#### WAIHI.

#### STAR OF WAIHI.

Negotiations for the sale of this property as a prospecting venture in London are proceeding satisfactorily. Mr A. D. Dours of the second of th I am to 7.5 the whole 164 acres for £1,000 cash, and £18,000 chares in a company of £75,000, and the agreement is now being drafted for signature, and now only legal documents are wanted to complete. This property adjoins the Waihi Proprietary mice, which has already been taken over by a London company.

A meeting of shareholders in the above

Company was held on Thursday afternoon in the Chamber of Commerce, when it was decided to authorise the directors to dispose of the property upon the terms pre-viously submitted.

#### WAIHI DREDGING COMPANY.

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A company has been formed for the purpose of dredging the Ohinemuri River, in order to recover the large quantities of gold that are known to have been lost prior to the introduction of the cyanide process at Waihi. A meeting of subscribers was held this week, at which it was agreed to form the Waihi Dredging Company (no itability) with a capital of £5,000 in 100,000 shares of Is each pail up. The following were appointed to the directorate:—Meerrs A. Cairas, J. Chambers, L. Moritzon, G. Kronfeldt, F. Edwards, J. Nutzey, and James Macky, Mr J. Barber was appointed legal manager at a salary without transfer fees, Mr Baume was appointed solicitor, the National Bank of New Zealand the bankers, and Mr Tilman the auditor of the bankers, and Mr Tilman the auditor of the company.

### WAIHI-SILVERTON.

Shares in this mine gradually declined in pice until last Saturday when they sold as low as 39s. On Monday, however, a rise of 10s to ik place when it became known that in driving the main crosscut from the shaft be manager cut a new reef 4 feet which gave an assay value per ton of £4

### OWHARDA.

The prospecting shaft is now down 30 feet, and is passing through nice blocks of loose sandstone mixed with quartz, but has not yet reached solid country.

# TE PUKE.

The drive in Fleming's freehold is now in 100 feet through kindly brown quartz. Crosscuts will be shortly started to act. The one will cut the reef well under where the surface gold was got, and the other will cut a number of smaller leaders that prospect well, and that will junction with the main lode some distance shead. On the Lady Jocelyn claim, which adjoins Fleming's freehold, there is a great outcrop of reet, and also smaller leaders. Some fine prospects of gold are obtainable in the creek. Arrangements are nearly complete for prospecting the Opawa Llock of Native land and a party of prospectors from complete for prospecting one Opawa there or Native land and a party of prospectors from the Thames has been arranged with. A preliminary inspection of the ground has proved to be very satisfactory, and work will be started early next week.

## WHANCAREI.

### PURIPURI.

Three special claims were applied for this sek in the Puhipuhi district, making six all. It is understood these claims are week in in all. in all. It is understood these claims are being taken up by foreign companies, Plant will be started as soon as Mr French can get away from the Monowai mine, whore he is at present engaged in adapting his process of gold saving to Walomo ore.

### KAURI MOUNTAIN.

At a meeting of holders of syndicate shares in the Kauri Mountain Freshold held shares in the Kauri Mountain Freshold held this week, it was received to at once take stope to test the value of the syndicate property at Whangarei, and forward a quantity of ore for a trial crashing. A com-mittee consisting of Messra W. Altken, J. Bailey, S. T. George, F. Jagger and D. Orpen was appointed to arrangs for the eatisfactory treatment of the ore. Mr W. Bell was appointed Secretary.

### LEADING LIGHT.

Prospecting is still going on at the Leading Light. Freehold property at Whangarei Hends, and the results are good. A further lot of ore has been sent to Auckand, taken from No. 4 reef, and shows good dish prospects of coarse gold. This will be tested in due course.

### COLD EXPORT.

The National Bank despatched buildow to the value of £5,000 by the Rotomahana this week for transitipment to London.

### COLD RETURNS.

HAURAKI GOLDMINING COMPANY.

### ANOTHER BIG YIELD.

210 TONS RETURN 2.3680ZS.

The monthly return from that now famous Coromandely gold producer, the Hauraki mine, was announced on Saturday and was again an excellent one. During the month 210 tons of ore were crushed, which yielded 2308 or 1840 te of gold worth £5 peroz, making the value £7,106 14s. Last month the yield was 2,319.zz, so the present return is an increase of about 50oz. This makes the output of gold from the Hauraki mine for the year total up to 25,637oz 8.iwta, valued at £79,912 4s 0d.

#### WAITEKAURI RETURNS.

#### INCREASED OUTPUT OF GOLD.

During the past four weeks 158 tone of ore were crushed at the 10 stamper battery on the Golden Cross section of the Waiteon the Golden Cross section of the Watte-kauri Company's property for the satisfac-tory return of £775 17s 1d worth of bullion. The average value of the ore is, it will be seen, well maintained at close on £5 per ton. Since August the returns from this mine have been steadily growing.

#### TRY FLUKE.

The yield from this mine for the past month was 23loz of melted gold, 108oz being from the battery, and 123oz from the cyanide pant. This is a slight increase upon the previous month's returns.

#### NEW WAIOTABL EXTENDED.

A crushing of 20 loads of quartz from this mine has just been completed for the highly remunerative yield of 360z 16dwt melted gold, valued at £2 18s per oz. The resifrom which this ore was obtained has averaged over 1½0z of gold for the past four crushings, and is 18 inches thick, while it traverses the whole length of the property. This mine adjoins the May Queen property at the Thames.

#### MAY QUEEN.

Tributers in this mine still continue to get good returns for their labours. This week Peploe and party of tributers in the Trenton section of the May Queen mine completed a crashing of 14 loads of general ore and 100th of picked stone for the magnificent yield of 165oz of melted gold.

### VICTORIA

The crushing of 32 loads of quartz from the Prince Imperial section of this mine yielded 270x 12dwte of melted gold. This return, though rmall, is of great importance, as it proves that the recently discovered reef will pay to work, and as it is situated in a section of the ground from which very rich yields were got in the serly days, it is possible that another good run of gold may be met as the work is proceeded with.

### CROWN.

During the past month 442 tons of ore were treated at the Crown Company's battery, Karangahake, for a return of bullion, the assay value of which was £2,120. As exactly the same quantity of ore was created the previous month, and there was only £10 difference in the yield, it is evident that the ore is of a very regular average value.

# THE LAND OF DYKES AND DITCHES.

'Slow as a Dutchman' is the saying. Rather let it be said, 'Persevering and thorough as a Dutchman.' Time for everything, and 'Everything that is worth doing at all is worth doing well.' Their very existence as an independent nation at this time is proof of their unflinching perseverance in defending their rights, in accomplishing what they undertook to do. If it were not for their patient labour, the uncomplathing, spiderlike endurance, none of the good and useful and beautiful things could be seen which now are beheld by those who visit their country. Black stretches of marshy land would then probably be all that met the eye, the land of dykes and ditches are their pride and protection, the scene of their constant warfare and conquest. To mention one amongst the many marvels of engineering in which the country abounds—who would dream that the city of Amsterdam, with its stately buildings and many canals, is built on an artificial pole-foundation.

UNFORTUNATE — Mrs Hawkins is a kind-hearted woman, and would not deliberately burt any one's feelings, but the other day a moment of absent-mindedness betrayed her into a sad blunder. 'Yes, Mrs Hawkins,' said young Mr Bromley, 'I was very ill. They were afraid of my losing my mind,' 'Oh, and did you, Mr Bromley!' asked Mrs Hawkins, wish cordial interces.

#### ROWING FOR CIRLS.

BY BLLEN LE GARDE.

17 has always been noticed that girls who from childhood are accustomed to row are of a cheerful temperament. As if that was not enough of a recommendation, such girls have never known what dyspepsia means. If the exercise is vigorous, the faster is the flow of blood. With the quickening of the circulation, perspiration becomes profuse and the body is enabled to throw off all poisonons matters. If I knew a girl who was dull, heavy looted and heavier thoughted, with a blotched and muddy coloured skip, who sometimes thought ahe wanted to be as well as another girl, but did not do anything to reach it, nor knew how, I should put her in a row boat in a shallow pond, place the cars in her hands and tell her to take care of herself. Unkind? I think not, I should have a long rope, you know, attached to the boat, one end in my hand. The position might frighten her a little at first, but the natural instinct to help herself would come to her aid, and then, too, flow of blood. With the quickening of the at first, but the natural instinct to help herself would come to her aid, and then, too, rowing is not difficult to learn. To most girls it comes as naturally as walking. They creep along the water, not far off ahore, first with one oar, then trying two, keeping stroke for stroke, up and down, catching crabs' occasionally, old Nepprotest at being conquered by such a courageous piece of pettiness, and in the three or four attempts may be the delightful aport is theirs. So this girl with the torpid liver and the lethargic feeling must be the gainer, for she has to think faster, she must move and breathe quicker in that unison of time kept by her fast impelled oars. How can such a girl long remain ill or stupid! or stupid?

cars. How can such a girl long remain ill or stupid?

Rowing, too, expands the chest. The mext time you see a boat's crew at practice look at the breadth of shoulders of its men and prepare to be envious. And should you ever be in the Cove of Cork, marked on your modern geography as Queenstown Harbour, notice the women who 'welcome the coming and speed the parting guest,' in their little boats that toss like very cockle shells under the shadow of the great steamer on whose deck you stand. Those women have the broad shoulders, the bright eyes, the roay complexions, the full chests, the strong organs of respiration that are bred of healthy, vigorous exercise on the water. Like all women that row from girlhood their backs are strong, 'strong as iron bands.' Corsets, or 'atays,' as they would call them, they never owned. Nothing so becomes a woman as health, and the girls of to day need not use ronge at their dressing tables nor sigh for heautiful con-

becomes a woman as health, and the girls of to day need not use rouge at their dressing tables nor sigh for beautiful complexions and figures if they will exercise constantly and regularly in the open air.

The good effects produced by rowing upon the nuscular system can be secured by certain mechanical movements produced by the rowing machines of the well-equipped modern gymoasium. The latest invention, a hydraulic rower, gives the same stroke and same resisting action as does the water.

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Experience is the best teacher. The girl rower in learning, requires a steady bost, a light oar, and a companion who knows how to pull. The latter can either act as steerer or pull too, but should encourage the tyro to exert all her power and 'pull, pull away.' The learner must have her hands, the inside hand holding the 'loom' of the oar just where the rounded part joins the square, and keeping the thamb beneath. The chows must be kept close to the sides, and well straightened immediately after the conclusion of the stroke. The stroke is finished by feathering the oar, and this is done by a turn of the wrist, which places the blade of the oar parallel to the surface of the water instead of vertical to the surface of the water instead of vertical to the surface as during the pull. In rowing, the body should swing to and fro in a straight line with the stem and stern of the boat. The rower should throw herself well forward, in taking hold of the water with the oar, and lean well back in lifting it out of the water, the oar not being dipped in the water beyond the blade.

A little practice will enable the beginner to feather her oar, but feathering is not necessary at first. Backing is effected by pushing the blade of the oar through the water in the direction opposite to that of rowing, and feathering the oar as it leaves the water. Keeping time and stroke becomes necessary when two or more are pulling together, and in the first is the

leaves the water. Keeping time and stroke becomes necessary when two or more size pulling together, and in the first is the exact execution at the same moment of the feathering of the cars and their recovery by the whole crew.

Of iris can just as well learn a good atyle of stroke from the start as a poor one. The best stroke is one which does not cause the boat to jork. It should begin with a near and delicate drop of the oar in the water without any splash; the rower catching hold of the water at once and gradually increasing her power.

### THE LARGEST SHIP AFLOAT.

The new five-masted sailing ship Potosi, buils at Tecklenborg's yard, Bremen, for a Hamburg firm (F. Lasiazi, is of the following dimensions:—Length over all, 394f; width over the plating amidabips, 491; 9m; depth from upper edge of keel to under the main deck amidabips, 31f; 23m. Her register tonnage is 3780 tons net; displacement on an average dust of 25ft, 2580 tone; ment on an average dualt of 25th, 8580 tone; carrying capacity, about 6150 tona. Siemens-Martin atcel is the material of which this colossal sailer is built. Two steel decks ron over the whole length of the vessel, the upper one being lined with yellow pine, and besides this there is another deck in the fore peak, and the bridge deck also of steel covered with wood. There is accommodation for a crew of about fortx-four men and a measurer saist. four men, and a passenger cabin.
ship will be rigged as a five masted perdae"



District Land and Survey Office, Auckland, 30th October, 1895.

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PORT WAIKATO TOWN.— Section 63, 8 perches; upset price, £1.

TOWN UF TE AWAMUTU.—Section 52, 1 roud 3 perches; total upset price, £5 7s 6d, 1 roud 3 perches; total upset price, £5 7s 6d, 1 roud 3 perches; total upset price, £3 18s. Section 92 (Mureum Endocument Lot), 1 roud; 1

TERMS OF SALE.—One-fifth cash on fall of the haumer, and the halance of purchase money, with Crown Grant fee, within 30 days thereafter, otherwise the one-fifth deposit shall be forfeited, and the contract for the sale of the land be null and void.

GERHARD MUELLER, Commissioner Crown Lands.



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