TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

The Takapuna Jockey Club will make a commencement with the Spring Meeting on Saturday next, November 30th. The course is looking in exceptionally fine order, and present indications point to the fact that the meeting promises to be most enjoyable. With two exceptions the fields should maintain their customary strength, and as many good horses are engaged the racing should prove full of interest.

The big event of the day is the St. Andrew's Handicap of 200 sovs., for which, however, only six have accepted. On form nothing looks more dangerous than Chaafe's pair, St. Ursula and St. Olga, and I expect the magenta jacket and white cap to prove victorious, with Tauhei as next best.

In the Cambria Handicap it is hard to make a prediction, as the form of the two-year-olds has not so far been properly gauged, but possibly Irish or Sensation may be found in the van.

In the Pony Handicap Trooper looks to have a decided pull in the weights, judged by his running at Alexandra Park, as he now meets practically the same field on much better terms than when he won.

In the Trial Handicap I like the chance of Cavalry, who ran very creditably at the Ellerslie meeting, and here he has but three against him.

In the Hurdle Race Cavaliero has been allotted a rare load with 13st. 13lb in the saddle. He is such a good one that even that impost may not stop him, but I prefer the chances of Regalia II. or Princess of Thule.

Royal Conqueror has been set a fairly severe task with 12.4 to carry in the Maiden Hurdles, but I fancy he will prove equal to it, although Firefly or Sudden may trouble him.

The Hack Race should bring out a big field, and it looks a very open event. Possibly La Polish may be found equal to scoring, with Cressy as next best.

The race of the day, however, should be the Cheltenham Handicap, for which there are seventeen acceptors. Takapuna has a big weight in 9.4, but he is very well, and the distance just suits him. Lady Avon is another whose specialty is five furlongs, while if St. Olga is started she should prove hard to beat. Solo or Orange and Blue may run forward, but I think that the place getters may be found to be Takapuna, St. Olga, and Lady Avon.

FIRST DAY.

St. Andrew's Handicap of 200sovs, 1¼ mile.—Coronet 8.4, St. Ursula 8.4, St. Olga 7.12, Tauhei 7.6, Materoa 7.4, Sparkling Water 6.7.

Cambria Handicap of 100sovs, 5 furlongs.—Cuirassier—Dolcsa colt 8.0, Sensation 7.10, Irish 7.10, Swagsman 7.10, Mary Seaton 7.5, Wellcast 7.5, Seatonia 7.0.

Pony Handicap of 60sovs, 6 furlongs.—Blue Paul 9.12, First Whisper 8.10, Stepaway 8.4, Princess Perkin 7.10, Weka 7.4, My Lord 7.3, Mamoa 7.2, Trooper 7.2.

Trial Handicap of 60sovs, 1 mile.—Balbirnie 8.5, Cavalry 8.0, Golden Rose 7.7, Lance Corporal 7.0.

Handicap Hurdles of 100sovs, 2 miles.—Cavaliero 13.13, Regalia II. 11.6, Nor'-west 10.0, Voltigeur II. 9.12, Princess of Thule 9.11, Chancellor II. 9.0, Rufus 9.0, Pungarehu 9.0.

Handicap Maiden Hurdles of 70sovs, 1½ mile.—Royal Conqueror 12.4, Sudden 11.3, Chancellor II. 10.12, Firefly 10.6, Yarra 9.10, Tiki 9.10, Ballinger 9.8, Lady Dash 9.4, Puffing Billy 9.0, Peter Simple 9.0.

First Hack Handicap of 60sovs, 5 furlongs.—Cressy 8.10, La Polish 8.10, Hypatia 8.5, Evert 8.2, Etona 8.2, Ding Dong 8.0, Cyclone 7.12, Mechanic 7.12, Lady Soult 7.10, Nereid 7.10, Jessamine 7.9, Capford 7.8, Goldweb 7.8, Sea Nymph 7.7, Francis Lovejoy 7.0, Ahmantas 7.0.

Cheltenham Handicap of 100sovs, 6 furlongs.—Takapuna 9.4, Tolstoi 8.12, St. Olga 8.12, Sundial 8.6, Lady Avon 8.3, Solo 8.2, Jewellery 8.0, Orange and Blue 7.12, Rosiphele 7.9, Hikipene 7.2, Blaircarrig 7.8, Cuirassette 7.4, Sparkling Water 7.0, Sly Miss 7.0, Della Rose 6.12, Despatch 6.12, Iota 6.12.

SECOND DAY.

Handicap Steeplechase of 100sovs, about 3 miles.—Cannongate 13.3, Nor'-west 11.10, Sudden 11.3, Voltigeur II. 11.0, Dingo 10.10, Princess of Thule 10.2, Master Mahoe 9.12, Tulrue 9.7, Peter Simple 9.7, Cronje 9.7, Rufus 9.7.

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WELLINGTON RACING CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

November Handicap of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. One mile.—91, Mr F. Martin's br m Cornea, 6yrs, by St. George—Retina, 6st 10lb (D. Cameron), and 76, Mr H. Franks' br g Indian Shot, aged, 7st 9lb (C. Cress), dead heat for first; 168, Mr A. Paterson's b g Aide-de-Camp, aged, 7st 9lb (H. Telford), 3. Also started: 247, Perfection, 7st 11lb; 121, Rebel, 7st 6lb; 108, Regret, 7st 6lb; 302, Fakir, 7st 5lb; 29, Gorrick, 6st 10lb. The field moved off in line, and when they had settled down Perfection showed in front, with Indian Shot and Rebel in close attendance. The latter assumed the lead passing the six furlong post, Fakir being next and Perfection third. Half a mile from home the last named dropped back into the ruck, and Aide-de-Camp made a forward move to such effect that he showed the way into the straight. A hundred and fifty yards from home he was challenged and beaten by Indian shot. Opposite the lawn Cornea came with a great rattle and was able to make a dead heat of it with Indian Shot. Aide-de-Camp finished two lengths behind the pair. Time, 1min 45 2-5sec. Totalisator, 1142. Dividends: Indian Shot, £6 15/; Cornea, £5 12/.

Nursery Handicap of 150sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs from the stake. Five furlongs.—312, Mr G. G. Stead's b c Imperator, 2yrs, by Gipsy Grand—Coronal, 8st 5lb (Hewitt), 1; 95, Mr E. J. Watt's ch g Rajah, 2yrs, 7st 3lb (Jones), 2; 91, Mr J. H. Prosser's b c Hamua, 2yrs, 7st 3lb (O'Sullivan), 3. Also started: 124, Optimist, 7st 7lb; 85, Ringman, 7st 6lb; 97, Gold Purse, 7st 6lb; 92, Drakensberg, 7st 5lb; Ora, 7st (bracketed with Hamua on the machine); 162, Ascension, 7st 2lb; 62, Stepson, 7st. Optimist and Rajah were in the lead as the field came round the far turn, the favourite being among the rear division. Rajah led into the straight, but once heads were turned for home Hewitt got to work on Imperator, and after a great run landed him a winner by half a length, Rajah being four lengths in front of Hamua. Time, 1min 3 1-5sec. Totalisator, 1120. Dividends: Imperator, £2 8/; Rajah, £2 13/.

Wellington Handicap of 400sovs; second horse 50sovs, third 10sovs. One mile and a quarter.—362, Sir George Clifford's ch c Cannie Chiel, 4yrs, by Clanranald—weather Eye, 7st 11lb (J. Pine), 1; 265, Tortulla, 9st 3lb (C. Jenkins), 2; 140, Kahuwai, 7st 7lb (D. Kemp), 3. Also started: 177, Battleaxe, 9st 4lb; 368, Palaver, 8st 9lb; 194, Skobeloff, 7st 10lb; 83, Fashion, 7st 9lb; 142, Dundas, 7st 7lb; 166, Tukapa, 7st 6lb; 126, Robin Adair, 6st 7lb. From a capital start Cannie Chiel, Dundas and Kahuwai were first to show in front, and the two led the field round the hill bend, Palaver and Battleaxe lying last. Fashion joined Cannie Chiel along the back stretch, the pair racing together until the far turn was reached, where Kahuwai, Dundas and Skobeloff momentarily showed up prominently. At the bend opposite the training sheds Tortulla began to move up, and had assumed the lead by the time the straight was entered. Cannie Chiel, who in the meantime had dropped back to third place, was not, however, done with. He put in a strong challenge in the straight, which Tortulla was unable to stave off, and the New Zealand Cup winner suffered defeat by three-quarters of a length, Kahuwai, who had run well up all the way, being a similar distance off third. Time, 2min 12 2-5sec. On totalisator, 2023. Dividends: Cannie Chiel, £3 15/; Tortulla, £1 14/.

Maiden Hack Race of 60sovs; second horse 10sovs. Six furlongs.—146, E. J. Watt's Trade Wind, 3yrs, by Sou'-wester—Liniment, 7st 7lb (Hewitt), 1; 138, Moci, 8st 3lb, 2; 123, Waipare, 8st 3lb, and 331, Kowhete, 7st 7lb, dead heat for third place. Also started: Aldinga, Motai, White Heather, Languid, Shelter, Stephanotis. Won rather easily by two lengths. Time, 1min 19 2-5sec. Dividends, £4 18/6 and £1 4/6.

Shorts Handicap of 100sovs; second horse 10sovs. Five furlongs.—86, R. Connop's Torowai, 3yrs, by Waterfall—Maid Pailar, 7st (W. King), 1; 147, Sentry, 7st 11lb (G. Price), 2; 228, Ringlet, 7st 11lb (H. Telford), 3. Also started: Ostlak, Ayrdale, Osborne, Sunfish. Won on the post by a long neck. Time, 1min 4sec. Dividends, £8 9/6 and £1 3/.

First Hack Handicap of 80sovs; second horse 10sovs. One mile.—66, J. Bennett's Reclaimer, 6yrs, by Recluse, 7st 13lb (Raynor), 1; 203, Fleka, 8st 9lb (Davis), 2; 113, Laureate, 7st 3lb (Jenkins), 3. Also started: Shrapnel Shell, Blackwing, Te Pake, Benefactor, Raema, Westerly, Jingle, Rata, Hokio, Zaska, Aldinga. Reclaimer jumped off with a good lead, which he held all the way and won by two lengths, Laureate being beaten by a length for second place by Fleka, who came with a late run. Time, 1min 45 3-5sec. Dividends, £15 3/ and £1 2/6.

First Welter Handicap of 100sovs; second horse 20sovs. One mile and a furlong.—125, J. Grupen's Calceolaria, 5yrs, by Recluse—Daisy Clipper, 9st 3lb (Raynor), 1; 181, Stockade, 8st 8lb (Jenkins), 2; 112, Rebel, 8st 11lb (Ayres), 3. Also started: Roamahunga, Jewel Gun, Tirea, General Wolf, Motor. Calceolaria, who was with the leading division along the back stretch, assumed the lead before the straight was entered and won easily by five lengths. Time, 2min Dividends: Calceolaria, £5 2/; Stockade, £1 3/6.

Flying Handicap of 150sovs; second horse 20sovs. Six furlongs.—217, H. A. Solomon's Muscovite, 6yrs, by Stepniak—Aileen, 8st 4lb (King), 1; 425, The Shannon, 8st 7lb (Davis), 2; 262, Golden Mere, 7st 3lb (Cameron), 3. Also started: Stepina, Ayrdale. As the straight was entered Muscovite established a couple of lengths' lead. The Shannon made an effort in the straight, but could not catch Muscovite, who won rather comfortably by two lengths. Time, 1min 15 3-5 sec. Dividends, £3 13/6 and 12/6.

SECOND DAY.

Petone Handicap.—Aide-de-camp, 1; Muscovite, 2; Regret, 3. Scratched: Cornea and Rebel. Won by a head. Time, 1m 44s. Dividend, £6 16/.

Hack Welter.—Hokio 1, Gipsy 2, Jack Jingle 3. All started. Won by two lengths.

Time, 1.50. Dividends, £2 4/6 and £1 10/.

Pearce Handicap of 300sovs; second horse 40sovs, third horse 10sovs. One mile and a furlong. 306, Sir George Clifford's Cannie Chiel, 4yrs, by Clanranald—Weathereye, 8.11 (Pine), 1; 335, The Shannon, 7.11 (Hewitt), and 111, Fashion, 7.4 (Price), dead heat; 181, Dundas, 7.6 (O'Brien), 4. Also started: 262, Tortulla, 9.10; 466, Battleaxe, 9.9; 220, Kahuwai, 7.10; 65, Robin Adair, 6.7. Before the field had gone far Robin Adair, who was one of the rear division, fell, and his rider, W. King, sutained a nasty shaking. Cannie Chiel was momentarily in front at the start, but passing the mile post Dundas was in the lead, attended by Fashion and Cannie Chiel. Racing along the back the order was Dundas, Fashion, Kahuwai, and Cannie Chiel, with Tortulla and Battleaxe last. At the four furlong post Fashion was sticking to Dundas, with The Shannon next. In the run home Fashion got in front, and was joined by The Shannon and Cannie Chiel. The latter dashed out 50yds from the post, and won by three-quarters of a length from The Shannon and Fashion, whom the judge was unable to separate. Tortulla was fifth, Kahuwai sixth, and Battleaxe last. Time, 1.59. Dividends: Cannie Chiel, £4 5/6; The Shannon, 13/; Fashion, £1 19/.

Juvenile Handicap of 100sovs; second horse 20sovs. Four furlongs. 81, A. Launceston's Sunfish, by Far Niente—Cuttlefish, 8.0 (Pine), 1; 65, Optimist, 7.7 (Price), 2; 81, Drakensberg, 7.4 (Cameron), 3. Also started: Torowai, Ringlet, Rajah, Stepdaughter, Hamua, Gold Purse, Ascension. Gold Purse was left at the post. Optimist and Drakensberg raced together at the head of affairs until the entrance to the straight was reached, where Sunfish came out, and won by three-quarters of a length. Time, 49 1-5s. Dividends: £11 6/ and £1 16/6.

Second Welter Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse 20sovs. Seven furlongs. 75, A. Hope's Regret, by Turquoise, 9.3 (Brown), 1; 213, Calceolaria, 10.11 (Naylor), 2; 144, Stockade, 9.12 (Jenkins), 3. Also started: Rebel, Tirea, Jewel Gun, Motor, Skylark, Osborne, General Wolfe. Osborne and Regret were in the lead along the back. The former fell away at the far turn, and Calceolaria made a forward move, running into second place as the straight was entered. Regret easily shook off the challenge by Calceolaria in the straight, and won by a length and a half. Time, 1.32 1-5s. Dividends: £12 5/ and £1 8/6.

Hutt Park Spring Handicap of 150 sovs; second horse 20sovs. Seven furlongs. 434, Sir George Clifford's Golden Mere, by Clanranald—Golden Vale, 7.12 (Cameron), 1; 157, Fakir, 7.2 (Price), 2; 362, Palaver, 9.4 (Davis), 3. Also started: Indian Shot, Tukapa. Golden Mere skipped off with the lead, and was never afterwards headed, winning by three lengths. Time, 1.30 2-5. Dividends: £2 3/ and £1 19/6.

Hack Flying Handicap of 80sovs, second horse 10sovs. Six furlongs. 240, J. Bennett's Reclaimer, by Recluse, 9.7 (Rayner), 1; 153, Blackwing, 8.8 (Jenkins), 2; 59, Pure Silver, 7.3 (Pritchard), 3. Also started: Fleka, Shrapnell Shell, Stage Whisper, Tepake, Gipsy Jack, Trade Wind, Mool, Ziska, Shelter. Reclaimer led from start to finish, winning comfortably by two lengths. Time, 1.16 3-5. Dividends: £4 9/ and £2 6/6.

Nalnai Handicap of 100sovs; second horse 20sovs. Five furlongs. 167, R. W. Paterson's Ringlet, by Castor—Bangle, 8.0 (Brown), 1; 220, Torowai, 8.0 (Gallagher) and 391 Muscovite, 9.1 (L. King), dead heat. Also started: Ostlak, Sentry, Stepina, Ayrdale, Osborne. Ringlet cleared out from the start, and, establishing a commanding lead along the back stretch, won easily by four lengths. Time, 1.4 2-5. Dividends: Ringlet, £6 5/; Muscovite, 8/6; Torowai, 15/6.

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A.R.C. SUMMER MEETING.

WEIGHTS FOR THE AUCKLAND CUP.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Mr Evett has declared the following weights in connection with the Auckland Racing Club's Summer Meeting:—

THE AUCKLAND CUP HANDICAP of 1500sovs. Two miles. (Run on December 26.)

	st lb		st lb
Bluejacket	9 8	Glenaladale	7 0
Tortulla	8 11	Windwhistle	6 12
Battleaxe	8 7	Cure	6 10
Boreas	8 6	Highlander	6 10
Beddington	8 3	Glasgow	6 10
Coronet	8 0	Defender	6 10
Val Rosa	8 0	Menura	6 10
Nonette	8 0	Toi	6 10
Ideal	7 12	Tigress	6 10
Palaver	7 12	Ia	6 10
Pampero	7 10	Voice	6 10
Skobeloff	7 7	Scotty	6 10
Formula	7 7	Regalia II.	6 10
Ostlak	7 6	North Star	6 10
St. Ursula	7 4	Reliance	6 10
St. Michael	7 4	Hesper	6 7
San Remo	7 4	Belfast	6 7
Canteen	7 2	Kissaline	6 7
Materoa	7 2	The Doctor	6 7
Fashion	7 2	Mars	6 7
Djin-Djin	7 2		

THE RAILWAY HANDICAP of 400sovs. Six furlongs.

	st lb		st lb
Menschikoff	10 0	Calibre	7 8
Blazer	9 12	St. Olga	7 6
Hohoro	9 12	Scotty	7 3
Pampero	9 6	Terror	7 3
Rosella	9 5	Jewellery	7 3
Jabber	9 5	Cressy	7 3
Val Rosa	9 4	Defender	7 3
Royl. Artillery	9 4	Crecy	7 3
Cruciform	9 0	Highlander	7 0
Nonette	8 12	Stepina	7 0
Glenogle	8 11	Lady Avon	7 0
Ostlak	8 10	Float	7 0
Formula	8 7	Zealous	7 0
Takapuna	8 4	Rocket	7 0
St. Michael	8 2	Sparkg. Water	6 11
Tauhei	8 2	Cuirasette	6 10
Knight Errant	8 2	Maroon & Gold	6 9
Canteen	8 2	Gatelock	6 9
Solo	7 11	Kissaline	6 9
Ringlet	7 11	Hikipene	6 7
Jemima	7 8	La Polish	6 7
Landlock	7 7	Despatch	6 7
Glasgow	7 7	Liquidation	6 7
Phooka	7 6	Rangibrash	6 7
Winsome	7 6	Golden Rose	6 7

THE AUCKLAND STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 300sovs. About 3½ miles. (Run January 2.)

	st lb		st lb
Cannongate	12 9	Jack	9 10
Cavallero	12 8	Kowhai	9 10
Nor'-west	11 12	Princess Thule	9 9
Haydn	11 7	Right Metal	9 7
Gobo	11 7	Hinau	9 7
Huki	10 11	Terrence	9 7
Voltigeur II.	10 7	Chris	9 7
Pokomoko	10 7	Traverser	9 7
Dingo	10 6	Rufus	9 7
Straybird	10 6	Cronje	9 7
Scallywag	10 5	Puffing Billy	9 7
Hinau	10 3	Cafre	9 7
Sudden	10 2	Tulrue	9 7
Lochade	10 2	Tiki	9 7
		Lightning	9 7
K Jam	9 11	Tarragon	9 7
Ballinger	9 10	Master Mahoe	9 7
Tangahoe	9 10	Rolf	9 7

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