



By WHALEBONE.

FIXTURES.

June 28 and 29—Napier Park R.C. Water, July 6 and 7—Gisborne R.C. Water.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

CHARLIE and BILL.—The first race won by Carbine was the Hopetful Stakes at the Tattersall's Club Meeting at Christchurch on December 17th, 1887.

The Salvadan mare Lady Patricia has been turned out for a spell.

The N.Z.-bred gelding Masonic has been sold in Melbourne to go to India.

There is every probability of the Explosion mare Fusa being tried over hurdles in the spring.

The cross-country champion Antarctic has been physicked, and is at present being restricted to easy paces.

The gelding Blucount was tried over the double at Ellerslie on Saturday morning, fencing satisfactorily.

J. Chaffe, Jun., left for Dargaville on Saturday morning with Master Siv, which is to be turned out for a rest.

The Explosion mare Miss Explosion is doing steadily at Ellerslie, and may be taken south for the Wellington Meeting.

The Auckland horseman McFlynn was riding at the Hawke's Bay Meeting, having the mount on Aorangi when he fell in the big steeplechase.

The horses Southform and Silver Bullet were brought from New Zealand on Saturday morning and shipped to Sydney by the Maheno on Monday.

During F. McManemon's absence in Sydney, Mark Ryan is handling a full sister to Wenonah, by Spalpeen—Waimangu, which looks a likely sort.

The pony Malka was offered for sale by auction at Messrs. A. Buckland and Sons' yards on Saturday, but was passed in when bidding ceased at 28guvs.

Another effort is to be made to get a race out of Dawn, and the son of Birkhead is again amongst the members of T. A. Williams' active brigade.

All the riders on the second day of the Hawke's Bay Winter Cup Meeting wore red, white and blue ribbons on their arms in honour of Coronation Day.

Messrs. Tapper Bros., of Tuakau, have a nice shapely rising two-year-old filly by Hinton from Warbler, which will probably join W. G. Irwin's team shortly.

The local horseman A. Whitaker has entered us an engagement to ride the Messrs. Stead Bros.' horses in Australia, and will leave for the other side shortly.

J. Williamson intends taking First Barrel, Okahu and Scotch to Gisborne, and if present intentions are carried out the trio will be shipped south on Saturday.

A private cablegram received by Mr. J. Malloy states that the South gelding Wild West won the Queen Mary Stakes of six furlongs at the Rosehill Meeting on Thursday.

The only Auckland nomination for the Winter Hurdle Race at the Wellington Meeting is Don Quex, Antarctic and Hoanga appear in the list for the Steeplechase.

Loch Fyne does not appear amongst the nominations for the Wellington Steeplechase. The son of Lochness is getting through a lot of solid work at Ellerslie in good style.

The Blue-jacket gelding Blucount was schooled at Ellerslie on Thursday morning, jumping a hurdle and the double. Blucount seems a safe conveyance over the big country.

A. McMillan has just broken in a rising two-year-old in Stratford—La Angie, which has been gelded. It looks the youngster as decidedly promising and is exceptionally well furnished.

Although the telegraphed reports made no mention of the fact, it transpires that when Lochheart fell in the Woodlands Steeplechase and Aorangi in the Hawke's Bay Steeplechase, the injuries received by both were so serious as to necessitate destruction.

The South gelding Master Jack was offered for sale at auction at the yards of the N.Z. Loan and Mercantile Company on Friday, but was passed in when bidding stopped at 60guvs.

The appearance of Elenski's name in the list for the C.J.C. National hurdle race, comes as a bit of a surprise. The son of Menschikoff has also been nominated for the Winter Cup.

It is stated that Mr. H. Cathrall, the owner of Whakawira, gave T. Fritchard £50 as a present for riding the son of Dignity's Progress to victory in the Great Northern Hurdles.

The Auckland-bred mare Prophecy, by Phoebus Apollo—Problem, which proved a champion in Western Australia, has been sent from that state to Victoria to be mated with Wallace.

The Menschikoff gelding Dogger Bank was jumped over a couple of fences on Saturday, fencing well. J. Chaffe, junr., will probably make a move south for the Wellington Meeting early in July.

The ex-hunter Winiata was in front going along the back the last time in the Hawke's Bay Steeplechase, and looked all over a winner, but a faulty jump at the double brought him to grief.

The gelding Casout, which competed at the recent Great Northern Meeting, has been retired from the turf. He has been somewhat of a failure since being purchased by Mr. J. R. McDonald.

The Auckland Cup winner Waimangu continues to make steady progress at Ellerslie, and in a task of a couple of rounds of the road last week as freely as he did before his mishap.

The workmen are getting on with the removal of the mound near the old mill post at Ellerslie. As usual at headquarters a lot of stone has had to be removed, and some tons have already been shifted.

After an easy time of it for a couple of months, the Great Northern Oaks winner Antoinette has resumed work again at Ellerslie. The little daughter of South looks healthy and well after her rest.

The cross-country horseman J. Plinker leaves for Gisborne on Saturday to fulfil engagements there, and afterwards journeying on to Wellington to ride Don Quex in his Wellington and Christchurch engagements.

The Leolantis gelding Le Beau was given strong work on the hills on Thursday morning, and evidently came out of the ordeal satisfactorily, for he has been nominated for the C.J.C. National Steeplechase.

The Auckland horse Hoanga was sent out favourite for the Woodlands Steeplechase. The son of Regal was a long way in the lead when they came to the double, but unfortunately ran off at the second fence.

Auckland owners are fairly well represented at the Wellington Meeting, the horses nominated from this end of the Island being Dogger Bank, Wanchowse Puss, Hangan, Elenski, Don Quex, Miss Explosion, and Antarctic.

Says a Wellington writer: "So far the only distinction gained by Leoburn Day, which is entered for the New Zealand Cup, lies in the fact of her having succeeded in kicking Koman rather severely as the colt were doing a gallop on the Waverley course. It was the injury so received that prevented Koman making his appearance in the Hack Hurdle race at Otakei."

The Phœbus—Apollo gelding Delovate has made a good recovery from the injuries received in the Campbell hurdle race on the concluding day of the A.R.C. Winter Meeting, and was working on the tracks at Ellerslie as well yesterday morning. Delovate has been nominated for the summer's flat race at the Wellington Meeting, but as he does not appear in the C.J.C. nomination list, his present owner is not anxious for the Southern trip.

The remarks of the Hon. E. Mitchellson, president of the Auckland Racing Club, that he did not think the club would reduce their stakes through the winter racing, will be interesting reading for owners. Some speculation is being indulged in as to which meetings the days will be taken off, and it will probably be found that the Spring and Summer Meetings will be in future two-day meetings. The Summer Meeting cannot be touched if the club wish to race at New Year time, for the Act will not allow a three-day meeting to extend over more than six days, which would just cut the New Year out.

At weight-for-age for two miles next November Trawafurge's weight will be 9.5, Prince Foote's 9.5, and Comedy King's 9.2, the latter receiving a 3lb north of the Line furling allowance. It is certain each will get more in the Cup, and it takes an exceptionally good horse to successfully carry w.f.a. of over in the big two miles handicap of the Spring. Twelve horses have done so in 50 years, and of these there were three-year-olds, two four-year-olds, three five-year-olds, one six-year-old, and one aged.

The South horse Master Theory was given a trial over the pony hurdles at Ellerslie on Saturday morning, when his display was very promising. He was tried again a few days later, but showed a lot of pig-mindedness and for some time could not be induced to face the obstacles. After a big fight his rider (Pinker) mastered him and he was persuaded to jump a couple of fences, getting over safely. Master Theory has the gift, and once he settles down may prove useful at the illegitimate game.

A Julian left for Christchurch on Wednesday evening. Julian has appealed against the disqualification inflicted upon him by the Wanganui stewards, and the hearing was expected to take place to-day. At first sight the victory of Napper in the Wanganui Hurdles on the opening day of the Hawke's Bay Meeting would appear to be all against Julian, but full reports of the running show that Napper ran much the same sort of race as he did at Wanganui, and at no point of the contest was fully two hundred yards in the rear, coming with a great run in the concluding stages, and eventually winning easily.

HAWKE'S BAY WINTER MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

NAPIER, Wednesday.

At the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's Winter Meeting to-day the totalisator receipts amounted to £9128, as against £6635 on the first day of the Winter Meeting last year, an increase of £2493.

Woodlands Steeplechase.—Winstead 1, Rosegrove 2, F. Hoanga ran off, and was removed, was left at the post. Won by a length, one hundred yards between second and third. Time, 4.28.

Ladies' Bracelet.—Espartero 1, Peary 2, Amato 3. Scratched: Ariom and Solo. Won by a length, a length between second and third. Time, 2.49.

Turama Handicap.—Leolantis 1, Te Whetu 2, Winiata 3. The only other starter fell. Won by half a length. Time, 3.26.

HAWKE'S BAY STEEPLECHASE of 400 sovs. About three miles. Mrs. J. Jamieson's b m Yasnak, aged, by Castor, 9.7 (C. Cross) 1. Mr. McDonald's Mount Cook, 10.7 (Young) 2. Mr. C. Thomson's Quail, 10.11 (Hercock) 3. Scratched: Lovell and Starlight.

Yasnak won easily by 10 lengths, the same distance separating the second and third horses. Te Arai finished fourth and Lull fifth. Aorangi fell two fences from home. Time, 6.41.

WIAKATU HACK HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

Eon. J. D. Ormond's b g Napper, 5yrs, by Birkenhead—Suooce, 9.10 (C. Cross) 1. Mr. A. Atwood's Captain Bell, 8.5 (Young) 2. Mr. H. Speed's Dull, 10.4 (Thompson) 3. Scratched: Mallet and Golden Clasp. Napper won by three-quarters of a length, Dull being an indifferent third. Cullinan finished fourth. Time, 8.24.

SCURRY HACK RACK of 100sovs.

Mr. T. Lloyd's Projectile, 9.11 (H. Gray) 1. Gold Battery 2. Gold Battery 3. A held of 23 faced the starter. Projectile had no trouble in winning.

HERETAUNGA HANDICAP of 150sovs. Seven furlongs.

Mr. E. Kemp's b m VI, 5yrs, by Merrivale—Armada, 9.13 (E. Lowe) 1. Mr. B. Nicholls' Starboard, 9.4 (J. Franks) 2. Mr. J. Cameron's Eclogue, 9.8 (Fletcher) 3. Scratched: Hilarian and Seaweed. Starboard got the best of the start and kept the lead until the straight was reached. Starboard then went to the front, but at the distance VI, Penemaker, and Eclogue threw out strong challenges, and in a great finish VI did not get up in time to win. Eclogue was a good third. Time, 1.34.

SECOND DAY.

NAPIER, Thursday.

The Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's Winter Meeting was concluded to-day in fine weather. The attendance was very large and the course in good order. The totalisator receipts amounted to £11,710, as against £9443 on the corresponding day of last year. The total for the two days was £20,838, as compared with £11,578 at the last winter meeting, an increase of £9260. Results are as follows:—

KIDNAPPERS TACK HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100sovs. One mile and a-half.

Mr. W. J. Douglas' Espartero, 10.6 (J. O'Connell) 1. Mr. C. Street's Dunlop, 10.5 (Young) 2. Mr. H. Speed's Dull, 10.7 (R. Thompson) 3. Also started: Bollo, Cullinan, Merry Lawa, Euroco, Kildonan, Higden, Polydora, Whitcomb, Carnbrozie. Dunlop won easily by half a length, with three lengths between the second and third horses. Time, 2.50.

Racing Reduced by Forty-three Days.

AND TROTTING BY ELEVEN DAYS.

The following report from the Racing Commission has been presented to his Excellency the Governor:—

"May it please your Excellency.—We respectfully submit to your Excellency the report of the Commission appointed under section 6 of the Gaming Amendment Act, 1910, with its schedules, adjusted to meet objections raised by the law officers of the Crown to the report as originally presented. We do not, however, concur in the validity of such objections, but it is unnecessary to discuss this point, as the decisions of your Commission on the matters submitted to it are not affected thereby. In amending the report for the purpose of avoiding the inconvenience of further delay, we have altered the "conditions" imposed upon some clubs to simple "recommendations." We lay stress upon the fact that most of these conditions or recommendations are intended to secure the safety and comfort of the spectators, or of the riders, and the observance of the decencies of life in the management of a sport conducted under the license of the State for the curtailment of recreation of the public. The conditions or recommendations are the outcome of an exhaustive inspection of the racetracks of the Dominion, and we strongly and unanimously urge their enforcement in all important points within a reasonable period. We make one additional recommendation: That where a club desires to alter the number of its totalisator licenses for the utilisation of the allotted days of racing or trotting, it should, as a rule, be permitted to do so. In witness whereof we have herewith set our hands and seal this nineteenth day of June, 1911.—(Signed) George Clifford"

HAWKE'S BAY HURDLE RACE, of 300sovs. Two miles.

Mr. J. A. Lucas' Continance, 11.2 (G. Jones) 1. Mr. C. O'Donoghue's Centaur, 10.7 (C. Cross) 2. Mr. G. Green's Winiata, 9.0 (C. Price) 3. Also started: Te Whetu, Pasvive, Mallet, Leolantis, Tim Toa, Raupapa, The Rabbit.

From an indifferent start Te Whetu and Continance were at once taken to the front, with Pasvive leading. Te Whetu led Continance to the railway bend, where the latter took the lead, and was never headed, winning easily by about two lengths. Raupapa and Leolantis fell. Time, 3.51.

HAVELOCK HACK STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP, of 120sovs. About two miles.

Mr. A. Hathaway's Rosegrove, 10.2 (C. Cross) 1. Mr. J. Kells' Castle Canter, 9.7 (O'Connell) 2. Mr. C. Cole's Winiata, 10.0 (H. Gray) 3. Also started: Don Carlos, Wainstead, Sardonox, Kobaspatki.

Woin easily by three lengths, with six lengths between the second and third horses. Time, 4.28.

LADIES' NECKLACE, of 60sovs. Once round.

Mr. W. Halley's Hilarian, 11.9 (Mr. D. Bulck) 1. Mr. J. Armstrong's Golden Water, 11.1 (Mr. G. D. Beaton) 2. Mr. P. McLeod's Pohutu, 11.7 (Mr. G. Hirst) 3.

Also started: Obeartly, Monsieur Soult, Burton, Bas Bleu, Scot's Fusilier, St. Biga, Turquoise, Longboat, Water-o-Milk. Woin easily by two lengths, with a length separating the second and third horses. Time, 1.37.

JUNE STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP, of 250sovs. About two miles and a-half.

Mr. C. Gordon's Lull, 9.7 (Mr. A. Gordon) 1. Mr. R. Thomson's Sir Letha, 11.0 (J. Hercock) 2. Mr. J. Cameron's Winiata, 10.5 (Fletcher) 3. Also started: Starlight.

Lull won by two lengths, with Winiata a poor third. Time, 5.2.

RAUKAWA HACK HANDICAP, of 100sovs. Seven furlongs.

Mr. G. P. Donnelly's Gold Circle, 9.13 (T. O'Brien) 1. Mr. F. S. Easton's Moutoa Girl, 9.8 (Price) 2. Mr. A. L. Langston's Otaka, 9.7 (Young) 3.

Also started: Amara, Stoutour, Compoed, Funch, Happy New Year, Hanaia, Gold Circle won easily by two lengths. A great race between Moutoa Girl and Otaka for second place ended in favour of the former by a head. Time, 1.32.

FINAL HANDICAP, of 300sovs. Six furlongs.

Mr. G. Hunter's Risa, 10.9 (H. Gray) 1. Mr. S. McCree's Cork, 9.8 (H. Griffiths) 2. Mr. C. A. Loughnan's Sawwood, 9.7 (Price) 3. Also started: Starboard, Eclogue, Ash. Risa won by two lengths, with two lengths between the second and third horses. Time, 1.17 1/5.