

under European and American vine, 28 morgen under orchard of pears, peaches, apple and plum; some mountain land was used for growing forage and the rest was covered with firs and Silver trees.

The advent of Union was a serious blow for Groot Constantia Wine Farm. To the Cape, the wine industry was extremely important, and Constantia was a vital link. But in the Union, viticulture was only a small part of the agricultural portfolio and Constantia lost its importance in the overall

LUNCHEON

in honour of

Their Royal Highnesses The Duke of Connaught,
The Duchess of Connaught, and
The Princess Patricia.

GROOT CONSTANTIA,
1st November, 1910.

On 1st November 1910 one of the first outdoor luncheons, which were to become a regular feature at Groot Constantia, was held; the occasion was the entertainment of the first Governor General of the Union of South Africa, the Duke of Connaught.

The Estate of GROOT CONSTANTIA, near Wynberg in the CAPE DIVISION, was originally granted in 1685 to GOVERNOR SIMON VAN DER STEL, by whom the present house was built. It is said to derive its name from his wife—the statue over the entrance door symbolising
CONSTANCY.