

one which takes place in the spring at Crofton Park. This could hardly necessitate legislation.

The owner of the English mare, Marmalade III, was in luck when he failed to find a buyer for her at 5000 rupees, subsequently he had a particularly fine sale...

In an article entitled "Losing by Winning," a London turf correspondent says: "I have had a deeper experience of this sort than some time ago..."

Periodically racing is "attacked" in America, and just now the sport is "threatened" again. A writer in the "New York Telegraph" puts the situation in this light:

The question of jockeys' retainers is one that, so far as I know, has not come under the consideration of the stewards of the English Jockey Club...

PAPAKURA RACING CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual race meeting of the Papakura Racing Club was held on the 24th of February, and attracted a large attendance.

Offer were most satisfactory. During the afternoon there were at least two striking cases of sleeping sickness...

Maiden Plate of 15000s, second 2000s, six furlongs. Mr. W. Scott's Explosive 4 yrs., by Explosive 8.0 (Greenwood), 2: Three Kings 8.0 (Hickton), 3: Also started: Sir Rupert, 9.0 (Hickton)...

Flying Handicap of 2000s, second 2000s, five furlongs. Mr. W. G. Irwin's Lochbuie 4 yrs., by Cyrenian-Sappho, 8.0 (Deeley), 1: Wailani, 8.0 (Ackroyd), 2: San Paulo (raced) 8.0 (Scott), 3: The only starters...

Hack Race of 2000s, second 2000s, four furlongs. Mr. H. C. Wallace's by Ngapakia, 4 yrs., by Soult-Paulina, 7.2 (Whittaker), 1: Flat Island, 7.0 (Conquest), 2: Tutu Kima, 6.2 (Greenwood), 3: Also started: Lucio, 9.5 (Gray), Engager, 3.0 (H. Ryan), Cude, 8.0 (Barr), San Paulo, 6.3 (Scott)...

Handicap of 2500s, second 2000s, three furlongs. Mr. W. G. Irwin's Lochbuie 4 yrs., by Cyrenian-Sappho, 8.9 (Deeley), 1: Explosive, 6.10 (Greenwood), 2: Landlock, 8.4 (Hickton), 3: Epsom Lass and Lochbuie raced together...

VICTORIA RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

SCOTLAND WINS THE NEWMARKET, A WIN FOR APOLOQUE.

The Victoria Racing Club inaugurated their autumn meeting at Flemington today in dull, showery weather. Several weeks of dry weather gave the club considerable trouble...

The following are the details of the racing. The Plum Hurdie Race, a handicap sweepstakes of 5000s each, with 20000s added, two miles...

The Mt. Roger Stakes, a sweepstakes of 2500s each, with 30000s added, one mile and two furlongs, was won by Mt. Mountain King, by Wallace Bonnie Rackett, 1: Hon. A. Wynne's br c Penn, by Graffton-Silvercup, 2: Mr. G. J. McDonald's br f Lady Eglantine, by Graffton-Lady Tara (raced) 3: Moonshine (raced) 3: also, and, without being thoroughly con-

tended, won easily by four lengths, Time, 3.07.

The Newmarket Handicap, a sweepstakes of 2000s each, with 100000s added; the owner, Charles, to receive 20000s, and the owner of the third 100000s of the stake, six furlongs. Mr. J. Brennan's br h Scotland, 5 yrs., by Wallace-Kelley (Hoop), 1: Mr. W. Kennedy's br g Grandeur, 4 yrs., by Soult-Hatcheckus, 7.12 (King), 2: Mr. W. A. Fitzgerald's br c Akim Foo, 4 yrs., by Bonaldi-Alce, 0.7 (Rotton), 3: Also ran: Colliart 0.10, Antonio 0.8, North Head 0.0, Steput 0.0, Melodrama 8.13, Mungwe 8.13, Edouard 8.13, Pine Scot 8.10, Tringrill 8.4, Decollerte 8.5, Kness 8.4, Tangaron 8.4, Insky Morn 8.3, Miss Bobby 8.3, Master Poote 8.2, Curtain Lecture 7.9, Bright Steel 7.9 (including 10th penalty), Lord Nelson 7.8, David Scott 7.4, Captain Shannon 7.2, Fille Foin 7.1, Venetia 6.12, Currandoylee 6.12, Minus 6.12, Bend Off 6.11, Nokiusha 6.9, Medfalia 6.9...

The R.C. Sires' Produce Stakes, a sweepstakes of 15000s each, with 40000s added and 10000s subscribed by owners of stables, for two-year-olds, six furlongs. Mr. J. V. Smith's ch f Mother Goose, by Wallace-Morrisia, 1: Messrs. A. Armstrong and C. Quinn's ch c The Brewer, by Master-Idalia, 2: Mr. E. D. Clarke's b f Kuban, by Bonaldi-The Geisha, 3: Barley Brew also started. Mother Goose won by a head from The Brewer with Kuban necked away (time, 2:12)...

The Essendon Stakes, a sweepstakes of 15000s each, with 50000s added, weight-for-age, one mile and a half. R. (f. 8.) h b Apologue 5 yrs., by Theobald Apollo-Miss Saffron, 9.3 (Mr. J. M. Ryan), 1: Akim Foo, 8.2 (Kerou, 5 yrs., by Simmer-Myall Queen, 9.3; 2: Mr. W. Murray's b h Booran, 4 yrs., by Graffton-Melena, 0.0, 3: Thackeray 8.3 and Lady Diffidence 7.12 also ran. Apologue led most of the running, and ran home as easy winner by four lengths from Tulkerou, which was a stalling distance in front of Booran. Time, 2:37 (run in rain)...

The Brimswick Stakes, a handicap sweepstakes of 5000s each, with 20000s added, one mile and a quarter. Hon. A. Wynne's ch c Sivi, 5 yrs., by Graffton-Lady Eglantine, 9.3 (Mr. S. J. Hendrick's br m Lady Elme, 4 yrs., by Graffton-Queen Agnes, 7.7; 2: Mr. G. Smith's br m Lancaster (late Blackwater), 4 yrs., by Lancaster-Sir Peter, 7.4; 3: Akim Foo, H. Trecher, Seddon, Jack Smith, Duke of Clarence, Delaware, Ordine, Buidol, Cashmore, and Cherry Lass. Lancaster led into the straight from Sivi, with Seddon close on Sivi's side. Sivi started and won by half-length. Time, 2:24...

TURF TALK FROM THE SOUTH.

(By Telegraph—Own Correspondent.)

CHRISTCHURCH, Saturday.

St. Joe and Leslie returned from their Tasmanian trip by this week's Melbourne boat. Both are looking decidedly laded after their racing and travelling, and it is likely that both will require spelling.

A private cablegram received here on Wednesday stated that Muffet had won the Newmarket Handicap at Auckland on Monday, and will start in the Wellington Handicap on Tuesday. This race, like the one she won at Sandown Park, is a special weight event, and it is decided over six furlongs.

Bonny Glen, who broke down while competing in the Auckland Cup, is still being spelled, but he will be taken up again as soon as the track gets soft.

Mr. G. F. Bowen, who, under the nom de plume of Hore Poenc, contributed to the sporting columns of the "Otago Witness," died in Melbourne a few days ago. Mr. Bowen was connected at different times with some of the leading Australian journalists, and his death, like that of "Angus," removes another of "the old brigade" who did so much to elevate the national sport. Mr. Bowen, at the time of his death, was well on in years, and will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

The well-known horseman, I. G. King, has abandoned the idea of going to Melbourne in aid of D. J. Price's stable. He, like many there, inclines to the opinion that riding in New Zealand is quite as remunerative and less risky than in the Commonwealth.

Apollonitis was seen when competing at the Dunedin Jockey Club meeting, and is to be given a short spell.

All Guna, who was purchased a few days ago by Mr. C. Machell, will be prepared for future engagements at Riccarton by W. McDonald.

There has been no work of interest accomplished at Riccarton during the past few days, the horses that competed at Dunedin J.C. Meeting all having been given an easy time of it since their return.

The winter meeting of the Tabuna Park Trotting Club was one of the most successful, both from a racing and a financial point of view, ever held in Dunedin. Canterbury-owned horses appropriated most of the big events, and their doings drew marked attention to the lack of good trotters owned in the Southern Metropolis.

Dunbar gave a fine display by accounting for the High Class Handicap from scratch in 4:47.35, which is some seconds slower than he has accomplished on Canterbury tracks. Under the auspices of Dunbar had established a fresh 2-mile track record for Tabuna Park, the stewards showed their appreciation by presenting Mr. H. F. Nicol, the gelding's owner, with a gold medal.

Notus is being tried over hurdles at Wingatui, presumably with the object of contesting some of the major jumping events of the first day, their respective efforts accounting for four of the most important items on the first day's programme.

Long expected rain fell to-day, and should do the tracks at Riccarton a world of good.

Balnclava, full brother to Petroussa, is being put through his facings by Cotton, but he does not show much promise in his work.

St. Rose and Sirweb have both been gelded, and will take up shortly. Ability, who was fired and blistered after the last Grand National Meeting, is in steady work again, but it is extremely doubtful if he will ever survive strong preparation.

St. Joe and Leslie are back at Riccarton again, and are to be recommended after a short spell.

The Seer was shipped north last week, accompanied by White Star; they will in future be trained at Waipawa.

Blythwood went amiss at the D.F.C. Meeting, and has been turned up.

Clenctoth and Millonaire are to leave for Waungaiti to-morrow, Tuesday, under care of H. Cuts. Both claim engagement in Jackson Stakes. They were accompanied by the well-known lightweight, F. M. Jones.

Although got away from his attendant at Riccarton this morning, but was captured before doing himself any serious injury.

The capable lightweight, C. Hack, goes to the Waungaiti Meeting, after which he will enter the employment of Mr. J. C. N. Grog. He will ride Saga in the Waungaiti Cup.

Discipline, who went amiss soon after winning the Stepniak Stakes at Omareu for Sir George Clifford, is again in commission. Should she remain sound, this handsome daughter of Tremdill will trouble the best of her age when thoroughly strung up.

Mr. A. Boyle, steward and committeeman of the Canterbury J.C., leaves on a visit to England next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Hobbs left for the Old Country via Sydney and Melbourne a few days ago.

Glenctoth has been responsible for some attractive gallops during the past fortnight, and can be relied on to do himself every creditable thing in the Jackson Stakes. His bruised heel that interfered with his work in the Springs is now apparently all right again, and the spell has built him up a good deal. By Easterner he should be at his very best again.

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