

by a step in the right direction. The executive now want to put the club on a solid foundation, and should take the greatest pains to get all their members...

Slaney, who has shown much promise at the jumping business, has been having an easy week of it, and the rest of J. Taggart's team have been also doing light work...

Music and Drama

(BY BAYREUTH)

BOOKINGS.

(Dates Subject to Alteration.) AUCKLAND—HIS MAJESTY'S. June 28 to July 3—Hamilton Dramatic Company...

THE OPERA HOUSE.

In Season—Geach-Malloyva Pantomime Co. "The Woman Pays."

WELLINGTON—OPERA HOUSE.

In season—Allan Hamilton Company. July 28 to August 13—Pollard Opera Co. August 16 to 24—G. Musgrave...

TOWN HALL.

July 4 to 28—West's Pictures.

PALMERSTON NORTH—MUNICIPAL OPERA HOUSE.

August 4, 5—Allan Hamilton's Dramatic Co. August 12, 13—J. C. Williamson's "Jack and Jill" Co.

forbidding saloons within so many feet of a school. We safeguard health by forbidding expectation in public places...

Boston—Pure, Proper, Chaste Cultured.

New York, stands not altogether alone in its iniquity. "Take," Mr. Eaton says, "the most indecent musical comedy of last winter..."

The Indecent Stage.

THIS week, I want to draw attention to a phase of the stage productions of the day that has run riot throughout America...

The Muck-raker in the Play-house

Especially has Mr. Walter Fritchard Eaton, formerly dramatic editor of "The Sun" (New York), manifested his vigilance...

The Manager's Defence.

Managers state in defence: "We'll give the public what they want and pay for. We've got to live." Mr. Eaton, however is of a different opinion.

Nothing More Certain.

Nothing is more certain, Mr. Eaton goes on to say, than that suggestion plays a mighty part for good and evil.

NAPIER PARK RACING CLUB.

NAPIER, Wednesday.

The Napier Park Racing Club opened their winter meeting to-day in fine weather, and before a large attendance...

Three-quarter mile, 100000s, one and a half mile, 100000s, one and a half mile, 100000s...

Stewards' Stakes Handicap, of 150000s, one mile, 100000s, one and a half mile, 100000s...

Napier Steeplechase of 250000s, one and a half mile, 100000s, one and a half mile, 100000s...

Ladies' Stakes Handicap, of 150000s, one mile, 100000s, one and a half mile, 100000s...

Quarter-mile race, 100000s, one mile, 100000s, one and a half mile, 100000s...

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Unfortunately most clerks turn the cold shoulder to any and everyone connected with the turf. A striking exception, however, is found in the case of St. Matthew's Anglican Church...

The newly-formed Tattersall's Club opened their new rooms in Durham-st. West last Friday evening with a smoke concert, when a most enjoyable evening was spent.

The club have secured a splendid suite of rooms, which have been appropriately furnished for the convenience of members...

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C.J.C. GRAND NATIONAL NOMINATIONS.

CHRISTCHURCH, Friday.

The following nominations have been received by the Canterbury Jockey Club in connection with their Grand National meeting...

Winter Cup, of 60000s, one mile—First Mate, North Head, King Post, Umanby, Grenadier, Simplex, North-east, Maudie, Maskery, Wimmer, Irish King, St. Pisco, Gaudin, Breeze, Breeze, Breeze, Breeze, Aborigine, Tyrant, Stratagem, Whistler, Zamarra, Oaten, Dawn, Lounger, Chief, Lochie, White Cockade, Pipsy, Spry, Continence, Frank, St. Aidan, Grand, Nelson, Liras, Federal, Nard, Puka, Malora, Hook Ferry, Sea King, Guiding Step, Lady Darnley, All Guns, Seaman, Sweet Angelus, Wirral, Lone Star, Waikaraka.

Grand National Steeplechase of 100000s, three miles and a half—Capitol, Exmoor, Dawn, Waiterera, Emma, Northern Star, Ben Jouson, Wanganui, Mounsh, Mounsh, Assayer, Arrang, Neel, Eldorado, Hamlet, Stewson, Breeze, Breeze, Breeze, Breeze, Cymid, Jack Pot, Te Aral, Slaney, Nadador, Naxler, Le Best, Lull, Irish, Maldi, Leonardo, Lingerer.

Grand National Hurdle Race of 100000s, two miles—Nelson, Liras, Federal, Nard, Hamman, Bull, Pukara, Felicia, Stronghold, Virtus, Ben Jouson, Singby, Claremont, Showman, Lyric, Waitakere, Red, Red, Keronan, Gold Post, Polyanthus, Kipara, English, Gold Stewson, Breeze, Stormont, Paritara, Wuluka, Scully, Conter, Southern Cross, Coraxon, Kremila, Naxler, Albury, Wirral, Silken Rein, Nero, Izak, Compass, Sap, Lapland, Lochest.

TURF TALK FROM THE SOUTH.

CHRISTCHURCH, Saturday.

After the unprecedented spell of fine weather, rain set in on Friday, and at the time of writing it looks like hitting.

The jumping brigade at Blenheim have been fairly active of late, and there is little to chronicle in regard to Cup candidates, few of whom are yet asked to do fast work.

Stipendiary, Grosvenor, and Osvine have pleased the critics in their schooling work, though the last-named still dwells too long at his jumps. Lapland is improving, and there is no doubt as to his jumping ability, but he does not take kindly to the business.

Highly satisfactory entries have been received for the six leading events at the Canterbury Jockey Club's Grand National meeting, the nominations totalling five more than last year. Assayer, the best-known of the horses engaged in the Grand National Steeplechase are Capitol, Waitakere, Emma, Mounsh, Noel, Jack Pot, Nelson, Le Best, and Lingerer. There is a decided falling off in the Winter Cup, which is compensated by an increase in most of the other events. As usual, North Island-owned horses have a strong majority in the jumping events.

St. Aidan is being particularly well now, and he should not be long in returning his owner some of his purchase money. Skip is bowling along freely in his work, and appears to be in capital fettle.

Volodya, who is being trained here just now, is looking very well, and is carrying more condition than previously. Her stable companion, Grand Sam, who was added to the list some time ago, looks hearty and well. Her form in the coming beyond three-quarter pace work.

George Matthews has quite recovered from his recent illness, and will shortly take up a position with Mr. J. B. Reid at the Elderfield stud.