

Day Dawn, who was reported to have defeated Caribou at Wanganui over five furlongs before he left for Riccarton, fairly smothered the field at the finish. Finesse, a promising looking mare by Torpedo out of Revoke was second, and Gunboat by the same sire occupied third position. The time was 1min 30sec, and the dividend £4 8s. The Handicap Hurdles, 1½ miles, ended in a victory for Kahurangi, with Lady Clare second, and Auroa third. Besant and Seddon were the other starters. Time, 3min 2-5th sec. Dividend, £5 5s. The York Farm Handicap, 1½ miles, proved a gift for The Artist, who romped home with 9st 5lb on his back the easiest of winners by 3 lengths. Gunboat was second, and Narrate third. The time was 2min 50sec, and the dividend £1 19s. Swift, Clayton, and Finesse also ran. In the Electric Handicap, 5 furlongs, Ascot Vale again got home in 1min 9-1.5sec, Princess Cole being second, and Armelia, by Armament—Cornelia, third. In the Welter Handicap, Hotspur made his own running, and traversed the mile in 1min 46-2.5sec, paying his supporters £2 8s. Bloomsbury ran second, and Kahurangi third. The Forced Handicap, six furlongs, ended in Seabreeze beating The Artist by about half a head and paying £9 8s. The latter carried 10st, while the former had only 6st 7lbs. Time, 1min 19-2.5sec.


Turf Topics.

[BY REVIEWER.]

Mr E. W. Alison has returned from Christchurch. The profit on the Caulfield Cup Meeting was £600 more than was the case last year. Messrs. Alison Bros.' Reprieve—Nydia mare Friendship, has foaled a colt foal to Regal. The well-known Adelaide hurdle racer Simpleton dropped dead in Bangalore last month. The totalisator figures for the Spring Meeting of the Gisborne Racing Club fall short of last years returns by £225. The sum of £6,214 was paid away in stakes by the Canterbury Jockey Club in connection with their recent Spring Meeting. Mr Evert's handicaps for the first day of the Wellington Racing Club's Spring Meeting to be held on the 22nd inst. appear elsewhere. Southern writers say that if Lottie had had Impulse's luck during the N.Z. Cup race she would have got home. But it must be remembered Southern writers gave Lottie a chance and scouted Mr Bradley's horse. The race meeting held in Melbourne the day before the Caulfield Cup, in aid of the Sportsman sporting writer, "Sterling" (Mr. Bradshaw), resulted in a profit of only £42. Chainshot (by imp. Musket from Locket) took first place in the thoroughbred class at the Canterbury Agricultural and Pastoral Association's Show, held on November 9th. Wallace, the first of Carbine's get to distinguish himself, is said to resemble the champion in many respects, but his colour is against him, a washy chestnut being the shade of his coat. Nominations in connection with the Spring Meeting of the Avondale Jockey Club, to be held on December 1st, close with secretary, Vulcan Lane, at 9 p.m. to-morrow (Friday). The totalisator figures for the Spring Meeting of the Gisborne Racing Club show a falling off of £225 compared with the returns for last year. Then the amount was £1645; this year's total was £1420. The Weekly Press states that George Wright talks of settling at Randwick, and, writes the journal quoted, "wherever he goes his shrewd commonsense is certain to make his presence felt and he is bound to succeed." Friend George has evidently been making himself popular down South. But is he casting his eye towards Randwick? After a lengthy investigation into the circumstances connected with the collision which occurred in the run off between First Nelson, Forme, and Ben Godfrey for the A.R.C. City Handicap stake, the Committee of the Club awarded the race to First Nelson. It is said that the son of Nelson only secured the verdict by a majority of one. An amateur rider, Mr. H. Cortis, got into hot water at a recent Oaklands (Melbourne) meeting. The gentleman jock, was up on Jacob in a hurdle race, the running of which landed horse and rider in for three months' disqualification, "Suspicious running" being levelled and upheld against Mr. Cortis. Rather ugly that for an amateur. The condition in which First Nelson went to the post at Ellerslie on Saturday last reflected credit on H. Howe, who should supply some tidy runs this season through the medium of the Forth stable. Heart of Oak is a business-like parcel of horseflesh, and when Howe gets her fairly in trim she will require the attention of backers. The Wellington Spring Race Meeting takes place this day week. Acceptances are not due until Monday, so that any tipping in this issue would have to be done in the dark. Our Wellington representative's ideas concerning the events appear in another column. It is said that Lottie's connections have their eye on the Dunedin Cup, and that the Muskapeer mare will be a certain starter for the big Otago prize. With 8.3 on her back Kean's favourite should run a very merry race over the Otago Cup distance, one mile and a half.

The meeting of the Wanganui Trotting Club is being held to-day. During the sitting of the Racing Conference, a letter was read from Mr. J. Paul, of Wanganui, complaining that the Nelson Jockey Club charged more than 5 per cent. on the added money. The Conference decided to refer the letter to the Nelson Club for explanation, pointing out that it appeared from the programme that the 5 per cent. was improperly deducted. A request by the club in question that the Conference should deal with a protest in connection with a trotting race (that took place on their course was declined, as the Conference does not recognise the Yankees' favourite sport. The handicapping for the Town and Suburban Meeting by Mr Binnie gave most satisfactory results, the finishes in all the races being extremely close. In the Hurdle Race, Mr Binnie gave the Taradale spectators what Mr Knight treated us to at Ellerslie, with the difference that the three dead heaters at the Town and Suburban Meeting lined up for the second, not the first, money. The results in connection with the Birthday meeting of the Lancaster Park Amateur Trotting Club were as follows:—Amateur Handicap—Ben Allen 1, X Y Z 2; time 5min 51½sec, dividend £2 19s. Selling Handicap—Hollywood 1, Tommy 2; time 7min 57½sec, dividend £3 10s. Championship—Blue Mountain 1; time 8min 18sec, dividend £1 8s. Pony Handicap—Dorothy 1; time 5min 45sec, dividend £1 14s. November Handicap—Grasshopper 1, Holly 2; time 5min 41sec, dividend £2 5s. Stewards' Handicap—Rob Roy 1, Energy 2, Vagary 3; time 5min 30sec, dividend £1 10s. Second Handicap—Lina 1; time 2min 15½sec, dividend £2 11s 6d. Final Handicap—Carolina 1; time 2min 57sec, dividend £1 14s. The Champion Harness Trot of 3 miles fell to Blue Mountain at the Birthday meeting of the Lancaster Park Amateur Trotting Meeting. The time was 8.18, and the dividend £1 8s, so the gelding must have been a hot favourite. Last year the Club's big November race was a 2 mile (Saddle) Champion Handicap which Blue Mountain had no difficulty in annexing in 5.55, distancing all his opponents. Last year the money handled at the Club's inaugural meeting amounted to £4,155; on Friday last the machine agents operated on £5,334, a very appreciable increase. The REVIEW gave tipsters an opportunity of exercising their genius in forecasting the results of turf problems by offering £25 to the man who named the winners of the Caulfield, New Zealand, and Melbourne Cups. About 2000 tips were sent in, and out of the total one man alone was successful in naming the first two legs and having a Melbourne Cup horse—Carnage—running for him. That is a circumstance the sporting reader might bear in mind when tempted to revile sporting writers who are expected to sift handicaps for the dividend hunter. The annual show in connection with the Auckland Provincial Agricultural Association will be held at Potter's Paddock, to-morrow (Friday) and the following day. The entries in the horse classes are larger than was the case last year, the sheep entries are about the same, but there is a slight falling off in the cattle section. Dairy produce, pigs, and poultry will be worthily represented, and everything points to the show being fully equal, if not superior, to similar exhibitions of the past. No effort is being spared by the executive of the Association to make the affair a decided success, and as the Mayor has requested business men to make a holiday from 1 p.m. to-morrow, there is every prospect of the "gate" proving entirely satisfactory. Mr D. O'Brien put Loyalty under the auctioneer's hammer at Melbourne on Tuesday last, and the highest bid obtained was £375, at which figure the New Zealander naturally declined to deal. It is said that Mr O'Brien refused £2000 for the colt prior to the race for the Melbourne Cup. If that be a correct statement, Mr O'Brien showed bad judgment one way or the other. He certainly should have either sold or raced the son of St. George. On the same day that Loyalty was offered in Melbourne, Philson was passed in for 180 guineas, Taranaki for 850 guineas, and the Carbine colt, Cartridge, was purchased by Mr O'Brien for 308 guineas. If one could make sure of getting a worthy son of the champion at that figure there would be many buyers. If anyone on the Australian side is competent to judge the starting machine and size up its merits, that man is old Mr. Watson, who was starting at Flemington when Melbournians had not dreamt of tacking "Marvellous" on to the name of their city and the boom-fiend had not cast his eye on the Victorian capital. The veteran starter calls the machine "a splendid invention," and coming from such an authority the testimony is of appreciable weight. The sum of £3,480 was handled at the Taieri (Otago) Meeting on November 9th. The Winchman, 7.0 (Cadogan—Miss Russley), won the Cup of 80 sovs, 1¼ miles, Maribyrnong, 8.2, being second, and Wolsley, 9.4, third. Dividend £5 5s. Last year Maribyrnong was returned the winner, but on that occasion his burden was only 6.9. Swivel, 9.8, beat last year's winner, Mountain Maid, 10.12, in the Stewards' Prize Welter Handicap, and paid a dividend of £8 19s, and Cactus, 8.2, led Glencairn, 7.12, past the post in the Flying Handicap of 40 sovs, six furlongs. Mr. W. Knight gave us a record piece of handicapping in the City Handicap, decided at Ellerslie on Saturday last. To see three horses pass the box locked so closely together that the judge would not separate them, while the other runners were well up, is something worth witnessing. The horses were brought together beautifully, and if there had been no rail mishap in the run-off I fancy the judge would have had another very close thing to decide. Race-goers were very ready in their acknowledgment of Mr. Knight's fine piece of work, and as a result his right arm was pumphanled vigorously after the judge had hoisted the three numbers on the one line.

Auckland punters and pencilers sustained several rude shocks through their Impulse money reaching Christchurch too late to be placed on the machine. It is said that Lottie money was sent away at the same time as the Impulse cash, and that the former went on the machine while the latter did not. The Christchurch club will doubtless have a satisfactory answer to the unpleasant complaints circulated up here, for if the public are allowed to question the "authorised agent" department investments may return to that channel which is supposed to have been diverted by the Gaming Act. The programme for the Spring Meeting of the Onehunga and Otahuhu Racing Club, to be held on the Otahuhu racecourse on Saturday December 8th, will be found elsewhere. The card holds eight events of a total value of 210 sovs, the two principal races being the Spring Handicap of 40 sovs, 1¼ miles, and the Handicap Steeplechase of 40 sovs, about three miles. Nominations close on Friday, November 23rd, at 9 p.m. Acceptances and general entries are timed for Wednesday, December 5th, and weights will appear on Monday, December 3rd. After the fine results given by the starting machine at the Pakuranga Hunt Club Meeting it was certainly annoying to have to return to the old order of things on Friday and Saturday last at Ellerslie. Mr. George Cutts did his best, but no man can be expected to satisfactorily replace the "gate." With Gray's patent at work we would have been spared many expletives, and young Castleton would not have been taken so many journeys by Haria just before the start for the City Handicap. The boy had not the slightest command over his mount, but one is inclined to forgive the delay caused by him last Saturday on account of that finish he rode with J. Gallagher at the Takapuna Meeting last Anniversary Day. The little fellow stuck to his work on that occasion like a hero, and certainly scored to keep on terms with a horseman like Gallagher. **Weights, etc.** WELLINGTON RACING CLUB'S SPRING MEETING. WEIGHTS. GRANDSTAND HANDICAP of 50 sovs. One mile.—Mahaki, 8.10, Prairie Grass 8.9, Kent 8.4, Senator 7.8, Revolt 7.6, Allan-a-dale 7.4, Searchlight 7.4, Von Tempsey 7.3, King Wai 7.2, Meteor 6.12, Brookfield 6.10. HUTT PARK SPRING HANDICAP of 150 sovs. One mile and a quarter.—Rosefeldt 8.11, Rāngipuhi 8.5, Dreamland 8.3, Mahaki 8.3, Johnny Faa 8.3, Musket 8.0, Kent 8.0, North Atlantic 8.0, [Scot Free 7.12, Westmere 7.12, Prince Cole 7.11, Purepo 7.9, Proress 7.8, Krina 7.7, Leontine 7.6, Speculator 7.6, Senator 7.6, Sea Serpent 7.3, Lebel 7.2, Marino 7.2, Revolution 7.0, Lake Shell 6.10, Porepo 6.9, Planet 6.7. FLYING HANDICAP of 60 sovs. Six furlongs.—Priores 8.7, Swordbelt 8.4, Warrington 7.12, Nixie 7.10, Allan-a-dale 7.7, Searchlight 7.7, King's Bowman 7.6, King Wai 7.3, Meteor 7.0, Porepo 6.11. WELTER HANDICAP of 60 sovs. One mile.—Johnny Faa 10.0, Prairie Grass 9.12, Speculator 9.5, Prince Cole 9.3, King John 9.2, Errington 9.0, Senator 9.0, Marino 8.11, Revolt 8.10, Searchlight 8.10, Sea Serpent 8.10, Brookfield 8.7. SHORTS HANDICAP of 60 sovs. Four furlongs.—Swordbelt 8.11, Warrington 8.3, Nixie 8.0, Allan-a-dale 7.10, Lebel 7.10, King's Bowman 7.10, Revolution 7.9, Jess 7.6, Porepo 7.5, Revolt 6.10. HURDLES HANDICAP of 60 sovs. One mile and three-quarters.—Roscius 12.0, Kapua 11.11, Oaklands 10.6, Osman 9.7, Sunbeam 9.5, Sedition 9.5, Austral 9.0. D.J.C. SPRING MEETING. HANDICAPS. OTAGO CUP of 350 sovs, one mile and a half.—Prime Warden 9.5, Hippomenes 8.12, Au Revor 8.10, Skirmisher 8.7, Saracen 8.5, Lottic 8.3, Lady Zetland 8.2, Clanranald 8.0, Beadonwell 7.12, Magazine 7.8, Captive 7.7, Dilemma 7.6, Wolsley 7.2, Outpost 7.0, Casket 6.11, Blarney 6.9, Colbeck 6.9, Solano 6.7, Claremount 6.7. FEDERAL HANDICAP of 120 sovs, six furlongs.—St. Clements 9.2, Forbury 8.12, Lady Zetland 8.12, Aldershot 8.5, Mount Royal 8.4, Golden Fleece 8.2, Goodwood 7.11, Speculator 7.11, Victim, New Forest, Wolsley 7.9, Outpost, Rangiatea, Barnby 7.7, Casket, Chain Link 7.4, Britomart and Blarney 7.2, Vanilla, Solano, Molly Darling 7.0, Kate Greenaway, Lady Lear 6.12, Miss Madge, The Changeling 6.10, Speedwell and Rancour 6.8. TARATAHI-CARTERTON RACES. [BY WIRE.—OWN CORRESPONDENT.] Wellington, November 13th. The Taratahi-Carterton Racing Club was favoured with beautiful weather for its first meeting on its new course, at Clareville, on Friday last. The club has spent a lot of money on its course, besides erecting a double grand stand to accommodate 400 or 500 persons and a stewards' stand. The course is sixteen yards short of a mile in circumference, and is perfectly level going, but was a trifle loose on Friday; but given a little time, it will be a really good course. The sum of £2,399 was passed through the machine during the day. The ball was set rolling with the Hunters Hurdles, of 25 sovs., 1½ miles, for which only two horses faced the starter—Half Caste and Giraffe. Half Caste, a wiry piebald, had little difficulty in disposing of his opponent, winning comfortably by a couple of lengths. The winner took the fences in capital style, and should be heard of in the future. Sixteen horses went to the post in the Maiden Hack Handicap, of 25 sovs., about 1

mile, backers selecting Brooklet (Torpedo—Rivulet) as the pick of the basket. The mare came with a great reputation from Woodville, and looked in capital form. Swordfish, the Hutt representative, a short son of Piscatorious and Giriri, was sent out second favourite. The field was despatched to a straggling start, the favourite being the last to move. Swordfish jumped away in front, and the boy ramming the spurs into him, he lashed out after going a few yards, but afterwards went kindly and led into the back stretch, at which stage of the race Field Gun (half brother to Mahaki) went up to him. Turning for home, however, Swordfish shook him off comfortably and won easily by two lengths, Field Gun beating Miss Massey by three-quarters of a length for second place, Brooklet three lengths away fourth. The mile was run in 1min. 50sec., not a bad go indeed. Of the seven starters in the Taratahi-Carterton R.C. Handicap, of 40 sovs., about 1¼ miles, Senator, who looked in capital form, was sent out favourite, Prince Cole and Revolt being next in demand. Revolt was not so troublesome at the start on this occasion, and has lost much of his fractiousness. Senator was taken to the front when the word was given, and although Revolt and Purepo put in decided claims at the bend, he won easily by two lengths, Revolt being a clear length in front of Purepo, and Brookfield fourth. Prince Cole cut a sorry figure, being last all the way. Five were sent out for the Hack Hurdles, of 25 sovs., about 1½ miles, Oddfellow being entrusted with the bulk of the money. He made all his own running, and won in a canter from The Bird, Makomako obtaining the barren honours of third place. Lord John fell at the second last hurdle when going well, but I do not think he could have beaten Oddfellow, although he would have troubled him at the finish. Nine competed in the Clareville Hack Handicap of 35 sovs., about 1 mile, Voltaire and Swordfish being selected as the best goods. From an indifferent start, of which Royal Tar got the worst, Fresh Deal, Brooklet, and Swordfish took command. Fresh Deal cried a go after four furlongs had been traversed. Brooklet, Swordfish, Silent Friend, and Voltaire were together at the bend, and a fine run up the straight ended in Davis' chestnut gaining the judge's verdict by a length, Voltaire being two lengths away third, and Silent Friend fourth. The mile was run in 1min. 48 3-5th sec. Senator was sent out a hot favourite for the Railway Handicap, of 30 sovs., about ¾ mile, but Swordfish's connections were confident of victory. Purepo and Sword Belt popped off the mark together, and the latter appeared to be winning easily at the home turn, but his rider afterwards taking matters comfortably, Senator tackled him about fifty yards from home, and before the brown horse could be got going Senator had passed him, winning under punishment by a length and a half, Purepo three lengths away third. Cheque was last the whole distance. Time, 1min. 19sec. Nine cried content for the Grand Stand Handicap, of 20 sovs., 6 furlongs, in which Swordfish declined with 8.7. Voltaire, with 8.9, was picked out as a really good thing over 6 furlongs—his pet distance—and so it turned out, as he never gave his opponents a chance, leading all the way, and romped home in front of a rank outsider in Mr. Macrae's colt, Dinah Shad, Silent Friend being just clear of the black colt. Voltaire ran the 6 furlongs in 1min. 19sec., rather good time for a hack. **STUD NEWS.** The following foalings have been announced from Wellington Park:— Mattaghan (Nordenfeldt—Yattacy) filly to St. Leger. Veneration (Patriarch—Fides), filly to Castor. Moilena (Patriarch—Rosabelle), colt to Hotchkiss. Lilac (Leolinus—Leila), colt to Cuirassier.  **AUCKLAND PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL SHOW AT POTTER'S PADDOCK, NOVEMBER 16TH AND 17TH.** GRAND PARADE OF PRIZE WINNERS. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN'S LEAP-ING MATCHES. PONY JUMPING BY BOYS. SHEEP-SHEARING COMPETITION. FLOWER SHOW. WEIGHT-GUESSING COMPETITION. TRIAL OF SHEEP DOGS. DRIVING BEES, ETC., ETC., ETC. ADMISSION—ONE SHILLING EACH DAY. EDWIN HALL, Secretary. 155, Queen Street.