

RACING PROGRAMMES



DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ETC.

Nominations for all races close with the Secretary, at the office of the SPORTING REVIEW, Vulcan Lane, on SATURDAY, November 10th, 1894, at 9 p.m.

Acceptances will close on FRIDAY, November 16th, at 9 p.m. Order of running subject to alteration. Five per cent. deducted from gross winnings.



TARATAHI-CARTERTON RACING CLUB.

NOMINATIONS will be received up to SATURDAY, 15th September, 1894, for—

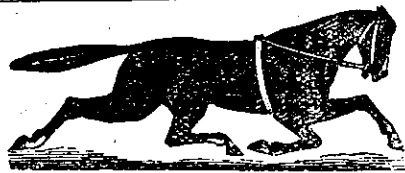
Wairarapa Hack Guineas (1895) of 50 guineas; second horse 10 guineas, third 5 guineas from stake. One mile. For present two-year-olds that are not nominated for other than hack races at time of entry and have not won a race of over £40 at time of starting, hack and hunter races excepted.

NOMINATIONS also close on same date for—

Wairarapa Hack Guineas (1896) of 50 guineas; second horse 10 guineas, third 5 guineas from stake. One mile. For present yearlings, that are not nominated for other than hack races at time of entry, and that have not won a race of over £40 at time of starting, hack or hunter races excepted.

NOTE.—Nominations for both events close on SATURDAY, September 15th next.

W. MCKENZIE, Hon. Secretary, P.O. Box 18, Carterton.



AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB.

SPRING MEETING

To be held on SATURDAY, 29th SEPTEMBER, 1894.

- MAIDEN TROT HANDICAP of 80 sovs. Nomination, 15s; Acceptance, 15s. 1 1/2 miles. FLYING STAKES of 25 sovs. Nomination 10s; Acceptance, 15s. 5 furlongs. SPRING HANDICAP TROT of 75 sovs. Nomination, 30s; Acceptance, 30s. 2 miles.

Nominations close with the Secretary on FRIDAY, 14th September, 1894, at 10 p.m. Handicaps to appear about the 18th September. Acceptances close with the Secretary on FRIDAY, 21st September, at 10 p.m.

TARANAKI TROTTING ASSOCIATION.

THE SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TARANAKI TROTTING ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD (By kind permission of the Taranaki J.C.) ON THE NEW PLYMOUTH RACECOURSE, ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1894.

OFFICERS:—President—Mr R. Street. Vice-Presidents—Messrs. A. Bayly, W. G. Glassford, J. Avery, T. S. Weston, and E. M. Smith, M.H.R. Committee—Messrs. C. Tate, R. G. Farly, J. Healey, P. Duddy, Jas. Hooker and B. A. Shriviner. Stewards—Messrs A. Bayly, W. G. Glassford, John Honeyfield, C. Tate, R. Pigott, H. Julian, M. Mills, H. Lepper, C. Rogers and J. Tuohy. Treasurer—Mr C. Tate. Clerk of Course—Mr J. Healey. Clerk of Scales—Mr A. Colson. Judge—Mr A. Bayly. Handicapper—Mr B. G. Farly.

PROGRAMME.

- 1. Maiden Handicap Trot of 10 sovs. For horses that have never won an advertised trotting event. Nomination, 10s (close on general entry night); no acceptance. Two miles. 2. Harness Trot Handicap of 18 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stakes. Winner of any trotting race after declaration of handicap to be re-handicapped, as per Rule 30. Nomination, 10s; Acceptance, 6s. Two and a half miles.

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7. Harness Trot of 12 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stakes. Nominations close on general entry night. Handicaps declared on the ground. Entry, 12s. Two miles.

The Taranaki Trotting Association have adopted the Auckland Trotting Rules. Rule 30.—All winners of any race after handicaps are declared may be re-handicapped, but such handicap shall not exceed five seconds per mile for re-handicapped race.

Acceptances and General Entries close on SATURDAY, September 22nd, 1894, at 9 p.m., at the Taranaki Hotel, New Plymouth. The Committee reserve the right to postpone the races in case of bad weather.

A. A. AMBRIDGE, Hon. Sec.

STRATFORD TROTTING CLUB.

The FIRST ANNUAL MEETING of the Stratford Trotting Club will be held on the Bushford Park Racecourse, on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11th, 1894.

OFFICERS.—President—F. McGuire, Esq., M.H.R. Vice-Presidents—Messrs. W. Dingle, T. McLellan, and N. King. Stewards—Messrs. H. N. Liardet, W. L. Tucker, E. G. Allsworth, J. Don, T. Jordan, R. McCracken, R. McQuay, and G. McBain. Treasurer—Mr R. S. Hirschberg. Clerk of Course—Mr P. Brooking. Clerk of Scales—Mr J. B. Paton. Starter—Mr H. J. C. Coutts. Judge—Mr H. Bayly. Handicapper—Mr R. G. Pardy. Timekeeper—Colonel Payne.

PROGRAMME.

- 1. Maiden Handicap Saddle Trot of 15 sovs for horses that have never won an advertised trotting event (private matches excepted). Nominations 10s., acceptance 6s. (close on general entry night). One mile and a half. To start at 12 noon. 2. Harness Trot Handicap of 20 sovs., second horse 3 sovs. from the stakes. Winner of any trotting race, after the declaration of handicap, to be re-handicapped, as per Rule 30. Nominations 10s., acceptance 10s. Two miles. To start at 12.45.

The Stratford Trotting Club have adopted the Auckland Trotting Club Rules.

Rule 30.—All winners of any race after handicaps are declared may be re-handicapped, but such handicap shall not exceed five seconds per mile for re-handicapped race. Nominations, with full particulars as to performances, colours of riders, etc., close on Saturday, September 15, 1894, at 9 p.m., at the County Hotel, Stratford.

Submitted and approved (this 14th day of August, 1894). A. A. AMBRIDGE, Secretary Taranaki Trotting Association.

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All-round Sport

By HURDLER.

FOOTBALL FIXTURES. September 8—Auckland v. Wairoa, at Wairoa. New South Wales v. Wellington, at Wellington. September 10—New South Wales v. South Canterbury, at Timaru.

Football.

INTERPROVINCIAL CONTEST.

WELLINGTON V. AUCKLAND.

DEFEAT OF THE LOCAL TEAM.

THE sixth contest between the above teams, which has for many weeks been the all absorbing topic in football circles, was played on Saturday last at Potter's. From the previous Thursday the weather had been most unfavourable, and until within a few hours of the match the rain was almost continuous.

The game, which resulted in a win for the visitors by 13 points to nil, was played under the most unfavourable circumstances, the spectators themselves appearing almost indifferent concerning the result of the contest. In the first spell the local men kicked with a strong wind in their favour, and, although they had considerably the best of the play, they were, nevertheless, unable to score, the spell ending without any points to the credit of either team.

Wellington (black)—Full-back, Davidson 11.0; three-quarters, D. Gage 11.8, W. Wynyard 11.10, Duncan 12.0; halves, Bennet 11.9, Pudney 10.7; wing forwards, McKenzie 13.6, Kelly 11.10; pack forwards, J. Poland 13.8, Swindley 12.8, Campbell 12.10, Bishop 14.0, Young 13.7, Pringle 12.4, Maber 11.12.

Auckland (blue and white)—Full-back, R. Masefield 12.0; three-quarters, W. R. Fitchett 12.6, F. Edmonds 10.4, J. Breen 11.2; halves, W. Elliott 12.4, A. Braund 10.7; wing forwards, R. Oliphant 12.2, W. Rhodes 14.0; pack forwards, C. Stone 13.7, J. Brady 12.0, O. Murphy 13.0, I. Clarkin 13.12, A. Haua 12.8, R. McKenzie 12.10, H. Donald 12.0.

THE PLAY.

Campbell kicked off for Wellington, but the ball was brought back owing to some of the players being in front of the ball, and a scrum was formed at midfield. A splendid rush of the black forwards, headed by Kelly and McKenzie, carried play to the local territory, where for Masefield lying on the ball the visitors were awarded a free kick. Campbell had a place kick at goal, but no score resulted and a scrum was formed near the Auckland line.

carried play to midfield, but a long punt by Edmonds sent the oval into touch in the Wellington 25. From the throw in a scrum was formed, from which the blacks forwards got on another rush, which was, however, well stopped at midfield by Breen, who punted to Davidson, the latter after a good run, sending the ball into touch at the 50 flag. From the throw in a combined rush of the local vanguard, in which Stone, McKenzie, and Murphy were prominent, carried play to the blacks' 25, where Edmonds obtained a mark and punted to Duncan, who returned into touch. After several scrums and lines out, McKenzie (Wellington) gained ground by a clever piece of dribbling, and by the aid of a mark obtained by Poland, the leather was sent into touch at the 50 flag. The throw in resulted in a good run by Wynyard, who passed to Gage, but the latter was well tackled by Rhodes. From the scrum which followed, McKenzie and Pringle got on another rush, and being well supported by the rest of the Wellington vanguard, play was carried well into the Auckland 25, where Masefield knocked on. After several more scrums and some loose open play, in which the blue and whites appeared to have the advantage, Bennett made a strong dash for the Auckland line, but was collared by Braund, and Fitchett, picking up the ball, made a long kick to the visitors' 25. Oliphant following up fast, put in some good feet work, but Duncan picked up cleanly and punted. An error on this part of an Auckland back enabled the Wellington forwards to start a good rush, which was well stopped by Masefield on his own side of the 50 mark. For off-side play here by Murphy Wellington was awarded a free kick, but Braund returned into touch at the centre mark. From the throw in, the last mentioned player secured the ball and passed to Elliott, who sent it into touch at the Wellington 25 flag. In the midst of a heavy hailstorm the blue and white vanguard got on a splendid rush, which transferred the scene of operations to the visitors territory, and after some loose play in which the local men almost registered a score, Kelly, Pringle and McKenzie retaliated with a fine dribble to near midfield, where the oval went into touch. The rain now came down in torrents, and for about five minutes the players were forced to seek shelter beneath the umbrellas of the spectators. On play being resumed, the visitors came away with a fast rush, which was, however, well stopped by Edmonds, who, picking up cleverly, returned to midfield by a good punt. Auckland was here awarded a free kick, from which Donald placed the oval into touch in the visitors quarters. From the throw in the black vanguard again came away with a determined rush which carried play into the local 25, where Wynyard, picking up, made a great dash for the line and almost scored. For a time the Auckland men were compelled to assume the defensive, and from a scrum close to the local goal line Bennett secured the leather and passed to Gage, who was only stopped within a few yards of the line by Edmonds. A free kick for the local men was taken by Murphy, but little or no ground was gained, and the ball went into touch. From the line out Donald and Stone came away with the ball at their feet, carrying play well into the Wellington quarters. Unfortunately for the local men, the ball struck the referee, or otherwise a score might have resulted. From the scrum which followed Bennett obtained possession of the leather and made a long run to Masefield, when he passed to Duncan. The latter, however, failed to take the pass, and thereby lost a certain try, the ball going into touch. Obtaining the ball from the line, Braund made a long punt to Davidson, who returned poorly into touch. From the throw in Oliphant made a splendid run, and when within a few yards of the line passed to Fitchett, who almost scored. From the scrum which took place, a hard kick by some Wellington player gave Breen a great opening. The latter had only to pick up and run across the line, but the oval was too slippery, and before he could obtain possession of it several of the visitors were down upon him. Wellington here got a free kick, from which Breen obtained a mark close to the 50 mark. Murphy essayed at goal, but the ball fell short, and Wynyard returned into touch at his 25 mark. From the throw in a scrum was formed, from which Braund secured the leather, and after evading the opposing wings and half back, passed out to Elliott who made a great effort to score, being collared by Davidson within a few feet of the line. Many

thought that Elliott had scored, but the referee's decision was a force down for the visitors. From the kick out the visitors rushed to near midfield, but a punt by Edmonds sent the oval into touch at the Wellington 25. From the throw in Duncan got off a good pass to Wynyard, who made a clever run to the centre where Oliphant secured the oval and punted to Gage, who returned into touch at the 50 mark. The throw in resulted in another rush of the visitors, the ball being carried to the local 25, where, after much loose play, Donald was instrumental in dribbling the ball to midfield, Gage punting into touch. A loose straggling rush carried the scene of action to the other side of the field, Gage getting on a good dribble to the Auckland 25, where he collided with Fitchett, the latter getting winded and having to be carried from off the field. He, however, returned a few minutes later. Securing the ball from the line out Gage made a quick clever punt Rhodes marking and kicking to midfield where Wellington obtained a free kick. By a well-judged kick Gage sent the oval into touch in the local territory. From the throw in McKenzie, Rhodes, Oliphant and Stone came away with a good rush to midfield, but Wynyard secured a clever mark and by a good kick placed Auckland on the defensive. Loose play in the local territory resulted in Masefield marking and kicking to Wynyard, who returned into touch at the 25 flag. Hava, obtaining a mark from the line out, kicked to midfield where Braund was conspicuous for a quick punt. McKenzie, however, got possession of the ball and made a strong run to the Auckland 25, where Duncan put in a screw punt compelling the local men to force. Murphy kicked out, and by good following up Donald and McKenzie got on a splendid rush to the Wellington 25, where Oliphant cleverly picked up and made a dodgy run getting dangerously close to the Wellington line. On being tackled by Gage, he passed to Elliott, who, however, fumbled the ball, and lost a great chance of scoring. Duncan, securing the leather, relieved by a strong run, and kick to the 50 mark, when the whistle sounded half-time neither side having scored.

SECOND SPELL.

In the second half of the game the ground was in a terrible state having been badly cut up by the play in the first spell. Murphy kicked off to Bennett, the latter returning into touch at the half-way flag. From the throw in an interesting exchange of kicks between the backs let play in the Auckland 25, where for a long time the Wellington men made great endeavours to score. At this stage of the game a severe hail storm made it almost impossible to distinguish the players. After much loose play in the local territory Oliphant and Rhodes were instrumental in rushing the oval to near mid-field where a scrum took place. From this the visitors got on a dribbling rush which was however spoiled by one of the forwards kicking too hard. Breen picking up smartly endeavoured to run but was collared by Bennett. From the scrum which followed, Donald started a telling rush which was not stopped until the ball had been sent well into the visitors quarters. Duncan here put in a short run, and losing possession of the ball, it was carried along by several of the black forwards to the 50 flag. Rain and hail now coming down with great force compelled the players to leave the field for several minutes. On play being resumed, a fast rush of the Wellington forwards placed the local men on the defence, but a minute later the blue and white vanguard replied with a combined rush to mid-field, where Wynyard obtained a mark. The latter punting high, the Wellington forwards by fast following up started a dangerous rush, which was only stopped by Edmonds throwing on. The scrum which took place close to the Auckland line, resulted in a loose straggling rush of the blue and white, which brought relief to the local team by sending the ball into touch at the 25 flag. From the throw-in Rhodes took the ball cleanly and passed to Edmonds, who made a long punt to midfield. From the scrum which took place Kelly got away with the leather at his feet, and being supported by several of his comrades, the ball was carried past all the local backs, and dribbled across the Auckland line. Fitchett by a good spurt reached the leather first and saved, just in the nick of time, Murphy kicked out, and the play centred, until the visitors were awarded a free kick, and Breen failing to return the local team were again compelled to save. Murphy kicked out, and through a free

kick awarded to the visitors Gage sent the ball into touch at the Auckland 25. From the throw-in the blue and white vanguard gained some ground by a loose rush, but Wynyard, picking up smartly, made a clever run to Masefield, when he transferred to Bennett who dashed across the Auckland line and drew first blood for Wellington. Campbell was entrusted with the kick, and sent the oval

FAIRLY ACROSS THE BAR.

Wellington	5
Auckland	0

Murphy kicked out, but the visitors immediately rushed down upon the Auckland line, and the local men were called upon to defend. A free kick for off-side play by a Wellington forward, brought relief to the local team, and the ball was sent into touch outside the 25 flag. A lot of uninteresting play followed just outside Auckland's 25, the players being so covered with mud that it was almost impossible to distinguish one from the other. A dangerous rush of the blacks was well stopped by Edmonds, who obtained a mark. Bennett returned and the visiting vanguard following up fast, the ball was again driven across the local line, Fitchett forcing. From the kick out a scrum was formed near mid-field, from which Pudney secured the leather, and after a short dash passed to Wynyard, who in turn transferred to Gage. The latter made straight for the corner flag, and, although he crossed the Auckland line, a score was prevented by his being thrown into touch in goal. From the kick out Wynyard secured the ball and made a fast clever run, getting to within a yard of the Auckland line. From the scrum which followed the blue and white's cleared their lines by a good rush, but the relief was only temporary, for a minute later the visiting forwards bore down in a body on the Auckland line and Masefield was compelled to save. The kick out was followed by a series of attacks by the visitors, from one of which the ball was rushed across Auckland's line and secured by Kelly. Campbell made a splendid kick and lauded a pretty goal.

Wellington	10
Auckland	0

For the remainder of the game the local men were constantly on the defensive, the ball rarely going outside their own 25. The blacks made great efforts to increase the score, and in the last minute of the game Wynyard picking up cleverly from the midst of the forwards crossed the line near the corner flag, and registered Wellington's third try. Campbell again tried at goal, and although unsuccessful he made a great kick, the ball just going outside the posts. "No side," which was sounded immediately, left Wellington victorious by

13 POINTS TO NIL.

A worse day for football could not be imagined. Heavy and almost constant rain, hail, thunder and lightning, were circumstances under which the contest took place. Auckland has been particularly fortunate this season in having an almost continual run of fine Saturdays, the only match, prior to Saturday last, which was not played on a dry turf and 'neath the bright rays of the sun being the game against Hawke's Bay. Local players have thus been unaccustomed to handling a wet greasy ball, and on Saturday last their want of practice was constantly in evidence, from the very kick off to the sound of "no side." I do not wish to make excuses for the defeat of the local team, for in my notes of last week I selected Wellington to win. I willingly grant that "on the day" the better team won, and under similar conditions would win nine matches out of ten. I am not, however, with those who say that on a fine day the visitors would win just as easily.

Considering the nature of the day the play of the visitors was particularly good. The manner in which the backs handled the ball was throughout the game the subject of much favourable comment. They invariably took the ball neatly and with the greatest of confidence, and showed good judgment in making such frequent use of the touch line. The local backs on the other hand appeared to lack confidence, and after failing once or twice in taking the leather they, during the remainder of the game, allowed the ball to bounce, a practice, which it is needless to say, got them into many difficulties.

In forward play the Wellington vanguard appeared to possess the greatest amount of dash and got on many dangerous and telling rushes. The local pack, as I have previously mentioned, showed undoubted superiority in scrum work, but having no confidence in the backs, they wisely refrained from

heeling out. Our vanguard clearly endeavoured to make the game purely a forward one, but went the wrong way about it. Instead of screwing the scrums they tried to push their opponents, and although it was clear that they possessed the necessary power, the slippery nature of the ground invariably caused the scrum to fall in. Once the ball got clear from the scrum, the visitors had the advantage, although this fact might be due to the inferiority of our backs at stopping rushes. Little or no clever line work was shown by either set of forwards, the throw in resulting in a scrum in almost every instance.

At full back Davidson played a sure game. During the first few minutes of the game his play was a little weak, but he more than made up for this by his strong defensive work throughout the remainder of the contest.

Of the Wellington three-quarters it would be difficult to separate Gage and Wynyard. Each showed fine form, running, kicking, tackling and passing in rare style. From start to finish I do not remember either of these players making a single error.

Duncan at times got off some good play, and gave me the idea of possessing plenty of dash.

Of the halves, Bennett and Pudney, I liked best the play of the former, who put in a lot of useful work.

In Kelly and McKenzie the visitors have two clever wing men, and with all respect for the latter's reputation in this position I certainly think that on Saturday Kelly proved the more useful man. His try was well gained, and there were few of the Wellington rushes in which he did not take a prominent part.

TARANAKI FOOTBALL.

[BY WIRE.]

September 3.

Taranaki easily beat New South Wales on Saturday by 21 to 6 points. The ground was very sloppy, and during the game a heavy hailstorm fell. In the first spell Lambie, A. Bayly and H. Good scored tries for Taranaki, no goals resulting. Lane scored for New South Wales, G. Lusk making a fine shot for goal, but the ball unfortunately struck the post. In the second spell Lambie scored two tries for Taranaki, from one of which Humphries kicked a goal, and he also kicked a goal from a mark made by Humphries. H. Good made the run of the day when he scored his try in the first spell, running from near the Taranaki 25 flag right through the New South Wales backs and touching down between the posts. G. Lusk kicked a penalty goal for New South Wales in the second spell.

The visitors suffered another defeat today, being beaten at Wanganui by the combined Wanganui and Manawatu team by 13 points to nil.

The Wellington-Taranaki match is to be played at Hawera on Wednesday, and the contest is causing a great amount of interest. Opinions are divided as to the result, but I think Taranaki should about win. The Taranaki team will be the same as played against New South Wales.

The Wellington team arrived to-night and go on to Hawera to-morrow.

The Taranaki men leave for Wellington on Thursday en route to Christchurch, where they play on Saturday.

WELLINGTON FOOTBALL.

[BY WIRE.]

September 4.

The result of the Auckland v. Wellington match was received with much enthusiasm here. Although the decisive victory of Wellington by 13 to nil was certainly not expected, the general opinion being that the scores would be of a much more even nature.

The College tournament has virtually been won by Wellington College, who defeated the Wanganui representatives on Wednesday by 30 to 11, and the Christ's College men on Saturday by 25 to 3. They play Nelson to-morrow and should score an easy win.

Wanganui defeated Christ's College yesterday by 17 to nil. The success of the Wellington College was mainly due to the splendid coaching which the members of the team received at the hands of Tom Ellison.

Newtown Park has been secured for the N.S.W. match to be played on Saturday. After two season's spell the ground should be in rattling order. The result of the match would appear to be a foregone conclusion, viz., a win for Wellington.

Music, Drama.

BY THE PROMPTER.

It is reported that Miss Amy Sherwin (Madame Gorlitz) contemplates another Australian tour. I think I read somewhere that her latest baby had for god-father Paderewski, the famous pianist.

MADAME ALBONI, who many years ago was a famous vocalist, and who died on June 22nd, was so stout in her latter years that she was unable to walk unless supported on either side by men servants.

THE complimentary farewell concert tendered to Miss Freda Marsden on Thursday evening last attracted a very satisfactory audience, and those who attended had a decidedly good programme placed before them.

MISS HENRIETTA WATSON sails for London on the 29th inst. Since her arrival in Australia as a member of Mrs Bernard Beere's company Miss Watson has been a great favourite with Australian audiences.

AN unusual incident occurred at the recent Handel Festival in the Crystal Palace, London. In the second part of Israel in Egypt the enormous chorus got "off the line" once, and the conductor had no option but to cry a halt and make a fresh start.

M. PADEREWSKI, he of the lengthy locks, journeyed expressly from Paris to open the London Salle Erard, which forms part of Messrs. Erard's new premises. The hall seats about 300 persons, and the stained glass windows contain portraits of Chopin, Gounod, Liszt, Rubinstein, Wagner and other musical kings.

THROUGH the REVIEW going to press prior to the rise of last night's curtain at the Opera House, I am compelled to postpone my notice of the opening performance of the Lilliputians until next week's issue. I understand the company has been considerably strengthened since the occasion of Mr Pollard's last visit, and as the properties used in the last Princess's Panto, have been secured, lovers of gorgeous stage setting may expect something unusually good.

JOHN GOURLAY, the well-known comedian, has sought the refuge of the bankrupt's court. He gives as the causes of his insolvency, failure of his professional tour to New Zealand in July, 1893, failure of the Sydney pantomime in December and January last, and the stereotyped "want of employment." The latter complaint is very common amongst actors on the other side just now. Gourlay's liabilities amounted to £188 4s 2d; and his assets totalled 10s.

MESSRS. WILLIAMSON & MUSGROVE are negotiating with Madame Melba with a view to her visiting Australia next year. Mr Musgrove offered Madame Melba and a company, comprising herself, a tenor, a contralto, a baritone and a bass, £350 a night for twelve concerts. The singer wanted £450, but was refused by the firm on account of the "prevailing depression." A cable has since been sent to Madame Melba offering £350 a night for fifteen concerts. If this be accepted by the singer she will leave for Australia in May next year. Mr Abbey pays the famous singer alone £250 a night to sing in the United States.

In the "Sporting Dictionary" the meaning of the word "jamboree" is set out as the combination of the five highest cards, as for example the two bowers, ace, king and queen of trumps in one hand, which entitles the holder to count sixteen points. In the alcoholic sense "jamboree" has a very different meaning.

Late files from London show the Galopin—St. Angela horse, St. Simon, at the head of the winning stallions for the season with 17 wins, of the value of £19,105 10s. Isomy is second on the list with 10 wins valued at £17308; Hampton is third with 9 wins of the value of £15,604; and Royal Hampton is fourth with 14 wins of the value of £7054. There are 21 stallions with total wins ranging from £5000 odd down to £2000. Those under the two thousand list are not quoted.

Writing anent the New Zealand Parliamentary debate re the totalisator, "Nunquam Dormio" of Melbourne *Punch* remarks:—"With regard to the totalisator increasing the number of race meetings, even were its use general throughout Victoria it couldn't well increase the number of these events around about the metropolis, seeing that at the present time, without the machine, there is a race meeting, not only on every day in the week (Sundays, but not Christmas Day, excepted), but occasionally two meetings on the one day, within a radius of half a mile—at Flemington and 'Ascot' to wit."

started with their original weight up, and neither of them were placed. What chance, therefore, would they have had with penalties when they could not win with their original imposts? Sainfoin has the exact weight in the Melbourne Cup this year that he had in the last, and yet had Mr Dakin been able to re-handicap him after the Caulfield Cup he would probably last year have been called upon to carry 8.10. It is evident from the weight Mr Dakin has given Sainfoin this year that he does not set much store by the penalising system. It is unfair to put a weight on a man's horse that practically crushes him out of a good race because the horse wins a minor event. There is no encouragement to horse-owners in this system, and the sooner we have a change in the plan of penalising winners the better." While the A.J.C. go in for such absurd conditions it is a matter for congratulation that they possess candid Press friends to point out their errors in the manner of our contemporary. We are glad to see that the Wanganui Club are endeavouring to abolish the penalising system by moving that in the event of a horse winning a handicap of £100 after weight declarations his weight shall be affected by a reviewing and not a penalising system.

Coming Events.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S FIRST SPRING MEETING.

[BY BORDERER.]

LAST year the Auckland Racing Club had to be congratulated upon the auspicious opening given to their season by the satisfactory nominations received for the opening chapter of the racing book of 1893-94. This year, however, one cannot be quite so jubilant for the returns for the coming meeting show an all round falling off compared with the figures for the past season. Then the five handicaps offered to horse-owners brought forth 66 nominations; this year the total shows a fall, 55 being the main. There are two less in the Trial, three less in the Hurdles, one less in the Flying and, what is more to the point, five less in the big race, the Spring Handicap. And, if one can trust what he hears, the acceptance list will show a very important falling off. The weight adjustments for the meeting were declared on Monday evening and the reception of the handicapping has not, to put it mildly, been of the most favourable description. Trainers and owners look askance at Mr Evett's latest piece of work, and I must admit the A.R.C.'s weighting expert has not altogether steered clear of mistakes. It may be that the value or accuracy of the weighting is not apparent on the surface, and perhaps inexperienced eyes may not altogether appreciate the unerring skill which the handicapper has shown in bringing the horses together. With that section of the public I have the melancholy honour of enrolling myself. Taking the running of the past season as my line (and a more legitimate basis could not be obtained) I fancy there are a few peculiarities in the handicaps which though possibly unimportant may as well be pointed out. The big race should receive first attention, and in this the weighting cannot be said to be on too high a scale for that consistent mare Lottie, who is, I fancy, well able to meet the field opposed to her with a little more than weight-for-age over her pet distance, a mile and a quarter. Right through last season she proved herself a most consistent mare, and in view of her slashing Thompson Handicap win, in which she carried 8.2, and beat pretty well the cream of New Zealand, the Spring Handicap might have been framed with more regard to the animals placed below her in the list. Pegasus has 3lb more than his weight-for-age, Yattenfeldt has 8lb less, Ingorina 15lb less, Ben Godfrey 11lb less, and Grenadier 5lb more. Eve has already fallen out of the contest, and the other two nominators are hardly to be considered in view of those racers placed higher in the list. The point which first presents itself to my mind in considering this handicap is the fact of the handicapper asking Brigadier's three-year-old son to carry 5lb more than weight-for-age, while the other contestants meet their w.f.a. scale on so much more advantageous terms. In sizing up horses at the opening of a season I should say some sort of attention should be paid to their achievements of the past and if Grenadier's running of last year furnishes a reason why he should carry 3lb more than St. Hippo did when

he captured the same event in 1892, personally I fail to see it. Of course he may have altered in a very wonderful fashion of which I know nothing, but on hard figures I must say I consider he cannot be considered very fairly treated. Then Ben Godfrey at 8.3 is hardly treated in a harsh fashion seeing his wins over a mile. At Taranaki in the autumn he carried 8.7, and beat a more than fair field in 1min 43sec. His wins as a miler were accomplished very easily, and whether the extra quarter is a reason why he should carry 4lb less than he had when he won comfortably in "43" is very doubtful. With eleven pounds under his w.f.a. his chance must be rather fair (on paper), although it may be that as regards condition he is not in the race. But in reviewing handicaps the form of a day or a week is hardly a fair criterion. Major George's colt Pegasus could certainly not have been valued at less weight than has been given him, but I fancy Yattenfeldt is not overburdened. In the Auckland Guineas he ran a big second with 8.10 to St. Laura, 8.5, who won under whip and spur in 1min 45sec, Annabelle, Stanmoor, and Royal Rose finishing behind Yattenfeldt. Next day he won the Maiden Plate, one mile and a distance, with 9.3 in 2min 11sec, winning easily. Bearing those wins in mind, I incline to the opinion that, on paper at least, he is not a mile out of the coming fair. Passing on to the Steeplechase, one must be struck with the request made by the handicapper to Potentate to head the list with 11.7. Now what sort of a chance would the Penrose gelding have with the runner up of our last Great Northern giving away 7lbs? As soon as the lists came out Union Jack's party could not see the beauty of giving 3lbs to Crazy Kate, so why should Alec Williams be called upon to increase his disadvantage by 4lbs more than that out dealt to Union Jack? When Potentate won the Tallyho Steeplechase at our winter meeting he carried 10.11 and won simply because Belle fell at the last jump, and then he came in looking fairly well used up. In the Grand National he was weighted at 9.12, and Crazy Kate giving away 4lbs beat him with the greatest of ease. Now he is asked to give away 7lbs to the mare, which means a difference of 11lbs and a beating—rather a tough job to undertake up the Ellerslie plantation and over the hill with Crazy Kate behind him. At the Garrett meeting Potentate, carrying 10.9, beat Crazy Kate, 11.5—which weighting gave him an advantage of 10lbs. Now Crazy Kate takes 7lbs from him, which means 17lbs better terms for her compared with her Garrett meeting run. Fishmonger and Crazy Kate met at that meeting with a stone in favour of the Izaak Walton gelding; now he has to allow her 5lbs, which means an allowance to the mare of 19lbs and a beating. Fishmonger had 9.9 in the National—5lbs under Crazy Kate—and when he fell at the hill jump he came down because he was a beaten horse. Yet he is now summed up as 5lbs the superior of the mare! Respecting Austral, he has two wins to his credit, the first being in a Maiden Steeplechase at Hawke's Bay, in which nearly all the contestants turned "sevens," and in the second, the Wairarapa Steeplechase, 3 miles, which he won with 9.7 up the company behind him was only Hunt Club class. At 4lbs over Mr Lawrence's mare he is either a vastly improved or an overrated animal. I may here remark that my Wellington confrere wires his opinion that "the Wellington horses are shamefully treated," and in support of his sweeping assertion he instances the 'chaser under review and the hurdling nominator Bouquet. The latter is a maiden and has never raced over hurdles. "Yet (wires the correspondent) he is reckoned to be superior to a pair of winners like Warrior and Skittles." On paper such weighting does appear slightly "thick," and I cannot wonder at the impression that has gained ground down Wellington way that Southern horses are not wanted here. The main blot on this handicapping is of course Crazy Kate's measurement, and it was hardly surprising to hear of Potentate's prompt withdrawal. Passing on to the Flying Handicap the eye is inclined to rest at Doris 8.0. At the A.R.C. Second Spring of last year she won the five furlong Welcome Stakes in 1min 43sec, and at the autumn gathering, after losing the Champagne Stakes through an unlucky bolt—as I at all events fancy—she came out the day following and won the six furlong Ellerslie Handicap in 1min 18½sec "with her mouth open." Three Stars' run of the day previous was accomplished in 1min 18sec, so that the filly's chance would not have been such a bad

one had she got away before a six furlong bolt had been taken out of her. Now she is placed 6lb below Grenadier and First Nelson, 7lb below Ben Godfrey, 22lb below Lottie, and 2st 3lb below St. Kilda. And on the same day that she cantered home in the Ellerslie Handicap, run in 1min 18½sec, she came out again and with 7.8 up ran a more than fair second to the flying St. Clements in the five furlong Shorts, cut out by the winner in 1min 3sec. Behind Doris were St. Laura, Stanmoor, Tingara, First Nelson, and half a dozen others. Then again why is Lady Moth placed 9lb below Grenadier? At Takapuna the mare beat him in the Calliope Handicap, 6 furlongs, carrying 7.12, while Grenadier, who finished unplaced, had the advantage of 8lb. The next day Lady Moth had 8.12 and the colt 7.5, which meant an advantage to the latter of a stone and a half. Yet he was ridden out to the bitter last, and then beaten by the daughter of St. Leger—Titania. This handicap could not be started higher than it is and while St. Kilda has quite enough to carry, Lottie's and Doris' burdens are certainly not far enough up the scale in view of the imposts given the other candidates. In the Hurdle race Marechal Neil's connections see ground for grumbling at the 10.4 awarded the horse. Fishmonger cannot be very comfortable within a pound of Ingorina; the top weight is summed up to his utmost capacity (in view of Ingorina); and Skittles looks in a healthy condition. Respecting Marechal Neil one certainly remembers that with 10.0 he was unplaced in the Garrett Benefit Hurdles, while Skittles with 6lbs less finished second. Now the Marechal is asked to give her 12lbs which arrangement his party naturally fail to see the advantage of. In the same race Fishmonger gave her 2lbs and was beaten for second honours, and now he is asked to concede her 15lbs. That sort of reasoning is hardly "according to Cocker"—or any one else for the matter of that. In considering Skittles and Belmont I had overlooked the lesson taught by the North Shore hurdle race run over the same distance as the one fixed for the 15th. At the Takapuna Meeting the mare won with 9.8, taking 13lb from Belmont, who was an indifferent third. In the coming hurdle race Belmont is asked to give Skittles 22lbs! That is something worth considering. I have touched on a few of the peculiarities of the handicap, and will postpone further dealing with the subject until the full tale told by the scratching pen is made known. Of course horses are "kittle cattle" to deal with, and much advancement may have been made by the equine puzzlers since we last saw them with the colours up. With stable secrets and Ellerslie whispers we have however nothing to do when considering the first handicap of the season, and the same remark may equally apply to a weight adjuster and his work. The figures of the past season's running form the only guide worth following and viewing the handicaps through such a channel of light, I cannot help regarding their contents with a certain amount of regret. Great strides may have been accomplished by the horses under review, which advancement may be known only to a privileged few, but going on figures and past performances I fancy some of the horses alluded to above must win (if in the humour), while others cannot have donkey's chances.

tion, but I fancy the handicapper has erred in placing Hop Bitters above Amalgam in the Hunt Club. The latter is a good performer, and besides that his running in the National Steeple was sufficient for any handicapper to allot him top weight in the Hunt Cup against hunters.

I must extend my congratulations to Mr "Joe" Henry in being appointed handicapper to another important racing club—Hawke's Bay. Mr Henry did not make an application for the position, but was offered it and accepted. As handicapper for close on thirty clubs he will have his hands full during the coming season.

Monte Carlo is greatly fancied by a few good judges in town for the N.Z. Cup. He comes from a staying family, and should have no trouble in getting the two miles.

I hear the colt by St. Clair—Lady Gertrude, Solano, is something above the average. He should turn out a good three-year-old.

The Hutt horses are doing steady work in view of spring engagements.

A well-known Hutt jockey is proceeding against a late owner of racehorses for the recovery of about £60, alleged to be due for riding fees. There is a disagreement as to the terms arranged for, the defendant alleging that the jockey was to receive 10 per cent. of the stake money won by the horse, while the plaintiff claims for the recognised amounts fixed for winning and losing mounts, viz., £5 and £2 respectively. It is considered probable that a settlement will be effected before the case comes up again on the 10th prox.

Mr N. Grace, one of the delegates of the Wairarapa Racing Club to the recent Conference, in his report at the annual meeting of that body, said, "The most important subject discussed was the formation of a New Zealand Jockey Club, and when the Conference met again there was no doubt this would be an accomplished fact. It was most desirable that there should be a supreme body to control the Metropolitan Clubs—some recognised head of racing; and he was confident whether Auckland or Dunedin oined or not, the New Zealand Jockey Club would be formed. The maintenance of the club would be secured by a small levy on all clubs, and jockeys' and trainers' fees would be devoted to the purpose. Some clubs already put aside these fees for special purposes, but most put them into the general revenue. The principal expense would be the secretary, and as there were 200 clubs in the colony, the levy would not be felt." As to the reduction of meetings in the Wellington districts, Mr Grace said it was understood at the Conference that the Metropolitan Committee and the Country delegates should meet in November and bring in some scheme for the reduction, but the general opinion was that clubs that had no course of their own and no appointments should be the first to go. Hunt Clubs would have to go under this arrangement. This really emanated from Otago where there were many little clubs with no convenience. Akura would have to go, and Porirua for a certainty. They had to abolish six meetings. Wellington had voluntarily given up one, then there were the two Hunt Clubs, Porirua and Akura, the sixth would either be Pahiatua, Martinborough, or one day off Opaki.

[The above was delivered too late to appear in last week's issue.]

September 1.

There is an old saying that "absence makes the heart grow fonder," but that cannot apply to the action of the members of the W.R.C. in not re-electing Mr J. Saunders as a steward of the club at its annual meeting. Mr J. Saunders has proved one of the best members of the club from its inception, and when its funds were in low water he was the first to put his hand into his pocket and help the club out of its difficulty. He also formed the railway line to the course, which was afterwards taken over by a company. It is true, as was hinted at by Mr Kane, that owing to residing out of town Mr Saunders could not be present at all the meetings of the stewards, but he was certainly always present at the race meetings. And yet, for this reason, the members refuse to re-elect him! Several of Mr Saunders' old co-workers (especially Mr Maginnity) were very sore at the division, and rightly so too.

The objectionable clause in the Gaming Bill relating to the powers given to the N.Z. Jockey Club was dropped by Mr Bell (who was in charge of the Bill in the absence of Sir Robert Stout) on Mr Lawry moving to strike the clause out. A difficulty, however, has cropped up

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[FROM OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

WELLINGTON.

August 27.

MR HENRY REDWOOD'S horse Awarua Rose, who has been in charge of E. Cutts, of Riccarton, for some time past, passed through Wellington yesterday in the Penguin en route to Nelson. The horse will not stand training this season, and will therefore be treated to a spell at his owner's place. He will probably serve a few mares.

Dr. Newman has notified the president of the Wellington Racing Club that he does not intend seeking re-election as a steward of the club. I do not know his reason for this decision, but probably his connection with the temperance and social reform parties has something to do with it.

Mr J. E. Henry expects a record field to start for the New Zealand Cup—between 20 and 30.

The weights for the Rangitikei Hunt Club Meeting appear to be a fair produc-

with the Legislative Council, which passed a motion last night insisting on the clause, and appointed a committee to draw up reasons for disagreeing with the House of Representatives.

The black filly by Administrator—Hippolita in J. Wilson's stable at Feilding has been named Portia. A three-year-old filly by Puriri—Fidelity has just been placed in Wilson's hands to train by a Palmerston gentleman. She is rather on the small side. Roll Call is being sent along in his work, and will probably be seen out at Bulls on the 26th.

R. Kingan has now nine horses under his care at Awahuri. The latest to join the stable is a four-year-old filly, Sweet Sleep, by Ascot—My Dream.

Bay King is to stand the season in the Rangitikei district.

It is probable that R. Kingan will shortly build stables in Feilding and train his charges on the local course, instead of at Awahuri, some four miles distant.

Cordelia is in good buckle, and a good battle is expected between her and Musket at Rangitihu this month.

Mr Bell, at the annual meeting of the Wellington Racing Club, said he intended moving at a meeting of stewards to revise the rules to allow members at the annual meeting to elect the president, and thus do away with a "continuous" president as at present.

Mr Fabian has got the Greytown training track in good order after spending a considerable sum of money upon it in picking off the stones and constantly going over it with an iron roller. Topham is in charge of Mr Fabian's horses, and they are progressing satisfactorily under his care. Britain is developing into a fine colt.

Royal Tar has been taken up again.

Bangor will probably be seen over the small sticks shortly. She is reported to take to the game kindly.

The cleverness and cunning of trainers is well known, and I heard a day or two ago a story which certainly upholds their reputation. The affair happened not a hundred miles from Feilding, and has caused quite a stir in the locality. It appears that after the races some months ago instructions were given to keep the course closed during the winter. A trainer who was desirous of getting his horses fit for winter engagements approached the person in charge of the keys of the course (who is approaching his three score years and ten, but is all the same as game as possible and an enthusiastic sport), and after much argument obtained permission to use the outside of the course for one gallop. The trainer made profuse promises to return the keys, and certainly he carried out his promise; but before doing so he had a look round the secretary's room, and found several similar locks with duplicate keys. Then he calmly replaced the original locks on the course with the ones he found in the secretary's room and trained his horse on the outside for several months without molestation, the "caretaker" not troubling to go near the course, as he of course considered trainers could not be using it while he held the keys. The little game, however, was stopped by a local boniface, who "spotted" a "go" from his bedroom window one morning, and made haste to inform the "caretaker." The latter would not believe it, but after watching for himself he caught a trainer using the track (which, by the way, was the first occasion he took advantage of it). Then there was trouble, and after exchanging many high words the caretaker proceeded to lock the course up, but found his keys would not act. He then "tumbled" to the game that had been played on him and replaced the locks with new ones. That caretaker is of opinion now that he is slightly behind the times, and readily confesses that this is a very cunning age.

[BY WIRE.]

September 4.

With its usual regard for the convenience of its patrons the Wellington R.C. intend adding to the already splendid arrangements of its course a tea pavillion, plans for which have been prepared by Mr W. C. Chatfield. It is to be erected at the eastern end of the saddling paddock among the trees, and pretty well alongside the Thompson starting-post. The pavillion will be octagonal in shape and will measure about 50 feet square. It will command a view of the whole of the course, and in the centre of the interior will be placed an octagonal counter 36 feet in length, from which refreshments of non-intoxicating character may be dispensed. The inside space will be filled with a table intended for extra supplies. Connected with this will be a spacious kitchen, and outside the counter

there will be an asphalted space 12 feet in width in which afternoon tea tables will be placed, and from there access may be had to a ladies' room 15 feet 6 inches by 10 feet 6 inches, where lavatories and other conveniences will be found. In wet or windy weather canvas will be run round the open space on the windward side, so that the occupants will suffer no discomfort. Ladies in the Wairarapa are agitating for a similar building to be erected by the Wairarapa Club.

J. Macara, of Wairarapa, has several horses in training, including the two fillies that he recently imported from New South Wales, and H. Christie, of Opaki, has two geldings in hand, bred by Mr Thompson. One of them is by Piscatorious, and the other by Forester.

King Harry, who has been in Peters' stable at the Hutt for some time past, left for Bulls last week in charge of L. Holmes. The horse went lame at the latter end of last season but appears to be sound at present. He will be trained by Cameron and Holmes in the event of his being able to stand a preparation, failing which he will serve a few mares.

Mr J. O. Evett shamefully treated the Wellington horses in both the Auckland Steeplechase and the Hurdles. Austral has only won a couple of minor steeples, yet he is placed above such good performers as Union Jack and Crazy Kate, and the hack Bouquet, who is at present a maiden and has never raced over sticks, is reckoned to be superior in the hurdles to a pair of winners like Warrior and Skittles. It would appear that Mr Evett does not wish to see outsiders patronise Auckland meetings.

A splendid oil painting of the stallion Somnus has just been executed by Mr Bert. Hammond to the order of Mr S. M. Baker. It is a very artistic piece of work, and good judges consider it equals if not surpasses anything of the kind ever produced in N.Z.

I hear there is no foundation in the report that Philson, the Tasman colt, is to be shipped from Sydney to take part in the H.B. Guineas.

Response is expected to win a big race in Australia this Spring.

Cup betting is a dead letter in Wellington just now.

At Bulls, The Artist is going well under the care of T. Cameron, and two half brothers to Monte Carlo are also in work and show good promise.

In connection with the Gaming Bill and the objectionable clause, the Legislative Council has refused to accept the reasons adduced by the Lower House delegates, Messrs. Bell, G. Hutchinson and Lawry. The measure came up in the House to-night, and Sir Robert Stout, who arrived from the South yesterday, proposed that a Conference should be held, and wanted to exclude Mr G. Hutchinson from the Committee of the Lower House. Mr Lawry strongly urged the inclusion of the country member, and the House, after discussion, struck out Mr Bell's name and included Mr Hutchinson's. Subsequently, however, the latter member's name was struck out and that of Mr Duncan, of Oamaru, inserted. A futile attempt was then made to have the Hon. J. McKenzie's name included. It is not yet decided when the Conference will be held, but it is understood that Messrs Duncan and Lawry will firmly insist upon the excision of clause 7, which takes the power of issuing totalisator permits out of the hands of the Colonial Secretary. I fancy there is a majority in the House to stop clause 7 from passing!

It is considered that The Dancer has a good chance in the A.J.C. Epsom Handicap, and I believe the Sword Dance horse is being backed by the stable

WANGANUI.

August 31.

The Wanganui Trotting Club have altered the date of their meeting from 11th October till the 20th, which is the day following the Wanganui Jockey Club's Spring Meeting. The reason of alteration of date was on account of the Stratford Trotting Club having their gathering on the 11th.

In writing the paragraph the other week about Ascot 1, through a mistake, quoted that Foxton was by that sire, which is a mistake, as Mr Paul's horse is by Somnus—Leonessa.

The nominations in connection with the Wanganui J.C. Spring Meeting are due on Tuesday, Sept. 18.

The hack mare Strayshot, instead of being sent home to Manaia, is to go under the care of George Laing, who will train her for this season's engagements.

The thoroughbred stallion Megaphone, in charge of Mr R. Ross, arrived yester-

day, and was freely criticised by all who saw him. The opinion of all was that he will be a great acquisition to breeders on this coast, and I have no doubt but that he will do a big season. Mr Ross also brought over with him a two-year-old brown colt by Prodigal, who is a full brother to Tasman. He is a nice looking youngster, showing plenty of muscular power, and to judge by his looks should be able to gallop a bit.

Among the brood matrons that will be sent to Mr Ross's new purchase will, I hear, be Fame (dam of Dudu), Foam, Sunshine (dam of Waterbury), Speculation, Eclat and other well-known mares.

Myth, a four-year-old, by Hiko—Phoenix, is in the sale list, the price wanted for her being £30. The only reason why the owner wants to sell is on account of retiring from racing. Myth's dam, Phoenix, is a half sister to St. Patrick.

Mr J. Paul is represented in the C.J.C. Third Challenge Stakes by his three nominations, viz., Pom Pom, Royal Buck and Caribou.

The following sires are to stand the season in the Wanganui district, viz.:—Vanguard, Wapiti, Strenuous, Recluse, Megaphone and Boulanger.

Waterbury's half brother Eothen, who ran well during the later part of last season, is now in work again under W. Butler's supervision. Eothen is a real fast horse when well, and I shall expect to see Butler win a number of races with him this season.

The hurdle horse Strephon is now turned out for a spell, and in all probability will be taken in hand again about Christmas time, when Kai Iwi Lady will also be brought in. Both these horses should be dangerous in hurdle events in the autumn.

TARANAKI.

[BY WIRE.]

September 3.

The Manaia Hack Meeting will be held on December 11 instead of December 26, as heretofore. Mr R. G. Pardy has been re-appointed handicapper for the club.

There are about thirty horses now in training on the New Plymouth course, including Lebel and Sylvia Park.

DUNEDIN.

[BY WIRE.]

September 4.

HOMOEOPATHIC treatment for horses has become quite fashionable at the Forbury. It appears quicker and more effective than allopathy, and about a dozen racers and trotters that have gone wrong have recently been subjected to it and speedy cures have resulted in all the cases.

Casket soon verified the impression which I wired you last week that it would take a man to ride him. He got the upperhand of his rider on Wednesday, and proved that he is a stayer for he covered about three miles and then pulled up as if ready for more of it.

The Dunedin Jockey Club evidently mean to stick to the rule charging £5 for altering a horse's name. The Maxim—Aqualate colt was recently re-named Black and Red. The fee was to be paid last week, and Mr S. P. Mercer wrote asking whether the payment would be enforced considering that the horse had never started in a race. The committee were of opinion that the rules require that the fee must be paid when a name is voluntarily changed.

Some of our country clubs are thinking of holding their Spring meetings without the totalisator. One of them wrote asking if they did so what amount per diem would they require to give in stakes at the Summer meeting, at which they intend to use the machine? A second query was whether, if they held a Spring meeting without the totalisator, it would be necessary to submit their programme for the metropolitan club's approval. The head club replied to the first question by resolving that the first meeting without the totalisator would not count as one of two meetings, and that the club would have to give £150 per diem net at the Summer meeting at which the totalisator was used. In reply to the second question it was resolved that, in accordance with Rule 22, every programme must be submitted and receive approval.

Our Spring races in November and the Otago Agricultural and Pastoral Society's show will be held in the one week so that there should be quite a carnival time.

Our Hunt Club meeting for Saturday has not received very good acceptances. The only races of interest to northerners will be the Kensington and Shorts Han-

dicaps. Seven are left in the former, viz.: Hippomenes, Dilemma, Captive, Rangiatea, Maribyrnong, Victim and The Winchman. I do not expect the top weight to start for the course is bound to be heavy as it has been under snow since Friday last. The Kensington event will, I think, be won by Dilemma, who has greatly improved lately, and the going will certainly suit him. Rangiatea is the next best. There are a dozen left in the Shorts, which I fancy will be a tough go. The finish should lie between Forbury and Casket.

There has been no N.Z. Cup betting lately. Next Saturday will very likely bring some of the Christchurch and Wellington books down on business bent.

Considering the increase from £3 to £5 in the Coursing Challenge Stakes the entries received are exceptionally good, viz., 105 from all parts of the Australian colonies as well as N.Z.

Mr and Mrs Albert Lucas (Lilla Wilde) are expected to arrive here this week under engagement to Kennedy's Dramatic Co., which opens on Thursday in the Lady of Lyons.

The Montague-Turner Opera Company open here on Saturday night in Maritana.

Turf Topics.

BY REVIEWER.

Selim, the five-year-old son of Cheviot—Alsace, who is engaged in the Caulfield Cup, changed hands recently for 200gns.

The late Tom Corrigan rode three winners of the Caulfield Grand National Steeplechase during his career. His victories were gained on Left Bower in 1882, Game in 1886, and Sir Wilfred in 1890.

Only two amateurs have ridden to victory in the big Caulfield Steeplechase, viz., Messrs J. E. Brewer and W. S. Cox, who scored on Busaco and Redleap in 1891 and 1892 respectively.

The following names for racehorses have been claimed under Rule 64:—B c by Hotchkiss or Castor—Priscilla, Astronomy; br c by Brigadier—Satanella, Pirate.

Since the Caulfield Grand National Steeplechase distance was altered from about two and a half miles to about four miles, the best time recorded was when the aged horse Busaco won in 1891 in 8min 33½sec.

In his opening remarks at the sale of Her Majesty's Stud, Mr Tattersall is reported to have hinted that although the Queen was giving up the breeding of racing stock, the Prince of Wales would shortly take it up.

The Macaroni mare, Lovebird, produced a dead colt foal to Leolantis at Sylvia Park the other day. What with misses, the death of the Eridsporid—Jadestone colt, and their latest stroke of ill-luck, the Messrs Nathan are having an unfortunate season at the Park.

The Wanganui Jockey Club authorities are to be commended for their endeavour to amend the present system of penalising winners. Re-handicapping is very much to be preferred to a fixed penalty. Of course a lot depends on the handicapper.

Mr McCBride has been re-elected chairman of the Onslow Trotting Club Committee. The handicapping for the year will be in the hands of Mr Knight; Mr Foley has been re-appointed starter, and the judging will be carried out by Mr Hayr, son.

From the improvement noticeable in Port Admiral's running at the Adelaide Grand National Meeting, South Australian turf writers conclude that the horse will be cherry ripe by (Caulfield) Cup time. From reliable reports which I have recently received from the Australian side I gather that Jonathan is anything but a bad speculation for that Cup. His impost in the race is 7.12.

H. Cusdin was up in the saddle at the Epsom (Melb.) Meeting. By the way, Cusdin formed a big idea of Pegasus when Major George's colt followed Loyalty home in the last A.R.C. Derby. Cusdin was not too easy in his mind when the home turn was reached, and from the tale of that Derby as seen by the rider of the winner, I should say the Wapiti representative is a bit better than most people imagine. His detractors condemn him as "washy," a charge which I must confess I am rather partial to myself.

A benefit race meeting for Tom Corrigan's widow and children was held at Caulfield on the 25th of last month. There were two appropriately named races on the card, the Lone Hand Handicap and Left Bower Steeplechase. Both races were endowed with 1000sovs, and the rival betting clubs of Melbourne, the Victorian and Bowes's Tattersalls, donated the stake money. Some £800 was obtained through the gathering.

There is little love lost between the Onslow and Auckland Trotting Clubs, as may be gathered from the report which appears in another column of the meeting held by the committee of the former institution. One section of the committee is opposed to the idea of trotting at Potter's Paddock, and wish to "cut" pony racing altogether and give trotting meetings pure and simple at one of the courses under the control of the Auckland Racing Club. A decision, one way or the other, will probably be arrived at to-morrow.

Kingsclerc, the winner of the Adelaide Grand National Hurdle Race was bred at St Albans by Mr Crozier (the owner of Vakeel and Fulham, both Adelaide Cup winners), and together with two other yearlings, was purchased jointly by his present owner, Mr Lewis, and Mr A. A. Barnett, for 250gns. The partners agreed to dissolve partnership, and Mr Lewis was given the option of paying £50 for the privilege of taking the pick of the three, or vice versa. Mr Lewis elected to pay the £50 and picked Kingsclerc, who made his first win when the Hurdles fell to him.

At Sylvia Park.

[BY BORDERER.]

WHEN the auctioneer uplifts his hammer at Sylvia Park in December next, Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan will have in all seven well-bred yearlings to offer to lovers of the thoroughbred. There will be six colts and one filly, and had Fate been kind to the Eiridsport—Jadestone youngster, the number would have been increased by a colt that for breeding and looks it would have been hard to beat. The seven youngsters left above the turf are, however, good enough to duil if not obliterate the disappointment the Sylvia Park breeders must have felt when the Eiridsport colt joined the great majority. At least that was the opinion I formed when in company with Mr N. A. Nathan I walked over the Sylvia Park paddocks a few days' back in order to obtain an introductory glimpse at the material which the Messrs Nathan will offer at their forthcoming sale. Of course it is not a very favourable time just now to sum up the results of last year's matings, about which a more accurate idea will be obtainable a little later on, but from what I saw of the Park youngsters I fancy purchasers will have little to complain of when the auctioneer places them in the ring. Before I look at the budding stock, my attention is directed to the brood mares and the latest addition to the Messrs Nathan's stud, the filly which Sybil a few days ago presented to Cuirassier. The youngster is darker coated than her dam, and as far as can be judged at a time like the present she should grow into a well-built one. Of course at her age one cannot obtain much of an idea of her future prospects. The first matron to come under inspection was the Macaroni mare Lovebird, who looks remarkably well considering that eighteen years have passed over her head. At the last sales she was represented by a St. Leger filly who is at the present time grazing at the Park. Last season Lovebird was mated with Leolantis, and as I write news comes that the Messrs Nathan have had another stroke of misfortune for the mare has foaled a dead colt. This matron is getting on in years, and her work at the stud cannot be of much longer duration, so the loss of her Leolantis progeny is doubly to be deplored. Lovebird was bred in 1875 by the Cobham Stud Company, and imported to New Zealand in 1882 by Mr G. G. Stead. She is one of the few Macaroni mares in the colony, being by Macaroni (winner of the Two Thousand Guineas and Derby of 1863) out of Better Half. On her dam's side Macaroni goes back to the same blood as Kelpie, the sire of many winners on the Australian turf. Miss Letty carries a foal to Dreadnought, and when this youngster comes he should be able to stretch his legs to some considerable account if breeding goes for anything. The Park studmasters had decidedly hard luck to lose the colt which Jadestone foaled to Eiridsport, and their misfortune was not lessened when Nordenfeldt's half sister missed to Cuirassier, to whom she goes back again. Had the Eiridsport colt lived he would have fetched a more than fair figure, for I know Mr P. Butler had a covetous eye on him, and would have nodded his head to some considerable tune in order to secure the colt whose breeding was certainly very hard to find fault with. A three-year-old filly named Charente was the next I looked at. She is by Nordenfeldt—La Dauphine, and was, I think, the first foal of her dam. Not a single fault can be found with her build, and when she mates with St. Hippo (to whom she is booked for the coming season) she should produce something well above the average. Another promising and grandly bred young mare that will be served by St. Hippo is the Trenton filly that Mr Nathan purchased when Jadestone was picked up by him in Australia for such a ridiculous figure. When I saw this filly as a two-year-old I thought she was on the small side, but in her progress to three year old age she has altered considerably, and now looks a picture. She is out of a mare by First King, out of Lady Granville. A big romping three-year-old bay filly by Leolinus—Cantiniere seems somewhat familiar to my eye, and a remark from the stud groom as to her prospects in the jumping line brings back to my mind the introduction I had to her last year. Then her fine strong build and great legs suggested to me the idea of fencing, and I learn that the leaping line will be her mission. Another twelve months will be given her before the training track is introduced to her, and when that comes to pass I am very

hopeful of her future. The mating that produced her represents a cross of Leolinus and Musket that is hard to disagree with. In looks she resembles her sire, having the usual Leolinus back, and right through she shows great bone. There is just a suspicion of pigeon toe about her, but that matters little, as witness the galloping of the Australian sire Pigeon toe, who was strikingly deformed in his feet. That twisting, however, did not interfere a jot with his galloping, as may be imagined by his defeat of the champion Portsea in the Hotham Handicap in the year that Malvolio won his Melbourne Cup. A three-year-old Nordenfeldt—Fishgirl mare, which was bred at Papakura and purchased at a Wellington Park sale, is booked to St. Hippo, and a nice compact mare she is. That beautifully bred matron, Roie, is carrying a Cuirassier foal that should make its appearance early next month, and with the help of St. Hippo's sister the Wellington Park sire should give a good account of himself. Innisfail, a three-year-old brown daughter of Nordenfeldt—Inisthona is also destined for stud work, and Bellona, the daughter of Nelson that went to the stud as a two-year-old—rather early that—carries a foal to St. Hippo, to whom she is booked to return. The Musket mare, Cantiniere, is empty, having missed to St. Hippo whom she revisits, and a finely built light chestnut daughter of Eiridsport and Aorere, who was picked up at a very cheap figure in Australia, is booked on a similar mission. In all, eight of the Messrs Nathan's mares are marked as occupants of St. Hippo's coming harem, and if the temporarily exiled crack does not sire race horses through them it will assuredly not be their fault. He will be given a fair show, and it remains for the future to prove whether he can "get" as well as he can race. A Castor—Moilena filly, the property of Mr Dan McLeod, is grazing in this paddock, and close by I see Liquidation, who has missed to St. Hippo, and Operatic who is carrying a St. Leger foal that is due to make its arrival early in November. La Dauphine, who looks rather poor, missed to Cuirassier, and returns to him. Taking them all round, the mares at the Park are somewhat poor, for the grass feeding has not been of the best this year. Until the matrons foal they are restricted to the feed obtainable in the paddocks, as the proprietors of the stud are inclined to charge the system of feeding followed by them last year as the cause of so many of their mares having experienced misses. The order now is, grass feeding until they foal. In an adjoining enclosure I see a pair of two-year-old fillies, whose looks proclaim their sire. They are by St. Leger, out of Lovebird and Brassolis respectively, and were purchased at last year's sale by (according to the sale report) Mr Kingstone, of Wanganui, who has left them grazing at the Park ever since he made the deal. The fillies are chestnut in colour, and are both very evenly made. What their future may be I do not know, but whether put to track or stud they should certainly do justice to their parentage.

Having finished with the present and prospective matrons of the stud, I inspect the seven yearlings—the object of my visit to the farm. The first two shown me are apart from the others, having a paddock to themselves. One is a filly and her mate proves to be of the opposite sex. As the latter moves away from us it is easy to account for his separation from the other colts, for half a glance shows him to be an invalid, who drags his hind quarter in a very sick fashion. Lameness in the stifle is his trouble, and the marks of blistering are easily discernible. His keeper cannot account for the mishap, but from the youngster's appearance it is clear that he must have been cast in his box. This colt has had an unlucky time of it, for in addition to his present misfortune, his career was nearly cut short through stoppage before the first day of his life had been spent. He is by Cuirassier out of Liquidation, and bears the appropriate name of Reconstruction—an apt title, for he appears to be rapidly reconstructing. And he will require it all to face the December sale in proper order. The filly that shares his paddock is a prettily-built chestnut by St. Leger out of Bellona. This is the only representative of the weaker sex in the ranche, and she bears a decidedly racy look about her. In conformation she recalls her sire, although in the headpiece she somewhat resembles her dam whose first foal she is. The youngster is strongly built, and though not too big, she certainly cannot be called on the small side. Her colour is

a bright chestnut, and her white marks take the shape of a star on the forehead and a stocking on the near hind leg. Her shoulders are nicely sloped, she has good bone and a well-developed forearm, and her loins and quarters give promise of future strength. Her dam being by Nelson out of Muskerina this filly has Doncaster, Yattendon, and Musket in her pedigree. In a paddock further afield I come across five colts, three of whom are by Cuirassier (a sire who will become more and more appreciated as time goes on) and two by the proved sire of racers, St. Leger. I examine the St. Leger pair first. One is out of the Nordenfeldt—Bianca mare, Lady Whitford, a matron who was very early put to stud work. Her present youngster is, like his dam, on the small side, but his build is very compact. A dragging of his rear shows something very close to another case of box casting, but he is far and away better than the Liquidation youngster. He is pretty thick set, and will no doubt develop into a strong low sort of a colt, for his quarters denote great future power. His dam runs back to Sylvia's dam, Juliet, on both sides of her pedigree, and can boast three direct strains of Fisherman. The colt under review is chestnut in colour. Running alongside of him is a bay colt who looks pretty well the pick of the paddock. He proves to be a St. Leger—Cantiniere, and if his dam is going to give a racer after the Brown Bess type, this youngster, on looks at all events, fills the bill of fare. He is a decidedly handsome bay, with black points, and not a speck of white can be seen on his body. His head is plain, but very businesslike, the long neck is fitted on finely sloped shoulders, and his bone right through looks good. This colt has a great middlepiece with a nice smooth back and strong loins and stands over plenty of ground. In action he has a nice, low, lengthy stride, and if all goes well with him, Brown Bess will soon have a worthy full brother. The Cuirassiers' are all brown in colour, and although plain youngsters they are very nicely put together. The Sybil colt is a well-grown, racy looking fellow with a neat head, well turned middle piece, and good solid-looking quarters. Out of a half sister to the dam of last year's Victoria Racing Club's Newmarket hero, and by a sire like Cuirassier this colt's breeding should not fail him, and his appearance is well worthy of his blood. Roie's all brown youngster is a big loose made colt, with a head the reverse of pretty, but stamped with plenty of character. Good flat bone is apparent, and his quarters are very powerful. The youngest member of the quintette is a colt out of La Dauphine, and unlike the other Cuirassiers his head piece is of the showy order. Thick set, with a finely shaped middlepiece and quarters speaking strength all over, he fills the eye very well, and when the lot go streaking around the paddock he is far from being the slowest on his legs. His dam is by The Dauphin by Traducer, and the mixture of Musket and Traducer in the union that produced this colt is a nick of blood beyond unfavourable comment. Summing them up the St. Leger—Cantiniere colt, and the two Cuirassiers out of Roie and Sybil, appear to be a trio that should set most heads nodding when December 31st comes round. Later on I hope to have a more favourable opportunity of inspecting these youngsters, for in two months' time they will be very different to what they are now. Before leaving the Park I have a glance at Fright, who is being hacked out there pending the return of G. Wright, who will on his return take him up again for the summer hurdling. The ugly Newminster gelding looks in flourishing condition and appears to relish hugely the chance he has of roaming the paddock during the day-time. Newminster's aged son gave us a fair hurdling gallop when he showed Union Jack the way over the hurdle course at the last autumn meeting at Ellerslie, and won his two miles with 9.12 up in 3min 52sec. But he was a sore disappointment on Melinite's Grand National day, and I fancy the soft ground killed the Newminster gelding's chance. He is a fair-weather horse, and in slippery holding an animal to leave severely alone.

On our way home we look in at Geo. Wright's stable, where John Chaaf holds temporary sway, and a glance at the various boxes shows that the veteran trainer is doing splendidly with the racers in his charge.

According to the *National Stockman* the bleeding of horses or other stock from a snag or wound can be stopped at once by the application of dry manure.

On the Training Track.

[BY OUR ELLERSLIE REPORTER.]

THE unkind cuts which the weather fiend has been paying us of late have sadly interfered with the track, which will require a steady spell of warm dry weather if it is going to get into anything like decent form by the 15th inst. Work this week has been of the slow and steady order, and nothing of importance cropped up when I visited the course on Tuesday morning last. The horses were all treated to tan work. Pegasus is some of an early bird, and Harrison had him in hand just as I reached the track. Once round slow was his prescription, varied by a six furlong dash home, in which the Cup candidate was accompanied by Anniversary, who reached home first; but the Cup candidate could easily have reversed the order of the finish had he been wanted. Grenadier, looking as fit as a fiddle and as strong as a bullock, was given three slow circuits, which served to show that McHugh has Brigadier's son in good fettle. This colt's style of moving is a long way beyond what it was during his two-year-old career, and he will certainly want something in the way of marvellous moving if he is to justify his handicapping in the Spring Handicap. The colt is well beyond a doubt, and McHugh is to be complimented upon the finish he is putting on him. Belmont went twice round at half pace, and Harrier did ditto, while Scot Free, looking well, had four slow circuits given him. The Tasman—Hazel filly went twice round at a moderate gait, and took my fancy as a decidedly promising two-year-old. Brown Mantle (who is on the improve), Nellie, and Webley went half a dozen furlongs at top, and then separated for slow work. Lady Marion had half-pace work for two rounds, and St. Clements, looking full of health, moved a similar distance at a slow gait. Marechal Neil in company with the Hunt Club horse Nap did two rounds at three-quarter pace. The Marechal, who is in fair order, is an unlikely starter for the Hurdles, judging by a remark by his trainer to the effect that he had been or was to be scratched. [He has since been scratched.—Ed. S.R.] The weight is the sore point, I fancy, although personally I fail to see where he is over-burdened. Her Ladyship and Fishmonger did half-pace work. St. Regel rounded the track twice at a slow gait, and Master Pat was given half-pace for two rounds, on the completion of which I fancy he was not too well. "Dicky" would perhaps be rather wide of the mark, but McHugh's charge was none too comfortable in his appearance. St. Valentine, looking strong although a bit rough, was given slow work, and Williamson's pair, Abel and Blackfriar, did half pacing, and Lord Dunluce was given slow tasks.

On Tuesday slow and uninteresting work was given the various horses.

The Victorian Club and Bowe's Tattersalls' dispute is coming to a head. Mr Grimwood the chairman of the latter club has been expelled from the Victorian for declining to desert Bowes, and the legality of the expulsion is going to be tested in the law courts. The action of the Victorian authorities appears to be decidedly tyrannical.

Writing of Ladas's defeat in the Princess of Wales Stakes by Isinglass, "Vigilant" of the *London Sportsman* maintains that the form displayed by Lord Rosebery's colt was not true, and cannot be accepted as any criterion of his capabilities. The surprise of the race was not so much the victory of Isinglass as the defeat of Ladas for second place by Bullingdon. "He climbed the Bunbury hill like a lion on Thursday, and with a resolution that fairly made one hold one's breath. No moderate horse could have done what he did, and I am forced to the conviction that when caught at his best Bullingdon is a smasher at a mile." Of his ability to get a yard further, however, I have grave doubts, and it is just as well for his old supporters that he is not engaged in the Doncaster St. Leger.

Talking about the pari-mutuel reminds the Paris correspondent of the *Spirit of the Times*, that a colossal campaign has been begun against it by the French press, who want it suppressed, arguing from the many ills and temptations that follow in its wake. All kinds of articles have been written about it and about the means to be used to replace it by something else so that racing may not suffer from the absence of betting, since nine and a half tenths attend the races for pecuniary and not sporting considerations. Some want the bookmakers back again (they never quit, but work on sufferance), some want the organization of the old French pools, where such a horse is forced on those who wish to bet. But I am much afraid, for my part, that this necessary evil of gambling, that, like a leech, attaches itself to almost every kind of sport, in the case of those who are thus inclined, can never be eradicated as long as human nature is not radically changed, as, for instance, in those future times predicted, when the lamb will lie down together with the lion. At the present they do lie down together, but the latter devours the former. Alas! and lack a day! Take your choice to see which of the two you want to be.

Weights, etc.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S FIRST SPRING MEETING.—WEIGHTS.

SPRING HANDICAP of 110 sovs., one mile and a quarter.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Weight (st lb). Includes Lottie, Pegasus, Yattenfeldt, Ingorina, Ben Godfrey, Grenadier, Eve, Abel, Harrier.

HANDICAP HURDLES of 55 sovs., one mile and three-quarters.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Weight (st lb). Includes Belmont, Ingorina, Fishmonger, Marechal Neil, Bouquet, Warrior, Skittles, Joe Sedley, Derry.

TRIAL HANDICAP of 50 sovs., seven furlongs.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Weight (st lb). Includes Markinch, Lieutenant, Webley, Anniversary, Abel, Lady Marion, Brown Mantle, St. Vincent, Lord Dunluce, The Sharper, Joe Sedley, Bit o' Fashion, Barge.

PONY HANDICAP of 40 sovs., six furlongs.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Weight (st lb). Includes Pearl II, Nannie, Storyteller, Reil, Brown Mantle, Silkworm, Lady Thornton, Queen of Sheba, Nellie, My Sweetheart, Virgin, Kinchin, Direct, Bit o' Fashion.

FLYING HANDICAP of 50 sovs., six furlongs.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Weight (st lb). Includes St. Kilda, Lottie, Yattenfeldt, Ben Godfrey, First Nelson, Grenadier, Doris, Lady Moth, Webley, Swiftsure, Ivy, Her Ladyship, Lady Marion, The Sharper, Barge.

STEEPLECHASE of 80 sovs., three miles.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Weight (st lb). Includes Potentate, Fishmonger, Austral, Union Jack, Crazy Kate, New Year, Malabar, Spectator, Volley.

EPSOM HANDICAP. (Run September 15th, 1894.) ACCEPTANCES.

Cremorne 9.10, Marvel 9.8, Pilot Boy 9.6, Brockleigh 9.6, Bungebah 9.4, Loyalty 8.12, Stanmore 8.10, Lady Trenton 8.10, Delaware 8.6, Pharamond (inc. 10lb pen.) 8.6, Buccleugh 8.5, Euroka 8.4, Solanum 8.4, Donizetti 8.3, The Driller 8.0, Newcastle 7.12, Ronda 7.12, The Captain 7.12, Albacore 7.12, Projectile 7.11, The Possible 7.11, Thespiam 7.10, Dan O'Connor 7.0, Gingham 7.9, The Dancer 7.8, Babel 7.7, Response 7.7, Acmena 7.6, Bendigo 7.6, Punchedown 7.6, Panoply 7.5, Patroness 7.5, Chand Bee Bee 7.4, Volney 7.3, King Jewel 7.3, Uabba 7.2, Candour 7.0, Regina 7.0, Seaman 6.12, Messmate 6.12, Checkmate 6.12, Zeolus 6.10, Heather Bell 6.9, Dalmeny 6.9, Finis 6.7 Juvenile 6.7.

SOUTH CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB'S MEETING.

ACCEPTANCES. TIMARU CUP, one mile and a quarter.—Prime Warden 9.4, Clanranald 8.12, Saracen 8.12, Mariner 7.12, Rangiatea 7.11, Warrington 7.7, Aldershot 7.7, Casket 7.6, Aqualate 7.3, Goodwood 7.0, Barmby 6.12. FLYING HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Kulnine 9.0, Casket 7.13, Lord Zetland 7.11, Mountain Maid 7.11, Roseguard 7.9, Goodwood 7.7, Langley 7.7, Barmby 7.5, St. Louis 7.5, Winchman 7.0, Vanilla 6.12, Jessie 6.12, Changeling 6.10, Bowshot 6.10.

DUNEDIN HUNT CLUB'S MEETING.

ACCEPTANCES. KENSINGTON HANDICAP, one mile and a distance.—Hippomenes 9.7, Dilemma 8.3, Captive 8.2, Rangiatea 7.13, Maribyrnong 7.6, Victim 6.13, Winchman 6.9. SHORTS HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Forbury 8.12, Baybell 8.9, Mariner 8.5, Aldershot 7.12, Casket 7.10, Paramu 7.10, Solano 7.7, Victim 7.4, Langley 7.4, Speedwell 7.0, Beau Brummel 6.12, Fortress 6.9. HUNT CLUB CUP, two miles and a half.—Joker 11.7, Moonlight 11.0, Sam 11.0, Waitangi 10.12, Armature 10.10, Nimrod 10.6, Armstrong 9.6.

CAULFIELD CUP.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Weight (st lb). Includes Cremorne, Pilot Boy, Marvel, Brockleigh, Jeweller, Paton, Paris, Port Admiral, Fortunatus, Tarcoola, Oxide, Sternchaser, Loyalty, Lady Trenton, Swordbearer, Moss Rose, Cressy, Wainpoint, Mahoe, L'rd Randolphs, Solanum, Elswick, Delaware, Graduate, Asim, J5, Idolator, Greycow, Alpine, B. Macarthy, Labor in Vain, Donation, Launceston, Jonathan, Tim Swiveller, Ruensalf, Bruin, Capetan, Memah, Ronda, The Possible, Fofax, Havoc, Gaillardia, Division, The Captain, Straightfire, The Swell, Forward, Tassy, Amadeus, Brotherton, Tellus, Captain Webb, The Spiritan, Selim, The Dauphine, Isaac, Theodore, Response, La Gloria, Royal Master, Devon, Wilton, Paton, Chandon Bee Bee, Kronberg, Dunfah, Steadfast, Seaman, Aesculap, Mostya, Maroon, Grenadier, Tyran, Chesterman, Strahan, Carlsbad, Ruth, Barmby, Aesculap, Mostya, Maroon, Grenadier, Tyran, Chesterman, Strahan, Carlsbad, Ruth, Barmby.

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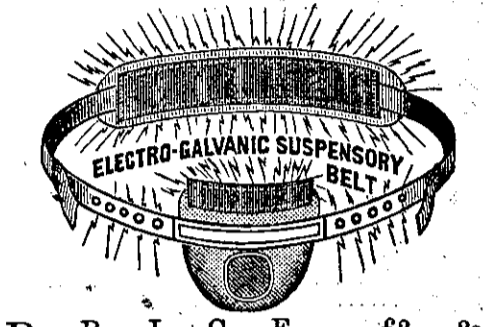
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