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Abstract: The objective of the work titled “Euskal Festak Zestoa” is the analysis of Basque Festivities that took place in September of 1898 in Zestoa. Together with the floral games created by Antoine d’Abbadie, the main promoters of these Basque Festivities were the so-called *Itz-jostaldien Batzarrea* from Donostia, that were entrusted with the literary contests, and the Diputation of Gipuzkoa, that were entrusted with the cattle fair. To appreciate the importance of this type of Basque Festivities one has take into account the impact that the loss of the statutes (Fueros) had in the Basque provinces and the response or renaissance that took place in these territories as a result thereof.

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