present, and who certifies to the distance being correct.

A meeting of the League Committee was held on the evening of the 9th inst. and the rules to govern the second division were drawn up and approved of. In another part of this paper may be found the fixtures for the second division and quite a formidable list they make. The Lobos club have wisely arranged for their second eleven to play all its matches on their opponents' grounds, which will save the long journey to Lobos. It is a pity that the first team cannot come to some similar arrangement, especially as more than half the team live in or around Buenos Aires.

Taking everything into consideration the rules seem to be very fair and just. It would never have done to prevent a player taking part in the second division matches simply because he had represented his club in the first division, while it is equally just to bar a player who has played three times in the first team from playing for the second. We are very glad to see some of our school teams entered, and trust it will prove the first step towards forming a school competition.

The rules mainly deal with the question of qualification and are as follows:—

1—Any player who has represented his club in the second division of the League, shall be eligible to play for the 1st team of the same club if called upon to do so.

2—If, however, the said player should represent the first team on three or more occasions, he shall no longer be eligible to play in the second division of the League.

3—All clubs represented in both divisions must furnish to the Secretary, before the first match, a bona-fide list of eleven players who will represent the first team in their League fixture, and who will be ineligible to play in 2nd division matches except as after mentioned. Such list shall be reported to the League Committee for their approval.

4—A player having ceased to represent the first team of his club for two consecutive League matches shall be eligible to play for the 2nd division except in accordance with rule 2.

The National Guard drill has once more come round, and several football players will once again have to give up their winter pastime for the less exciting exercise of marching. The first League match of the season was played last Sunday at Lobos, when, after the most brilliant record ever obtained by any club here, the Lomas A. C. at last succumbed and had to submit to a defeat. One has to go back through many a hard fought struggle before arriving at the date of their last defeat, and had their full team been available, we fancy it unlikely that even now we should be chronicling a loss for them in place of a victory.

Such, however, is the case, and although we cannot help sympathising with the Lomas Club and its partisans, we must confess that in the interests of Association football the result will be welcomed by a great many. If Lomas win this year the Cup becomes their absolute property, and as we predicted in these notes some time ago, the other Clubs are making special exertions to prevent this. Should the Lomas captain, however, be successful in prevailing on some of the old guard to come forward once again, we may yet see a close finish for the Cup, and we trust we may.

As our reporter points out the games between the Lobos and Lomas teams, are invariably of a scrambling nature, and the obsolete style of the kick and rush tactics are always indulged in. The match on Sunday was no exception and there was far too little combination. Burely our players recognize by this time that combining well is the secret of every Association team's success, and that without it no good results can be obtained. A special word of thanks is due to Mr. B. B. Syer, the Vice-president of the League, for kindly undertaking the somewhat trying journey to Lobos, for the purpose of acting as referee.

As we learnt by cable a few weeks ago the final match for the Football Association Cup between Sheffield United and Derby County, ended in a victory for the former by four goals to one. The attendance was a record one, no fewer than 73,833 people passing the turnstile, thus beating the footbal record by about eight thousand. Large as this crowd was, so splendid are the arrangements at the Crystal Palace ground that there was no crowding and all were able to look on in comfort. Mr. Boutell, who was present, writes us that the game was a splendid one, and the play all-round and combination simply perfect.

A pathetic incident was seen in Cardiff the other day. A boy who wanted to see the International match had climbed up to the topmost arm of a telegraph pole, and there sat in a reserved seat commanding a view of every inch of the field. The pathos, says the Western Mail, was supplied by a fat policeman below calling to the boy to come down. The boy simply didn't listen.

Next Sunday the B.A.F.C. representatives journey to Rosario to try conclusions with the Athletic Club there. The team, which is published elsewhere, is a fairly strong one and should give a good account of itself. The competition for places was very keen, always a good sign, and we hope that this visit will do much to further Rugby football in the north.

Should Rosario be able to get their best team together a good match should result. In their last game with the "Camps" they came off successfully, the result being somewhat unexpected as the Camps had a strong team, and although lacking practice, were heavier all round than the Rosario representatives. As our account is a very short one of this game, we might mention that Topping scored the first and L. Jacobs the second try for Rosario, while Jewell scored for the Camp men.

RACING.

PALERMO, MAY 14th.

This meeting was enlivened by fine weather and two classics as the Premio Porteño was included in the programme on account of the suspension of last Thursday's races owing to the rain. This double event made the card unusually interesting, as it was already a good one, and the second competition between Yerba Amarga, Pillito and Filou was the cause of much excitement.

This time the son of Neapolis completely turned the tables on the Montevideo championess, who was never dangerous, and won by a length from Filou, who was almost left at the post and made a splendid show with so much ground to make up.

The two were clear away from the others at the finish,

Omnium third, four lengths behind.

The Classic for young ones was quite at the mercy of Etolo who came away when he chose and won easily, and he is certainly the crack of the year up to the present. Thetis again made a good show.

The limited Handicap was taken by Euskaro, who seems to take 62 kilos as a matter of course, and to win as he chooses

over any distance.

The opening mile was very open and was taken by Ayacucho, who has never done anything before, and paid the best divi-

dend of the day.

The other races gave small contributions, the talent being well on the spot, with the exception of the 1200 metres, where Eclaire was successful, and staved off a bid for a big upset from Le Destrier and Marat.

The following are the details:-

Premio Espina, for horses of three years and more that have been in the country a year, have run more than once, and have not won more than \$2000. Weight 3 years 55 kilos, 4 years and more 57 kilos, 3 kilos extra to winners, \$1500 to 1st, 100 to second. 1600 metres.

Ecurie Mazeppa's Ayacucho by Cormeilles — Cazuela By, 55 k.... A. Saavedra 1

Ecurie Montevideo's Llama 3 y, 53 k M. Valdez 3 Also ran-Yapeyú. Sarsfield, Yaguarete, Bolivia, Union,

Pucara, Libertador and Cariñosa.

Dividends - Ayacucho \$47.35 win 9.70 place, Kaolin 7.50 place, Llama 4.45 place.

Premio Colombia, for two year old that have not won. Weight 54 and 52 kilos, \$1700 to 1st, 100 to 2nd. 1000 metres. Ecurie Dollar's Dictador by Neapolis - Dabriada 54 k

P. Aguirre 1 Stud Don Gonzalo's Cariña 52 k..... F. Perez 3 Also ran-Monaguillo, Olivero, Cantico, Larrea, Le Pays,

Blucher, Leopardo, Regalia, Katty. Dividends - Dictador \$4 25 win 3.20 place, El Alba 21.15

place, Carina 4.65 place.

Premio Balcarce, for horses of three years and more that have been a year in the country and have not won more \$15000. Weight 3 years 52 kilos, 4 yrs and more 54 kilos, 2 k. extra to winners of 3 to \$5000, 4 kilos of \$5000 to 8000 6 kilos of 1915 sec. also ran N. Butti and Leo. 8000 to 12000 and 8 kilos of more than \$12000, \$2000 to 1st. 100 to 2nd. 1400 metres.

Stud Pobre's Cacique by Stiletto-Regalina 3 y, 58 k. . . I Diaz 1 Ecurie Nautilus's Fagotin 3 y, 56 k J. Ribero 3 Also ran-Pompeyo, Union, Eclat, Suzerain and Belena. Dividends-Cacique \$4.90 win 3.15 place, Oribe 3.85 place.

Premio Luro, for colts and fillies born since August 1st, 1896. Weight 54 and 52 kilos, 3 kilos extra to winners of one classic, and 5 kilos of two or more, \$4000 to 1st, 500 to 2nd.

1100 metres. Ecurie Nautilus's Etolo by El Amigo-Estrella 54 k

J. Ribero 1 Petite Ecurie's Thetis 52 k..... F. Perez 2

Also ran - Mago, Douglas, Ibera, Ascot, Pensamiento, Wasp, Ombra, Poignard, Mein Herr, Tormenta, Iron King, Sebastian Gomez, Bohemio and Azul.

Dividends-Etolo \$3.40 win 2.65 place, Thetis 4.05 place, Cardal 485 place.

Premio Porteño, for all horses. Weight for age, 2 kilos extra to winners of more than \$20,000 in Classics, 2 kilos allowed to those who have not won \$10,000 in classics. \$5000 to 1st. 500 to 2nd. 2000 metres.

Stud El Derby's Pillito by Neapolis-Picardia 4 y,

Also ran- Senegal, Gonin, Brandzen, Yerba Amarga and Salto.

Dividends—Pillito \$6.80 win 3.90 place, Filou 3.20 place.

PREM o PITANGA, handicap for horses that have been a year in the country and have not won more than \$10,000. \$1,800 to 1st, 100 to 2nd. 1200 metres.

Stud Revolucion's Eclairé by El Amigo-Estrella

Stud America's Le Destrier 4 y, 40 k...... L. Cova 2

Also ran - Ateniense, Marea, Frontin, Huapi, Sta. Jacinta, Don Carlos, Siria, La Negra, Espingarda and Porthos.

Dividends - Eclairé \$18.80 win 635 place, Le Destrier 35.50 place, Marat 16 place.

Premio Gonin, handicap for all horses, limited between 62 and 50 kilos. \$2500 to 1st, 200 to 2nd. 2400 metres.

Stud Gordon's Euskaro by Oriental-Reverie 3 y, 62 k...... F. Perez 1

Also ran-Hidalga, Rob Roy and Guttemberg.

Dividends— Euskaro \$5.40 win 3.90 place, Regalona 4.95 place.

Premio Alacran, handicap for horses that have won more than

\$8000. \$1800 to 1st, 100 to 2nd. 1600 metres. Stud Oriel's Don Pepe by Orbit-Brunette 4 v, 57 k

R. Garrido 1

Also ran-Travieso, Doblete, Reyezuelo, Chacabuco, Tula and Amambay.

Dividends-Don Pepe \$5 win 3 place, Zárate 4.35 place, Alarife 6.50 place.

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CYCLING.

VELODROMO PALERMO -- May 14th.

The meeting at Palermo last Sunday, attracted a large number of spectators, the boxes, etc. being well filled with ladies and others interested in the racing. The Argentine speed championship was won easily by Sintich, who finished quite fifteen metres in front of Jacquier and the Midget. The races all round were very good and of an interesting description, and the cycling track and grounds are becoming quite a favourite resort on Sunday and holiday afternoons. On Sunday the 21st the Argentine longdistance championship of 100 kilometres will be run off.

The following are the details of last Sunday's racing: -

FIRST RACE -5000 metres race for amateurs of 3rd category with pacers. 1st Billiet, 2nd Grasso, time 9 min. 41/5 sec. last round 274/5 also ran Maximo, Ausonio and Ruso.

Second Race—2000 metres race for professionals of 2nd and category, 1st Listar, 2nd Verdier, time 4 min. 30 4/5 sec., last round 24 3/5 also ran Shilton, The Midget and Ortiz.

Third Race -10 kilometres race with pacers for amateurs of 1st and 2nd category 1st Pereda, 2nd Petit Breton, time 16 min.

Invitation Race - 2000 metres for amateurs. 1st Pereda, 2nd Butti and 3rd Petit Breton time 4 min. 25 4/5, last round 25 3/5.

FOURTH RACE-Argentine Speed Championship 1000 metres race in heats open to all riders with two months residence in the Argentine.

First heat—1st Inglesito (Shilton), 2nd Butti. Time 1 44 3/5

sec. last round 26 3/5 sec. also ran Laborde and Leo.

Second heat -1st Sintich, 2nd The Midget, time 1 46 4/5 sec. last round 24 3/5, also ran Pereda, Ortiz and Russo.

Third heat—1st Jacquier, 2nd Verdier, time 2 min. 6 1/5 sec. last round 25 1/5 also ran Rade.

Final-1st Sintich, 2nd Jacquier, 3rd The Midget, time 1 m 41 1/5 sc. last round 23 3/5 sec.

FIFTH RACE—Tandem Race for professionals, 10 rounds of the track. Prize, \$8 to every Tandem 1st in each round, and 1st prize \$20 and 2nd \$10, 1st. Sintich-Cervera, 2nd Listar-Bugallo, time 4 min, 40 4/5 sec. last round 27 1/5 sec., also competed; Laborde-Bayarde (7 rounds) and Rade-Shilton (2 rounds).

FOOTBALL

RUGBY.

RIVER PLATE RUGBY UNION CHAMPIONSHIP. LOMAS A.C. v. B.A.F.C.

The first match in the above Championship was played last Thursday at Lomas under very adverse conditions, the grounp being half under water. Under ordinary circumstances the match would probably have been postponed, but after the captains had inspected the ground, it was decided to play, a decision which gave satisfaction to all. Unfortunately two of the visiting team failed to put in an appearance. R. E. H. Anderson being unable to play and J. Hardman being absent from among the front rank. On the other hand, P. J. Grant turned out for the home team and did much useful work in the open. The general impression was, before the game commenced, that the visiting forwards would prove far too strong for the home pack, but such was not the case, and the home forwards, admirably led by their captain, F. H. Jacobs, had quite as much of the game as their opponents, and

this fact practically determined the ultimate result, a victory for

Lomas by eleven points to four.

Before proceeding to the details of the game, we must say that the play throughout was wonderfully fast and keen, especially with the ground in such a state. From the first moment that the ball was set in motion, until the final whistle blew, play was of the fastest description, and both sides did their utmost to gain an advantage. If we may judge from this, the first match of the Championship series, Rugby football bids fair to quite hold its own with any other game out here.

The sincere thanks of all are due to Mr L Corry-Smith for his kindness in officiating as referee. It requires no small sacrifice to turn out on such a day, but Mr Corry-Smith waded through the standing water manfully and his decisions were sound as

usual.

Bellamy, the visiting captain, won the toss and elected to defend the Lomas-end goal, Liversedge kicking off for Lomas shortly after the advertised time. The return was weak and play settled down in the visitors' quarters. After pressing for some time the ball was kicked over the B A. line, but was safely touched down by the visitors' back. From the kick out the B.A. forwards got well away, Bellamy, Gilderdale and W. Campbell all being prominent and some fast play ensued inside the home twenty-five. A foul was given against Stirling for keeping a man off the ball, and Anderson nearly dropped a goal, the ball just falling short and being safely placed into touch by S. Mohr Bell. Continuing the home forwards wheeled excellently and were soon attacking again. The ball being let out well Cowes was able to get through and score the first try for Lomis, but Jacobs failed to convert. On resuming, B.A. again worked their way into their opponents' quarters, where just on half time Anderson dropped a goal. It was rather a lucky one as he took it with his left foot, while being swung round by his right arm. Half-time thus arrived with the visitors leading by one point.

Pretty well soaked through the players of both teams started off with renewed energy for the second moiety of the game, and play became very fast indeed, the ball travelling from end to end at a great pace. Gradually, however, the home team began to obtain the upper hand, not that they had all the game, but it was only the exertions of the visitors outsides in defensive work that kept the Lomasites from scoring. At length, after a nice bout of passing, A. Anderson scored near the corner flag, Jacobs finding the kick too difficult a one to convert. Continuing to have the best of matters Lomas were able to score again before the whistle blew, Stirling following up smartly touching down behind the goal posts. Jacobs added the major points. Victory thus rested with Lomas by a goal and two tries (eleven points) to

a dropped goal (four points.)

For the losers, Bellamy, Gilderdale, Campbell, and Gebbie showed up prominently in the front rank, while Campbell, Ander-

son, and Rumboll did much good work outside.

For the winners, Jacobs was very good and played a better game than we have seen him do for a long time, Cowes and Grant were very useful outside, and A. Anderson kicked with great judgment, while H. Mohr Bell played a capital game at half. Liversedge was as good as ever forward, and S. Mohr Bell shone at full-back.

The following are the teams:-

Lomas A.C.-

Back-S. Mohr Bell.

Three-quarter backs-H. A. Cowes, P. J. Grant, C. W. Romer.

Half-backs-A. Anderson, H. Mohr Bell.

Forwards—F. H. Jacobs, (capt.), E Liversedge, A. H. Spooner, A. A. Miller, R A. Brooking, F. Boutell, H. P. Wright, R. Smiles, W. Stirling.

B.A.F.C.

Back-H. M. Edye.

Three-quarter backs—W. R. S. Baikie, J. O. Anderson, J. S. Campbell.

Half-backs-E. L. Rumboll, H. Dobson.

Forwards—J. C. Bellamy (capt.), M. F. Gilderdale, T. Gebbie, F. Corry-Smith, W. D. Campbell, G. Blagden, M. Bagley.

FLORES A.C. v. BELGRANO A.C.

This match, the second of the Championship series, was played last Sunday at Flores in splendid football weather and before a

fair attendance of spectators.

From the commencement the game was very evenly contested, play being almost entirely confined to mid-field. Both sets of outsides had chances offered them, but they were all well marked, Elliot and Leitch tackling very surely and the Belgrano forwards being very smart on to their men. At length the superior weight and stamina of the visiting forwards began to tell, and slowly but surely they worked their way to inside the Flores twenty-five line. Here they indulged in some smart open work, and H. A. Wibberley, picking up smartly, gave to Tapper, who

made a nice opening and passed to Foth ergill, who might have run in, but to make doubly sure made a good opening and gave to Webster, who scored in a good position, but Fothergill failed to convert. Five minutes later, after a sustained attack, Tully got over rather wide, but Fothergill safely negotiated the kick, a very fine effort. Half-time arrived with the score unaltered, Belgrano crossing over with a lead of eight points.

On resuming, the visitors soon took play into their opponents' lines, and while there chimed and were allowed a free-kick, for one of the home players not getting of the ball when held. Fothergill took the kick and landed a very fine goal. Still having the best of matters Belgrano continued to threaten danger. Elliot worked hard to get away, but could not obtain an opening, the visitors tackling extremaly well. At length Fothergill got nicely away from a gool pass by Bouwer, and after making some ground, he passed neatly to Webster, who ran in by the corner flag. The referee, however, ruled that the latter player had run into touch, and so the try was disallowed. After a further five minutes play, im Thurn broke away from a scrummage on the half-way line, and after a clever dribble, he picked the ball up well and ran in, Fothergill again doing the needful. No further score was registered, so that Belgran ratired victorious by two goals, a try, and a penalty goal (sixteen points) to nothing.

The superior play of the visiting forwards really decided the

match.

The Flores pack sadly lacked a leader and reminded us of the

proverbial flock without a shepherd.

Nixon, the Belgrano full-back, kicked well, as did Fothergill. Bower and Tapper made a very useful pair of halves as far as their passing went, but they did not shine in defensive work. Of the forwards, Brodie, im Thurn, Williams, and Wibberley were very prominent, and worked well throughout.

Of the losers, Elliot and Leitch were the pick of the outsides, and they worked very hard all the time. King got some smart dribbling in, but hardly looked after Elliot as he might have done. Goddard played a good hard game at half, but got few opportunities from his forwards, of whom J. Elliot and H. Hampson were the most conspicuous.

Mr L Corry-Smith kindly officiated as referee, Messrs M. F.

Gilderdale and J. W. Taylor looking after the lines.

Mrs Corry-Smith kindly looked after the tea tables.

The following are the teams:-

Belgrano A.C.

Back-C. Nixon.
Three-quarter backs-F. W. Fothergill, J. H. Webster, C. Tulley, A. Vernon.

Half-backs-F. Bouwer, J. H. Tapper.

Forwards—A. C. Williams, A. im Thurn, C. Elye, P. J. Woolf, H. A. Wibberley, N. M. Whitworth, C. J. N. Carter, A. Brodie (capt.)

Flores A.C.-

Back-Ponce de Leon.

Three-quarter backs - A Coste, F. Leitch, G. F. Elliot (capt.)

Half-backs-W. H. Goddard, D. King.

Forwards—J. H. Elliot, C. Mackenzie, B. Gwyn, Nield, W. D. Campbell, H. Hampsen, C. Thunder, A. O. Jones, L. Holt.

B.A.F.C. v. ROSARIO A.C.

The following have been selected to represent the Buenos Aires F.C. in their match on Sunday next against Rosario:—

Back-F. W. Fothergill.

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

Half-backs-D. King, H. Mohr Bell.

Forwards—M. F. Gilderdale, F. H. Jacobs, A. Williams, W. D. Campbell, E. Liversedge, A. im Thurn, F. Corry-Smith, J. C. Bellamy (capt.)

Reserves-A. Brodie, C. S. Edye, H. P. Wright, C. Romer, S

Mohr Bell, A. O. Jones, H. Dobson.

ROSARIO A.C. v. NORTHERN CAMPS.

The above match, in which the following players took part, came off at Plaza Jewell on Sunday last, and although time does not allow to give full details of the game, suffice it to say that Rosario won by a goal and a try to a try (eight points to three.)

The teams were:-

Northern Camps—H. Smythies, A. Watt, H. Bury, E. Watt, E. Glover, H. P. Smythies, H. E. Horner, F. E. Kiuchant, E. Traill, J. Widderburn, E. Jewell, T. Sykes, F. Francis, A. Gibbons.

Rosario A.C.—C. Pixton, F. H. Mends, T. Monkhouse, H. Dawson, F. W. Boardman, R. Dorning, A. W. Topping, J. H. Beaumont, C. Wilcox, L. Jacobs, J. Wharton, H. Middleton, G. Huntingdon.

This, the first game of the season, attracted a great number of old players and their friends, and a most enjoyable afternoon

was spent.

At half time tea was provided, for which the thanks of the players and their friends are due to the Misses Le Bass, Middleton and Glover.

On Sunday next, should the weather hold out, a good game is anticipated with our friends from Buenos Aires.

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MAY.

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.

Sun. 2-B.A.F.C. v. Belgrano, at Lomas.

Sun. 9-Flores v. Lomas, at Flores. Sun. 16-Lomas v. Belgrano, at Lomas.

Sun. 16 or 23-Rosario v. "Runners Up," for the Cup.

Sun. 30-Final, for the Cup.

ASSOCIATION.

LOBOS A.C. v. LOMAS A.C.

The first League match of the season was played last Sunday at Lobos, where the above teams met. The result, a victory for Lobos by two goals to nil, hardly represented the play, which, as far as we could see, was as even as possible, and would be more correctly indicated by a draw. The play throughout was of that very ragged and unscientific, though decidedly vigorous description, which has often previously characterised the meeting of these two teams. Combination was lacking altogether from either front rank, although what little there was may be said to have been on the losers' side. The ground, thanks to the attentions of the brothers Moore, was in much better condition than last year, while a notable improvement was the substitution of goal posts of the ordinary pattern for the unsightly objects that have done duty hitherto.

Thr visitors turned out as advertised, but the home team made three changes, Jordan, Mack, and Rath being replaced by Wilson, Leslie, and T. Moore, and it is questionable if this in any way weakened the team, as the two latter were greatly instrumental in contributing to the success of their side. Grant won the toss, but chose to play against wind and sun, leaving Lomas to defend the town goal. Boutell kicked off and immediately Lomas pressed. A couple of dangerous rushes were well stopped by Moore and Buchanan, and subsequently the home custodian was busy saving on two occasions at the expense of corners. Relief, however, came in consequence of a successful appeal for off-side against Stirling, and play was transferred to the other end. Give and take play of a very scrambling nature now followed, neither side indulging in combination, preferring individual efforts. From a well placed corner Mohr Bell had hard lines in not scoring, the ball striking the upright and passing the wrong side of the post. The rest of the play this half requires little description. Several chances, which under ordinary circumstances might have been made use of by the Lomas front division, were allowed to pass, and half-time arrived with the score sheet blank.

Wilson restarted after a few minutes' rest, and immediately Lobos rushed the ball to the Lomas goal, where the goalkeeper was penalised. Leslie took the kick and shot the ball across to E. Moore, who was unmarked, but Negron intercepted the pass; and a regular scrimmage ensued in front of the goal. For fully ten seconds the ball was absolutely hidden from view and then Jacobs burst through taking the ball to half way, where momentary relief was obtained. Useful kicking by the home half-backs, however, soon brought the ball back to the Lomas goal, where a mistake by one of the visiting backs allowed Leslie to get the ball, and the latter dodging Jacobs put in a low cross shot for which Romer seemed quite unprepared, and thus first blood was drawn by the home team. This seemed to have the effect of awaking the visitors, and they set about their task of equalising in good style. Some combined play between Hunter, Mohr Bell, and Boutell resulted in the last named almost scoring, Grant diving at the ball and barely managing to touch it with the tips of his fingers. A corner resulted, and being well placed by Stirling a score seemed imminent, but for some unaccountable reason the goal-keeper was allowed to get in his kick, although surrounded by the whole of the opposing front rank. This was the last chance Lomas had, and all the subsequent play took place round their goal. The ball was now transferred to the left wing, where McCarthy centred beautifully to Levy, and the latter without any hesitation sent in a fast left-foot shot which quite baffled the goal-keeper. All the rest of the play was in the visitors' territory, and as nothing further of note occurred, Lobos were left winners of a very keenly contested but indifferent match by two goals to none.

Mr B. B. Syer very kindly journeyed down to referee, in

which position he gave great satisfaction.

Of the winners, Levy was about the best of a very indifferent set of forwards, although J Moore at times showed traces of his old form. Leslie was by far the best of the half-backs, showing up prominently in both defence and attack. Both the backs were as safe as possible, and in this department the home team had a great pull over their opponents. Grant in goal was not troubled much, but safely kept his charge intact when called upon. Of the losers Romer had the unenviable task of filling the position of goal-keeper for the first time so that his mistakes must be overlooked. Stirling was the best of the backs kicking with his usual accuracy, Jacobs and Anderson at half got through a lot of nseful work, especially the latter. Miller for once was decidedly off colour. Of the forwards Stirling, was the best, though still inclined to get off-side. Boutell in the centre, like Reynolds and Miller seemed to suffer from playing in a position be is unacustomed to. Mohr Bell was the best of the others, Hunter and Goode being evidently outclassed.

The following are the teams:-

Lomas -

Goal-C. Romer.

Backs-W. Stirling and C. W. Reynolds.

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

Forwards-A. J. Goode, Wm. Stirling, F. J. C. Boutell, S. Mohr Bell and J. Hunter.

Lobos-

Goal-P. J. Grant.

Backs-T. Moore and W. Buchanan.

Half-backs-T. Cavanagh, W. Williams, P. McCarthy.

Forward - J. Negron, E. Moore, H. Wilson, J. Moore and R. Levy.

BANFIELD A.C. v ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

The following will represent Banfield in the above fixture to be played on Sunday 21st at Banfield on the arrival of the 1 p:m. train from Constitucion.

Goal-Bartlett.

Backs-J. D. Watson (Capt.) and J. W. A, Martin. Half-backs-D. Morgan, A. Harriman, F. R. Wilson.

Forwards - A. Woodwell, A. Moffatt, E. Potter, J. Macdonald and E. Hirst.

ROSARIO.

CENTRAL ARGENTINE Ry. A.C. v. ANGLO-ARGENTINE COMMERCIAL SCHOOL.

The above match was played on the ground of the former club on Sunday the 6th inst. and resulted in a draw of one goal each. The school boys played with great spirit and determination throughout and their combination on one or two occasions when they got very close to the Railway goal, certainly did great credit to their tutor, M. C. Newell and with a few more practice games, they should turn out a very useful team.

The following are the names of the players: -

Central Argentine Railway A. C.-

Goal—J. Canton.

Backs-H. Hopper, W. Gayleard.

Halt-backs - W. Burnett, A. Gibbons, W. Harris.

Forwards-P. Harrison, D. Harrison, G. Harrison, S. Harris, and M. Green.

Anglo-Argentine Commercial School. —

Goal-G. Renny.

Backs-C. Newell, J. Williams.

Half-backs-M. Pedenera, A. Pedenera, A. Matterson. Forwards-N. Newell, A. Airaldi, J. Kool, V. Keitz,

CENTRAL ARGENTINE RAILWAY A. C. v. CORDOBA AND ROSARIO RAILWAY A. C.

On Sunday the 7th inst. the above match were played on the ground of the Central Argentine Railway A. C. The weather was everything that could be desired and the ground in good condition. The game was well contested throughout, the final result being a win for the Central Railway to the tune of three goals to two, Carman scoring twice for the visitors whilst G. Harrison, P. Harrison and Postell, each placed one to the credit of the home side.

The following were the teams: — Central Argentine Railway A. C.— Goal—J. Hollis.

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Backs-H. Hopper, W. Gayleard.

Half-baks-A. Gibbons, J. Harte, W. Harris.

Forwards-M. Green, G. Harrison, P. Harrison, A. Le Bas, and A. Postell.

Cordoba and Rosario Railway A. C .-

Goal-J. Goodfellow.

Backs-F. Martin, S. Angel.

Half-backs-E. Clarke, F. Porte, French.

Forwards-R. Dorning, J. Anderson, J. Kean, A. W. Topping and B. Carman.

Mr. J. Thomas kindly officiated as referee.

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.

SECOND DIVISION.

MAY.

Sun. 21 — English High School v. Banfield, at Banfield. Thurs. 25 — Belgrano 2nd v. Barker Memorial School, at Belgrano.

Thurs. 25—English High School v. Lobos 2nd, at Coghlan. Thurs. 25—Scotch School v. Banfield, at Baufield.

Sat. 27 - English High School v. Scotch School, at Coghlan.

Sat. 27-Barker Memorial School v. Lanus 2nd, at Lomas.

Sun. 28-Belgrano 2nd v. Banfield, at Banfield.

MONTEVIDEO.

ALBION FOOTBALL CLUB v. C. U. RAILWAY C.C.

This match was played at the Paso del Molino on the new Albion ground on Sunday the 7th. It was a perfect day & as the two elevens were supposed to be well matched there were about 2000 people on the ground to witness the game. The Albion got two goals in the first half, the first being scored by J. Sardeson and the second by R. N. Leggett and as no further points were made the Albion were left victorious by two goals to nil. The combination of the Albion forwards was good, but slow; Poole at back played very well and the three halves played pluckily. For Penarol Craven played up hard at centre forward, but left his position too frequently. Doull was very safe at back and Davies in goal saved brilliantly, but was caught napping once. There was no scoring in the second half and Peñarol quite held their own, though playing uphill. but there is no doubt the better team won. The Albion can put a very fair eleven in the field, but the team ought to be much quicker on the ball and play a faster game, for should they be opposed to a quick set of forwards, they would find great difficulty in getting the ball and, once got hold of difficult to keep, as the passing takes too long and the forwards take too much time in getting up the field and would thus allow fast opposing forwards to assist their own halves. Penarol will have to improve before they can score a victory over the Albien, their play at times being very wild and the halves are very weak at kicking. It is perhaps too early to say anything yet as the team has only played together twice and there are several men in it who are very promising.

Mr DREVERS XI v. THE URUGUAY ATHLETIC CLUB.

It was originally intended that Mr Drevers team should be a representative team of the M. V. C. C., but this gentleman and others assisting him in this praiseworthy effort received so little support from the members of the Club that he was obliged to call the assistance of several Navy men. The match was played at the Blanqueada and ended in a draw, no points being scored on either side. The U, A. C. men are light, but their combination is very good and the whole team play well together. Their best men are Ferres, Azuz and Thomas as forwards and Bordoni at back is a very sure kick. The home team on the other hand were heavy and having never played together before, lacked combination. Ellery and Blackler at forward, played well and Craig at back was splendid and received great assistance from Davie.

It is a great pity that the M. V. C. C. does not make an effort and get together a team, for we are sure if some of the players who used to play for the Club were to take the game up again, the M. V. C. C, could put a team in the field, which could hold its own aginst any team here and very likely lead

in the number of victories.

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ALBION 2nd XI v. C. U. RAILWAY C.C. 2nd XI.

These teams met at Peñarol on Sunday the 7th and unfortunately for the Albion, three of their men failed to turn up. The Peñarol men had it all their own way and put the ball

through their opponents goal no less than five times. The Penarol youngsters played very well and showed that they must have received some coaching and that they are profiting by it. We hear that this Club can put a 3rd XI in the field if required which says a great deal for the keenness of the boys.

ALBION FOOTBALL CLUB v. COMBINED NAVY.

It was raining most of the day on Thursday and the ground at the Paso del Molino became very slippery and soft by the time the game began. Considering the state of the field the game was fast and though the Navy men were most of the time up at the Albion end, they eventually lost by two goals to one. The Navy second very soon after the start. Leggett making a fine pass to the scores, which was well put through. They continued to bombard the Albion goal for some time but they found. Sardeson too much for them, this player playing a splendid game and there is litle doubt that the Albion owe their victory to the goal keeper. The Albion were lucky in their first goal as the ball just rolled into the goal, while a scrimmage was taking place on the goal line. The second goal was made by J. Sardeson who placed his shot with great judgment. Poole played very well at back and his kicking was very well judged. The Navy forwards rather ran round the Albion forwards as the latter were too slow and took too much time when passing. They however, showed they knew how to take full advantage of a little luck and played very pluckily even when the game was very much against them. The wing forwards of the Navy were very quick, but the centre was weak. Williams at half-back and Craig at back were very safe.

BUENOS AIRES LAWN TENN.S CLUB

ANNUAL TOURNAMENT MAY 23, 24 AND 25.

We publish below the drawings and handicaps, for the above tournament:—

CHAMPIONSHIP

Preliminary round:

B. Henderson v. R. Latham.

Revd. R Handcook v. L. Corry-Smith.

A. Anderson v. A. MacMorran.

First round:

T. V. M. Knox v. A. H. Knight.

B. Verschoyle v. E. S. Knight.

H. Schwind a bye.

LADIES SINGLES

Preliminary round:

Mrs. Boadle + 3/6 of 15 v. Mrs. Heriot + 15.1.

Miss F. Thompson + 4/6 of 15 v. Miss Chawner - 30. Mrs. Wallace + 15 v. Miss M. Shawner + 3/6 of 15.

Miss Huxtable + 15.1 v. Miss A. Nelson + 4/6 of 15.

First round:

Mrs. A. Mohr Bell + 15 v. Miss M. Jacobs-3/6 of 15. Mrs. Goldsmid-15.4 v. Miss Burr + 15.

LADIES DOUBLES

Mrs. Heriot and Miss Pearse + 15 v. Miss Chawner and Miss M. Jacobs-30.

Mrs. Boadle and Mrs. Goldsmid-15 v. Miss Huxtable and Miss A. Nelson + 4/6 of 15.

Miss F. Thompson and Miss Marrs scr. v. Miss Anderson and Miss Oxley + 15.3.

Miss Krabbe and Miss Burr + 15 a bye.

CLASS A.—GENTLEMENS SINGLES

Preliminary round:

H. B. Knight-15 v. T. S. Boadle + 15.2.

J. F. Macadam + 3/6 of 15 v. L. Corry Smith + 4/6 of 15,

H. Schwind + 15 v. W. Russell + 4/6 of 15.

W. Lovett + 4/6 of 15 v. A. Mohr Bell + 4/6 of 15.

S. Mohr Bell + 15 v. A. Gumpert + 15,2.

E. S. Knight-1/6 of 15 v. T. V. M. Knox-4/6 of 15.

C. H. Menzies + 4/6 of 15 v. R. Latham + 15.

J. O. Anderson + 15 v. H. Hannay + 2/6 of 15.

F. J. Coombs + 15 v. T. W. Earle + 4/6 of 15.

A. Macmorran-3/6 of 15 v. C. Morley + 15.2.

C. W. Thompson + 15.2 v. B. Verschoyle-3/6 of 15. A. Anderson + 2/6 of 15 v. Rev. R. Handock-3/6 of 15.

First round:

B. Henderson—3/6 of 15 v. W. D. Bailey + 5/6 of 15.

R. C. Jones + 3/6 of 15 v. A. H. Knight - 3/6 of 15.

CLASS B.—GDNTLEMENS SINGLES

Preliminary round: A Lace - 15 v E Cunningham - 26 of 15 M Bagley + 15 v W M Bell - 216 of 15

R W Romer — 15 v W Higgins — 15

R D Mac Kinnon — 216 of 15 v E Rumboll scr T A P Macdonald — 216 of 15 v W T Lucy + 15.2

A Brodie + 15 v B S Nelson - 26 of 15

E Macadam scr v F W Brooker - 36 of 15 G F Richardson = 216 of 15 v J R Boyd = 15

A Inglis - 36 of 15 v F L E Wallace - 46 of 15

W Warden + 15.2 v T Gregory + 316 of 15

A S Willes — 15 v P Boyd - 36 of 15

First round:

F H Boxwell + 416 of 15 v B Goldsmid + 15

J Weinberg - 15 v R H Roberts scr

F H Smyth + 416 of 15, a bye

MIXED DOUBLES

Preliminary round:

Miss Chawner and R Latham -- 416 of 15 v Mrs Wallace and F L E Wallace + 15

Miss F Thompson and C Morley |- 2,6 of 15 v Miss Forrester and M Bagley -+ 15

First round:

Miss A Nelson and W Lovett - 516 of 15 v Miss Krabbe and A Anderson -- 316 of 15

Miss Colson and F Jacobs - 3 6 of 15 v Miss M Jacobs and

J () Anderson — 216 of 15

Miss Pott and A Crawford + 516 of 15 v Mrs Mills and A S Willes + 15.2

Mrs Boadle and J F Macadam — 15.3 v Miss Burr and T S

Boadle - 4 4 6 of 15

Mrs Goldsmid and B Goldsmid - 36 of 15 v Miss Mohr-Bell

and P L G Bridger + 416 of 15

Miss Huxtable and A MacMorran - 153 v Mrs Hunt and R C Junes +36 of 15

Miss Anderson and L Corry-Smith - 416 of 15, a bye Mrs A Mohr-Bell and A Mohr-Bell scr a bye

GENTLEMENS DOUBLES

A Anderson and A H Knight - 15 v F Jacobs and S Mohr-

Boll + 216 of 15 T V M Knox and Rev R Handcock - 30 v C H Menzies and

R C Jones + 216 of 15

J F Macadam and B Henderson - 15.2 v H B Knight and ES Knight - 30

W D Bailey and C Hope - 46 of 15 v L Corry-Smith and

A Macmorran — 15

H Schwind and J S Sheehan + 316 of 15 v B W Gardom

and D Gardom + 15 C W Thompson and A Inglis -- 15 v H Hannay and W

Lovett — 416 of 15 A C Blyth and F W Brooker + 15 v J O Anderson and P

L G Bridger + 316 of 15 E Macadam and W Warden - 15.3 v G F Richardson and

T A P Macdonald + 316 of 15

The club ground is open for the use of competitors. Cards can be obtained from the Hon. Sec. 268, 25 de Mayo.

BUENOS AIRES LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Players in the above tournament are requested to take note that all preliminary ties must be played off before Saturday evening, and if possible, the first rounds by Sunday evening.

MEDIA LUNA CLUB.

On the 7th inst. the above club met to elect the team for the tournament next month, and also to decide other important matters: The four chosen, will be the same as last year, C. J. Tetley, J. R. Kirkham, R. and F. H. Leared.

C. J. Tetley was elected captain and R. Leared secretary of

the Club.

It was settled to fence in the new ground, and when this has been done, it should become a very good one, being full sized and perfectly level, though at present a trifle slow through want of rolling and being played on. A match was arranged, The Team v. The Rest. In spite of several players being absent the Rest were able to give a very good account of themselves against the Team, although beaten 5-2 at the finish.

The players were .-

The Rest.

1. M. T. Johnston.

2. J. H. Leared.

3. V. G. Kennard. S. Furber (back.) The Team.

1, F.H. Leared.

2. R. Leared

3. J. R. Kirkham.

C. J. Tetley (back)

Furber kept his men well together, Johnston sticking to his back in great style, and J. H. Leared was very sure on the ball and played a much improved game.

For the Team Kirkham alone showed good form, and apart from a great deal of missing on the part of No. 2, and back the combination of all was faulty, perhaps to be accounted for by the fact that they have not played together since the Venado Tuerto October tournament. Anyhow a great improvement is to be hoped for before Hurlingham next month. After the match there was a pick up game, Wilson cutting in. This player, when he gets better ponies, will be very useful as he is a wonderfully sure and hard hitter.

There was a capital muster of players at Hurlingham last Sunday afternoon. The ground as may be imagined after all the rain we have had during the past week, was very wet and cut up a great deal, so that fast play was out of the question.

As eleven men were on the ground they cut in and out, and the game was of the usual practice order, but one or two of

the periods produced some good galloping.

It is a great pleasure to see so many players at Hurlingham, and all that is wanted now is a larger number of really good ponies to insure the old club making a show at the coming championship tournament.

Amongst those who took part in the game last Sunday were Messrs H. S. Robson, T. S. Robson, Mullaly, Willes, Schwind, Clunie, Ravenscroft, Sidebottom, Kennard, Challinor, and Balfour.

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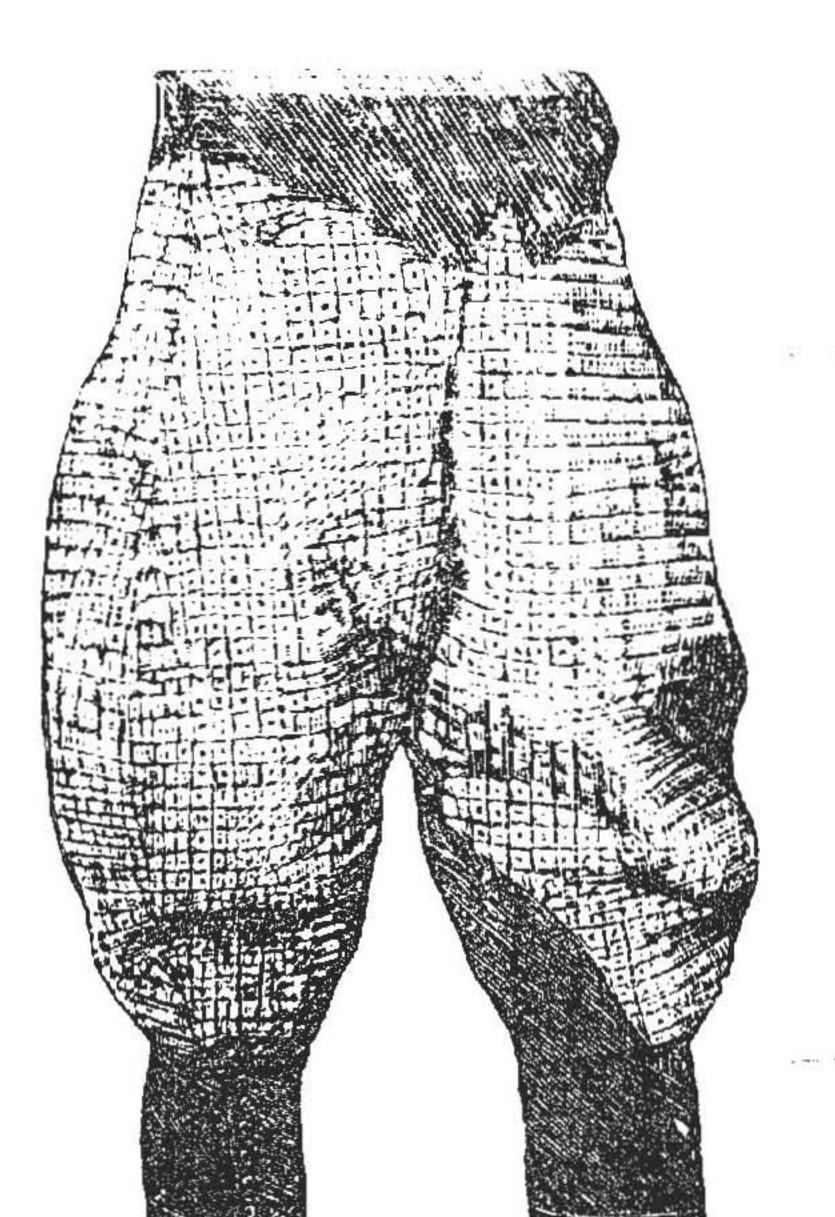
A fairly large field met at the club last Sunday morning, the advertised meet at the Mill having had to be abandoned owing to so much rain having fallen as to make the country round it quite unrideable. A nice little run was therefore arranged at the last moment, and the going proved fairly good throughout.

Hounds were laid on in Mr. Howard's chacra, and they ran straight from there across carlos' place to Flores' old house. From here they ran to Sr. Quirno's home paddock where the run finished. The hounds hunted well throughout and they have improved wonderfully in the last fortnight and we expect they will go really fast before another month is passed. Mr. Bennett had a nasty fall owing to a loose hurdle springing back on to his horse as he took off, but although the field were allowing each other very little room he luckily got off without damage.

Amongst those out were Mr. Howard, Miss Huxtable, Messrs Preston, Howard, Ravenscroft, Robson, (with his small son who went the whole way on "Robsonian") Clunie, Schwind, Bedford, Willes, Thompson, F. J. Bennett, Challinor, MacDonald of Venado Tuerte, Pack and one or two others we did not know. Last Thursday's run had to be abandoned owing to the storm which

broke about the time hounds were to have met.

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THE RURAL SOCIETY'S HORSE SHOW, PALERMO

As we promised last week, we give below a correct list of the prizes received in each class at the Horse show which should have concluded last Thursday. Owing to the rain that fell on that day the programme could not be carried out, and the jumping and other events fixed for it will be decided to-morrow afternoon.

Class I.—For saddle horses:

Nothing shown in this class was thought worthy of a first prize, so a second and third only were awarded, the former going to a horse of Sr. Agustin de Elias' "Boy," by a hackney out of a racing mare. He was only a fairly nice horse and we should have liked to have seen the prize won by something much better. Sr Grimaldes, who had a number of Anglo-Normandy horses competing in this class, won third prize with one of them. These are useful horses but with nothing special to recommend them, showing ltttle quality and action. The Curumalan Company showed a number of horses in this class by a thoroughbred out of halfbred C'eveland mares. They were good looking little horses, some of them with particularly good shoulders, but they were rather narrow and showed too much Cleveland blood to take our fancy.

Class II.—For match pairs, 1.56 m. or over:

This was a really good classthough some very bad horses were included in the exhibits, but once these were weeded out the remainder were well worth showing. Sr Lainez had several very handsome pairs of bay hackneys and Yorkshire coachers, and to a pair of the latter was deservedly given first prize. These were "Lucio" and "Altamirano," a beautiful match, and nice goers. Sr M. Martinez de Hez took second prize with a very nandsome pair of greys described as by a hackney out of Russian mares, but they shewed very little Russian blood, as we understand it, and might have passed as pure hackneys. These horses General Roca was on the point of purchasing to set d as a present to the King of Italy, during one of our visits to the show yard. Third prize in this class went to a pair of bay halfbred hackneys the property of Sres J. and R. de Urquiza.

Class III. - For match pairs 1.56 m or under:

First prize "Aramis" and "Maipu" belonging to Sr Pastor Senillosa Second prize Sr Agustin de Elias' "Lord" and "Lady," a nice pair of bay cobs, and third prize went to a smart little pair of backney ponies owned by Sr Manuel Lainez. This was not a very strong class on the whole, though there were eighteen pairs shown in it.

Class IV.—For single harness horses 1.56 or over:

The show of harness horses in this classs was decidedly poor. The first prize winner Sr. M. D. Herrera's Loncoy was a long way in front of any of the others in style, and is a well balanced horse of a very useful stamp, and was described on the catalogue as by a thoroughbred out of a halfbred Normandy mare. Sr L. de Lia took second prize with Boer, a hackney, and Messrs Stegman Bros' third with a Yorkshire gelding Tom.

Class V.—For single harness cobs under 1.56 m.

There was great competition in this class between Sr Lainez' hackney pony "Tatclista" and a halfbred hackney shown by Sr E. Ramos Mejia, "Etrope.' The latter was one of the smartest goers of his size we have seen bred here, but the superior quality and better looks of the pure bred pony shown by Sc. Lainez won him the first prize. Etiope being placed second and a nice stylish little mare with only moderate action, third.

Class VI.-For heavy draught horses.

For some extraordinary reason we are at a loss to explain, this class did not attract a single entry. Every one is agreed that heavy horses are the most paying ones for estancieros to breed, and yet we find not one single entry at a show of this kind.

Class VII.—For horses, a lot of six in corrales, suitable for

cavalry, of any breed height, or age.

First prize for light cavalry horses in this class were given to some very useful good shouldered horses by Anglo-Normandy sires out of racing mares bred by and belonging to Sr Carlos Grimaldez. These horses were about 15 hands high and they all rode well. First for heavy cavalry horses was won by Sr M. de Elia for a lot of Norfolks, and second by Sr J. E. de la Fuente for some Clydesdales.

Class VIII.—For artillery or transport horses, in lots of 14 in

corrales, of any breed, size or age.

The Clydesdales shown by the Negrete's estancia were very nuch better than any other in the class and they easily secured irst and second prizes. Some Norfolks shown by Sr Maximo de

Elia, taking third honours.

The special prizes, for the best lot of five or more saddle, and he best lot of five or more harness horses, and shown by one exhibitor, were won by Sr M. Guiraldes and Sr Miguel Lainez respectively. Sr Lainez hackneys made a very good show in this class, the thirty seven he had competing being all round of a very high class.

To sum up briefly, the show was not at all a representative

one of the horses we can breed in this country, hackneys were in a large majority, and the absence of some first class specimens of the heavy breeds robbed the exhibition of more than half its interest The classes, as last year, were very badly arranged and to divide the exhibits into eight classes, and show stallions against fillies, and a few horses against yearlings is absurd, but we trust all this will be changed next year. Why not have classes for hunters and polo ponies? We know the show of ponies last year practically fell through, but if properly advertised we do not think it would do so again, and the hunters, next to the race horse is the next valuable horse to breed, and there is plenty of material for hunters here if breeders only knew what was wanted. Then again there is the 'Bus horse. He is a paying animal, and we should now be able to compete with Canada and America in this line, but unless people know what class of animal is wanted, they naturally cannot breed it. We should like next year to see a class for ponies suitable for polo, with a sound judge and a good player to judge them; a class of hunters to be judged by some one who knows what a Leicestershire horse ought to be; and a class for 'bus horses judged by a practical man like Mr D. Kingsland.

A show like the one just concluded makes a pleasant enough function, and gives us something to talk about for a few days, but it is of little real use to the thousands of horse breeders in this

country.

Sales were held during the week, but the prices will be no guide to our interested readers. Sr Lainez sold his prize hackneys for \$6,000 the pair, a very handsome price, but the auctions did not realise satisfactory returns. A pair of Curumalan cobs made \$700 each, but most of the animals sold did not fetch their value On the other hands ome private transactions were effected at good prices.

H. Scott Robson No. 8, BOLSA.

Camps Bought and Sold.

Money Lent out on Mortgage.

Produce received on consignment.

SHIPMENTS made on account of Estancieros of Live Stock and Produce of all kinds for the ENGLISH MARKETS. Live Stock and Produce also received for shipment to South Africa, the Cape, Port Elizabeth, and Natal. Liberal advances made

Bs. Aires Western Railway WINTER TIME TABLE.

Leave Once for Caballito and Flores. A.M.: 6.00, 6.30, 7.15, 8.30, 9.00, 9.30, 10.00, 10.45, 11.40.

P.M.: 12.30, 1.30, 2.30, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 5.00, 5.30, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 8 00, 9.15, 10.30, 11.30, 12.30.

Leave Flores for Once.

A.M.: 5.59, 6.39, 7.19, 7.49, 8.19, 8.49, 9.20, 9.49, 10.19, 10.49, 11.20, 12.04, 12.49.

P. M.: 1.49, 2.49, 3.34, 4.14, 4.49, 5.34, *6.09, 6.34, 7.24, 7.54, 8.24, 9.19, 10.34, 11.19, 11.59.

Leave Caballito for Once.

A.M.: 6.03, 6.43, 7.23, 7.53, 8.23, 8.53, 9.53, 10.23, 10.53, 12.68, 12.53.

P. M.: 1.53, 2.53, 3.38, 4.18, 4.53, 5.38, *6.13, 6.38 7.28, 8.28, 9.23, 10.38, 11.23, 12.03.

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ROUND THE TOWN.

The words of the performer who told us that all who were taking part in "The Gondoliers" would buck up and that Nicholson and Morgan—the familiarity is that of the singer and not ours—would pull them through have proved more than true for the success of the opera on Saturday and Tuesday

evenings was undoubted.

We must confess that when we saw the first two rehearsals in the theatre, concerning which we wrote a few lines—which by-the-way have been somewhat misconstrued by certain people into being a criticism of the performers, than which nothing was further from our idea—the production did seem a bit backward with the appearance that it would need a very strong effort to bring it up to the mark. The dress rehearsal however went wonderfully smoothly, more smoothly than any dress rehearsal should go according to superstition, for they say that a poor dress rehearsal means a good performance. In the present instance the saying will have to be altered for it was a case of a good dress rehearsal meaning a very good one,

from every point of view.

The theatre was well filled, although many of the audience insisted on coming in late, and the curtain did not rise until nearer 9 o'clock than 8.30. Still when the curtain did go up the theatre was filled with a fashionable audience, more fashionable than enthusiastic, although applause was by no means wanting during the evening; in fact the encores which were given were drawn from the performers by sheer continuance for demand and not by any means as easily granted as has sometimes been the case. This is a step in the right direction, for there is nothing more annoying to the section of the audience which does not wish to insist on indsicriminate encores than the giving way to the no doubt kindly meant but often times unthinking encoring. It is also hard on the performers as singing a severe solo or a bustling quartette twice instead of once, adds very considerably to the labour of the evening. However we will not discuss the ethics of the encore question, but will merely remark that whatever encores were granted through the evening were not only well deserved but heartily asked for by the audience.

The production as a whole will rank with the best given in this city. When we say the best, we do not mean that the show on Saturday evening was without fault or flaw, but that taken as a whole the characters were all, as far as the principals were concerned, admirably represented while the choruses were bright and the staging etc. combined to make "The Gondoliers" one of the most pleasing operas the Choral Union have

yet given.

The grouping on the rise of the curtain in the first act was very pretty and artistic and the chorus was nicely sung, if perhaps a trifle lacking in volume of sound. The singing of a barcarolle, by Mr. Donald Begg—the possessor of a fine and powerful voice, raised the audience to a warmer pitch and from this

point the opera proceeded smoothly.

There were at times some contretemps among the choruses, at least there must have been for the conductor to sing with the chorus. Unless the chorus was very wrong it was a little rough on them for their faults to be made more prominent by their own Conductor. The movement of the chorus did not seem so well drilled as usual and the exits especially at times were not as clean and easy as we have been accustomed to. Perhaps we are growing, if we have not already grown, hypercritical over these performances, and look for too much from our friends, so we must pass any little fault in this direction and give the chorus the praise it deserves for working hard

and singing well.

The Duchess of Plaza Toro, found an excellent representative in Madame de Franc, who sang her only solo with the art of a finished singer making the very most of her opportunity. Her daughter, Casilda, was a dainty and yet dignified personage in the hands of Mrs. Mills, who sang remarkably well, while she acted with grace and intelligence. Mrs Showler was a bright and jovial Tessa, giving full point to her speeches, singing well, acting with spirit and doing her utmost by useful example to keep the piece moving and the fun going. Mrs. R. Hunt looked very nice as Gianetta, the music of which suited her voice better than that of Tessa which she played in the first representation. Her singing of the beautiful solo "Kind, sir, you cannot have the heart" took the house and was warmly encored. Miss Clark, Miss Buxton, and Mrs White were adequate to the demand of the small parts they undertook.

Honours were so easy among the men that we will take them in their social position on the programme. The Duke of Plaza Toro found a dignified representative in Mr. T. V. M. Knox, who was really admirable at all points. He looked distinguished, walked and moved with quite an old world air and best of all he sang and spoke distinctly, and hardly a single word he said or sang was lost, or if it was it ought not to

have been, by the audience. It is the best thing Mr. Knox has done so far. The Grand Inquisitor, Don Alhambra Bolero, was in the very safe keeping of Mr. J. S. Lee-these initials might be read to mean Jolly Safe-who played the part exceedingly well. He did not seem to us however to equal himself in this production, and there was less bite in his acting at least on Saturday evening, than we remember in the first show. The two gondoliers. Giuseppe and Marco, as played by Messes F. C. Lee and E. Lesslie Wilson were in every way adequate to the situation and gave a decided reason for the naming of the opera, which without wishing to decry in any way the first production was somewhat lacking on that occasion. Mr: F. C. Lee again proved himself a decided acquisition to the ranks of our leading amateurs, and sang, danced and acted all through the opera with plenty of vim and go. We trust that he will not neglect the proper training of his powerful and well toned voice, for it would, we imagine, well repay any trouble spent on it. Mr. E. Lesslie Wilson seemed to be better suited in Marco than in anything he has yet done and not being in the opera a romantic or love sick tenor he gave full vent to his joviality of spirit and backed up his brother gondolier in first class style. Mr. J. S. Hooper had not overmuch to do as Luis but he sang his two duets with Casilda pleasingly, while looking all a king in the second act. Mr. Rankin, as Anibale Mr. J. L. Mackinnon and Mr. F. Jacobs filled their small parts with discretion.

The mounting and staging was, as is usual with anything undertaken by Mr. R. H. Morgan, of a very high order, and the pictures formed by the contadine, the gondoliers etc were artistic and pretty. It ought to have repaid him for his hard work during the rehearsals—and it is hard work too—to see how smoothly everything went, the only slip being when the audience insisting on an encore the chorus had to retire rapidly into the wings. Mr. W. H. Nicholson was responsible for the training of the singers and the chorus and he also can put another feather into his cap—if the there is room for another—at the way the choruses went. His orchestra was also under better control and the encores were taken up more smartly thus

preventing any wait by the performer.

All round "The Gondoliers" as played by the Buenos Aires Choral Union in the year of grace 1899 would be very hard to beat.

The first Cinderella of all the glad new year, Mother, of all the glad new year, took place on Wednesday evening last at Prince George's Hall. Although the night was inclined to dampness the floor was very good, in fact perfect would not be too strong a term to use with regard to it. The decorations were original and effective, the electric light especially having been cleverly treated. The orchestra was up on the stage hidden among the palms and greenery, but the sound of the brass therein was not hidden and was at all times a little overpowering. The supper arrangements were admirable and, mirabile dictu, the waiting that is of the waiters was exceptionally good, an excellent feature. All round a great success, and we have given orders to call us early, call us early, call us early, Mary dear; we want to be in first class time for all the Cinderellas of the year. The scansion is faulty but the sentiment is well expressed.

The Dramatic Club has decided to give its first performance for this season on the 27th inst at Prince George's Hall on which occasion, the programme will consist of two one act comediettas, "To oblige Benson" and "A Patron Saint". In the former Mrs Phillips, Miss F. Foster and Messrs E. Danvers, C. D. MacDonald, and J. O. Anderson will take part. In the latter Mrs Krabbe, Miss Anderson, Miss Krabbe and Messrs B. Gwyn and J. O. Anderson will be entrusted with the characters. The second performance will probably consist of "The Arabian Nights" but the date etc have not yet been fixed, although a good and strong cast has been arranged. The season is commencing late, but it looks like going strong.

MASONIC INTELLIGENCE.

We are requested by the W.M. of St. John's, Lomas, to remind the bretheren that the elections take place at the next meeting on June 6th.

The arrangements for the annual banquet will also have to be settled on that day.

We are very pleased to have received the above notice for publication, and shall always be happy to place our columns at the disposal of those who wish to publish Masonic notices of any kind.

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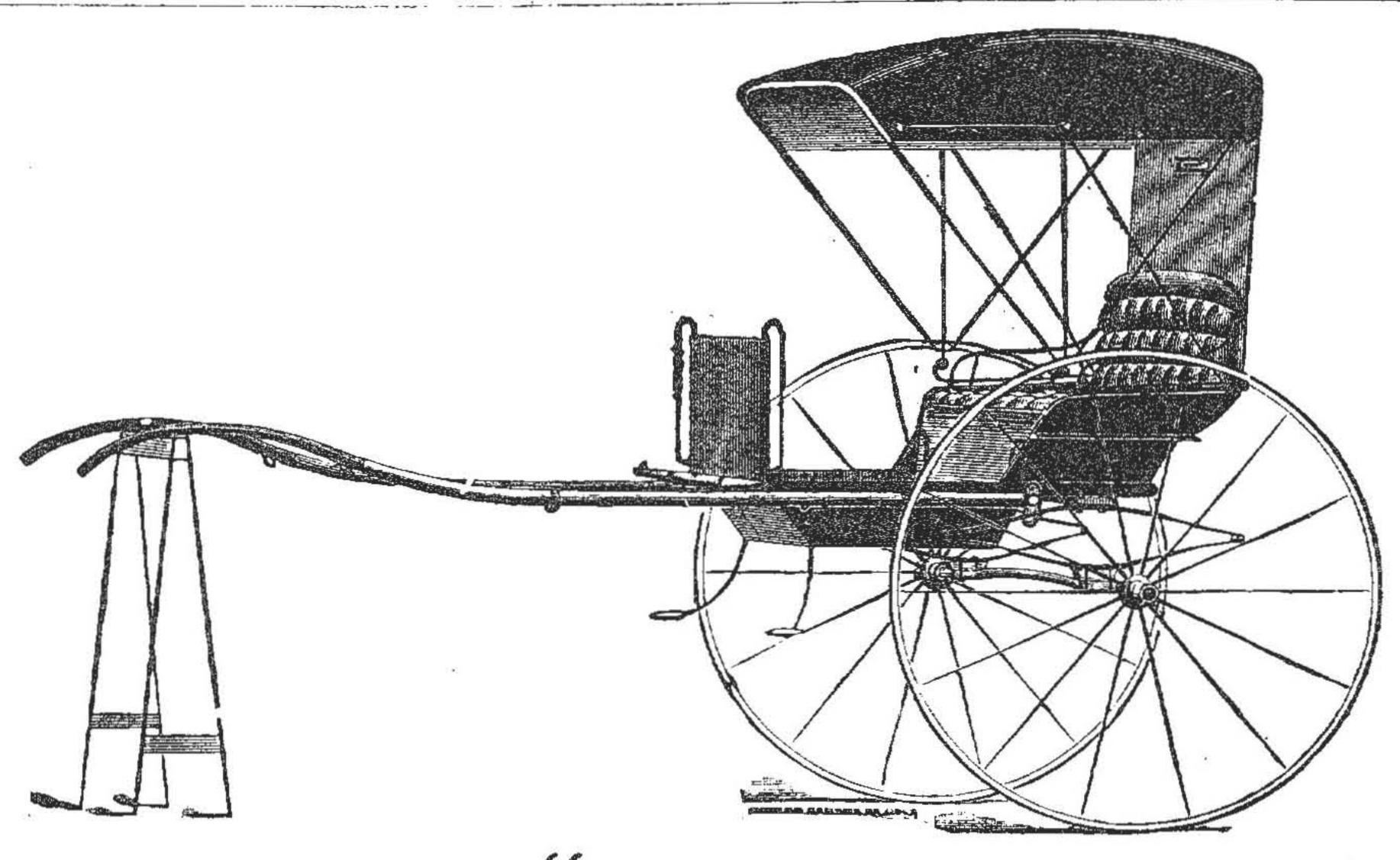
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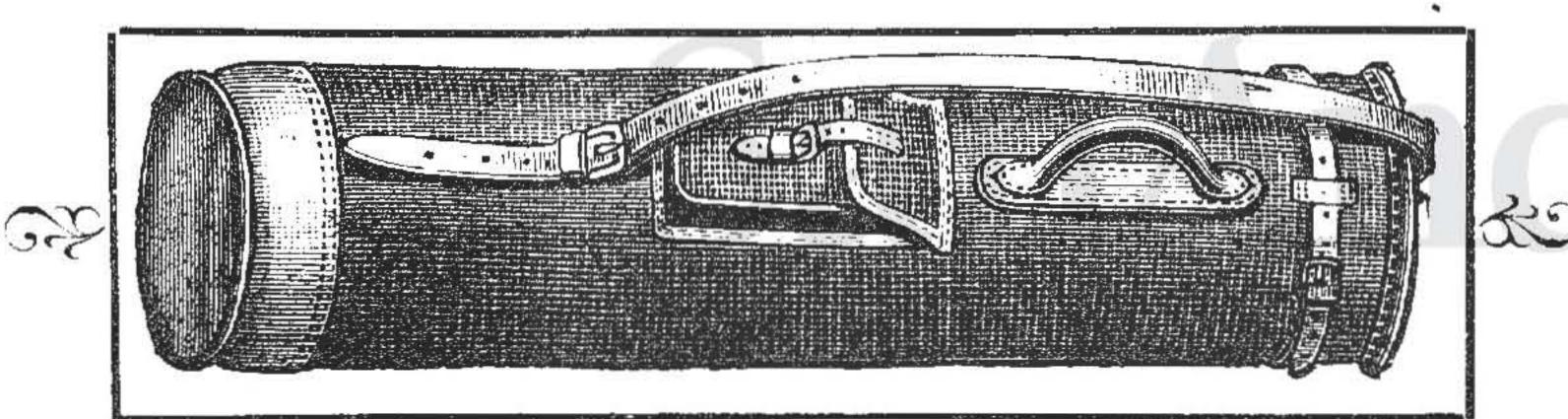
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