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MY DEAR DOCTOR,—I have no hesitation whatever in saying "Yes" in reply to your letter received to-day, in which you ask me whether I am willing to let the public know the benefit I received at your hands. When I was in the recommendation of Mr. Griffith (whom you had previously completely cured of a similar complaint), I think I was in about as bad a state of mind and depression in both mind and body as any human being could be; in fact, I thought life was not worth living, and my future was a blank. I was an object of misery and despair. You told me plainly and honestly, if that you could and would care vigorous of treatment, so that I should no longer be fearful and stupid in society, and could take my part and interest in the amusements and sports of others, and have an ambition to get my fellow sufferers to put their confidence in you, as your treatment is perfect and your charges are small.—I am, yours truly, LACHLAN CAMERON.



TURF FIXTURES.

March 19 and 17—Stratford R.C. Annual March 10 and 17—Napier Park R.C. Autumn March 17—Horowhenua Hack Racing Club March 12—Totara Bay J.C. Autumn March 17 and 18—Ohakuri J.C. Annual Match 17 and 18—Greytown J.C. Autumn March 19—Northern Wairoa R.C. Autumn March 21—Thames Jockey Club's Autumn March 27 and 29—Reefton J.C. Autumn April 2 and 4—Waikaranga R.C. Autumn April 2, 4, and 5—Auckland R.C. Autumn April 2, 4, 6, and 9—Australian Jockey Club's Autumn April 4—Patea R.C. Annual April 4 and 5—Kiwitahi R.C. Autumn April 4 and 5—C.C.I.V. Autumn April 4 and 5—C.C.I.V. Easter April 7 and 8—Westland R.C. Autumn April 12 and 14—South Canterbury J.C. Autumn April 14 and 15—Masterton R.C. Autumn May 4 and 5—Marlborough R.C. Autumn May 11 and 12—Hawke's Bay J.C. Autumn May 24 and 25—North Ottago J.C. Winter

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

C.R.S.—Temera is two years old. O.C.J. Wanganui—Mistle did not start, but a mare called Mistle did.

TURF NOTES.

Coronation, the full-brother to Record Reign, is to be added to the list.

Mr. G. Catts has resigned his office as starter to the Thames Jockey Club.

The Hawera light weight, Gomer, has joined Woods' stable at Napier Park.

Mons. Misoune rode work at Ellerslie last Wednesday morning.

Starters for country race meetings about Auckland are badly wanted.

Old Mars is still working away at Ellerslie, and must be the oldest horse working on the tracks there.

Doblers will be schooled for hurdle racing at Cambridge by Quilton, who is in Mr. R. Hanoum's employ.

Louisa, who carried top weight in a hack race at Wanganui may do better in open company at Napier under a lighter scale.

Mr. T. Brophy, who owned Goutzer, Frank, and a few other useful horses in Fiji, is again on a visit to Auckland from Suva.

Conversing with one of his parents, I was informed that a popular West Coast light-weight had £500 owing to him for riding fees.

At the Oakland (San Francisco) track a few weeks back a mare named Double Six ran five and a half furlongs in 1min 55sec.

The card programmes of the autumn meeting of the Manawatu Racing Club are very neatly got up. The chief prize is worth £250.

Mr. R. Armitage returned to Auckland last week from the Taranaki-Wanganui district, after a successful trip, extending over a month.

The death of Mr. C. D. O'Halloran, a prominent Victorian racing man and courier, was announced during the last week in February.

Albert Victor has changed hands. Mr. P. Williams having purchased him from his recent owner for £200. He remains in George Dunne's care.

The change of name from Killbrook to Sky "Lu has been disallowed by the chair man of the Racing Conference, and very properly too, most people will say.

Wanganui, the trotter, who won a few races at the different trotting meetings about Auckland, was shipped to Melbourne about a fortnight ago.

The pacer Hebel Boy, who was made a warm favourite for the Summer Trot at the recent Otakahu meeting, looked down badly during the running of that race.

The son of £2113 was passed through the totalisators at South Auckland in 107 tickets. This is said to be a record for the club.

The pony Signal was purchased by Mr. T. Bray at the South Auckland Racing Club's meeting, and has gone into W. Smith's hands at Greendale.

The Napier Park Racing Club should have a record meeting on the 19th and 20th, as the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club have given up the dates they so long raced on, and one meeting in March is probably enough for the people there to support properly.

The Wanganui lady who races under the assumed name of "Mr. Lawrence" left Wellington for South Africa, taking with her the pumper Falkir.

Relief was entered, but when the weights appeared his name was missing from the St. Patrick's Handicap for Ohinemuri. He was awarded 6/10 in that event.

Mr. J. Dalgleish acted as starter for the South Auckland Racing Club, and with the exception of the Flying Handicap, despatch, all his efforts were successful.

Marshall South is back at Papakura in H. French's charge, and it is expected that he will do better at his old home. He has been an expensive purchase to his present owner.

W. Smith has had De Wet and the pony Signal placed in his charge to prepare for their forthcoming engagements. Smith is getting a big string together, and has now seven horses in his stables.

Rehua is a very promising colt, the most valuable, I should say, of the Gisborne-owned horses, and so likely to improve that he may win a race at Napier Park, where he is nicely treated.

The Poverty Bay Hunt Club have decided upon winding up their affairs, and the hounds will go to the Hawke's Bay Hunt Club. Hunters' races will now be discontinued by the Gisborne club.

Geldon Rose was shipped to Comorand last week. She is to be turned out at her owner's (Mr. John Lynch) place, and is to be given a good spell. Heaton, her trainer, is confident that she will see the post again.

Kahroa, the Sylvia Park gelding that ran so well in hack company last season, got one of his feet injured going to Wanganui, and his owner would not risk racing him there. He will, however, be seen out shortly.

Mr. Routledge has sent Up-to-Date to Ellerslie to finish his preparation for the Easter meeting. He was accompanied by his four-year-old half-brother by Hothais, who it is understood will not race till the A.R.C. June meeting.

Some of the polo ponies seen out during the past week look over the standard height. Appearance is deceptive, but it is certain that more than one for which certificates are held would not pass the Auckland Racing Club's official mesurer.

Aka Aka and his brother Tabas were schooled over hurdles last Wednesday at Ellerslie. Frances Loreley and Naffrorese, Val Rosa and Leohard, and Ambition were also given schooling work on Thursday. Luggan will give a turn over the stepchase country.

Tyrone is said to be a gelding that comes on and goes off very quickly. He managed to get his name in the winning list at Dannevirke, but at Gisborne when supported, and made favourite in each of his four essays, he did not race well, and he looked well too.

"Tartar" Julian had a bit of luck at Rotoman, where he won the first hurdle race on Tokomaru, in which the two best horses fell. At the South Auckland meeting he again rode an outsider, when all rode off save one, as at Rotoman, and "Tartar" scored again.

On past form, Millie is well in in the two handicaps in which she is engaged at Ohakuri, and whatever she may accomplish against horses she has not already met, she should hold safe those she has already defeated when she has met them on very much more unfavourable terms.

There is a De Wet nominated at Horowhenua, a five-year-old by Gately from Aka, which can give him a run. We have one in Auckland of the same age who started once last season at a small meeting, and has run at Waikanae and Tekeke this year. The name of the Auckland one will have to be changed.

Achilles, Ghooka, Walfiki, The Jolly Starshoot, Black and Gold, Spallown, Skallion, McJordon, Hordner, Aka Rose, Thunder, Gledwin, and the unnamed Handikicks—St. Louis and were the 14 left out of the Fifth Century Stakes after declaration of the last forfeit in January. A meeting between Achilles, Walfiki and Starshoot of the above lot is thought probable.

Number 4 was a remarkably successful one on the first day of the Wanganui Jockey Club's autumn meeting. The Grey Hutana, and Pharos were so numbered on the card. One number 4, Starshoot, won next day, but three number 3's succeeded in the final stage, and the best horse of No. 3 and a fil through would have done well.

On the 15th four were laid on Mistle Gun against Achilles in Auckland for the Jackson Stakes at Wanganui. In Wanganui Achilles had most trials. Achilles has always been a good first-class colt, and better last season to be counted on than Machine Gun, yet first-class were numerous who expected the three-year-old to give the four-year-old his and a year.

In the Juvenile Handicap at the Wanganui Jockey Club's autumn meeting, a three-year-old named Fly, Pharois, was handicapped at the same weight as the untried two-year-old, but through the best horse finishing fourth, she could not beat those that had previously sported colours in public, and profited by experience in gaining to getting away.

The Kaikahi races were held last Saturday week. Mr. R. Worth's Sterling beat Mr. J. Gray's Lalala Rook and four others in the Maiden Plate, but the tables were turned in the Forced Handicap, as between this year later on when two of the winners were defeated. In the Interval Lalala Rook had run second to Mr. Dixon's Valvoltery in the Kaikahi Cup, in which there were five runners, and Valvoltery ran second in the Turf Club's Handicap, in which there were three, beating Really and two others.

Talking of world's records reminds me, says W. Naughton in the "Referer," that one was broken at the Oakland race track on Saturday last when John Stewart, with 20lbs on, was home first in the Adam Andrews' Stakes. The distance was six and a half furlongs, and Scott, who carried 10lb more in 1.15.4. This is a touch of a second faster than the record put up by the mare, Jane Holly, at Washington Park, Chicago, last summer.

At many of the Southern meetings for hacks only were made to give in prize, and the meetings are more crowded than some meetings in the North and many meetings in the South Island where so-called racehorses only are allowed to compete. The term hack should be dropped. Winners of hack races at our time were half-bred, now nearly every winner of races so designated has a pedigree as long as your arm.

The rule recently passed by the South Australian Jockey Club, and reported in these columns, giving the members the right of either electing or having elected to declare a meeting off, in the opinion of the committee, those interested in horses have entered into a conspiracy to refuse to nominate any one having entered to scratch their representatives, but caused a stir among owners and trainers in the southern State, and a memorial signed by a large number of them has been presented to the club, asking for a repeal of the obnoxious rule.

It is proposed to establish a Stud Book for South Africa, and the matter was discussed at a conference held in Johannesburg some time back. The formation of a Stud Book Association was recommended, and it was finally agreed that the estimated cost of carrying on the same for a year would amount to £3000. The Governments of the respective colonies have agreed to contribute towards the balance required in the following proportions: Cape Colony £500, Transvaal £200, Orange River Colony £200, Natal £200, Rhodesia £200.

Visitors to the Wanganui Jockey Club's autumn meeting speak highly of the way in which Mr. P. Moffatt, secretary, carries out the duties of his office, and a word of praise is due to the staff under him and other officials, who by themselves out to see that meetings are run on up-to-date lines. The club will require to proceed without delay to get their book stand built for in such weather as that experienced last week, a great want of accommodation is felt. It is fortunate that the club have the necessary funds to spend. Owners like to race their horses at Wanganui, and the course is such a favourable one in all respects.

To those who are not well up in the ways and management of the racing business, when properly advised for racing, but to get a more than ordinary success, says the "Saturday Mail" there is one thing to be said of it, and that is, the River 2, a good percentage of the animals. We have heard at all of these "tricks" in the days when Mr. William Dan was the owner, and when was considered wonderful through their former owners, but it is worth the trouble of making of now. The latest American improvement is, I read, a silky undercoat. It is thought that this may be obtained by rubbing on to the horse's body a mixture of gum and oil, and is making an effort to have his invention patented. The idea of a silky undercoat is novel. The silky is attached to the hair, and is not to be rubbed on, but on the latter's back, on which the rider guides and controls the horse.

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