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SUMMER MEETING, 1895.

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SYDNEY JAMES, Secretary.

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. Lardet, W. L. Tocker, E. G. Alloworth, J. Don, T. Jordan, R. McCracken, R. McQuay, and G. McBain. Treasurer—Mr. E. 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 5s. (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.
3. Stratford Trotting Club Handicap Saddle Trot of 30 sovs., second horse 5 sovs. from the stakes. The winner of any Handicap Trot, after the declaration of handicap to be re-handicapped as per Rule 30. Nominations 15s., acceptance 15s. Three miles. To start at 1.45.
4. Pony Handicap Saddle Trot of £12 10s. second pony to receive £1 10s. from the stakes. For Ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Nominations 7s. 6d., acceptance 5s. One mile and a half. To start at 2.30 p.m.
5. Farmers' Handicap Saddle Trot of £12 10s., second horse 2 sovs. from the stakes. For horses owned and trained by bona fide farmers for three months prior to date of entry. Winners of any amount over £5 barred. Nominations 12s. 6d. (close on general entry night); no acceptance. Two miles. N.B.—The committee have defined a farmer as follows:—A farmer is a person who resides on or pays rates on 30 acres of land. To start at 3.15.
6. Selling Handicap Saddle Trot of 15 sovs. The winner to become the property of the Club, and to be sold by public auction immediately after the race, any surplus over £10 to go to the second horse. Nomination 7s. 6d., acceptance 7s. 6d. One mile and a half. To start at 4 o'clock.

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 handicaps 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 16, 1894, at 9 p.m., at the County Hotel, Stratford. The necessary fees must accompany all Nominations and acceptances. Handicaps declared on or about Friday, September 28, 1894. Acceptances and General Entries close on SATURDAY, October 6th, 1894, at the County Hotel, Stratford, at 9 p.m. The Telegraph Office closes at 8 p.m. The Committee reserve the right to postpone the races in the case of bad weather.

H. MEHARRY, Hon. Secretary.

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

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November 3—North Shore Amateur Athletic Club's Carnival  
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November 24—Auckland Amateur Athletic and 'Cycle Club's Carnival.  
December 15—Judge's Bay Regatta

Football.

OUR winter game is certainly dying hard this season, for although Saturday last was a perfect summer day, over half-a-dozen teams journeyed to Potter's to engage in friendly contests. The day was, however, a regular "scorcher," and as the majority of the players were playing their first match of the season, it is perhaps unnecessary to state that the contests were not "hard and fast games from start to finish."

One of the principal matches was that between the Auckland and Ponsonby Lodges of Druids. The game, which resulted in an easy victory for the latter by 32 points to nil, was watched by a large number of spectators, and was contested throughout with the utmost good feeling. The representatives of the Ponsonby Lodge, amongst whom were several well-known senior players, were far too good for their opponents, and scored no less than eight tries, four of which were converted. For the winners tries were secured by the following—T. Mills (capt) (3), P. Mackie (3), Newbiggin (1), and F. Cooper (1). For the Auckland team Lewis (capt.) Mens (2), Hunter and Michaels all played well, and did their utmost to avert defeat. In the evening the teams met at St. George's Hall and spent a highly enjoyable evening. The contest between these lodges promises to become an annual affair.

The match between the Ponsonby Navals and the Victoria Rifles, produced an interesting and exciting game. After an even contest, in which good play was shown by the players of either side, the game ended in a draw, each side failing to score.

On Saturday afternoon a football match took place between St. Stephens' College and Richmond at the College ground, Parnell, and resulted in a win for the former by 24 points to nil. During the first spell tries were obtained by W. Raiti and H. Tawihana, and a free kick and a penalty kick were converted by J. Te Paa. In the second spell tries were obtained by J. Kiriki (2) and J. Tawihana (1), one of which was converted by H. Rewetiro. T. Hazleman, Brook, Johnston, and R. Brown played well for the losing team.

The Ponsonby team finished up the season on Saturday last by a trip to Papakura. Leaving town at 12 o'clock in brakes the team arrived at Papakura at about 3 o'clock, being heartily welcomed by the country team and a large number of football enthusiasts. Play commenced shortly after 3 o'clock, the game being watched by a large number of spectators. After a friendly and well-contested game the town team proved victorious by 9 points to 5, their combination being slightly too good for the Papakura boys. For Ponsonby, tries were obtained by Masfield, Cole and Wright. The local team secured a try from which a goal resulted. The Ponsonby team was entertained at a smoke concert in the evening, and returned to town the same night after a pleasant trip. The winners played only 14 men.

Mr A. E. Sefton, the manager of the New South Wales football team, who returned to Sydney before the completion of the tour, was interviewed by the representative of the Referee. In reference to the reports in certain New Zealand papers concerning the conduct of the team Mr Sefton says: "The reports are absolutely untrue. They were the quietest lot of footballers I have ever seen together, especially for the number, viz., 28. It was a great exception to find even one of them out after 11 p.m." Mr Sefton considers that in forward play the corn-stalks were able to hold their own with any set of forwards in this Colony, having met only two teams from whom they were unable to secure the ball in the scrum five times out of six. He attributes the defeat of the Welshmen to the superiority of our back play, which is a different style of play from what they were accustomed to witness in New South Wales. In referring to the Auckland and Taranaki matches, Mr Sefton said, "Taranaki and Auckland showed far better combination than we afterwards saw. Auckland's last two tries were real masterpieces, and could not be surpassed by

anything in the world. Our three quarters mostly stand and pass; theirs run straight ahead and pass at full speed."

The Suburbs Football Club held a smoke concert at the Newmarket Hotel during the week. The gold medal presented by the proprietor, Mr W. E. Ryan, for the best all-round player in the team was won by Wally Rhodes, whom I may mention left for Wellington on Monday last.

The Waikato Rugby Union are tendering a benefit to "Barlow" Madigan. The affair takes the form of a fancy dress costume match, and is set down for Saturday next. Any of "Barlow's" old admirers who wish to assist in making the benefit a financial success, can purchase tickets from either Mr J. A. Cooper or Mr T. Foley. I may state that Barlow has been the victim of a lengthy illness, and is still unable to work.

The Otago Rugby Union has written to the English Union, protesting against the action of the New Zealand Rugby Union in forbidding their annual inter-provincial match with Canterbury, both of whose Unions are affiliated to the English Union.

During the football season just closed the Auckland Branch of the New Zealand Referees Association, which was formed on June 4th, supplied seventy-four referees for various matches. Mr. A. J. Parker officiated on ten occasions, and F. Drum, A. Kilfoyle and A. M. Edmonds each nine times.

Cricket.

Nearly all the clubs indulged in practices last Saturday. The Gordon Club played a match between teams chosen from the first and second elevens, when seven of the juniors showed good form.

I would remind the secretaries of clubs that the entries for the Auckland Cricket Association's three championships close on Saturday evening next.

The performance of A. L. Allan, of Hawke's Bay, who threw the cricket ball 113 yards 1 inch, has been passed as a New Zealand amateur record. Cricketers should endeavour to have this event placed upon the programme at the championship meetings.

The local Parnell Club and the Midland Club, of Wellington, have exchanged players. W. Gardiner will this season play for the latter, and W. Wynyard will battle for Parnell in the event of the Shore remaining as juniors. The Shoreites have, however, asked to be admitted a senior team.

The New South Wales Cricket Association has passed the following resolution:—"That the Victorian Cricketers' Association be informed that before any New South Wales team controlled by this association can meet Mr Blackham he must withdraw the defamatory statements regarding Mr Tocher made by him at the conclusion of the last intercolonial match played in Sydney." The misunderstanding between the two colonies threatens to affect the intercolonial programme for the coming season. Blackham refuses to withdraw his statements, and the remaining Victorian representatives believing Blackham to have been in the right will not take part in any match from which he is excluded.

The Canterbury Association being informed that Stoddard's English team would probably visit New Zealand for a guarantee of £1000 has reopened negotiations with other associations. The Canterbury Association has guaranteed £300 on its own account.

Athletics.

The date of the Auckland Club's athletic carnival has been altered from December 8 to November 24. The North Shore Club are first in the field their date being fixed for November 3.

I hear that Alf Burton will not be a competitor at the spring meetings. Alf has been ordered by the doctor to take a spell from the track.

Thomas, who until lately held the New Zealand mile walking record, is at present in Auckland, and will take part in the walking events.

Tommy Roberts, who is at present in Sydney, has thrown in his lot with the Sydney Harriers. He entered for the amateur 100yds event at the Lillie Bridge Sports on Saturday last, and was handicapped to run from scratch. The handicapper has evidently judged Tommy's sprinting capabilities by his performances over the 'sticks.'

An amateur athletic club has been formed at Te Awamutu. The club holds

its first carnival on November 9th, and is to be affiliated to the N.Z.A.A.A.

I hear that Mr F. W. Edwards has been offered the position of starter to the A.A.A. and Cycle Club for the coming season. Mr Edwards has not decided whether he will accept the position.

E. O. Bredin, in an attempt to lower the half-mile amateur record, cut out the distance in 1min 56 1-5th sec.

Swimming

The fifth annual meeting of the Council of the New Zealand Amateur Swimming Association was held on Friday evening last at the Harbour Board Buildings. The following affiliated clubs were represented by their delegates:—Auckland, Christchurch, East Christchurch, Gisborne, Port Ahuriri, St. Albans, and Whangarei. The secretary's report, which was highly satisfactory, was adopted subject to approval by the executive. Owing to the expense of the banner, and a loss on the sale of annuals, the balance-sheet showed a debit of £14 6s 9d. As the number of affiliated clubs has considerably increased, it is not expected that this will occur again. The Port Ahuriri, Whangarei, Akaroa, and Napier Clubs were admitted. It is proposed to ask the Government to give £ for £ locally raised subscriptions for school instruction in swimming, and also to provide for bathing reserves in all new Government townships. A limit of £10 was fixed for prizes, and all private matches are to be strictly disallowed. The following officers were elected for the coming season:—President, Sir Robert Stout; secretary and treasurer, Mr R. St. Clair; auditors, Messrs Esam and O'Mera; Appeal Committee—North: Messrs O'Mera, Goldwater, and the secretary; South: Messrs Airey, Mountfort, and A. Smith. Consuls are to be elected by the provincial clubs, and the secretary is to appoint correspondents in the centres where none exist.

Cycling.

W. L. Kerr, amateur champion of Australasia, accomplished a great performance on the 20th inst., in which in a ten mile "go" against time he succeeded in lowering all the Australian and New Zealand records for all distances except the mile. The following were his times: One mile 2min 22sec, two miles 4min 51½sec, three miles 7min 20sec, four miles 9min 49sec, five miles 12min 21sec, six miles 14min 53sec, seven miles 17min 28sec, eight miles 19min 59sec, nine miles 22min 31sec, ten miles 24min 58sec.

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fight with Au Revoir. On that occasion Reynard carried 7.0, so that the extra stone imposed by Mr Evitt cannot be said to be uncalled for. Next to the Le Loup horse comes Ida with 7.10, Yattenfeldt has 11b less, and Grenadier has been weighted at 7.8, Ben Godfrey standing on a similar mark. Up to date Grenadier has been anything but a success, and remembering what he has (or rather has not) done one is inclined, when glancing lower down the list, to wonder why this howling failure is summed up as 2lb better than Tulloch over a mile and a half and 3lbs the superior of St. Laura. At the same time I am free to confess that Brigadier's son may be capable of doing what Mr Evitt has asked, for I firmly believe that he can do "yards" better than his A.R.C. Spring Handicap display would seem to indicate. Still the fact remains that he has not shown such ability in public and that being so he cannot be regarded as having been let into this handicap with too light a weight. While his chance (on paper) looks hopeless it may turn out to be the very reverse. He can gallop with the best of them and on the 9th of November he may more than justify the A.R.C. handicapper's weighting. I say perhaps. Ben Godfrey at 7.8 has some decent mile running to his credit, but so far he has not shown much ability to get the extra distance. Eve and Formé are fairly placed at 7.7 and 7.6 respectively, and Tulloch has been placed on the same mark as Formé. Now when one remembers Tulloch's easy win in this event last year when the Sword Dance horse carried 7.4—2lbs under his weight of this year—and won comfortably in 2min 40½sec, one is apt to consider that he is not overburdened for this year's fight. And the same reflection covers the case of St. Laura, who stands at 7.5. Last season she won the A.R.C. Guineas with 8.5 up, beating Yattenfeldt by a head over a 1min 45sec run mile; won the Waimate Handicap at the Egmont Summer meeting, carrying her 7.7 over the seven furlongs in 1min 34sec; won the Harrison Memorial Stakes, 6 furlongs, at Wanganui, in the Autumn winning easily (with 8.2 up) in 1min 16 4-5th sec, and the Flying Stakes, 6 furlongs (7.9 up) in 1min 17sec at the same meeting; and at the A.R.C. Autumn gathering she carried off a very respectable double, for going out in the Eden Handicap of seven furlongs she easily carried her 8.6 to victory in 1min 30sec, and on the second day of that meeting she again faced the Stewards' Handicap of a mile with the same weight, 8.6, against her name and won hard held in 1min 45sec. With the extra year over her head the additional half mile may not trouble Miss Laura's daughter, in which case her 7.5 may be a very handy weight for the mare to carry. In view of her chance and the probabilities attaching to the names of Tulloch, Ben Godfrey, Yattenfeldt, Ida, not to mention Royal Rose and the top weight, I do not think any attention need be paid to the racers standing lower in the list than Doris, who shares the 7.5 mark with the Miss Laura mare, unless one is inclined to fancy the name of Allan-a-dale, 6.11, on his Gisborne Park Stakes win—2min 7sec for a mile and a distance with 8.8 in the saddle. With 6.11 up this candidate may hustle along to some purpose. Accepting Royal Rose as an unlikely starter the best quartette should be Ida, Yattenfeldt, St. Laura and Tulloch.

In the hurdle race I fancy Belmont does not bear the aspect of having been too well treated. At the top of the weights with 11.10, with Marechal Neil at 8lb less, Warrior 7lb less, and Skittles at 3lb less, the King Quail—Winnie gelding looks anything but comfortably situated. Contrast his impost with that awarded Skittles, and what do we find? Mangere's sister took 22lb from him at the last A.R.C. meeting, and ran him decidedly close in spite of the fact that she was somewhat short of work, and that the state of the going suited the King Quail gelding right down to the ground. Now when it is a fair argument that the mare's condition will be better than was the case on September 15, and that the state of the track will on November 9th be much more to her liking than it was on the first named date she takes 30lb from Belmont! It is of course very much easier to pick holes in a handicap than to frame one, but Belmont's weighting certainly does not strike one as correct in the remotest degree. However, the King Quail gelding has been scratched for this event, so the matter may well be left alone. Magpie, therefore, stands at the head of the list at 11.6. Over country this Betrayer gelding has shown decided ability, and last season, although his

hurdling did not meet with first place honours it was far from being of indifferent class. At Canterbury in the spring he was weighted at 10.12 in the two mile Spring Hurdle Race, and followed Clarence 10.11, and Norton 12.3, past the post. The Ascot horse was half a length behind Clarence, and Empire followed Norton by a length. The two miles took 4min 10½sec to traverse. At the Dunedin Spring Meeting Magpie had 10.8 in the two mile and a distance hurdle race, won by Rebel, 10.5, in 4min 29sec, and finished half a length behind the second horse, Smuggler, 9.12. At the Autumn D.J.C. gathering the mile and a half hurdle race, won by Cajolery in 3min 0½sec, saw Empire, 10.7, a length and a half away third. Next to Magpie stands Marechal Neil, 10.2, and at the weight he should be able to do something if there be any merit in him at all. Warrior, 9.11, and the light weights are well placed, and if it were not for the weighting of Mangere's sister the handicapper might be complimented on his work. With Belmont risen 10lb and Skittles only 2lb for that race of September 15th, one, however, feels compelled to restrain any desire he may have to applaud this particular adjustment.

PAKURANGA HUNT CLUB.

THE nominations received in connection with the annual meeting of the Pakuranga Hunt Club show a falling off compared with the returns for last year's gathering. Then the entries totalled 101; for the meeting to be held on the 20th inst. the nominations received number 85. In the open events there is an all-round falling off with the exception of the Open Handicap for which two more entries have been received than was the case last year, but the Flying Handicap and Open Hurdles each show three nominations less, and the Pony Handicap has five less. In the close events the Hunt Club Cup has two more entries than last year but there is a falling off of three entries in the Ladies' Bracelet and one in the Tallyho Steeplechase, and a decrease of five appears in connection with the Members' Hurdle race. The weights appear in another column, but as acceptances are due to-morrow at 9 p.m. I shall defer dealing with the weighting until next week.

V.A.T.C. SPRING MEETING.

THE Randwick Spring Gathering gave us many valuable hints of what we may look forward to when the curtain is raised at Flemington next month, and on Saturday next and October 20th further interesting light will be shed on the intricate problems which are presented and proved annually in Melbourne—to the consternation of the many and the gratification of the few. On the 13th inst. the Caulfield campaign opens, and when the Caulfield Stakes, Guineas, and Toorak Handicap have been lost and won, the way will be open for the Caulfield Cup, which may be said to really open the Spring Carnival of Victoria. The Guineas is the first puzzle to be considered in connection with Saturday next, and New Zealanders' attention will naturally centre in the prospects of Mr Gollan's colt, Bonnie Scotland. His A.J.C. Derby win carries with it a 7lb penalty, so that if the colt's owner elects to send him for this race he will have 8.12 to carry. It may be that Mr Gollan, with an eye to the Victoria Derby, may withdraw Loyalty's brother. If he, however, allows him to run for the 650sovs I am inclined to fancy the colt's chance, the weight notwithstanding. If one accepted his Biennial Stakes display as a true sample of Bonnie Scotland's ability his chance next Saturday would appear to be a decidedly infinitesimal one, but it may be that his Derby victory was accomplished while the colt was short of condition. That would account for his temporary absence of ability. The rest may have given him back all his powers, in which event his chance cannot be underestimated. Dreamland's attack of strangles has doubtless interfered very materially with his preparation, and under the circumstances one can safely incline to the belief that this candidate will be kept in reserve for the V.R.C. Derby, in which contest I fancy he will prove victorious. Hickenbotham's stable has four rattling representatives in Destiny, Malachite, Eiridsford, and Cobbitty, and which will be the "pea" is very hard to say. The latter showed something like ability at the recent A.J.C. Meeting. In the race for the Member's Handicap he carried 9.2, and giving 28lb to the Grand Flaneur gelding Reconstruction, ran him to a head in the mile and a

furlong contest, which was carved out in 1.55½—a record time for Australia. If he keeps fit the mile on Saturday next should be well within his reach. Destiny is another hot one, and Moorite, who in the opinion of many Australian experts was one of the best two-year-olds seen out last season, claims many excellent judges as supporters. There is a very large number of what one might term unknown quantities engaged in the Guineas, and at this distance from the scene little good can result from endeavouring to extract the good from the bad. Bonnie Scotland, Moorite, Destiny, Cobbitty, and Atlas form a nice quintette, and should they be sent the finish may lie between

COBBITTY and MOORITE.

The Toorak Handicap of 500 sovs, one mile, has a very long list of runners attached to it, and at the weights the eye is inclined to linger on the name of Selim, who is weighted at 7.9. The top weights will hardly accept, although Fortunatus at 9.13 may be considered speedy enough to be slipped. Response, Cressy, and Taylor's trio Elswick, Alpine, and Idolater read as likely ones, and if Selim proves the best on the day I shall not be surprised.

Inter-Provincial

[FROM OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

WANGANUI.

October 6.

It transpires that Fame, Foam and Sunshine, whom it was reported would be sent to Megaphone, will not visit that horse, but will go to Vanguard, who is highly fancied amongst breeders here. Amongst others that will visit the son of Traducer—En Avant will be Eclat, Pastille (dam of Tayforth), Lady Grey (dam of La Petite Fille), Spray (by Hippocampus), Rara Avis, Venus Transit, and the dam of Jupiter.

Westmere ran very consistently at Hawke's Bay, and it was hard luck for Mr Paul that he did not catch the judge's eye first on one occasion, and there is no doubt but that the horse will be greatly improved by the New Zealand Cup day. Nevertheless I do not favour his chance for that event.

Mr Edgar Symes has been appointed honorary secretary to the Waverley-Waitotara Racing Club, vice Mr Mussen, resigned.

Reports to hand re Mr Herbert Jackson's starting at the Hawke's Bay Meeting state that he was far from being a success with the flag. Mr Jackson wields the flag at the forthcoming Wanganui Meeting.

Sunbeam will be worth watching in hurdle events this season.

Westmere when he ran second to Cyrus at Rangitikei would have paid a dividend of £16 had he won. There were only 23 investors on him.

Hippomenes' full brother Sylvia Park, when thoroughly fit will, I predict, be the boss hack on this Coast. He is a real good 'un.

Countess (Mute—Swiveline), who paid the big dividend at Waverley twelve months ago, is now being trained by Fred Harrison, who has got the mare located at the Prince of Wales stables. She will not be raced until later on in the season, as Fred could not get her anywhere fit at Patea owing to the bad state of the tracks, so therefore he brought her to Wanganui to train. When thoroughly wound up she will be a hard nut to crack as she has already proved that she can gallop.

Monte Carlo was considered a good thing by local punters for the Spring Handicap at Hawke's Bay and his indifferent running in that event came as a great surprise. His chance for the big Southern event now looks a very poor one.

Pom Pom's display in the Hawke's Bay Guineas was very disappointing to local backers, as his chance of securing that coveted prize was highly thought of here, more especially after the result of the October Handicap had come through. The fact that his stable companion ran second, and that on track form Pom Pom generally had the best of Westmere, resulted in his being backed more freely than he would have been. It is quite likely that the son of Wapiti did not care for the heavy going.

Mr Paul's filly, Caribou, ran well in both events she started for, and, no doubt, her trainer, Mr Belcher, will be highly satisfied with her performance, as the filly is a lot backward at present. She should run prominently at the O.J.C.

meeting as she will be greatly improved by then.

Charlie Woodley has just taken in hand a bay gelding by Ascot—Equation, half-brother to She. He is a big, powerful upstanding horse and should do well at the illegitimate game. Woodley has in hand at present Prestige, Strike and Lisetta—the first-named is as sound as a bell and will place a few events to his credit before the season is over.

Fraternité, in W. Butler's stable, is doing well, and should he continue to do so, if not harshly treated, will be a starter for the Auckland Cup.

Formé, after her victory at Hawke's Bay, is the public fancy here for the Wanganui Derby.

Romp, dam of Norton, Pill and Camomile, has dropped a filly to Natator, and visits Megaphone.

[BY WIRE.]

October 9.

EOTHEN, the half-brother to Waterbury, has been purchased by Mr W. H. Keith, and is now located at that trainer's stable. He should do well at the illegitimate game.

The Dauphin's son, Fraternite, has, since I wrote last, gone amiss, and it is quite likely he will not be able to start at Wanganui. Had he kept sound he would have been heard of during the season.

Monte Carlo's running at Hawke's Bay has greatly disappointed backers here as the son of Ascot—Speculation was considered to be a moral for one of the big events for which he started.

WELLINGTON.

October 5.

It is stated that the Hon. J. D. Ormond profited to the extent of £200 outside of stakes by North Atlantic's victory in the Spring Handicap at Hastings representing an investment of a fiver on his horse. He, however, lost a good sum over the horse's defeat in the October Handicap on the first day of the meeting. With a capable trainer like "Con" Boyle in charge of his horses I think North Atlantic's owner will make amends in the future for the severe reverses received by his string during the past few seasons. Mr Ormond certainly merits success, for straight-going sportsmen of the hon. gentleman's stamp are few and far between now-a-days.

George Hope arrived here from Sydney by the Wakatipu on Wednesday. Although Couranto and Waterbury went wrong, he succeeded in making the trip a financial success with the aid of Mutiny. He says that the little horse, which has improved beyond recognition, could have been disposed of for 500 guineas the day before he left, but Hope's instructions were not to sell. George left Waterbury in Sydney, as the horse has an enlarged knee besides an injury to the stifle. It is probable that Mr Douglas will send another team of jumpers to Australia next winter, and Waterbury will be treated to a spell in the meantime. Hope assures me that the Australian jumpers are a long way behind the cattle raced over fences in this colony. The country is not so stiff either as compared with obstacles found on some of the New Zealand race-courses. In the course of our chat Mutiny's rider ventured the opinion that Chesterman or Patron would take most beating in the Melbourne Cup.

It is highly probable that one of our prominent pencilers will take up his residence in the land of the kangaroo after the New Zealand Cup is decided. The drastic provisions of the Gaming Bill is the reason assigned for the pencilers seeking fresh fields.

Mr J. Paul, the Wanganui sportsman, is experiencing hard luck this spring with his horses. Four seconds at one meeting is very galling indeed. Some people, however, think that with a more experienced horseman in the saddle Mr Paul's horses would have fared better.

For those who believe in coincidences I may remind them that last season Rosefeldt, who afterwards won the New Zealand Cup, did exactly what Westmere has accomplished this spring—ran second in the Rangitikei and Hawke's Bay Spring Handicap. Rosefeldt then won the Napier Park Handicap, but it remains to be seen whether Westmere will follow her example. [He did not.—ED. S.R.] If he does many superstitious people will fancy they have got the winner of the Cup in Mr Paul's horse.

I mentioned in a previous letter that the hack Merryman would be placed in H. Fletcher's hands to train, and he is now an inmate of the stable.

The Hunt horses are doing serviceable work. Fletcher is getting Review and

Lord John ready for the Taratahi-Carterton meeting on the Prince of Wales' Birthday, and J. Huxtable is also sending the hack Vain Glory along in view of the same meeting. The Escutcheon mare is doing excellent work, and should pay her way during the coming season. Essex (Ascot—Fairy Queen) has been taken in hand by Huxtable.

By all accounts the Hawke's Bay track was in a very sodden state for the recent two days' meeting, which, of course, interfered greatly with many of the competing horses. I expect to see the form shown by some of the contestants reversed ere long.

I believe the Hawke's Bay people were loud in their praise of Mr Henry's initial attempt at the handicapper to the local club. Large fields were brought to the post, and the racing was interesting, while only two favourites got home in the handicap events during the two day's racing.

Westmere was well supported in Napier to win the N.Z. Cup after his display at the meeting, and the best price obtainable about him now is 100 to 10.

A pony stallion named Sailor arrived here by the Wakatipu from Sydney. He was sent on to Wanganui by train to his owner, Mr B. McCaul.

Chesterman is considered to be an out and out stayer, and his chances in the Victorian Derby and Melbourne Cup are reckoned to be excellent if they are solid run races. Loyalty was not properly wound up at Randwick, and he will strip a far better horse at the Victorian Meeting. His owner did not fancy Loyalty's chance in the weight-for-age races, but supported him in the mile race at the concluding day of the meeting, in which he ran second.

Three Star is classed by good judges as a non-stayer, but George Wright has a vastly-improved horse in Royal Rose to do battle for the stable in the N.Z. Cup. This horse's ability to get the distance is readily conceded, and his chance is considered a rosy one.

The attempt to re-open the Timothy case has fizzled out.

Owing to the finances of the Wellington Trotting Club being in low water, the stewards have decided not to include the two pony gallops in the November programme, but the innovation will probably be given a trial in January. The club at present could not afford to risk losing money in trying the experiment.

Mr T. Bryant's imported trotting horse J.H. scored his first victory in New Zealand at Hastings last Wednesday. Mr Bryant has had a lot of hard luck with his trotters, and I trust he will fare better in the future. His other representative, Vancliffe, ran three seconds at the meeting.

A meeting of the stewards of the Wellington Racing Club was held on Thursday, the principal business being to receive the report of the committee with reference to country race meetings. The committee reported that they had been interviewed by delegates from several clubs and after due consideration recommended that the following meetings should be abolished, viz., Wellington Racing Club, one (the Winter Meeting, which was done away with last season); Porirua Jockey Club, one; United Hunt Club, one; Wairarapa Hunt Club, one; Akura Maori Racing Club, one; and the Pahiatua Jockey Club, one.

I hear that Leontine appeared to be in splendid fettle at Hawke's Bay, but was not fancied by his connections in the October Handicap in which event he occupied a conspicuous position in the rear. I fancy he will improve on this form before the season is over.

[BY WIRE.]

October 9th.

The North Island horses engaged in the New Zealand Cup are moving southward. Rangipuhi arrived in town on Saturday last, and went on to Riccarton on Monday. George Blanche has the Feve horse in splendid condition.

Lottie came down from Hastings last night and proceeds South to-morrow. I hear that the mare is very well, in fact some people think she is too well at this period, and may probably go off before the day of the race.

There is a rumour abroad locally that a popular Southern pick for the New Zealand Cup has gone wrong, but the stable alluded to has another representative to fall back upon.

It would appear from recent accounts that Pinrose will be an absentee from the Cup. I heard one local penciller offer to lay 100 to 1 about his chance. Liberator is also receding in price.

A Wellingtonian enquired the price of Roscius this week with a view of pur-

chasing the horse. The figure asked, 300 guineas, effectually stopped negotiations. Some people who saw the big horse run at Hastings consider him equal to Norton, but that is saying a lot.

The new training track at the Hutt is in rattling order, and the local nags are being sent along in view of November engagements. Davis has Kent, Swordfish and Overseer looking in splendid order, Kent especially, while Review and Lord John in Fletcher's stable are also in nice condition.

La Norde, formerly owned by Dr. Connolly of Wanganui and now the property of Mr W. Pryde of Forty Mile Bush, has a fine yearling colt by Rama Rama, and is expected to foal shortly to Treason. She visits Ascot.

At a meeting of the stewards of the Wairarapa Racing Club held at Featherston on Saturday several tenders for work on the course were accepted. J. Ames's tender for working the totalisators was accepted, subject to a slight alteration in terms. Mr Macfarlane was unanimously elected handicapper, although some of the stewards stated that he was unwilling to act in that capacity. The programme committee recommended the following card which was adopted by the meeting:—First day—Hunters Hurdle Race of £30, 1½ miles; Trial Hack Handicap of £25, 1 mile; Wairarapa Cup of £125, 1 mile and 7 furlongs; Hack Hurdles of £20, 1½ miles; Flying Handicap of £50, ¾ mile; Wairarapa Hack Handicap of £35, 1½ miles; Grandstand Welter Handicap of £40, 1 mile and a furlong; Tauherenikau Hack Welter of £20, 1 mile. Second day—Open Hunters Hurdles of £30, 1½ miles; Telegraph Hack Handicap of £25, ¾ mile; Racing Club Handicap of £80, 1½ miles; Second Hack Hurdle Race of £25, 1½ miles; Presidents Handicap of £50, 7 furlongs; Valley Hack Handicap of £25, 1½ miles; New Year Handicap of £40, 1 mile and a distance; Final Hack Handicap of £20, 7 furlongs. Winners of races to be penalised if necessary up to a stone. It was resolved to board off the grandstand publican's booth from the lawn next the saddling paddock, and an improvement is to be made in connection with the ladies' room. The membership roll now numbers 250.

New Zealand Cup betting is a dead letter here, the only horse backed during the week being Three Star, one bookmaker laying £300 to £10 against the Castor colt. There was very little wagering over Napier Park to-day, but what little was done resulted in favour of backers.

## DUNEDIN.

[BY WIRE.]

October 9.

THE N.Z. Cup betting bears no comparison with the business done last year in this city, nothing to speak of having been done for the last month. A little money was taken about Pegasus on Friday, about £300 being secured at 100 to 7. Enquiries were made re Royal Rose, but no business took place at the price offered, viz., 100 to 10.

Most of our Cup candidates are engaged in the Oamaru Spring races to be held on Thursday and Friday next. Lady Zetland, Dilemma, Captive, Rangiatea, Casket and Victim are the acceptors for the Spring Handicap, which I think may be won by Dilemma. The horses named are all engaged in other events, and each of them should pick up a crumb at the gathering.

Our horses are doing well and are very forward. I am often at the Forbury but a strong gallop is rarely witnessed. Quite a different system is adopted now compared with that which existed in years gone by when too much fast work was indulged in. After a horse has proved himself to be a racer, long steady work and occasional flutters appear to give better results than leaving the probable win on the training track.

The owner of Beadonwell, a popular young sport here, tells me that his horse will win the Cup. He openly advises all his friends to have a little on him so he may be looked on as a moral starter.

A system of fraud has recently been practised here to take down the bookmakers. A couple of the smaller fry telephoned for £30 on Saracen when he won at Timaru, using the names of a couple of prominent backers. They netted about £80 over this transaction as they bought over the two backers to draw the money. [The latter could not have been "the clean potato."—Ed. S.R.] Of course if Saracen had not won the two punters whose names were used would never have heard anything about it, and

when asked for payment would of course have repudiated the transaction. An attempt was made to go a plunger on Blarney in connection with the Hawke's Bay Guineas, different backers names being used this time. One of the bookies thought that one of the punters was backing a little heavier than was customary, and sent out a note by a cabman to get the wager verified, with the result that the backer denied all knowledge of the affair. This was the beginning of the discovery, and by united efforts accompanied by some expense the pencilers traced the whole swindle to certain men who were thought to be beyond such meanness as to fall in with a proposal to share the result of such rank dishonesty. It is stated, however, now that they are bowled out that they are likely to recompense the metalicians for the loss occasioned the latter in connection with Saracen's pay out. Several of the layers who suffered over Blarney will however see no return.

## Takapuna Jockey Club.

AT the annual meeting of the Takapuna Jockey Club, the Chairman (Mr E. W. Alison) said:—

Members of the club would be gratified to know that the season of 1893-94 had proved so successful from every standpoint. The popularity of the club continued, and each of the four days' racing was marked by fine weather, good attendance of the public, and exceptionally good contests, the credit for which was due in a great measure to the handicapper, Mr W. Knight, who was deserving of a special meed of praise in producing so many exceptionally close finishes. The club was again in a sound financial position, notwithstanding the losses of the seasons 1891-92 and 1892-93, and would commence the present racing season under favourable circumstances. So soon as there was a sufficient sum in hand to warrant the building of a new grandstand this work would be set about, as owing to the large attendance of the public the present stand does not afford that convenience and comfort which the requirements of the public demand. The cost of a suitable stand and conveniences would not be less than £1500, and the committee expect that if the ensuing season is as successful financially as that of the past one, the club will be fully justified in undertaking this necessary and important work. The club only held two meetings last season as against three the previous one. Under existing rules it would be prudent for the incoming committee to again only hold two meetings, viz., the Summer and Winter. I will now refer to the Racing Conference. Members are aware that suburban and country clubs are now represented at these conferences, and that I have been elected delegate for the Auckland district. These racing conferences seem to be managed in a most extraordinary and unbusinesslike manner—and to be controlled by a section who dominate as they choose. A meeting of the Conference was to have been held in July, and questions vitally affecting suburban and country clubs were then to be discussed, chief among which was the question of added money, but so far the only meeting held had been a special one to consider the Gaming Act, held after it had practically passed. I received no official intimation of this meeting, but seeing a paragraph in the political news that a meeting was to be held, I called upon Mr Percival to ascertain whether the meeting was to be a general or special one. He replied it was a special meeting to consider the Gaming Act, and that no other business would be transacted. The business, however, was not so restricted, as resolutions were carried re the formation of a New Zealand Jockey Club. Now, why was not a general Conference convened before the racing season commenced, and why should a delegate be kept in ignorance at to when meetings are to be held? There has been no general Conference since July, 1893, and none since the country delegates were elected, so that the country delegates have so far been ignored, and are not likely to benefit this season at any rate by any new rule which may be passed by the Conference. The question of the establishing of a New Zealand Jockey Club will be discussed at the Conference which is expected to be held in Christchurch early in November. I am not prepared at present to say whether I shall support or oppose such a club, but before supporting the establishment of what would really be an Appeal Court I should have

to be quite satisfied that its constitution would ensure justice to all, and that the country and suburban clubs were fairly represented on such a court. The manner in which business at the Racing Conferences has been contrived does not tend to create a bias in favour of the institution of a N.Z. Jockey Club. The new Gaming Act regulates the number of meetings to be held in future at which totalisator permits are to be granted, and the Government were wise in not allowing these permits to be issued by a N.Z. Jockey Club. Now that the number of meetings has been regulated by law there is no occasion why the present unreasonable and unjust restrictions in respect to added money should continue. The majority of clubs cannot afford to pay the amount in stakes as at present provided. They cannot continue to race at a loss, nor should they be compelled to do so. At the next Conference the delegates are to report as to the meetings which are to be discontinued. In the Auckland Province there will be ten less than in 1892-93, but so far no decision has been made as to which clubs will have to reduce or cease to exist. When the race meetings are reduced to the number required by the new Act there will be no cause for complaint that there is an excess of racing. I shall not trespass further upon your time, and will now conclude by saying that the officers of the club have performed their duties ably and well, and the Club are indebted to the secretary, Mr Wynyard, for his unwearied endeavours to popularise and advance the welfare of the Club.

## Stud News.

THE following foalings have been announced:—

Iyrelinus (by Leolinus—Lyre) ch c to St. Leger.

Ouida (by Yattendon—Gulnare) f to Cuirassier.

Albatross (by Malta—Auk) f to Cuirassier.

Cissy (by Musket—Frailty) f to Castor.

Roie (St. Leger—Hippone) f to Cuirassier.

Frailty (Goldsborough—Flora McIvor) colt (dead) to St. Leger.

Lioness (Leolinus—Miss Laura), br f to Castor.

Bridal Rose, ch f to Hotchkiss.

Cobweb (Ingomar—Titania), colt to Blairgowrie.

Leorina (Leolinus—Yattarina), colt to Blairgowrie.

Belle (Musket—Kate), colt to Regal.

## Turf Topics.

BY REVIEWER.

The Possible and Ruelf reads a decidedly promising Caulfield and Melbourne double.

Several of the mares booked to visit Cap-a-pie, whose death was announced recently, have gone to Boulanger and Wapiti.

After Bruin had won the Bohemian Handicap, one mile, easily in 1min 44½sec on September 29th, he was backed pretty freely for the Caulfield Cup.

I regret to learn that the Goldsborough mare Frailty produced a dead foal to St. Leger on Tuesday last. The fact that the youngster was a colt increases the misfortune which has overtaken the Wellington Park studmaster.

Adam Byers returned from Napier by the "Te Anau" on Tuesday. St. Kilda was left behind by his trainer to fulfil Gisborne engagements, Yattendon and Forme also returned by the "Te Anau," and French with Doris arrived on Saturday last.

The programme for the Summer meeting of the South Auckland Racing Club, to be held on the Claudelands Racecourse, on December 29th, carries 165 sovs in stake money. The leading item on the card is the Waikato Handicap of 40 sovs, one mile and a quarter.

At an adjourned meeting of the Wairarapa Hunt Club the annual subscription for hunting members was reduced to £1. Mr G. Tully was re-elected master, Messrs. Chas. Vallance and F. Pearce were appointed deputy masters, Mr N. Grace treasurer, and Mr W. McKenzie secretary.

Betting on the New Zealand Cup has been limited this week, Lottie being the only line taken to any extent. Mr Cruickshank states that the horses most enquired for have been Au Revoir and Royal Rose 8 to 1; Skirmisher, Lottie and Saracen 10 to 1; and Three Star, Prime Warden, Pegasus and Impulse 12 to 1.

Horseowners may be reminded that nominations for the Dunedin Cup, Publicans' Handicap, Jockey Club Handicap, Forbury Handicap and Marshall Memorial Stakes to be decided at the D.J.C. Autumn meeting close at 10 p.m. on Saturday, October 27th. Particulars will be found in the business columns of the REVIEW.

Several of the entries for the Wairarapa Hack Guineas do not give the name or breeding of the animals engaged, and at a recent meeting of the Taratahi-Carterton Racing Club stewards it was decided that all owners who had not given proper descriptions of their nominations be written to. Unless the particulars required are furnished by 1st November next their entries will be struck out.

The owner of Ruelf, the winner of the Spring Handicap run at Tattersall's Spring Meeting on September 29th had £1750 to nothing laid against him by the holder of the horse in the Sydney sweep. In the race alluded to Royal Rose finished fourth, the mile and a quarter being covered comfortably by Ruelf in 2min 10½sec. The Sydney correspondent of the *Sportman* stated prior to the race that the stable had laid half the sweep about the King Cole horse, so it is evident he was pushed for a win.











11.0, 14 Tiritea 10.9, 30 Worth 9.7, 25 Tricky Jack 9.2. — The Barbarian 9.5.  
 Won easily by four lengths. Time, 3min 57sec. Totalisator, 532. Dividend, £3 8s.

**SPRING HANDICAP** of 25sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs and third 15sovs from the stake. One mile and a half.  
 23 Hon. J. D. Ormond's br g North Atlantic, by Nordenfeldt—Atlantis, 5yrs, 7.4, Connop. 1  
 109 Mr J. Paul's br h Westmere, 4yrs, 7.13, Manning. 2  
 59 Mr D. McNicol's ch h Yattenfeldt, 4yrs, 7.8, Chambers. 3  
 Also started—345 St. Kilda 9.8, 128 Dreamland 8.6, 114 Monte Carlo 8.3, 144 Forme 7.11, 35 Mahaki 7.7, 81 Porepo 7.3, 7 Planet 6.7.  
 Won by a length; good second and third. Time, 2min 52 2-5sec. Totalisator, 1055. Dividend, £40 17s.

**NURSERY HANDICAP** of 75sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Four and a half furlongs.  
 54 Mr T. H. Lowry's b c Orion's Belt, by Castor—Bangle, 8.5, Colello. 1  
 184 Mr J. Paul's b f Caribou, 8.5, Manning. 2  
 99 Mr R. Gooseman's Wikitoria, 8.0. 3  
 Also started—177 Spruce, 18 Windfall, 15 Roseminster, 14 Combermere.  
 Won by half a length. Time 1min 3 1-5sec. Totalisator, 561. Dividend, £9 3s.

**POST STAKES** of 25sovs. second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. Weight 8.0, maidens allowed 7lb. Once round.  
 192 Mr A. Portland's br g Prairie Grass, by Albany—Speargrass, 6yrs, 8.7, Whittaker. 1  
 154 Mr W. Rathbone's br m Rayfeldt, 4yrs, 7.7, White. 2  
 105 Mr C. Diamond's ch m Jewel, aged, Wright. 3  
 Also started—110 Rainbow 7.7.  
 Won by half a length. Time, 1min 8sec. Totalisator, 561. Dividend, £2 12s.

**WELTER HANDICAP** of 40sovs. One mile.  
 105 Mr A. Portland's ch g Golden Plover, by Forerunner—Plover, 9.6, Whittaker. 1  
 69 Mr H. F. Knight's ch m Poinsettia, aged, 9.7, McLaughlin. 2  
 10 Mr R. Gooseman's blk m Barbelle, 4yrs, 8.0, Morrigan. 3  
 Also started—138 Cyrus 10.0, 15 Brigand 9.12, 64 Spinfeldt 8.3, 42 Sylvanus 8.9, 30 Focus 8.8, 52 Lobelia 8.7, 31 Rags 8.0.  
 Won easily by a couple of lengths Barbelle a good third. Time, 1min 57 4-5sec. Dividend, £4 15s.

**FINAL HANDICAP** of 100sovs; six furlongs.  
 151 Mr W. Walters' ch f Doris, 3yrs, by St. Leger—Ophelia, 7.7, Connop. 1  
 50 Mr J. M. Fraser's b h Allanadale, 4yrs, 6.11, Watts. 2  
 159 Mr G. Wright's b f Forme, 3yrs, 8.5, Hall. 3  
 Also started—57 Zanella 9.8, 126 Nixie 7.8, 61 The Shrew 7.1, 21 Tartan 7.0, 46 Orion 7.0, 37 Waterlily 6.11.  
 Won comfortably by two lengths, Forme a couple of lengths away third. Time, 1min 22sec. Dividend, £4 4s.  
 During the meeting the sum of £9435 was put through the machine.

**HAWKE'S BAY TROTting CLUB SPRING MEETING.**  
 OCTOBER 3RD.

**MAIDEN HANDICAP TROT** of 20sovs; second horse to receive 3sovs from the stake. Two miles.  
 25 Mr J. Newby's ch m Jess II., 10s, Ewbank. 1  
 15 Mr S. Heighway's br g Abner, scr, Day. 2  
 25 Mr T. Stewart's br m Gyp, scr, McKay. 3  
 Also started—73 Ino 5s, 43 Caractacus scr, 5 Dandy scr.  
 Won by 100yds. Time, 7min 10sec. Dividend, £29 14s.

**HANDICAP PONY TROT** (in harness) of 20sovs; second pony to receive 5sovs from the stake. Two miles.  
 137 Mr H. F. Cameron's g m Tansy, 30s, owner. 1  
 39 Mr A. E. Woolley's ch g Koromiko, 23s, Orange. 2  
 20 Mr W. J. Jorgensen's b g Bobby Burns, 10s, owner. 3  
 Also started—57 Agnes 45s, 7 Playtoy 40s, 10 Gyp 35s, 11 Nita 12s, 31 Fisk 5s.  
 Won easily. Time, 6min 36sec. Dividend, £2.

**H.B. TROTting CLUB HANDICAP** (in saddle) of 50sovs; second horse to receive 7sovs and the third horse to receive 3sovs from the stake. Two and a half miles.  
 102 Mr D. Orange's b g Hassan, 20s, Day. 1  
 59 Mr T. Bryant's br h Vancliff, 20s, Ryan. 2  
 109 Mr J. Lee's b m Wild Rose, 15s, J. L. Ryan. 3  
 Also started—19 Othello 10s, 28 Wilkin scr.  
 Won by 150yds. Time, 7min 20sec. Dividend, £2 15s.

**HANDICAP PONY TROT** (in saddle) of 20sovs, second pony to receive 5sovs from the stake. One and a half mile.  
 116 Mr N. Beharrall's b m La Stella, 35s, Day. 1  
 61 Mr H. F. Cameron's g m Tansy, 20s, Cameron. 2  
 13 Mr H. S. Better's b m Ladas, 35s, Better. 3  
 Also started—8 Agnes 38s, 32 Diamond 33s, 18 Gyp 28s, 6 Disgrace 25s, 10 Nita 10s.  
 Won by 25 yards. Time, 5min 7sec. Dividend, £2.

**HASTINGS CUP HANDICAP TROT** (in harness) of 50sovs, second horse to receive 7sovs, third horse to receive 3sovs from the stake. Three miles.  
 126 Mr Thomas Bryant's b g J.H., scr, Moatt. 1  
 86 Mr Thomas Bryant's br h Vancliff, 40s, M. Ryan. 2  
 21 Mr J. Lee's b m Wild Rose, 30s, J. Ryan. 3  
 Also started—121 Diamond 60s, 17 Bobby

Burns 45s, 62 Hassan 38s (in addition to 15s pen.), 21 Hampton 30s.  
 Time, 9min 10s. Dividend, £2 9s.

**SELLING TROT** (in saddle) of 20sovs. Two miles.  
 Mr G. A. Woolley's ch g Koromiko, 40s, Orange. 1  
 Mr N. Beharrall's b m La Stella, 40s, Day. 2  
 Mr R. F. Jackson's b g Boxer, 40s, Heaps. 3  
 Also started—Pihie 40s and Othello 15s.  
 Won by thirty yards. Time, 6min 29sec. 146 on the totalisator, 46 on the winner, dividend, £2 17s.

**ELECTRIC STAKES HANDICAP TROT** (in saddle) of 20sovs, second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. One mile.  
 Mr D. Orange's b g Hassan, 16s, Day. 1  
 Mr Thomas Bryant's br h Vancliff, 18s, Mr Ryan. 2  
 Mr W. Couper's b g Hampton, 14s, Elbourne. 3  
 Also started—Ino 24s, Ozone 22s, Jinny 20s, Othello 12s, Wilkin 10s, and J.H. scr.  
 Time, 3min 35sec. 270 on the machine, 63 on the winner, dividend £3 17s.

**TARANAKI TROTting ASSOCIATION.**  
 SEPTEMBER 27TH, 1894.

**MAIDEN HANDICAP TROT** of 10sovs. Two miles.  
 6 Mr B. Honeyfield's Cockatoo, 25s, owner. 1  
 3 Mr E. Marsh's Hard Case, 15s, Marsh. 2  
 4 Messrs Sole Bros. Acme, 28s, J. J. Russell. 3  
 Also started—3 Urenui, 35s, owner; 1 Kit, 35s, M. Mills; 3 Barmaid, 33s, owner; 3 Chloe, 33s, McCracken; 0 Merry Bell, 33s, Riley; 3 Tommy, 28s, Brake; 4 Sloper, 5s, P. Johnston; 2 Starlight, 5s, Greenwood; 25 Jessie, scr, Henry.  
 Won by two lengths. Acme broke near the post, and led Hard Case into second place. Totalisator, £57; dividend, £8 11s. Time, 7min 33sec.

**FIRST HARNESS TROT** of 18sovs. Two miles and a half.  
 12 Mr J. Keswick's Hordern, 45s, Arnold. 1  
 6 Mr T. Wilson's Dick, 35s, Greenwood. 2  
 1 Mr F. Salway's Prince, 45s, owner. 3  
 Also started—4 Cockatoo, 33s, B. Honeyfield; 5 Carbine, 7s, M. Mills; 11 Peter, scr, F. Calgher; 0 Comet, scr, F. Bolton.  
 Hordern led all the way, and won by about twenty lengths; close finish for second. Totalisator, £39; dividend, £2 18s. Time, 9min, 27sec.  
 The owner of Prince entered a protest against Dick getting second, on the ground that Dick started before his time.

**TROT PONY HANDICAP** of 12sovs; second to receive 2sovs from the stakes. One mile and a half.  
 16 Mr Te Ano's Urenui, 45s, owner. 1  
 6 Mr Pigott's Squah, 45s, Russell. 2  
 0 Mr E. R. Bayly's Kaitake, 45s, owner. 3  
 Also started—1 Peggy III. 45s, 7 Chloe 4s, and 8 Grey Mornus 18s. Urenui led all the way, and won comfortably. Totalisator, £38; dividend, £2 2s. Time, 5m 1s.

**TARANAKI TROTting ASSOCIATION HANDICAP** of 40sovs, second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. Three miles.  
 3 Mr M. Jones' Sloper, 45s, P. Johnston. 1  
 24 Mr W. H. Chitham's Kentucky Wilks, 5s, Lee. 2  
 7 Mr F. Bolton's Sailor Boy II., scr, owner. 3  
 Also started—0 Chloe 55s, 20 Claret 55s, 0 Dick 45s, 31 Jessie 30s, 16 Grenadier 5s, 2 Carbine scr.  
 Sloper won by about 40 yards. Totalisator 103, dividend £30 18s. Time, 10min 54 2-5th sec. Kentucky Wilks was put up at auction and passed in.

**FARMERS' TROT HANDICAP** of 12sovs, second horse to receive 2sovs from the stakes. Two miles.  
 7 Mr E. Marsh's Hard Case, 25s, Marsh. 1  
 4 Mr B. Honeyfield's Cockatoo, 23s, owner. 2  
 5 Messrs Sole Bros. Acme, 35s, Russel. 3  
 Also started—2 Sky Lark 40s, 1 Skittles 40s, 3 Flirt 35s, 5 Iolanthe 8s, 0 Comet 2s, 3 Conway scr.  
 Hard Case took the lead at the head of the straight and maintained it to the finish. Totalisator 30, dividend £3 17s. Time, 7min 30s.

**STEWARDS' HANDICAP** of 16sovs, second horse to receive 2sovs from the stakes. Two miles.  
 4 Mr J. Gallagher's Jessie, 25s, Henry. 1  
 1 Mr E. McGlashan's Iolanthe, 8s, owner. 2  
 5 Mr W. H. Chitham's Kentucky Wilks, 3s, Lee. 3  
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