

THE FLEET MEETING.

The following weights have been declared by Mr. H. Wynnard for events to be run at the Fleet Meeting, which is fixed to take place at Ellerslie on August 12—

WELCOME HURDLE RACE. One mile and a-half. Table with columns for horse name, weight, and jockey.

ADMIRAL'S HANDICAP. Five furlongs. Table with columns for horse name, weight, and jockey.

CONNECTICUT HUNTERS' STEEPLE-CHASE. Two miles and a-half. Table with columns for horse name, weight, and jockey.

ROOSEVELT HANDICAP. One mile. Table with columns for horse name, weight, and jockey.

SPERRY STEEPLECHASE. Three miles. Table with columns for horse name, weight, and jockey.

FLEET HANDICAP. Five furlongs. Table with columns for horse name, weight, and jockey.

WELLINGTON WINTER MEETING.

WELLINGTON, Wednesday. Fine weather was experienced to-day for the second day of the Wellington Racing Club's winter meeting. There was a large attendance, including His Excellency the Governor. The sum of £12,983 was passed through the totalisator, against £18,388 for the corresponding day last year.

round, where the latter fell. Nadador and Loch Fyne drew level with Tilson passing the stand the last time, and at the back of the course Nadador drew out, and, jumping the remaining obstacles faultlessly, won by six lengths. Loch Fyne beat Tilson by two lengths for second place, and Bullworth also finished. Time, 7.38.

Waterloo Handicap of 250sovs, seven furlongs.—Mr. C. L. Sagou's ch c California, 3yrs, by San Fran—Daxzie, 9.13 (W. W. Whittaker), 1; Hon. J. O'Meara's b m Dawn, 8yrs, 10.10 (F. D. Jones), 2; Mr. J. Foreman's blk c Maharani, 6yrs, 9.2 (C. Cochrane), 3. Also started: Seaman, 10.9; Paragon, 9.8; Swimming Heat, 9.4; Tupono, 9.4; Rangipapa, 9.3; Merrie Zealand, 9.3; Chief Lochiel, 9.2; Kurawaka, 9.0; Silken Rein, 9.0; Rangipapa and Dawn were in front when the field settled down, and at half-way this pair was clear of Swimming Heat and Seaman, Rangipapa dropped out before reaching the straight. Dawn led at the distance, where California came out of the rack, and catching Dawn in the last few strides, won by a nose, with Maharani close up. Time, 1.37 1/2.

Jumpers' Flat Handicap of 130sovs, one mile and a-half.—Mr. D. Stewart's b g Scotty, aged, by St. Leger—Janet, 10.7 (A. Julian), 1; Mr. J. O'Meara's b g Letherin, aged, 10.10 (C. O'Neill), 2; Mr. H. Fryer's br m Imagination, aged, 9.12 (W. Kirk), 3. Also started: Exmoor, 10.0; Aorangi, 9.0; Star Rose, 9.0; Sen-Sim, 9.0; Mussel, 8.9. Exmoor led for five furlongs, where Aorangi took charge, Scotty lying third. The latter ran through at the turn and led to the end, winning easily by six lengths. Time, 2.54 4/5.

Thorndon Hack Handicap of 100sovs, five furlongs.—Mrs. T. Cotton's b g Silk Web, 5yrs, by Saul—Cobweb, 10.5 (V. Cotton), 1; Mr. H. W. Clay's m g Royal Maid, 5yrs, 9.12 (A. Watson), 2; Mr. J. Foreman's Lochiel, 4yrs, 9.12 (A. Oliver), 3. Also started: Lanwern, 9.7; Cavatina, 9.6; Glen, 9.0. Silk Web and Glen were smartest on their legs. At the end of two furlongs Silk Web drew out and was not afterwards to be seen, winning comfortably by two lengths. Time, 1.0 2/5.

WELLINGTON, Saturday.

The Wellington Winter Meeting was concluded to-day in favourable weather. The attendance was large, and the sum of £15,994 passed through the totalisator, making £36,705 for the meeting, against £12,983 for last year. The club received £1236 10/6 in fees from bookmakers.

Pur Cry was disqualified during the pleasure of the stewards, for inconsistent running. The inquiry was further adjourned until Friday next, when the persons concerned are to appear before the stewards.

July Steeplechase of 200sovs, two miles and a-half.—Mr. C. Thede's Loch Fyne 11.10 (A. Julian), 1; Mr. J. Orr's Tilson, 10.8 (T. Pritchard), 2; Mr. H. Fryer's Lingerer, 9.7 (Cochrane), 3. Also started: Le Beau, 10.2; Bullworth, 9.7; Valma, 9.7; Anelia, 9.7. Valma and Bullworth were prominent in the first round, Le Beau and Loch Fyne lying last. St. Amedea stopped at the brush fence at the back of the course, with one round complete. Bullworth and Valma were six lengths clear of Lingerer and Tilson, Le Beau and Loch Fyne being the same distance away. Tilson went to the front after the double in front of the stand, was negotiated. Loch Fyne ran up along the back, and had charge half a mile from home, where Tilson and Lingerer joined in. They cleared the last obstacle almost abreast, and after a most interesting finish Loch Fyne won by a length, Lingerer being two lengths away. Time 5.58 2/5.

Winter Oats Handicap of 250sovs, one mile.—Mr. C. L. Lagor's California, 10.11 (W. Whittaker), 1; Mr. J. Foreman's Maharani, 9.6 (C. Cochrane), 2; Mr. Davies' Lanwern, 9.2 (G. Priest), 3. Also started: Sir Frisco, 10.13; Waiithe, 10.0; Comwaan, 9.3; Merrie Zealand 9.0; Chief Lochiel, 9.0; Kurawaka 9.0; Mussel 9.0. Chief Lochiel, Mussel, and Kurawaka were allowed to lead for five furlongs, where Lanwern and California moved up. They all came through, entering the straight. Lanwern was in front at the distance, where California challenged, and, drawing away, won by two lengths from Maharani, who headed Lanwern in the last hundred yards. Merrie Zealand and was fourth and Waiithe last. Time 1.50.

Final Hurdle Handicap of 300sovs, one mile and three-quarters.—Mr. J. O'Meara's Letherin, 10.0 (C. O'Neill), 1; Mr. H. W. Fryer's Ship, 9.4, 2; Mr. D. Stewart's Scotty, 10.9, 3. Also started: Compass 10.7, Sen Sim 10.0, Ability 10.0, Exmoor 9.13, Defeat 9.0. Sen-Sim turned round at the start and took no part in the race. Compass fell at the second fence and brought down Defeat. Passing the stand Ability was showing the way to Exmoor and Sulph. Exmoor fell at the back of the course when running prominently. This left Letherin in charge. Under pressure, Scotty got close up at the turn, and did away in the straight. Letherin won by two lengths from Sulph, Scotty being a fair third. Time 3.23.

Kia Ora Hack Handicap of 100sovs, six furlongs.—Mrs. T. Cotton's Silk Web, 5yrs, by Saul (V. Cotton), 1; Mr. H. W. Clay's Royal Maid, 9.6, 2; Mr. W. Davies' Yussul, 9.0, 3. Also started: Flut Gua 9.0, Glenal 9.0, Glen 9.0. At the end of a furlong Silk Web had charge. He led into the straight and won by two lengths from Royal Maid, Yussul being a fair third. Time 1.24.

HOW!

The teacher was telling of the effects of cigarette smoking on the heart, and added: "People with weak hearts often die." A deeply interested boy asked here: "How often do they have to die before they stay dead?"

The Troubles of Cyrano.

Charles Bertrand, a mechanic, of Paris, aged 26 years, lost an eye recently because nature has bestowed on him a nose of phenomenal dimensions. He was walking along the Rue Croix-Nivert when a man approached him, and, walking by his side, continued to take an offensive interest in his facial appearance. Bertrand is accustomed to annoyance of this sort, but in this case it was so pronounced that he turned into a cafe to escape it. But the man followed him, and, accosting him peremptorily, demanded what he meant by going about with such a monument on his face. The owner replied sadly that he was irresponsible, but the man declared that he was an artist, and would not stand it. He thereupon drew a revolver and fired at the object of his hatred, but aimed so badly that he shot the unfortunate Bertrand through the eye. He was at once arrested, and his victim was removed to the hospital.

Tommy: Pop, what is the difference between a dialogue and a monologue? Tommy's pop: When two women talk, my son, it's a dialogue; when a woman carries on a conversation with her husband, it's a monologue.

Childrens Coughs advertisement. Includes text: 'That wretched, stubborn cough which troubles so many little ones at this season is a sign of some mischief in the bronchial tubes of the lungs. Peps, the wonderful medicine which is broken straight into the lungs as the tablets dissolve on the tongue, will cure the cough, mend the mischief, and strengthen the little one's weakened chest.'

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