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RACING PROGRAMME



AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

**OFFICERS AND STEWARDS:**  
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NORTH NEW ZEALAND GRAND NATIONAL STEEPCCHASE MEETING.

FIRST DAY: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1894.

First race to start at 1 o'clock.

**Maiden Steeplechase of 80 sovs;** second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have never won 50 sovs. at time of entry. Four-year-olds to carry 11.6; five-year-olds, 12.0; six years and aged, 12.8. Entrance, 1 sov., and 2 sovs. each at post. About two miles and a half.

**Winter Welter Handicap of 50 sovs.;** second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Entrance, 1 sov., and acceptance 1 sov. each, to go to the funds. One mile.

**Grand National Handicap Hurdle Race** of 250 sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stakes. Entrance 2 sovs., acceptance 2 sovs., and 4 sovs. each at the post, to go to the funds. Over 8 flights of hurdles. Two miles.

**Selling Steeplechase of 60 sovs.** Entrance 2 sovs. each, to go to the funds. Four-year-olds to carry 11.6; five-year-olds, 12.0; six years and aged, 12.8. The winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race for 100 sovs. If entered to be sold for 50 sovs. allowed 5lb; if for 40 sovs, 10lb; if for 30 sovs, 15lb; if for nil, to carry 9.7. No other allowance. About three miles.

**Maiden Handicap Hurdle Race of 60 sovs;** second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have never won a Hurdle Race of the value of 30 sovs. Over 7 flights of hurdles. Entrance 1 sov., and acceptance 1 sov. each, to go to the funds. One mile and three-quarters.

**Pony Handicap Hurdle Race of 50 sovs;** second horse to receive 10 sovs. from the stake. Entrance 1 sov. and acceptance 1 sov. each, to go to the funds. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Over 6 flights of hurdles. One mile and a half.

SECOND DAY: SATURDAY, JUNE 9.

First race to start at 1 o'clock.

**Maiden Handicap Hurdle Race of 60 sovs;** second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. Entrance 1 sov., and acceptance 1 sov. each, to go to the funds. For all horses that have never won a hurdle race of the value of 30 sovs. Over six flights of hurdles. One mile and a half.

**Pony Handicap Hurdle Race of 50 sovs;** second horse to receive 10 sovs. from the stake. Entrance 1 sov. and acceptance 1 sov. each, to go to the funds. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Over 6 flights of hurdles. One mile and a half.

**Great Northern Steeplechase Handicap** of 400 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs. and third horse 20 sovs out of the stakes. Entrance 2 sovs., acceptance 3 sovs. each, with a final payment of 5 sovs at the post, to go to the funds. Winner of any Steeplechase of the value of 150 sovs after declaration of weights to carry 5lb. penalty. About three miles and a half.

**Handicap Hurdle Race of 100 sovs;** second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Over 7 flights of hurdles. Entrance 1 sov., and acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. One mile and three-quarters.

**Tally-ho Handicap Steeplechase of 100 sovs;** second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stakes. Entrance 1 sov., and acceptance 3 sovs each, to go to the funds. About three miles.

**Second Winter Welter Handicap of 50 sovs.;** second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. Entrance 1 sov., and acceptance 1 sov. each, to go to the funds. Seven furlongs.

**DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC., NORTH NEW ZEALAND GRAND NATIONAL STEEPCCHASE MEETING, 1894.**

With amount to be transmitted to Secretary A.R.C.

FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 1894, by 9 p.m.

**NOMINATIONS:**  
 Grand National Hurdle Race Handicap 2 sovs.  
 Great Northern Steeplechase 2 sovs.  
 FRIDAY, MAY 18, 1894, by 9 p.m.

**ACCEPTANCES:**  
 Grand National Hurdle Race Handicap 2 sovs.  
 Great Northern Steeplechase 3 sovs.  
 WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 1894 (General Entry Night), by 9 p.m.

**NOMINATIONS:**  
 Maiden Steeplechase 1 sov.  
 Winter Welter Handicap 1 sov.  
 Selling Steeplechase 2 sovs.  
 Maiden Handicap Hurdle Race 1 sov.  
 Ladies' Bracelet 2 sovs.  
 Hunters' Welter Handicap 1 sov.  
 Handicap Hurdles 1 sov.  
 Second Winter Welter Handicap 1 sov.  
 Tally-Ho Handicap Steeplechase 1 sov.  
 Handicap Maiden Hurdle Race 1 sov.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 1894, by 9 p.m.

**ACCEPTANCES:**  
 Winter Welter Handicap 1 sov.

THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 1894, by 9 p.m.

**ACCEPTANCES:**  
 Hunters' Welter Handicap 1 sov.  
 Handicap Hurdles 2 sovs.  
 Second Winter Welter Handicap 1 sov.  
 Tally-Ho Steeplechase 3 sovs.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1894, at the post.

Maiden Steeplechase 2 sovs.

Grand National Hurdle Race 4 sovs.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 1894, at the post.

Great Northern Steeplechase 5 sovs.

DATES ON OR ABOUT WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

FRIDAY, MAY 6, 1894.

Grand National Hurdles

Great Northern Steeplechase

THURSDAY, MAY 31.

Winter Welter Handicap

Handicap Maiden Hurdle Race

THURSDAY, JUNE 7, in Morning Paper.

Hunters' Welter

Handicap Hurdles

Second Winter Welter

Tally-Ho Steeplechase

Second Handicap Maiden Hurdle Race

WM. PERCIVAL,

Secretary, A.R.C.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB.

WINTER MEETING.

SATURDAY AND THURSDAY, MAY 19TH AND 24TH, 1894.

OFFICERS:

**PRESIDENT:** Hon. E. Mitchellson. **VICE-PRESIDENTS:** Jackson Palmer, Esq., M.H.R., Malcolm Niccol, Esq. **STEWARDS:** Messrs E. W. Alison, R. H. Duder, F. Wells, W. Adams, A. Alison, J. Mays, W. Avenell, G. Lankham. **JUDGE:** Hon. E. Mitchellson. **TREASURER:** Mr E. W. Alison. **STARTER:** Mr E. D. Halstead. **CLERK OF SCALES:** Mr F. Marks. **CLERK OF COURSE:** Mr Fred Wells. **HANDICAPPER:** Mr W. Knight.

PROGRAMME.

(Passed by A.R.C.)

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, MAY 19, 1894.

**Selling Steeplechase of 40 sovs.** Winner to be sold immediately after the race for 50 sovs. Four-year-olds to carry 11st 7lb; five-year-olds, 12st; six and aged, 12st 3lb. If entered to be sold for 40 sovs, allowed 7lb; if for 30 sovs, 14lb; if for 20 sovs, 21lb; if for 10 sovs, 28lb; if for nil, to carry 9st 7lb. Nomination, 1 sov. Distance, about three miles.

**Handicap Maiden Plate of 30 sovs;** second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 30 sovs. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, one mile.

**First Handicap Hurdle Race of 50 sovs;** second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, one and three-quarter miles.

**Britannia Handicap of 60 sovs;** second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, nine and three-quarter furlongs.

**First Handicap Steeplechase of 65 sovs;** second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 2 sovs. Distance, about three and a half miles.

**Royal Handicap of 40 sovs;** second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of the Britannia Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, five and a half furlongs.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY, MAY 24, 1894.

**Hack Handicap of 25 sovs;** second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 10 sovs at the time of entry. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, seven furlongs.

**Second Handicap Hurdles of 60 sovs;** second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, one and three quarter miles.

**Birthday Handicap of 80 sovs;** second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 2 sovs. Distance, one and a quarter miles.

**Selling Hurdles of 30 sovs.** Over six flights of hurdles. Winner to be sold immediately after the race for 75 sovs. Three-year-olds to carry 11st 7lb; four years, 12st 3lb; five, six, and aged, 12st 7lb. If entered to be sold for 50 sovs allowed 7lb; if for 40 sovs, 14lb; if for 30 sovs, 21lb; if for 20 sovs, 28lb; if for nil, to carry 9st. Nomination, 1 sov. Distance, one and a half miles.

**Victoria Handicap of 40 sovs;** second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of the Birthday Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, five and a half furlongs.

**Second Handicap Steeplechase of 80 sovs;** second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 2 sovs. Distance, about three and a half miles.

**Welter Handicap of 30 sovs;** second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of any race after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Lowest weight 7st 7lb. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, one mile.

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NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

FRIDAY, APRIL 27TH, by 9 p.m. (First Day).

**NOMINATIONS:**

Handicap Maiden Plate 1 sov.

First Handicap Hurdles 1 sov.

Britannia Handicap 1 sov.

Royal Handicap 1 sov.

First Handicap Steeplechase 1 sov.

Second Day—

Second Handicap Hurdles 1 sov.

Birthday Handicap 1 sov.

Second Handicap Steeplechase 1 sov.

Victoria Handicap 1 sov.

Welter Handicap 1 sov.

Hack Handicap 1 sov.

WEIGHTS.

First Day—FRIDAY, MAY 4TH, by 4 p.m.

Second Day—MONDAY, MAY 21ST, by 4 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES AND GENERAL ENTRIES.

FRIDAY, MAY 11TH, by 9 p.m.

Handicap Maiden Plate 1 sov.

First Handicap Hurdles 1 sov.

Britannia Handicap 1 sov.

Selling Hurdles 1 sov.

Selling Steeplechase 1 sov.

Royal Handicap 1 sov.

First Handicap Steeplechase 2 sovs.

TUESDAY, MAY 22ND, by 9 p.m. (Second Day's Racing.)

Second Handicap Hurdles 1 sov.

Hack Handicap 1 sov.

Birthday Handicap 2 sovs.

Second Handicap Steeplechase 2 sovs.

Victoria Handicap 1 sov.

Welter Handicap 1 sov.

R. WYNARD,

Secretary.

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

To be held on

THE AVONDALE RACECOURSE

ON

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 1894.

**JUDGE:** Mr J. Bolland. **STARTER:** Mr E. D. Halstead. **HANDICAPPER:** Mr W. Knight. **STEWARDS:** Messrs R. Garrett, T. Barclay, M. Foley, S. J. Best, Joseph May, E. J. Cairns, H. Bishop, J. Binstead, W. Bailey and D. B. Tonks. **CLERK OF SCALES:** Mr F. W. Marks. **CLERK OF COURSE:** Mr T. A. Brown.

PROGRAMME.

(Passed by Auckland Racing Club.)

**Maiden Plate Handicap of 30 sovs.** For all horses that have not won an advertised race exceeding 25 sovs at time of starting. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, seven furlongs.

**Handicap Hurdles of 50 sovs.;** second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stake. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, one and three-quarter miles.

**Autumn Handicap of 55 sovs.;** second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stake. Winner of any race after the declaration of the weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, one mile.

**Pony Handicap of 20 sovs.** For all ponies 14.2 and under. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, 6 furlongs.

**Maiden Steeplechase Handicap of 30 sovs.** For all horses that have never won a Steeplechase valued 25 sovs. at time of starting. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, about two and a half miles.

**Waitakeri Handicap of 30 sovs.;** second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stake. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Winner of the Autumn Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb. Distance, seven furlongs.

**Handicap Steeplechase of 55 sovs.;** second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stake. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, about three miles.

**Shorts Handicap of 30 sovs.** Winner of Autumn Handicap or Waitakeri Handicap to carry a penalty of 6lb. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, five furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ETC.

Nominations for all races close with the Secretary, at the office of the Sporting Review, Vulcan Lane, on FRIDAY, March 30th, 1894, at 9 p.m.

Weights will appear on or about TUESDAY, April 3rd, 1894.

Acceptances will close on FRIDAY, April 6th, at 9 p.m. Order of running subject to alteration. Five per cent. deducted from gross winnings.

H. H. HAYR,

Hon. Secretary.

FOXTON RACING CLUB.

AUTUMN HACK MEETING.

To be held on the FOXTON RACECOURSE on

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18TH, 1894

**PRESIDENT:** F. Robinson. **VICE-PRESIDENT:** E. S. Thynne. **JUDGE:** H. F. Davidson. **STEWARDS AND COMMITTEE:** T. P. Williams, J. H. Robinson, W. B. Rhodes, J. R. Whyte, J. Ahearne, P. Dudson, S. Trask, W. T. Little, A. Strang, J. Davies. **HANDICAPPER:** John Coyle. **CLERK OF SCALES:** George Gray. **CLERK OF COURSE:** F. R. Young. **HON. TREASURER:** Walter G. Robinson. **TIMEKEEPER:** A. E. T. Nixon. **STARTER:** H. Gillies.

PROGRAMME.

1. 11.50 a.m.—Flying Stakes Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 10s; Acceptance 1 sov. Six furlongs.

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2. 12.30 p.m.—Handicap Hurdle Race of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a half, over six flights of hurdles 8ft 6in high.

3. 1.30 p.m.—Autumn Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs and third horse 5 sovs from the stakes. The winner of any flat handicap of the value of 40 sovs and upwards after the declaration of the weights to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 3 sovs. One mile and a half.

4. 2.10 p.m.—Electric Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Winner of Flying Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 10s; Acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

5. 2.50 p.m.—Welter Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Minimum weight 8st 7lb. Winner of Autumn Handicap to carry a penalty of 5lb. Nomination, 10s; Acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a distance.

6. 3.30 p.m.—Stewards' Stakes Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Winner of Autumn Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a quarter.

7. 4.30 p.m.—Awahou Stakes of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Open to horses that have never won an advertised race of any description up to time of start. Entrance, 1 sov, w.f.a. One mile.

Nominations for all events except Awahou Stakes, close with the Secretary on THURSDAY, 15th March, at 9 p.m. Weights will be declared on or about TUESDAY, 27th March.

Acceptances close on THURSDAY, 12th April, at 9 p.m. Entries for Awahou Stakes will close on THURSDAY, 12th April, at 9 p.m. (Acceptance day).

DEFINITION OF A HACK.—A hack is a horse that has never won an advertised race (hack and hunter races excepted); or is not nominated for any race at date of entry (hack and hunter races excepted).

In all nominations, description, age, and pedigree of horses must be given, together with colours of the rider. The advertised fee must in every case accompany nominations and acceptances.

All races to be run under Wanganui Jockey Club Rules and the Rules of Racing.

The Committee reserve the right to alter any of the above dates.

No betting except through the medium of the totalisator allowed on the course. J. R. McMILLAN, Hon. Secretary.

Passed in accordance with the Rules of Racing.—FREDERICK R. JACKSON, Secretary Wanganui Jockey Club. February 2nd, 1894.

EGMONT RACING CLUB.

WINTER MEETING, 1894, HAWERA

THURSDAY, 10TH MAY, 1894.

**PRESIDENT:** R. H. Nolan, Esq. **VICE-PRESIDENT:** A. W. Budge, Esq. **STEWARDS:** Messrs Robt. Hicks, J. Heslop, Wm. Adamson, H. J. C. Coutts, H. M. Woodward, Thos. Mason, Jas. Davidson, H. E. Good, Dr. Westera. **STARTER:** S. Powell. **CLERK OF COURSE:** J. T. Stone. **CLERK OF SCALES:** H. W. Sutton. **HANDICAPPER:** J. E. Henry. **TIMEKEEPER:** M. F. Baird. **JUDGE:** Wm. Brewer. **TREASURER:** W. A. Nairn.

PROGRAMME.

**Handicap Hurdles of 70 sovs.;** second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Over nine flights of hurdles 8ft 6in high. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 1 sov. Two miles and a distance.

**Handicap Hack Hurdles of 40 sovs.;** second horse 5 sovs out of the stakes. Over six flights of hurdles 8ft 6in high. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 10s. One mile and a half.

**Handicap Trial Steeplechase of 55 sovs.;** second horse 10 sovs out of the stakes. For horses that have never won a steeplechase of over 40 sovs. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 1 sov. About two miles.

**First Handicap Hack Flat Race of 40 sovs.;** second horse 10 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 10s. One mile and a half.

**Egmont Handicap Steeplechase of 150 sovs.;** second horse to receive 20 sovs, third horse 10 sovs out of the stakes

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FRIDAY, 4th MAY, at 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—	
Handicap Hurdles	1 sov.
Handicap Trial Steeplechase	1 sov.
Egmont Handicap Steeplechase	2 sovs.
Handicap Hack Hurdles	10s.
First Handicap Hack Flat	10s.
Second Handicap Hack Flat	10s.

FINAL PAYMENT—

Egmont Handicap Steeplechase 2 sovs.

AT THE POST.

Final Handicap Steeplechase 2 sovs.

ON OR ABOUT TUESDAY, 24th APRIL, 1894.

WEIGHTS—

Handicap Hurdles

Handicap Trial Steeplechase

Egmont Handicap Steeplechase

Handicap Hack Hurdles

First Handicap Hack Flat

Second Handicap Hack Flat

Weights for Final Handicap Steeplechase declared

immediately after running of Egmont Handicap Steeplechase.

Hack means a horse that has never won a race, or is

not nominated at date of entry for any race (hack and

hunter races excepted).

SIRE'S HACK PRODUCE STAKES.

TO BE RUN AT HAWERA, FEBRUARY, 1897.

Of 200 sovs., and Cup, value 5 sovs., to go to the

nominator of sire of winner. Nominator of Sire, 40

sovs. and Cup value 5 sovs. Nominator of winner, 40

sovs. First horse, 100 sovs.; second horse, 15 sovs.;

third horse, 5 sovs. For three-year-olds (now foals).

Derby weights. One mile and a quarter. Qualifica-

tions for this race:—Colts or fillies that have never

won a race, are not nominated, or have been nomi-

nated for any race (hack and hunter races excepted).

Nominations—Stallions, 2 sovs.; close on SATUR-

DAY, 28th October, 1893, at 9 p.m. Colts and fillies,

1 sov.; close on SATURDAY, 24th February, 1894, at

9 p.m. Colts and fillies—first acceptance, 10s.; close

February, 1895. Second acceptance, 10s.; close Feb-

ruary, 1896, when name of horse to be given. Final

payment, 1 sov.; close February, 1897.

Nominations and Acceptances will be received at the

time and on the dates mentioned at the office of the Club,

Hawera, and by H. H. Hayr, Auckland, and A. T.

Danvers, Napier.

Telegraph office closes at Hawera at 5 p.m.

ALEX. G. BRETT,

Secretary.

N.B.—The stakes in the above programme are subject

to revision by the Committee prior to closing, as to the

dates of entry, acceptance, etc., amount of added money

and conditions. The Committee also reserve to them-

selves the right to alter the dates on which the handicaps

appear should they deem fit to do so.

Submitted and approved by the Taranaki Jockey Club,

September, 1893.

BELL BLOCK RACING CLUB.

HACK MEETING.

To be held at Bell Block on

THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1894.

OFFICERS:—President—Mr Newton King. Vice-Presi-

dents—Captain Cornwall, Mr D. Teed and Mr H. J.

Fisher. Stewards—Captain Cornwall, Messrs. F.

Salway, C. Hunt, H. Julian, E. Putt, E. Wood, C.

White, M. Craig, C. Tate, and J. C. Montefiore.

Judge—Captain Cornwall. Starter—

Clerk of Course—Mr C. Colson. Clerk of Scales—Mr

A. Colson. Handicapper—Mr R. G. Parry. Time-

keeper—Mr E. Wood. Hon. Surveyor—Mr John

Skinner.

PROGRAMME.

Handicap Hurdles of 25 sovs.; second

horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Distance,

1½ miles, over six flights of hurdles 8ft. 6in. high.

Nomination, 10s.; Acceptance, 15s.

Maiden Plate of 20 sovs.; second horse to

receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. For all horses that have

never won an advertised flat race at the time of

starting. Weight for age. Entrance, 1 sov. Dis-

tance, 1 mile.

Bell Block Cup of 60 sovs.; second horse

to receive 10 sovs. from the stakes. Winner of any

race over the value of 30 sovs after the declaration of

weights to incur a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 21s.

acceptance, 21 10s. Distance, 1½ miles.

Farmers' Plate of 25 sovs.; second horse

to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. No weight under

100. Entrance, 21s. Seven furlongs. For horses that

have never won an advertised race, and have not been

nominated for any race within 12 months, excepting

Farmers' Plates, and winners of these barred.

Owners up or gentlemen riders (professionals barred).

Horses to be the bona fide property of nominators

for three months prior to date of entry. Open to

farmers in the Taranaki, Clifton, and Stratford

Counties. A farmer is, by resolution of Committee,

defined as a person paying rates on, or residing on,

30 acres of land.

Flying Handicap of 30 sovs.; second

horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Nomination,

15s.; acceptance, 15s. Six furlongs. Winner of any

race of the value of 30 sovs after declaration of

weights to carry 5lb penalty; of 40 sovs, 7lb.

Lightning Stakes of 20 sovs.; second

horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Catch

weights. For horses that have never won an adver-

tised race of any description, and have not accepted

at this meeting. Post entry, 21s. Five furlongs.

All horses competing in the Farmers' Plate, except

the winner, are eligible for this race.

Welter Handicap of 25 sovs.; second

horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. 1 mile.

Nomination, 10s.; acceptance, 15s. Winner of any

race of the value of 20 sovs after declaration of

weights to carry 5lb penalty; of 40 sovs, 7lb.

RULES.

All races to be run under the rules of racing as adopted

by the Metropolitan Clubs of New Zealand.

The Committee reserve the right to alter the date or

time for declaration of weights, nominations, or accept-

ances as they may deem fit, or to postpone the races in

case of bad weather.

DEFINITION OF HACK.—Hack means a horse that has

never won an advertised race (hack and hunter races

excepted), and is not nominated at date of entry, and has

not during the six months previous thereto been nomi-

nated for any race (hack and hunter races excepted).

NOMINATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES.

Nominations for all handicaps, accompanied by name

of owner, colours of rider, pedigree and performances of

horse, close with the Secretary, at the White Hart Hotel,

New Plymouth, on TUESDAY, MARCH 6th, 1894, at

9 p.m.

Weights declared on TUESDAY, March 13th.

Acceptances and Entries for Maiden Plate and

Farmers' Plate at 9 p.m. on SATURDAY, March 31st, at

the White Hart Hotel, New Plymouth.

The requisite amount must accompany all nominations

and acceptances.

Telegraph Office close at New Plymouth at 8 p.m.

Stakes paid in full.

A. A. AMBRIDGE,

Hon. Secretary.

Submitted and approved this 31st day of January, 1894.

—BOW, G. BAUCHOP, Hon. Sec. Taranaki Jockey Club.

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## HELENSVILLE RACING CLUB.

## ANNUAL MEETING.

TO BE HELD AT TE MAKIRI RACECOURSE

ON

SATURDAY, 7th APRIL, 1894.

President—The Hon. E. Mitchellson. Vice-Presidents—  
E. W. Alison, Esq., R. R. Douglas, Esq., L. Ehren-  
fried, Esq., H. P. Kavanagh, Esq., J. A. McMahon,  
Esq., M. McLean, Esq., Judge Rogan, J. Slater,  
Esq., D. Stewart, Esq. Stewards—Messrs. Cheriton,  
Downer, Downey, J. Drinnan, Evans, F. Little,  
Martin, McEwen, Norton, Rikys, F. Stewart, J.  
Wilson, J. Simcock. Judges—F. Dye, Esq. Starter—  
Owen McGee, Esq. Clerk of Course—Mr J. Kavanagh.  
Clerk of Scales—Mr John Stewart. Handicapper—  
Mr W. Knight. Secretary and Treasurer—Mr C.  
McManus.

## PROGRAMME.

(Passed by A.E.C.)

1. Maiden Plate Handicap of 10 sovs. For all horses that have not won an advertised race exceeding 10 sovs at time of starting. Nomination, 5s; Acceptance, 5s. Distance, 1 mile.
2. Pony Handicap of 15 sovs; second pony to receive 2 sovs out of the stakes. For all ponies 14.2 and under. Nomination, 10s; Acceptance, 5s. Distance, 6 furlongs.
3. Maiden Hurdles of 10 sovs. For all horses that have not won an advertised hurdle race exceeding 10 sovs at time of starting. Nomination, 5s; Acceptance, 5s. Distance, 1½ miles.
4. Helensville Handicap of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 12s 6d; Acceptance, 7s 6d. Distance, 1 mile.
5. Settlers' Welter Race of 10 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs out of the stakes. For horses the bona fide property of settlers residing within a 20-mile radius from Helensville, and owned not less than six months prior to date of meeting. Minimum weight, 9st. Entrance, 10s. One mile.
6. Handicap Hurdles of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs out of the stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 12s 6d; Acceptance, 7s 6d. Distance, 1½ miles.
7. Flying Stakes Handicap of 15 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of Helensville Handicap to carry 5lb penalty. Nomination 10s; Acceptance, 5s. Distance, 6 furlongs.

Nominations for all races close with the Secretary at Helensville on FRIDAY, March 23rd, at 9 p.m., or with Mr H. H. Hayr, at the office of the SPORTING REVIEW, Vulcan Lane, Auckland, on THURSDAY, March 22nd, at 8 p.m.

Weights will appear on or about WEDNESDAY, March 28th.

Acceptances will close on MONDAY, April 2nd, at Helensville, and on SATURDAY, March 31st, with Mr Hayr in Auckland.

Five per cent. will be deducted from gross winnings.

C. McMANUS,

Hon. Sec.

A SPECIAL TRAIN will run from Auckland.

Admission to Course, 1s.

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## SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

## AUTUMN MEETING.

MONDAY, APRIL 23RD, 1894

(ST. GEORGE'S DAY).

President—Isaac Coates, Esq. Vice-President—W. H. Herries, Esq. Judge—L. Cussen, Esq. Stewards—Messrs. F. W. Browning, W. Cussen, W. Thornton, E. C. Shepherd, N. Markham, L. O'Neill, R. C. Mathias, C. J. W. Barton, A. Furze, G. Edgecumbe, R. W. Dyer, Drs. Brewis, Kennv and Waddington. Starter—Mr C. J. Storey. Clerk of Scales—Mr A. Furze. Clerks of Course—Messrs. O. F. and E. H. Pilling. Handicapper—Mr J. O. Evett. Hon. Sec.—Mr C. J. W. Barton.

## PROGRAMME.

1. Trial Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For horses that have never won an advertised race of the value of 20 sovs. For two-year-olds and upwards. Nomination, 12s 6d; Acceptance, 12s 6d. Seven furlongs.
2. Handicap Hurdles of 40 sovs, second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high. Nomination, 20s; Acceptance, 20s. Distance, one and three-quarter miles.
3. Waikato Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of any race of the value of 40 sovs after the declaration of the weights to carry 5lb extra; two such races 8lb extra. Penalties not cumulative. Nomination, 30s; Acceptance, 30s. Distance, one and a quarter mile.
4. Pony Handicap of 30 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Ponies not holding A.R.C. certificate of height to be measured by the stewards. Nomination, 15s; Acceptance, 15s. Distance, six furlongs.
5. Resurrection Stakes Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 10s; Acceptance, 15s. Distance, six furlongs.
6. Handicap Steeplechase of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination, 20s; Acceptance, 30s. Distance, about 3 miles.
7. Publican's Purse of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of the Waikato Handicap to carry 7lb extra; winner of any race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Penalties not cumulative. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 20s. Distance, one mile.
8. Flying Stakes Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 6 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of Waikato Handicap to carry 5lb extra; winner of any other race after the declaration of the weights to carry 5lb extra. Penalties not cumulative. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, six furlongs.

## CONDITIONS.

NOMINATIONS for all races to be made to the hon. sec., Hamilton, before 9 p.m. on SATURDAY, March 24th, 1894.

Weights to appear on or about SATURDAY, March 31st, 1894.

Acceptances to be declared before 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, April 13th, 1894.

Five per cent. to be deducted from all stakes, to go to improvement of course.

Nominations and Acceptances to be accompanied by the necessary amount in cash.

Any jockey riding except in the colours entered will be fined 5 sovs. (This rule will be strictly enforced.)

Performances and description of horses and their riders' colours to be sent in with all nominations and acceptances.

C. J. W. BARTON,

Hon. Sec. S.A.R.C.

February 19th, 1894.

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## WELLINGTON RACING CLUB.

## AUTUMN &amp; STEEPLECHASE MEETING (COMBINED).

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,  
MAY 2ND AND 3RD.

Judge—G. H. Scales. Handicapper—J. O. Evett (except for Hack Races). Starter—S. Cundy. Clerk of Scales—John Wilkins. Stewards—J. J. Ames, J. Duncan, F. Franklin, J. B. Harcourt, Dr. Newman, J. Saunders, C. P. Skerrett.

## PROGRAMME.

1. Railway Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 1 sov. Three-quarters of a mile.
2. Hurdle Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 3 sovs. Two miles.
3. Hack Hurdle Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 10s; Acceptance, 10s. One mile and a half.
4. The Thompson Handicap of 225 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs and the third horse 10 sovs from the stakes. The winner of any race or races of the collective value of 100 sovs, after the declaration of the weights, to carry 5lb extra; of 200 sovs, 7lb extra; 300 sovs and over, 10lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 5 sovs. One mile.
5. Hunters' Steeplechase Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Open to all qualified hunters. Gentlemen riders Minimum weight, 11st. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 1 sov. About two miles and a half.
6. Hack Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 10s; Acceptance, 10s. One mile.
7. Stewards' Handicap of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 1 sov. The winner of any previous race the same day to carry 10lb extra. Seven furlongs.

## SECOND DAY.

1. Trial Steeplechase Handicap of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 1 sov. Open to horses that have never won a steeplechase exceeding £25 in value at time of nomination. About two miles.
2. Hurdle Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 2 sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
3. Hack Hurdle Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 10s, before 5 p.m. on the first day's races; Acceptance, 10s. One mile and a quarter.
4. Autumn Handicap of 115 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs and third horse 5 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 3 sovs. One mile and three furlongs.
5. Wellington Steeplechase Handicap of 225 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs and third horse 10 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 2 sovs; Final Payment, 3 sovs. About three miles.
6. Hack Welter Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Minimum weight, 9st. Nomination, 10s, before 5 p.m. on the first day's races; Acceptance, 10s. Three-quarters of a mile.
7. Electric Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 1 sov. The winner of the Autumn Handicap to carry 10lb extra. Five furlongs.

## DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

TUESDAY, APRIL 3RD.

Nominations.—Railway Handicap, Hurdle Handicap (both days), Thompson Handicap, Hunters' Steeplechase Handicap, Stewards' Handicap, Trial Steeplechase Handicap, Autumn Handicap, Wellington Steeplechase Handicap, Electric Handicap, 1 sov each; Hack Hurdle Handicap (first day), Hack Handicap (first day), 10s each.

Weights declared for the first day's handicaps, also the Trial Steeplechase Handicap and the Wellington Steeplechase Handicap.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25TH.

Acceptances.—Railway Handicap, 1 sov; Hurdle Handicap, 3 sovs; Thompson Handicap, 5 sovs; Hunter's Steeplechase Handicap, 1 sov; Stewards' Handicap, 1 sov; Hack Hurdle Handicap, 10s; Hack Flat Handicap, 10s; Trial Steeplechase Handicap, 1 sov; Wellington Steeplechase Handicap, 2 sovs.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2ND.

Weights for the second day's handicaps about 8 p.m. Acceptances for all events and final payment on the Wellington Steeplechase Handicap, 3 sovs, close on the same night at a time to be notified when the weights are posted up.

## RULES AND REGULATIONS.

All Nominations, Entries, Acceptances, &c., accompanied by the necessary amount payable, close at the Club Hotel, Wellington, not later than 9 p.m. (unless stated to the contrary) on the advertised dates of closing.

The Rules of Racing, as adopted by the Metropolitan Clubs of New Zealand, will be strictly adhered to.

Five per cent. will be deducted from the gross amount of all stakes. Horses walking over will receive 50 per cent. of the stakes.

Definition of a Hack.—A hack is a horse that has never won an advertised race at any time, hack and hunter races excepted, and is not or has not been nominated in any race other than hack races at the same meeting.

H. M. LYON,

Club Hotel,

Wellington, March 1st, 1894.

## WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.

## STEEPLECHASE MEETING.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY,

THURSDAY, 24th MAY, 1894.

## PROGRAMME.

1. Flying Stakes (on the flat) of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Distance, 6 furlongs. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 12 noon.
2. Wanganui Handicap Steeplechase of 225 sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs and third horse 10 sovs from the stakes. Over the Wanganui Steeplechase Course. Distance, about 3 miles. Winner of any Handicap Steeplechase of the value of 100

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sovs after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 2 sovs; Acceptance, 4 sovs. To start at 12.45 p.m.

3. Hunters' Steeplechase Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Open to all qualified hunters. Distance, about 2 miles. Over such course as the Stewards may direct. Gentlemen riders. Lowest weight not under 11st. Nomination, 1 sov; Acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 1.



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dent cause being shown. No person having received payment in consideration of work performed in connection with training or riding of horses shall be eligible to ride as a gentleman rider.

**Hack Handicap of 20 sovs;** second horse 5 sovs from stakes. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 7s 6d. Seven furlongs on the flat.

**Farewell Hurdle Handicap of 25 sovs;** second horse 5 sovs from the stakes. For hunters only. Nomination 10s; acceptance, 10s. Weights will be declared on the course immediately after the Ladies' Bracelet is run, and acceptances must be notified to the Clerk of the Scales within ten minutes after the Hack Handicap. Maiden riders allowed 5lbs. One mile and a half.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

N.B.—All events close at 9 p.m.

**MONDAY, APRIL 16th.**—Nominations for all events. **THURSDAY, MAY 3rd.**—Weights declared for all events except Farewell Hurdle Handicap. (The night of the second day of the W.B.C.'s Steeplechase Meeting.)

**FRIDAY, MAY 4th.**—Acceptances for all handicaps (except Farewell Hurdle Handicap).

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

All nominations, entries and acceptances, accompanied by the necessary amount payable, close at the Royal Hotel, Wellington, at 9 p.m., on the dates named. The Rules of Racing adopted by the Metropolitan Clubs of New Zealand will be strictly adhered to. Five per cent. will be deducted from the gross amount of all stakes.

Races Nos. 1, 3, 5, and 7 are confined to qualified hunters only. Owners or riders must produce Masters' Certificates to the Clerk of the Scales before the horses are weighed out for any of these events.

**Qualification of a Hunter.**—A hunter is a horse that has been hunted regularly with any recognised pack of hounds, to the satisfaction of the Master, during the seasons of 1893 or 1894, and the bona fide property of a member of any recognised Hunt Club.

**Definition of a Maiden Rider.**—Any member of a recognised Hunt Club, who has never before ridden in a race of any description (hunter races excepted), and who has never won a hunters' race at the time of starting.

H. M. LYON,  
Hon. Sec. for race meeting.



AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING, 1895.

NORTHERN CHAMPAGNE STAKES, 1895, FOR NOW YEARLINGS.

Of 200 Sovs., added to a Sweepstake of 10 sovs each, 5 sovs forfeit, or no liability if declared by 8 o'clock p.m. on the night of General Entry for the Autumn Meeting, 1895. The second horse to receive 80 sovs. and the third 40 sovs. Colts, 8.10, fillies, 8.8; geldings allowed 5lb. The forfeit (5 sovs.) to be declared and paid to the A.R.C. Secretary by 12 noon on the day before the race, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake. Nominations, accompanied with 1 sov. (to the funds) to be made to the Secretary of the A.R.C. at his office, Durham-street; or to the Secretary of the C.J.C., Canterbury; D.J.C., Dunedin; H.B.J.C., Napier; W.R.C., Wellington; M.R.C., Blenheim; by 8 o'clock p.m. on FRIDAY, the 8th April, 1894. Six furlongs.

WM. PERCIVAL,  
Secretary A.R.C.

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AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.

To-morrow, Friday, April 6, by 9 p.m., acceptances will close for the following events:—

Maiden Plate Handicap, 7 furlongs, 1 sov.  
Handicap Hurdles, 1½ miles, 1½ sovs.  
Autumn Handicap, 1 mile, 1½ sovs.  
Pony Handicap, ½ mile, 1 sov.  
Maiden Steeplechase Handicap, 2½ miles, 1 sov.  
Waitakere Handicap, 7 furlongs, 1 sov.  
Handicap Steeplechase, 3 miles, 1½ sovs.  
Shorts Handicap, 5 furlongs, 1 sov.

FOXTON RACING CLUB.

On Thursday, 12th April, by 9 p.m., acceptances will close for the following events:—

Flying Stakes, 6 furlongs, 1 sov.  
Handicap Hurdles, 1½ miles, 1 sov.  
Autumn Handicap, 1½ miles, 3 sovs.  
Electric Handicap, 5 furlongs, 1 sov.  
Welter Handicap, 1 mile and a distance, 1 sov.  
Stewards' Handicap, 1½ miles, 1 sov.

Nominations will also be due for the Awahou Stakes, w.f.a., 1 mile, 1 sov.

SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

On Friday, April 13, by 9 p.m., acceptances will close for the following events:—

Trial Handicap, 7 furlongs, 12s 6d  
Handicap Hurdles 1½ miles 20s  
Waikato Handicap, 1½ miles, 30s  
Pony Handicap, ½ mile, 15s  
Resurrection Stakes, ½ mile, 15s  
Handicap Steeplechase, 3 miles, 30s  
Publicans' Purse, 1 mile, 20s  
Flying Stakes, 6 furlongs, 15s

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.

On Tuesday next, April 10th, by 9 p.m., nominations will close for the following events:—

Flying Handicap, 6 furlongs, 1 sov.  
Winter Oats Handicap, 1½ miles, 1 sov.  
Wanganui Steeplechase, 3 miles, 2 sovs.  
Trial Steeplechase, 2 miles, 1 sov.  
Wanganui Derby, 1895, 1½ miles, 1 sov.  
Two-year-old Stakes, 1895, 6 furlongs, 1 sov.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

On Friday next, April 6th, by 8 p.m., nominations will close for the Northern Champagne Stakes (1895), of 200 sovs, 6 furlongs

Patea Racing Club's  
Hack Meeting

(FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.)

THE annual hack meeting of the Patea Racing Club, which was held on Easter Monday, was well patronised by the settlers along the coast from Waitara and New Plymouth in the north to Wanganui in the south. The officers of the club were all indefatigable in their efforts to make things run smoothly. Mr G. T. Potto, the hon. sec., must in a large measure be complimented on the capital way the meeting was conducted, and with his name must be bracketed the names of the other officials of the club. Mr Frank Neylon worked the machine for W. F. Hill, and carried out his responsible duties to the satisfaction of all. Mr W. Baird wielded the starter's flag, and was successful in all his despatches except the Alton Handicap, in which race Goldenlock, who was side on when the flag fell, was left at the post.

Four were saddled up for the Handicap Hurdles, one and a half miles, viz., Romeo, Kiwa, Pembroke, and Blankney. Romeo made play at the stand, but ran off at the third hurdle, and Kiwa then assumed command and was never headed, winning easily from Blankney; Pembroke was distanced. Time, 3min 5 2-5th sec. Totalisator, 252. Dividend, £2 2s.

The Flying Handicap field was composed of Bonovoree, Goldenlock, Rewa, Javelin, Queenie, Mafia (13½lbs over), and Athene. Goldenlock was the first to move, but soon fell back, and Javelin then made play, and kept his advantage to the straight, where Bonovoree came through, took the lead, and won by half a length, Javelin beating Goldenlock for second place by a long neck. Time, 1min 20 1-5th sec. Totalisator, 355. Dividend, £1 18s.

The Catchweights, four and a half furlongs, brought to the post Marama, Huia, Hinau, Starlight, Comlachie, Flint, Paddy Miles, Luna, Wairere, Wakarua, Blankney, Campaspe, Rewa, Kapai, Wahamoko, and Recherche. Marama, a perfect demon over short distances, was installed favourite, and he justified backers' confidence, for getting into his stride quickly he never left the issue in doubt and won easily. Hinau was second and Kapai third. Kapai's jockey dismounted before returning to the paddock, and the judge placed Camlachie third. Time, 59 4-5th sec. Totalisator, 196. Dividend, £2 7s.

For the Patea Easter Handicap, one and a half miles, five weighed out, viz., Bonovoree (who put up 7lb penalty), Strike, Docility, Itch, and Actress. On the fall of the flag Itch went to the front, Docility second, Actress third, and Bonovoree whipping in. This order was maintained for most of the journey, but at the back Docility and Bonovoree ran up to Itch, and the trio raced round the bend to the straight well together. Bonovoree was the first into the straight, but the riders on Itch and

Docility drew their whips on their mounts but they could not get on level terms with Bonovoree, who won with a little to spare by a head from Itch, Docility close up third. Time, 2min 46 1-5th sec. Totalisator, 425. Dividend, £2 9s.

The Farmers' Plate, one mile, brought out Volta, Recovery, Lady Emmet, Primrose, Miss Volun, Splitlink, Rhino, Leander, Hopeful, Kiaterre, Conscript, Avalanche, and Madeline. On the drop of the flag Madeline, who was ridden by W. Cook, took command, and was never headed, winning from Conscript and Primrose. Time, 1min 54 4-5th sec. Totalisator, 295. Dividend, £4 5s. A protest was entered against the winner on the ground that Mr Coleman, the owner, did not reside in either the Hawera or Patea Counties, according to conditions of the race. The stewards considered the protest, and after an inspection of a plan of the district it was held that Mr Coleman's land was within the Hawera County. The protest was therefore dismissed.

The Alton Handicap, one mile, was contested by Strike, Goldenlock, Javelin, Huia, Actress, Dart, Mafia, and Athene. The result of this race was the surprise of the meeting. Mafia, who carried her handicap weight 7.0, and not overweight as in the Flying, never left the issue in doubt, and won easily from the favourite Huia, Javelin being third. Time, 1min 47 4-5th sec. Totalisator, 303. Dividend, £54 3s. There were only five on the winner. The rider of Actress, Dill, was knocked off through running into a post, but was not seriously hurt. The stewards held an inquiry into Mafia's supposed inconsistent running, but no action was taken.

Twelve started for the Post Stakes, four and a half furlongs, which was easily won by Marama, Hinau second and Snowdrop third. Time, 59sec. Dividend, £1 13.

Feilding Jockey Club's  
Annual Meeting.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

March 29.

THE annual Easter Meeting of the Feilding Jockey Club was held last Monday and Tuesday, and the only thing that marred a most successful and enjoyable gathering was the heavy rain which came on after the Hack Hurdle event on the second day. Nevertheless, the racing was good, and the speculation on the different events was fairly brisk. Mr Frank Hill and his assistants putting through the sum of £5787 during the two days. Mr W. G. Hartgill occupied the judge's box, and his decisions gave every satisfaction, while Mr E. Goodbehere was as usual indefatigable in the discharge of his secretarial duties. The starter's flag was wielded by Mr E. Woods, and as he was loudly cheered on different occasions for the manner in which he despatched his fields it was quite evident that the public fully appreciated his services.

The ball was set rolling with the Flying Handicap of 60sovs, six furlongs, for which Magazine 7.5, Goodwood 7.5, Musketeer 7.5, and Chatterbox 6.12, were saddled up. Magazine was installed favourite, with Chatterbox next, while Goodwood was strongly fancied by the Wanganui contingent. From a fair start Magazine rushed to the front, closely followed by Chatterbox. Goodwood was last, as he could not manage to get going on the hard ground. Magazine led into the straight, but here The Mute gelding Chatterbox put in his claim, and although the leader made an effort to stall him off the gelding won a good race by a length. Time, 1min 21 1-5sec. Dividend, £3 15s.

The Handicap Hurdles of 60sovs, two miles and a distance, brought out Pill 9.12, Oaklands 9.6, and Unity 9.4. From an even start Unity shot to the front and led the field till half a mile from home, when Oaklands and Pill took the lead, and a good race was witnessed until the last hurdle was reached, where Pill tired, and Oaklands forging ahead won with a little to spare by a length. Time, 4min 17sec. Dividend, £2.

Five faced the starter for the Hack Hurdles of 40sovs, one mile and a half, viz., Narrate 11.7, Entry 10.12, Lonely 10.7, Tenby 10.0, and Dorothy 10.0. From a good start Entry went to the front and kept the lead until the straight was entered for the run home, when Lonely and Tenby tackled him, and a good race ensued up the straight, Lonely eventually winning all out by a length from Tenby, who was two lengths in front of Entry. Time, 2min 55 4-5sec. Dividend, £4 18s.

The Feilding Handicap of 200sovs,

one mile and a half, brought to the post Liberator 9.11, Pinrose 7.11, Krina 7.0, Cordelia 6.13, King John 6.12, and Sunbeam 6.8. Liberator and Pinrose were almost equal favourites, the first named carrying £12 more on him than Pinrose. When the flag fell Cordelia and Sunbeam where the first to move, and the first named led her field at a merry bat until a quarter of a mile from home, when Krina and Pinrose forged to the front and the son of Hiko galloping strongly ran home an easy winner by four lengths, Krina two lengths in front of Cordelia. Time, 2min 40 4-5sec. Dividend, £4 2s. Krina ran over more ground than anything else in the race, being on the outside all the way. Liberator was never dangerous.

Four went out for the First Hack Race of 40sovs, one mile and a quarter, viz., Swift 8.4, Kalmea 7.13, Narrate 6.11, and Marcella 6.7. This race was a good thing for Swift, who led all the way, and eventually won as she liked. Time, 2min 15 3-5 sec. Dividend, £1 18s.

The Winter Oats of 50sovs, one mile, brought out the biggest field of the day, viz., Variety 8.2, King John 7.12, Bay King 7.10, Cordelia 7.7, Musketeer 7.4, Magazine 7.4 and Chatterbox 6.11. Variety was installed favourite, with Chatterbox and Cordelia next in the order named. When the flag fell Chatterbox jumped to the front and led his field at a good pace until the straight was entered, and it looked as though he would be returned the winner, but here Variety came with a tremendous run and managed to snatch the victory by a head. Time, 1min 47 2-5sec. Dividend, £3 2s.

Five sported silk for the Hack Flying of 30sovs, six furlongs, viz., Swift 8.12, Kalmea 8.3, Piano 7.9, Lady Clare 7.4, and Virgo 6.7. The race is easily described, as Kalmea led all the way, winning easily. Time, 1min 19 2-5sec. Dividend, £5 9s.

SECOND DAY'S RACING.

PROCEEDINGS on the second day commenced with the Denbigh Stakes of 60 sovs, one mile, for which the following faced the starter's flag: Chatterbox 7.6, Magazine 7.3, Musketeer 7.1, King John 7.0, and Goodwood 7.0. The public made Chatterbox a warm favourite, with Magazine next. Chatterbox and King John were in the front until the straight was entered, but here young Watt on Musketeer brought his mount along, and the horse galloping strongly ran home an easy winner by two lengths. Time, 1min 45 2-5sec. Dividend, £14 7s.

The Second Handicap Hurdles of 50 sovs, one mile and a half, was contested by Oaklands 10.3, Pill 9.9, Unity 9.2, and Sunbeam 9.0. When the word go was given Unity at once jumped to the front, followed by Sunbeam, the other two lying together. Unity continued to force the running, but at a quarter of a mile from home Pill and Oaklands closed on him and the three horses coming at the last jump together a good race would have ensued between them but unfortunately Unity fell, leaving the other two to finish it out, with the result that Pill gained the verdict by a head. Time, 2min 55sec. Dividend, £4 4s. Holmes, who was riding Unity, received a severe shaking besides a nasty bruise on the temple.

The Hack Hurdles produced four contestants, viz., Lonely 11.0, Entry 10.7, Tenby 10.4, Tit Bit 9.7. Tit Bit made play for half the journey, when Entry went through his field, and galloping strongly all the way won comfortably by a couple of lengths. Time, 2min 25 2-5 sec. Dividend, £3 4s.

The principal event on the second day was the Oroua Handicap of 100sovs, one mile and a quarter, for which Pinrose 9.2, Variety 8.2, Krina 7.4, and Cordelia 6.13, were the only ones to go to the post. King John was scratched. Krina and Pinrose were the two favourites, but they had to succumb to Cordelia, who ran so well in the big event on the first day. She made all her own running, and although Pinrose came with a desperate rush he could not get within a length of her. Time, 2min 13 3-5sec. Dividend, £4 12s.

Eight started for the Hack Flying, the winner turning up in Kalmea, who led all the way. Time, 1min 7 4-5 sec. Dividend, £4 9s.

The Shorts Handicap was contested by Magazine 7.13, Chatterbox 7.10, Goodwood 7.7, the ex-hack Chatterbox leading all the way, and winning by a length. Time, 1min 6 3-5sec. Dividend, £2. The Final Hack Handicap of 25sovs, one mile and a distance, proved a good thing for Swift, who won rather easily from Kai Iwi Lady and four others. Dividend, £2 5s.

# THE OFFICIAL CALENDAR OF THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

THE SPORTING REVIEW has been appointed the Official Calendar for the publication of all programmes in the Provincial District of Auckland, in terms of Rule 17 of the Rules of Racing.

Rule 17 reads: "The programme of each meeting in which the added money is £100 or upwards must be advertised in full once at least in the Official Calendar. The advertisement shall show that the programme has been approved by the Jockey Club, shall state the days on which the meeting is to begin and end, and the names of the stewards, judge, starter, clerk of the scales, and handicapper."

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## COLOURS.

(Registered with the Auckland Racing Club.)

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Mr. J. Forth	Blue body, white sleeves and sash, blue and white cap.
Mr. J. Sutton	Black body, cherry sleeves and cap.
Mr. A. J. Wilson	White jacket, yellow sash, and white cap, yellow tassels.
Mr. J. Lowther	Blue jacket, white sleeves and cap.
Mr. J. Marshall	All black.
Mr. T. Morrin	Black and amber stripes, black cap.
Mr. W. Bobbett	Black jacket, amber sash, white cap.
Mr. E. Burke	Black body, gold sleeves and cap.
Mr. A. Buckland	Black and white stripes.
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Mr. N. Dickey	Blue and white hoops, blue cap.
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Mr. T. B. Bell	Terra cotta and blue cap.
Mr. D. McKinnon	Maroon body, gold sleeves and cap.
Mr. H. H. Hayr	Salmon and blue hoops.
Mr. W. Walters	Rose and white stripes.
Mr. S. Cotton	Primrose jacket, blue sash and cap.
Mr. C. Weal	First colours—Blue body, gold sleeves and blue cap. Second colours—Blue jacket, white sash and blue and white cap.

Mr. A. Davis	Old gold body, crimson sleeves and cap.
Mr. A. Kidd	White jacket, cardinal seams and white cap.
Mr. J. Rae	First colours—Navy blue jacket, gold collar, cuffs and cap. Second colours—Navy blue jacket, gold cap.

T. Cartwright	Green body, mauve sleeves, yellow cap.
D. A. McLeod	Blue body, orangesleeves and cap.
J. Cartwright	Green body, mauve sleeves yellow cap.

## ASSUMED NAMES.

C. E. Woodburn, J. Cartwright, J. Lowther, C. Sexton, R. Burke, J. Sutton, J. Forth.

The following trainers have been granted licenses by the Auckland Racing Club:—H. Harrison, J. B. Williamson, John Rae, D. McRighan, Adam Byers, F. Stening, F. McManamin, W. McManamin, F. Dodd, James Kean, G. Wright, J. Fletcher, H. Smith, Murdoch McKenzie, Archie McMillan, H. Hickton, J. McHugh, G. Abolom, Michael Maher, Alex. Smith, Robert Smith, William Harrison, Walter Wilmott, Walter Mason, James Brown, Alex. Boyle, Alex. Parsons, P. Malone, W. F. Pearson, Harry Moore, Jas. Brwne, Henry French, John Egan, Charles Guff, R. Marshall, W. H. Windsor, A. H. Barron.

The following jockeys have been licensed by the Auckland Racing Club:—Thos. Taylor, R. Ryan, Thos. Stewart, Fred Say, A. McPherson, W. Gilly, W. Rayner, John Slater, D. Creamer, Jas. Skeats, T. Morrighan, P. Hammond, James Pyne, Kees Heaton, Alec Williams, W. Shaw, Hy. Priest, F. Davis, W. Smith, Harry Johnson, Joseph Duff, W. Quarterman, R. Collins, R. Wright, J. Gallagher, J. Carey, W. M. Hatfield, E. Donovan, R. Hall, C. Parker, J. Quinton, J. Homan, W. Moberley, John Farmer, Henry Smith, Sam Cook, H. Eva, J. Pennell, E. Duggan, G. W. Banks, Nathaniel Noble, G. E. Cudd, J. Keane, F. Burns, D. McKinnon, D. Wright, G. Donovan, T. Sharp, C. Coleman, W. Ashdown, Alfred Cook, John Cook, E. Monroe, Ambrose Dixon, Thomas Greenwood, E. Williams, James Donovan, James Buchanan, W. J. Williams, Robert Marshall, James Malone, John Delaney, Arthur Heyden, Wm. Barron, Alex. Sammons, Alfred Williams, John Casey, W. Neilley, Thomas Mahon, John Wells, Wm. Powell, Thomas Atkins, J. Whitelaw, H. Weal, T. Moore, A. Haydin, H. Cusdin, J. E. Parsons, Thomas Hodson, John Callaghan, —Tye, W. Laing, Wm. Braybrooke, H. Berry, W. Gall, T. Ward, J. Hutton, W. Jackson.

Apprentices' licences have been granted to Ben Jones, W. Brown, E. Headley, James Mitchell, W. Oliver, John Stewart, R. Donovan, Bert Cardleton, F. Farrell, Joe Seacatts, Thomas Hall, Wm. Parker, J. Munro, H. Hatford, Joseph Wren, C. Walker.

The following have been granted gentlemen riders' licences:—Messrs Bates and Moody.

## PROGRAMMES PASSED.

Mauka Jockey Club—April 6	
Avondale Jockey Club—April 14	
East Coast Inaugural R.C.—April 7	
Waitemata North R.C.—April 21	
Parawera R.C.—March 28	
Helensville Racing Club—April 7	
South Auckland Racing Club—April 28	

The following disqualifications by the Te Aroha Jockey Club have been endorsed by the A.R.C.:—That the horse Arawa, or Emmett, be disqualified for life.

The disqualification of the horse Bookas or Bacchus, inflicted by the Gisborne Racing Club, has been removed by the Auckland Racing Club.

All horses, trainers, jockeys, and owners that took part in the Northern Wairoa Racing Club Meeting, held on the 26th and 27th December, 1892, and the Whangarei Racing Club Meeting, held on 6th and 7th January, 1893, are disqualified.

The disqualification has been removed by the A.R.C. from ponies, owners, trainers and jockeys that have competed at meetings at Potter's Paddock prior to 1st August, 1893.

The disqualification of Thomas Geach for his riding at the Pakuranga Hunt Club meeting was endorsed.

The disqualification of Ingornis, and John Pennell, jockey, by the Thames Jockey Club, for six months, from 26th December, has been endorsed by the A.R.C.

William A. Martin, nominator, and James Malone, jockey, are disqualified for wrong description of horse at a race meeting held at Pakarae on 28th November last.

The Committee of the Auckland Racing Club meet on the first Monday in each month to pass programmes and transact general business.

Mr. F. W. Edwards was appointed starter to the A.R.C. by the Committee on December 5th.

WM. PERCIVAL, SECRETARY.

## LIST OF RACING CLUBS UNDER A.R.C.'S JURISDICTION.

Club	Secretary	No. of Votes
Alexandra Racing Club	Wm. Searancke	1
Awitua Racing Club	R. Millett	1
Avondale Jockey Club	H. H. Hayr	2
Bay of Plenty Jockey Club	J. D. Bailey	2
Drury Racing Club	D. Maher	2
Gisborne Racing Club	M. G. Nasmith	3
Gisborne Park Steeplechase Club	M. G. Nasmith	2
Huntly Racing Club	A. N. McLeod	1
Kapanga Jockey Club	H. Downs	1
Matamata Racing Club	J. Palaret	1
Ngaurawahia Racing Club	T. W. Simpson	2
Opotiki Racing Club	W. Parkinson	1
Onehunga Racing Club	C. F. Mark	no vote
Otorohanga Racing Club	G. H. Archer	1
Ohinemutu Jockey Club	E. Edwards	2
Oxford Racing Club	H. McLellan	1
Pakuranga Racing Club	J. H. Aislabie	2
Pakuranga Bay Turf Club	W. L. Lockhart	3
Pakuranga Hunt Club	J. H. Aislabie	2
Pakuranga Racing Club	H. H. Hayr	2
Rangitiri Jockey Club	Maaka Te Totahi	1

Rangitiri Jockey Club	H. P. Sylvester	1
Rotorua Jockey Club	Robert King	2
South Auckland R. Club	C. J. Barton	3
Takapuna Jockey Club	R. Wynyard	4
Thames Jockey Club	H. J. Greenalade	2
Te Aroha Jockey Club	P. Snewin	2
Turanganui Racing Club	M. G. Nasmith	1
Te Kuiti Racing Club	H. M. Hettet	2
Te Puke Racing Club	W. Brady	1
Waikato Hunt Club	A. J. Storey	2
Waikato Racing Club	Robt. Grunter	2
Waitemata-Mika J. Club	J. A. Harding	2
Whatawhata Racing Club	E. C. Shepherd	1

## SPORTING FIXTURES ETC

### AUSTRALIAN FIXTURES.

April 28 and May 2 and 5—South Australian Jockey Club Autumn  
May 19, 24, 26—Adelaide Racing Club

### COMING EVENTS.

April 5, 6—South Canterbury J.C.  
April 6—Mauka Jockey Club  
April 7—Helensville Racing Club  
April 7—East Coast Racing Club  
April 11—Waipawa County R.C.  
April 11—Marton Jockey Club  
April 11, 12—Nelson J.C.  
April 12—Bell Block Racing Club  
April 12—Waipawa County R.C.  
April 18—Foxton Racing Club  
April 14—Avondale Jockey Club  
April 21—Avonmatatiri Native R.C.  
April 23—South Auckland R.C.  
April 25, 26—Ashburton Racing Club  
May 2, 3—Wellington Racing Club  
May 5—United Hunt Club  
May 10—Egmont Racing Club  
May 19, 24—Takapuna J.C.  
May 24—Wanganui J.C.  
May 24—Otaki Maori Meeting  
May 24—Town and Suburban Racing Club  
May 24, 26—Dunedin J.C.  
June 6, 9—Auckland Racing Club Winter  
June 22—Hawke's Bay J.C. Winter

### NOMINATIONS.

April 10—Wanganui Jockey Club  
April 27—Great Northern Steeplechase and Hurdle Race  
April 29—Takapuna Jockey Club Winter  
May 1—Wanganui J.C.  
May 11—Takapuna Jockey Club, general entries  
May 30—Auckland Racing Club General Entries

### HANDICAPS.

April 17—Wellington Racing Club  
April 24—Egmont Racing Club  
April 24—Wanganui Jockey Club  
May 4—Takapuna Jockey Club Winter  
May 6—Great Northern Steeplechase and Hurdle Race  
May 8—Wanganui Jockey Club  
May 21—Takapuna Jockey Club Winter

### ACCEPTANCES.

April 6—Avondale Jockey Club  
April 12—Foxton Racing Club  
April 13—South Auckland R.C.  
April 25—Wellington Racing Club  
May 4—Egmont Racing Club  
May 11—Takapuna Jockey Club Winter  
May 15—Wanganui Jockey Club  
May 18—Great Northern Steeplechase and Hurdle Race

### FINAL PAYMENTS.

May 1—Wanganui Steeplechase  
May 2—Wellington Steeplechase  
May 4—Egmont Steeplechase

### COURSING.

May 12, 16—Auckland Coursing Club.  
June 18, 16—Auckland Coursing Club  
July 11, 14—Auckland Coursing Club  
August 15, 18—Auckland Coursing Club  
1894 (opening meeting)—Dunedin Coursing Club's Challenge Stakes.  
1894 (June)—Auckland Coursing Club's Northern Challenge Stakes. (Nominations closed October 27.)

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## Sporting Review.

THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 1894.

## DEATH OF MR. ROBT. GARRETT.

SINCERE sorrow was felt in the city yesterday when it became known that Mr Robt. Garrett, one of Auckland's most popular citizens, had joined the great majority, and an additional pang must have been experienced by his intimates at the news that deceased had died by his own hand. Mr Garrett was in a large way of business in the gum trade, and the recent losses in that branch of commerce apparently affected him keenly, and there is no doubt worried him to an extent that temporarily unseated his reason and impelled him to end his life. The deceased was prominently connected with every branch of sport, and a more genial or more straight going sportsman never drew breath. His death will rob the Auckland and Avondale Racing Clubs, the Pakuranga Hunt Club, and the Amateur Athletic Association of a staunch supporter, and local sportsmen will miss his genial presence at future turf re-unions. The late gentleman leaves a widow and family behind him, and heartfelt sympathy will be felt for them in their great loss.

AN interesting sporting lawsuit is pending in America and England in connection with the great Ormonde. Mr McDonough, the owner of that famous stallion, is to be proceeded against by Dr. Wm. G. Ross, who bought Ormonde for Mr McDonough for 42,000 dollars, for damages for violation of contract. The case is of interest to sportsmen, and serves to explain the incidents of the purchase of this noted stallion. In the course of an interview with an American journalist Dr. Ross said:—"In 1891 I was in England, and while there saw nearly all the great racers. I was much taken with the performances of Ormonde's sons, and was anxious to buy a good stallion if I could find some one who would share the risks. In 1892 I returned to California and became acquainted with Mr McDonough. He learned from me that Ormonde was for sale and concluded to buy him if possible. He seemed to be very ambitious to own a good stallion. Ormonde had been sold to Don Jean Boucan for 72,000 dollars by the Duke of Westminster, and was quartered near Magdalena, Argentine Republic. McDonough and I entered into a verbal agreement as set forth in my complaint. I found that Charles Reed, the famous Tennessee horse owner, was bargaining for the stallion, and had gone to South America. I cabled the owner an offer of £30,000 subject to my approval of the horse. This fell through, as there was already a purchaser in the field. In October, 1892, I went to England to try and negotiate a sale. Mr Reed offered £26,000 for Ormonde, and Mr McDonough directed me to accept Mr Reed's estimate of the condition and value of the horse, and to offer as high as £35,000 if necessary. I offered £30,000, and it was accepted. There was an embargo or mortgage on the stallion for 85,000 dollars borrowed by Boucan, and as a matter of fact Boucan would never have sold the horse if he had not been pushed financially. I arrived at Southampton Jan. 12, 1893, and secured quarters for the stallion on the estate of the Duke of Richmond, but Mr McDonough did not agree with me as to the disposition of Ormonde, and his solicitor attempted to secure possession in the English courts. I interposed a claim for £2500 for services rendered up to date. The Court ordered him to deposit £3000 to cover my claim and the expenses of the suit before he was given possession of the stallion. The action is now pending before the English

Supreme Court, and his deposit is still there." Mr McDonough's answer to the statements of Dr. Ross is that the horse was really bought through Tattersall's, of London, and that he paid that firm 3800 dollars commission on the purchase. He states that Dr. Ross abandoned the horse in England, and caused him such trouble with the English Courts that he is determined to fight to the bitter end any claim the doctor may put forward.

THE unfair treatment meted out to English breeders in the matter of stallion fees is causing marked dissatisfaction in the old world, and the absurd prices in vogue are made a great deal more absurd by the proportion of resultless matings which recent returns have brought to light. Horses like Donovan, St. Simon, St. Serf, Ayrshire, Rosebery, &c. are shown in a very unfavourable light in this connection. In 1892 eighteen mares proved barren to Donovan, whose fee is 1000 dols., and his living foals stood at seventeen. St. Simon's record was as bad, and Ayrshire's was worse. No return privileges are allowed when mares fail to produce, and the contention that breeders should be given a little more advantage in connection with stallions whose fees are so exorbitant should, we consider, receive serious consideration. The returns re barrenness are made still worse by the fact that St. Simon's foals this season are being born dead. "Thus the superb Queen Adelaide," remarks a Yorkshire correspondent of *The Spirit of the Times*, "who was bought for 7,750 dollars for the Blankney Stud at the December sales, has produced a dead foal to St. Simon, and so has the Scottish Chief mare Chant, bought at the same sales for 3,500 dollars for the late General Kodolitsch." Further proof of the ground breeders have for dissatisfaction is given by a correspondent of the London *Sporting Times*, who writes: "The very large proportion of barren mares in the Stud Book for 1893, and the slipping and dead foals is proof sufficient that return privileges should be the rule on all stud farms instead of being the exception." The writer goes on to advocate the formation of an association of small breeders for the purpose of selecting stallions on the return privilege system, and so check the excessive charges and the hard and fast lines laid down by aristocratic and wealthy owners of sires. According to a return in the article quoted from, eighteen mares were barren to Donovan in 1893; fifteen to Bend Or; fifteen to Ayrshire; twelve to St. Simon; ten to Royal Hampton, and seven to Galopin. As the above are all high priced stallions it will be seen there is ample justification for the owners' complaints.

THE question whether disqualification is a sufficient punishment for foul riding is agitating the authorities on the other side, and there are many prominent racing men who hold the opinion that the extreme penalty of the Turf is not severe enough to adequately meet the committal of that most cowardly crime. A writer in the *Wagga Express* advocates that the punishment which is meted out to criminals should be made applicable to those riders who are sufficiently brutal to endanger the limbs and lives of their fellow jockeys, and we are inclined to believe that the remedy proposed by him should be adopted. Writing in a recent issue of his paper here is what "Reginald," a well known turf writer, says:—"Without referring to any particular case of the kind, just a few comments in a general way on the villainous and murderous practice of foul riding in races. This subject has been so often handled that it is only waste of time to go into the heart of it. It will suffice to herein deal with a phase or two of it. If what one hears after every country meeting be true, there are a few jockeys at present enjoying the privilege of being able to accept mounts who would, there is not the slightest doubt, be a good deal more at home in gaol—their proper place. When these scoundrels go out in a race with an object in view attain it they will, by fair or unfair means. Woe betide anyone who is unlucky enough to cross their path, for they will stop at nothing; not even murder. If they find it necessary they will slap an opponent into a post, run him off against a fence, or bring him down by crossing; and the consequent danger to human life and limb by their conduct is never considered by them. What do they care if some poor mother's son, a father's boy, or a sister's brother be carried in a corpse, so long as they gain a few paltry pounds by his death. This practice can and must be stamped out, if not by the racing



authorities, by the law of the land. It has often struck me as remarkable that the police do not seem disposed to step in and take a hand in such cases. Is it not a criminal offence for a rider to deliberately and wilfully bring about an accident that might fetch in its train loss of human life and limb? Is disqualification for life sufficient punishment to meet such an offence? No, it is not by far. Make them answer before a judge and jury, and if found guilty mete out the treatment that their cowardly (for cowards they are) conduct richly deserves. Policemen who are told off to attend race meetings should keep an eye to this sort of thing, for their duty in this respect is as clear as day. The stewards also should do their part of the business fearlessly. It is for them to be always ready to receive complaints having reference to this matter and give them a thorough investigation." The suggestion is a good one, and racing clubs on this side of the water might do worse than give it serious consideration.

Owing to the interruption which has taken place in the coastal telegraphic service through the recent storm, our usual weekly inter-provincial budgets have not come to hand.

## Coming Events.

[By BORDERER.]

### AUCKLAND TROTTER CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

THE postponed meeting of the Auckland Trotting Club comes off at Potter's Paddock on Saturday next, and if the fine weather which has marked the last few days continues, the Club should have no reason for repenting their postponement. Good acceptances have been received, and although there is opposition at the North Shore and Helensville I don't think the attendance at the paddock will suffer in consequence of the latter meetings. The business of the day will be commenced at 1.30 p.m., when the Maiden Pony Race of 20 sovs, five furlongs, will be contested. A nicely handicapped field of nine will compete, and a good finish should result between Maxim, Circus Girl, Queen Quail and Sista. The top weight, Maxim ran a good race when Kaipara beat him in the Maiden Pony Race at the Otahuhu meeting and on Saturday next he should go very near a win. Sista is a smart pony, and should be close up, and so should Queen Quail. Whatever beats Maxim will be No. 1. The Harness Trot Handicap of 40 sovs, 2½ miles, will be the second item on the card, and Albert Victor, 5sec, should be the hardest nut to crack, and after him I like Ruby and Clyde. The principal flat race will be the March Handicap of 40 sovs, six furlongs, for which ten ponies have accepted. Vampire has 6lb more than the 10 stone with which he cantered home in the 5 furlong race last Saturday week, and it is generally believed the extra poundage will not stop him in a six furlong race. The Dove may trouble him, and danger will lie in the direction of Gillie. There are nine acceptors for the Stewards' Handicap Trot of 2 miles, and the pair on the 20sec mark, Schoolgirl and Rosebud, should be well in. Otakeho, 35sec, is a likely one, and so is Black Oats, 31sec. The latter has a big chance. Fifteen names appear in the Novel Trot of a mile, and Spreydon Lad or Hurricane should win. Maud S. is worth an investment. The attraction of the meeting will be the Steeplechase of 2½ miles, for which eight 14.2 chasers have accepted. Pica, 12.4, will take a terrible amount of beating, and Butterfly at 11.0 has a big chance of scoring. So has Effie, 9.5, whom I would as soon support as anything. Little Raven and Little Jane are a clever pair, and with the others named should furnish a capital race. I fancy Pica, Butterfly and Effie for places. In the Class Trot of a mile and a half, Yum Yum is on scratch, and concedes handicaps up to 32sec. She should win if Clyde or Mount do not stop her. The acceptance list for the meeting will be found in another column.

### WELLINGTON RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

THE nominations received by the Wellington Racing Club for their combined Autumn and Steeplechase Meeting, to be held on May 2nd and 3rd, are very satisfactory and promise well for the success of the gathering. For the principal flat event, the Thompson Handicap of

225sovs, one mile, forty-eight entries have been received, and the Northern, Southern and coastal owners are all well represented. In this race Auckland is represented by Lebel, St. Clements, Lottie and Eve, and amongst the racers from the South are Rebellion, Au Revoir, Reflector, Saracen and Aldershot. There are many strong milers entered, and in the event of a good handicap being made a fine race should result. The leading attraction in the jumping events will be the Wellington Steeplechase Handicap of 225sovs, three miles, and for this race twenty-four names have been handed in, only one of which, Omata, hails from Auckland. The fine field of forty appears in connection with the Autumn Handicap of 115sovs, one mile and three furlongs, and as in the case of the Thompson Handicap the list includes the names of all the prominent owners of both islands. The Railway Handicap, of 60sovs, three-quarters of a mile, has 28 entries; the First Hurdle Handicap of 100sovs, two miles, has 25; the second Hurdle Handicap of 80sovs, one mile and three-quarters, has 21; the Hunters' Steeplechase Handicap of 50sovs, two and a half miles, has 13; the Stewards' Handicap of 70sovs, seven furlongs, has 33; the Trial Steeplechase Handicap of 70sovs, two miles, has 17, and the Electric Handicap of 60sovs, five furlongs, has 34. The weights for the first day's events and the Trial and Wellington Steeplechases will be declared on the 17th inst., and acceptances are due on the 25th inst.

### HELENSVILLE RACING CLUB.

THE annual meeting of the Helensville Racing Club will be held at Te Makiri racecourse on Saturday next, and no doubt a fair number of Aucklanders will avail themselves of the special train, which the railway authorities have decided to run and attend the meeting. The acceptances are fairly satisfactory, and given merciful consideration by the clerk of the weather there should be some interesting racing. The day's sport will open with the Maiden Plate Handicap of 10 sovs, one mile, for which eight horses have accepted. Maid of Erin heads the weights with 9.0, and should be able to dispose of her field, although there may be concealed virtue amongst the lower weighted ones of which I am ignorant, for the majority of the runners are unknown to me. The light weight rejoices in the poetic name of His Gills, which should effectually squelch his chance. There are only four runners in the Handicap Hurdles of 20 sovs, one mile and three-quarters, viz., Tattler 10.10, Skittles 9.10, Romeo 9.8 and Rosedale 9.0, and if the top weight cannot beat his three opponents he ought to. Skittles is a mare I'm rather fond of and will give her second best chance. The Pony Handicap of 15 sovs, six furlongs, has attracted ten 14.2 performers, and with Storyteller receiving 6lbs from the top weight Cupid, I shall expect her to beat Mr Greenwood's mare and win the race. Fauntleroy, 7.12, is a dark 'un that may crop up. Red Rose at 8.10 is the only other one I fancy. Storyteller, Cupid and Fauntleroy may be the order of the finish. Seven have accepted for the Helensville Handicap of 20 sovs, one mile, and I like Edna, Tattler and Romeo. Those engaged in the Settlers' Race are unknown to me, and in the Maiden Hurdles of 10 sovs, one mile and a half, Skittles should score a win if started. For the Flying Stakes of 15 sovs, six furlongs, I like Romeo, Maid of Erin and Storyteller. The first race will be started at 12.30.

### Waipa Racing Club's Races.

(BY WIRE—FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

April 4th.  
THE Waipa Racing Club held a very successful meeting on the Te Awamutu racecourse to-day. The various events resulted as follows:—

Handicap Hurdle Race of 30sovs, 2 miles—Nero.  
Maiden Plate Handicap of 15sovs, 1½ miles—Rebel.  
Te Awamutu Cup Handicap of 45sovs, 1½ miles—Folly.  
Kihikihi Plate of 20sovs, 1½ mile—Folly.  
Pony Race Handicap of 40sovs, 1 mile—Red Rose.  
Flying Stakes of 20sovs, 6 furlongs—Folly.

The privileges in connection with the Avondale Jockey Club's forthcoming autumn meeting will be sold by public auction by Messrs. Digby Tonks & Co., to-morrow, (Friday) at noon.

## ANTICIPATIONS.

### AUCKLAND TROTTER CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

[By BORDERER.]

March Handicap, six furlongs.—Vampire 1, The Dove 2, Gillie 3.  
Maiden Pony, five furlongs.—Maxim 1, Sista 2, Queen Quail 3.  
Steeplechase, two and a half miles.—Pica 1, Butterfly 2, Effie 3.  
Stewards' Trot, two miles.—Otakeho or Rosebud 1, Schoolgirl 2, Black Oats 3.  
Class Trot, one mile and a half.—Yum Yum or Charlie 1, Clyde 2, Mount 3.  
Novel Trot, one mile.—Hurricane 1, Spreydon Lad 2, Maud S. 3.  
Harness Trot, two miles and a quarter.—Albert Victor 1, Ruby 2, Clyde 3.

### FOXTON RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

(FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.)

Flying Stakes Handicap of 30 sovs, 6 furlongs.—Rollcall 1, Kalmea 2, Voltaire 3.  
Autumn Handicap of 100 sovs, one mile and a half.—Eothen 1, Bonovoree 2, Kimua 3.  
Hurdles of 40 sovs, one mile and a half.—Entry 1, Lonely 2, Spreydon 3.  
Electric Handicap of 30 sovs, five furlongs.—Rollcall 1, Voltaire 2, Sydney 3.  
Welter Handicap of 30 sovs, one mile and a distance.—Tenby 1, Tramore 2, Karamea 3.  
Stewards' Stakes Handicap of 40 sovs, one mile and a quarter.—Swift 1, Buckler 2, Pihanga 3.

## NOTES BY THE WAY.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

NEW PLYMOUTH, April 3rd.  
THE Nile case has at last been settled. It will be remembered that Nile won the Consolation Handicap at the recent Oeo races, but a protest was entered by the owner of the second horse on the ground that Eva, the rider of the winner, was a disqualified jockey, having been suspended by the Metropolitan Club—the Taranaki Jockey Club. The case was referred to the Metropolitan Club, who decided in favour of Nile on the grounds (1) that Eva's disqualification had never been officially gazetted; and (2) that Mr Corrigan, the owner of Nile, was ignorant that Eva was disqualified when he put him up to ride. The lucky investors on Nile will therefore receive £31 10s for each pound invested in the totalisator.

The Stratford Racing Club endeavoured to get up another fixture this year, but owing to the increased prize money provided for in the Rules of Racing being beyond their means they were compelled to abandon the project.

The residents of Eltham are endeavouring to start a racing club. A meeting in that flourishing district would be a certain success.

The Taranaki Club committee the other night refused to lift the disqualification off Hymen, who was run at an unregistered meeting at Tarata, on the ground that the committee had not sufficient information placed before them.

That consistent pony, Lady Onslow, is turned out on account of injuries sustained through being cut in a barb wire fence. The mare has almost recovered from the cuts, but the enforced spell will debar her from taking part in the approaching Egmont Winter Meeting.

Waiuku is in work again, and will probably take part in the hack events at the Egmont Winter Meeting.

The pony Mother Shipton, by Australian, has so far been a disappointment to Mr J. J. Russell.

There were only five tickets invested on Mufin's chance in the Alton Handicap at Patea, and only one was held by the parties connected with the Foulshot mare. The stable put all their pounds on her chance in the Flying and not being satisfied with her running in that they practically let her go out unbacked in the other event. One sport, who hails from Opunake, had a full ticket and raked in £54 3s. A case of pure luck.

Racing people along the coast are wondering how the Auckland public let Little Tom pay such a big dividend on the outside machine at the recent meeting, more especially in face of the fact that Little Tom ran a good second to Kathleen in the pony race the first day. A reason is advanced that the stable had all their money on in the inside machine, hence the small dividend, in comparison, paid out there. But where were the British public in respect to the outside

machine? [That's just what the British public are kicking themselves over.—Ed. S.R.]

My selections for the Foxton Meeting, which takes place on April 18th, (picking from the full list) are:—Flying—Roll Call, Kalmea, Voltaire. Autumn Handicap—Eothen, Bonovoree, Kimua. Hurdles—Entry, Lonely, Spreydon Lad. Electric—Roll Call, Voltaire, Sydney. Welter—Tenby, Tramore, Karamea. Stewards—Swift, Buckler, Pihanga.

Capital acceptances and general entries have been received by Mr A. A. Ambridge for the Bell Block Meeting, which will be held on Thursday, April 12th, and given a fine day the meeting should prove a success. Seven are left in the Hurdles. I fancy Kiora, Cingalee, and Dick in order, and if anything should disturb this pick it will be Australasia, whose turn of pace will make him dangerous if he will jump, but I understand he is far from being a proficient fencer. Eleven have been left in the Cup, one and a quarter miles, and for places I like the chances of Kimua, Docility and Itch. Ten remain in the Flying Handicap. Sydney, Mafia and Goldenlock are likely ones to fill the places. There are fifteen in the Welter, but as most of those engaged have previous engagements it would be premature now to state what the probable placed horses would be, as several are sure not to face the starter. Previous running of those who face the starter should guide public in their fancies. There are thirteen in the Maiden. With a start Kimua should fill first place, with Dick next, and Primrose third. Nine have been entered for the Farmers' Plate, but as the majority of those entered are unknown to me I prefer to leave the race alone. A Catchweight race, post entry, makes up the programme.

Since writing the paragraph about a proposed racing club at Eltham I learn that at a meeting of sports it was decided to form a club, and a committee was appointed to arrange about a course.

J. McCracken has severed his connection with Mr Russell's stable at New Plymouth, and is now in charge of Mr A. Standish's colt Donovan and the mares Shiela and Maratan.

It is reported that Barcelona is the name of a gelding who is alleged to have been recently "rung in" on the West Coast.

Mr Will Jury advertises that he has opened new and commodious livery and bait stables in Queen-street, New Plymouth. He solicits patronage.

Mr Jas. West has removed to new and enlarged premises in Egmont-street, New Plymouth. Every convenience has been arranged, including a speciality in the form of a ladies' waiting room.

A prominent member of the Wanganui Jockey Club has gone to Sydney. The Dandy enquiry has been adjourned.

## WELLINGTON JOTTINGS.

[By PROTEUS.]

March 27.

THE Wellington Cycling and Harriers Clubs held sports last Saturday on the Basin Reserve. The attendance of the public must have numbered 4000, and considerable interest was manifested in the proceedings, which were of a pleasing nature. Strict punctuality was observed and rigorously enforced in the matter of starting the events. Morpeth, the champion mile and three mile runner, had hard luck in not getting a place in the Mile Flat, but even experienced runners now and again misjudge their powers, which I think must have been the case with Morpeth, as he did not seem to pass his men well. In fact his wild steering resulted in his being spiked. He, however, won the Two Mile Flat. Hempton again established his superiority over 220 Yards, winning comfortably. The Five Mile Provincial Bicycle Championship was carried off by Muir, who rode prettily and well, beating the field in brilliant style. The times for the various events were not phenomenal, but must be considered fair in the face of the strong wind that was blowing. Appended are the results of the events:—

One Mile Bicycle Open Handicap.—L. A. Herbert, 20yds, 1; W. Chegwidden, scratch, 2; W. D. Avery, 70yds, 3. Also competed, A. H. Hunt, scr.; E. F. McGuire, 70yds. Won by about four feet. Avery fell in the first lap, but remounted and managed to secure third place. Time, 3min 15 3-5th sec.  
800yds Flat Handicap.—C. W. Palmer, 15yds, 1; F. C. Angel, scratch, 2; F. McKinlay, 25yds, 3. Also ran, E. M. G. Dodwell, 15yds, 4. Lawlor, 30yds, G. B. Nicholls 40yds. Nicholls led for half the

distance, McKinlay being second, but in the back stretch they were both passed by Palmer, who won rather easily. Time, 2min 9sec.

One Mile Bicycle Handicap (for members of W.C.C. only).—F. Muir, scratch, 1; L. T. Herbert, 100yds, 2; D. Brand, 70yds, 3. Also competed, J. McGuiston scratch, W. Chegwiddden 80yds, A. H. Hunt 90yds, W. S. Pearce 120yds, J. D. Avery 150yds. Time, 3min 5 2-5th sec.

Three Mile Roadster Handicap (open).—W. S. Pearce, 250yds, 1; H. H. Jessop, 350yds, 2; T. M. Lucy, scratch, 3. Also competed, J. McGuiston scratch, and D. Brand. Time, 10min 2-5th sec.

One Mile Flat Handicap, Ladies' Bracelet.—C. W. Palmer, 45yds, 1; D. McKay, 50yds, 2; S. Hawthorn, 50yds, 3. Also ran, C. D. Morpeth scratch, H. Osman 50yds, G. S. Hill 60yds, R. Travers 80yds, H. Crowe 100yds. Won by half a yard.

Five Mile Provincial Bicycle Championship (roadsters only).—F. B. Muir 1; Jas. Bisail (Wanderers' Bicycle Club, Napier), 2; L. T. Herbert, 3. Also competed, T. M. Lucy and J. McGuiston. Time, 17min 36 1-5th sec.

One Thousand Flat Handicap.—A. M. Stuart, scratch, 1; C. W. Palmer, 35yds, 2; H. Davies, 60yds, 3. Time, 2min 29 3-5th sec.

Two Mile Bicycle Handicap (for members of the W.C.C. only).—F. B. Muir, 20yds, 1; W. Chegwiddden, 100yds, 2; D. Brand, 100yds, 3. Also competed, J. McGuiston. Time, 5min 16sec.

Quarter Mile Tricycle Handicap (for boys under 14).—F. Baker, 6yrs, 100yds, 1; W. Berry, 13yrs, scratch, 2; A. Ross, 11yrs, 20yds, 3. This was a very amusing race, and was won easily by Baker.

Two Mile Flat Handicap (for members of Wellington Harriers only).—C. D. Morpeth, scratch, 1; F. C. Angell, 60yds, 2; S. Hawthorne, 110yds, 3. Also ran, G. B. Nicholls 150yds. Morpeth ran splendidly. Time, 10min 30 3-5th sec.

One Mile Bicycle Variety Surprise Race.—L. J. Herbert, 1; J. McGuiston, 2; W. F. Christie, 3. Also competed, J. D. Avery, D. Brand, W. Chegwiddden, and H. Muir. Herbert made the pace in the last lap, and rapidly getting on terms with his men won a fine race by about eight yards. Time, 3min 5 3-5th sec.

210yds Flat Handicap (open).—First Heat—J. H. Hempton, scratch, 1; G. Smith, 16yds, 2. Time, 25 3-5th secs. Second Heat.—A. G. Hatrick, 15yds, 1; T. Manifold, 16yds, 2; G. H. Holden, 5yds, 3. Time, 23 3-5th sec. Third Heat.—G. C. P. Trip, 15yds, 1; W. King, 16yds, 2. Time, 26sec. Final Heat.—Hempton, 1; Patrick, 2; Manifold, 3. Hempton got through his men in fine style, and won a splendid race by a yard and a half. Time, 23 3-5th sec.

## Caius Augustus.

SOME years back, at a time when speculation on forthcoming events took a wider range than at the present day—that is, before starting price betting had come so much into vogue—among those best acquainted with the inner workings of the turf world, it was voted as remarkable how well-informed as to the genuineness of the reverse of candidates for the principal handicaps a certain section of the ring constantly proved to be.

Whatever may be the case at the present day, it is undoubtedly the fact that at the time alluded to early information was obtained illicitly from official sources by certain members of the ring.

The time at which horses were scratched for various events were not then recorded as accurately as they now are, and owing to this laxness bookmakers were frequently enabled to lay odds to large sums of money against horses which they knew at the time of making the bets had already been scratched for the race in question.

In very many instances the time of scratchings were never recorded at all; in others, letters from owners ordering the striking out of their horses were held back by accomplices of bookmakers, so as to allow time for the latter to get a bit out of the departed.

Prominent among the particular section of the ring previously alluded to, in fact it might almost be said its guiding spirit, was a man named Bettley, with whom, among others, were intimately associated three other bookmakers named Trent, Penshill and Laythem.

Everyone knows that nowadays a great deal of the communication that passes between persons engaged in important business of any kind is entrusted to the telegraph. We live at such a pace in these times that it becomes a matter of necessity to complete a transaction in a

few hours with which our forefathers would have been satisfied to occupy as many days.

Racing business essentially requires the free use of the wire, being dependent to such an extent on what a day, or even an hour, may bring forth. Though at the time of which I write the telegraph was not so much used in racing affairs as is now the case, there was a good deal of early information to be gleaned from the perusal of telegraphic messages by any one with sufficient knowledge of racing to understand their contents.

In the office of one of the principal firms of racing officials there was a certain clerk named George Parker, who was one of the chief sources from which the Penshill-Bettley clique obtained their early information. It is not necessary to enter into details as to how this arrangement had come about in the first instance—suffice it to say that it had been in existence for a considerable time before the events of this story took place.

James Parker, the brother of George, was a telegraph clerk. He was well up in the service, and was stationed at the head office in London. In the ordinary course of his duties, messages transmitted to and through London came continually before him.

James did not scruple to turn the information of which he became officially cognisant to his own and to his brother's advantage, in all cases where he felt that he could do so without risk of discovery, and of the items of early racing news which George Parker was able to furnish to Bettley, many originated in the gleanings of telegraph messages which James was able to place at his brother's disposal.

One of the principal south country stables was just at this time especially laying itself out for handicaps. The confederacy included certain very bold and dashing bettors, who with every confidence in the judgment of their exceedingly clever trainer, Tom Measure, had latterly hit up the ring to a very considerable extent. As a consequence that body were becoming chary of laying against horses trained at Poletton, on the Berkshire Downs, the establishment over which Tom Measure presided.

On the appearance of the weights for the City and Suburban a four-year-old in Measure's stable, entered in the name of Mr W. Dallington, called Caius Augustus, to whom the handicapper had allotted 7.9, had been generally pitched upon as one of the best treated, if not actually the best treated animal, in the race. This was a colt of good class, a winner of several races and one who had made a prominent show in his year, having been placed in both the Derby and St. Leger.

It soon became evident that the ring did not intend to be caught over this colt on this occasion, since he was promptly installed a good favourite on the Boulogne lists and in the early betting that took place on the race at the principal London clubs.

Some three weeks before the day of the race Caius Augustus who had made great improvement in the course of his preparation, was tried to be as nearly a certainty to win the City and Suburban as anything in racing can be; in fact, Measure came to the conclusion that his representative would stand a chance second to none if the handicapper had put another 14lb. on his back.

"They're offering a terrible bad price already," observed Captain Duckworth, one of the patrons of the stable, to the trainer, as they were talking the matter over in the house of the latter after the trial, "and I expect they'll dry up altogether when we come to back him for anything to speak of. It seems to me that we have got him in almost too well. What do you propose to do?"

"Mr Dallington wrote last week to say that I was to use my discretion as to running the horse or not, though at the same time he was in favour of keeping him until Ascot," replied Measure.

"Then if I were you, Measure," rejoined Duckworth, "I shouldn't run him at Epsom—at any rate not unless we can get a fair price."

"I think from present appearances that we should be lucky if our commission averaged 6 to 1," observed the trainer, "and I am sure that such a price will not satisfy Mr Dallington."

"No, that I am sure of, too," replied the other. "I see they quote him at 100 to 12 already, and not a shilling on for any of us as yet. Do you think they'll know of his trial by this afternoon?"

"Sure to, sir. The touts were all out this morning, and though I waited an hour and a half after the other horses came in, I understand that they did not go away until after the trial had taken place."

"Then you may lay your life that the commission won't average even 5 to 1," said Captain Duckworth. "And at that it won't be any earthly use running the horse at all."

"You're very likely right, sir," replied the trainer. "Anyhow we had better wait a day or two before doing anything. I will write to Mr Dallington, and hear what he has to say."

Now in the village of Langbury, some few miles distant from Poletton, there resided a friend of Measure, by name John Davey.

Davey was himself by way of being a trainer of racehorses, though the horses that he had in his stable were but few in number, and were for the most part his own property. His principal interest was centred in the Poletton stable, of the fortunes of which he was an enthusiastic and consistent follower. He believed implicitly in Measure, and made a very good thing financially by the information that he was able to acquire from him.

Occasionally Davey was entrusted with the working of commissions for the Poletton stable, and these he had hitherto managed to execute very satisfactorily. Davey rode over to Poletton on the day of the trial, and learned from Measure how well Caius Augustus had acquitted himself in the morning.

"But it looks like being little or no good to us after all," observed the trainer, as he finished the description of the colt's performance. "I'm afraid we shan't be able to back him. He's not likely to go back in the market after to-day's trial, and he certainly won't run if we can't get a fair price about him."

And it must be confessed that there did not seem much prospect of this latter contingency being fulfilled when as time went by the price of the Poletton candidate became daily shorter and shorter.

It now wanted but ten days to the day of the race, and although the stable had not yet put a farthing on Caius Augustus, not one fraction of a point over 5 to 1 would the ring offer against the colt. Hardly ever had a favourite been firmer in the betting for an important handicap.

Some days back it had been arranged between Dallington and Measure that they should run Caius Augustus for the Epsom event if they could obtain the odds of 10 to 1 to the three thousand pounds which constituted the stable commission.

This price, however, the stable commissioner on being communicated with at once informed them was in the present state of the market utterly out of the question, the outside price at which he estimated he could invest the money being 4 to 1.

This of course the Poletton division would not for one moment entertain, so the commission was withdrawn, and it was as good as determined that Caius Augustus should not compete at Epsom.

Now it did not by any means suit John Davey that the Poletton horse should be an absentee when the numbers went up for the City and Suburban, since knowing what an improved animal Caius Augustus was, he had quite early in the wagering taken some long shots about the colt to win him a good stake.

Without disclosing this fact to Measure, he put before the latter the great desirability of running the horse now that he was so fit and well, and moreover, pointed out that it was improbable that the colt would ever again be given such an extraordinary chance as he now had of carrying off an important handicap.

He also pooh-poohed the impossibility of getting a fair price about the horse, expressing his belief that it was perfectly practicable to get on all the money they wanted at the desired rate. To such good purpose did he reason with Measure that in the end the latter entrusted him with the commission to back Caius Augustus for £3000 at a limit of not less than 10 to 1.

In this connection Davey determined to put in operation a plan which he had for some time past been turning over in his mind. He had been much struck, some few weeks back, by overhearing on the District Railway a conversation held between two men in the next compartment to him. One observed to the other, "What do you think? Why, from the telegraph, of course. He has a pal who always gives him the office over anything like that. Trust him, he always knows as soon as anybody." Putting two and two together he had arrived at the solution of what had at one time been a great puzzle to him. On two separate occasions when Measure had wired information respecting the breaking down of two horses under his charge to their respective owners, although it had not come to the knowledge of the touts, the news had

become public some hours before the owners were in possession of the information sent by the trainer. On his way up to London on the morning of the Monday, eight days before the race, on reaching Reading Davey went to the telegraph office and despatched the following message to himself at Surbiton, where he was going to stay the night, as coming from Measure.

"Davey, Richmond-road, Surbiton.—Caius cast in box; ricked his back badly; impossible to run him in City; see Dallington and explain; must strike him out.—Measure, Poletton."

On arriving in town Davey went direct to one of the chief racing clubs, where he interviewed a bookmaker named Rawson, through whose agency he generally executed the commissions with which he was entrusted. In the course of an hour or two offers to bet against Caius Augustus began to be rather freely made in a certain quarter, Trent and Bettley being apparently anxious to accommodate backers of the favourite at a slightly easier rate of odds than had hitherto been in offer. As the afternoon progressed the demonstration against Caius Augustus became more pronounced, and a rumour became prevalent to the effect that the horse had met with an accident that morning.

It did not under these circumstances take long to knock the horse out, especially when Trent and Bettley commenced operations since backers had almost invariably found to their cost, that when a favourite began to be peppered by this clique, it was quite time to put up the shutters.

Nevertheless, a large sum of money was entrusted to the deposed favourite before the assembly broke up, the principal supporter of the colt being the bookmaker Rawson, who accepted all the offers to big money that he could get at anything over ten to one. However, when his commission was exhausted, there was nothing to arrest the further decline of the Poletton candidate, who gradually drifted out to twenty-five to one, offered all round the room!

But when on the following day the touts reported Caius Augustus as going strong and well at exercise, a species of panic seized the layers, and Caius returned at one bound to his former place in the quotations.

Davey returned to Poletton bringing the very satisfactory intelligence that, owing to some apparently inexplicable scare in regard to their horse, he had been able to execute the commission at the good odds of 14 to 1—the names of Trent, Bettley, Penshill, Laythem, and others in the clique being returned as responsible for the various bets laid.

The news that the rumour of the accident to Caius was false, and the further intelligence that the colt had never been better in this life than now, came as a most unpleasant surprise to the Bettley division, who naturally turned to George Parker for an explanation. A particularly stormy interview took place between the latter and Joe Bettley, in which Bettley openly accused Parker of having deliberately put them all "in the cart."

As a consequence of this interview the two brothers Parker met to talk matters over on the following evening.

"I shall chuck it after this, George," said the telegraph clerk. "Someone has evidently tumbled to the fact that the messages are milked, and no doubt he sent that one through yesterday as a blind. I'm not going to risk it again. If Bettley and his lot give you away, as they are likely enough to do if they get landed over this, I'm sure to be spotted—and to be sacked, if nothing worse."

"True enough, Jem," replied his brother. "I've had pretty nearly enough of them myself. They're a mean grasping lot, that it's no catch to do anything for. I shall chuck it too."

"I think we might do a little bit on our own account," suggested James, after a pause. "We haven't done too well out of it all so far. I have a plan which I believe we might safely work out," continued he—which plan they then and there proceeded to discuss. Early on the following Monday morning a telegram was handed in at the Head Telegraph Office, taken in, it so happened, by James Parker himself—at least, so investigation subsequently disclosed—addressed to Messrs Weatherby, Old Burlington street.

"Please strike my horse, Caius Augustus, out of the City and Suburban. Inform Tattersall's and the clubs. Dallington."

On the assembly of the principal bookmakers at the clubs, Messrs Weatherby's notice of this important scratching was



naturally the chief topic of conversation. By a few the announcement was received with incredulity, but to show their faith in its authenticity most of the bookmakers—including the clever clique—laid numerous bets of 1000 to 20, and 1000 to 15, "all in," against Mr Dallington's horse, five-and-twenty to thirty of such wagers going into one hand, that of a bookmaker in a small way of business, but of good credit, who openly expressed his disbelief in the announcement.

Later in the day the notice was withdrawn on receipt of a wire from Mr. Walter Dallington, denouncing the telegraphic scratching as a forgery, to the fury of the Bettley division, who had thus twice burnt their fingers over the Poletton candidate.

And when on the following day Caius Augustus ran home the winner of the City and Suburban six lengths in front of a field of seven and twenty other competitors it is scarcely to be wondered at that the language of these layers was "frequent and free" at the way in which they had been tricked.

Mr Dallington ineffectually offered a large reward for information that would lead to the conviction of the sender of the forged telegram, for the culprit was never discovered.

James Parker, retired from his position in the telegraph department of the Post-Office, and at the same time his brother George resigned his situation in the office of the firm of racing officials, the brothers having, it is stated, unexpectedly come into a fortune of some fifteen thousand pounds apiece.

Davey was much complimented by the patrons of the Poletton stable on his efficient execution of the stable commission.

A few days after the decision of the race, in the course of relating the whole affair—in the presence of Measure and Captain Duckworth—to a young owner for whom he trained, Davey made the observation that "some unprincipled scoundrel sent a forged telegram striking Caius Augustus out of the race."

Who really had the credit in the minds of those associated with the horse—of sending that forged telegram was to a certain extent indicated by a remark which Captain Duckworth subsequently made to the Poletton trainer—

"When I want to get a long price about one of my horses, Measure," said he, "I shall give the commission to the unprincipled scoundrel."—JOHN TREW-HAY.—*Sporting and Dramatic News.*

## Turf Topics.

By REVIEWER.

The Workman goes to the stud next season.

Auckland Trotting Club's races at Potter's Paddock next Saturday.

The Australian racer Repudiation has been sold to go to India.

Mr Evett's weights for the South Auckland Meeting appear elsewhere.

Two New Zealand horses, Dormeur and Alice, won the two chief events at the Portarlington (a Hobson's Bay summer resort) meeting.

J. B. Williamson's urio, Killaloe, Eve, and Gay Deceiver, have been scratched for all Avondale engagements.

Mr Crozier, the owner of the South Australian pair, Vakeel and Fulham, has determined to retire from racing, and will shortly sell his stud.

There are two promising colts at the Wapiti breeding establishment in the shape of Admiral Hawk (by Nelson—Vendetta) and The Master (by Nelson—The Maid).

"Terlinga" has come to the conclusion that Loyalty's forte is sprinting. But I am satisfied for all that, that the St. George—Fair Nell colt will yet beat the best of them in a big long distance handicap.

A Pony and Trotting Club has been formed at Hamilton, and the inaugural meeting will be held on May 24th at Colt's farm, Hamilton East. The club will race under the jurisdiction of the Auckland Trotting Club.

Mr Knight's handicaps for the Avondale Jockey Club's meeting will be found in another column. The work will be found to have been carefully carried out, and in no instance can a charge of "pitchforking" be preferred against the weight adjuster.

The owner of Belmont considers the Avondale handicapper treated his horse very harshly, and has withdrawn him from the meeting. Personally I fail to see where the severity of the handicap comes in.

Patron's full sister, Patroness, is expected by "Freelance" to blossom into as brilliant a flyer as her brother. Mr Purches has a pretty lively trio in Portsea, Patron and Patroness.

In accounting for the present prosperity of Maoriland it would be unfair to overlook the 'tote.' Through its agency the money spent on racing is returned to the people instead of keeping bookmakers to parade their wealth and make the grand tour 'Ome.'—*Bulletin.*

The reason why Hales, the premier Victorian jockey, was not riding at the A.J.C. meeting was because the leading N.S.W. Club bars jockeys who own horses. They have a rule that "No licensed jockey shall own or have any interest or share in any racehorse."

The sum of £125 was offered for Quadrant last week, but Mr Bobbett would not part with the son of Robinson Crusoe—Radiance for less than £150.

Nominations close at the A.R.C. office tomorrow by 8 p.m. for the Northern Champagne Stakes (1895, of 200 sovs, 6 furlongs).

Tom Taylor's swollen foot and a scrape along Pegasus' quarter explains the sudden stop made by Major George's colt in the A.R.C. Autumn Handicap. The colt was going very strongly when he was railed.

The Autumn meeting of the South Auckland Racing Club will be brought off on the Claudelands racecourse Hamilton, on Monday, the 21st inst. The fixture being on St. George's Day should induce a large attendance of the general public.

The Avondale Jockey Club are to be congratulated on the excellent nominations received last Friday for their Autumn meeting, to be held on the 14th inst. The weights will be found in this week's issue, and the acceptances will close tomorrow (Friday).

Col. North has taken Russely, an establishment famous, writes the *Spirit of the Times*, in former days as the training grounds of such noted horses as Oxford, Thormanby, Dundee, and Doncaster, for a term of years.

Sir Matthew, a five-year-old son of Sir Modred and Embroidery, died at Lexington (U.S.A.) last month. Sir Matthew's best performance was a seven furlong win in 1min 27½sec, in which he beat Merry Monarch, Julien, and others.

"Jack" Davidson, the well-known metalician, returned by the s. s. Gairloch on Saturday last after an absence of about two months, during which time he attended the Egmont, Taranaki, Wanganui, Napier Park, Tarakina, and other race meetings held on the coast. Johnny, besides looking blooming, has increased his banking account considerably.

Donald Wallace must have made a pot of money over Titan lately. He won £10,000 over the Chester gelding in two of the V.R.C. Autumn events, and he supported Titan to a very fair extent for the Cumberland Stakes. The race, by the way, completely explodes the idea that Titan is an indifferent one over a distance. That brilliant miler, Marvel, has also lengthened in his work, judging by the big second he ran to Titan.

It is said that Sir John Astley, one of the best all round sportsman England has ever produced, is about to publish his memoirs under the title "Fifty Years of My Life." Sir John has been a member of the English Jockey Club since 1869, and having been behind the scenes in all the great sporting events of the past 50 years, his turf reminiscences should be of great interest.

The results of trotting in America up to date show that twenty-three trotters have done the mile in 2.10 or less. The top-sawyers are, Nancy Hanks, 2.4, trotted at Terre Haute, Indiana, September 28th, 1892; Directum, 2.5½; Stamboul, 2.7½; Alex, Kremblin and Orion, 2.7½ each; Martha Wilks, 2.8.

Writing of Maxim and Sir Modred in the *Spirit of the Times* "Observer" thus compares them: "Both are of equal size in height, about 15.2 apiece. But Maxim shows more substance. He is a very short-legged, deep-bodied, muscular horse with great length. In describing the difference in appearance between these two Australians and the American bred stallions it may be said the former show more bone, with great depth of shoulders and girth, tremendous knees and hocks, very close to the ground, with the best looking kind of feet, and neat heads, with good muscular necks well placed in their shoulders."

The Australian mare Candid was recently beaten by a head in a mile race at San Francisco, which took 1min 44½sec to traverse. A 'Frisan writer commenting upon this mare remarks, "The race shows how good a mare the Australian Candid is. She is a grand-looking specimen of the thoroughbred, and it must be remembered has given weight away every time she has started, as although credited with being a four-year-old, she is in reality but a month or two over three years, foaling time in Australia being in November. This is a matter that is worthy of and has received some discussion, whether because of the disparity of date of foaling time, Australian-bred horses racing in America should not receive some allowance."

Writing of the Australian Stromboli now in the States, "Hidalgo," the American turf journalist has the following:—"Imported Stromboli is the sensational horse of western America just at the present writing. In the last two races he ran he won in 1min 13½sec for six furlongs, and 1min 41½sec for a mile, and both on a dead slow track. He gave weight to every horse in the race but Nomad, who carried 115lb and shut up like a jack-knife at six furlongs, when the big brown fellow collared him. I have been trying to get P. J. Dwyer to buy him. They only want 10,000dol. for him, and that is no money at all for him if he will stand up for two races more. So far the big fellow has shown no signs of lameness, and it is to be regretted that he is not in either the Brooklyn or Suburban Handicaps, each a ten furlongs. I really do not believe there is a horse in America that can beat him two miles at weight-for-age, unless it be Clifford or Tammany."

The declaration of the weights for the Avondale Jockey Club's Autumn Meeting has not been received with unmixed satisfaction. I consider the weighting, with one or two exceptions, very fair indeed. There is certainly an absence of the very glaring errors noticeable in recent handicaps. Belmont's owner has withdrawn his horse, although I fail to see why, and J. B. Williamson's trio Eve, Killaloe and Gay Deceiver have also dropped out. The latter was certainly unfairly treated. After a hurried glance through the weights the following horses strike me as possessing good chances of scoring:—Maiden Plate, Ladybird, St. Patrick and Dorothy; Hurdle Race, Marquis of Tewkesbury, Fishmonger and Ika Vuka; Maiden Steeplechase, Tattler, Little Tom and Platch; Autumn Handicap, St. Clements, First Nelson and Master Pat; Waitakerei Handicap, Quadrant, Ben Godfrey and Sunbeam; Steeplechase, Fishmonger, Crazy Kate and Fright; Shorts Handicap, St. Clements, Tingara and Dorothy; Pony Race, Little Tom, Reil and Carbuncle.

Helensville races next Saturday. First race starts at 12.30 p.m.

Mr Garrett's old hunter Defamer was sold at Jack Rae's sale last Saturday for £13 10s.

The handicaps in connection with the South Auckland Racing Club's meeting appear in another column.

The name of Fanny Fair was erroneously omitted from the weight list in connection with the Helensville Cup. Her weight is 7.8.

Folly was in rare form at the Waipa Meeting. She won the treble, the Cup, Flying Stakes, and Kihikihiki Plate.

Through an oversight on the part of the handicapper Omata has not been weighted for the Avondale Hurdle Race. Mr Knight will kindly correct this error as soon as possible.

Mr Chirnside of Werribee Park, Victoria, announces that the Newminster Park sires for the coming season will be Newminster, Zalinski and Vengeance. Newminster's price will be 50gns., Zalinski's services may be obtained for 20gns., and Vengeance, the winner of the Caulfield and Australian Cups, will serve at 15gns.

"Borderer's" anticipations for the Potter's Paddock Trotting Meeting are set out in another column. To try and name the winners in "once" I would put them thus:—Maiden Pony, Maxim; Steeplechase, Effie; Stewards' Trot, Black Oats; Class Trot, Yum Yum; Novel Trot, Spreydon Lad; Harness Trot, Albert Victor; March Handicap, Gillie.

I notice St. Clements' name is starting to appear in mile races, which looks as though the St. Leger—Satanella horse is something more than a furlong runner. If he could get his mile at the pace he can cut out five furlongs he would be a hummer. The five furlong go he did at Ellerslie, viz.—1.2½, would be equal to a mile in 1.40.

To account for Titan's recovery and reversal of form there are (writes the *Bulletin*) several queer stories. One is that the gelding, as he got old, used to hang back on hearing other horses behind him. To cure this habit his ear drums were pierced, with the result that he again began to forge ahead. A more probable yarn is that the horse was "got at" soon after being purchased by Mr Brodribb, and did not recover for a long time from the dose administered.

"The Admiral" remarks that the Selling Race at Albury had a curious termination. A quartet started—Redwood (who was made a decided favourite), Bridal Wreath, Paddy, and The Gift. In the first round the rider of Redwood, and the latter unfairly crossed The Gift in the straight in the run home. The stewards met and disqualified both horses, and ordered the riders to stand down for the meeting. Unfortunately, the third horse had not weighed in, and as the only other starter was found not to be a "district" horse, the stewards had perforce to declare the race void, and to return the money invested on the machine.

The Nelson—Terambra colt, which was reserved from the last Wapiti blood stock sale owing to an injury which one of the youngster's fetlocks was suffering from, has improved wonderfully since he was turned out, and the unsightly "leg" which disfigured him at Christmas is fast disappearing. The youngster is beautifully built and should his leg completely recover, this half-brother to Raglan and full brother to Pegasus should more than repay the care and attention which is being bestowed upon him.

Commenting upon Bluefire's Challenge Stakes win "Mazeppa" writes:—"Bluefire put up a great performance in the Challenge. She drew back in fright as the starter brought down his flag with a switch, and bored Teredina on to the rails, this pair thus losing six or seven lengths. How she got up I cannot make out. It was a phenomenal run. Mason is very proud of the win, not only because he trained the filly, but because he bought the dam Sapphire, by The Drummer, for Mr Stead. Bluefire was a very little foal, and unpromising altogether. Her legs were as crooked as possible, and for six weeks they were kept in bandages to get them straight."

The complaint in most of the Colonies is that we have too much racing, but Mr J. L. Purves, the sporting Queen's Counsel of Victoria, holds quite the opposite view. In announcing his candidature for a seat on the Committee of the V.R.C., Mr Purves intimates that one of the principal planks of his platform will be the proposal that the two chief clubs, the V.R.C. and V.A.T.C., shall have much more racing than they do at present. He is prepared to advocate that meetings be held at Flemington and Caulfield on the Saturday of alternate fortnights, and that the amount of prize money on each day be not less than £600.

There is a vast difference between The Workman of to-day and The Workman of a fortnight prior to last Auckland Summer meeting. Then he was a mass of muscle and trained to a hair; now he roams a Wapiti paddock with all his condition gone and no ambition in life save rolling on the ground and exulting in the cessation of his work. Since the morning of his breaking down he has been turned out in one of Major George's paddocks with the result that his leg is mending fast. He would be perfectly fit for the track before next season but his owner has decided to give him a turn at stud work before again putting the Wapiti colours on his back. The Workman will, next season, be open to public service, and a good many breeders will doubtless make use of him.

The publication of the results in connection with the 1893 winning sires in the United States shows the Australian Sir Modred in glowing colours. The money earned by his get last year places him in the position of second sire of 1893. The most successful of his get was the two-year-old Sir Exceas (dam Dixianne), who won 22,907 dollars with four firsts, three seconds and three thirds out of eighteen starts. The three-year-old colt Comanoh was next best with 14,335 dollars for seven firsts, nine seconds and seven thirds out of thirty-four starts; and Dr. Hasbrouck takes third position with 13,970 dollars for twelve firsts, two seconds and three thirds for twenty-one races. During the year Sir Modred had fifty-nine starters running for him, and out of 1119 races his get secured 215 firsts, 160 seconds, 180 thirds, and won in all 164,367 dollars.

A racing club is being formed at Eltham.

The fee for Iroquois, the American stallion, has been fixed for 1894 season at 2500 dollars.

Capital acceptances and general entries have been received for the Bell Block meeting to be held on the 12th inst.

The secretary of the A.R.C. intimates that the disqualification of the horse Arawa or Emmett, and the jockey James Malone, has been removed.

"Rapiet," of the *Sporting and Dramatic News*, is inclined to name Mr McCalmont's colt Raconteur (by St. Simon—Plaisanterie) as the best two-year-old in England.

The Auckland Racing Club possesses the unenviable distinction of being the only Metropolitan Club in New Zealand that has not a telegraph line connecting its course with the city. In this respect the A.R.C. is miserably behind the times.

Mr Robert Garrett, one of the most genial and most straightforward of Auckland sportsmen, joined the great majority yesterday. Mr Garrett was highly esteemed by his friends, and it was with sincere pity and sorrow that they heard of his decease.

The Wellington Racing Club have received splendid entries for their combined Autumn and Steeplechase meeting to be held on May 2nd and 3rd, and a most successful gathering should result. Northern, Southern and Coastal owners are all well represented.

Nominations for the Egmont winter meeting will be found in the Weight column of the REVIEW. Weights will be declared on or about the 24th inst. Acceptances and general entries in connection with the Bell Block meeting also appear in this issue.

The sentence of three months imprisonment passed upon "Gala" for sweep promoting at Sydney has been altered to a fine of £50 and sureties for good behaviour. Concerning which the *Bulletin* writes—The difference which has been made by the law between the N.S.W. sweep-makers constitutes a gross scandal, and the public, as is usual where obvious favoritism is officially shown, are not slow to attribute definite motives and point their fingers at those apparently concerned in the job.

The Ladies' Bracelet and Hunter's Welter Races have been withdrawn from the Auckland Racing Club's winter programme, and the committee have added the following races in their stead:—A Pony Handicap Hurdle Race each day of 50 sovs, second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Entrance 1 sov, and acceptance 1 sov each; for ponies 14.2 and under; over six flights of hurdles; one mile and a half.

The results of the Te Au Waikato races were as follows:—Maiden Handicap, one mile.—Richmond, 7.7, 1; Volunteer, 8.0, 2; Sambo, 6.7, 3. Te Au Waikato Cup, two miles.—Bob, 9.0, 1; Richmond, 8.0, 2; May, 8.0, 3. Pony Race, one mile.—Lulu, 7.7, 1; Kirika, 7.10, 2; Little Harry, 7.7, 3. Kiwitahi Stakes, three-quarters of a mile.—Manuka, 8.0, 1; Bob, 8.7, 2; Tineta, 7.7, 3. Hurdles, two miles.—Papapa, 11.0, 1; Kapai, 9.10, 2; Makanihi, 8.0, 3. The Consolation was won by Earnest.

I have received the card of the Dunedin Plumpton Coursing Meetings, to be held at Forbury Park Racecourse under the management of the Dunedin Jockey Club in May, June, July and August of this year. On May 2nd, 3rd and 4th the Challenge and Consolation Stakes will be decided; the Forbury Cup and St. Leger are fixed for June 6th, 7th and 8th; the Waterloo Cup and Bracelet Stakes will be run off on July 4th, 5th and 6th; and the Champion, Trial and Consolation Stakes will be decided on August 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Sportsmen who intend visiting the Helensville race meeting on Saturday next may be reminded that a special train will leave Auckland for Helensville at 9.20 a.m., Newmarket at 9.30, Mount Eden at 9.40, Avondale at 9.55, and will reach Helensville at 11.50. The return journey will be commenced from the course at 6 p.m., and Auckland will be reached at 8.10. A special train will also leave Helensville for the racecourse at 12.10 p.m., returning at 5.20 p.m. Ordinary fares will be charged.

A letter appeared in the daily press a few days ago inveighing against the "unfairness" which the Auckland Trotting Club were guilty of towards the Helensville Club in postponing their meeting from last Saturday to next Saturday, where the unfairness comes in I fail to see. It's a pretty large order to expect a Metropolitan Club to hold their meeting on a miserable rainy day, when they would in all probability make a big loss, merely because a country club meeting was announced for the following Saturday. The trotting meeting will have no more effect upon the Helensville meeting than the latter will have upon the Potter's Paddock gathering.

The travelling correspondent of the REVIEW writes that the Nile case has been decided in favour of Mr Corrigan, the owner of the horse in question. Nile won the Consolation Handicap at Oco, but was protested against by the owner of the second horse on the ground that Eva, who rode Nile, was a disqualified jockey. The protest has been dismissed by the Taranaki Jockey Club on the grounds that Eva's disqualification was never officially gazetted and that Nile's owner was not aware of Eva's disqualification. Nile's backers therefore receive £31 10s for their sovereigns.

## Weights, etc.

D.J.C. MAY MEETING.

NOMINATIONS.

BIRTHDAY HANDICAP, one mile and a half.—Blizzard, Liberator, Skirmisher, Exile, Speculation, Wolseley, Remembrance, Mariner, Stepiak, Prime Warden, Galtee, Au Revoir, Dilemma, Beadonwell, Tempest, Vogengang, Black Cloud, Hippomenes, Melinite, Lady Zealand.

PROVINCIAL HANDICAP, one mile and a quarter.—Blizzard, Bay Bell, Vogengang, Black Cloud, Mount Royal, P.P.C., Marlborough, Remembrance, Aldershot, Au Revoir, Skirmisher, Dora, Hippomenes, Stepiak, Dilemma, Exile, Tempest, Melinite, Prime Warden, Beadonwell, Forbury, Wolseley, Lady Zealand.

AUCKLAND TROTting CLUB'S  
AUTUMN MEETING.

## ACCEPTANCES.

MARCH HANDICAP, 6 furlongs.—Vampire 10.6, The Dove 9.7, Gillie 9.7, La Grippe 9.6, Lady May 8.7, Coquette II. 7.10, Robin 7.10, Rakau 7.5, Woodcock 7.0, Florrie 6.12.

MAIDEN PONY, 5 furlongs.—Maxim 8.2, Circus Girl 7.12, Queen Quail 7.12, Siesta 7.12, Lady Grippe 7.12, Little Hero 7.7, Woodcock 7.0, The Nun 7.0, Toi Toi 7.0.

STEEPLECHASE, 2½ miles.—Pica 12.4, Little Raven 11.8, Butterfly 11.0, Little Jane 10.10, Effie 9.5, Helena 9.0, Eunice 9.0, Taffy 8.7.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP TROT, 2 miles.—Schoolgirl 20s, Rosebud 20s, Mount 34s, Ike 35s, Otakoh 35s, Little Ben 38s, Black Oats 41s, Peggy 44s, Sandfly 45s.

CLASS TROT, one and a half miles.—Yum Yum scr, Coronella 14s, Charlie 18s, Clyde 18s, Mount 24s, Ike 26s, Black Oats 31s, Peggy 32s, Sandfly 32s.

NOVEL TROT, one mile.—Hurricane scr, Spreydon Lad 2s, Commodore 3s, Ike 3s, Waratah 6s, Taihoa 6s, Gwendoline 9s, Mocking Bird 11s, Martha 11s, Norah 11s, Sailor Boy 12s, Maud S. 12s, Maid of Killarney 12s, Teddy 15s, Minnie 15s.

HARNESS TROT, 2½ miles.—Albert Victor 5s, Clyde 10s, Panmure 30s, Ruby 33s, Ike 35s, Corina 38s, Sandfly 40s, Gwendoline 45s, Sparrowhawk 45s.

SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S  
MEETING.

## WEIGHTS.

TRIAL HANDICAP, 7 furlongs.—Rebel 8.7, St. Mary 8.5, La Grippe 8.2, Storyteller 7.12, Virgin 7.11, Irene 7.8, Ika 7.0, Kelvin Grove 6.11, Ainsworth 6.10, Lochmoor 6.9.

HANDICAP HURDLES, 1½ miles.—Flukem 11.0, Nero 10.10, Tattler 10.9, Potentate 10.2, Pretender 10.0, Adventurer 9.0, Te Ata 9.0, Ainsworth 9.0.

WAIKATO HANDICAP, 1½ miles.—Yattenfeldt 8.10, Ida 8.9, Folly 8.2, Try Fluke 7.10, Taihoa 7.8, Clarion 7.4, Kai Iwi Lady 7.3, Ladybird 7.0, La Grippe 6.11, Dark Rose 6.7.

PONY HANDICAP, 1 mile.—Norina 9.10, Mavourneen 8.5, Virgin 7.11, Topsy 7.10, Ramrod 7.9, Mc 7.8, Ruby 7.0, Bob 7.0, Leona 6.10, Nelly 6.9.

RESURRECTION STAKES, 1 mile.—Folly 8.11, Minnie 8.5, Taihoa 8.3, Norina 8.3, Irene 7.10, Ladybird 7.3, Ika 7.2, Lochmoor 6.10.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE, about 3 miles.—Flukem 11.7, Nero 11.0, Tattler 10.11, Potentate 10.9, Yum Yum 10.7.

PUBLICANS' PURSE, 1 mile.—Yattenfeldt 9.0, Ida 8.12, Folly 8.6, Acacia 8.0, Taihoa 7.11, St. Mary 7.7, Clarion 7.6, Kai Iwi Lady 7.5, Kelvin Grove 6.7.

FLYING STAKES, 6 furlongs.—Acacia 8.7, Minnie 8.5, Mavourneen 8.3, Norina 8.3, St. Mary 7.10, Kai Iwi Lady 7.9, Ladybird 7.3, Dark Rose 7.0.

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN  
MEETING.

## WEIGHTS.

MAIDEN PLATE, seven furlongs.—Dorothy 8.12, Ladybird 7.12, Decey 7.12, Killaloe 7.10, St. Patrick 7.8, Swiftsure 7.4, Bonus 7.4, Alf 7.2, Maid of Erin 7.0, Virgin 7.0, St. Mary 6.12, Fanny Fair 6.12, Storyteller 6.10, Caruncle 6.7, Bonanza 6.7.

HURDLE RACE, one mile and three-quarters.—Marquis of Tewkesbury 11.10, Belmont 10.8, Otakoh 10.2, Fishmonger 10.0, Tattler 10.0, Flukem 9.12, Ika Vuka 9.8, Satellite 9.0, Bonanza 9.0.

MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE, about two miles and a half.—Tattler 10.8, Otakoh 10.4, Little Tom 10.2, Killaloe 9.12, Skittles 9.7, Platch 9.7.

AUTUMN HANDICAP, one mile.—Quadrant 9.4, St. Clements 9.2, Tulloch 8.2, Eve 8.0, First Nelson 8.0, Ben Godfrey 7.12, Ida 7.12, Acacia 7.4, Sunbeam 7.4, Master Pat 7.0, Ladybird 7.0, St. Mary 6.7, Maid of Erin 6.7.

WAITAKERI HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Quadrant 9.5, St. Kilda 8.10, Eve 8.2, Ben Godfrey 7.12, Gay Deceiver 7.10, Sunbeam 7.6, St. Michael 7.6, Acacia 7.5, Master Pat 7.2, Warrior 7.0, Alf 6.7, St. Mary 6.7.

STEEPLECHASE, three miles.—Chester 11.3, Flukem 11.3, Omata 11.3, Crazy Kate 11.0, Bombardier 10.10, Tattler 10.9, Fishmonger 10.7, Potentate 10.3.

SHORTS HANDICAP, five furlongs.—St. Clements 10.5, St. Kilda 9.0, Gay Deceiver 8.0, Tingara 7.13, Dorothy 7.3, Flukem 7.0, Her Ladyship 6.12, Cleopatra 6.10, Bonus 6.10, Romeo 6.8, St. Mary 6.7, Carmen 6.7, Brown Mantle 6.7.

PONY RACE, six furlongs.—Cupid 9.4, Storyteller 8.13, Silkworm 8.10, Nannie 8.10, Rodney 8.6, Little Tom 8.4, Reil 7.9, Brown Mantle 7.6, Fauntleroy 7.5, Nelly 7.2, Caruncle 7.2, Queen of Sheba 7.2, Virgin 7.2, Frisco 6.10, Direct 6.10.

WELLINGTON RACING CLUB'S  
AUTUMN MEETING.

## NOMINATIONS.

THOMPSON HANDICAP of 225 sovs, one mile.—Prince Cole, Tuhitarata, Lebel, Arrius, Rebellion, Violence, Au Revoir, Black Cloud, Musketeer, Kulnine, King Harry, Banner, Sea Serpent, Westmere, Johnny Faa, Crawley, Reflector, Free Lance, North Atlantic, Pinrose, Scot Free, Langdale, Priore, Cyrus, Bonovoree, Von Tempisky, St. Laura, Vogengang, Geraint, Dreamland, Purepo, Cordelia, Porepo, St. Clements, Saracen, Lady Zetland, Swordbelt, Kent, Lottie, Krina, Queen of Trumps, Kalnira, Mount Royal, Aldershot, Poinsettia, Zanella, Eve, Rangipuhi.

HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 50 sovs, two miles and a half.—Elk, Donovan, Reyston, Puman, Alto, Ginger, Velocity, M.B., Franchise, Lonely, How's That, Kerry Lad, Salute.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 70 sovs, 7 furlongs.—Prince Cole, Au Revoir, Revolt, Musketeer, Kulnine, King Harry, Banner, Sea Serpent, Variety, Johnny Faa, Crawley, Free Lance, North Atlantic, Pinrose, Langdale, Priore, Cyrus, Bonovoree, Musketeer, Von Tempisky, St. Laura, Vogengang, Allan-a-dale, Geraint, Porepo, Senator, Kent, Scot Free, Lottie, Kalnira, Mount Royal, Aldershot, Eve.

TRIAL STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 70 sovs, 2 miles.—Donovan, Puman, Longdale, Ginger, Captain Boison, Jacob, Alto, Kaimanawa, Velocity, Timothy, Dromedary, M.B., Rambler, Oaklands, Lonely, Dick, Wellington.

WELLINGTON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 225 sovs, 3 miles.—Norton, Puman, Victrix, Jacob, Alto, Regalia, Kaimanawa, Velocity, Timothy, Clarence, Dromedary, M.B., Whalebone, Bootles, Rambler, Oaklands, Gondolier, Raven, Wilberforce, Mountain Hare, Ben B., Lonely, Omata, Dick.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 115 sovs, one mile and three furlongs.—Prince Cole, Tuhitarata, Lebel, Arrius, Violence, Au Revoir, Black Cloud, Musketeer, Kulnine, King Harry, Banner, Westmere, Johnny Faa, Crawley, Free Lance, North Atlantic, Pinrose, Scot Free, Rangipuhi, Priore, Cyrus, Bonovoree, Musketeer, Von Tempisky, St. Laura, Vogengang, Geraint, Dreamland, Purepo, Cordelia, Porepo, Saracen, Lady Zetland, Kent, Lottie, Krina, Queen of Trumps, Mount Royal, Zanella, Eve.

ELECTRIC HANDICAP of 60 sovs, five furlongs.—Prince Cole, Lebel, Rebellion, Rose Guard, Black Cloud, Kulnine, King Harry, Banner, Sea Serpent, Westmere, Crawley, Reflector, North Atlantic, Midas, Lady Somnus, Langdale, Priore, Cyrus, Bonovoree, St. Laura, Vogengang, Allan-a-dale, Geraint, Porepo, St. Clements, King's Bowman, Swordbelt, Kent, Krina, Kalnira, Mount Royal, Aldershot, Zanella, Eve.

RAILWAY HANDICAP of 60 sovs, three-quarters of a mile.—Tuhitarata, Lebel, Rebellion, Rose Guard, King Harry, Variety, Free Lance, Midas, Lady Somnus, Scot Free, Priore, Cyrus, Bonovoree, Musketeer, St. Laura, Poinsettia, Vogengang, Allan-a-dale, Geraint, Porepo, St. Clements, Lady Zetland, Senator, Swordbelt, Kalnira, Mount Royal, Aldershot, Zanella.

HURDLE HANDICAP of 100 sovs, two miles.—The Toad, Norton, Harkaway, Victoria, Zaccho, Captain Borson, Erin-go-Bragh, Alto, Vasco, Regalia, Kaimanawa, Maid of Lorne, Velocity, Unity, Dromedary, Clarence, Oaklands, Gondolier, Wilberforce, Raven, Mountain Hare, Lonely, Melinite, Omata, Pill.

HURDLE HANDICAP (second day) of 80 sovs, one mile and three-quarters.—Sedition, The Spy, The Toad, Harkaway, Victrix, Zaccho, Erin-go-Bragh, Alto, Vasco, Regalia, Kaimanawa, Maid of Lorne, Velocity, Unity, Clarence, Oaklands, Gondolier, Lonely, Melinite, Omata, Pill.

## HELENSVILLE RACING CLUB.

## ACCEPTANCES.

HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE of 100 sovs, one mile.—Maid of Erin 9.0, Fanny Fair 8.10, Forget-me-not 8.0, Bonanza 7.12, Rosedale 7.12, Fisherman 7.10, Paparoa 7.6, His Gills 6.10.

HANDICAP HURDLES of 20 sovs, one and three-quarters miles.—Tattler 10.10, Skittles 9.10, Romeo 9.8, Rosedale 9.0.

SETTLER'S RACE of 100 sovs, one mile.—Fisherman 9.8, Kate 9.8, Leo 9.8, Paparoa 9.6, Snowflake 9.4, Waikoukou 9.4, His Gills 9.0, Gipsy 9.0, Julia 9.0, Mattie 9.0, Pukeatua 9.0.

HANDICAP PONY RACE of 150 sovs, six furlongs.—Cupid 10.2, Storyteller 9.10, Red Rose 8.10, Bainbridge 8.10, Fauntleroy 7.12, Gipsy 6.7, Stella 6.7, His Gills 6.7, Franchise 6.7, Frisco.

FLYING STAKES of 150 sovs, six furlongs.—Romeo 8.12, Maid of Erin 8.10, Bonanza 7.12, Storyteller 7.10, Edna 7.12, Fanny Fair 7.4.

HELENSVILLE HANDICAP of 200 sovs, one mile.—Romeo 8.10, Maid of Erin 8.10, Storyteller 7.12, Skittles 7.12, Edna 7.12, Tattler 7.12, Fanny Fair 7.8.

MAIDEN HURDLES of 100 sovs, one mile and a half.—Skittles 10.8, Bonanza 9.10, Rosedale 9.8, Fisherman 9.4, Waikoukou 9.4, Snowflake 9.0, Charley 9.0, Nannie 9.0, Volley 9.0.

## EGMONT RACING CLUB WINTER MEETING.

## NOMINATIONS.

## [BY WIRE.]

HANDICAP HURDLES.—Harkaway, Cyrus, Chatterbox, Oaklands, Raven, Killaloe, Strephon, Regalia, Pill, Union Jack, Belle.

HANDICAP HACK HURDLES.—Security, Egmont, Starlight, Entry, Cingalee, Tenby, Outlass, Nugget, Camalachie, Matariki II, Kiara, Strike, Javelin, Pembroke, Framore, Salute.

HANDICAP TRIAL STEEPLE.—Kamo, Romeo, Matariki, Cyclone, Oaklands, Nanakia, Dick, Jacob, Strephon, Regalia, Rambler, Teari, Belle, Killaloe.

FIRST HANDICAP FLAT RACE.—Starlight, Bonovoree, Actress, Strayshot, Splintink, Rewa, Nile, Tenby, Clifton, Hark, Ich, Madeline, Buckler, Insignia, Tomboy, Kai Iwi Lady.

EGMONT HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.—Kamo, Matariki, Dick, Regalia, Rambler, Fright, Crazy Kate, Bootles, Raven, Jacob, Whalebone, Union Jack, Omata.

SECOND HANDICAP FLAT RACE.—Ling, Prophet, Cloudshot, Starlight, Entry, Bonovoree, Actress, Strayshot, Splintink, Rewa, Gloire De Dijon, Wahamoko, Recherche, Snowdrop, Cutlass, Dummy, Hark, Golden Lock, Cataract, Madeline, Goolen, Strike, Javelin, Campasph, Twilight, Buckler, Insignia, Tomboy, Waiuku, Nugget, Kai Iwi Lady, Nile.

FINAL HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.—Kamo, Romeo, Matariki, Bootles, Oaklands, Whalebone, Union Jack, Omata, Raven, Dick, Jacob, Nanakia, Regalia, Teari, Crazy Kate.

## BELL BLOCK RACING CLUB.

## ACCEPTANCES.

HURDLES.—Dick 10.12, Cingalee 10.5, Australasia 9.12, Kiara 9.7, Mount 9.7, Pembroke 9.0, Egmont 9.0.

CUP.—Starlight 8.0, Docility 8.0, Belle 8.0, Nugget 8.0, Goldenlock 7.12, Kimua 7.12, Cingalee 7.10, Rewa 7.8, Ich 7.5, Madeline 7.0, Athene 7.0.

FLYING HANDICAP.—Starlight 8.4, Nugget 8.4, Docility 8.4, Goldenlock 8.2, Sydney 8.0, Luna 8.0, Rewa 7.12, Mafu 7.9, Zenana 7.4, Athene 7.4.

WALTER HANDICAP.—Docility 8.11, Starlight 8.11, Nugget 8.11, Belle 8.11, Cingalee 8.5, Australasia 8.5, Kimua 8.5, Sydney 8.4, Ich 8.4, Twilight 8.2, Mount 8.2, Ti Poka 8.2, Egmont 8.0, Mafu 8.0, Madeline 8.0.

## GENERAL ENTRIES.

MAIDEN PLATE.—Pembroke, Bot Fly, Miss Volun, Wait-a-while, Clifton, Primrose, Zenana, Conspiracy, Viva, Athene, Kimua, Dick, Fairshot II.

FARMERS' PLATE.—Master Mahoi, Fantastic, Minah, Hymen, Clayton, Nimrod, Kumi-kumi, Veronica, Viva.

## All-round Sport

BY HURDLER.

## FUTURE FIXTURES.

April 7—North Shore Amateur Athletic and Cycle Club's Carnival, at North Shore.

## CHAMPIONSHIP CRICKET CONTESTS.

## SENIORS.

April 7 and 14.

Parnell v. Gordon, final match for the Championship.

## FIRST JUNIORS.

April 7 and 14.

Auckland A. v. Parnell  
Belmont v. Wanderers  
North Shore v. Auckland B.  
Gordon v. Avondale  
Mutual v. Ramblers

## SECOND JUNIORS.

April 7 and 14.

Belmont A. v. All Saints  
Grammar School v. North Shore  
St. John's v. Belmont B.  
Gordon v. Selwyn  
St. Andrew v. Wanderers  
Parnell v. Roller Mills

## Cricket.

As I journeyed to the "Do" on Saturday with a few cricketing enthusiasts, the only subject discussed was, "will the committee order the matches to be proceeded with." Several maintained that it would not be fair to the batting teams should the games take place, whilst the remainder of our party considered that the new caretaker, with a view to preserving the turf, would manage to effect a postponement. All were unanimous in the belief that our journey would be in vain, but on entering the ground were agreeably surprised to find the different teams lined out, and the ground in by no means as bad a condition as we expected.

No sooner had I taken my seat on the pavilion than Jack Arneil (a not out man in the Parnell-Auckland match) foolishly tried to drag to square leg, a straight ball from Mills. The effort resulted in the usual way, and Jack retired to the pavilion, the scoring board showing 20-2-3. Quentry filled the vacancy, and safely negotiated the last ball of the over. The next ball was a tempting one, sent down by Lawson to Clayton, who jumped out of his crease to hit it. In the twinkling of an eye King appealed for a catch, and before the umpire had time to give a decision he removed the baile and appealed to the other umpire for stumped. Each umpire gave it "out," but, of course, the first appeal takes precedence, 20-3-12. Wilson came next and opened by getting well on to Lawson's second, but a smart piece of fielding prevented a run. Wilson placed the next to square leg for 2. The over closed without any additional score. From the feeble manner in which Quentry played the first three sent down to him by Mills, it was clear this batsman did not feel at home at the wicket, and the fourth necessitated the umpire's rearranging both stumps and baile. 22-4-0. Tommy Neill appeared next, but good fielding prevented him from scoring off his first stroke. Wilson placed Lawson nicely to square leg, and Neill's off stump had a narrow escape the following ball. The latter, however, scored a couple off the last ball of the over. Mills clean bowled Neill the following over. 26-5-2. Rev. Richards took the place of the retiring batsman, and after making a brace and a single allowed Mills to shatter his stumps with an ordinary straight ball. 30-6-3. Wilson had meanwhile been playing steady, but confident cricket, and it was not until he became partnered by Jack London that the batting team made anything like a decent stand. The latter commenced by simply stopping several overs, until a loose one from Lawson was sent flying by this batsman to the boundary for 3. After several singles by each batsman, London drove Mills beautifully to the boundary for another 3, bringing up 40 on the scoring board. Each bowler now sent down a maiden, but the following two overs increased the score by six, London getting four singles, and Wilson making a pretty drive for 2 runs. Lawson was now taken off, and his place filled by Krone. The new bowler had his first ball driven to the boundary for 3 by Wilson, and had good luck in not having the remainder of the over treated in a similar manner. Wilson put Mills for a single, and London got a nice stroke for 2, the board showing 50. A few minutes later Wilson had hard luck in playing one from Krone hard on to his pads, the ball rebounding on to the wicket. 52-7-16. Bob Neill was the next Auckland man, but before breaking his "duck" this player lifted one from Krone into Stone's hands. 52-8-0. The ninth, and, as things turned out, the last Auckland player, was Hatton, who with the aid of London soon brought up 60 on the board. Runs now came slowly for half-a-dozen overs, when both men

livened up, and for several overs the bowlers had a rough time. Lawson again came on, and Mills was replaced by Stone. With the score at 70, London was badly missed off Stone by Cantly, this being the first chance this batsman had given. A boundary hit and several singles by each batsman brought the score up to 80, and things now began to look interesting. Lawson was again removed and Rowe put on. The latter's second ball got Hatton lbw. 82-9-12. Holland, Auckland's last man, was objected to by the Parnell team, and did not bat. London was not out with 28. Auckland required 123 runs to win. The victory of the Parnell Club, although perhaps a surprise to most, is nevertheless a popular win. The winning team has on several occasions been well up for the championship, but so far had not yet succeeded in winning it. In last week's notes I pronounced in favour of Parnell's chance against Auckland, and will again pin my faith on the same team against Gordon. I drew the attention of the Cricket Association to the advisability of having the Auckland-Parnell game played to a finish, but the suggestion was not adopted, and I urge the same idea in connection with the final heat for the senior championship.

The nature of the turf on Saturday was certainly in favour of the bowlers, and under the circumstances the performance of the defeated team in compiling 82 runs is indeed a very fair one. I cannot but think that the Auckland team erred in sending London in eighth man. This player's average and previous performances stamp him as being one of the most likely run getters in Auckland, and his 28, not out, places him on equal terms with Nicholson (Parnell) for top average.

Wilson, 16, and Hatton, 12, also tried hard to avert defeat. The former was batting brilliantly and had fairly collared the bowling when he was disposed of in the manner previously mentioned.

Ike Mills was by far the most successful trundler for the Parnell team. His average reads 5 wickets for 32 runs. Ike simply sent down ordinary straight balls, which, strange to say, fairly nonplussed such batsmen as Jacobs, Arneil, Quentry, T. Neill and Richards. Krone secured 2 wickets for 5 runs.

King, Parnell's wicket keeper, was really brilliant on Saturday, and was not responsible for a single bye.

The fielding of the Parnell team is also worthy of special mention, being, with one exception, all that could be desired.

The absence of Beale on Saturday was the cause of some slight unpleasantness between the Auckland and Parnell Clubs. On the fall of the ninth wicket Holland came out to bat in place of Beale, who took part in the game the previous Saturday. The Parnell captain objected to Holland batting. His action in doing so appears perhaps rather selfish, considering Auckland allowed the Parnell team three substitutes in the field. I might mention that it is customary to allow substitutes in the field, but I know of no instance in which a substitute has been allowed to bat. Considering the stage of the match, I think Parnell was justified in making every post a winning post, for had Holland batted and the game ended in favour of Auckland, the Parnell captain would certainly not have earned the gratitude of his club mates.

As I anticipated, the Wanderers had little difficulty in topping the 56 runs made by Parnell in their first innings. Of a total of 97 Smith, 33, not out, Walker 21, and Mills 12, were the best performers for the winning team. The Parnell team in their second venture had lost 7 wickets for 65 when play ceased. Brown 22, Thorpe 11, and W. Speight 10 were the only Parnell players to reach double figures. The game ended in a win for Wanderers by 41 runs on the first innings.

Little interest was taken in the continuance of the Mutual-Gordon II. contest, more than half the players of each team being absent. Requiring 28 runs to win and five men to bat, the latter team could only increase their previous Saturday's total by 6 runs. The second innings was not continued, and Mutual won by 22 runs.

By Belmont's inability to dispose of the North Shore team the former has lost all chance of annexing the first junior championship. The delay which took place in commencing this game on Saturday prevented the completion of a second innings. On the first innings North Shore had a lead of 7 runs, and consequently won.

In the second junior division the most interesting match was that between All Saints and the Roller Mills, as neither team had suffered a defeat. The latter's



first innings closed for 45 runs, and with two wickets down for 14 and one player absent the Saints continued their play on Saturday last. The innings closed for 59 runs, of which Airey contributed 21, Dacre 13, and Robertson 11. In their second innings Roller Mills were all out for 49, Lees contributing 28 by good cricket. All Saints requiring 35 runs to win again took the wickets, but want of time prevented the innings being completed. The latter were therefore successful on the first innings by 14 runs. For the winners Mackie, Crooks and Langsford all bowled well, while for Roller Mills Todds secured six wickets for 22 runs.

Belmont A. defeated North Shore II. by 8 runs on the first innings, and Parnell III. had a victory over Wanderers II. in a similar manner by 58 runs.

The second junior championship will be practically decided on Saturday next by the result of the All Saints-Belmont A. contest. So far neither team has encountered defeat, and great interest is being taken in the coming match. I incline to the belief that the trundlers of the former team will prove more destructive than any the latter has yet met, and for this reason I fancy All Saints will have the honour of securing this season's second junior championship.

By the defeat of Belmont on Saturday and the success of Wanderers I., the latter club has won the first junior championship. The Wanderers have been most enthusiastic throughout the whole season, and I congratulate the club upon its success.

## Athletics.

The third carnival of the North Shore Amateur Athletic and Cycle Club, which takes place on Saturday next, promises to be most successful. Splendid entries have been received for all the events, and as a great many competitors have kept in training since the last carnival of the Auckland Club some rather good performances are expected. The handicaps have been framed by Mr C. Waters, who in the majority of events appears to have given satisfaction. The first event upon the programme is the One Mile Walk, in which A. F. Burton concedes a limit start of 200 yards. At the Auckland meeting Cossar and Creamer had each 240 yards from Burton, but in this event the scratch man meets them on 60 yards better terms. This certainly gives Burton a chance, but I have great doubts whether he can beat them. McAffer, who gained some notoriety in March last, is now upon the same mark with Cossar and Creamer, although at the previous meeting he conceded each of them 20 yards start. That this is an error will, I think, be shown by the result of the contest should McAffer be allowed to start. The four men mentioned appear to me to hold the remaining competitors perfectly safe, and I expect them to finish—McAffer 1, Creamer 2, Cossar 3.

High Jump Handicap.—Hall, the scratch man, has shown his ability to get over 5 feet 4½ inches, and I think on Saturday will clear 5 feet 5 inches. J. Hume and E. T. Laurie, who each receive 1 inch, divided honours for the High Jump Championship at Auckland some few years back, with a leap of 5 feet 3 inches. Hume has done little or no jumping since and Laurie has not improved. C. O. Laurie, 4 inches, and A. A. Martin, 6 inches, each have a chance. My selection is—Hall, scr. 1; E. T. Laurie, 1in., 2; A. A. Martin, 6in., 3.

Hop, Step and Jump.—With his handicap of 4 feet I expect Roberts to clear over 45 feet, which distance should win. Jones 4 feet and Gaudin scratch should fill second and third places respectively.

300 Yards Hurdles.—P. Brodie, 16 yards; 1; T. Roberts, scratch, 2; G. G. Bullock, 25 yards; or A. A. Martin, 20 yards, 3.

100 Yards Maiden.—If F. J. Wilson on the 6 yards mark is identical with F. F. Wilson, who competes at the carnivals of the Auckland Club, I will look no further for the winner. If such is not the case I like best the chances of W. H. Morton, 4 yards; W. Draffin, 7 yards, and F. Burgess, 10 yards, in that order.

75 Yards Handicap.—For this event C. Weston is scratch man, and has to concede a limit of 8 yards. Weston is our cleverest runner in getting off his mark, and if in form on Saturday will be very adjacent when the tape is reached. W. Francis, 5½ yards, has shown by the way he annexed the ¼ mile event at the Auckland sports that he has pace, and for this event he is on a handy mark. I expect Weston, Hesketh, 2 yards, Warner 4½ yards; W. Rhodes, 5 yards, Francis, 5½ yards, and Wilson, 6 yards to contest

the final, and for a place tip I like Weston 1, Francis 2, W. Rhodes 3.

1000 Yards.—For this Roberts, scratch, is badly treated, and has no chance. Parker, 30 yards, Frost, 60 yards, and H. Goldwater, 50 yards, appear the most likely men to win.

120 Yards Handicap.—My choice is W. Boyd, 7½ yards; 1; J. Waters, 8 yards, 2; G. Bullock, 5 yards, 3.

300 Yards Handicap.—Weston, scratch; Rhodes and Jones, 8 yards; Bullock, 10 yards; Farquhar, Francis and Walters, 14 yards, appear the most likely competitors to reach the final, which I think will result—Bullock 1, Francis 2, Walters 3.

600 Yards Handicap.—C. Weston, 5 yards; 1; Roberts, scratch, 2; Francis, 20 yards, 3.

## NORTH SHORE A.A. AND 'CYCLE CLUB'S HANDICAPS.

ONE MILE WALK.—A. F. Burton scratch, F. H. Creamer 50yds, J. Burfoot 120yds, A. Jackson 120yds, A. J. Pople 140yds, E. E. Bow 160yds, W. H. Rush 150yds, J. Dickey 160yds, C. McAffer, P. White, A. J. Richards, D. Wilson, H. N. Cossar, and A. A. Creamer 180yds, A. E. Tilly 190yds, G. W. Smith, and A. T. Firth 200yds.

HIGH JUMP.—R. J. Hall scratch, J. Hume 1in, E. T. Laurie 1in, J. Knott, M. McSweeney and C. C. Laurie 4in, A. A. Martin 6in.

HOP, STEP, AND JUMP.—F. Gaudin scratch, A. Smith 9in, E. C. Brown, J. Hume 2ft, R. J. Hall, T. Roberts, A. Jones 4ft, P. Brodie, F. Poland, W. H. Martin, E. T. Laurie 5ft, J. Knott, F. W. Thomas 6ft, C. C. Laurie 7ft.

300 YARDS HURDLES.—T. Roberts scr, W. H. Martin 5yds, H. B. J. Bull 6yds, J. Hume, P. Brodie, E. T. Laurie 16yds, A. A. Martin 20yds, W. C. Rhodes 20yds, G. G. Bullock 25yds.

100 YARDS MAIDEN HANDICAP.—F. Murphy scr, A. Johnson 1yd, A. A. Martin 2yds, G. Blandford 3yds, W. H. Morton 4yds, G. E. Rhodes 5yds, A. Clarke, H. Schmidt, F. J. Wilson, H. B. Willis 6yds, P. Thomson, G. Osmond, W. H. Draffin 7yds, E. J. Edwards, J. Fairweather 8yds, R. Elsmore 9yds, L. Beedell, F. Burgess 10yds.

75 YARDS.—C. Weston, G. A. Holder scr, C. Hesketh, A. Jones 2yds, G. Blandford 4yds, G. Warner, A. Smith 4½yds, W. C. Rhodes, H. W. Boyd, G. E. Rhodes 5yds, J. Waters, H. Goldwater, W. G. Owen, W. Francis 5½yds, A. A. Martin, F. J. Wilson, H. B. Willis, T. C. Murphy 6yds, W. Draffin, F. Ballin 7yds, J. Fairweather 8yds.

1000 YARDS.—T. Roberts scratch, A. A. Davis 5yds, G. Bradburn 20yds, E. C. Brown 25yds, A. E. Parker 30yds, A. Dacre, M. O'Connor 35yds, R. McCullough 40yds, H. Goldwater, F. W. Thomas 50yds, M. McSweeney, G. S. Frost 60yds, W. Connelly, A. Olney 70yds, A. J. Richards 80yds, G. Bridgeman 100yds.

120 YARDS HANDICAP.—C. Weston, G. A. Holder scratch, C. Hesketh, A. Jones 3yds, H. B. J. Bull, G. G. Bullock 5yds, G. Warner, J. Reid 6yds, W. H. Francis, H. W. Boyd 7½yds, W. C. Rhodes, R. J. Hall, J. Waters, A. Clarke 8yds, C. F. Allan, A. A. Martin, W. G. Owen, G. E. Rhodes, H. Goldwater 9yds, T. C. Murphy, H. B. Willis, W. Morton, W. Draffin 10yds, F. Ballin 11yds.

300 YDS HANDICAP.—C. Weston, G. A. Holder, scratch, H. J. Bull 5yds, W. C. Rhodes, A. Jones 8yds, G. G. Bullock 10yds, F. Murphy, A. Johnston 12yds, W. Farquhar, W. H. Francis, J. Waters 14yds, H. Goldwater, W. Draffin 20yds, P. Thomson, C. F. F. Allan 22yds, G. Osmond, J. Fairweather, T. C. D. Murphy 25yds.

600 YDS HANDICAP.—W. Farquhar, T. Roberts, H. Bull scratch, C. Weston 5yds, G. Bradburn 14yds, A. Johnson 16yds, E. Brown 19yds, A. Parker, F. Murphy, W. Francis 20yds, J. W. Burgess 22yds, P. Thomson 25yds, M. McSweeney, R. Cromwell, R. McCullough, G. S. Frost, H. Goldwater, W. Harvey 30yds, H. J. Schmidt 40yds.

ONE MILE NOVICE BICYCLE HANDICAP.—P. Smith scratch, A. J. Simmelhag 30yds, W. W. Phipps 65yds, H. J. Schmidt 80yds, W. J. Evers 100yds.

TWO MILE BICYCLE HANDICAP.—H. Surman scratch, W. Pilkington 50yds, G. Henning 65yds, P. Smith 100yds, A. Coudbrough 140yds, A. E. Smith 160yds, A. T. Firth 200yds, A. J. Simmelhag 240yds, T. A. Patterson 300yds, W. W. Phipps 330yds, H. J. Schmidt 340yds.

FIVE MILE BICYCLE HANDICAP.—H. Surman scratch, W. Pilkington 130yds, G. Henning 180yds, P. Smith 200yds, A. Coudbrough 350yds, A. E. Smith 380yds, A. T. Firth 440yds, A. J. Simmelhag 530yds, T. A. Patterson 690yds, W. W. Phipps 760yds, H. J. Schmidt 780yds.

CHAS. WATERS, Handicapper.

A special general meeting of the Auckland Amateur Athletic Club takes place to-morrow night at the British Hotel. The meeting is, I understand, convened by requisition on the part of members to inquire into an alleged loss of £120 in connection with the recent School Championship Sports. The committee, I believe, admit that a loss has been sustained, but maintain that the object in view justified their experiment, and that their action was moreover in accordance with one of the first rules of the club. The members (or at least some of them) are naturally annoyed at the loss of so large an amount, but have adopted the constitutional means for holding an enquiry. So far everything is taking its proper course, and each party will have an opportunity of stating its respective case. It is to be sincerely hoped that the gentlemen who take part in the debate, which is sure to follow, will not allow either their enthusiasm or excitable dispositions to run away with their com-

mon sense. To pretend that there is unanimity between the management and members of the club would be simply trifling with a self-evident truth, and the slightest kindling of the spark of discontent which manifestly exists, might result in blowing up the whole affair. It is to be hoped that a well-conducted meeting will to-morrow night effect a thorough and amicable understanding between the management and members of the most popular athletic institution in New Zealand. McAffer's case will, I believe, also be dealt with.

## Cycling.

My anticipations for the 'cycle events to be run in connection with the North Shore Athletic Carnival are as follow:—

One Mile Novice.—W. W. Phipps, 65yds, 1; A. J. Simmelhag, 30yds, 2; P. Smith, scratch, 3.

Two Mile Handicap.—This is certainly a badly framed handicap. In a 1½ mile handicap which Surman won at the Auckland, he gave the following starts: Pilkington, 75yds (unplaced); Henning, 80yds (third). With a half mile further to go, Pilkington is now brought back to 50yds, and Henning to 65yds. A. E. Smith had 70 yards, and is now on the 180 yards mark, while P. Smith who had 130 yards and failed to get a place, is brought back to 100 yards. The handicapper has evidently got mixed up with the two Smiths. In the previous race Firth had 100 yards and Coudbrough 120. Both were unplaced, yet Coudbrough is now on the 140 and Firth on the 200yds mark. Simmelhag had 300 yards and was beaten by Surman in 1½ miles, yet he has now only 240 yards in 2 miles. Phipps conceded Patterson 10 yards in 1½ miles, both were unplaced, and Phipps has now 30 yards from Patterson. Unless the handicapper rejoices in the possession of some knowledge not generally enjoyed, I fail to see how either Pilkington, Henning, P. Smith or Simmelhag have a possible chance. Surman, Firth or Phipps should win.

Five-miles Handicap.—I will select A. E. Smith, 380yds, 1; A. F. Firth, 440yds, 2; Surman, scratch, 3.

The three Auckland cyclists, Messrs. Surman, Pilkington and Henning, who visited Napier to assist at the Autumn Meeting of the Wanderers bicycle sports, have no reason to complain of their trip. In the two-mile scratch event our men filled the three places in the order in which their names are written above. In the one and a half mile handicap, with a start of 50 yards, Pilkington romped home in the fast time of 3min 53sec. It is interesting to note the advantage which a cinder track possesses over a grass track for recording fast times. With a start of 75 yards at the recent Auckland carnival Pilkington was unable to place himself in a "go" over the same distance, the time being 4min 24 3-5sec. In the five-mile team race (three aside) the Auckland contingent were again successful. Surman finished first, followed by Pilkington and Henning, thus scoring 15 points. Gay, Bissell and Cowell, the Napier representatives, secured second, fourth, and sixth places respectively, and gained 6 points. Surman also started from scratch in the five-mile bicycle handicap (for roadster machines scaling 32lb and over), but could get no nearer than fourth. His time for the complete distance was 15min 17sec.

## Music, Drama.

By THE PROMPTER.

POSTERS are out announcing the forthcoming production of Madame Favart by the Auckland Amateur Opera Club, and the opinion is freely expressed by those who have been attending rehearsals that the production of Offenbach's comic opera will be the best effort yet put forward by the Club. The opening performance will be given at the Opera House on Tuesday the 10th inst., and as the theatre has been engaged for a week the committee are evidently confident of a fair season. A strong chorus has been secured, and the principals are sufficiently versed in vocal and histrionic art to give creditable interpretations of their parts. The musical portion of the work is in the care of Herr Carl Schmitt, and as the management of the stage is in the capable hands of Mr Archdale Tayler, I am certain there will be no fault found in that department of the production. The box plan is now open at Wildman and Lyell's, and judging by the booking up to date there will be a bumper house on the opening night.

BROUGH AND BOUCICAULT have strengthened their company for the Sydney season by importing Mr Renouf, Mr Franklyn, and Miss Edith Ward from England.

MESSRS WILLIAMSON AND MUSGROVE are understood to have a new Gaiety Company under engagement for the next Christmas season in Melbourne. Arthur Roberts and Florrie St. John are to be the leading lights of the show.

FROM the *Bulletin*:—A certain juvenile, who is trying to be a leading juvenile, was once a hair dresser in Auckland. As a consequence he now owns the most beautiful hair-parting on the Australian stage.

MADAME CAMILLA URSO, the famous violiniste who visited New Zealand some fifteen years ago, has arranged to make a second Australian tour. Melbourne will be the opening scene, and the concerts are expected to commence about the middle of May. Signora Clementina de Vere Sapio accompanies Madame Urso as vocalist, and the lady's singing is stated to be as artistic as her name.

THE pantomime company have had a very successful season up to date at the Opera House, and on Saturday last their first change of programme was witnessed by a very large audience. The second attraction, Cinder Ellen Up Too Late, was every whit as attractive as Sinbad the Sailor, and the various songs and dances which are introduced during the progress of the burlesque are of the very latest. One of the best features of the show is the acrobatic act of the Connor Brothers, who are wonderful clever in their particular line of business. A new piece will be presented to-night.

THE noble Red Man has got into opera. A Bostonian has produced The Ogallallas, a romantic opera in three acts, the plot of which is as follows:—Edith, an Eastern maiden, is being escorted across the plains of the Far West by a party of scouts, headed by the famous Deadshot, when the whole party are ambuscaded and captured by the Ogallallas. After a period of danger Deadshot escapes with Edith from the noble savages, and hies him to the nearest frontier fort, where he, of course, marries the heroine.

THE talented violiniste, Miss Bessie Doyle, farewelled at the City Hall on Monday night last, and a splendid audience assembled to say goodbye to the fair artist. Needless to say Miss Doyle's several items were rapturously received, and she certainly merited the applause accorded her. The Auckland Young Ladies' Orchestra, "in special recognition of the occasion," performed Mascagni's famous intermezzo from Cavalleria Rusticana, and Miss Mildred Birch and Mr Mackenzie presented the vocal part of the programme.

UNTHAN, the armless man, startled New York recently, writes the *Spirit of the Times*, by driving a party of friends up Broadway and Fifth Avenue. He held the reins with one foot and the whip with the other, and seemed to have no difficulty in guiding and controlling the spirited team. Unthan courteously lifted his hat with his foot in response to the salutations of pedestrians, and whipped up his horses skillfully to get out of the way of the cable cars. A remarkable sight was afforded the passers by when Unthan held the reins and whip with one foot while he took out and lighted a cigarette with the other.

THE Howe-Spong company have been well received down South, and the success of the N.Z. tour is assured. In A Grip Of Iron Mr Walter Howe will be seen in a character far removed from his usual line of virtuous hero. He takes the part of Jagon, a strangling villain of the most sanguinary type, and judging by the Press notices he fills the bill admirably. Here is the opinion of one Southern critic:—"Mr Walter Howe impersonated Jagon, alias Simmonet, with masterly realism and force. It is a highly complex character, for, in addition to being a merciless criminal, asympathetic gentleman, and a cool, calculating villain, Simmonet has a strong human affection for his only daughter; but in his delineation of all these phases of real and simulated character Mr Howe has evidently a consistent conception of a true personality. It was a triumph of histrionic art as genuine as it is rare."

Lyons' Burlesque Company are finishing up 'down South, after which they will re-visit India.

From a programme forwarded me, I learn that 'the refined unique and mirthful entertainment, Humour, Art and Harmony' will be on hand at the Ponsonby Hall, on Monday evening next, April 9.

Mr A. H. GEE has already secured a large number of pupils, and before long the most advanced of them will be heard in part songs at the Wednesday Popular Concerts.

It is stated that at no less than a dozen London theatres smoking goes on secretly in the gallery and pit. No wonder fires occur if this be true. The suggestion is made in a London paper that it would be much safer if the Lord Chamberlain were to allow smoking at such houses and insist upon proper safeguards for the indulgence.

The Lake County Press has come down with a thud on the Heller's trance reading as under:—"We were surprised to learn enough on one night's visit to warrant the conclusion that the results are obtained by pure trickery. The obtaining of the names of a large number of the people in the hall by an assistant who retires behind the scenes while this part of the business is on, the bungling over names (necessitating the Professor's asking the person his name and going up and whispering it to Madame), the misspelling of names 'divined,' and the many proved mistakes in the replies, warrant the conclusion we have come to. We condemn this part of the entertainment as pure humbug."

In connection with the forthcoming Australian tour of the Madame Belle Cole Concert Company, of which Mr Phillip Newbury, an old Dunedin boy, will be a member, I notice that Newbury has written to the *Sporting and Dramatic News* denying that Madame Cole engaged himself and wife for the tour. "I and my wife," he writes, "are engaged by an Australian syndicate, and Madame Cole and the other artists are under similar contracts to the syndicate." Which sounds as though Phil is getting rather perky on his success. I also notice he now spells his christian name Philippe. Plain Phillip was good enough in the old Dunedin days.

The popular concerts at the City Hall have taken a firm hold of the public, and the attendances are increasing with every concert. Certainly, the Auckland public have never been so well catered for at such low prices before, and the promoter, Mr. A. H. Gee, richly deserves all the success he is meeting with. Last night's programme was an exceptionally good one, and the engagement of such favourite artists as Miss Alice Rimmer, Mrs Coates and Mr Tapper shows that the promoter is determined to present his patrons with the best of our local performers. The quality of the programme was admirable, and it may fairly rank as the best yet presented. Mr Gee's two solos were Will-O'-The-Wisp and The King's Minstrel, two songs which the artist's great descriptive power enable him to interpret to perfection. Mr Gee sang the duet Maying in company with Mrs Coates, and the latter artist gave most acceptable renderings of Kathleen Mavourneen and Dearie, while Miss Rimmer scored her usual measure of success with The Children's Home and The Last Milestone. Mr Tapper's songs were well chosen and admirably interpreted, and Miss Clarice Brabazon's piano solos were played in her customary finished manner.

The display made by Bluefire in the Second Challenge Stakes has made a deep impression on Southern sportsmen. "Castor's" opinion is that she is undoubtedly the best two-year-old in the South, and "according to collateral running there is every reason to suppose she is the best youngster in New Zealand and something out of the common into the bargain."

The A.J.C. meeting was brought to a close at Randwick last Saturday. Mr Turnbull's improving colt Light Artillery gave a good account of himself in the principal event, the A.J.C. Plate of 500 sovs, three miles, which he appropriated in 5 min 43 sec. Little Portsea after his champion three mile record of 5 min 23½ sec could only finish a fair second. Carnage was third. An Auckland victory was scored in the Nursery Handicap, which was won by Collette from a strong field. Castor's daughter cut out the six furlongs in 1 min 16½ sec. Loyalty ran a bad race in the Place Handicap, one mile and a half, which was won by Oxide in 2 min 39 sec. Mr O'Brien's colt appears to be all out of it lately, but I will be much mistaken if he does not land a good handicap when the time and tide are favourable. And the handicap will be one worth winning.

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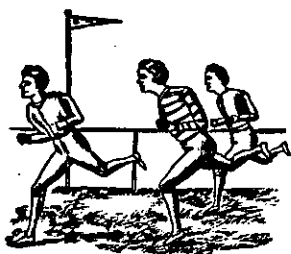
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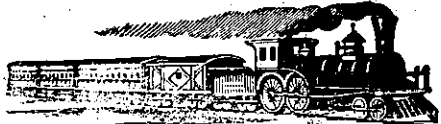
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6.12, Reidy  
Also started—56 Scot Free, 7.7, White; 48  
Ua, 7.6, Kingan.  
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1-5th sec. Totalisator, 503. Dividend, £2 5s

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348 Mr T. H. Lowry's ch g Gondolier, by  
Foul Play—Brunette, 6yrs, 10.12, Alexander 1  
143 Mr A. J. Goodwin's b m T Rose, 5yrs, 10 6, Goodwin 2  
48 Mr H. L. Jull's b g Zaccho, aged, 9.4, inc. 4lb over, Redmond 3  
Also started—83 Tontine, 9.5, Petersen.  
Won comfortably by three lengths. Time,  
3min 29sec. Totalisator, 622. Dividend, £1 12s.

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91 Mr H. Gaisford's b f The Shrew, by  
Nordenfeldt—Bianca, 7.0, Connop 1  
16 Mr H. Gaisford's br c Needlegun, 7.0, Donovan 2  
81 Mr G. P. Donnelly's ch c Huatai, 7.5, White 3  
Also started—350 Forme, 8.10, Gallagher; 111  
Tartan, 8.0, Fuszard; 107 Maluri, 7.4, Bird;  
14 Marino, 7.0, Kingan; 43 St. Kevin, 6.10, Wilson.  
Won comfortably. Time, 1min 19 1-5th sec.  
Totalisator, 813. Dividend, £8.

BURKE MEMORIAL STAKES; a handicap of 200  
sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and the  
third horse 10sovs from the stake. One and a  
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185 Mr W. Douglas's b m Rosefeldt, by  
Nordenfeldt—Rose D'Amour, 8 7, Lindsay 1  
118 Dr. Reed's b m Dreamland, 6yrs, 8.5, Morrihan 2  
386 Mr Utiku Marumaru's b h Rangipuhi, 6yrs, 9.0, Retter 3  
Also started—44 Midas, 6.8, Connop; 43  
Queen of Trumps, 6yrs, 6.7, Reidy.  
At the last pinch Dreamland rushed up, and  
raced to the post with Rosefeldt, and getting  
alongside of her made a dead heat of it. Time,  
2min 42sec. Totalisator, 776. Dividends, £2  
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PACIFIC HANDICAP of 30sovs, second horse to  
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194 Mr S. H. Gollan's br g Prairie Grass, by  
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234 Mr Wm. Douglas's b g Wheriko, 4yrs, 8.5, Lindsay 2  
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Also started—96 Waitress 8.0, 43 Waterlily  
8.0, 30 North Island 8.0, 29 Esparto 7.10, 64  
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Time, 1min 58sec. Totalisator, 767. Divi-  
dend, £3 11s.

POST STAKES of 30 sovs; second horse to  
receive 10 sovs from the stake. Once round.

236 Mr A. Davis' b m Como, by Vasco  
di Gama—Virginia Water, 6yrs, 8.7, Griffiths 1  
54 Mr W. Douglas' b f Aio, 3yrs, 7.7, Kingan 2  
45 Mr J. Maher's b g Kiwi, 5yrs, 7.7, Reidy 3  
Also started—132 Lobelia, 8.0, Gallagher;  
71 Triton, 8.0, Bird; 55 Barbelles, 7.7, White.  
Won easily by three lengths. Time, 1min  
56sec. Totalisator, 593. Dividend, £2 5s.

FAREWELL HANDICAP of 70sovs, second horse  
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189 Mr A. Portland's br g Pinrose, 3yrs, by  
Hiko—Primrose, 8.0, Watts 1  
68 Mr W. Douglas's blk g Chris, 3yrs, 7.2, Kingan 2  
130 Dr. Reed's blk h Loch Ness, aged, 7.10, White 3  
Also started—214 Stanmoor, 8.0, Gallagher;  
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35 Mr D. Urquhart's b g Blankney, aged,  
9.0, Stevens 2  
38 Mr H. Mehafe's Pembroke, 5yrs, 9.0, Brough 3  
Also started—72 Romeo, 10.0, Anderson.  
Won hard held. Romeo ran off third hurdle.  
Pembroke was distanced. Totalisator, 252.  
Dividend, £2 2s. Time, 3min 5 2-5sec.

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Mute—Maid-of-all-Work, aged,  
8.10, Crook 1



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52 Mr J. Morton's c g Javelin, aged, 7.7,  
1lb over, Lett 2  
67 Mr C. Lake's b m Golden Lock, 5yrs,  
7.10, Ainslie 3  
Also started—21 Rewa, 7.8, 2lb over; 11  
Queenie, 7.0; 29 Mafia, 7.0 and 13 1/2 lb over,  
Crocker; 8 Athene, 7.0, Mantel.  
Won by half a length. Javelin led most of the  
way. Totalisator, 355. Dividend, £1 18s. Time,  
1min 20 1-5sec.

CATCH WEIGHTS of 20sovs, second horse to re-  
ceive 5sovs out of the stakes. Four and a-half  
furlongs.

75 Mr W. Hunia's b g Marama, aged,  
by Izaak Walton, T. Ross 1  
20 Mr G. M. Currie's br g Hinaiu, 4yrs,  
Donnelly 2  
40 Mr J. Morton's b g Kapai, aged, Sher-  
wood 3  
Also started—24 Huia, 3 Starlight, 26 Cam-  
lachie, 1 Flirt, 2 Paddy Miles, 26 Luna, o Wai-  
rere, 6 Wakarua, 5 Blankney, 5 Campaspe, o  
Rewa, 3 Wakamoka, 1 Recherche.  
Time, 59 4-5th sec. Totalisator, 425. Divi-  
dend, £2 7s.

PATEA EASTER HANDICAP of 65sovs, second  
horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs.  
One and a half miles.

156 Mr R. E. McRae's c g Bonovoree, 4yrs,  
Mute—Maid of All Works, 8.5, and  
7lb penalty, Crook 1  
50 Mr C. Tate's b g Itch, 4yrs, 7.2, Ainslie 2  
33 Mr R. Hornby's b m Docility, 4yrs,  
7.11, Riley 3  
Also started—165 Strike 8.7, 21 Actress 7.1.  
Time, 2min 46 1-5th sec. Totalisator, 425.  
Dividend, £2 9s.

FARMERS' PLATE of 25sovs, second horse to re-  
ceive 5sovs out of the stakes. One mile.

62 Mr T. Coleman's Madeline, 3yrs, by  
Natarot, 10.3, W. Cook 1  
25 Mr John Sheild's b g Conscrip, 4yrs,  
10.11, Anderson 2  
9 Mr A. Carman's b m Primrose, aged,  
10.12, Neal 3  
Also started—7 Volta 10.12, 10 Recovery  
10.12, 21 Lady Emet 10.12, 4 Miss Volun 10.12,  
52 Splitlink 10.11, 8 Rhino 10.11, 78 Leander  
10.11, 14 Hopeful 10.11, 2 Kiatere 10.11, 3  
Avalanche 10.3.  
Time, 1min 54 4-5th sec. Totalisator, 295.  
Dividend, £4 5s.

ALTON HANDICAP of 25sovs, second horse to re-  
ceive 5sovs out of the stakes. One mile.

5 Mr T. T. Goddard's b m Mafia, 4yrs,  
by Foul Shot—Endymion mare, 7.0,  
Donnelly 1  
138 Mr W. Hunia's b m Huia, aged 7.6,  
Pickering 2  
31 Mr J. Morton's c g Javelin, aged, 7.7,  
Lett 3  
Also started—78 Strike 8.12, 4 Actress 7.4,  
9 Dart 7.2, 5 Athene 7.2.  
Won easy. Time, 1min 47 4-5th sec. Totali-  
sator, 303. Dividend, £54 3s.

POST STAKES of 20sovs; second horse to receive  
5sovs out of the stakes. Four and a half fur-  
longs. Open to any hacks not entered for any

other race at this meeting (catch weights ex-  
cepted); weight not less than 9.0; maidens  
allowed 14lb. Post entry 20s.

130 Marama, Ross 1  
17 Hinaiu, Hargreaves 2  
7 Snowdrop, Stevens 3  
Also started—10 Ngaruhoe, Lang; 31 Egmont,  
Cook; 5 Spermacetti; 1 Valda; 21 Luna; 1  
Flirt; 7 Starlight; 8 Kaipai; 1 Kupapa.  
Totalisator, 239. Dividend, £1 13s. Time,  
59sec.

FEILDING JOCKEY CLUB.

FIRST DAY—MARCH 26TH.

FLYING HANDICAP of 60sovs, second horse 10  
sovs from the stakes. Six furlongs.

103 Mr E. Calthrop's b g Chatterbox, 4yrs,  
by Mute—Lady Maxwell, 6.12, Jen-  
kins 1  
153 Mr J. Retter's g m Magazine, 4yrs, 7.5, Schaffer 2  
86 Mr T. Rowe's c h Goodwood, 5yrs, 7.5, Manning 3  
Also started—91 Musketeer, 7.5, Watts.  
Won by a length. Time, 1min 21 1-5th sec.  
Totalisator, 433. Dividend, £3 15s.

FIRST HANDICAP HURDLES of 60sovs, second  
horse 5sovs from the stakes. Two miles and a  
distance.

179 Mr T. T. Watt's ch g Oaklands, aged,  
by The Clown—Reserve, 9.6, R. Kingan 1  
125 Mr W. H. George's br g Pill, 5yrs, 9.12, Hall 2  
100 Mr C. Hawkins' br g Unity, 6yrs, 9.4, W. Holmes 3  
404 Won by length. Time, 4min 17sec. Divi-  
dend, £2.

FIRST HANDICAP HACK HURDLES of 40sovs,  
second horse 5sovs from the stakes. One mile  
and a half.

105 Mr C. Chubb's b g Lonely, aged, by  
Diomedes—Firefly, 10.7, Holmes 1  
182 Mr R. Kingan's c g Tenby, 6yrs, 10.0, Kingan 2  
74 Mr W. R. Tuck's b g Entry, aged,  
10.12, G. Laing 3  
Also started—140 Narrate, 11.7, Morris; 69  
Dorothy, 10.0, McTaggart.  
Won by a bare length all out. Time, 2min  
55 4-5th sec. Totalisator, 570. Dividend, £4  
18s.

FEILDING HANDICAP of 200sovs, second horse  
20sovs, third horse 10sovs, both from the  
stakes. One mile and a half.

128 Mr A. Portland's br g Pinrose, 3yrs, by  
Hiko—Penrose, 7.11, Boyle 1  
115 Captain Russell's br m Krina, 5yrs, 7.0, Murphy 2  
66 Mr D. Scott's br m Cordelia, 5yrs, 6.13, Jenkins 3  
Also started—140 Liberator, 9.11, McCor-  
mick; 91 King John, 6.12, Hall; 46 Sunbeam,  
6.8, Williams.  
Won by four lengths. Time, 2min 40 4-5th  
sec. Totalisator, 586. Dividend, £4 2s.

**FIRST HANDICAP HACK FLAT** of 40sovs, second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. One mile and a quarter.

203 Mr W. H. George's b m Swift, 4yrs, by Natator - Gladiator mare, 8.4, Stevenson ..... 1

136 Mr C. Fitzherbert's ch m Kalmea, 6yrs, 7.13, Jenkins ..... 2

68 Mr J. Green's c m Narrate, aged, 6.11, Williams ..... 3

Also started—30 Marcella, 6.7, T. Manning. Time, 2min 15 3-5th sec. Totalisator, 436. Dividend, £1 18s.

**WINTER OATS HANDICAP** of 50sovs, second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. One mile

169 Mr J. Paul's ch m Variety, 4yrs, by Natator—Last Chance, 8.2, Manning ..... 1

145 Mr E. Calthrop's b g Chatterbox, 6.11, Jenkins ..... 2

50 Mr J. Retter's g m Magazine, 4yrs, 7.4, Murphy ..... 3

Also started—34 King John, 7.12, Hall; 24 Bay King, 7.10, Schaffer; 137 Cordelia, 7.7, Stevenson; 28 Musketeer, 7.4, Watt.

Won by a head. Time, 1min 47 2-5th sec. Totalisator, 587. Dividend, £3 2s.

**HACK FLYING HANDICAP** of 30sovs, second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. Six furlongs.

36 Mr C. Fitzherbert's ch m Kalmea, 6yrs, by The Premier - Bay Leaf, 8.3, Jenkins ..... 1

87 Mr W. H. George's b m Swift, 4yrs, 8.5, McCormick ..... 2

44 Mr T. Harpuku's ch m Piano, 5yrs, 7.9, Watt ..... 3

Also started—43 Lady Clare, 7.4, Schaffer; 8 Virgo, 6.7, Williams.

Time, 1min 19 2-5th sec. Totalisator, 218. Dividend, £5 9s.

## SECOND DAY, MARCH 27TH.

**DENBIGH STAKES HANDICAP** of 60sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. One mile.

21 Mr A. S. Lovejoy's c h Musketeer, by Remington - Express, aged, 7.1, Watt ..... 1

119 Mr E. Calthrop's b g Chatterbox, 4yrs, 7.6, Jenkins ..... 2

71 Mr T. Rowe's c h Goodwood, 5yrs, 7.0, Murphy ..... 3

Also started—94 Magazine, 7.3, Schaffer; 30 King John, 7.0, Hall.

Won by two lengths. Totalisator, 335. Dividend, £14 7s. Time, 1min 45 2-5sec.

**SECOND HANDICAP HURDLES** of 50sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. One mile and a half.

80 Mr W. H. George's br g Pill, by Sou'-wester—Romp, 5yrs, 9.9, A. Hall ..... 1

126 Mr T. T. Watt's ch g Oaklands, aged, 10.3, R. Kingan ..... 2

104 Mr J. Green's c m Sunbeam, aged, 9.0, Morris ..... 3

Also started—66 Unity, 9.2, Holmes.

Won by a head. Totalisator, 376. Dividend, £4 4s. Time, 2min 55sec.

**SECOND HANDICAP HACK HURDLES** of 35sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. One mile and a quarter.

101 Mr W. R. Tuck's b g Entry, by Ascot - Mountain Hare, aged, 10.7, G. Laing ..... 1

91 Mr C. Chubb's b g Lonely, aged, 11.0, T. Cameron ..... 2

120 Mr R. Kingan's c g Tenby, 6yrs, 10.4, R. Kingan ..... 3

Also started—52 Tit Bit, 9.7, A. Hall.

Totalisator, 364. Dividend, £3 4s. Time, 2min 25 2-5sec.

**OROUA HANDICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. One mile and a quarter.

93 Mr D. Scott's b m Cordelia, by Torpedo - Cornelia, 5yrs, 6.13, Jenkins ..... 1

146 Mr A. Portland's br g Pinrose, 3yrs, 9.2, Boyle ..... 2

159 Captain Russell's br m Krina, 5yrs, 7.4, Murphy ..... 3

Also started—82 Variety, 8.2, Manning.

Won by a good length. Totalisator, 480. Dividend, £4 12s. Time, 2min 13 3-5sec.

**SECOND HACK FLYING** of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. Five furlongs.

91 Mr C. Fitzherbert's ch m Kalmea, by The Premier—Bay Leaf, 6yrs, 8.8, Jenkins ..... 1

116 Mr T. Harpuku's ch m Piano, 5yrs, 7.0, Watt ..... 2

105 Mr C. G. Goodley's ch m Kai Iwi Lady, aged, 9.2, Higgins ..... 3

Also started—80 Tangaroa, 8.2, Retter; 36 Never Return, 7.7, G. Hall; 0 Lady Clare, 7.0; 15 Totia, 6.12, Williams; 4 Virgo, 6.9, Myers; 4 Marcella, 6.7.

Totalisator, 453. Dividend, £4 9s. Time, 1min 7 4-5sec.

**SHORTS HANDICAP** of 55sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. Five furlongs.

98 Mr E. Calthrop's b g Chatterbox, by Mute—Lady Maxwell, 4yrs, 7.10, Jenkins ..... 1

69 Mr J. Retter's g m Magazine, 4yrs, 7.13, Schaffer ..... 2

54 Mr T. Rowe's c h Goodwood, 5yrs, 7.7, Manning ..... 3

Totalisator, 221. Dividend, £2. Time, 1min 6 3-5sec.

**FINAL HACK HANDICAP** of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. One mile and a distance.

Swift, 8.5 ..... 1

Kai Iwi Lady, 8.12 ..... 2

Also started—Otakapu 7.11, Lady Clare 7.11, Virgo 6.10, Totia 6.12.

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MARCH 24TH (no totalisator).

## MAIDEN PLATE of 6sovs, one mile.

Mr J. D. Arnaboldi's br m Kelvin Grove, 8.12 ..... 1

Mr T. Rose's ch m Barmad, 4yrs, 8.11 ..... 2

Mr S. Gibson's g m Butterfly, 6yrs, 8.12 ..... 3

Won rather easily. Other starters—Commission, Matamata, Kathleen, and Robin Hood.

**HANDICAP HURDLES** of 12sovs, second horse to receive 2sovs from stakes. Two miles. Over eight flights of hurdles

Mr A. Dehar's b g Try Luck, 4yrs, 9.7, Berry ..... 1

Mr Mau Timuha's b g Try Fluke, aged, 10.0, G. Collins ..... 2

Mistake 11.9, Adventurer 11.0, and Echo 9.10 also started. Try Luck led from start to finish and won easily. Mistake ran off at the first hurdle. Echo and Adventurer fell.

**OXFORD HANDICAP** of 20sovs, second horse to receive 3sovs from stakes. One and a half miles.

Mr W. C. Ring's b g La Grippe, 6yrs, 9.0, G. Collins ..... 1

Mr J. McGarry's br m Mistake, 6yrs, 8.4, Berry ..... 2

Mr J. D. Arnaboldi's br m Kelvin Grove, 5yrs, 7.2 ..... 3

La Grippe took command at the fall of the flag, and never being headed won rather easily. Mistake beat Kelvin Grove on the post for second honours. The other starters were Butterfly, 7.2, and Clipperina, 6.11

**HANDICAP PONY RACE**, for ponies 14.2 and under, one mile.

Mr H. Misson's b m Little Mary, aged, 8.7, Hunt ..... 1

Messrs Beddingfield Bros.' b g Bob, 4yrs, 8.7, Berry ..... 2

Mr G. C. Wilkie's blk g General Mite, 5yrs, 7.9, Kay ..... 3

The other starters were Maori Girl 8.0, Barmad 6.10, Robin Hood 6.9. Won by half a length, the same distance between second and third.

**MAORI RACE** of 4sovs, catch weights. One mile.

Mr A. Dehar's b g Try Luck ..... 1

Mr J. Rousfield's b g Mangahoe ..... 2

Mr Haura's g m Tokotoko ..... 3

Mangahoe was the favourite, but was easily beaten by Try Luck.

**CONSOLATION HANDICAP** of 7sovs. Three-quarters of a mile.

Mr Geo. Scarborough's b g Adventurer, 9.0, Berry ..... 1

Mr F. Rose's ch m Barmad, 7.0, Kay ..... 2

Mr Te Whatarangi's b m Maori Girl, 7.10 ..... 3

Adventurer won after a good race by a neck. Three lengths between second and third.

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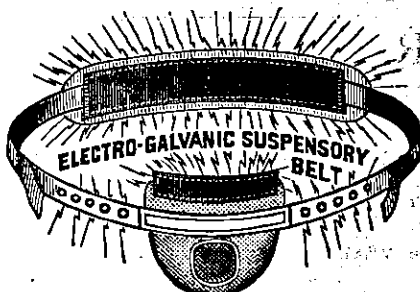
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