

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS. SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF IRON CASTINGS.

Railway Department, Head Office, Wellington, 10th June, 1904. WRITTEN TENDERS will be received at this Office up to noon of MONDAY, 12th July, 1904, for the Supply and Delivery of Iron Castings, at Auckland. Specifications and Forms of Tender to be obtained at the Railway Stores Office, Newmarket. Tenders to be addressed to the General Manager, New Zealand Railways, Wellington, and to be marked outside, "Tender for Iron Castings. The lowest of any tender will not necessarily be accepted, and telegraphic tenders will not be entertained. By order. T. RONAYNE, General Manager N.Z. Railways.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS. SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SLEEPERS.

Railway Department, Head Office, Wellington, 1st June, 1904. Written Tenders will be received at this Office up to noon of MONDAY, 11th JULY, 1904, for the SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF RAILWAY SLEEPERS in lots of 1000 or more at any station or siding on the Auckland Section. Specifications and forms of tender to be obtained at the District Engineer's Office, Auckland; Railway Storekeeper's Office, Newmarket; the Station Master's Office, Orua; Whangarei, and Invercailie; and the Post Offices, Rotorua, Kōwhiri, and Opouani. Offers will also be received for Sleepers in lots not exceeding 500 in accordance with notices posted up at Railway Stations. Tenders and offers to be addressed to the General Manager, New Zealand Railways, Wellington, and to be marked outside, "Tender for Sleepers." They will also be received at the Office of the Railway Storekeeper, Newmarket, up to the date mentioned. The lowest of any tender will not necessarily be accepted, and telegraphic tenders will not be entertained. By order. T. RONAYNE, General Manager N.Z. Railways.

Office of the Wairariki District Maori Land Council, Rotorua, June 30th, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following Sections will be offered for Lease by Public Auction, under the Provisions of "The Maori Land Administration Act, 1900," at the Courthouse, Rotorua, on THURSDAY, the 25th July, 1904, at 10 o'clock a.m.: WAIOAPA - 69 Township Sections, in area varying from one to three acres, at rentals from £2 10s to £15; Six suburban and Rural Sections and Two Small Grazing Runs. One Small Grazing Run, four miles from Rotorua, on the Waikato Rd. Terms of Lease of the Township Sections will be 21 years, with right of Renewal for four further terms of 21 years, giving a secure title for 105 years. Suburban and Rural Sections and Small Grazing Runs will be leased for 21 years, with right of renewal for one further term of 21 years. Poster plans showing upset rentals and full information may be obtained at this Office, and at the Office of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Auckland. H. F. EDGER, President Wairariki District Maori Land Council.

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TURF FIXTURES.

July 7 and 8—Gisborne R.C. Steeplechase; July 13 and 14—Wellington R.C. Winter Meeting; Aug. 10, 18, and 20—C.J.C. Grand National

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Arguera, Ellerslie—Betrayer won the Wainganni Cup of 1890.

TURF NOTES.

Irish is in work again at headquarters. Flying Fox's fee is fixed at 900 guineas. Walkate is not likely to go to Wellington. Kalpetete should make a useful horse over fences. English writers dub Australian Star as a one course horse. Cainongate has been blistered and is being indulged to a spell. I fancy Ostiak is the first of Stepniak's progeny to win over hurdles. J. Scents has Notoerini in his charge at Ellerslie. Ration won the chief race at the June meeting of the Fiji Jockey Club. Piau III is reported to be doing good work at his owner's place near Poutara. It is understood that Speakman has been engaged to ride Romeo in the N.Z. Cup. The acceptances for the Wellington Racing Club's winter meeting are due today. R. Ross has taken Hylis and Wakawaki to Gisborne to take part in the forthcoming meeting. There will be no racing near Cape Town, South Africa, during the months of July and August. Papatu does not incur any penalty at Wellington for having won the Napier Park Steeplechase. At the autumn meeting of the Johannesburg meeting £9500 was given in stakes for eighteen events. Papatu has incurred a penalty of 7lb for the Gisborne Park Steeplechase, for which he will probably not start. H. Barr has handled a nice out of a filly rising three years old by South—Postulants. Couraune went in charge of Takapa to Gisborne, and will ride him in his engagements there. Hippoval was supported heavily in both the hurdle races at Napier Park in which he failed. Newtown and Tabae were schooled over the hurdles on the course proper at Ellerslie on Saturday morning. Irwin took Cavalry to New Plymouth during the week, and may go on from there to Wellington. Mr W. Abbott will represent the Otahuhu Trotting Club at the Trotting Conference at Wellington. The well bred pony Shrewsbury, by Robinson Crusoe—The Shrew, has gone into W. Smith's stable. Charlie Hill and his staff are busily employed taking out the old tan and re-laying the track with fresh tan. The colt by Cyrenian—Windmill, in J. Chaney, senr's, stable, has had the name of St. Cyril bestowed upon him. It has been decided to send Puffy South, to fulfil his engagements at the Wellington Racing Club's Winter Meeting. Handmaster is well named, being by the Officer from Lyrebird. It is a pity this gelding is such a straight-legged one. Haphazard, a three year old gelding by Bloodshot, was amongst the winners at the Ascendade meeting on June 1st. Winners at the Napier Park Racing Club's meeting do not incur penalties for the Wellington Racing Club's meeting. Mr S. H. Gollan's Tiralliere produced a colt to Bill of Inverland, at the Cobham Stud on April 2nd, and visited Colliar. The hurdle racer Marmont has been supported to win the two Cups decided during the Victorian spring campaign. Watiki was backed in Melbourne for the Melbourne Cup for £2000, on Tuesday of last week, at hundreds to four. Mr Alf. Ellingham, of Hastings, has sold Defoe to Mr J. Hogg, Wairarapa, the owner of Levant. The price is £200. At a country meeting in South Africa recently a Mr Handley won six out of nine races in one afternoon—in four of the events riding a mare rejecting in the name of Petticoat Loose.

Roseshield has been doing very little work since the A.R.C. Winter Meeting, and has built up a good deal of fat. Private advice has been received in Christchurch of the safe arrival in Sydney of the champion trotting horse Tibbittwood. It is stated that the late Mr W. C. Whitney's estate is worth between five and six millions sterling, entirely unaccounted for. Cavill is the name of a successful hunter owned by Mr C. Gordon, of Hawke's Bay, and an appropriate one for a son of Natar. A bet of 100 to 10 was laid against Walkate by a Wellington pen-filer for the Te Aro Hack Race before the appearance of the weights. The racehorses Baebeus and Lavard were brought from Samoa by the Moura yesterday and go into S. Hodge's hands at Ellerslie. In sad comfort have been backed for the New Zealand Grand National double at an outside price—it is presumed on behalf of the stable. Caution is once more in active consultation, and has thickened out and freshened up a good deal, as a result of his respite from track work. Legation, by St. Leger-Lady Harriet, was sold last week and goes into J. Taggart's stable at Riccarton. B. Edwards took him South on Saturday. At the Portsmouth Park (Eng.) meeting on May 4th, a Trenton gelding named Fordingford scored in a three mile steeplechase from four others. Mr Spencer H. Gollan's Ethel Macarthy was a starter in the Spring Two Year Old Plate at the Kempton Jubilee meeting, but was unplaced. Watiki is putting in useful work on a private track some-where near the Three Kings. He is reported to be in splendid health. Watlers is top weight in the Open Hurdle Race at Wellington; Gipsy Jack, his brother, at the minimum in the Hack Hurdle Race. A commission was worked in Auckland on behalf of Charlie in the Newsweek Hack Handicap on the second day of the Napier Park meeting. Florio ran unplaced. Landlock, who is under the ban at present, was offered for sale by the Loan and Mercantile yesterday, but failed to reach the reserve, and was passed in. Frank Macanaimin is handling the filly by Sexton Dolaval—Lissenand, who was purchased at the last yearling sales by the Hon. H. Mossman. Frank Macanaimin has a yearling half sister to Annoyed, by Cyrenian, in his charge. The youngster has been handled but is not in regular work at present. A racehorse owner, when he asked his Irish jockey why his horse didn't win, was informed: "She was going grand, sir, till a fence met her the wrong way."

From England comes word of the death of the brood mare Violet Melrose, foaled in 1875. She was the dam of the Derby winner, Melton. A rule is wanted in the New Zealand code setting forth that no horse shall be allowed to carry more than 7lb overweight, unless by permission of the stewards. Mr John Marshall and Mr A. E. Whitaker will represent the Auckland Racing Club at the annual conference of racing clubs, opening on the 12th July, at Wellington. There has not been much betting over the New Zealand Cup locally since the weights appeared, but a lot of horses have been supported from different parts, mostly those at outside prices. J. Hickey, who trained Moifua for the Grand National, has taken over the training stable at Shearwater near Bullsburg, occupied until recently by Mr R. Stevier, and will shortly enter into possession. On Saturday morning at Ellerslie, Aka Aka and Cresida were given a turn over the steeplechase fences in the centre of the course. Aka Aka topped at the first fence of the double, but she was evidently due to being a little nervous, as he afterwards jumped splendidly, and altogether gave a very satisfactory display.

C. Wial has left for Wellington with Aka Aka, Tabae, and Cresida, who claim engagements at the Wellington Club's Winter Meeting.

It will not be glowing news to the backers who set out to avoid the crash on a certain horse engaged at a coming meeting to learn that the owner does not intend starting him.

Ice, who has been in winning form at Hawke's Bay, is a daughter of St. Andrew and Noremand, one of the Hon. J. D. Omond's breeding, now owned by Mr W. G. Davidson.

The well known American race mare Six, who did some time ago, started 180 times, winning 67 times, and at one time held the world's record over the Hurler track for six and a half furlongs.

Seppie's yearling colt, Crown Gem, is a late foal (May 23), and in size suffers by comparison with some of the other youngsters at Eastern Stud. However, she is said to lack nothing as regards shape.

It is said that there is more money for racing in Sydney than there has been for years. Things in this line are looking up again. They never have been really bad at any time in New South Wales.

Mr C. O'Connor, the A.R.C. starter, went South on Saturday by the Talune. He has accepted the position of starter to the Gisborne Racing Club, and will officiate at their winter meeting next week.

Haydn was under offer to a Southern buyer during the week, but an deal resulted. It is also reported that Aka Aka was priced by 7000 to the same buyer, but the price quoted did not lead to business.

Papatu did not just beat Stockman in the A.R.C. Winter Steeplechase at the Great Northern meeting, at a difference of 7000. At Napier Park, at a difference of 1300, Papatu beat Stockman 20 lengths.

The Wellington Racing Club have decided to open a double totalisator at their forthcoming winter meeting. A new double machine, which the club have recently purchased, may be used.

Archa, the winner of the Hawke's Bay Hurdle Race, was called after a useful horse of that name which raced successfully in the nomenclature of Mr W. Weston, at one time a prominent bookmaker in this colony.

Sea Spray was second in a pony race on April 30 at the South African Turf Club's meeting, at Johannesburg, on May 12th. These, another New Zealand pony, was second in a race at Johannesburg on May 7th.

Charles Stuart is the name bestowed upon the yearling colt by Wallace from Sweet Alice, which cost 1000g. He has been bred in Australia as the property of Sir Rupert Clarke, and his brother, Mr Ernest Clarke.

In future, all race meetings in the Cape Colony are to be held under Jockey Club rules. Owners, horses, trainers, jockeys, and bookmakers assisting or taking part in so-called "sports or gymkhana meetings" will be disqualified.

John Rae has decided to take Klareto, Teana, and Hissack to Wellington to fulfil their engagements at the Wellington Racing Club's Winter Meeting. They will probably be shipped South by the Itawa today (Wednesday).

Rose Salsid, Benn Sinton, and the yearling filly by Explosion—Waltreuta were shipped South on Saturday by the Talune, in charge of T. Cotton, senr. There is a probability of Rose Salsid stopping at Wellington to fulfil engagements there.

The following are English race records:—One mile, Osiman, India 33 1-500, 13th July, 1902, at Lingfield Park. One mile and a-half, Zinfandel, Zulu 28 4-500, 5th July, 1902, at Manchester. We see a long way of these marks in the colonies.

O'Neill, presumably Clarence O'Neill, rode the first and last place in a pony race at the North meeting of the Johannesburg Pony and Gallopway Club, 16th, on July 1, a Nonchalant pony Cambria, bred in Auckland, won.

Thyl, by Sammas from Denbigh, therefore half or nearly nearly three quarter brother to Hylis, the Liverpool Grand National winner, has two wins over fences at the Hawke's Bay and Napier Park meetings. Dufou, who was also racing prominently, is another of Denbigh's sons.

A Hungarian Jockey named Janak, who served his apprenticeship in England, did so well on returning to his own country that he is anticipated quite a number of Hungarian bred horses racing locally with the idea of getting into good stables.

It is said that a Jockey's life is a short and merry one. The following cutting from a Yankee paper will be of interest:—"Mark Gibson recently celebrated his 100th birthday. He is the oldest rider for Andrew Jackson, then President of the United States."

Though the increase in prize money by the Canterbury Jockey Club for their New Zealand Grand National Meeting did not result in an increase of nominations for the chief events, one good result has been the mounting of the Grand National on the fat rakes, some of which should make decidedly useful if not really high-class fences.

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