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Vol. XVI., No. 425 BUENOS AIRES, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 1899.

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## ESTANCIA AND COLONY.

Messrs, Risso, Patron and Co. sold last week a small fraction of cainp, some 103 hectareas in extent, in the partida of Pilar, and with frontage on the Rio Lujan, for $\$ 765981$, or at the rate of $\$ 7659$ the hectarea. The buyer was Mr. Wilham Dickson.

A new industry in this country is the making of cheese from the milk of sheep. Messrs Luro and Sons have started this year a small cheese factory on their estancia "San rascral" in Loberia, and are at present utilizing the milk of 3000 sheep. Next year they intend to increase the number to 20,000 .

The Rural Society of Tres Arroyos have fixed the 24th and 20th prox. for their new Show.

Messrg. Juaz B. Repetto and Son have sold from their estancia "Viamonte" in San Vicente 430 nuvillos, export class, for invernada, to Messrs. Tibista and Menta, at $\$ 52.00$ each.

Señor Juar Baylec has dold from his estancia in the partido of Balcarce, 400 steers export class, for invernada, $21 / 2$ years and up at $\$ 40.00$ each.

One of the most imporiant camp businesses effected for some time past, was the sale on Wednesday of last week, at auction of the well-known Cano camps in the partilo of Rojas. The camp sold comprised some 17,486 hectareas divided into 14 lots, which realized the following figures:-
Lot No. $1 \$ 85.00$ p. hectarea. Buyer M. Dorrego de Ortiz Basualdo.


The total of the sale amounted to $\$ 1,318,655.37$ which gives an average of $\$ 75.49$ per hectaraa or $\$ 203,708.00$ per square league. The auctioneers were Messrs. Koman Bravo and Co.

Another important auction sale held on the same day was the liquidation of the live stock on the estancia of the late John B. Dowling, in Carmen de Areco, by Messrs. F. P. Bollini and Companý.

The following is a note of the animals sold and the prices realised:-

2650 cows al corte, at $\$ 18.20$, buyer H. Fynn.
300 cows al corte, mestizo Durham, at $\$ 24$, buyer J. Maraine.

200 novillos al corte, mestizo Durham, at $\$ 44$, buyer Vicente Cucullu.

34 ciñueleros, mestizo Durham, at $\$ 89$, buyer Juan Clavarini.

80 mares, al corte, at $\$ 9$, buyer H. Castillo.
130 mares, al corte, at $\$ 7$, buyer R. Olcese:
1 imported Shire horse, at $\$ 205$, buyer R . Olcese.
2 heavy draught stallions, at $\$ 100$, buyer K . Olcese.
75 riding and harness horses, at $\$ 13$, buyer $R$. Montovio.

2500 Lincoln sheep, al corte, at $\$ 2.90$, buyer MacLawling. 1670 Lincoln sheep, al corte, at $\$ 3.20$, buyer Gabino Brena.
$180 J$ Lincoln sheep, al corte, at $\$ 2.35$, buyer Antonio Raffo. 1700 Lincoln sheep, al corte, at $\$ 2.25$, buyer M. Rodriguez Alonso.

2100 Rambouillet, al corte, at $\$ 340$, buyer Tomas Gahan.
2400 Rambouillet, al corte, at $\$ 3$, buyer Tomas G. Rios.
1500 Rambouillet, al corte, at $\$ 2.25$ buyer Tomas G. Rios.
240 rams, Lincoln, Kambouillet, and Oxford Down, at $\$ 5.20$, buyer S. Reynaud.

445 capones, export type, at 97 , buyer Tomas Goñi \& Co. 5 goats at $\$ 1.50$, buyer Angel Devoto.
15 pigs at $\$ 6.50$, buyer Juan Clavarini.
The stock sold realised a total of $\$ 111,614.50$.

Mersrs Bullrich and Co. sold last week 15 Rambouillet rams imported by Messrs F. Brankhorst and Co. at prices ranging from $\$ 250$ to 1550 , and an average of $\$ 503$ per ram.

They also sold 's pure Durham bulls belonging to and bred by Sr. Pastor Senillosa, at $\$ 850,900$, and 1100 respectively.

In shipment of live stock there is practically nothing doing. due on the one hand to the new regulations, which combined with the high rates current for cereals, make the cattle rates impossible, and on the other, to the scarcity of live stock, fat enough for shipment. Fat capones are very scarce, and the freezing companies are paying mose for them than the live stock exporters.

Sr. Leonardo Pereyra has sold from his estancia Juncalito, in the partido of Ayacucho, 1000 steers, export quality, for invernada, to Mr John A. Brown, of the estancia La Campana, at $\$ 47$ each. The animals are three years and up.

The sales of wool, that is fine and fine crosses, go merrily on all ovgr the province, $\$ 6.80$ to 7.20 the ten kilos being about the current rates; up to the present we have not heard of a single traneaction in coarse wools.

Mr G. MacLean has just arrived in the s.s. Horace with a valu able consignment of Live Stock, smongst them being two Polled Angus Bulls, bought to the orders of Messrs Ignacio Unanné, and Cecilio Lopez.

Sr. Unanné, is a strong partisan of the breed, but Sr.fLopez, is making an experiment, having purchased some little time back, a nice lot of 50 heifers, rising 2 years old, from Mr C. S. Clarke's "rodea" on tis estancia Augusta, at Azal.

The sale last week by Messrs A. Bullrich and Co. of the bulls from the estancia Retiro of the sucesion de Vivot, resulted as follows:-

1 bull á $\$ 1100.00$, J. Dumas é hijos.
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1 bull á $\$ 1000$, Stegmann Hnos.
1 bull á $\$ 1050$, W, gangy.
Mr Michael Kinsella has sold from bis estancia in Pergamino some Rambouillet rams, of his own breeding at $\$ 3000$ each, to $\mathbf{S r}$. Carranza. This is the highest price ever paid here for Rambouillet rams bred in the country.

Deptford, August 17385 Argentine steers sold at 8s. 10d. to 4 s . and 1390 Argentine wethers at the same rates per stone. The market is quiet.

Scfor Bernardino Acosta bas sold to the Viuda de Bidone and Delfino, 8000 capones from his estancia El Rosario in the partido of San Antonio de Arece, at $\$ 6.25$ each, with plazo to re ceives up to the end of September.

Messrs. Rocca and Terrarossa, have purchased from the sucesion del Carril, from their estancia Li Porteña 503 novillos for invernada at $\$ 50$ each.

Advices from Cañada de Gomez are to the effect that camps, are in splendid condition but tat stock is scarce, and "resero"" paying good prices. Mr. John Ripley has sold to Messrs Parker and Fraser a bi. lot of export novillos at $\$ 36$ gold on wagons at Cañada de Gomez. He has also sold a lot of novillos for fattening 3 to 4 years old at $\$ 5200$ paper and 2 lots of fat criollo novillos at $\$ 41$ and 43 respectively.

On Sunday last Messrs. Roman Bravo and Co. sold at auction, a small camp in the partido of Saladillo comprising some 871 hectareas more or less for $\$ 35,722.00$. The buyer was Señor Manuel Umarán.

We take the following notes from the "Live Stock Journal": -

In a feeding experiment carried out last winter for the Agricultural Department of Bangor College, two lots of Welsh bullocks, four in each, were fed on different quantities of the same foods, to test the financial results of liberal and moderate feeding. The beasts in lot 1 were fed on a ration consisting of 3 lb . maize meal, 3 lb . decorticated cotton cake, and 5 lb . of hay per head daily, with pulped swedes, hay and straw chaff, and water ad lib. Lot 2 had 5 lb . of maize meal, 5 lb . of cake, 5 lb . of hay, and the other bulky foods ad lib. The feeding was carried on from November 29th to Fabraary 1st for two beasts in each lot, and for another week tor the rest. The average increase in live weight was 1 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb . per head for lot 1 , and 3 qrs. 24 lb . for lot 2. No explanation is given of this anomalous result, further than the statement that the beasts in lot 1 consumed a little more of the bay allowed them than the others. Possibly they consumed also more swedes and chaff. When sny foods are given tul lib. the results of feeding experiments are confused.

Australian papers received by the last mail give a distressing account of the results of drought in New South Wales. The Minister for Lands, on returning to Sydney after a tour through the west, reported that the condition of the country was simply beyond description. Nearly all the live-stock were dead in the western country, he said, although great efforts were being made to keep alive a remnaut of the breeding ewes. A deputation from the pastoralists of the Colony at large waited upon the Minister to ask for a reduction of rents. Owing to drought, they said, there had been no increase of stoek for five years, and now 50 per cent. of the animals were dead or dying, while further losses were inevitable.

The following recipe for giving horses condition was recommended in 1863 by an officer of the Indian army, who found it invaluable in the East. It seemed to fortify the horse against fatigue:-Boil a sheep's head almost to a state of jolly, and mix with enough bran to make up into balls, one head per day should be given in this form, aud the horse's allowance of corn reduced by half. For the first two or three days the animal raust be fed by working the mixture with the fingers between his grinders; he will gradually swallow small portions, and in four or five days will eat it greedily. Dick Turpin is said to bave been in the habit of wrapping a thin piece of raw beefsteak round his mare's bit when he had to call upon her tor a very special effort in th shape of a long and fast journey. Some horses eat animal food quite voluntarily. A few years ago an account was published of a norse which voluntarily ate a duckling and trout; and of another which ate snails when offered, "crunching them up like lumps of sugar."

A complete stranger going into a field to judge the young stock of several strains may be a more capable man than the owner, but the chances are that he will find himself handicapped when it comes to be a question of which animal will come out best, which will be second best, and so on. The stranger may unerringly put his tinger on "present best," but, assuming as wo do that he can only guess at the breeding, it is plain that he may be quite out of the reckoning when he ventures, to express opinions about relative merits for a year hence. The owner, on the other hand, if he be a master of his business, knows how the stock of such and such a sire and from such and such dams "come out." One of the group may be the best tor the time being, and may lose instead of gain in the fature. Another animal may not be third best during the passing hour, yet the chances are that it will finish first or in the front rank. Its kind havo done the like in past years with wonderfully regular persistency, pd the strong probability is that it will keep the family order.

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In Mexico and parts of Colorado there grows, often in great abundance, a weed which takes its name from the 3panish loco, "mad," owing to its extraordinary effect upon horses and cattle. It is described as a pretty little plant somewhat resembling, a vetch and bearing white, purple, and red flowers. A horse which had eaten of this poisonous weed showed no symptoms of illness until the following morning when, while quietly feeding, it appeared to be seized with a spasmon of pain; it reared saddenly, fell over backward and broke its neck before the eyes of the grooms. As this weed is such a serious scourge to ranche owners, the Government attempted to check its spread by offering a bounty of so much per ton of loco dug up by the roots. The bounty system of dealing with nuisances is not found very satisfactory in America, and so it proved in this case. Sundry unprincipled Mexicans discovered that it paid well to grow loco for the reward, and carried on the business at a profit until the Government officials found them out, when, reedles to say, the bounty was soon declared "off."

As the two different systems of breeding which Messrs. A. and A. Cruickshank tried at Sittyton - the first system with only partial success and much general failure, the second with a degree of success which has made their name famous in many lands - have nut been fully understood, perhaps by all of the present generation of Shorthorn breeders, a short extract or two from their catalogae of 1874 may interest many of our readers. The earliest materials of their berd were gathered from approved herds, and were of miscellaneous character. The Mason, Booth, and other excellent strains of blood were represented, and then for many years the best prize-winning bolls procurable were used, without so much regard to the particular family and tribal lines as to the personal merits of the bulls and their victories in the showyard. The following frank admission is quoted from their catalogue:- "Though in many cases these bulls produced satisfactory results, it was found that their descendanta were too often deficient io the qualities of arriving at early maturity and aptness to fatten"; and the sequel is also here given in their own words: - " For the last few years, therafore, most of the bulls used at Sittyton have been bred there from cows whose personal qualities, and the qualities of whose ancestors, have been matters of daily observation to the owners for many years." The latter is the system now commended by their grand success.

The wild horses in Australia are often a plague to the stock breeders, and occasionally make themselves troublesome in the most unexpected way. A writer in the Sydney Mail recently described a kangaroo drive which was to a great extent spoiled by three "brambies," An enclosure of twelve foot high fencing bad been erected in a suitable spot, and fr,m the single narrow entrance long wing fences had been run out to help to guide the kangaroos into the enclosure, where, as consumers of the grass that is wanted for sheep, they were to be destroyed. Two hundred man on horseback mustered from all the country round to "drive" the kangaroos, and when they had advanced in line for some distance, it was estimated that upwards of 10,000 kangaroos were in front jumping slowly towards the fatal enclosure. The horsemen were beginning to close in on this vast mob, when on emerging from a belt of bush they were astonished to see the kangaroos charging back upon their line led by three horses which bad gone forward with the marsupials contentedly enough until the sight of the enclosure roused their easy suspicion and made them wheel and gallop back followed by the jumping crowd of kangaroos. The men, being new to the business, tried to stop the rush by riding at the mob, but led by the horses they broke through the line, and instead of garding the whole 10,000 , under 4,000 were captured, all owing to three wild horses which had no business there.

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In selecting the ewes great case should be taken to select of an even type of wool and carcase ewes of big frame with a general appearance of a hardy constitution, for in crossing with the larger boned long wool ram many losses are incurred at the time of lambing if the merino ewes are small, and therefore in selecting rams, if Lincolns, care should be taken to select medium sized rams with not too big heads, with dense fine fleeces of even quality, especially rejecting those with any coarseness on the breech. As with the ewes care must be taken that these rams are from an old established flock, pure and that have been bred on the same lines from the same strains of blood for many years. There will necessarily be much difficulty in maintaining an even type in cross-breeding with any two distinct breeds, but unless the greatest care is taken at the start to breed from rams and ewes of pure descent on both sides, and whose breeders. have been breeding from the same strains of blood tor many years, the difficulty will be increased a hundred-fold. The breeder having in his mind's eye the type of sheep he wishes to produce will rigorously cull all those hoggetts yearly from his flock which do not show that evenness of character which he has set up as his standard, either from throwing back too much to the sire or dam, a sheep with an even quality of fleece all over, combining density with a tair length of staple and as much of fineness as is consistent with a strong constitution should be his aim, and a carcass which unlike the merino shall be tit for the Lundon market with a breadth over the shoulders on short plump leg* weighing as a two tooth if well done by from 53 to 65 lbs. dead weight.

We will suppose then that the breeder has his first crop from this cross and having culled his ewe hoggetts puts the balance to the half-bred rams, bred on the same lines, which he has selected for them, this cross will, with a due amount of culling annually from the ewes, give him a satisfactory sheep both as regards wonl and mutton, but if he should go on and breed from rams by half-bred rams out of half-bred ewes, although I sin aware that this is done and claimed as a success, after many years of breeding on these lines by certain breedors, and have indeed seen many such sheep exhibited at shows and splendid sheep they were too, still my own experience has gone to show that by using rams bred by half-bred rams from half-bred ewes, the progeny is apt to become both light in fleece and carcase and although certain breeders have done this for years and their exhibits at shows are all that can be desired I cannot belp thinking that the amount of culling done in their flocks must be so excessive as to be a serious drawback to this method, and for practical purposes it would appear a better method not to go any deeper intu the in-breeding on the rams side than the first cross, using half-bred rams all the time on the ewes. There is of course the difficulty that in brreding in this manner it would be necessary if breeding ones own rams to maintain a stud Lincoln and stud merino flock as well for the parpose of breeding rams, but there is little doubt but that it a demand for half-bred rams existed, breeders of merinos of suitable quality would put some of their ewes to the Lincoln and breed such rams for sale.

Where balf-breds are bred on these lines the cull ewes and hoggetts can annually be put to Shropshire or Leicester rams and the progeny sold at four months as freezing lambs if properly done by and the full mouthed 6 wes themselves either sold or fattened.

The succese of sheep-breeding undoubtedly lies in adapting the right class of sheep to the particular piece of country in ones occupation, and on rich heavy land one would not choose to grow a half-bred, but on lighter soil and inferior pasture the half-bred will clip a heavier fleece and of sound quality, and more can be kept to the acte than the three-quarter-bred or nearer which will be apt to degenerate into a scrubber with a poor quality wool of broken staple.

## TWO MEN IN A BOAT ON THE LIM 4 Y.

## (BX ONE OF THEM.)

At the preseat time there are few people in this country to whom the names of Lake Nahuil Huapi and the rivers Limay and Negro are not familiar, but the most refreahing ignorance
prevails as to their whereabouts and general characteristics, while the number of those who have actually visited them is very small. In view of this some account of a trip lately taken by way of a "paseo" from Nahuil Huspi to Roca, in a small rowing boat, may prove of interest to readers of "Sport and Pastime," and possibly induce some of them to "go and do likewise," in which case I can assure them that they will be amply repaid for their trouble by the glorious scenery of the lake itseif, while the journey down stream will afford them no end of sport and an experience, which if not altogether novel, will prove undoubtedly exciting. For the Limay is not like the Thames or any other English river. It allows no time for loafing or "dolce far ntente" but hurries you from rapid to rapid and rock to rock in a manner positively alarming; it is in fact as much like a combined switchback and toboggan slide as anything, with a large admixture of "Jimmy on the Chute" thrown in, and for the tirst eighteen leagues or so one has to look out for a wet and possibly dangerous time. In fact, joking apart, to take a small boat down the Limay, for the first part of its course at least requires a cool head, a steady nerve, a strong pair of arms and an exceptionally quick eye, while one who is not a good swimmer should not attempt it.

We, that is M. and myself, arrived at the Like, which, in spite of the epithet "legendary" usually applied to it by a contemporary, we were glad to fiad actually did exist, on February 22ad, after a three and a-half day's ride from Maquinchewa, which lizs about fifcy-odd leagues due Kist. As we crested the la-t hill before descending into the Pampa in which Nahuil Huapi lies, the view of the lake lying blue and still beneath us, and the volcano Tronador, whose snow-clad summit rises 11, 000 odd feet, bohind was magnificent. North and South stretching away into the distance lay the chain of the Andes, while on our right lay the huge mass of Carmen de Villegas rising abruptly from the river.

The great size of the lake Nahuil Huapi (it is coasiderably larger than Lake Geneva) is hardly possible to realizs, owing to the numerous arma and ialets which panatrate deep into tha mountains, which slopd down on all sides to the water 's elge. In a great part these sierras are covarediwith pines and cypress and form, with several thickly wooded islands lying in the centre of the Lake, a most lovely picture.

We passed the night of the 23r. at Messra. Uoé and Peffers store; a house built in the Chilian fashion of wood and with a second storey, an unusual thing in these out of ths way parts; the stair-case of which proved quite strange to one who hadn't climbed a stair for over two years. The 24th we passed lounging about in the sun on the Lase shore enjoying the lovely views and consuming large quantities of excellent vegetables and Chilian honsy and beer, luxaries of which we had seen but little for many a long day. Towards evening we jogigel quietly donn on our ponies skirting the shore of the lake, to the "juzgada" where we expected to find our boat. On our way we passed the outflow of the Limay which, leaving the lake in the North East corner, follows a course also North-easterly antil it joins the Neuquen about nine leagues above Roca, whence the two rivers, henceforth called the Rio Negri, flow on together to the Atlantic. The distance from Nahuil Huapi to Roca is about a hundred and twenty leagues: For the first part of its course the river is fearfully tortuous, fair open reaches being few and far between. Indeed this is inevitable, given the nature of the country, for the river is enclosed by precipitous hills on each side through which the water has in the course of ages cut its way. At times so narrow is the passage that it seems almost impossible for the river to get through and as it it must inevitably find an outflow underground. Later on the river is split up into innumerable channels, being studded with islands sometimes attaining as much as a league in width. It was nearly dusk when we reached the "jazgads" (which is aboat a league from the outflow of the river) and after assuring ourselves that our boat was ready for us, safely moored to the bank close by, we left all thought of a proper inspection and revision until the morning, and finding several acquaintances at the Juzgada (including no less than three comisarios, quite an "embarras de richesse") spent a pleasant evening the Juez himself, a Freachman named Luis, being also an old friend.

The next morning, while wo paid off our peons and despatched the horses back to Epulafquen, I occupied mpself in making a thorough examination of the little craft which was to carry us to Roca. She was, of course, made of wood, taken from and cut ia the Cordilleras, twelve feet long and four feet wide, just large enough to carry the two of us and our baggage with nothing to spare. She was flat-bottomed and her timber held together by nails, the seams being filled in with "estopa.' She was provided with two light scuils, a mast and sweep for steering, this being the approved method on the Limay, and certainly more suitable for this river than a rudder; stretchers there were none. With the help ot a saw, however, and some spare timber, I soon provided one, the mast I discarded. I found that she made considerable water, but this we remedied shortly

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after with some additional "estopa," and eventually, in spite of her diminutive size, she proved a stout enough little craft and carried us, very well, she was too very prettily shaped. After patting the ship to rights, the next thing was to load her, and this proved rather a difficult task, as for such a long journey we had to carry so much that was indispensable. In the tirst place our "pitches," that is bedding, spare clothes, towels, etc., our saddles, and above all victuals (yerba, rice, tea, coftee cocoa, and a sheep) and the pots and pars, etc., wherewith to cook them, in addition, a rifle in its case, and a large kit bag in which were stowed papers, maps, glasses and tobacco, and other articles likely to be damaged by the wet. However, at last we found a place for everything, and about two o'clock in the afternoon of the 25 th , atter a hearty farewell to all our official friends, we got aboard and swinging well into mid-stream, sliot gaily on our hundred and twenty league voyage.
(To be continued.)

## Where to Pass a Pleasant "Paseo" in the Sierras of Córdoba.

No doubt many of your readers, on reading the above title, will at once say "we know." Well, it may be presumption on my part, but I cannot help thinking that-after a perusal of the visitors' book, in which I only found the names of two or three Englishmen-although they may know of many places at which one can have a really good time, the Eden Hotel, La Falda, F.C.C.N.O., owned by Roberto Bahlcke, is equal, if not better than any they may hitherto have had acquaintance with. To enumerate some of its special advantages, I begin with the host himself. Ever ready to please everyone, the best of companions, and very keell on everything in the sporting line, the is, in short, an ideal host. There is the very best of attendance, cuisine and drinks, one swimming bath, some fifteen metres long by eight broad, and two to three metres deep. Baths of every kind in the hotel itself, hot, cold, shower, and douche.

There is a lawn tennis court only awaiting some English people to play on it, and the owner, Roberto Bahlcke, is anxious to establish a pack of Drag Hounds, so much so that he has commissioned the writer to enquire price of a draft of hounds and all details to the the maintaining of same, which he hopes "Sport and Pastime" will be able to supply him with.

A very good golf course could be made in the immediate environs, but, of course, up to date, the Argentine has not "caught on" to"the game, and when Englishmen begin to patronise the hotel, as undoubtedly they will sooner or later, oue can say with almost absolute certainty golt will be one more of the many inducements to spend a few days there.

To conclude, the writer can heartily advise anyone in search of a pleasant spot to pass his holidays to try La Falda, and to try La Falda once means to return there at the earliest opportunity.
L. C. R.S.

## MY FIRST "NATIONAL" ON A DROMEDARY.

It looks peculiar this heading, of course it does, so it should do, it was a most peculiar experience, therefore what other sort of a heading can I put to it. I feel like Alan Quartermain, I am sitting on a log of wood looking at the fire in the "brasero" and thinking of the old days and the races we rode, what jumps! what finishes! but my first Argentine National beat'em all. 1 won't give the names of the horses as they appeared on the programme, but most of the gentlemen who read this will be able to make out the horses from my names, so I proceed.

Never mind the year, I came down to ride Explosion but he broke down the day before the race so I went off to look for another mount. Gambling I heard bad not a jockey and as be had one of the best reputations in the country as a jumper and goer, I tried for him, but his owner had got a jockey just before receiving my note, so I was once more on foot. However next morning, I was offered the Dromedary's mount, and I took it. I'd never seen the horse before so walked round with the owner to have a look at him. He walked up to the horse and undid the strap of his rag and drew it off; pride glistened in his eye and he put on a "horsey" stand viz, leftjleg well forward, knee bent, right foot at right angles, right log straight, hat well over the eyes, right hand in trouser pocket, left hand holding a straw which is chewed with evident nourishment, as all horsey men look fit and they all chew straws, I felt as if someone had put a bomb at my feet and that it was only a matter of seconds, to feel my "bits" flying through space. My first feeling was one of deadly sickness, but I returned to conciousness
when he addressed the following remark: "What do you think of him?" I simply said, "I can't think tell us something." He never flinched, if anything he looked proud, be said, "He's a horse you've got to look at well before you find his good points; but I assure you he grows on you." I said, "Yes, oh, $m-m$ yes! Cover 'im up," but I thought how infinitely preferable it would be to have tungus, mushrooms, old age, anything in fact growing on you except that horse. I feebly inquired as to my racing orders. "Oh-Ah! Yes! make the pace, he's very fast, jumps in beautiful form, loses no time at his fences, and is absolately safe, but we hope to win with Ganbling, his stable companion." I went home and simply wallowed in whisky and water. On arriving at the course we proceeded to business. The National was third on the card and the big event of the day. When I, having got over the weighing part of the business, arrived at the paddock, I found that Gambling was the great centre of the public gaze, he, as stable companion, stood ready to be saddled, beside the Dromedary, need I say that there was my chance. I quietly slid my saddle on to the stable boy's arm, and then arrayed in new colours I made a sort of circle round the horses, which circle I made into a private footpath, and strutted round and round, while "beauties' eyes" hovered ever around me and thought how nice 1 looked and how really suitable, to be the jockey of such a beautiful horse as Gambling. But all things have an ending and only too soon, the bell rang and up came Gambling's jock, and I quietly got on to the Dromedary and tried to lose myself. Just as I was leaving the paddock, I saw my "boss" steering towards me and looking awfully dark and knowing. He crept closer, and having caught me firmly by the calf of the lett leg, whispered very low. "I say, old chap, I was wrong this morning, don't make the pace, drive 'em all in front of you, Gambling will make his own pace, but if anvthing happens to him, then, of course, you sail in and win." "For one short moment moment my heart beat high and I felt that lovely sensation one feels when riding a possible winner. but it only lasted for a few seconds, I looked down, Oh, Lord, what a shock, how could an ugly brate like this ever "sail in and win." Anyway, we had a preliminary canter and got over to the starting post. It's a long time ago, but I'll try and give the names of the horses and riders.

We were six in all as follows:-

| Gambling | ridden by | Mr. Bayonett |
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| Ventilador. | " | » Bedpost. |
| Even' Song, | " | $n$ In-the-Lionsden. |
| Pressmytos | " | Leatherhead. |
| Diamond. | n | Riplingstream. |
| Dromedary ... | " | \% Druncan-Rail. |

The starter nearly made me fall off at once, as he put on a fine chest and said: "Now then, show yourselves to begood Englishmen by coming up in a line and I'll let you go at once." However, I recovered scon and off wo went. They a'l headed me by a long distance over the first hurdle, and to my horror I felt the Dromedary under me, as if he'd like to sefuse but I rolled a good pair of spurs twice round his ribs and over we went. At the third jump about 500 metres from the start I found myself about 150 yards behind Gambling who was leading. and thought it advisable to keep up a bit, so I pressed my legs. No response. I swung a new whip round a bit. No use. I next rolled the spurs up and down his ribs until 1 found myselt getting cramp in the calf of the right leg. Still no use; and then an awful thought came into my mind. "I'm simply going his hardest." Oh Heavens, bere was I with fifteen more jumps and 4000 metres to go and riding a finish." Kind reader have you ever done this? If you haven't take my word for it and thank Jupiter for having spared you from seeing the moath of H....1 when there's a brimstone eruption going on inside. Well 1 didn't like stopping, as there are people ignorant enough to have said that 1 was afraid, I was of course, but no one would have known it who saw me charge the Regulation fence, we got over, but no one told me how we did it. He jumped in a most extraordinary manner. Ran right up to the fence, then gave what felt like a buck and over we went generally finishing up with a good "peok" on landing which took all my strength to save turning into a somersault.

Things went on, I was always last, until about 500 metres from home and with two hurdles between us and the win--Steady boys-Steady! I'd almost said winning post, but it would be manslaughter to talk of a winning post in the game breath as Dromedary, I mean you know where the first horse finishes the race. Well that was where the Dromedary and I were making for, and I made one last gallant effort to hurry'im up. This time the onslaught was really treimendous, my spurs sim. ply flew up and down his ribs, if be had n't oiled them, with his life-blood, I'm sare they'd have run hot, and he actually "came again." I got quite excited and nearly rode myself pver his head, but steady now we've got this new stiff hurdle to deal with. I just felt his jaw a bit and then we came at it, I lifted him nicely at about half a stride from the jump and we
should have gone over beautifully, but he was much too honest a horse for that. Why should he miss half a stride of the course which the other horses had gone over? And be didn't. Oh no he went right up to it. I closed my eyes, not from fear, don't think that, but because 1 thought that possibly the twigs of the hardle might poke them out. Then I felt a great upheaval and another great down-heaval, he'd landed on his head. That nice little song explains perfectly where I was "And I went with him." He first of all fell on me and after rolling on me and kicking me we both got up. I gave a jump just to shake my in'ards into their proper places and then up and away again. There was still another hurdle to negotiate, it was about 3 ft . bigh and about $11 / 2 \mathrm{ft}$. of that was brush. Would you believe it? the brute only got over that with a scramble. Well we finished fourth as of the two remaining horses, one had lost his jockey and the othar ran out 400 yards from home. We arrived once more at the Paddock (there were no jumps or we shouldn't have got there) and the first man I met, was the owner. He smiled and said. "Well didn't Gambling do that well? I said "yes." "Of course you know what we ran this one for?" I moved on. What could you do with a man like that. Providence has blessed me, I could have sworn at him in five languages, but I couldn't have said a civil word to him at that moment. I have been assured by a great friend of his that he did not run the horse to break its neck.

This is the story of my first National. Should it meet the eyes of any other gentlemen who imagine that they were my companions, 1 trust that they'll forgive me for the way their names are spelt, if they are spelt badly, but I assure them that if it is done perhaps intentionally, I have done it so as to keep their names out of everyone's mouth as having ridden in such classic company as The Dromedary's. I'm a poor man, but I'll give $\$ 20 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{n}$ to the person who can explain in a satisfactory manner "W by they ran the Dromedary?"

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## NOTES．

Some of us thought we were being badly treated， Sunday before last，when the heavs rain storm sadly in． terfered with all out－door sport in many districts，but this was mere child＇s play to what we experienced last Sunday． It rained incessantly all day，keeping everyone indoors， and our sporting community has not spent so wretched a suaday or holiday for many a long day．

The terrible disaster at Punta Carretas mentioned in these notes last week，has unhappily turned out to be only too true，and a terrible gloom has been cast over the English community in Montevideo by the sad death of Mr H．Stanley Bjwles．It appears that as the storm was coming up Mr Bowles accompanied by Messra T．F．Lane and T．W．Thomas，all of whom were playing golf，entered the club pavilion，where they thought they would be guite safe．The cyclone which suddenly burat over Punta Cir－ retas，however，carried the pavilion bodily away to a con－ siderable distance，turaing it over and over three or four times in its course and finally smashing it up．

Four boys and the caretaker were also in the pavilion and the eight occuoants were carried with it and terribly knocked about．How any of them escaped alive is the wonder．One boy had bis wrist broken the others escap－ od with a shaking and bruising：one of them was the first to advise the neighbours of the accident．It was sona time before assistance reached the spot，as the fate of the pavilion could not be seen by the others who were a long distance away and keeping as much as possible under shelter．The wind soon abated，though the rain con－ tinued，and then a rush was made for the tram station and parilion．

When the latter was reached it was found that Mr． Lane，the esteemed manager of the Gas Company，was greatly bruised in face and body and had one of his ribs broken．Mr．T．W．Thomas，foreman of the Gas Works， had his left leg，which was horribly out，fractured（com． pound）below the knee，his shoulder blade dislocated and his body cut and bruised in several places．On lifting a part of the broken pavilion Mr．Stanlay Bowles，the respected accountant of the London and Brazilian Bank， was found lying dead．His skull was fractured and some
bottle glass had penetrated the spine，probably producing an instantaneous dea＇th．Assistance was sent for imme－ diately，but as the storm had knocked down the tele－ phone posts speedy communication was rendered impos－ sible．At length an ambulance and the police Doetor arrived，and the sufferers were removed to their homes．

The storm must have burst with extraordinary violence，for although only lasting a few minutes，it eaused no ond of calamities in other parts of the eity． We are very glad to learn that Mr．Lane is progreasing favourably，and that Mr．Thomas＇s leg has been suceess－ fully oporated on，that he is getting on as well as can be expected，and that strong hopes are eatertained that no serious complications will ensue．

Members of the Buenos Aires Lawn－iennis olub are reminded that the eighth annual general meeting of their club will be held at this office this afternoon，and they should make a special effort to be present for the busi－ ness，as we pointed out last week，is of the greatest im－ portance．We trust the out－going committee will be suc－ cessful in carrying through their proposed alterations in the existing rules．

We hear that a Lawn－tennis match has almost been definitely arranged between teams represeating the Bue－ nos Aires and Rosario Lawn－teanis Clab3，for September 8th．The match will be played here at the Cinea Equi－ nas Courta，but we understand that the above－mention－ ed date has not yet been absolutely decided upon．

The entries for the Rosario athletie sports，to be held on the 30 th inst．，have now closed，and may be found published in another column．Although not exceptionally numerous they are up to the average．As the handicap－ ping has not，at the time of writing，been absolutely con－ oluded，we are unable this week to publish the handicaps． We are sorry to notice so few of our athletes here figuring among those entered，as it always lends addutional interest to the sporta up there to have a few Buenos Aires men competing．We trust they will have good weather and a thoroughly successful meeting．

Those interested are again reminded that the entries for the Championship Sports，which will be held at Flo－ res on September 8th，close to－day．Entry forms can be obtained from either Mr．G．F．Elliot or the Hon．Secre－ tary of the Flores A．C．，to either of whom entries may be made．The weather，at present，is all against athletes， and regular training is practically out of the question， which is much to be regretted as the sports promised well．

The second anpual athletic meeting of the Bahia Blanca and North－Western athletic club will take place on September 2od，and the entries for same close on Friday next the 25th inst，and should be sent to Mr．G． Ellis，Calle Chiclana，Bahia Blanca．Writing of athletic meetings reminds us that the annual sports of the Lomas Athletic Clab have been fixed for the lat of November，we will publish further details of this meeting later on．

The programme for the next race－meeting at Hur－ lingham，which may be found published elsewhere，is of exceptional interest，and given fine weather should prove a great attraction．The principal event will，of course， bo the race for the Ay rehire Cap，and as we hear there are to be at least ten entries，this raoe should causej even greater interest than usual．

In addition to this，the valuable Cup prasented by the Directors of the Pacific Railway will be run for by ponies of fifty－eight inches or uador，who have rua at least six times with the Hurlingham Draghounds．This Cup has to be woa twicg by the same member before it becomes his absolute property．The winner this year will be the recipient of a pretty silver cup，presented by Mr．Huxtable，the second receiving fifty dollars．

Among other races is the Ladiej' Bracelet, always one of the most popular events of the season, and wo advise the ladies to lose no time in securing their nominations. Another event will be the Poay Seepleciase, and as it is for those ponies which hava nevar won a race at Hurlinglam, we would recommend all those who have a pony that can jump at all to enter.

Altogether the meeting should prove one of the most successful yet held. All entries should be formarded, accompzinied by the corresponding fees, to the Secretary, calle Piedad 513 , before five o'clock oal the afternoon of Thursday, the 3 ist inst., at which tims the lists will be closed. No race will be considered filled unless there are at least three entries.

As there have not been sufficient entries received for the steeplechases at the Cañada de $G$ )mez race mae in. to be held on the 29th inst. they have fallen through, but there will be a meet of the Cañada Blazers (drag) on Tuesday, the 29:h inst., in the morning, when it is hoped that some good sport will be showa. The draw for the Lour. nament has not yet taken place, so we are unable to publish any further particulars.

The storm on Sunday came at a must inopportune moment for the Jockey Club, as it spoilt a most complete programme. The case was clearly hopeless from the start, as the rain, being blown straight from the East, would not have left a dry spot for refuge even in the stand, a ad as the day wore on it got worse and worse. The hopes of many were cruelly dashed, as although the Classic was not worth much the other races were extremely well filled, and the triangular match between Carina, Parva and Aurore had aroused great interest, and now perhaps will never come uff.

The Classic for the 27th is the Premio Belgrano 2000 metres for all horses, weight for age and no penalties. All the well-known champions are in, but, as the prize is only \$5000, and we are now close to the Gran Premio do Honor, in all likelihood the cracks will be withheld and the race will be very interesting among the second raters. For the 30th we have the Premio Rio de ia Plata, 1700 metres, also $\$ 5000$ for young ones. This will be in a similar condition as the winner is debarred from taking part in the Premio Jockey Clab, and therefore it will be a very open race.
"El Derby" of the 18th publishes photographs of Carina and Dictador. the winners of the Grand Polla de Potrancas and Gran Polla de Potril. os. The former looks like a lady and makes a pretty pi cture, while the latter looke like a mule in the awkward position he has taken. The horse really has an ugly head but is longlimbed and well shaped for racing. The Filly is too massive in the shoulder but carries off the fault by her body and limbs being so well rounded off. It is difficult to judge ruaning by the shape, as if a greyhound is taken as a model Nelesena, who is not worth much, should be fastest. Pillito is more like a foxterrier combining strength with swiftness. The most aristocratic breed is that of Gay Hermit, as exemplified in Balcarce, Bonaparte, and many others, their heads being often perfect pictures and their limbs slight and clean.

[^0]managed to get $\mathcal{L} 100$ to 303 . from a reliable man. We happened to be in the billiard-room of the clab when the result of the Hunt Cup came through the tape. The effect on the usually eminently staid and respectable Linnett was most remarkable. He hurled the ball into one corner of the room. dashed down a lot of cues in another, and loudly demanded whether, 'any gentleman will joia' me in a bottle of champagne?'

We had scarcely all ceased laughing at this remarkable outburst when the tape clicked again and brought the news that the winner was objected to. The effect upon Door Limett was electrical; but when he had recovered the first shock he sadly collected the balls, cues and other scattered things, took his customary place agaiost the marking board, and a.ked in the meekest and most melancholy of voices, "Would any gentleman like to make a pool?" It never seemed to occur to him that objections were occasionally overruled, so that when later on be learnt through the tape that the race bad been awarded to Despair, we had the same demonstrations of joy over again on a minor scale. Having received his money, which he insisted upon taking all in gold, he ask sd for and obtained three days' holiday, and carried his winnings home.

Arrived there, he proceeded to wash his hands in gold, to bowl sovereigns about the floor for his children to run after and play with, and otherwise to comport himself in an utterly idiotic manner. At last, when his first transports were exhausted, his wifo persuaded him to let her have $£ 95$ to put away and take care of. Being in the main a sensible man, and merely a little upset by this sudden accession to enormous wealth, he consented to do so, had a good time on the remaining "fiver," and then returned quietly to his work only to find on reaching bome again that his wife had eloped with the lodger. The fugitive had considerately left the three joung children to console him; but no vestige of her or of the £95 has been seen to this day. There is one winner over the Hunt Cup of 1886 to whom it is still unadvisable to mention the name of Despair.

The announcement that the annual general meeting of the members of the Buenos Aires Cricket Club has been called for Monday evening the 28 th inst., reminds us that the football season of $18 y 9$ is rapidly drawing to a close, and that we shall soon be commencing snother cricket season. It is sincerely to be hoped that the elerk of the weather is going to treat us more kindly this coming season, and also that all the clubs will combine to make it a, thoroughly successful one.

For this reason, and at the risk of wearying our leaders, we must make one more strong appeal for the resuscitation of the Cricket Championship. It has been allowed on sll sides that the $1897-98$ season was quite the most successful ever experienced here. With a championship formed, in other words with the "one man one elub" system in vogue, many more players were given an opportunity of playing in elub matehes, with the result that a great deal more cricket was plajed, and the form all round showed signs of improvement.

Why these championship matehes were allowed to fall through will always remain a mystery to us, for when all is said and done we can only remember to have hea:d two objections raised against them. The first was an objection to the word League, a word which should never have been used in connection with these matches, and which certainly never was in these columns, and the second was the objection of some to play on cocoanut matting wickets, and bad fielding, grounds, which they felt obliged to do, should a club with a poor ground care to enter.

The latter objection we can well understand, but surely it is easily overcome. With such grounds as Hurlingham, Palermo, Flores and Lomas, there can be but
little need for cocoa-nut matting wickets for any of the Championship ma'ches. If the Championship Committee should pass a resolution to the effect that all Championship matches must be plajed on grass wickets, would not the difficulty be overcome? In this way any club wishing to enter, and not being able to boast of a good cricket ground, would simply have to arrange to play their matches on their opponents' grounds.

We have plenty of cricketers bere among us and plenty of promising material to work on, and we shall hope to see this coming season two Cricket Championships formed, one for the first, and the other for the second elevens of the larger clabs and the first of the smaller ones. Should this be done we feel confident that a capital season's cricket will be provided, and an improvement noticed generally, so that in March next, we shall be able to place an eleven in the field to face the Nortb, that we Southerners may be proud of. We shall be very glad indeed to receive and publish the views of of any of our cricketers on the subject of again forming a Cricket Championship.


## The River Plate Rugby Championship Cup.

We reproduce to-day a photograph of the above cu , which has, for the first time, been competed for this year by our varịous Rugby tootball teams. At the commencement of this
season a few Rugger enthusiasts met together and decided that something had to be done at once if Rugby football, in this country, was to be kept alive. Association football had been making rapid strides for the preceding few years, and was undoubtedly the more popular of the two codes. The enthusiasts already alluded to felt that this was not really the case, and were convinced that if only something definite were done to revive the interest in the Rugby game, that this branch of the game would soon become just as popular as the other, if not more su. It was accordingly resolved to form a Rugby Championship. and so well did the idea catch on that five teams (including Rosario) at once entered, and the tussle for Championship honours commenced.

It was next decided to purchase a Championship Cup, which the winning team should hold for a year, and for this purpose Messrs. J. W. Taylor and W. R. S. Baikie were deputed by the committee to collect subscriptions. How well they succeeded is now ancient history, for without any one subscribing more than one pound, a hundred guineas were very soon collected, and thus it was clearly nanifested that the committee had made no mistake in imagining that the "handling code" had still plenty of supporters in the River Plate.

We cannot leave the subject of the cup without drawing particular attention to the fact that the Rosarinos responded most generously to the call for subscriptions, and there can be no doubt whatever as to which is the mure popular game in Rosario. Ouce sufficient funds were collected the order was given to Messrs. Elkington through their agents here, Messrs. C. R. Simons and Co., with the result that the handsome cup, of which we now give a picture, is with us, and we trust the competition for it will grow keener each year.

With the exception of the Flores team, which unfortunately failed to win a match, it was impossible to say which one would eventually prove the winners, and never was a Cup competed for by four more evenly balanced teans than Lomas, Rosario B. A. F. C., and Relgrano.

First one and then another team were thought to have the best chances, and eventually the Lomas and Rosario clabs were left in to fight out the tinal. It was a very close contest and it was only a penalty kick that finally left the Lomas club the first proud possessors of the Rugby Chanopionship Cup.

That the Championship has proved a success, there can be no gainsaying, and we sincerely hope that the good work commenced by the small band of enthusiasts this year, will be long and worthily upheld by all Rugby football players in the River Plate.

## RUGBY FOOTBALL NOTES

## By "Spectator."

This week I have received the names of both the Rosario and B. A. teams, and so am able to wind up my notes for the season. I am off to the uld country shortly, and hope to see some good games of Rugger there in the coming season, but shall look forward to next season's Rugger out here, and only hope that the Championship will go stronger tham ever.

As to the Rosario team 1 only saw them play once and it may be considered rather "previous" on my part to give their characters, but the time I did see them nearly all the men shewed so prominently that I got a fair idea of their style of play, which I have discussed with other players and some of their supporters.

As I think I have said before the Rosario team had the foundations of an excellent XV, and I am of opinion that if only they had played oftener, the result of their meeting with Lomas, in the final, would haye been in their favour. The whole team play with a great deal of dash and vigour, and have plenty of sound defence.

As to the B. A. team, their captain tells me it is very hard to choose a representative team, os he never had the same team twice, but I am giving my opinion on those he has sent me. I was particularly struck by this fact, as whenever I saw the B. A. men play, I saw a different team each time. I must say taking this into consideration I think they were very lacky to do as well as they did, and I think this is due to the efforts of two or three of their brilliant men, especially in the outsides. Their team always struck me as having a tremendous "tail." I think I only once saw then play a good all round game, and that was when they ran over Belgrano. Here are the characters:-

Rosario XV-Full back- $G$. Smythies - The best full back in the country. First rate tackler. Saves and kicks well,always finding touch.

Three-quarter-backs-E. M. Pixton-Fast and dashing three-[uarter-back. Saves particularly well, generally getting in his tick
H. Colson-Very plucky defensive player. Poor kick. Takes sis passes well, but apt to run back.
F. W. Boardman - A very sate and steady centre, and sthough not a brilliant, a very cool player. Better defensive गlayer than offensive.
H. Dorning-A fast and brilliant three-quarter-back. Good iackler too fond of boring in towards touch. -

Halves- R. Dorning-An excellent half-back with any amount of dash and go. Kicks and tackles well, but should respect the off-side rule more.
G. E. 'lopping-Without being as brilliant as his partner quite as useful. Dobs not pass quite enough.

Forwards --J. A. H. Beaumont, very useful forward; bstter in the open, playing with lots of "go."
L. Jacobs-A tirst-class forward. Good out of touch and brilliant in the open using his feet marvellously. Good tacklar.
C. F.im Thurn. Good forward. Hard worker in the pack and very useful in the open and out of touch. Good tackler.
E. Jewell - Very good in the loose and out of touch. Keeps on the ball all the time and collars well.
A. J. Sykes-Very powerful forward an I in condition should be really good.
A. F.C. Willcox-D ses not seem to do much work in the scrum, but puts a lot of work in, in the open.
C. B. Bradbury-Hard working but rather clumsy forward. Good out of touch.
P. W. Pixton-A most usefal forwarl plenty of pace and dash. Also kicks well and at the right time.
B.A.F.C.-Full-baeks-R. W. Anderson-Only played ,once, but has not forgotten the game or how to taskle. Lacks practice in kicking.
W. R. S. Baikie-Very plucky player but stiff and slow in getting to the ball and his man. Poor kick.

Three-quarter backs-R. Gibbs-A very souad defensive three-quarter. Tack les and kicks in good style. Rather slow and apt to fumble his passes.
J. O. Anderson-One of the few cantre three-quarters here, who thoroughly understands the game of making openings for his wings. Apt to delay in passing too long. Beautiful kick and saves well. Tackles well.
J. 8. Campbell-Has come on a loi. Gives aad takes his passes very cleanly. Can tackle when he likes. Rather too slow for three-quarters. Should make a good full back. Kicks very well and always finds touch.

Half-backs-E. L. Ramboll-Anideal half-back. Brilliant in either attack or detence. Very unselfish, passes well and tackles spiendidly.
H. Dobson-Very weak half-back, but saves very pluckily. Old fishioned style of play and seems to lose his head.

Forwards-J. M. C. Bellamy (Capt.)-Oa his day one of the most brilliant forwards here. Has a thorough knowledge of the game, and keeps his forwards well together. Has proved a most successful captain, and has evidently played in good company.
M. F. Gilderdale-A good all round forward. Always on the ball and puts a lot of dash into his play. Apt to pick up too often instead of dribbling. Tackles better than tormerly.
T. Gebbie-Excellent forward. Dribbles and tackles well. Knows the forward game thoroughly.
F. Corry-Smith-Seems to lack life in his game. Very good out of touch, but does not use his weight and strength enough.
W. D. Campbell-A forward of the right stamp. Always on the ball; though light tackles in good style and dribbles well.
J. Hardman-Old-fashioned forward, but gets in any amount ot work, especially in the scrum. Does not use his feet enough. Collare well.
M. Bagley-A promising forward. Very useful in the open and backs up well. Neglects his serummage work, and does not tackle enough.
G. Blagden-Has improved a good deal, and is fairly usefal in the open. Lacks weight.
R. Blagden-Does not make enough use of his height. Does not work in the scrum. Backs up well and is learning to tackle better.
R. E. H. Anderson-At three-quarters also played. Tackles in good etyle and always gets his lsick in. Stops rushes very well
F. Diehl-Also played at forward, and with practice and knowledge of the game should be useful.

ARGENTINE ASSOCLATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

## FIXTURES, 1899.

August.
Sun. 27-Lobos v. Belgrano, at Lobos.

## SECOND DIVISION.

## Avgest.

Sun. 27-Lobos 2nd v. Bunfield, at Banfield.
Sun. 27-English High School v. Maldonado, at Coghlan.
Wed. 30-Barker Memorial School v. Banfield, at Lomas.
Wed. 30-Lomas 2nd v. High School. at Lomas.
Wed. 30 -Lanus 2nd v. Lobos 2nd, at Lanus.
Wed. 30-Scotch School v. Maldonado, at Genl. Mi:re.

## September.

Sun. 3-Maldonado v. Lobos 2nd., at Genl. Mitre.
Sun. 3-Laaus 2nd v. Eaglish High School. at Coghlan.
Fri. 8-Scotch School v. Belgrano 2nd, at Belgrano.
Fri. 8-Lomas 2nd v. Lobos 2nd, at Loraas.
Fri. 8-Barker Memorial School v. Maldonado, at Genl. Mitre
Sun. 10-Scotch School v. Lomas 2nd, at Lomas.
Snn. 10-Lobos 2nd v. English High School, at Coghlan.
Sun. 1G-Lanus 2nd v. Belgrano 2nd, at Belgrano.
Sun. 17-English High School v. Lanus 2nd, at Lanus.
Sun. 17-Scotch School v. Lobos 2ad, at Scotch School Ground

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## RIVADAV1A GOLF LINKS. OPEN HANDICAP COMPETITION.

The above was piayed at Rivadavia on the last two days of the Championship. Several players failed to hand in their cards, but below we give the scores of those who did. There were three prizes, and thesefwere carried off respectively by Messrs A. Williamson, D. Leighton, and D. H. Dickinson.

The following are the details:-


## LOMAS GOLF LINKS.

The Open Mixed Foursomes Competition will be played on the above links to-morrow afternoon on the arrival of the 12.30 p. m. train from Plaza Constitucion. Entries, $\$ 2.00 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{n}$ each couple, to be sent to Mr. C. Alexander, Rivadavia 639,before 5 o'clock this afternoon.

The inter-club match between Lomas and Harlingham on Sunday next will be played at Lomas and not as originally announced at Hurlingham. Players should take the $9,30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. express from Coustitucion.

The competition for the Presidents' Cup and Championship of the Lomas Club will be held on Wednesday, August 30th, over a course of 36 holes under Medal Play. Entry $\$ 2.00 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{n}$.

Over the same course and at the same time a medal competition under handicap will be played. Competitors for the Cup are entitled to free entry for this event, but the winner of the Cup will be barred from winning the Handicap Competition also. Entry $\$ 2.00 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{n}$.

As may be seen by his advertisement in another column, Mr G. McHardy, 559 Piedad, has received another consigament of golf clubs, the principal feature of which is a new club patented by D. and W. Auchtelonier, known as an "approaching cleek." The club is some what strange to look at, as it has been made so as to have all the weight of the head concentrated in the centre. He has received also a special consignment of ladies' clubs, all beautifully finished, and with particularly neat shafts and handles.

## FIXTURES, 1899.

## August.

Sun. 77 -Lounas v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.
Wed. 30 -Ohampionship of Lomas Ciub, at Lomas.

## Septexber.

Sun. 3-Rozurio v. Flores, at Flore3.
Sun. 3-Competition for the "Gatting Cup " at Riv tdavia.
Fri. 8-Lomis and Flores v. Bajaos Airłs and Hurlingian, at Hurlingham.
Sun. 10 -Open Mixed Foursomss at'Fiores.

## HURLINGHAM.

At the general meeting of the members of the abovs clab held on the 3rd inst., the following sub-committees were elected to act for the ensuing twelve months:-

Racing-E. D. Drabble, G. I. McMorran, E. Hicks.
Suplentes-W. Samson, J. Drysdale.
Election Committee-S. Carlisle, A. G. Gumpert, R. Agar, T. E. Preston, C. Paats

Suplentes -H. Schwind, S, Hodgson.
Crickbt and Fcotball-F. J. Bennett, J. Stuart, E. L Rumboll.

Suplentes-C. R. Thursby, J. T. Darch.
Rackets, Bat-Fives, and Lawn Tennis - A. H. Howard, R. A. Sumner, J. Drysdale.

Suplentes -J. K. Cassels, R. A. Mayne.
PoLo-J. M. Mullaly, R. Scott-Moncrieff. H. Scott-Robson. Suplentes-H. Schwind, R. P. Sidebottom.
Golf-M. G. Fortune, V. G. G. Scroggie, A. G. Gumpert.
Suplentes-D. Leighton, J. Stuart.
Pigeon Shooting-H. K. Penrose, E. Ballauf, J. M. Mullaly. Suplentes-J. M. Delhomme, G. Mallison.

## CRICKET

The annual general meeting of the members of the Buenos Aires Cricket Club will be held on Monday evening next, the 28th inst., at 8.30 p.m., in the St. John's Church school room, when it is hoped that all the members who possibly can will turn up.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## CRICKET

Buenos Aires, August 15th 1899.
To the Editor of the River Plate Sport and Pastime. Dear Sir,
In looking over some old letters, of about forty years ago, I came across one or two, in which mention was made of the B. A. Cricket Club of tbat time, and,;thinking that the subject might be one of interest to your readers, 1 have transcribed a few paragraphs to send you, so that, if you think fitting, you may publish them in yoar valuable and widely read newspaper.

The time referred to was just after the battle of Cepeda, when the forces of the province of Buenos Aires had been beaten by the National troops, under General Urquiza. The retreat from the field of battle upon the town of San Nicolas, has, not infrequently, been compared by enthusiastic natives, to that of Napoleon from Moscow, but, as one of the heroes concerned is still alive, we will not further discuss the matter here.

In the days I write of, cricket matches were not so numerous as they are to-day, and there being no railways, tramways, nor indeed coaches, the cricketers were wont to travel to the field on horseback; the bats, wickets and other implements of the game were carried in the hands of the players, and the ground was, at first, at what was known as Palermo chico, though it was not long before the site of it was transferred to that at pre8tat extant ${ }^{\text {B }}$

After the battle of Cepeda, Urquiza followed up his advantage and was not long in appearing in the suburbs of this city of Buenos Aires. If I remember rightly, the generalissimo had his headquarters at Flores, General Laprida was at Barracas, and General Lagos was at Pulermo. While the negotiations for peace were going on (and the mediator was that now very notorious Lopez, who, in years after, distinguished himself, and extinguished his troups in the woods and swainps of Paraguay), the utmost harmony and politeness was shown between the out-
posts of besieged and besiegers, although now and again, by way of keeping their hands in, there was a little sporadic sharpshooting, and a favourite spot, for these exercises of prowess, was the open plain which existed at the foot of the Recoleta church and cemetery.

A grand match had been arranged for cricket, to be played on the 1s: of November, 1859, on the Palermo Chico ground, Manchester versus the World. As may be imagined, the practice had not been a very easy thing to manage for some time previous, and the letter I quote from, says:
"Our cricketing hall been greatly interfered with by the invasion of the enemy, who cut off all communication between the cricket field aod the town. But, however, some of the most zealous among the cricketers got permission through the British Consul, from the authorities both inside and out, to pass their sentinels without molestation. They were most politely received a guard of honour being sent with them by the enemy, who stayed on the cricket ground with them all day, and conducted them to the inner lines at night, some of them condescending so far as to give the cricketers a lift, behind them on their horses. This is called riding 'in anchors,' (the writer was evidently not a Spanish scholar) and I can quite imagine it to be equally as pleasant taken in the literal sense of the word."

The match referred to was a success, for I find
UOn the 1st of November our cricket match came off, and seamed to give great satisfaction. The day was beautifully fine, and we had a tent erected for the benefit of the ladies, of whom there was a goodly sprinkling. You will be glad to bear that Manchester beat the World, although we had only ten players, while they had eleven. One of our best players being Fred Wanklyn, whose brother is, or is to be, the Curate of Pendleton. He did wooders for the Manchester sile, and his playing was first rate."

The chief players of that epoch were Bimpson, the famous J. C. (Arry his brother, and Ned having not yet appeared on the scene, where the latter first as a "colt," and atterwards in grown up form, militated "tort et bien')-Frank Parish, and John his brother, notad for "smiting" with the bat, Fred Wanklyn, James Darbyshire, and Edward his brother, Rostron Izard (famous as a long stop, for which his prominent vested interests specially recommended him) Duguid, Parson Ford, Cripps, Joe Greun, Joseph Green (may our London special long retain his vividity !) and many others, "quos nunc prescribere longum est" as the Latin Grammar hath it. Even the more grave and reverend seignors did not disdain to wield the willow on occasions of special interest, and I have taken part in matches where Billy Thompson, Fowinkel, Jacobs, John Henry (afterwards Limited) Green, etc. have been among the players. The old score books, if retained, would I am sure call to my memory many other, then farniliar, and now, alas! forgotten, names and figures. The ladies, God bless them! even in those days knew how to pour out teagracefully, and if their names and graces were not published in the papers of the period, it may have been that, from inperfect bringlug up they did not care to see themselves in print, on every possible occasion. But the scores were published when there was a grand match, and William Pilling, of the "Commercial Times," Was himselt, though of small stature, by no means an inferior Cricketer.

I was young, then, and now am old, und if 1 were a wiser man, instead of being only a better, I would wager that matters have not greatly changed in some respects. The ladies for example, do not find very much to interest them in the noble game, and as for enthusiasm, they never evince anything like it, unless at the popping crease, or when negotiating a catch at cover-point. - Yours very sincerely,

Rusty Cuss.
I enclose my Card, not for publization, but as an evidence, $i$ faith, of good manners.

## POLO PONY RACING.

To the Editor of the River Plate Sport and Pastime.

## Dear Sir,

May 1 ask through your columns for the general opinion atnong Polo-players on the above subject? The particular point 1 wish to enquire into is, whether it is desirable to run the races generally held in connection with a Polo tournament before or after the play? There seems to me to be but one answer. The programme cf any of theserace-meetings will prove that they are primarily intended for Polo-ponies and presumably for those that play in tha tournament where all the best are sure to find a place: and in all probability some of the best will be found in the "finals" having played through three or four matches, some of which will have been hard gallopiug from beginning to end. How can a pony which has tought out these matches compete with some "qualitied" pony which has been stralling about, quite comfortably, under his cloth and gatting his food and water at regular intervals, while the genuine Polo pony has been sweated and knocked about and fed and watered as the hoars of his matches allowed? The genuine article, for which the race-
neeting is in reality held, is simply handicapped out of every vent unless the races are run before the play. It seems o me that there can be no two opinions on the subject f, indeed, the races are intended for Polo ponies, and if hey are not intended for genuine Polo ponies why not ;ive up the farce of "qualifying ponies" and have Pony Racing pure and simple? If they are intended for Polo-ponies why not give the genuine article a chance by letting him run his aces before his real work comes on? However, at the moment, he fashion seems to be to hold the race-meeting at the end of the ournament, with the result that perhaps some pony that is enered for a race has to play two hard matches on the day before, which is absurd.-Yours Q. E. D.

## H UNTING.

If a dog has once indulged in sheep-killing, it is difficult to radicate the vice. In former days, when every farmer kept a lock of sheep and a dog, it was customary to prevent the formaion of the bad babit by penning the canine, when young, with a am addicted to butting. The punishment the dog received aught it that sheep were to be left alone.

In a book, "Thoughts on Hunting," published in England in he last century, the author, Peter Beckford, tells the following tory of a bold, but unsuccessful, attempt to cure a pack of rounds of sheep-killing:
"A late lord of my acquaintance, whose whole pack had often een guilty of sheep-kilhicg, determined to punish them, and with hat intent put the largest ram he could find into the kennel. The en with their whips and the ram with its horns soon put the phole kennel into confusion and dismay, and the ram and hounds vere lett together.
"Meeting a friend soon after, he said to him, '(Yome to the ennel and see what rare sport the ram makes among the hounds. be old fellow lays about himi stoutly; there's not a dog dares ok him in the face.
"His friend, a compassionate man, pitied the hounds, and gked if he were not afraid some of them might be injured. 'No,' aid the lord, 'they deserve it, and let them suffer.'
"Ihey opened the kenvel door, but they saw neither ram or hounds. The ram by this time w'as entirely eaten up, and e hounds, having filled their bellies, had retired to rest."

## PROGRAMME

## OF <br> GHAMPIONSHIP SPORTS

## TO BE HELD AT

FIORES
ON
FRIDAY, 8th SEPTEMBER, 1899
Uuder the Rules of the Amateur Athletic Association of the River Plate.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE, Championship.
120 YARDS HURDLE RACE, Championship.
440 YARD 3 FLA'T RACE, Championship and Handicap.
880 YARDS FLAT RACE,
ONE MILE FLAT RACE,
HIGH JUMP,
LONG JUMP,
POLE JUMP
PUTTING THE 16Lb. SHO I
THROWING THE HAMMER, $\qquad$
100 YARDS FLAT RACE (Boys under 14), Handicap. 220 YARDS FLAT RACE (Boys under 14), Handicap.
ONE MILE BICYCLE RACE, Handicap.
THREE MILES BICYCLE RACE, Handicap.
120 YARDS FLAT RAOE, Handicap.
TUG-OF-WAR, Married v. Single.
CONSOLATION RACE, $: 200$ Yards.
Entrance fee $\$ 2$ each event; Boys $\$ 1$.
Entry forms can be obtained from and entries (which must in cases be accompanied by corresponding fees) will be received Mr. G. F. Elliott, Moreno 309, or the Hon. Secretary, Flores ub, Estacion Once, F.C.O.
Beparate entry forms are required for each event.
Eatries close on 23rd August, 1699.
Handicappers:-
Amateur Atbletic Association of the Biver Plate.

## FIXTURES.

## RACING.

Wednesday, Aug. 23-Hipódromo Argentino, at Palermo.
Thursday, Aug. 24-Hipódromo Nacional, at Belgrano.
Sunday, Aug. 27 - Hipódromo Argentino, at Palermo.
Sunday, Aug. 27, and following days-Polo Towrnament and Race Meeting at Cañada de Gomez.

## ATHLETICS.

Wednesday, Aug. 30-Annual Sports, Rosario A.C.
Eaturday, Sep. 2-Bahis Blanca North Western Athletic Club's, annual meeting.
Friday, Sep. 8 -Championship Athletic Sports, at Flores.

## FOOTBALL.

association.
Sunday, Aug. 27-Lobos v. Belgrano, at Lobos.

GOLF.
Sunday, Aug. 27-Lomas v. Hurlingham, at Hurlingham.
Wednesday, Aug. 30-Championship of Lomas Ciub, at Lomas.

## Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club <br> 8th ANNUAL (GENERAL MEETING

It is hereby announced that in qccordance with Art. 6 of the Rules and Regulations, the Annual General Meeting of the above Club will be heid at the office of "Sport and Pastime," 559 Piedad, on Wednesday, 23 rd inst., st 4 p.m.

## BUSINESS

I-To consider the advisabitity of lowering the entrance fee (Art. 16.)

2-To re-consider Art. 23, affecting absent members and their liabilities as to subsariptions.

3 -To consider the advisability of admitting Camp Members
4-To receive Repart and Statement of Accounts.
5 -To elect a Presidunt, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Committee for the ensuing year.
B. Goldsmid, Hon Sec.

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## Programa de las Carreras

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## Hipódromo de Hurlingham

El Viernes 8 de Setiembre de 1899

Premio Devoto.-Entrada \$15. Premio \$150; handicap para petizos de 58 pulgadas ó menos. Distancia 600 metros.
Directors Cup, (carrera de vallas)-Una copa presentada por los Directores del F. C. B. A. al Pacitico; para petizos de 58 pulgadas ó menos que hayan corrido con los Harlingham Draghounds á lo menos cinco veces, peso por pulgadas, petizos de 58 pulgadas llevarán 75 kilos. Distancia 2030 metros. Entrada $\$ 15$. A más de la copa que debe ser ganada dos veces por el mismo dueño para quedar de absoluta propiedad, hay un premio presentado por el Sr. W. C. Huxtable para el ganador de este año, y el que llegue segundo recibirá $\$ 50$. Para poder correr en esta carrera es necesario presentar un certificado del "Master" de los Draghounds.
Pony Steeplechase.--Entrada $\$ 10$. Premio $\$ 100$; para petizos de 58 pulgadas ó menos que no hayan ganado una carrera en Hurlingham, (exceptuando un Gymkana); pesu por pulgadas; petizos de 58 pulgadas, llevarán 75 kilos. Distancia 3000 metros.
Ayrshire Cup.-Valor de $\$ 1,50 \prime$ y además las entradas de $\$ 50$ cada una; carrera de saltos para cualquier caballo (con exclusion de puros); peso por edad, para criollos se rebaja án 3 kilos; caballos que nunca hayan ganado 2 kilos, y los que nunca hayan corrido 3 kilos. Distancia ma; ó menos 4100 metros. La copa deberá ser ganada tres veces por el mismo dueño $\delta$ denominador para quedar de absoluta propiedad. Los pesos se calcularán para 6 años y arriba 76 kilos, 5 años 75 kilos, 4 años 72 kilos. Á socios del Hurlingham Club les permitirán 3 kilos; Gentleman Kiders 2 kilos.
Premio Caseros.- Entrada $\$ 10$. Prernio $\$ 100$; handicap para petizos de 56 pulgadas 6 ménos, que no hayan ganado on Hurlingham. Distancia 500 metros.
Ladies BraceIet.-Handicap para petizos de 58 pulgadas $\delta$ ménos. Entrada \$10. La señra que haya elejido el petizo que resulte ganador recibirá una joya valor $\$ 100$. Distancia 700 metros.

Las cartas de entrada se dirijirán al Secretario, Calle Piedad 513, Buenos Aires, debiéndose adjuntar al importe de las entradas en dinero, hasta las 5 p.m. del Jueves 31 de Agosto de 1899, hora en que se cerrarán las iuscripciones. Para considerar llenada una carrera se necesitan á lo menos tres entradas. La Comisión se reserva el derecho de alterar, extender ó prorogar este programa si lo cree necesario.

LA COMISION.

## ATHLETICS.

## ROSARIO ATHLETIC CLUB ANNUAL SPORTS.

Below will be found a list of the entries received for the various events to be decided at the annual sports of the Rosario Athletic Club arranged to take place on the 30th inst. The number of competitors who have sent in their names exceeds that of some previous years, and there should be some interesting contests for the numerous valuable prizes offered.

The energetic Secretary of the Club, Mr. J. A. Hall, and the Sports Cominittee, are working hard to make the event as pleasurable and proftable as possible and it is to be hoped that their efforts will meet with success.

The Committee are at present expending a good sum of money in providing additional accomodation for both members and visitors, in the way of extending the pavilion, improving the grand stand and in earrying out various other alterations much needed, and trust that all lovers of sport will rally round to support them in their efforts to make the meeting as successful as possible in order that they may be recouped in some measure for the extra outlay thereby necessitated.
'The Committee note with mach pleasure that the promoters of the Cañada de Gomer'Race Meeting, originally fixed to take place on the same day as the sports, have in a most friendly manner altered it to a day earlier, so as not to clash, and so give their Camp friend, an opportunity of attending both events, which, no doubt, they will do in great force.

Competitors are reminded that on the day of the sports the Pavilion will be set apart for their exclusive use each being providen with a special ticket giving admittance to the same. ENTRIES.
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Throwing the Hammer handicap-E. C. Strasser, F. E. Kin. tve s
nt, V. U. Parr, C. L. Newell, H. Middleton, G. A. Middleton, bour chant, V. C. Parr, C. L. Newell, H. Middleton, G. A. Middleton, bour E. Glover, J. A. Marray, R. F. Dorning, C. E. Wharton.

100 Yards, Handicap - W. Colson, G. A. Middleton, A. Gib. bons, V. C Parr, A. F. C. Willcox, C. L. Newell, D. Nieri, E. C ems French, E. Glover, A. J. Boxall, A. Le Bas, M. H. Green, H. Fer- tend guson, D. R. Gunn.

Putiting the Shot, Handicap - E. C. Strasser, F. E. Kinchant V. C. Parr, A F. C. Willcox, C. L. Newell, H. Middleton, C. E Wharton, M. H. Green, H. Ferguson.

120 Yards Hurdle Race, Handioap - W. Colson, F. Clark V. C. Parr, A. F. C. Willcox, H. Middleton, E. C. Frernch, M. H Green, D. R. Gunn.
$2.0 \mathrm{Y}_{\text {ards, }}$ Handicap (Members only)-W. Colson, G. A Middleton, A. Gibbons, A. F. C. Willcox, E. C. French, A. Lt Bas, R. P. Robinson, R. F. Dorning, A. J. Boxall, C. E. Wharton (2) Half Mile, Hand Cap - A. Gibbens, F. Clark. A. F. C. Will cox, C. Jones, K. F. Dorning, A. J. Boxall, E. C. Wharton, W. A B. Robinson, M. H. Green, H. Ferguson, D. R. Gann.

One Mile Bicycle Rice, Handicap-E. Ponchell, G. B. Harri son, V. O. Parr, A. Pesseri, J. Masoero, F. Grasso, E. Borgatillo Juan Cané, D Geary, L. Saggese, E. Dudero, G. Schaub, J. Sca glia. J. A. Grasso, A. Gunn, J. D. Brecken.

440 Yards, Handicap - W. Colson, F. A. Warner. G. A. Mid leton, A. Gibbons, F. Clark, A. F. C. Willcox, E. C. French, R. P Robinson, R. F. Durning, A. J. Boxall, A. Ls Bas, M. H. Green D. R. Gunn.

Higu Jump, Handicap - W. Colson, F. Clark, V. C. Pary A. F. C. Willcox, H. Middleton, E. C. French, M. H. Green.

Thref Miles Bicicles Race, Handicap-J. Masoero, J. Scaglia E. Ponchel, G. B. Harrison, V. C. Parr, A. Pesseri, P. Grasso, E
Borgatillo, J. Cane, D. Geary, I. Saggese, O. Gerstenberg, J. A Borgatillo, J. Cane, D. Geary, I. Saggese, O. Gerstenberg, J. A Grasso, A. Gunn, J. D. Rrecken.

Long Jump Handioap - W. Colson, V. C. Parr, A. F. C. Will uceive cox, H. Middleton, G. A. Middleton, E. C. French, M. H. Green. ou he

300 Yards, Handicap - W. Colson, F. A. Warner. G. A. Mid ate to dleton. A. Gibbons, F. Clark, A. F. C. Willcox, E. C. French, R ad do P. Rebinson, A. T. Boxall, M. H. Green, D. R. Gunn.

Ong Mile, Handicap -F. A. Warner, F. Clark, A. F. C Willcox, H. Middleton, E. ©. French, C. Jones, R. F. Dorning E. C. Wharton, W. A. B. Robinson, M. H. Green, D. R. Gunn.

One Mile Bicycle Race, Handicap (Members only)-V. ( Parr, H. Middleton, P. Grasso, E. C. French, C. Jones, G. Schaul A. T. Boxall, J. A. Grasso.

Obstacle Rac $\&-$ W. Colson, A. Gibbons, A. F. C. Willcoz, E Middleton, E. C. French, C. Jones, G. Schaub, R. F. Dorning, N H. Green, A. Gunn, J. D. Brecken.

## ROUND THE TOWN.

The following circular has been issued:CHUBUT RELIEF FUND. Dear Sir,
You are doubtless a ware that a serious calamity has befalle our countryfolk settled in the territory of Chubut. Accurate di tails of the extent of damage caused by the floods, which apper to have inundated the valley known by that name, are still wan ing, but it is feared that the irrigation works, the result of man years' labour, have been partially, if not entirely, destroyed, th: many of the settlers are houseless, and that their wheat stort have been swept away. In order to try and nitigate as far : possible the hardship and loss which must inevitably have bee undergone, a committee has been hastily formed here, compose as follows:-
H.n. W. A. C. Barrington, Chairman.
J. Thomson, Hon. Secretary, 576 Piedras.
C. Lockwood, Hon. Treasurer, 631 Guyo.
J. N. Drysdale, 440 Perú.
J. C. Gibson, 181 San Martin.
C. H. Krabbé, 760 Cuyo.
L. Jones.

This committee pleads for cooperation on the part of Britis residents in this country, and earnestly hopes that you wi kindly contribute, either in money or kind, towards the reli fand which has been set on foot for the benefit of the sufferers. 1 am, dear sir, yours very traly,

William A. C. Barrangton.
(Cash can be sent to any of the Eoglish Banks in the cit as also to the members of the Committee. Articles can be ser to the following addresses ,- 440 Perú, 576 Piedras, or Cuya 69
sports the To such an appeeal there should be a quick and unanimons ach being sponse, for all must sympathise with the torrible hardships bich these brave strugglers against'untimely fate have had io ffer. After years of patient endeavour. fighting against nature Id transforming a rugged wilderness into a smiling valley, they F. E. Kin. ave seen all these efforts swept away into nothingness, and the diddleton bour of a decade utterly destroyed. For such inisfortune even oney is but a poor alleviation, but it will at least help them to n.
A. Gib n, H. Feremselves in a position to resume their work. To tho place tend to contribute we would remind them that the old Latin overb holds good to-day as it did in the past centuries, viz: Kinchant 3is dat qui cito dat."

In connection with the above, we hear that a small enterinment will probably be organized by some of our singers, hich should return a fair sum. It will be an unpratentioas attair
pass a pleasant evening and at a small sum for admission pass a pleasant evening and at a small sum for admission
rould get a crowded house. Further particulars will be duly inounced if the arrangements can be made. This need not in jy way intorfere with the action of the circular which will, e trust, bear quick and valuable result.

We heard a Lomas man the other day holding forth in great orgatillo yle on the advantages of that green and gay suburb which, to ir thinking, he was a little inclined to ovarpraise, protesting too uch of the same. That he was right, however, is proved by A. Mid ie fact that not oaly are the men good sportsmen, but that th, ach, R. P dies of Lomas are not a whit behind their brothors and husH. Green inds in keeping the ball rolling. ©ards of invitation have been sued trom "Ye Merry Maidon's', for a denca to take place on sth, at the Barker Momorial Hall, the said cards boiny as neat ad pretty examples of such things as we have sean. Tre ComScaglia tittee of the dance consists of Misses Cassels Coopor, Dolds,
irasso, $\mathbf{E}$ ould, Hinds, Kidd, and Mackern, and w $\mathbf{w}$ can only envy the erg, J. A tcky ones who will be present, and condole with those whio are ot sufficiently in the good graces of "Yo Morry Maidens" to C. Will sceive the honour of an invite. Now maidens of other suburbs Green. ou have had an excellent example set you, and it is never to A. Mid ite to commence a good work, so take heart of gracs and go rench, R ind do likewise. You will not be any the less popular for it e can solemnly assure you, that is, ot course, if it is pussible that A. F. ( ou could be more popular than you are now.

The following letter to a girl friend from a girl friend has llen into our hands and at the risk of being cat out of the Merry Maidens Dance" we publish it.

## "Dearest Miary,

" 1 went to the Golf Links at Rivadavia the other day, beauze Jack seems to have become a walking lunatic on the subect of the game ot Golf, or Gowf, or Gaff, or whatever the arbaric name of the thing is, and he has beon most anxious for ze to learn the game, so that we should not be parted for the phole of the Sundays, as had hitherto been the case :then he was ft playing the silly game.
"On arriving at the station we had to walk up a tittle deeply atted and abominably dirty lane before we got to the Clab House. jutside this house were a lot of men most queerly got up some in Id boating Hinnels, others in alarming knickerbocker suits, ome with well shaped understandings and others, well, my dear dary, they really should have worn something to hide them, hey were so thin and scraggy. There was also a crowd of mall boys each bearing a bag, in which there were a lot of ueer looking sticks, some with iron heads and others with vooden heads, which Jack told me were the clubs of the other nen. I nearly made a joke about 'wooden heals, but thought $t$ better not to as Jack regards golf very seriously. Inside the 1ouse was a long table on which there were some bottles and ;lasses, but I could not see any more as Juck hurried me off to he first 'tee' as he called it. When we arrived there I looked ound quietly, but did not see any kettles or pots or milk jugs or mythiug which looked like 'tea,' so I asked Jack why it was salled the 'tee.' 'Oh! because it is, my dear,' he said, which truck me as being a very reasonable and manlite answer.
"Well, last Sunday he just played a tew "holes" as he :alled it to give me an idea of how it was done. He did each itroke two or three times wrongly just to show me how it hould not be done and then he did it properly, though once he orgot and did it well the first time.
"The first thing of all in a real game of golf, from what have heard Jack say, is to decide if it shall be for lunch or unch and drinks or drinks only but last Sunday when we start-
ad he played only for love, which is usually nothing in all od he played only for love, which is usually nothing in all ${ }^{\text {anmes. }}$

Well Jack first squeezed up a bit of mud into a tiny pillar on which he carefully balanced the ball and turning to me
said "The first principle of golf is to keep your eye on the
ball" "And must you hit it of that piece of mud" 1, asked. "Yes" he replied "that is the tee" With that he stepped back and put his foot on the ball but he grabbed about and got sume more mud and fixed the thing up again. Then he wobbled the stick about and twisted his toes in and out till I thought he must be in pain and then he waggled his wrists which he called addressing the ball. Then he took a mighty sweep but he did not bit the ball. becaute he said he wanted to show me what a silly stroke Harry Atkinson made playing against him last Sunday. I could not tell you dear, how olten be addressed the ball later, as although he did it under his breath I could see by his eyes that it must have been tierce.

I tell you candidly, dear, 1 shall never master the intricacies of the game, the names, to begin with, are awful. such as bunkers, cleeks, caddies, mashie3, tees, niblicks, putters, and other horrible sounding things which Hoored me completely. I could understand a 'caddie' being called a caddie-the generally. looks it poor little chap, and besides I found afterwards that he makes the tea for each player. At first I could not understand why the men wanted their sticks carried for them, but came to the conclusion that they wanted freedon of limb for the Highland fling which they dance at every other stroke. I asked Jack if ponies could not be trained to carry the clubs, but be only answered, 'Don't be ridiculous.' I am afraid I asked a lot of silly questions at the beginning which would bave answered themselves if I had had patience.
"A golf ball, my dear, generally does one of two things when it is hit at. First, and most generally, it takes no notice whatever, second, and frequently, it just jumpz up and comes down again in the same place, but there is a third course open to it. It maysail gaily away in any direction it chooses farther than the eye can follow it. When it goes off like that, the man who hit it says, 'By Jove, that's a good drive. See that. you chaps?' and then turning to the caddie, though there may be six other pairs of eyes at $h$ - $n$ l he enquires, 'Ha visto.' and the little chap with the sticks has to rua ou aud find the ball, while the man who did the hit tells the otheris of a splendid drive he made at Hurlingham last week. I can't think why they don't play golf with bigger balls. Tbey'd be so much easier to s3e and so very much easier to hit than the wee ones they do use.
"I think we saw the greatest display of skill at the putting green. Just as we arrived there four men came up. You know, dear, the object of the game is to sand the ball as near the hole as you can without letting it go in. Well, these four men took turns and they played simply splendidly. They rolled that ball all round the rim of the hole without letting it drop in. It was awiully interesting and I could bayd watched for ever so long, but Jack said we had better leave them alone as it was hard lines on chaps to have a girl near at such a time. I can't soe wiy as I was not even whispering beceuss Jack had told me that one of the ruley was to keep quite quiet all the time. I think, dear, perhaps this is why so fow giris play golf. Then we met a man Jack knew and he said be 'would take him on' because he thought he could beat him and they played one round. I think it would be much battor if they could play golf on a nicely kept lawn, the links are most untidy. Some of the ruen were trying to improva them by picking up any little odd bits of stick that were Iging about but I think that two or three gardeners with rakes and lawn mowers would be much more useful. Right in the way at one place where Jack and the other man were playing was a dirty pool of water. The other min knocked bis ball right into it and Jack laughed, but he did so tou and I was sorry until he said he had done it 'just to give the poor chap a chance.' Oh! dear he is so good natured. I knew Jack was winning because I heard him say after a stroke 'that's eleven' and the other man said 'l've only played four' and as there were only nine holes on the links, of course Jack must have been two ahead. At last they both lost their balls and the careless little caddies could not find them so we went home.
"They say golf is a game at which a lot of bad language is used. I only heard one man, Me Jeakius say anything wrong, and that was at the station while we were waiting for the train and the reason was that the man sitting next to him kicked him savagely and I think under such circumstances it was quite excasable. It was like this. We were walking up and down. Some one said. 'Oh! I say Jenkins what did you say when you were on the barranca'? 'I only said' answered this Mr Jenkins, but befort he could saj any more we passed quite close and I distinctly saw the other man kick him and heard him mutter "Shut up" just as Mr Jenkins said 'Dear me.'
"A lot of us girls tried the other day on the links what they call 'mixed foursomes' aud I think that golf is quite as nice a game as ever croquet was, especially if you only play with one partner.
"Come out and see me soon, dear and I can tell you a lot that I do not like to write." - Your loving friend.

We gave, in an early issue, the cast of a proposed performance of "Our Boys" which was to be given for the bevefit of the

Buenos Aires Cricket Club, always a popular object. As however, there are several performances by our amateurs coming on and the production of two comedies like "Our Boys" and "Sweet Lavender" would have been a drain on the powers of the ayailable talent, as well as something of a strain on the public, the Buenos Aires Cricket Club has very generously withdrawn the performance projected by its members. The Amateur Dramatic Club in view of this has generously offered to give a performance of "Sweet Lavender,": the proceeds of which will be devoted to the funds of the Cricket Club. This is an admirable settlement of matters and we have no doubt that the performances of "Sweet Lavender" will be well supported and woll worth supporting.

On Monday next the 28 th inst. Frank Brown, the genial clown - which is both rhyme and reason-will give a performance in aid of the funds of the Boy's Orphanage, on which occasion besides some new and startling novelties, he will himself make several appearances. The company at the San Martin is drawing excellent houses and for such a benefit there is sure to be a rush so those who want boxes or seats had better be quick about it.

Mr J. Vianna da Motta gave the second of his series of recitals at Prince George's Hall, but despite the attractiveness of the programme which contained many taking selections, the audience which assembled to grect the virtuoso was small though most enthusiastic. Da Motta is a magnificent executant and in pieces in which technique is primary he is unexceptionable, his playing of a Study by Paderowsky, in the manner o: Scarlatti, was brilliant to a degree, the runs clear and limpid, the whole execution perfect. He was generous in the matter of encores and granted no less than three. To all musical people wo would say, do not miss his next even if you have to do without lunch to manage it.

## Bs. Aires Western Railway WINTER TIME TABLE.

Leave Once for Caballito and Flores.
A.M.: $6.00,6.30,7.15,830,9.00,9.30,1000,10.45,11.40$.
P. M.: $12.30,1.30,2.30,3.15,3.45,4.15,5.00,5.30,6.90,6.30,7.00$, $8.00,9.15,10.30,11.50,1230$.

## 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.: $1.49,2.49,3.34,4.14,4.49,5.34,{ }^{*} 6.09,6.34,7.24,7.54$, $8.24,9.19,10.34,11.19,11.53$.

Leave Caballito for Once.
A.M: $6.03,643,7.23,7.53,8.23,8.53,9.53,10.23,-111.53,12.68$. 12.53.
P.M : $1.53,2.53,3.38,418,4.53,5.38,{ }^{*} 6.13,6.38,7.28,8.38$. $9.23,10.38,11.23,12.03$.

* Sundays and Feast Days

David Smson, General Manager.

## LIST OF CLUBS WITH THEIR SECRETARIES.

## Athletic Clubs

Amatedr Athletic Association of the River Plate-Blue and White-E. Danvers, 475 Piedad.
Banfield - Maron and Old Gold - R. G. Campbell, Montes de Oca 932.
Barker Mrmorial School-Blue and Gold-H. S. Chappell, Las Golondrinas, Lomas de Zamora, F.C.S.
Belarano-Black and Gold-J. R. S. Fox, 748 Avenida de Mayo.
Central Argentine Ralway-Red and White-R. H. Chamberlin, Almacenes, F.C.C.A., Rosario.
Cordoba and Rosario Railway-H. Dorning; Almacenes, F.C.C. y R., Rosario.

Corloba-J. C. Bowden, Gerencia, F.C.C.C., Córdoba.
English High School-Red and White-A. Coste, 3590 Santa Fé.
Flores A.C.-Magenta, Black and Blue, with narrow White Stripes between-B. Gwyn, Estacion Once, F.C.O.
Horlingham-Blue, Red and Yellow-J. Smith Sheehan, Piedad 513.
Junin (Literary and Athletic) - Ed. Bryans, Junin.
Lanvs (F.C.S.)-Dark Blue-A. Greaven, Australia 1469 Barracas al Norte.
Lobos-Blue and Red-H. Wilson, Rivadavia 639.
Lomas-Lincoln Green, Scarlet and Gold-R. L. Goodfellow, Lomas Academy, Lomas de Zamora, F.C.S.
Mercedes-Green and Gold-G. Carey.
Palermo-Red, Blue and White -A. J. Rugeroni, 345 Piedad.
Porteso-Dark Blue and White-Miguel S. Kenny, 268 Reconquista.
Bosario-Claret and Light Blue-T. A. Hall, 1320 Calle Catamarca, Rosario.

Rio Cricket and Athletic Aseociation-Dark Green and $G$ H. Evers, British Bank, Rio.

Santos Athletic Club-A. Kealman, London \& Brazilian $\mathbf{F}$ Santos.

Crioket Clubs
Bohemians-Rifle Green and Grimson-C. M. Belton, 20511 Bustamante.
Buenos Aires-Crimson and Black-R. W. Anderson, 4411 Piedad.
Central Uruguay-Black and Orange-A. R. Roebnck, Adm tracion, F.C.C.U., Montevideo.
Fisherton-J. Beaumont.
Hurlingham-Blue, Red and Yellow-J. Stuart, Banco de Lon London Bank-A. H. Poulton, Banco de Lóndres.
Montevideo-Dark Blue and Orange-E. B. Cooper, Calie Zo $5: 3$, Montevideo.
Quilmes-Dark Blue and Crimson-F. A. Williams, San M: 142, Buenos Aires.

Football Clubs
Albion-Dark Blue and Red-H. C. Lichtenberger, Barraca glesa, Montevideo.
Argentina Association League-H. W. Botting, 631 Cuyo, Ciu
Buenos Aires (Rugby) - Blue and White-L. Corry Sn Piedad 402.
River Plate Rugby Union Championship-J. O. Anderson, Piedad.
Rosario Association League-F. M. Martin, Cordoba and Ros Railway, Rosario.

Kennel Clubs
Canine Association-A. M. Bateman, 25 de Mayo 175.
Kennel Club - P. Power (acting), 25 de Mayo 193.

## Vahious Clubs.

Choral Union-Robert Grant, Piedad 513.
Dramatic Clob-Ernesto Danvers, Piedad 475.
Einglish Literary Society-W. Chevob, San Martin 119.
Yacht Club Argentino-H. Mackinlay, Bolsa de Comercio.
Tigre Sailina Club-W. G. Mackern, Pieded 402.
Sociedad Colombófila-L. Marue, 25 de Mayo 175.
Trinity Club-J. H. Cassels, Temperley, F.C.S.

## Polo Clubs

Aesociation of the River Plate-F. J. Balfour, 559 Pieded:
Bahis Blanca-John Hampson, Casilla 181, Bahia Blanca.
Bellaco-Red and Blue-T. Murray Lees, Banco de Íónc Paysandú, B.O.
Brll Ville-Green and Gold-T. Ramadge, Bell Ville, F.C.C. 1
Camp of Uruquar-Pale Blue-L. Edwards, Barrancas Colora Colonia.
Cañada de Gomez-Red and Yellow-Hon. F. White, C. de Go: F.C.C.A.

Casuals-Crimson and White-C. J. Tetley, Halsey, F.C.O.
Gualkguay-Crimson and French Grey-J. C. Barlow, Esta Las Cabezas, Gualeguay, Entre Rios.
Jujuý-Black-Norman Leach, Salta, Argentina.
Laboulaye-Black and Cambrílge Blue-W. J. Grant, Laboula F.C.P.

La Carlota-John C. Todd, Estacion Villa Nueva, F.C. Maria á Rufino.
La Colina-Dark Green and White-Glynne Williams, Esta San!Anselmo, La Colina, F.C.S.
Tuyú-A. T. Spens, Los Ingleses, Ajó,
La Victoria-Brown and Yellov-Magnus Fea, Estacion El Tr F. C. Central Argentino.

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Media Lona-Dark Blue, White Crescent-C, J. Tetley.
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