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BUENOS AYRES, TUESDAY, MAY 3, 1861

PRICE—TWO DOLLARS.

MAUW BANK Calle Cangallo No. 101-103 interest for the current month.

London, Buenos Ayres and River Plate Bank (Limited) 80 CALLE DE LA PIEDAD 80.

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Camp for 8 focus. To be given in exchange for 4,000 fine sheep a splendid tract of camp.

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To Sheepfarmers. To rent, two good puestos for sheep, each 100 by 300 yards, with houses, corrals, &c.

Unfailing Cure for Scab and footrot in Sheep and every kind of disease in horses and other animals.

Brazil and River Plate Mail. This paper, recently established in London, is published fortnightly for transmission by the English and French Mails.

DR. P. BOURSE, American Surgeon Dentist, No. 101 CALLE ITUZAINGO, Montevideo.

To Estancieros in the Band Oriental. For Sale, a light Camp Wagon, four-wheeled, moveable top, strong springs, seats for four persons.

The Standard Printing Office. All kinds of English printing done here at reasonable charges: bill heads, \$200 per thousand; paper labels \$150 per thousand; circulars or placards \$50 per thousand.

River Plate Steam Ship Company. The Steamer "UNA," 1000 Tons Register, Captain Batty, will be despatched for Liverpool, via Montevideo, on 7th May next.

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Public Notice. The undersigned respectfully requests all parties indebted to him to call and pay their accounts without delay.

American Dentist, DR. N. O. CORNWALL, Calle Rivadavia, 275. Artificial Teeth. Inserted in the neatest and most approved manner.

For Cañuelas, Monte, and Las Flores. Mensagerias Nuevas de la Portena. Office—Rivadavia 411 and 443.

To Captains of Vessels, Merchants, &c. The increasing number of shipping thus yearly arriving at this port, and the inconvenience which often arises.

Situation Wanted. A young German, with five years' character, in sheep breeding in this country, and the Banda Oriental, desires to meet an engagement as Manager of an Estancia.

To Estancieros. In the well-known establishment of Santa Catalina, in the Partido de Lomas de Zamora, there are for sale sheep of pure breed, and also mestizas of superior quality.

Notice. During the absence of Frederic Wanklyn, Mr. Alfred Lumb will take charge of the business of Wanklyn and Co.

For London, British Barque "INO." A 1,462 Tons register, Capt. R. Watson. This fine vessel is now ready to receive cargo in the Inner Roads for the above destination.

For New York. The British barque George Darke, 568 tons register, H. Anderson, Master. She has still room for some cargo.

Just Received. A small lot of Superior Cork Butter, BARRY & WALKER'S, 97 Calle Defensa—corner of Moreno.

Notice. Messrs. George Bell and Son have removed their Office to Calle Moreno, No. 171.

English Painter and Paper-hanger. Parties having such work to be done will please apply to the undersigned.

To Irishmen in Villa Luxan. The undersigned requests that any fellow countryman who can afford reliable information respecting the property which the late Michael King died possessed of, will communicate same by letter directed to the undersigned at 148 Calle Europa.

For Cañuelas, Monte, and Las Flores. Mensagerias Nuevas de la Portena. Office—Rivadavia 411 and 443.

Sherry in Octaves. Of superior quality. Havana Cigars—genuine. Brandy, in Cases, of the celebrated brand, 'Brandenburg feres.'

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The Standard.

San Andrés, Tuesday, May 3, 1864.

OUR CREDIT ABROAD.

Previous to the arrival of the last French packet it was generally believed by people who had no means of knowing to the contrary, that the credit of this country abroad was unbounded. Our colleagues copied out articles from the London, French, and Belgian papers, which, commented in the most flattering terms upon the 'great new country,' the Argentine Republic. Our adopted fellow-countrymen were positively persuaded by the newspapers into the belief that the eyes of all Europe were concentrated on them. New banks, new railways, new shops, new everything—in fact, there was no denying it, Buenos Ayres was becoming a place of the greatest importance; and in proof thereof, whenever our credit abroad was brought into question, the price of the Buenos Ayresan bonds on the London Exchange was at once asked. This, as a matter of course, was regarded as a settler of the question.

When the redemption of the paper money became a question of importance in our Chambers, what was the difficulty which we had to contend with? Every capitalist in Europe wanted to lead us money, and as we could not take from every one, we decided to take no loan at all.

Have our readers forgotten the opposition made last year to the passing of a bill in Congress enabling the Government to pay the interest and instalments of the Argentine debt in London? This bill was called and known as Article 28. Why was the opposition? Why was the article finally thrown out? Because Congress men had their eyes open. The capitalists in Europe thought we were all fools out here in America but the Senators and Deputies were not to be taken in. The people in Europe want to invest in our stocks; they want good security for their money. Then let them send their capital out here. We are not like Brazil or the United States; our bonds are payable here, our interest here, and let the people in London know it.

Then again as to railway concessions, possibly there was a season here when living in peace and quietness in Buenos Ayres was out of the question. Railway engineers, railway contractors, iron men, rail men, bolt men—why even the gas men had all pounced upon Buenos Ayres, but our rulers were not caught sleeping. Concessions in other parts of the world might be easily obtained by responsible parties for necessary improvements, but in the River Plate a concession was a very different thing.

Other countries were reduced to bankruptcy and pauperism, from the want of credit abroad, but we, in plain terms, were going to ruin and destruction, from having too much of it.

Last Friday, however, the veil was lifted from our eyes, and it was currently reported through this city that our great credit abroad was all moonshine. Without believing in toto this rather extraordinary intelligence, we think it right, as we hear so much said about this matter, to offer a few remarks.

To owe nothing at all, is often times as bad as to owe too much. The Argentine Republic as yet owes nothing in England, and, in commercial words, the firm is not known in Europe. B. Ayres, in this respect, has a slight advantage, inasmuch as she owes a good round sum in England, and pays her interest regularly. As a matter of course, when the Argentine National Government was spoken of in London, people began to make inquiry, and no person could find out anything about it. Now we certainly think that as the Argentine Central Railway is the first National enterprise introduced on the London Exchange, the Government should have taken care that it was well represented in that market, instead of which, if we are to believe report, every one to whom application was made for information respecting the National Government, gave most unfavourable reports, save those who were directly interested in the success of the new company.

President Mitre must, therefore, blame himself, or at least his talented Minister of Foreign Affairs, for the result.

We should be very sorry, indeed, to take one particle from the credit of Buenos Ayres, but it is right to observe that the quotations of the Buenos Ayresan Bonds in London form no criterion whatsoever of the credit of the country, inasmuch as these bonds are all held up by one or two parties, and as there are none on the market, they naturally keep up.

But the greatest of all delusions is to suppose that Buenos Ayres enjoys any especial credit in the London markets. So far from it, we deny that Buenos Ayres could raise a loan in England to-day, except at a serious shave. It may not be generally known, yet it is not the less a fact, that Governor Saavedra last year had application made to some London capitalists for a loan either to the Provincial Government or to the Casa de Moneda, and the result was unfavourable.

Our credit abroad depends on our conduct at home, and sooner or later the people in this country will find it out. The news by the French packet, we hope, will prove a salutary lesson, and save us from a deal of useless argument, at this coming congress, on article 2.

NO MORE BURNING.

Such is the startling news we read in Sunday morning's 'Tribuna.' No more paper money is to be burnt; the Minister of Finance believes that it is a most stupid measure, and not calculated in the slightest to reduce the value of ounces.

We confess that we were unprepared for this startling intelligence, since only the other day it was said that the Minister, having negotiated a loan with the merchants, would burn four millions of paper money in the first days of May.

The Minister of Finance seems to think that he has a discretionary power respecting the burning of the paper money. Now, we hold that he has not; and that the omission to burn the extra duties is a direct violation of the law, a breach of good faith, and an act most damaging to the credit of the country.

M. Gonzalez, in offering his opinions as to the advisability of carrying out the law, assumes to himself a post which he has no right to. People do not want his views, but only ask him to comply with the law.

No wonder that in this country there is wanting that respect for the laws which is the great guarantee of public safety, when we find men in such exalted positions as M. Gonzalez, the very first to violate them; and then, with gratuitous audacity, give his reasons for so doing. The question is one of a rather serious character; it involves the character of our public men, nay, even the integrity of the nation. If we are to abolish the burnings, then why not also abolish the extra duties.

The following specious reasons offered by the minister for suspending the burning of the paper money, we take from our colleague, the 'Tribuna.' People may form various judgments of the matter, but to our eyes it is nothing more nor less than a new plan to circulate more paper.

Dr. Gonzalez proposes as follows: To totally suspend the burning of millions of paper on account of the last emissions, delivering to the Provincial Bank, public national funds along with the established amortisation to a value equal to the amount at present burned. For example, if the amount of the last emissions to be burned be 100,000,000 of paper money, in place of burning 200,000 monthly, the National Government shall deliver to the Bank 100,000,000 in public national bonds, with an interest of 6 per cent. per annum and an amortisation of 1 per cent. per annum.

By these means two advantages are gained.

1st. It eases the national treasury of the burden of burning two millions monthly, or 15 per cent. of the produce of its rents.

2nd. It capitalises and guarantees for the bank the millions which, without bettering the state of paper, should have been burned.

The first advantage is self evident.

The second becomes more clear, on the following simple reflections:

These \$10 millions, or say 4 millions of silver dollars, would serve as a guarantee for the special loan, which essentially requires the conversion of paper, besides producing a part of the revenue which the loan would render necessary, and which, by another method, would have to be deducted needlessly, from the resources of the bank.

AWKWARD PREDICAMENT.

On last Sunday, the residents in this country had a rather painful proof of the utter insufficiency of our present legislative system, Gov. Saavedra

attended the Provincial Chambers with his message ready cut and dry, to inaugurate the Provincial Chambers, but as by the terms of the Constitution a certain number of members is requisite to form what is called a quorum, the Governor was unable to open the chambers, in consequence of the required number not being present.

Our readers must be aware that there is at present a very serious split amongst our politicians, the Crudos or local party being considerably inferior in numbers to the Cocido or National party. To such a height has party spirit been carried that it is more than probable we shall now have no more Provincial Chambers—as the Cocido members seem determined not to attend. The result of all this will most probably be that Gov. Saavedra must resign, and as a matter of course D. Norberto de la Riestra will succeed him. Looking at the matter in this light we cannot say that there is much reason to regret the determination of the Cocido members. Still it is rather humiliating to be obliged to admit that the working of our legislative system is all out of joint. We have too many Chambers, Deputies, Senators, &c.; and until we have a simpler legislative system, we shall be always subject to the caprices of politicians.

The Provincial Executive is at present in an awkward dilemma, as Gov. Saavedra cannot inaugurate the Chambers if the Cocido members hold firm. Many people consider that Governor Saavedra will be obliged to make a 'coup d'état,' under the circumstances, but we rather think that he will find it more convenient to resign. M. Riestra will, no doubt, if he takes office, change the ministers. This we would regard as the most lamentable of all consequences. What we should do if Messrs. Acosta and Dominguez resign, we are really at a loss to say, as it might be difficult for the new Governor to find two ministers of such varied and extraordinary talents.

Governor Saavedra is in a rather awkward dilemma; his best course is to resign in disgust.

SIXTEEN THOUSAND OUNCES.

We mentioned last week that the new Paraguayan representative in Paris Sr. Dn. Candido Barreiro has taken with him to Europe no less a sum than sixteen thousand ounces for the sole purpose of purchasing two steamers in England to be built expressly for the navigation of the rivers Bermejo and Pilcomayo.

We call attention to this matter as we regard it a novelty in South American affairs to hear of a republic which, boasting of a population of over one million and a quarter, is destitute of revolutions and civil wars, has a surplus in its treasury, and devotes the same to the development of the national resources. What the Argentine and Bolivian Governments failed to accomplish President Lopez determined to do. The Bolivian Minister came on a special mission to Asuncion and Buenos Ayres, relative to the navigation of these two rivers; but he failed with both Cabinets, for Paraguay did not wish to share with another State the benefits of an undertaking which she was able to carry out single handed, and Buenos Ayres was too busy with election troubles to attend to industrial progress.

It would be tedious to enter into a description of the immense advantages which must accrue to commerce in general and to Paraguay, Bolivia and the upper Argentine provinces in particular, from the spirit and enterprise of the first named country. Suffice it to say that the Vermejo, which falls into the river Paraguay a little above the fortress of Humaita has been already proved navigable, and the latest exploring steamer under Capt. Lavarello, had a greater draught of water than the new steamers will require. There is at present in Asuncion a German vessel named the Vermejo, which will probably aid in its navigation. As to the Pilcomayo, we have no fixed dates as to the height of the stream already explored. An American steamer (the Yrba I) went up only a short distance from its embarkation in front of Asuncion, but tradition says that the early Spaniards followed its sinuous course into the heart of Bolivia, for it rises near the city of Chuquisaca.

The coffee of Yungas, cotton of La Paz, cedar wood of Oran, tanned hides of Santiago, and a thousand other valuable products will form an emporium of trade in the rapidly rising metropolis of Paraguay. It may seem strange that President Lopez should send \$20,000 to purchase two steamers in England, instead of getting them

made at his magnificent arsenal in Asuncion. It must, however, be borne in mind that Mr. Whitehead and his mechanics have their hands full with the new mail steamer on the stocks, the dry dock, and other heavy works. Besides, these vessels of very light draught, such as are used in the Indian rivers can be procured sooner and probably cheaper in England. As it is difficult to bring out these river boats, we suppose they will be shipped in pieces, and put together when they reach their destination.

The navigation of the Tibiquari and Confuso has also the attention of Government: the first intersects that rich territory lying between Villa Rica, and El Pilar, and great fiscal advantages are offered to all parties sending down produce by this river. We may, therefore, fairly conclude that the development of these hitherto high ways has succeeded Cotton-planting, among the 'hobbies' of what Argentines call the capricious despotism of Paraguay.

EDITOR'S TABLE.

The works of the Southern Railway are going ahead. The cuttings near the Lomas are very slight, in some places not exceeding two feet. It is gratifying to see so many natives at work. There are also Basques, Italians, and an Irish among the navvies. One gang is at present building a bridge over the Lomas road, where they have an encampment of tents, and others are scattered over the country as far as San Vicente.

As an instance of the enormous rise in the value of land in the Lomas de Zamorra, we may mention that a youth, whose parents died some seven years ago, was left 40 squares of land, but the valuation being only \$300 per square, it hardly sufficed to pay for his schooling. Luckily, he held possession of the land until the commencement of the Southern Railway, and has now sold it to various English residents, realizing \$600,000 mpc. A friend of ours bought a plot some time ago for \$10,000, for which he has been offered \$50,000, and he refused the offer.

A fearful riot took place in calle Parque, on Sunday night; the neighbours were alarmed by several shots, but the occurrence remains in the greatest mystery, and we can hardly expect much information from the Police.

Next Thursday will be the festival of the Ascension of Our Lord, and a strict holiday, as in all Roman Catholic countries. There will be high Mass at the Cathedral.

To-day takes place the trial trip of the Exa, which will leave the Mole at 9 a.m. for the Tigre. We understand that President Mitre and a select company will attend the excursion: there will be a 'dejeuner a la fourchette.'

On Sunday a Doctor of Laws was thrown out of his gig in the calle Largo, Barracas, but fortunately not hurt.

The American pastor gave a prayer meeting at Mr. Marshall's Barracas, on Sunday evening, which was largely attended.

D. Andres Lamas was expected to leave yesterday evening per Salto, for Montevideo; and his departure was spoken of in connection with the current and contradictory rumors of an arrangement with Flores, and Brazilian armed intervention.

We regret to learn that the Premier, Sr. Rawson, has been confined to bed for some days past. It was not ungenerous of the 'Pueblo' to attack a man under the circumstances. We hope he will soon be able to return to the Cabinet of which he is both the honor and support.

There are rumors of Governor Saavedra's resignation, and we think he would signify serve his country by abandoning a post which has neither gained glory from his administration nor imparted respect to his declining years. From so disastrous a Government, so incompetent a ministry, and so disgraceful a camp administration, any change must be for the better, and we would gladly say 'Adieu,' if his successor were the able and vigorous President of the Senate, D. Norberto Riestra, on whom the Government must devolve in case Sr. Saavedra patriotically retires.

It is probable we shall have no Provincial Chambers, unless the Saavedra Acosta party consent to give up the premises in Calle Moreno. The Cocido members will not attend, and, of course, the Chambers cannot be opened without a quorum. The rumors about Oriental affairs are manifold and important. The Brazilian fleet, with an army of 10,000 men, was said to be momentarily expected. According to another account, President Aguirre and General Flores had agreed on the basis of a pacific arrangement. Either of these stories seems not unlikely.

The Marques de Olinja has brought us five sacks of seed cotton, from Curumbio, Matto Grosso, which we intend to purchase, but it is a pity that the staple was not ginned before shipment, as the freight becomes enormous in proportion with the value of the consignment.

Mr. Wheelwright says in his last letter that he is 'saddly disappointed' the 'finco' is considered owing to the bad reputation of the Argentine Government in England. It is said only £30,000 has been taken, on 23 per cent. of the capital now required. There is a sum of £400,000 taken in this country, but this cannot be relied on to construct the line. Again, it was rumored yesterday on 'Change,' that the shares were all taken up by the two financial companies, under whose auspices it had been introduced, but this requires confirmation.

The 'National' states that the Provincial Government has ordered the burning of eight millions mpc. of the 16 millions due by the Nat. Government for this purpose.

The Senators Lavollé, Lecion, Atucha, and Bosch have resigned their seats in the Provincial Chamber: it is likely all the Cocidos will do the same, as they consider the Chambers disgraced. The Congress Chamber of Deputies will meet to-day at 3 p.m., in preparatory session: the 'National' mentions a new box for the gentlemen of the Press. It is thought both Chambers will be solemnly opened by President Mitre on the 9th inst.

The favorite opera of Norma will be given to-night. This is the best role in the repertoire of our company, and brings fully into play the different talents of the rival prima-donne.

ERRATA.

In Saturday's paper we gave a list of the exports of Buenos Ayres in 1862 for six thousand acres follow, read 'six hundred thousand.'

OPENING OF THE CHAMBERS.

On Sunday at half-past 12 o'clock H. E. the Governor and the ministers Acosta and Dominguez, dressed in grand-tenue, his Excellency's coachman, the coach and the four white horses, were ready for the august ceremonial of reading the message (which we noticed under his Excellency's arm) and inaugurating the Provincial Chambers.

The 1st company of the 'Legion Agrícola' next came and formed in front of that celebrated national precinct, and commenced a lively jig; Crudos and cocidos flocked like flies in a French restaurant while the omnipresent little archbishops of Buenos Ayres armed with squibs and orange peels enlivened the proceedings.

The awful solemnity of the scene was oppressive, the band ceased playing, the poor white horses became restive, and were observed to sneeze several times, by attentive observers. Several deputies fraternised with the little boys, and asked if the Crudos were coming; the answer was satisfactory, for they entered the august assembly by the old unfashionable way, i.e. the door, instead of the Lac's Hellos favorite tour over the railing of the public library.

The Cabildo clock struck one; two; three; no appearance of the Cocido members yet, nor of the silver inkstand inside, nor of the poor white horses—alas! the direful news was soon ascertained: no assembly! *Excuse omnes.*

The poor white horses were unharnessed and sent to grass—the 'Legion Agrícola' retraced its weary way along the hard pavement of Calle Florida back to their barracks, and the opening of the Chambers of the Province and public reading of the message was postponed until the—

[N.B.—Five paper dollars will be given to any bona fide subscriber who will furnish us with the required date.]

THE ARGENTINE CENTRAL RAILWAY.

(From the Railway Times.)

We have been duly sensible for the last twelve months of the arrangements which were pending with the Argentine Republic respecting the line from Rosario to Cordova and we have at length the satisfaction of learning that the negotiations are successfully and satisfactorily completed. A company has, consequently, been established on the concession; and so important and so valuable is the undertaking considered, that both the General Credit and Finance and the London Financial have consented to act as agents in procuring the amount of capital as yet unsubscribed. This noble and useful line will be 217 miles in length. The capital required is £1,000,000, but it is not intended to call for more than £1,000,000 in the first instance in shares of £20 each. There is a Government guarantee of 7 per cent. for 40 years, 25th grants of 900,000 mpc. of land on each side of the line, as well as free occupation of that on which the railway and works are to be constructed. The contractors (Messrs. Brassey, Wythson, and Wheelwright) are not merely men of substance, but of established repute,

and every reliance may be placed on the due fulfilment of the contract into which they have entered with the company, and which includes interest at 7 per cent. on deposits and calls until the Government guarantee comes into operation. These gentlemen bind themselves to complete and stock the entire 247 miles for £6,400 per mile. Nearly the whole of the line is practically on a dead level, and the working expenses, like the cost of construction, are, therefore, anticipated to be unusually low. The climate is European, and the city of Cordova is alleged to be one of the healthiest in the world. The prospects add that the road, in addition to its ordinary articles of traffic—hides, tallow, and wool—will receive the produce of the extensive silver mines discovered within the last two or three years in the province of San Juan, and also of copper and gold mines lately opened in other localities. Ten miles of the work commencing at Rosario, are nearly completed, and the whole will not occupy more than two or three years, while a moiety of the lands not assigned to the contractors remain the property of the shareholders, the whole being fit for immediate settlement.

The interior provinces of Buenos Ayres, although full of natural resources, have been hitherto impeded in their development by the difficulty and cost of obtaining a suitable outlet for the produce. The trade between Cordova and the other interior provinces and Rosario is at present carried on by carts drawn by bullocks or mules, and an enormous cost. The time consumed in the journey between Rosario and Cordova occupies on an average from twenty-five to thirty days. The duration of the journey between Rosario and other places is in a corresponding ratio; and, indeed, this impediment of time is so considerable, that the remoter provinces to the north (such as Salta) prefer sending produce to market on the Pacific by a mountain route, and at an increased cost; the saving of time being comparatively of more importance.

The railroad is ultimately intended by its projector, Mr. Wheelwright (a gentleman who has constructed some of the most successful South American projects), to traverse the Pampas and Andes of South America, extending from the river Parana to Caldera on the Pacific Ocean, a distance of 1,000 miles and opening to inter-communication the most important parts of the Argentine Republic; but the present section, so securely established and protected, will be permitted to develop the whole of the resources within its scope prior to any further or separate effort being made.

FOREIGN MISCELLANY.

The Saxon Case.

The New York correspondent of the Evening Star states that the Federal Government will surrender the barque Saxon, the British ship seized by the Federal cruiser Vanderbilt at the Cape of Good Hope.

Great Fire at Greenock.

Greenock, 11 March, ten p.m. Shortly before nine o'clock, the sugar house of Messrs. Crawhall and Co. was discovered to be on fire. The fire originated in the upper portion of the building, which is eight stories in height. The fire has now reached the lowest story, and there is no probability of any portion of the building being saved. The damage is roughly estimated at £20,000. This sugar house was destroyed by fire exactly two years ago, and was subsequently rebuilt. The whole is covered by insurance.

-destructive floods have occurred at Denny and other parts of Scotland. The cause was the late heavy rain.

The Kensington Affair.

At the Cork assizes, on Monday, before Mr. Justice Keogh, six men were put forward and indicted for having at Queenstown, without license from her Majesty, agreed to enlist and enter service as sailors on board the Kearsage, the same being an American ship of war, contrary to the provisions of the Foreign Enlistment Act. The prisoners all pleaded guilty, and having entered into their own securities to appear for judgment when called on, were released from custody.

A Great Comet Predicted.

The following is an extract of a letter just received from Melbourne:—"Professor Newmayer, on a three years' scientific visit from Bavaria, tells us that in 1865 a comet shall come so close as to endanger this our earth; and should it not attach itself to us (as our globe of quicksilver to another, nor annihilate us) the sight will be most beautiful to behold. During three nights we shall have no darkness, but be bathed in the brilliant light of the blazing train! The professor was leaving Australia for Bavaria, so that we may hear more of this on his reaching Europe."/>

The Florida.

The Confederate cruiser Florida, after procuring the necessary supply of coals at Madeira, put to sea on the 20th ultimo—whether pursued by the St. Louis or not our advices do not say. The report of her being blockaded in Funchal Bay on the 6th instant is therefore without foundation.

Press Correspondence. This, March 17. The case of the journalists prosecuted for forwarding identical correspondence to provincial newspapers...

The accused were found guilty on all the counts of the indictment. MM. St. Acheron, Clerbois, and Lanelen were each condemned to one month's imprisonment and 100 francs fine for the publication without authority of writings treating of political matters...

LOCAL EVENTS.

Sor. Marmol—The 'Tribuna' says that on the 14th ult. Sor. Marmol was received at the palace of San Cristoval. The audience was private, according to the desire expressed by Sor. Marmol...

King Cotton—We should be sorry to say anything in this country which might hurt the feelings of the numerous people who, believing that there is nothing like leather, have turned their attention to hide curing...

Brazilian Squadron—Vice Admiral Byron de Lamandaru has been appointed to take charge of the Brazilian squadron, soon expected in these waters. He intended sailing from Rio de Janeiro the 23rd ult.

Look out!—Octavio Brizuela, an cholera, Montecristo, Casares, Ochoa de Urquiza has once more his foot on his native health, and his name is not yet fixed. In other words he is again at liberty.

Brazilian Special Mission—Counselor Don José Antonio Garayba has been appointed by the Brazilian Government as special envoy to the Oriental Government. He takes as his secretary Dr. Aureliano Candido Tavares Bastos.

An Argentine Black Swan—The 'Tribuna' seems to be the recipient of most extraordinary epistles, for besides that mythological letter from the respectable foreigners, it has received one from Don Felix Pico...

San Juan and Mendoza—The Ferro-carril of Rosario says:—Sor. Sarmiento has retired from the Government, and Don Lloveras has stepped into his post. The new Governor has named as his minister Don Domingo de Oro...

The Indians—Letters from Tandil state that on Thursday, 21st ult., at 3 p.m., the Indians, to the number of 400, had surprised the fort Rositencia situated on the laguna of Calihuecuel...

San Nicolas de los Arroyos—Don Juan Boer seems to be paying somewhat dearly for his little game at the late elections at that place. Some time ago he was forbidden to leave San Nicolas until the suit commenced against him was settled...

Notario—On the night of the 20th ult., all the prisoners escaped. It appears that they were only waiting for the departure of the 7th battalion, which left the same day, to take French leave of their kind guardians...

PRODUCE SALES. 300 cowhides, dry \$120. 200 do do 125. 150 do do 118. 100 do do 111. 300 ar. wool, mixed 70. 200 do do 67. 120 do de borregas 65. 70 hair, South 122. 100 dozen sheepskins 130.

Land to Rent. In the partido de Fortin de Arco superior for Sheep. On sale in the same partido 4,000 Sheep. Apply, Reconquista, 46, at 3 p.

Mayordomo. Wanted, a German, at Mayordomio, for an Estancia far South, who has experience in camp business and sheep breeding. Apply, with propositions, to the 'Standard' Office, under the initials K. W.

Lost. A poor, industrious man, lost a small sum of money in the Villa Lujan, last week. Any person finding same, will please return it to Don Juan H. Howard, Villa Lujan, who will pay a suitable reward. 3p. M.

Wanted. A young man with good character seeks a situation as steward in an English family. Address P. M. Standard office. A 293 p.

PAPER MILL.

The 'Nacion Argentina' states that by the last French mail news has come of a paper manufacturing company having been started, capital, £50,000. We have looked through all the papers that have come by last mail, and cannot find the slightest trace or sign of such an undertaking...

The Saadores—Up to the present date the slaughtering in the saladeros has been—Montevideo, 170,000 head. Bauda Oriental 102,500 do. Entreríos 174,800 do. Paraná 10,000 do. Buenos Ayres 230,000 do. Rio Grande 150,000 do. Total—\$90,300. In the same period of 1862-63 1,051,500. A diminution this year, 1912-0.

Concordia—The following is taken from the columns of the 'Tribuna.' Several individuals have been expelled from Salto: amongst them one called Martinez, who was acting as spy for the Guercenios, and who has come here to act the same part. On Saturday, at midnight (23rd ult.), the first officer of the Captain of the Port, Don Emilio Thevenet, was attacked in a most murderous manner by a police agent, one of those to whom is entrusted the care of looking after public order.

On Tuesday, 3rd May, NORMA. At Eight o'clock.

DEVCS & CHEMICALS. GEORGE CURLING & CO. WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS, 16, Cullum St., Penckelock St., London.

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MARITIME NEWS.

ARRIVALS. 1st. Boston, English barque George Durkee. Cadix, Dutch brigantine Angelina. Montevideo, national brigantine Cometa. Montevideo, French steamer Docteur. Montevideo, Italian war steamer Fulminante. Patagones, national brigantine Rio Negro. 2nd. Uruguay Ports, national steamer Salto.

SAILED. 1st. Rosario, national steamer Pavon. Montevideo, national steamer Corrientes. Liverpool, English barque Onda. Marseilles, French ship Canton. Carril, Spanish brigantine Nuevo Centinela. 2nd. Uruguay, national steamer Felix Colon.

VESSEL CLEARED. On the 29th instant the Italian brig Orazio cleared out for Genoa with 3,842 cowhides, 4270 calfskins, 53 colt skins, 30 bales hide cuttings, 33-16 lb. hoids, 28,000 horn cuttings, 16,000 lbs old iron.

COLON THEATRE. ITALIAN OPERA. Fifteenth performance of the Season. On Tuesday, 3rd May, NORMA. At Eight o'clock.

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Auction Sale.

MARIANO BILLINGHURST, At the residence of John Langley, Maypu, No. 55. On Wednesday, 4th inst., at 11 o'clock a.m., precisely, will be sold at auction all the household furniture, belonging to the above named gentleman, who sailed per last packet for England. 3p. M.

On sale, From 1000 to 1200 fine Merino Sheep in good health and fine condition, fit to be removed or embarked to any distance, in the partido de la Villa de Lujan. Apply at Calle Esmeralda No 102. a 29, 3 p.

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SHIPS IN THE PORT OF BUENOS AYRES.

Table with columns: CLAS, NAME, TONS, CAPTAIN, ARRIVAL, and DESTINATION. Lists various ships including English, American, French, Spanish, Italian, Dutch, Belgian, Hanoverian, Norwegian, Hamburg, Swedish, Breton, Russian, Portuguese, and Danish vessels.

To be let in Calle Belgrano, No. 69 and 71 a Store, connected with a house on the ground floor. It has five rooms and an aljibe, fit either for a deposit store, or for commercial offices. Rent moderate. Apply at No. 27 Calle de Bolivar a 26, 30 p.

Two very nice houses, suitable for a family residence. No. 403, Calle Casullo, contains 5 rooms, kitchen, aljibe; and out offices. All the rooms are papered and boarded, with 87 yards front, and 68 depth. Enquire at 18, San-Martin-up-stairs; or 460, Calle Parque. 12p. M.

Mr. Patrick Cooney, Of the Guardia del Monte, will receive a letter of importance by applying at the British Consulate in this City. FRANK PARISH, Consul. Buenos Ayres, April 11, 1864. Just Published, Price \$20. 'The Cotton-fields of Paraguay and Corrientes'. By M. G. MULLHALL. On sale at Messrs. M'Kern's.

STEAMBOAT AGENCY
W. M. MATTIAND CO.

30 CANGALLO 30

FOR MONTEVIDEO
The National Steamer
SALTO
Leaves every Monday at 6 p.m. and returns every Thursday.

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The National Steamer
SALTO
Leaves every Thursday at 10 a.m. and returns every Monday.

FOR ROSARIO
Calling at Zarate, Bahiadero, San Pedro, Obligado, Las Hermanas, and San Nicolas. Voyage by the Paron. The National Steamer taking cargo and passengers; the National Steamer.

PAYON
Captain Price.
Leaves every Thursday and Sunday at 12 Noon, and returns every Wednesday and Saturday.

FOR GUALEGUAY
The National Steamer
LOI ORETTAS
Leaves the "Boca de las Nuevas Vueltas" every Friday after the arrival of the Paron, and returns each Tuesday, by which the Passengers leave here every Thursday and return every Wednesday.

FOR THE PARANA
Santa Fe, and intermediate ports, the Mail Steamer
ESPIGADOR
Leaves Rosario each Friday, two hours after arrival of the Paron, and returns every Tuesday in time to hand over passengers' luggage to the Paron, which leaves for Buenos Ayres.

FOR CORRIENTES
Calling at Paraná, La Paz, Casilla de la Esquina, Casilla de Goya, Bella Vista, and Empedrado, the British Steamer
ESMERALDA
Leaves Rosario in combination with the Paron, on Tuesday, May 10, and returns on Friday, May 20th.

FARES:
To Zarate (cabin) 8 patacones
San Pedro do 8 "
Obligado do 10 "
San Nicolas do 12 "
Guaiguay do 16 "
Rosario do 16 "
San Lorenzo do 18 "
Bahia do 20 "
Santa Fé do 24 "
Paraná do 24 "
La Paz do 32 "
La Esquina de 36 "
Goya do 40 "
Bella Vista do 44 "
Empedrado do 48 "
Corrientes do 52 "
Nueva Palmira do 56 "
Fray Basilio 11 "
Concepcion 13 "
Paysandu 20 "

FR. IGHTS:
To Montevideo, per ton 4 dollars
Rosario 6 "
San Nicolas 6 "
Paraná 6 "
La Paz 10 "
Bella Vista 10 "
La Esquina 10 "
Goya 12 "
Corrientes 12 "
The Uruguay Ports 10 "

FOR CUYABA
Calling at San Nicolas, Rosario, Paraná, Corrientes, Asuncion, and other Brazilian ports, the Brazilian Steamer
MARQUES DE OLINDA
Captain Thipolito de S. Batincourt,
Leaves on the 4th May.

FARES:
San Nicolas 16 pata.
Rosario 20 "
Paraná 28 "
Corrientes 40 "
Asuncion 50 "
Corumbá 142 "

FOR MONTVIDEO
The National Steamer
CORRIENTES
Leaves on Saturday, 30th April, at 4 a.m.
No passengers allowed on any of the steamers without tickets.

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Drafts on IRELAND are granted by the undersigned, payable on demand at any of the 62 branches of the

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127-CALLE 25 DE MAYO-127.

All the necessary arrangements having been made, the Empresa has opened an office in this city for the purpose of facilitating operations for the Commercial Community and the public in general.
In the office will be given tickets for passengers and parcels to any part of the Republic, and there, passengers for Chile can take through tickets for Valparaiso and Santiago.
The Disignees start from Rosario for Mendoza, San Juan and Chilo every Tuesday.
From Rosario to Cordoba every Tuesday and Friday.
From Rosario for Santiago, Tucuman, Salta, Jujuy, and Bolivia every Friday.
For further particulars apply at the office of the Empresa. m27

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN
CHINA, EARTHENWARE, AND GLASS STORE,
57-DEFENSA-57

Just opened to the Public. The largest Stock in town. Earthenware Goods of all descriptions. An immense variety of Glass Goods. English, French, and German China Articles.

Table Sets; Toilet Sets, Tea Sets, Coffee Sets.
Low Prices—Fixed Prices.
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WILLIAM FERGUSON AND CO.,
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(Corner of Potosi.)
N.B.—The Stock will be shortly increased by arrivals from Europe. j18

SAVINGS BANK
BANK MAUD & CO.

No. 103 calle de Cangallo. — BUENOS-AYRES.

The immense advantages of Accounts Current are now so generally felt, and appreciated in the great emporiums of the River Plate—Montevideo & Buenos Ayres—that there are very few Merchants who fail to keep one at the Bank in which they place the most confidence.

The Bank of Maud & Co. in Montevideo has already provided for the working class in that city a safe & profitable depository for their savings.

The sums deposited in that most important institution are daily increasing and already reach a very large amount.

These advantages have not hitherto been enjoyed in this city by an immense number of Clerks, artisans, working-men & servants of all classes & conditions, who are equally interested in putting their savings with interest, thus providing themselves with a reserve fund in case of need, sickness or old age, instead of spending them in the immoral gambling, in lotteries and other frivolities.

The Bank of Maud & Co. of this city following the example of their Buenos Ayres September 10th 1863.

p. p. Maud & Co.
WILLIAM LESLIE.

CONDITIONS.
1st. The Bank receives at interest any sum from Twenty five dollars currency or one silver dollar upwards.
2nd. The interest allowed is six per cent (6%) per annum which is liquidated every six months.
3rd. The depositor can at any time retire the whole or part of the money deposited.
4th. Once the amount deposited exceeds Twenty five thousand dollars currency or one thousand dollars silver the depositor if he wishes can open an account current according to the rules established by the Bank.
5th. In case the depositor loses his Pass Book it can be replaced by another on paying twelve dollars currency, and advertising the loss in the public newspapers.

NOTICE TO THE LADIES.

ENGLISH DRAPERY ESTABLISHMENT,
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61-CORRIENTES-61

FERRO-CARRIL DEL NORTE.

DESDE EL 16 DE ABRIL, Y HASTA NUEVO AVISO, LOS TRENES SALDRAN COMO SIGUE:

DIAS DE TRABAJO
Ida. Regreso.

Tren	25 de Mayo	Retiro	Bojardo	Oltros	S. Isidro	S. Fernando	Palermo	S. Fernando	S. Isidro	Oltros	Bojardo	Retiro	25 de Mayo
1	10	10 15	10 30	10 45	11 0	11 15	11 30	11 45	12 0	12 15	12 30	12 45	1 0
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Los Trenes pararán en Palermo y Rivadavia solamente en caso que hubiera pasajeros para esas Estaciones. Los pasajeros que deseen ser desembarcados en ellas están en el deber de avisar al Guardia Tren al entrar en los coches. Sin este requisito los trenes no pararán.

LA ADMINISTRACION.
ENGLISH DRAPERY ESTABLISHMENT,
ALEX. FULTON & CO,
25 AND 27 DEFENSA 25 AND 27

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2nd. Without loss of capital by death of the insurer. Subscribers will be entitled to compound interest on their subscriptions and the proportional interest for- fited by the death of other shareholders in their Class, whose capital, however, is returned.

3rd. With loss of capital by death of the insurer. All shareholders of this class shall gain compound interest on their subscriptions, besides a proportional part of the capital and interest of all who die in their Class.
All these subscriptions may be paid weekly, monthly, quarterly, half yearly, or yearly.
The capital of the Company shall be invested only in landed property (finca), and with the greatest security.
The Board of Inspection, composed of subscribers, shall have charge of all the operations of the Company.

Subscriptions in Paper Money.
The Directors, wishing to enlarge the operations of the Society, have acceded to the request of many people in this city, and determined to issue shares payable in Paper Money of Buenos Ayres, under the following conditions:—
Article 65.—From the 1st of April, 1864, shares shall be issued to such persons as may wish to pay in Paper Money of Buenos Ayres, and in accordance with Article 17 chapter 5 of the Statute of the Society the lowest sum receivable being \$200 annually, payable in one sum, or in instalments, subject to the following rules:
1st.—For Paper Money Subscribers sections will be opened and kept separate from Silver Money Subscribers.
2nd.—The liquidation of the sums belonging to the sections of Paper Money Subscribers will be administered according to Article 31 of the Statute, and for account of these particular sections.
By these means the Directors hope to gain its object which is to enable the poorer classes to enjoy all the advantages of the Society.
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CALLE BUEN ORDEN.

The Director of the English Grammar School has the honor of informing the English community that he will, on the 1st of May, transfer his Establishment to the splendid Quinta Suarez, at the foot of the Barranca, Calle Buen Orden, where a modern and commodious dwelling, large and ventilated classes, and extensive and shaded grounds, will ensure the health and comfort of his pupils.

T. PONGERARD.

Hotel Belgrano.

The undersigned returns thanks to his friends and the public for the kind protection they have favored him with, and begs to advise them that he has removed to the next square, to the quinta known as that of Messrs. Freyer. The beautiful gardens and superior accommodation lead him to hope that the public will continue to favor him with their support.

Sunday May-day, the great English festival, there will be
MOCK-TURTLE SOUP.
James Deacon.
20 p. A. 27.

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PATRICK CALBRAITH,

Begs to inform his numerous Customers that he has just received a large assortment of 9-4 10-4, and 12-4 Blankets, 4-4, 5-4, and 6-4 Flannels; Aberdeen and Knickerbocker Wincies, Long and Square Clan Wool Shawls, Moleskin and Corduroy, Youths' and Gents' Tweed Suits, Gents' Reversible Jackets, L. W. Hosiery and Under-clothing, Ties, Scarfs, &c.,
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MARIANO BILLINGHURST,
At his House, No. 70, Calle Potosi,
Of 107 rams and 7 ewes, of the Negrette breed, lately received, consigned directly from Germany, per Catharina Herimona, out of the Farms of Camba and Weedenhagar, in the Grand Duchy of Mecklenburg.

On the 10th May next, at 11 o'clock, a.m., the sale of these rams will continue, 31 only having been sold on the 22d April, on account of the row about the elections.
The animals can be seen at Potosi, No. 70, every day from 9 in the morning until 5 1/2 in the afternoon.
15p. A26

MURDER, MURDER.
20,000 Dollars Reward.
The above sum will be paid either for the arrest of the murderer of William Nannery, late of the Partido of Navarro, or for information which may lead thereto. Said reward shall be paid by me when the assassin shall be convicted and condemned to death.
Navarro, March 20, 1864.
LAURENCE CASEY,
Estancia Durazno.

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