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AUCKLAND RACING CLUB. NORTH NEW ZEALAND GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE MEETING.

SATURDAY AND MONDAY, JUNE 8TH
AND 10TH, 1895.

OFFICERS—President: Mr A. Buckland. Vice-President: Colonel Dawson. Hon. Judge: Major Banks. Hon. Treasurer: Mr J. Dickey. Stewards: Messrs W. R. Blomfield, A. Carrick, A. Clark, T. Cottle, R. Duder, H. T. Gorrice, J. Kirkwood, W. McLaughlan, T. Morris, F. A. Nathan, J. P. A. Philson, J. Russell, H. Thompson. Starter: Mr George Cutts. Clerk of Scales: Mr F. W. Marks. Clerk of Course: Mr J. Selby. Handicapper: Mr J. O. Evett.

PROGRAMME:

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 1895.

First race to start at 1 o'clock.

Maiden Steeplechase (Handicap) of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won 50 sovs at time of entry. Entrance 1 sov, and 2 sovs each at the post. About two miles and a half.

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

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

Selling Steeplechase of 60 sovs. Entrance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Four-year-olds to carry 11st 6lb; five-year-olds, 12st; six years and aged, 12st 3lb. The winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race for 100 sovs. If entered to be sold for 50 sovs allowed 5lb; if for 40 sovs, 10lb; if for 20 sovs, 15lb; if for nil, to carry 9st 7lb. No other allowance. About three miles.

Maiden Handicap Hurdle Race of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won a Hurdle Race of the value of 40 sovs. Over seven flights of hurdles. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. One mile and three-quarters.

Pony Handicap Hurdle Race of 40 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Over six flights of hurdles. One mile and a half.

SECOND DAY—MONDAY, JUNE 10, 1895.

First race to start at 1 o'clock.

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

Pony Handicap Hurdle Race of 40 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Over five flights of hurdles. One mile and a quarter.

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

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

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

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

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC. NORTH NEW ZEALAND GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE MEETING, 1895.

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 1895, by 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS—
Grand National Hurdle Race Handicap 2 sovs
Great Northern Steeplechase 2 sovs

FRIDAY, MAY 17, 1895, at 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—
Grand National Hurdle Race Handicap 2 sovs
Great Northern Steeplechase 3 sovs

FRIDAY, MAY 31 (GENERAL ENTRY NIGHT), by 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS—
Maiden Handicap Steeplechase 1 sov
Winter Welter Handicap 1 sov
Selling Steeplechase 2 sovs
Maiden Handicap Hurdle Race 1 sov
Pony Handicap Hurdles 1 sov
Handicap Maiden Hurdle Race 1 sov
Pony Handicap Hurdles 1 sov
Tally-Ho Handicap Steeplechase 1 sov
Second Winter Welter Handicap 1 sov

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1895, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—
Maiden Handicap Steeplechase 2 sovs
Winter Welter Handicap 1 sov
Pony Hurdles Handicap 1 sov



SATURDAY, JUNE 8, at the Post.

Grand National Hurdle Race 4 sovs

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, at 10 p.m.

Maiden Handicap Hurdles 1 sov

Pony Hurdles Handicap 1 sov

Handicap Hurdles 2 sovs

Tally-Ho Steeplechase 3 sovs

Second Winter Welter Handicap 1 sov

MONDAY, JUNE 10, 1895, at the Post.

Great Northern Steeplechase 5 sovs

DATES ON OR ABOUT WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

FRIDAY, MAY 10, 1895.

Grand National Hurdles

Great Northern Steeplechase

MONDAY, JUNE 3, 1895.

Maiden Steeplechase Handicap

Winter Welter Handicap

Handicap Maiden Hurdle Race

Pony Hurdles Handicap

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, at 9 p.m.

Handicap Hurdles

Second Handicap Maiden Hurdle Race

Pony Handicap Hurdles

Tally-Ho Steeplechase

Second Winter Welter

WM. PERCIVAL,
Secretary, A.R.C.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB.

WINTER MEETING,
SATURDAY AND FRIDAY, MAY 18TH
AND 24TH, 1895.

OFFICERS—President: E. Mitchelson, Esq., M.H.R. Vice-Presidents: Colonel Goring, A. E. Devore, Esq. Stewards: Messrs E. W. Allison, R. H. Duder, F. Wells, W. Adams, A. Allison, J. Mays, W. Avenell, G. Lankham. Judge: E. Mitchelson, Esq., M.H.R. Treasurer: Mr E. W. Allison. Clerk of Scales: Mr F. Marks. Clerk of Course: Mr Fred Wells. Handicapper: Mr W. Knight. Secretary: Mr R. Wynyard.

PROGRAMME

(Passed by A.R.C.)

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, MAY 18TH, 1895.

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

First Handicap Hurdle Race of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 1 sov. One mile and three-quarters.

Britannia Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 1 sov. One mile and one furlong.

First Pony Handicap of 35 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 1 sov. Six furlongs and a half.

First Handicap Steeplechase of 65 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 2 sovs. About three miles.

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

SECOND DAY—FRIDAY, MAY 24TH, 1895.

Hack Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 10 sovs at the time of entry. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 1 sov. Seven furlongs.

Second Handicap Hurdles of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 1 sov. One mile and three-quarters.

Birthday Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 2 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Second Pony Handicap of 35 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 1 sov. Five furlongs and a half.

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

Second Handicap Steeplechase of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 2 sovs. About three miles and a half.

Welter Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. Winner of any race after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Lowest weight, 7.7. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 1 sov. One mile.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH, BY 9 P.M.

NOMINATIONS—

FIRST DAY.

Handicap Maiden Plate 1 sov

First Handicap Hurdles 1 sov

Britannia Handicap 1 sov

First Pony Handicap 1 sov

Royal Handicap 1 sov

First Handicap Steeplechase 1 sov

SECOND DAY.

Second Handicap Hurdles 1 sov

Birthday Handicap 1 sov



Second Handicap Steeplechase 1 sov

Victoria Handicap 1 sov

Second Pony Handicap 1 sov

Welter Handicap 1 sov

Hack Handicap 1 sov

MONDAY, APRIL 29TH, BY 9 P.M.

For First Day's races.

MONDAY, MAY 20TH, BY 4 P.M.

For Second Day's races.

FRIDAY, MAY 10TH, BY 9 P.M.

ACCEPTANCES—

Handicap Maiden Plate 1 sov

First Handicap Hurdles 1 sov

Britannia Handicap 1 sov

First Pony Handicap 1 sov

Royal Handicap 1 sov

First Handicap Steeplechase 2 sovs

TUESDAY, MAY 21ST, BY 9 P.M.

(SECOND DAY'S RACING.)

Second Handicap Hurdles 1 sov

Hack Handicap 1 sov

Birthday Handicap 2 sovs

Second Handicap Steeplechase 2 sovs

Victoria Handicap 1 sov

Second Pony Handicap 1 sov

Welter Handicap 1 sov

All Entries to be addressed to the secretary, Devonport, or at Mr W. Bloomfield's office, Durham street east, Auckland. Telegraph office at Devonport closes at 5 p.m.

R. WYNARD, Secretary.

WAIHI RACING CLUB

Registered under Auckland Racing Club.

ANNUAL MEETING,
TO BE HELD ON
SATURDAY, MAY 25TH, 1895.

President: E. M. Corbett, Esq. Vice-Presidents: Dr. Wright, H. A. Wainwright, Esq., D. Lundon, Esq. Judge: Mr W. Crimmins. Handicapper: Mr D. E. E. Clerk of Scales: Mr Simms. Clerk of Course: Mr F. McLoughlan. Starter: Mr R. Darby. Treasurer: Mr John MacDonnell. Stewards: Messrs J. Lucas, J. Newick, J. MacDonnell, Wm. McKenna, W. Corbett, F. Quinton, and D. Campbell. Pony Measurer: Mr T. Clarkin. Totalisator Steward: Mr H. Berridge. Secretary: F. P. Jones.

PROGRAMME.

Maiden Plate (weight for age), 15 sovs, 1 mile. For horses that have never won an advertised race of more than 15 sovs at time of starting. 3 sovs out of stake to go to second horse. Entrance 15s. To start at 12 o'clock.

Handicap Hurdle Race of 25 sovs, 2 miles over 8 flights of hurdles; 5 sovs out of stake to go to second horse. Nomination 15s, acceptance 10s. To start at 12.45 p.m.

Miners' Plate Handicap of 15 sovs; three-quarters of a mile; 3 sovs out of stake to go to second horse. Nomination 10s, acceptance 5s. To start at 1.30 p.m.

Waihi Cup Handicap of 50 sovs, 1 1/2 miles; 5 sovs out of stake to go to second horse. Nomination 30s, acceptance 20s. To start at 2.15 p.m.

Pony Race Handicap of 15 sovs; three-quarters of a mile. For ponies 14.2 and under. 3 sovs out of stake to go to second pony. Nomination 10s, acceptance 5s. To start at 3 p.m.

Publicans' Purse Handicap of 25 sovs, 1 mile; 5 sovs out of stake to go to the second horse. 7lbs penalty on winner of Waihi Cup. Nomination 15s, acceptance 10s. To start at 3.30 p.m.

Forced Handicap of 10 sovs, 1 mile. Compulsory for all winners of races at this meeting, optional for any other horses. Entrance 10s. To start at 4.15 p.m.

DATES OF NOMINATION, DECLARATION OF WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

Nominations and entrances for all events except Forced Handicap will be received by the Secretary at his office, Waihi, until 8 p.m. on SATURDAY, May 4th, 1895.

Weights will be declared on SATURDAY, May 11, and published in the Otago Daily Press of that date.

Acceptances will be received by the Secretary at his office, Waihi, until 8 p.m. on THURSDAY, May 16th.

F. P. JONES, Secretary.

EGMONT RACING CLUB.

WINTER MEETING.

THURSDAY MAY 9TH, 1895.

President: R. H. Nolan, Esq. Vice-President: A. W. Budge, Esq. Stewards: W. Adamson, R. Hirschberg, Jas. Davidson, John Heslop, F. Riddiford, Dr. Western, H. E. Good, W. C. Symes, A. S. Tonks. Starter: M. F. Baird. Handicapper: J. E. Henry. Clerk of Course: J. T. Stone. Clerk of Scales: H. W. Sutton. Judge: Wm. Brewer. Treasurer: W. A. Nairn. Timekeeper: J. A. Goodson.

PROGRAMME.

Handicap Hurdles of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1 sov. Acceptance 1 sov. Two miles and a distance, over nine flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high.

Handicap Hack Hurdles of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1 sov. Acceptance 10s. One mile and a half, over six flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high.



Handicap Trial Steeplechase of 60 sovs; second horse 10 sovs out of the stakes. For horses that have never won a steeplechase of over 40 sovs. Nomination 1 sov. Acceptance 1 sov. About two miles.

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

Egmont Handicap Steeplechase of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of any Handicap Steeplechase of the value of 100 sovs after declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lbs. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 2 sovs. Final payment 2 sovs. About three miles.

Second Handicap Hack Flat Race of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of the First Hack Flat Race to carry a penalty of 7lbs. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 10s. Six furlongs.

Final Handicap Steeplechase of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 2 sovs. About two miles.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES (and Amounts to be forwarded).

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1895, at 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS—

Handicap Hurdles 1 sov

Handicap Trial Steeplechase 1 sov

Egmont Handicap Steeplechase 1 sov

Final Handicap Steeplechase 1 sov

Handicap Hack Hurdles 1 sov

First Handicap Hack Flat 1 sov

Second Handicap Hack Flat 1 sov

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 1895, at 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—

Handicap Hurdles 1 sov

Handicap Trial Steeplechase 1 sov

Egmont Handicap Steeplechase 2 sovs

Handicap Hack Hurdles 1 sov

First Handicap Hack Flat 1 sov

Second Handicap Hack Flat 1 sov

Egmont Handicap Steeplechase—(Final Payment) 2 sovs

AT THE POST.

Final Handicap Steeplechase 2 sovs

WEIGHTS ON OR ABOUT APRIL 24.

Handicap Hurdles

Handicap Trial Steeplechase

Egmont Handicap Steeplechase

Handicap Hack Hurdles

First Handicap Hack Flat

Second Handicap Hack Flat

Weights for Final Handicap Steeplechase declared immediately after running of Egmont Handicap Steeplechase.

Hack means a horse that has never won a race, or is not nominated at date of entry for any race (Hack and Hunter races excepted).

Nominations and Acceptances will be received at the time and on the dates mentioned, at the office of the Club Hawera; and by H. H. Hayr, Auckland; and A. T. Danvers, Napier.

Telegraph office closes at Hawera at 5 p.m.

N.B.—The Stakes in the above Programmes are subject to revision by the committee prior to closing, as to the dates of entry, acceptance, etc., amount of added money and conditions. The committee also reserve to themselves the right to alter the dates on which the handicaps appear should they deem fit to do so.

ALEX. G. BRETT, Secretary.
Submitted and approved by the Taranaki Jockey Club 15th September, 1894.—R. G. BAUCHOP, Hon. Sec.

Foxton Racing Club.

HACK MEETING

TO BE HELD ON THE FOXTON RACECOURSE

ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 15.

President: F. Robinson. Vice-President: E. S. Thynne. Judge: H. F. Davidson. Stewards and Committee: J. H. Robinson, W. B. Rhodes, W. Robinson, J. B. Whyte, S. Trask, W. T. Little, P. Dudson, Geo. Gray, and F. R. Young. Handicapper: J. E. Henry. Clerk of Scales: George Gray. Clerk of Course: F. Easton. Timekeeper: A. E. T. Nixon. Hon Treasurer: Walter Robinson. Starter: E. Woods.

PROGRAMME:

11.40 a.m.

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

12.30 p.m.

Handicap Hurdle Race of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. The winner of any hurdle race after declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lbs. Nomination 10s, Acceptance 1 sov. One mile and a half, over six flights of hurdles 3ft. 6in. high

1.30 p.m.

Autumn Handicap of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. The winner of any flat handicap after the declaration of weights to incur a penalty of 7lb. Nomination 1 sov, Acceptance 2 sovs. One mile and a half.

2.10 p.m.

Electric Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stakes. The winner of the Flying Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination 10s, Acceptance 10s. Five furlongs

2.50 p.m.

Welter Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stakes. The winner of the Autumn Handicap to carry a penalty of 5lb. Minimum weight 8st 7lb. Nomination 10s, Acceptance 10s. One mile and a distance

Just think of it! Drab shell hats reduced from 12s 6d to 1s at Fowlds' sale of Moore's salvage stock.</



3.30 p.m.

Stewards' Stakes Handicap of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. The winner of the Autumn Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination 10s, Acceptance 1 sov. One mile and a quarter.

4.20 p.m.

Awahou Stakes of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stakes. Open to horses that have never won an advertised race of any description up to time of start. Weight for age. Entrance 1 sov. One mile.

ALL STAKES PAID IN FULL.

Nominations for all events, except Awahou Stakes, close on THURSDAY, March 21st, 1895, at 9 p.m. Weights will be declared on or about THURSDAY, April 4th, 1895.

Acceptances close on THURSDAY, April 18th, at 9 p.m. Entries close for Awahou Stakes on THURSDAY, April 18th, at 9 p.m. (acceptance day).

Definition of Hacks.—Hacks shall mean horses that have never won an advertised stake exceeding the net sum or value of 40 sovs at time of start, hack and hunter races excepted.

In all nominations description, age and pedigree of horses must be given, together with the colours of the rider.

The advertised fee must in every case accompany nominations and acceptances.

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

No betting allowed on the course, except through the medium of the Totalisator.

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

Totalisator investments received by the Secretary, J. R. McMILLAN, Hon. Secretary.

Approved in accordance with the Rules of Racing.—FREDMAN R. JACKSON, Secretary Wanganui Jockey Club, March 1st, 1895.

TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB

HACK DERBY

TO BE RUN ON NEW PLYMOUTH RACECOURSE ON BOXING DAY, 1896.

Hack Derby of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs and third horse 20 sovs from the stakes. For three-year-olds (now yearlings). Derby weights. One mile and a half.

Five per cent will be deducted from the above stakes, to go to the expenses of the course.

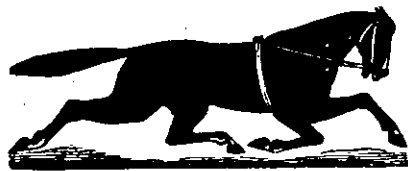
Hack means a horse that has never won a race and is not nominated at time of start for any race (hack and hunter races excepted).

NOMINATION 1 sov, to close on SATURDAY, May 25th, 1895.

FIRST ACCEPTANCE 1 sov, to close on SATURDAY, December 28th, 1895.

FINAL PAYMENT, 1 sov, to be made on SATURDAY, December 5th, 1896.

ROBT. G. BAUCHOPE, Hon. Secretary.



STRATFORD TROTting CLUB

AUTUMN MEETING

TO BE HELD AT BUSHFORD PARK ON FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1895.

President: F. McGuire, Esq. Vice-Presidents: Messrs N. King, T. McLennan, W. Dingle. Treasurer: Mr R. S. Hirschberg. Clerk of the Course: Mr P. Brookings. Clerk of Scales: Mr J. B. Paton. Starter: Mr M. F. Baird. Secretary: Mr H. J. C. Coutts. Judge: Mr E. Bayly. Handicapper: Mr R. G. Pardy. Timekeeper: Mr H. G. Payne. Stewards: Messrs E. G. Allsworth, H. N. Lardet, W. L. Tocker, J. Don, T. Jordan, R. McCracken, G. McBain, R. McQuay.

PROGRAMME

Maiden Handicap Saddle Trot of 15 sovs. For horses that have never won an advertised trotting event (private matches excepted). Nomination 10s, Acceptance 5s. One mile and a half. To start at 12 noon.

Harness Trot Handicap of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs out of stakes. Winner of any trotting race after declaration of handicap to be re-handicapped (as per rule 30). Nomination 10s, Acceptance 10s. Two miles. To start at 12.45 p.m.

Stratford Trotting Club Handicap Saddle Trot of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. The winner of any trotting race after the declaration of handicap to be re-handicapped. Nomination 15s, Acceptance 15s. Three miles. To start at 1.45 p.m.

Pony Handicap saddle Trot of 12½ sovs; second horse to receive 1½ sovs out of the stakes. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Nomination 7s 6d, Acceptance 5s. One mile and a half. To start at 2.30 p.m.

Farmers' Handicap Saddle Trot of 12½ sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs out of stakes. Winners of a trot of the value of £7 10s barred. Nomination 12s 6d, Acceptance free. Two miles. To start at 3.15 p.m.

Selling Handicap Saddle Trot of 15 sovs. The winner to become the property of the Club and to be sold 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 p.m.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

ENTRIES close for all events on SATURDAY, April 13, at 9 p.m., and must be addressed to the Secretary, Stratford, accompanied with the age, sex, colour, pedigree, and performances of the horse, name of the owner and colours of the rider, and must contain the necessary fees. Handicaps will appear on FRIDAY, April 19th.

Acceptances will close at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, April 26th.

Telegraph office closes at 8 p.m.

H. J. C. COUTTS, Secretary.

Submitted and approved this 26th day of March, 1895.

A. A. AMBRIDGE, Hon. Secretary Taranaki Trotting Association.

E. J. BURKE

TEACHER OF

VIOLIN AND PIANO, VICTORIA STREET WEST.

Private Socials, etc., attended.



AUCKLAND COURSING CLUB.

Committee: Messrs Joseph May, J. R. Martin, J. Paterson, H. Hoffmann, M. Foley, H. H. Hayr. Judge: Mr H. Chatteris. Slipper: Mr J. Ferguson.

MAY MEETING.

SATURDAY AND WEDNESDAY, MAY 11 AND 15.

Open All-aged Stakes.—For an unlimited number of All-Aged Dogs at £2 each (10s to expenses); Nomination, 10s, on Friday, May 3rd, by 9 p.m.; balance of sweep, 30s, on Thursday, 9th May, by 9 p.m.

New Lynn Maiden Stakes.—For an unlimited number of All-Aged Dogs at 30s each. Open to all Dogs that have not won any advertised money. Nomination 10s (5s out of each nomination to go to the Club) on Friday, May 3rd, at 9 p.m.; balance of sweep, £1, on Thursday, May 9th, at 9 p.m.

Note.—These Stakes will be open to all members and non-members without any qualification fee.

JUNE MEETING.

WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY, JUNE 12 AND 15.

June Cup.—For an unlimited number of All-Aged Dogs at £2 10s each. Nomination £1 (5s to expenses) on Friday, May 31st, by 9 p.m.; balance of sweep, 30s, on Monday, June 10th, by 8 p.m.

Bracelet Stakes.—For an unlimited number of All-Aged Dogs at £2 each, that have not won over £4 of advertised money in one stake. Nomination 10s (5s out of nomination money to go to the Club), on Friday, May 31st, by 9 p.m.; balance of sweep, 20s, on Monday, June 10th, by 8 p.m.

JULY MEETING.

WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY, JULY 17 AND 20.

Avondale Cup.—For an unlimited number of All-Aged Dogs at £2 10s each. Nomination, £1 (5s to expenses) on Friday, 5th June, by 9 p.m.; balance of sweep, £1 10s, on Monday, 15th July, by 8 p.m.

Puppy Stakes.—For an unlimited number of Puppies at £1 15s each. Nomination, 10s (5s to expenses), on Friday, 5th June, by 9 p.m.; balance of sweep, 25s, on Monday, 13th July, by 8 p.m.

AUGUST MEETING.

WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY, AUGUST 21 AND 24.

Champion Collar Stakes.—For an unlimited number of All-Aged Dogs at £3 each. A Silver Collar will be presented to the winner by the Committee. Nomination £1 (5s to expenses), on Friday, 9th August, by 9 p.m.; balance of sweep, £2, on Monday, 19th August, by 8 p.m.

Sapling Stakes.—For an unlimited number of Saplings at 30s each. Nomination, 10s (5s to expenses) on Friday, August 9th, by 9 p.m.; balance of sweep £1, on Monday, 19th August, by 8 p.m. To be run off in 8 dog stakes.

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If sufficient inducement offers other Stakes will be got up at each meeting.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

To be run under New Zealand National Club Rules, with exception of dates.

No dogs will be allowed to run at any meeting of this Club unless they are registered with the National Coursing Club of New Zealand. Certificates to be produced at time of naming if requested.

In the event of any person entering a protest, the sum of £5 must be lodged with the Secretary before such protest is considered. The sum to be forfeited to the funds should the Stewards consider the protest frivolous or vexatious.

Non-acceptors forfeit previous payments. All dogs running must wear collars, which should be on dogs before they are brought to the slips. Owners neglecting to comply with this rule will be fined 5s.

All disputes, claims, and objections arising out of the coursing shall be decided by the Stewards, or whosoever they may appoint. Their decision on all points connected with the carrying out of the programme shall be final. Entries received only under these conditions.

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Coursing Notes.

[BY SLIP.]

FIXTURES.

May 8, 9, 10—Dunedin Challenge Stakes
May 11 and 15—Auckland C.C. Open All-Aged Stakes
June 12 and 15—Auckland C.C. June Cup and Bracelet Stakes
July 17 and 20—Auckland C.C. Avondale Cup and Puppy Stakes
August 21 and 24—Auckland C.C. Champion Collar Stakes, Sapling Stakes, and Recovery Stakes
June, 1896—New Zealand Great Produce Stakes

As the popular sport of coursing seems to be rapidly gaining favour with the Auckland public, and a great deal of interest is being centred in the forthcoming gathering of the local Coursing Club, the first of which eventuates next Saturday week, May 11, the Committee have felt it incumbent upon themselves to keep abreast of the times by making several improvements at their Avondale plumpion grounds that will both facilitate the view to be obtained of the courses, and considerably enhance the comfort and convenience of the patrons. On Sunday last, at the invitation of Mr M. Foley, I was shown over the ground in company with this gentleman and our old friend caretaker Ferguson, and the first improvement that met my eye, on opening the gate leading into the paddock, was the asphalted of the grounds in front of the Grand Stand, so that where we once trotted round in the mud and slush and occasionally turned a "severer"—an action that is usually accompanied by a flow of language more forcible than polite—one can now rush too and fro with that air of mysterious importance usually assumed by the punter when labouring under the delusion that he "knows something," without fear of suddenly coming into contact with mother earth. Passing through into the course proper, I find a barricade of hurdles placed some fifty yards down the track to my left and on making inquiries I find that it is the intention of the Club to allow the public the use of this enclosure in order that they may see the whole of the course from start to finish, instead of cramming them up in that small space between the fence of the saddling paddock and the hedge to the left, where one always has a difficulty in seeing the working of the dogs. Then again the escapes have been brought considerably closer to the Grandstand, whilst the slip boxes on the other hand have been placed further back, thus giving the Stand a more central position, and the spectator a view of every inch of the coursing ground. Crossing the Plumpion to the first, or dummy, escape I find a great improvement on the old pipe system in the cutting away of the bottom of the fence about six inches from end to end of the running ground, thus enabling the hares, however hard pressed, to race through at any angle whilst at top speed. Some two chain behind the dummies are the escapes proper, consisting of 8-inch pipes built into the groundwork of the fence, through which the hares pass into the cover. The cover contains a crop of cocksfoot grass, some three feet high, and additional artificial shelters in the form of a number of titree stooks, or cone-shaped houses, in which the hares may lay unmolested by hawks or cats, and thoroughly dry during rough winter weather. A stake fence divides the cover in order that the hares when in training may easily be driven through the alley leading to the boxes. Several hares were put up by Mr Ferguson, and fine fast gallopers they were too, fit to run for a Waterloo. The boxes in use are a decided improvement on those on the other side, where the hares are forced through the whole length of the tunnel before being released; whereas in the present instance the caretaker has ingeniously devised a box of some 14ft in length, 12in deep, and 7in broad, containing a series of compartments, 16in by 7in, into which the hares are driven and locked off in their individual pens by means of a slip-rail. The box can thus be carried to the delivery alley, across which it is placed lengthwise on rollers, the side door opened and the hares released, whilst unsuitable animals can be kept in their compartment. From the slip boxes to some 150yds out on the Plumpion a wire, to which slips of calico are attached, runs out in a V shape, and should a hare deviate from its course this ingenious contrivance, worked by a lever on either side of the slip boxes, is raised, and the calico, fluttering in the breeze, turns the animal back on its correct course. The coursing ground proper, which is some 500yds from the slip-boxes to the escapes, is in splendid order, with the grounds newly mown, soil dry, and not too hard, and it is safe to say that no more suitable Plumpion could be found throughout the length and breadth of the Colonies. Great credit is due to Mr Ferguson for the manner in which he has executed his duties, and a word of praise must go to the committee for their promptitude in having these matters of detail attended to. The inspection over, I returned to the Avondale Hotel, at the invitation of the genial host, and after a good wholesome dinner and a glass or two of Hancock's best, left for town.

Nominations for the Maiden and All-aged Stakes close to-morrow (Friday) evening at the office of the secretary, Vulcan Lane.

A picture of Mr J. Russell's dog, Rock, is presented with this issue, and letterpress will be found in our illustration column.

As the Auckland Coursing Club have decided to hold their May meeting on the advertised dates, they will be unable to obtain the services of Mr Chatteris as judge, that gentleman having to attend the gathering of the Auckland Trotting Club.

This left the Club in a quandary as to the possibility of obtaining a suitable official, and I am given to understand that Mr W. Knight has kindly offered to fill the vacancy, and the Club have closed with him. No better choice could have been made, as Mr Knight is a man of unimpeachable character, popular amongst the sporting fraternity, and one whose decisions will carry great weight, and prove thoroughly impartial and straightforward.

I understand Rockbail will not appear at the first meeting, Gillespie being of the opinion that he cannot get the dog "cherry ripe" in time. This trainer has Marmalade in steady work for the forthcoming season, and she is looking well.

W. Hackett's Martini Henry—Leona youngster is rapidly coming into condition, and must run well.

F. Machattie had a fine looking Broncho—Nada youngster in the Domain last Saturday. A really nice looking juvenile, and fast too.

Geo. Hennings's string, viz., Poucher, Kotero, and that white dog of Mr Donald McKinnon's, are looking fit and well, Kotero especially so. This gentleman was working them on the Domain last Saturday.

That red and white Port Philip dog of Mr Knights is in nice condition, and should run well when wanted.

I took another peep at Mr Fox's charges at the "Sea View" Kennels, Avondale, early in the week, and was pleased to note a vast improvement all round, and one or two additions to the string in an unnamed black and white bitch by Cupid—Rangapai, a black dog of the same breeding, and the mother Rangapai—quite a family party. The first-mentioned is a perfect little lady, nicely proportioned, very compact, and built on speedy lines. She is rapidly getting into condition, and when she makes her initial appearance in the Puppy Stake will require a lot of beating. Her brother—Cloud King by name—is built much on the same lines, though of course, as a member of the sterner sex, he is larger than his sister, and a really nice out of a dog. Both have been entered for the New Zealand Great Produce Stakes of 1896. The several other members, including Pat, Doris, The Imp, Cushla, Stormfiend, Roseberry, The Fiend, Sir Robert, Freedom, and Blue Light, are progressing most favourably, and will one and all be in the pink of condition when they go to the post.

Geo. Stevens has three or four dogs in preparation for the coming season, viz., Miss Lee (Scamp—Langley), and three unnamed dogs, two by Caradoc—Cerita, and one by Lucifer—Cerita. One of them, a white dog by Caradoc, is a really fine looking animal.

The following remain in the Dunedin Challenge Stakes after the seventh payment on Friday last:—E. R. Kidd, Winton (2), F. D. Kenyon, Victoria (1), J. Kirby, Dunedin (1), R. Allen, Dunedin (2), Watts and Little, Victoria (2), A. R. Morrison, Dunedin (2), G. Livingstone, Ngara (2), W. Gardiner, Oamaru (1), S. S. Myers, Dunedin (5), J. Mitchell, Dunedin (1), W. Carver, Dunedin (1), A. B. Wiley, Eversdale (1), G. Grimshaw, Oamaru (2), J. and W. Mills, Dunedin (2), J. Scanlan, Dunedin (1), J. Crawshaw, Dunedin (1), E. Barclum, Invercargill (3), W. Gardiner, Oamaru (2), W. A. Noel, Dunedin (1), M. Ward, Invercargill (1), J. Graham, Oamaru (2), E. R. Kidd ns, Winton (2), J. Kirkby ns, Dunedin (2), M. Hayes, Riverton (2), J. Norman, Dunedin (1), J. Waters, Dunedin (1), J. C. Jerome, Victoria (4), H. Skilton, Hastings (1), W. Douglas, Dunedin (4), S. Tennant, Dunedin (1), A. and J. Deaker, Dunedin (1), J. S. Capstick, Dunedin (1), W. Henderson, Waikato (1), M. Taylor, Christchurch (2), W. Proffitt, Napier (2), J. Gibson, Mosgiel (1), R. Blackham, Invercargill (1), D. McLeod, Auckland (1), J. Williams, Dunedin (2), Kelly and McGilcuddy, Victoria (4). The final payment of £2 is due on May 6th, when the name, colour and pedigree of dogs must be sent in.

From a private letter shown me by an Auckland gentleman, I learn that Mr J. Jerome has left for Dunedin, in order to be present at the running for the Challenge Stake. Mr Jerome advises his Auckland friend to take a run down to Dunedin, as the Stake will prove a sight worth seeing, there being some of the finest dogs outside England engaged.

I would remind owners of dogs that running collars can be obtained from caretaker Ferguson at the slip box, on the day of the meeting.

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[BY VIGILANT.]

FOOTBALL.

Parnell had a very good practice on Saturday with fifteen men a side.

D. McGill did not show us any of his dash of last season.

W. Brodie played a splendid game at three-quarter, his running being first-class. Brodie is a trifle on the light side, but a rattling good all-round man. He played for the first juniors last season.

G. Crozier, who played full back for the Parnell first juniors last year, was tried at three-quarter on Saturday, proving himself a good man in the position. The Parnellites would do well to keep him in this position, as his all-round work, running, collaring, and passing was really tip-top.

Edmonds and Ronayne are just as clever as ever.

Of the forwards, Murray and Wright were perhaps the most prominent, though good work was put in all round.

I hear that "Mother" Elliott will not don the club colours this season in the district championship fixtures. One thing is certain, and that is that he has not been putting in any practice yet. Elliott officiated with the whistle on Saturday, and if he does not play should prove a valuable acquisition to the Referee's Association. The Parnell III. players turned up in force on Saturday, and I should say they will take a deal of beating in the cup fixtures this season.

eventually two teams were selected from the Onehunga and Otahuhu players on the ground. A very even match ensued, Onehunga having rather the best of it in the first spell, a try being scored by Cook. In the second spell the better condition of Otahuhu began to tell, and the Onehunga men lagged perceptibly, though the game ended without any further score. For Onehunga, Sutherland at full-back and Rishworth at three-quarter showed very fair form, whilst amongst the forwards there were several promising players. Absolum, Todd, Owen, and Morrison were the pick of the Otahuhu players.

Suburbs promises to have very fine second and third fifteens from among these players, and combination and experience at Potters will make either team very hard to beat. Permission has been granted by the Rugby Union for Otahuhu to play in their own colours of red and black, instead of black.

At the recent meeting of the New Zealand Rugby Union, held at Wellington, it was announced that the Queensland Union would visit New Zealand during the season, also that the Auckland Union proposed going South, Poverty Bay to Auckland and Napier; Wellington to Wairarapa, Hawke's Bay and Canterbury. The Buller district and the West Coast proposed to exchange visits. Canterbury proposed to go South, and South Canterbury proposed visiting Canterbury. Wanganui proposed to visit Auckland, Taranaki, and Manawatu. Mr Wells (Auckland) said that unless Otago visited Auckland before the Auckland team went South Auckland would probably not visit it on the Southern tour.

The report of the New Zealand Rugby Union shows a deficit of £69.

football at Quartzopolis should be on the down grade, as their reps. have given we Aucklanders many a tough tussle in years gone by, in spite of the advantages we claim in point of numbers from which to select our representatives. I shall never forget the first appearance of our old crack, Bob Whiteside, at the Thames. Young Quartzopolians, ranging in age from six to twelve, were searching all over the field for the redoubtable champion, whose fame had gone before him, and when one of the Aucklanders, pointing to the smallest man in the team, informed the juvenile enthusiasts that this was Whiteside, the look of disgust and contempt that overspread their countenances was worth going miles to see, and the general verdict was that the home boys would simply smother him.

The well-known "light-weight" forward, Dave Stewart, is going to settle down over Ponsonby way, and should prove an acquisition to the Ponsonbyites.

"Reg" Hallamore is now a shining light in Wellington football circles.

The campaign started in real earnest down Christchurch way on Saturday last with the championship fixtures.

ATHLETICS.

What is to be done with the Victor Ludorum. Also when is this matter re the Championship Hurdle dispute going to be settled.

I understand the Committee of the Auckland A.A. and O.C. will meet on Saturday evening next, when the proposal of holding a cross country race will come up for discussion. How would the Ellerslie steeplechase course suit for an event of this description.

was the hero of the day, annexing the quarter and half mile events on the flat, and the quarter hurdles. The time for the quarter flat is not given in the local paper, but for the half mile, 2min 54sec from the 20yds mark reads well, while the time for the quarter hurdles—61½secs from scratch—was a wonderful performance if the conditions were correct, as the winner had a large field to get through.

The Inter-collegiate Athletic Association of New York have decided to send a team [to England to compete against a combined team of Oxford and Cambridge.

Arthur Cavill, the well-known swimmer, asserts his ability to swim a 100yds under a minute. If he can do this he eclipses the world's best.

YACHTING.

The weather is now becoming rather unreliable for yachting, and owners are already arranging for winter quarters. The May and Kestrel are hauled up at Logan Bros. yard, where a larger number than usual will be housed at the end of the season.

The leading subject of conversation among yachting people in England at the present time is of course the coming contest for the America Cup, but a considerable amount of interest has been centred in the building and launching of a new yacht, the Ailsa, for Mr Walker, designed by Fife. She is 3ft 6in longer on the water-line than the Britannia, and has a great deal more beam, with a tremendous sail plan; in fact she is a kind of cross between the Britannia and Vigilant. The new flyer left England on a cruise in the Mediterranean, and arrived at Gibraltar after a very rough trip through the Bay of Biscay. Later

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There was only a fair attendance of Ponsonbyites at the club's practice on Saturday.

Gillespie, Ramsay, and P. Flynn were the pick of the Ponsonby backs, whilst Gallagher, the ex-Parnell junior, was always prominent in the forward division. If he goes on as he has opened up, Gallagher will doubtless be able to lay claim to the coveted honour of a rep. cap this year.

"Ollie" Riley was an absentee on Saturday last, he being engaged in some of the events at the Forester's Sports.

The City and Newton clubs held a mixed practice match at Potters, and though correct football was not the order of the day some good solid graft was put in. By the way, the first-mentioned club have a strong forward division again this season, and with the assistance of Albie Braund behind the scrum and "Buff" Caradus at five-eighths, they should give a good account of themselves.

The North Shore Seniors and Juniors played a practice match on the new ground last Saturday, the Seniors being returned victors by two points, they scoring a try and two goals as against the try and goal of their opponents. Wynyard, Gage, Breen, and Nicholson were most prominent during the afternoon.

The practice matches of Saturday next will be held in the paddock adjoining Potters.

The secretary of the of the Suburbs F.C. writes:—A practice match of Suburbs District Football Club was held on Saturday last at Onehunga on the Farm, arrangements having been made with the Foresters, who were holding their annual sports, for the use of the ground. The teams picked did not all muster, particularly the seniors, and this occasioned some delay, but

The New Zealand Football Association hold their meeting at Wellington to-morrow (Friday). The Association has a credit balance of £10 for the year.

A Tauranga correspondent writes me that the season has fairly opened in that locality, and that good teams will be put in the field.

The Auckland Rugby Union came in for great kudos at the meeting of the New Zealand body, for their action in donating £31 7s over and above its guarantee for the expenses of players going to take part in the North Island match.

Judging from the cable news to hand, we are to be favoured with a visit from an English fifteen during season 1896. They may depend on a hearty welcome and good contests.

On dit that Surman, the New South Wales kickist, who visited us with the team from the other side last year, and who has been residing in Christchurch for some time past, has now taken up his abode in our midst, and will throw in his lot with Grafton.

Now that the Otago Union have decided to throw in their lot with the New Zealand Rugby Union, the Southland kickists will doubtless shortly follow in their footsteps, and peace and harmony will once more reign throughout the football world from this North Cape to the Bluff. By the way, the Otagoites owe we Aucklanders a visit, and it is reported that the Southerners will journey north this season, and Auckland will repay the visit.

I am sorry to hear that the Thamesites are losing several of their leading exponents of the good old Rugby game, they being attracted to the more flourishing mining districts of the Upper Thames. This, of course, will strengthen the Ohinemuri Union, but 'tis a great pity that

The Committee of the Auckland Amateur Athletic Club were to have held a meeting on Saturday evening last, but it lapsed as there were not sufficient present to form a quorum. This was doubtless due to the clause in the new rules stating that it shall require seven members to form a quorum, whereas five was previously the recognised number. This is a sad lack of interest in matters athletic and no credit to the Auckland Club.

The English Amateur Athletic Championship gathering will be held at Stamford Bridge, London, on July 6th.

J. Doyle, of Wellington, giving an exhibition of weight lifting at the Wellington Gymnastic Club's rooms recently, put a 100lb weight the full length of his arm no fewer than nine times.

The Wellington Amateur Athletic Club have abandoned their cross-country race on account of the paucity of entries.

The New South Wales Amateur Athletic Association are congratulating themselves on the best credit balance of many years—£32 6s 4d. How does this compare with the credit balance of the Auckland Club?

W. Cobeldick, of Rangitara, Canterbury, offers to make a match with anyone in New Zealand for £20 to £100 a side to walk a mile and run a mile successively. At Blenheim Cobeldick was handicapped at 22yds in the Half and 30yds in the Mile. He, however, journeyed to Invercargill where he competed in the Mile off scratch, and was unplaced. Bowen, Leslie, and Warcup are all walking men who have gone in for running. The most successful walker and runner in this colony at present is E. Hall.

At the Gore Hibernian Society's sports, held on Easter Monday, J. A. Simson, an Auckland, reports say the Ailsa has met the Britannia in the Mediterranean regattas, and although hampered with a weak topmast and unreliable rigging she proved herself superior to the old champion.

Thus the English Yachtsman:—"It is freely mentioned that the new America Cup-defender now building for the Morgan-Iselin syndicate will be the only one turned out by the great Rhode Island firm, and that she is to be a keel boat, as we had expected, but so arranged that a small centre-plate may be afterwards fitted, a statement which we regard as being apocryphal. That the vessel will have a considerably greater fixed draught than that of Vigilant is indicated by the fact that excavations are being made in the ground both inside and outside the shop, which were not necessary in the case of the last champion. The yacht will be built of Tobin bronze. The difference between the cost of a centre-board Cup-defender and a keel-boat is said to be 5,000dol. Capt. Terry has been appointed master of the new vessel."

It is stated by the Boston Globe that the new Herreshoff Cup defender will be more machine-like than her predecessors. There will not even be accommodation for her crew, who, the journal says, will be berthed in a steam tender. The N.Y. Yacht Club have decided that the yachts competing in the International Cup race should be entitled to carry three men to each 5ft of their racing length. This would give the Valkyrie a crew of 62 men, according to the measurements already indicated.

The recent gale used some of the yachts a bit roughly down at Wellington. The new half-raters were a good deal knocked about, and the Atalanta, which has not returned to Napier since the regatta, had her stern considerably damaged.

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AUCKLAND RACING CLUB AUTUMN MEETING, 1896.

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Entries close on FRIDAY, 10th May, 1895.

No money is required at the time of nomination.

Six furlongs.

SUMMER MEETING, 1896-97.

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Foals of 1894 may be struck out upon payment of 2 sovs by the second Friday in January, 1896; or upon payment of 4 sovs by the first Friday in September, 1896; or upon payment of 6 sovs by the first Friday in December, 1896.

All horses remaining in after the first Friday in December, 1896, must pay their total entrance of 10 sovs, by 12 noon the day before the race.

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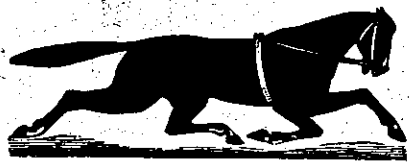
Entries close for foals on FRIDAY, 10th May, 1895, by 9 p.m.

No money is required at the time of nomination.

Six furlongs.

Entries for the above events to be made to the Secretary of the A.R.C. at his office, Durham Street; or to the Secretary of the C.J.C., Canterbury; D.J.C., Dunedin; H.B.J.C., Napier; W.R.C., Wellington; M.R.C., Blenheim; V.R.C., Melbourne; A.J.C., Sydney.

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I am,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours obediently,

D. MACNAB.

Auckland, April 18, 1895.

SPORTING FIXTURES, Etc.

COMING EVENTS.

NEW ZEALAND FIXTURES.

May 2—Wellington Trotting Club Winter
May 3—Wellington R.C. Autumn and Steeplechase
May 3—Stratford Trotting Club Autumn
May 4 and 11—Auckland Trotting Club Autumn
May 9—Egmont R.C. Winter
May 15—Foxton R.C. Hack
May 18, 24—Takapuna J.C. Winter
May 24—Otaki Maori R.C. Winter
May 24—Town and Suburban Winter
May 24—Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase
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June 26—Hawke's Bay J.C. Steeplechase
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NOMINATIONS.

May 31—A.R.C. North N.Z. Grand National Steeplechase Meeting
May 4—Waihi R.C. Annual
May 10—Great Northern Champagne Stakes and Royal Stakes

HANDICAPS.

May 8—Auckland Trotting Club Autumn
May 10, June 3, 8—A.R.C. North N.Z. Grand National Steeplechase Meeting
May 11—Waihi R.C. Annual
May 20—Takapuna J.C. Winter

ACCEPTANCES.

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Sporting Review

LICENSED VICTUALLERS' GAZETTE.

WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE WEEKLY STANDARD.

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 1895.

OLD Steppe, the twenty-eight year old daughter of Saunterer and Seclusion, who is located at Wellington Park, is sadly feeling the weight of years, and her case was thought so bad last week that the Park studmaster was seriously considering the advisability of ending her lingering life by sending a friendly bullet through her. However, at the last moment he had not the heart to order her death, so for the present the old mare continues to roam above the Turf. Steppe was bred in 1868 by Mr W. Blenkiron and imported to New Zealand by Mr G. G. Stead in 1882 and was got by Saunterer out of Seclusion, by Tad-mor out of Miss Sellon, by Cowl out of Belle Dame, by Belshazzar. Steppe claimed half relationship to Hermit, winner of the Derby of 1867, whose service at the stud was 200 guineas and who was at the head of the list of winning stallions for a number of years. He sired the Two Thousand and Derby winner Shotover, the One Thousand winner St. Marguerite, St. Blaise winner of the 1883 Derby and Peter, Tristram, Queen Adelaide, St. Medard and others. Steppe's sire Saunterer won the 1858 Goodwood Cup under 9.0 beating amongst others the great Fisherman, and amongst other victories he took the Champagne Stake and Brighton Cup, the Fitzwilliam Stakes at Doncaster and the Challenge Whip at Newmarket. Saunterer was the best and most handsome horse of his day and when put to stud work he got Gamos an Oaks winner and Zambesi winner of the Champagne Stakes, Regal winner of the Liverpool Grand National Steeplechase of 1876 and the 1880 and 1881 Sandown Grand International Steeplechase, and Digby Grand who won the City and Suburban and Prince of Wales Free Handicap at the Epsom Spring Meeting. When old Steppe was racing on the

English Turf she scored several two-year-old wins and finished second to Albert Victor in the Middle Park Plate and the horse behind her was Hannah who subsequently won the One Thousand Guineas, Oaks, and St. Leger. When three-year-old she ran second to the same mare in the One Thousand Guineas and acted as runner up to Corisande in the Coronation Stakes. A year later Steppe won a w.f.a. Sweepstake at the Newmarket Craven Meeting and at Newmarket Second Spring Meeting ran a second over the Bretley Stakes course and chased home the winner of the five furlong Woodside Handicap at the Croydon October Meeting. On being retired to the stud in the Old Country she produced from 1874 to 1881. In the former year she went to Blair Athol and produced Rabbit, and a couple of years later (1876) Wild Oats gave her Ryegrass, winner of the Refuse Plate of 200 sovs and Manor Stakes who was sold for 500 sovs. Her 1877 colt by the same sire died, and in the year following Blue Gown gave her a colt, but he made no figure as a racer. In 1879 Doncaster served her and Leeds was the result. As a two-year-old this colt won the Sandown Park Nursery Handicap of 300 sovs beating sixteen competitors and when in his three-year-old career he annexed the great Surrey Handicap at Epsom beating Chevernel a full brother to Shotover and four others over the five furlong sprint. When a four-year-old he carried 8.6 to victory in the Portland Plate at the Nottingham Spring Meeting, the Bretwood Park Plate of 200 sovs under 8.13. and the Curzon Plate under 8.9. He also carried 9.0 to Pillory's 6.7 and ran him to a dead heat in the Alexander Cup. Steppe's 1881 Wild Oats filly was her last English production, Mr G. G. Stead importing her from England at the close of that season, but when she arrived here she foaled Russley, by Doncaster, to English time. Russley was the horse that won the Doncaster Handicap of 1000 sovs at the A.J.C. Autumn Meeting of 1889, carrying 9.0 home, and leading a high-class field of twenty good performers. In 1883 Steppe was put to Cadogan, who gave her Lady Norah, who proved herself a very steady performer. When a three-year-old she gained a maiden at Ellerslie in the summer, and at the same meeting chased Disowner home in the Derby, when the Hon. W. Robinson's horse got to the post in 2min 43sec. In the autumn of the same year Lady Norah won the Wanganui Stakes, the H.B.J.C. Handicap, and the Great Northern St. Leger, doing the mile, six furlongs, and 132yds in 3min 19sec, which stands as the record for that race, which is now erased from the A.R.C. book of events. As a four-year-old she won the A.R.C. Handicap and the Wellington R.C. Handicap, and when five years of age she showed the way to Dudu, a Wellington Cup winner, in the Wanganui Cup, finishing in 3min 7sec. In 1884 Steppe went to Anteros, who gave her Too Soon (who was foaled July 28th), and the Australian turf records showed this racer's name as a good winner, amongst the events credited being the Carrington Stakes at Tattersall's Club Meeting, N.S.W., where a field of twenty-three had to give way to Steppe's offspring. After foaling Tartar in 1885 to Musket, Steppe produced nothing until 1888, when Nordenfeldt gave her the brown filly She, who won good youngster races on the Australian side. The following year the old mare returned to Nordenfeldt, and as a result Stepniak appeared. There was no mistake about this product, who was undoubtedly the best colt of his season. As a two-year-old he gave us a taste of his power by lowering the colours of that great sprinter, Whakawatea, in the C.J.C. Welcome, and the following year he annexed the Stewards' Handicap, beating a fair pair in Whakawatea and Quadrant. Then Steppe's son covered himself with fame by downing St. Hippo in the C.J.C. Derby, and set the seal on his glory by winning the Canterbury Cup. In 1890 Steppe mated with Ingomar, who gave her Mahaki, a horse who has recently flashed in fame. His doings are of too recent date to require mentioning. The year 1891 saw Steppe foal her last youngster, Stepfeldt, but though she is an A.R.C. Derby winner she cannot be said to be anything phenomenal. Both on the turf and at the stud old Steppe did good work, and everyone will wish her an easy ending when Death bids her take her lasting rest under the green turf.

Coming Events.

[BY BORDERER.]

AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB AUTUMN MEETING.

THERE will be racing next Saturday at Potter's Paddock, when the first day of the Auckland Trotting Club's Autumn Meeting will take place, and as the acceptances disclose good fields, backers will have a fair opportunity of playing the see-saw financial game of punting. There will be eight events decided, four for trotters and four for ponies, the principal race of the day being the Easter Handicap Trot of 60 sovs, two miles. Eight have paid up for this, the disaffected ones giving as their reason the 36sec start awarded Duke C. It certainly appears that this trotter has a bit the best of the handicap, for this reason. He is handicapped to do 2min 58sec per mile; yet he accomplished that gait by easily winning the Onslow two-mile trot in 5min 56sec, and be it remembered he won that race all the way. Under the circumstances it would not have been unfair to have asked him to trot 2.56. Three Cheers, on scratch, is asked to do 2.40. His previous best is 2.44½ in harness. Can he improve 4½ seconds? Katie M looks fair enough, and Nellie, on a 2.47 gait, is pretty good. Old Judge has not taken the 2.55 chance offered him. In the summer I remember he was asked to do 3.0 to tie the winner, but he could not better 3.4½. Why then should he be asked to do 2.55? He and The Frog were badly treated. The latter only had 2sec off the scratch horses. Now, he was beaten at the Otahuhu Meeting in 2.42½; yet he is asked to do 2.41! But it may be argued that since then he showed good form by winning a double down the Coast. Yes, but those runs were 2.45 for a mile, and 8.20 for three miles, which is equal to 2.44 per mile; therefore his Otahuhu time may be regarded as his best. Why should he be asked to do 2.41? Morning Star at 40sec is correctly placed, but on paper The Judge, 44sec, is not too well treated. He has been twice beaten on the limit. Then why should he be brought back before showing winning form? He may have shown the touts improvement on the track, but he should not be handicapped for that; otherwise there is no encouragement for a man to improve his horses. Ingar and Rocket are down to do 3.6, and if they can't manage that they are not trotters. The best handicapped pair are

DUKE C and INGAR.

In the Harness Trot of 40 sovs, two miles, the unknown Pleasanton, on his record, has to give La Rue 8sec. Old Judge was on the 42 mark and was promptly scratched. This can be understood for this reason. He once trotted third in 3.31½; yet he was called on to concede 4sec to Sparrowhawk, who has won four or five races. One of the

8SEC. HORSES OR SPARROWHAWK

may account for this race. The Electric Mile has, I think, a rather long limit, looked at through the starts Yum Yum generally has to give. Schoolgirl and Katie M are about on a par, and Yum Yum, who has not, I fancy, ever given more than a 35sec limit, would be asked to give the former 15sec. Now, Katie M has to give a limit of 26sec, which added to the 15sec she would get from Yum Yum makes a virtual limit of 41sec. Coronella, in this race, is well treated, for she did 5.24 for two miles and caught the field in a mile. This competitor might have been on scratch. Ida was on Spreydon Lad's mark, 8sec, and had to give Duke C 10sec. I think her best go was 2.51, winning by a head, and yet because she bettered Duke C's "walking" 2.58 by 7sec she has to give him 10sec! This mare's handicapping for the meeting is erratic, as she was given 24secs for two miles and only 8secs in one mile. Le Corbeau's treatment in this race is different to what was given him at Christmas. Then Spreydon Lad had 28secs, Le Corbeau 36secs, but he was ill and that run was, therefore, equivalent to no start. Ida in that race had 34secs. Now next Saturday Ida takes 2secs from Le Corbeau in one mile, instead of as at Christmas giving him 2secs in two miles!

CORONELLA and DUKE C

look well in this race. There are only three acceptors for the Selling Trot, and

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as the race may fall through I shall pass it and get on to the ponies. The Flying five furlongs, has seven-ten very fairly handicapped ponies, and I like

THE DOVE, KAIPARA, and VEOLINE.

Good weighting is again apparent in the seven furlongs Autumn Handicap, in which the Coquette II. people fancy they have a "hook." But I think she will be beaten. I like

REIL, DIRECT, OF QUEEN QUAIL.

Robin will one day pay a big dividend; so he is always worth following. Helena has had a mishap, so I think the best in the Hurdle Race are the top weights,

FAUNTLEROY and MOTHER SHIPTON.

Inter-Colonial.

[OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

SYDNEY RACING NOTES.

April 25.

The principal item to which allusion has to be made this week is of course the Sydney Cup, but sight must not be lost of Delaware's brilliant win in the Doncaster last week, or Cobbitty's appropriation of the Leger. Delaware was in

lutely last and the run he made from there up to third place at the finish have been indeed something out of the ordinary. He came very fast near the close, but his effort was made far too late. Ruental raced well to the distance when he melted like butter. The Harvester disappointed a great many people, and so did Marvel's brother Blarneystone, who started actual first favourite. Of late Loyalty has been given the name of rogue by his erst fanciers, but in the Cup race he hung out longer than was generally expected. In fact he seemed to have a winning chance half way up the straight. The Auckland bred Bradford (St. Leger—Woodnymph) ran an excellent race falling back when only a dozen strides from the post. He finished fourth. If I am not mistaken this horse will win many a big handicap ere his career closes. He is a fine specimen of a racer, and, bred as he is, there can be no doubt expressed as to his future prospects. The Doncaster Handicap winner, Delaware, was not up to a two mile task, nor was his stable companion Oxide. Taranaki (a long shot for the next Melbourne Cup) was far from being last, though he was quite out of condition. That was palpable. His preparation was all too brief, and he had to be sweated without being worked as

ahead of the ruck. Cobbitty here came up with a rush on the outside. At the distance Vanitas was tired and Quiver, Ruental, Bradford, and Patroness soon had him out of the race, while Cobbitty could be observed in the centre coming fast, but far too late. Ruental failed as he always does, leaving Quiver in front, but Patroness wore her down and after a great battle won by half a neck, Cobbitty just got on to Quiver's girths. Bradford was fourth, the worn out Vanitas fifth three lengths from him, and then followed Newman, The Harvester, Taranaki, Queensborough, Donation, Blarneystone, Loyalty, Oxide, Chesterman, Ruental, Delaware, the last to get home being Honor Bright, Sundial, Llena, and Ialanthus. Time, 3min 38½sec.

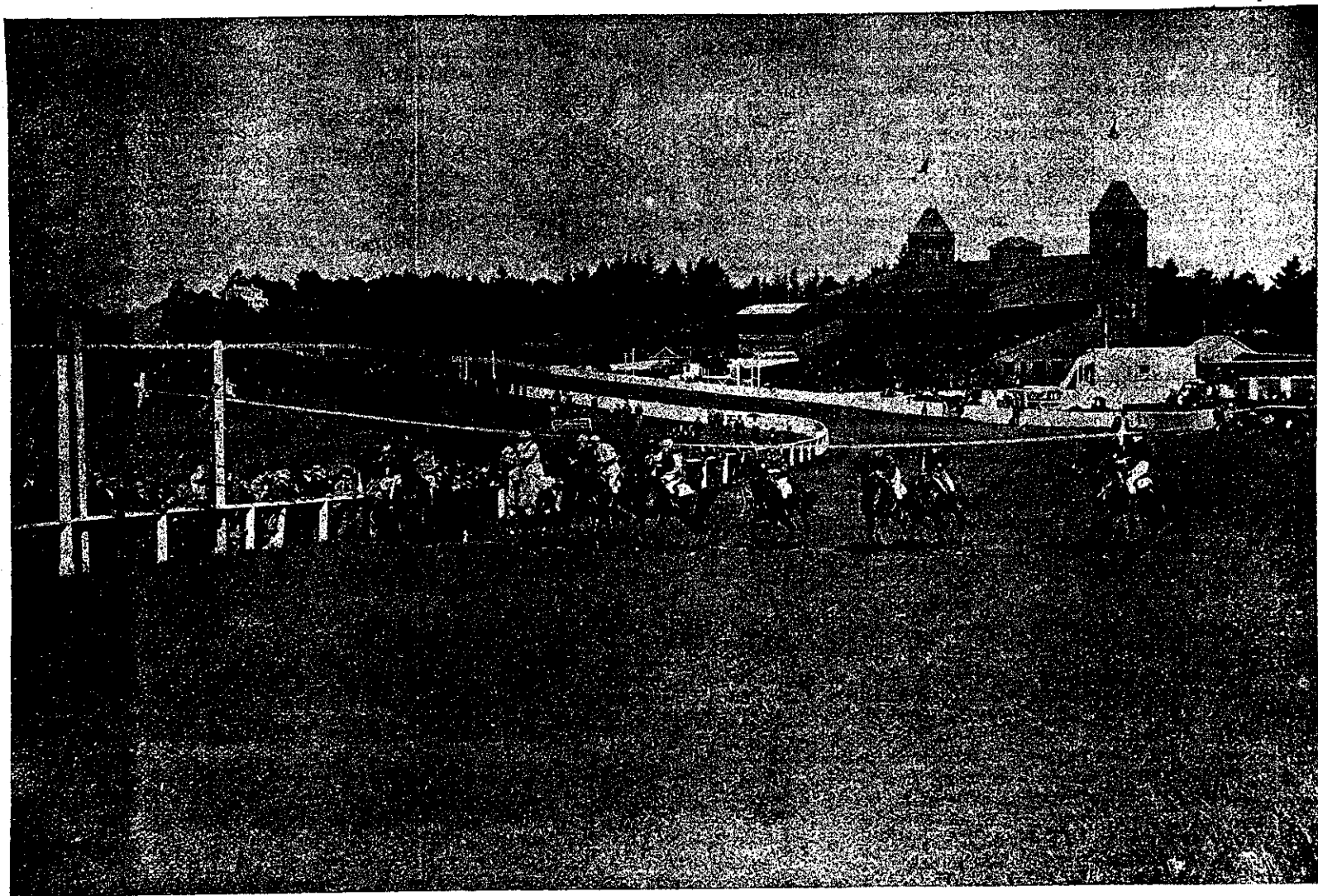
The win of Patroness makes the eleventh time a three-year-old has got home in the Cup during the last 29 years. An aged horse has only been returned once. Carbine carried 9.0 when he won as a three year-old, and his time of 3min 31sec is still the record. The Barb and the son of Musket are the only horses that ever won the event twice.

If Dan O'Brien was disappointed at Loyalty's failure he had good cause to rejoice at Bob Ray's win in the Champagne Stakes, when the son of Welcome

A possible crack worth watching in the future is the bay colt True Blue, by Hotchkiss (son of Musket)—Rose of Wellington (by St. Leger—Fleurette). He beat sixteen in the First Nursery Handicap, including Killiecrankie and Miss Nora. Melema (by Splendor—Minuet) was favourite, Ordinance and Killiecrankie being next in demand at sixes. True Blue was never enquired for at even 20 to 1. When the finish came, True Blue came to the front in his own style and won by a short half length from Melema, Miss Nora (Nordenfeldt—Lady Norah) being third. Akarina was last. The winner belongs to Mr Hook, who purchased him at the yearling sales.

The Flying Handicap on the same day fell to Mr Oxenham's Solanum, by Somnus (imp)—Blue and White, who carried 9.0 and beat Malachite (Chester—Moonstone), Messmate (third), Bungebah, Moorfield, Pharamond, Isaac, Tiwoona, Guillardia, Little Agnes, Engineer, Canon, Ebony, Carnation, La Perouse, Paramount, and Chrystaline. Solanum had things all his own way at the finish, and scored a four lengths victory in 1min 17sec.

The winner of the Maiden Stakes turned up in the chestnut gelding Boko,



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The Start of the St. George's Handicap

the pink of condition to run a mile, and he ran it in record time. I think only Paris and Bungebah have registered 1min 40sec for the eight furlongs before. Anyhow the son of Trenton and Genesta is a very speedy customer.

Cobbitty's classic win on Saturday in the fastest time on record for the race drew a considerable amount of attention to the great future that appears to be before Abercorn as a sire. Of course the little fellow is well bred on his dam's side also, Copra being rich in blue blood.

That mountain of horseflesh Atlas, who got a place in the Leger still wants a lot of time before he can be possibly seen at his best.

Cobbitty's best performance, though, in my opinion, was in the Sydney Cup in which he ran third—and a good third it was too. He was terribly badly ridden. Such a lamentable amount of bad judgment on the part of a jockey I never before saw displayed. Better ridden and the son of Abercorn would have won the Cup easily. There can be no doubt of it. He looked even better than he did on Leger day and the only thing against him was the heavy going. He was kept too far from the field. In fact at the seven furlong post he was abso-

inconstant strong gallops might have knocked him off his pins. Newman was as fit as a fiddle, but was apparently not up to beating such a field as he had to meet. The Trenton—Tremulous filly, Quiver, was in the race the whole way and shaped much better than she did in the Leger. Ialanthus, who was fancied to be endowed with a good show, ran absolutely last. The winner, Patroness (Grand Flaneur—Olga), was kept in a good position throughout the race by young Cook, who rode all he knew in the straight and landed a comparatively outside chance.

As for the contest, when things settled down the Martini-Henry horse Vanitas was taken to the front, the object being to take advantage of his light weight and force the pace. In the straight Sundial had first position, but crossing the tan Vanitas displaced him, Queensborough being third, scarcely clear from Ialanthus, Bradford, and Patroness. Loyalty, Quiver and Delaware were just behind. After the mile Sundial didn't seem to like the going and a short distance further on fell back. Vanitas looked going strongly, but Loyalty made a big run and reached his girths at the half mile post, where Bradford, Quiver and Patroness were

Jack defeated Wallace, the son of his one time crack, Carbine. Challenger declined the contest, and of course Wallace started at 6 to 4. The other starters were, Bluecap (Abercorn—Blue and White), Form (Cranbrook—La Mode), and Waterfall (Niagara—Little Wanzel). Wallace's game was to make all the running, so he was in charge half a furlong from the starting point. He hugged the rails and first turned the corner for home, followed by Form and Blue Cap, Bob Ray being on the extreme outside, and it was noticed he apparently had the race in hand. Gough rode Wallace all he knew, but Ettridge didn't trouble Ray at all until the half distance, when he dashed at the favourite. Then there was a go. Wallace laid himself out for a race home, and answering every call, ran locked with Bob Ray to the post, but O'Brien's gelding gained the verdict by a long head. They are a game pair without a doubt. Bob Ray, who was racing with his head in the air before he was given rope, is by the New Zealand Welcome Jack out of Gage d'Amour, by Grandmaster from Keepsake, by Stockowner from Gildermere, by the Elying Dutchman, and was bred by the Hon. H. C. Dangar. Wallace was in great heart, and was in the pink of condition. Bluecap was a fair third.

by Splendor—Jewel, Vivian (Abercorn—Lady Vivian) being second, and Fort (Gibraltar—Formosa and consequently half-brother to Ensign) third. Signinius and Surge were beaten off.

Waterbury (Natator—Sunshine) did not start in the Steeplechase, but Ballyhooley (another New Zealander) did, and got third. Highborn II. (Idalium—Belladonna) cantered home a thirty lengths winner from Reckless (Cresswick—Blue Bonnet), Ballyhooley (Dauphin Pastine) being a very poor third. The last named refused the palings in the straight, but got over on the second time of asking. Keith's Dart (who I think is by Gipsy King) raced splendidly, and in the straight headed Highborn, but came down at the next obstacle. Grandwing, Alarm Bell, Over, Ontario, The Joker, and Spanker, all came to grief. The pace at which Highborn and Dart went throughout took the field off their legs—hence so many spills.

Not unlikely that Bob Ray will be as well backed for the next Derby as Wallace.

The Maoriland mare Ilium won the Easter Plate at Williamstown (Vic.) on April 15th, beating Auster, J.5, Esau and Disparity.

What next! White coloured tennis coats for 2s 11d, worth 12s 6d, at Fowlds' sale of Moore's stock

Jeweller is in work again up country. They had a rare turn up in the Onkaparinga (S.A.) Great Eastern Steeplechase, when Waterloo (10.12) beat Repetition, Strike, The Actress, Dondi, Tayforth, Sneaker, Alice, Expectation, Cattlefish, Knebworth, All Fours, Impena, and Surprise, paying £44 6s dividend. Amount in tote (apparently ten bob tickets) £4023 10s. The Onkaparinga Cup saw Maroon beat Monastery a head, Hortensius being a head away third, and Leeway a head off fourth. So that it was a great finish. Dividend, £7 9s. In the Hills Railway Stakes Carbine fell, breaking his leg and had to be destroyed. Hickey, the rider, broke his arm.

The holders of the first three tickets in Oxenham's Sydney Cup sweep live in Ascot Vale (Vic.), Melrose (S.A.), and Plattsburg (N.S.W.) respectively. The holder of Cobbitty's ticket is a miner.

The owner of Taranaki also has a horse running at country meetings called Rangitikei. He must have surely lived on the West Coast of the North Island of New Zealand at some time.

Inter-Provincial.

[OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

WELLINGTON.

[BY WIRE.]

April 30.

The weather is very promising for the opening day of the Wellington Meeting. A good crowd of visitors is in town, and the course is in fair condition. St. Clements is a firm favourite for the Thompson Handicap, and Barmby is a strong southern tip, but it is probable he will start in the Railway Handicap.

Frank Hill and Wm. Proffit, well-known metalicians left here on a visit to England.

Mr Gollan's quartette of horses leave for England about September. I hear good accounts of Mr Gollan's string at Caulfield, and it is expected the stable will show a strong hand in the Spring, and no doubt would be worth following. Elk has broken down, and Brooklet has also gone amiss.

Busaco is an ungainly looking brute, and is peculiarly made behind, being extraordinarily straight, and shows very little muscle.

The report circulated in Wairarapa that Mr T. M. Wilford had purchased the hack Slaiden is incorrect. Mr Wilford offered £125 for the horse, with engagements, but the owner wanted to retain the latter, so no deal was effected.

The trotting stallion Pirate, by Childe Harold—Violetta, arrived from Sydney by the Talune, having been purchased for the Marlborough district. He is a fine chestnut, standing 16 hands high, and between six and seven years old.

Review's connections are very dissatisfied with the judgment exercised by "Kaiser" Myers in the races at the Wairarapa Meeting.

At a meeting of the committee of the Palmerston North Trotting Club it was decided to disqualify Te Horo, the nominator, J. Sullivan, and the jockeys, D. Nyhan and J. Forsyth, for life. Evidence was produced to show that Te Horo was identical with Steadfast.

Wellington R.C. Winter Meeting

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

RAILWAY HANDICAP of 60 sovs. Three-quarters of a mile.

Barmby, 8.9	1
Ben Varrey 7.2	2
Aphony, 7.4	3
Dividend, £1 11s.	

HURDLE HANDICAP of 100 sovs. Two miles.

Langley the Devil, 9.3	1
Morag, 10.0	2
Dromedary, 9.12	3
Ebor fell. Dividend, £4 5s.	

HACK HURDLE HANDICAP of 40 sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

Bird	1
Revenue	2
Vivacious	3
Dividend, £3 3s.	

THOMPSON HANDICAP of 225 sovs. One mile.

Waiuku 7.5	1
St. Clements 8.11	2
Lorelei 7.5	3
Dividend, £9 3s.	

STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 70 sovs. Seven furlongs.

St. Laura 7.10	1
Westmore 7.10	2
Prince Cole 7.8	3

Our Illustrations.

AN instantaneous picture of the St. George's Handicap which was won by Waiuku on the third day of the recent A.R.C. Meeting forms a striking feature of our illustration series this week. As will be seen from the engraving the starter had the field well in line when he raised the barrier and even at the moment of exposure when the tapes were half way up the slide no one horse can be said to have had a distinct advantage although The Dancer is seen to be in a very favourable position for a quick run to the corner.

An opportune engraving is the one shewing Waiuku, the hero of the Thompson Handicap, run yesterday, when he put down such a great horse as St. Clements. Waiuku the finely built son of St. Leger and Musket Maid first showed us what he was made of by winning the St. George's Handicap (one mile) in 1min 43½sec under 8.0. He came out as a three-year-old last season and ran three times scoring on two occasions. At the Taranaki J.C. Hack Meeting he won a mile and a quarter maiden in 2min 19 4-5sec carrying 8.0. and on the same day won the mile and a half Summer Handicap in 2min 44sec carrying 7.2. His third run was at the Egmont R.C. Winter Meeting when he won the Second Hack Flat but was disqualified because he could not draw 3lb overweight which had been declared. After many hack wins he comes to us as the hero of that big mile struggle, the Thompson Handicap, and his recent runs show him to be a horse of great promise. Unfortunately the young lady who was holding him when our artist "snapped" him jerked Waiuku's mouth otherwise the picture would have been perfect.

On our athletic page will be found a splendid picture of the crack Second Junior cricket team, Belmont A, who succeeded in carrying off championship honours for the second time since their inauguration; whilst on the other occasion the club tied and were defeated in the deciding contests by four runs only. During the season the team has played ten matches, without having suffered a reverse, and a glance at the statistics, as compiled by Secretary Cromwell, show a record that the club may well be proud of. They have scored 1197 runs for 118 wickets, an average of 10.17 runs per wicket, as against the 837 runs for 177 wickets, an average of 4.131, recorded against them. J. Gillespie heads the bowling with the splendid average of 3.20, he having captured 66 wickets for 218 runs, whilst G. Spurway, the team's fast bowler, runs his club mate close with an average of 4.34, having taken 68 wickets for 316 runs. The performances of these two trundlers stand unparalleled throughout the colony. A. Parper, who tried his hand in one match, took 6 wickets for 26 runs, an average just over 4. R. Goodwill comes out on top in the batting department, with the capital average of 17.9 for 12 innings, whilst the following all average double figures:—A. McKillop, 14.4 for 5 innings; T. Whiteley, 13.1 for 15 innings; J. Secombe, 12 for 12 innings; J. Thomas, 10.58 for 13 innings; Edmonds, 10.28, for 15 innings.

Mr J. W. Russell's black and white dog, Rock (Rocket—Miss Hannah), forms another of our illustrations. This dog, now rising 5yrs, was bred by Mr F. Baker, at North Shore, and opened his career in 1892 by dividing a stake with Rose at the old Papatoitoti grounds. In 1893 he was in the last three with White and Blue and Major at Morrinsville, and in the following year acted as runner-up to The Imp at the same grounds. Rock is full brother to Rock-bail and Maori, both good performers, and being a powerfully built animal, with plenty of bone and muscle to recommend him, should find favour as a stud dog, to which purpose Mr Russell has devoted him. Last year Rock was awarded a first prize at the Auckland Kennel Club's show.

A subscription is being raised in Melbourne to place a monument over the grave of Henry Cusdin.

Until of late years French trotting horses were handicapped by weight on their backs. This was soon judged to be an unnatural system of handicapping, but a very good one for breaking up a trotter under the abnormal efforts he must make to speed under weight and traction combined.

Turf Topics.

[BY REVIEWER.]

The cable tells us that Paris has arrived safely in England.

The Lancaster Park Trotting Club profited £50 over the recent meeting.

Mutiny and Kapua will probably pay a visit to Australia shortly in charge of Geo. Hope.

Sydney Bulletin alludes to Mr G. G. Stead as the Captain Macbeth of Maoriland. No compliment could give Mr Stead greater pleasure.

The Indiana Legislature is at work on a Bill to prohibit winter racing. The measure restricts all racing to the period between April 15 and November 15.

The jumper Beaulieu, who was contesting at the recent Ellerslie meeting, has been left in Auckland to race at the Takapuna gathering. J. Rae is preparing him in his work.

It is thought Magpie's breakdown in the A.R.C. Steeplechase resulted in serious injury to his suspensory ligament. It is feared he will never be able to again carry Mr O'Rourke's colours.

The Childe Harold—Violetta trotting stallion Pirate has been shipped from Sydney to Wellington. He will probably be at the service of breeders in the Blenheim district.

It is said that an attempt has been made to steal the Roby race-track bill recently introduced into the Indiana Legislature. A special Committee is inquiring into the matter.

Forme and Forma have been sent to Wellington Park for the winter, where they will be turned out until the time arrives to place them in work for the First A.R.C. Spring meeting.

Avenging Providence has overtaken the man who had the cheek to name his horse Carbine. His animal was killed while racing at Onkaparinga. The name of Carbine should be sacred to Australians.

The Forth racing string was offered by auction last week, when the following deals resulted:—Heart of Oak, Major George, 70 guineas; First Nelson, Mr H. Howe, 40 guineas; and Salute, Mr T. McReady, 29 guineas.

"Robin Hood" (Mr A. S. Manders), an Australian sweep promoter in the course of a private letter to me expresses his belief that Sir George Dibbs will get his Bill through N.S.W. Parliament legalising sweeps in that colony.

James Kean's stable is pretty well empty now. In fact, I doubt if there is a single racer left in the stable. Lottie has been turned out on Mr McNicoll's Waikato farm, where she will remain until the veteran most likely makes a fly at the New Zealand Cup. Kean has shifted into his new stables, and Chae has tenanted the old establishment.

The vagaries of telegraphy. The REVIEW urgent wire sent from the Hutt with the winner of the Hurdles took 56 minutes to come from Wellington, and although we had a special messenger waiting for the wire it took 20 minutes to deliver it to him after it was received—in all 76 minutes after it left the Hutt. Another wire sent to the Star came up in 20 minutes!

"Borderer" desires to correct "Castor" of the *Canterbury Times* who writes as follows:—"A writer in the Auckland *Sporting Review* thinks that after Bloodshot and Gipsy Grand, Forma is the best two-year-old in New Zealand. What about Mannlicher, Manner, Euredydon and Musketry?" What "Borderer" wrote was that after Bloodshot, Forma was the best two-year-old seen out this season by Aucklanders.

A London writer contends that betting legalised and recognised, and regulated by the law, might be of assistance to the State and to the community. His idea is that every betting ticket given, being an acknowledgment of a contract, should bear a Government stamp. It has been suggested that the stamp should be *ad valorem*, but this is, I think, a mistake. When you take a hundred pounds to one on an outsider, you don't want to pay a hundred times as much for the privilege as you would if you took a level sovereign something with a tremendous chance.

It transpires that the Duke of Beaufort was always a staunch admirer of Musket and fully purposed buying him when he was sold for what proved to be the ridiculous price of £200. But old John Day, the trainer, was opposed to the purchase and dissuaded the Duke from carrying out his intention by pointing out to him that he could always send mares to Musket. The departure of Musket to New Zealand, however, completely frustrated any such idea, and it has not been till this year that old Petronel has been really raised to the vacant place of his sire.

The Connecticut Senate has passed a bill against docking horses' tails. It is very strongly drawn, and as half the fine goes to the person giving the information it is not likely to be a dead letter. It provides that whoever cuts the bone of the tail of any horse for the purpose of docking, or whoever causes or knowingly permits it to be done upon premises of which he is the owner, lessee, or proprietor, or whoever assists in or is present at such cutting shall be punished by imprisonment in gaol not exceeding one year, or by fine of not less than 100 sovs nor more than 300 sovs.

The police outrages on Stock Exchange members (remarks a London writer), represent only another phase of the anti-gambling mania, and are the aftermath, so to speak, of the abortive atrocities in connection with the Albert Club raid. Of course, it is urged—logically enough—that stockbrokers have no more right to speculate in the street than have betting men. Hence the trouble. If the police have not acted solely on anti-gambling inspiration why are the enormous and really obstructive queues of people waiting outside theatre doors in the Strand and elsewhere not equally dispersed and maltreated?

After seeing Osculator run in Sydney Mr D. A. McLeod, the well-known bookmaker, will probably make an extended stay in Australia.

The Maribyrnong Plate winner, Arihi, who died last week in Sydney from blood poisoning, consequent on picking up a splinter, was got by Malua from the Musket mare Discard. As a yearling Arihi cost 300 guineas.

The death is reported from St. Albans of the well-known brood mare Nellie Moore, by Volteigour from Fickle, by Dundee. She was imported to New Zealand by Mr G. G. Stead in 1881, having been served by Prince Charlie before leaving England, and in 1882 she foaled the Newmarket Handicap and Australian Cup winner, Lochiel. Other horses produced by her were Corunna, Steadfast and Culloden. At the break up of the Sylvia Park Stud in 1891 Mr W. R. Wilson purchased Nellie Moore, with a Nordenfeldt filly at foot, for 470 guineas. Nelly Moore was one of the prizes in the St. Albans distribution, and under the conditions the person drawing her will be entitled to receive £500.

Trainer Geo. Wright took another trip to Australia this week, the Tasmania bearing a powerful string, Joe Gallagher the horseman and himself Sydneywards. The string comprises St. Hippo, who is as fresh as ever, Coala, whose jumping power was shown at the recent A.R.C. Meeting, Sylvia Park, a promising brother to Hippomenes, Webley, St. Valentine, Osculator, and a pony, Osculator is Mr D. McLeod's Hotchkiss—Punga—were were colts who must have cost close on £900 by this time, but his party are confident he will shake some of the rich Derbies on the other side. Mr G. S. Budge's pony Brown Mantle also went by the Tasmania. She will be raced in Sydney under the care of J. Laing.

In the opinion of the "Special Commissioner" of the London *Sportman*, the success of Carbine with St. Simon mares is not absolutely certain, although St. Simon got La Fleche and Memoir from a nearly own sister to Musket. But the chances of success are largely increased by the fact that Carbine on his dam's side takes in another strain of Brown Bess (the tap-root of Musket and Quiver), and that brings matters much more to a focus, while if Angelica were mated with him there would be practically no cause to fear the result. As a matter of fact, however, St. Simon has so thoroughly stamped most of his fillies with his own character that I believe they are practically his own blood for purposes of mating—and I have heard not a few instances where family characteristics on one side have stamped out the other. Assuming this to be so, and it is very much confirmed by "Stark-weather's Law of Sex," Carbine will suit typical St. Simon mares as well as he would St. Simon's sister, Angelica.

Writing of Paris's visit to England, and commenting on the prospects of the climate affecting him unfavorably, the *Sporting and Dramatic News* writer remarks:—"Personally I can see no particular reason why Paris should be upset by the climate, since he is described as a horse of good constitution. Ringmaster, who came from Australia to run here in 1889 and 1890, stood the transfer very well, and he had some especially rough experiences, arriving in this country in the very depth of winter. Paris is considered to be of much superior class to Ringmaster, but 'though every inch a galloper and a racehorse he is not such a giant as either Carbine or Abercorn.' Ringmaster, though he was a fair performer in Australia before he came to England (and it will be remembered that he ran here in moderate company with some success), was by no means a high-class Australian racehorse. Paris, on the other hand, by all accounts, is. His running will therefore be watched here with some little curiosity and interest."

Judging by the many letters published by the London *Sporting Life*, a great number of punters who understand a good deal of racing and betting believe in systems. Many of these read well, and, given luck, work out all right for a time. In the vast majority of instances the evil day arrives sooner or later, and then the capital goes. The worst of system betting too is that you want either a cast-iron man to carry one out if he is playing with his own money, or an agent who cannot possibly be called upon to use the slightest discretion in executing his orders. A system must be played on rules that may not be varied, and interested human nature can't follow its own plans except by putting the money down first and leaving the system to work itself. I grant that on paper some of the schemes look well, and am bound to believe the correspondents who record what nice annual incomes they reaped from following them. At the same time, I wish the gentlemen who believe in these beaten tracks towards success in betting could give one man all their business. I would forsake all other occupations to stand against them so long as they cared to play.

One often hears the remark "So and so is a first-class judge of pace and has excellent hands." A correspondent of the *Johannesburg Times* commenting on this asks how many sportsmen know precisely what that means. "With regard to hands, I think this is the most important of all qualities in a rider, professional or gentleman. Horses' mouths vary, some being extremely delicate, whilst others have mouths which seem to be made out of cast iron or other similar material. Stockwell and Iona are noteworthy examples of the latter class, whilst Springtide was a mare of the first-mentioned description, and probably has, or had, the most delicate mouth of any horse in South Africa. The great art in 'hands on a horse' is to know how much to hold, and how not to hold too much. You must not jerk at a horse's mouth, but feel it with a nice even touch; no tugging or hauling, or you not only confuse the horse but get mixed up yourself, for the dumb animal cannot tell you what has gone wrong with the works, and as he appears to shut up you think he is failing, whereas he might have been going as strong as a lion, the cause of his sudden stoppage being an involuntary jerk on the part of the rider."

Edwin Forber the American who years ago invented a starting machine did not live to see his idea adopted on his native tracks as he died a month ago.

July, the full brother to Sir Modred, who was recently purchased by Mr J. B. Haggin, the American breeder, has arrived at the Rancho del Paso Stud and has made a most favourable impression.

Referring to M. Edward's suspension at Lancaster Park "Spectator" writes:—"After the Maiden Plate had been decided the stewards had M. Edwards and C. Kerr, the respective riders of Bed of Stone and Master Chub, before them to explain the trotting of those two horses. Miss Graham drew away from her opponents from the start, and would no doubt have beaten both had they trotted kindly. In disqualifying Edwards for one month, and reprimanding Kerr, the stewards were, I think, under the impression that neither of the riders had done their best in the early part of the race. Why any distinction was made I cannot say, but it appears to me that the stewards should have taken advantage of the rule giving them power to put up other horseman. This is not always a satisfactory way of acting, as horses trot better for those who know the as a rule than for strangers. The fact that Edwards was willing to allow Bed of Stone to be tried by any horseman the Club might wish to put up, must be stated in his favour, and it must further be stated that Bed of Stone has never done so well previously. The stewards are to be commended for trying to make all jockeys ride their horses out, especially when they give prizes for places as is now becoming the custom.

The Eltham Club are so pleased at making £150 over their last meeting that they will probably offer a £200 prize next season.

A New Orleans bookmaker has had a phenomenally successful career. Not many years ago Barney Schriber was a porter in a Kansas city store. To-day he is one of the big moguls of the western turf, owning a breeding farm, a very large stable of thoroughbreds, usually having three or four race books on at a race meeting and last, but not least, with ready cash galore.

An ever increasing mortality in connection with the St. Simon foals at the Welbeck Abbey stud caused the Duke of Portland to make investigations with the result that it was found that the mortality was due to the fact that the paddocks at Welbeck Abbey had been in use for over a hundred years. It is considered that they had become foul and were in all probability the breeders of disease germs that affected the foals with fatal results. The Duke has removed his breeding establishment and will fallow his paddocks.

When you talk of a New Zealand hack Sydneyites repeat the word "hack" satirically. If you want heavy weighting you have only to call your prad a Maoriland hack and he'll get it for sure. Sydney *Referee* writes:—"Dart's owner no doubt regrets now that he did not start him in the Hurdle Race at the Hawkesbury Meeting, where he was handicapped at 9.7, or 12lb less than he carried into second place at Randwick on Saturday. After seeing him perform both in the Hurdle Race and Steeplechase, most people are more than ever convinced that New Zealand "hacks" are closely akin to racehorses."

Jockey Williams, a Victorian cross-country rider, had the good fortune to draw Patroness in Oxenham's Sydney Cup sweep. The night before he heard what he had drawn, Williams dreamt that Patroness won the Cup.

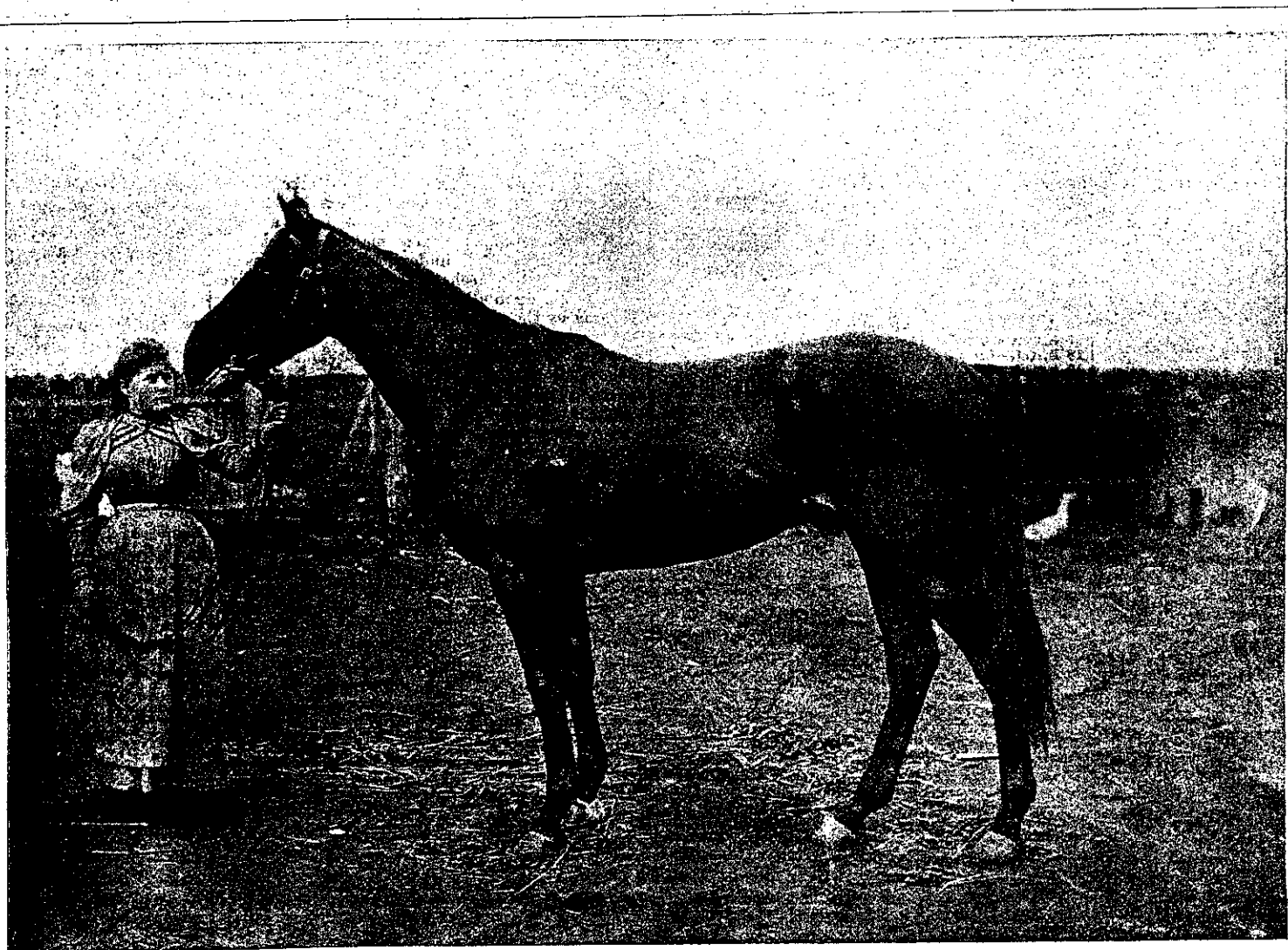
"Reginald," the Melbourne turf-writer, states there is some likelihood of the English-bred Tostig, who was recently imported from India, being put into work at Flemington, with a view to preparing him for racing purposes. Tostig is quite sound on his legs, and as he is not a great deal above himself it would not take long to get him ready for service under silk.

In commenting on the frequency of racing accidents the *Australasian* asks: "Are our jockeys too reckless in trying to dash through openings, or do they ride foul, or is bad riding and an inability to steer on the part of some of the boys responsible for these constant collisions and falls? We think that to a combination of these causes are due many of the mishaps which have occurred. The Australian boy is allowed to ride in public before he is well grounded as to the obligations of a jockey. In England he must be able to ride before he can pose as jockey. Here the scarcity of light-weights gives any boy who shows any promise the chance of becoming a jockey before he has gone through anything like the training which is required in England. The consequence is that these boys of little ability and no fear jump off with the sole idea of getting home as fast as they can, and besides riding an abominably bad race, they are crowding in on the rails all the time, and bringing about those 'scrimmages,' which often end harmlessly, but occasionally result in falls and fatal accidents."

In purchasing our champion racer, Carbine, the Duke of Portland was not influenced altogether by the horse's great reputation. He has a theory that the Musket blood will nick with his St. Simon mares. He has already tried St. Simon with an almost full sister to Musket and believes that a son of Musket will bring in just the sort of blood reinforcement that the daughters of St. Simon need. His grace has I understand written to Australia with a view of purchasing some of the daughters of Mersey for his stud.

Trainer Chaafe will not train Mr S. C. Caulton's pair, The Sharper and Deadshot, in future. The horses have been taken in hand by the owner's son, Mr A. S. Caulton, who should know a thing or two about training, judging by the great nick in which he sent The Sharper out at Gisborne when the Kalo horse ran second to such a sterling racer as Mahaki, and beat St. Kilda but lost the win owing to the stewards finding Mr Caulton's horse guilty of a cross at the start. The black horse was then in great form and with that sort of polish at his command Mr Caulton, junr., should have his team in good order when we take up racing again next season. Besides The Sharper and Deadshot the string (which is housed at Harry Harrison's old stables at the corner of Green Lane and Vincent Road) includes a bay yearling filly by Castor from Madcap, and a chestnut filly by Hotchkiss from Yattaghan. Mr Caulton also has in work a six year old half-brother to The Sharper, whose work will be over the hurdles. There is room for some additional horses in the stable, and Mr Caulton, junr., is open for engagement either as a trainer or breaker-in.

The Winner of the Thompson Handicap



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WAIUKU (by St. Leger-Musket Maid).

The Dominion of Canada has decided that pool rooms are illegal.

The new rules of American racing provide that in purse races six or more horses must start or the race may be declared off; that no jockey under contract to a particular stable shall be allowed to ride an outside horse in a race in which his stable has an entry; that if a jockey weighs in at overweight his horse shall not be disqualified, but the rider shall be fined, suspended, or ruled off; and that if a horse makes an unavoidable swerve and hits another he shall not be disqualified if the horse he hits finishes in front of him, provided he does not interfere with any horse that finishes behind him.

A correspondent contributes to the London *Sporting Life* the following system of backing the races, which he states he has followed successfully for a number of years: "Back the favorite in the first race of the day; if it goes down, take the same course with regard to the second race, going for a fixed amount and recovering the lost stake; should this lose, cover for the lost stake and half as much again as the original stake, and, win or lose, do not touch another race that day; and in either event follow the same rules next day. I have never known a losing week by this system." He states that his own practice is to bet to win £20 (\$100) each day. Systems of betting, however, appear to be of less consequence in themselves than the ability of the individual to adhere religiously to the particular system selected, and, therefore, that one man succeeds through following a system is no guarantee that another would be similarly successful.

Edward Corrigan, one of the leading turf men of the U.S.A., has a tremendous string of horses in work. He has 79 racers in his stable.

The A.J.C. committee has decided not to make any alteration in the amount of the stakes for 1895-96, but it will discontinue the two biennial stakes, the last of which will be run at the spring meeting in 1895. In future the Biennial Stakes Race, for two-year-olds, run at the autumn meetings, will be termed the Easter Stakes, and that run at the spring meetings for three-year-olds the Duff Memorial Stakes. The conditions in each event and the prize money will remain as hitherto, but the distance in the race for three-year-olds will be reduced from a mile and a quarter to a mile. In addition, nominations for these races will be taken respectively at the time of the general entry for the autumn and spring meetings, and not in June as at present.

Artist Henry Stull a famous American painter of horses writes concerning Ormonde:—"As he stands at ease he has an apparent tendency towards squareness, but I think this impression is caused by the high setting on of his tail and the superb arch of his neck, heightened by the fact that he always keeps his legs well under him, so much so that a vertical line from the extreme point of the quarter to the ground would fall quite decidedly outside a similar line from the point of the hock downward. As the view extends the first impression of legginess disappears, and the eye is filled with the perfect balance and symmetry of all his points. I have painted almost all the horses of note during the past fifteen years, and I never before saw a horse that impressed me so profoundly as Ormonde."

The question as to the eligibility of a gelding entry to the English Derby has been raised through the announcement that Mr P. Lorillard, the Yankee owner, had entered his two-year-old gelding Dacotah II., in the classic event. Many people fancy that geldings cannot contest Derbies, but such is not the case.

The list of Indian Cup winners for the last ten years shows that only one, Moorhouse, went to the stud to enrich the turf in the land of the rajahs. Metal came to Australia, Metalic went back home, while all the others, bar Mercury who died at the beginning of his second season, viz., Myall King, Pennant, and Highborn, were gelded before going to India. Thus the Cup race has not affected the rising generation of horses bred in India.

A good story is told of a well-known bookie on the occasion of his travelling to Paris to see the Grand Prix decided. While crossing the Channel on the return journey one of the passengers fell overboard, and the bookie, being an expert swimmer, went after him and effected a rescue. Loud was the applause and hearty the greetings when the metalician clambered back on deck, after having been relieved of his burden, and the delighted witnesses of his heroic act declared that he should be recommended for the Royal Humane Society's medal, and that he would be sure to get it. And then the bookie fairly gave himself away, and at the same time shook the sentiment out of the performance as he shook the water from his clothes, as he calmly observed, "You see, I couldn't afford to let him go, for he lost a hundred to me over the last race!"

One of the most astonishing breaches of the rules that I have heard of is where a man on the black list acts as steward, assistant handicapper, starter, etc., of a country club. He would neither make good his default nor allow his friends to do so for him, declaring that his name had no right to be where it is. How came it there, and why does he not seek redress if that is the case are questions naturally asked.—*Spectator*.

Recent measurements show that Kremlin, 2.07½, the American champion trotting stallion of 1892, measures 64 inches in height and length, and girths 71½ inches. Ormonde and Carbine, the most celebrated thoroughbred stallions of the day, are 65½ inches high and girth 69 inches. Kremlin is not as tall a horse by an inch and a half, but his girth measurement indicates more strength and lung capacity than either of these famous runners.

A bill has been introduced at Albany (U.S.A.) to regulate the practice of horseshoeing. The provisions of the bill are as follow: All mas' n horseshoers in this State must be registered in the county in which they reside; all mas' n horseshoers must pass an examination, must be citizens, and must have served an apprenticeship of four years; the Board of Examiners shall consist of two veterinary surgeons and three master horseshoers; a certificate shall cost two dollars; the fraudulent obtaining of certificates or violation of the requirements of the act shall constitute a misdemeanour, punishable by not less than a fine of 50 dollars or more than 250 dollars, or by punishment in the county gaol for not less than ninety days or more than two years, or by both fine and imprisonment.

Geo. Fowlds is selling men's tweed suits for 10s 6d at the sale of Moore's salvage stock.

Weights, etc.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB NORTH N.Z.
GRAND NATIONAL MEETING.

NOMINATIONS.

GRAND NATIONAL HURDLE RACE of 250
sovs. Two miles.

Union Jack	Frigh	Melinite
Ida	The Dancer	Ladybird
Mutiny	Warrior	Disraeli
Despised	Pansy	Ebor
Couranto	Revolution	Busaco
Coala	Liberator	

GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE of 400 sovs. About
three miles and a half.

Belle	Couranto	Bombardier
Union Jack	Coala	Aorere
Hero	Frigh	Egmont
Mutiny	Deceiver	Busaco
Despised	Roscius	Norton
Shillelagh	Cingalee	Beaulieu
Scaltheen	Liberator	

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER
MEETING.

WEIGHTS.

HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE of 30 sovs. One mile.

Grenadier	8 5	Adam	7 2
Ladybird	8 4	Salute	7 0
Count La Mont	7 12	Stanley	7 0
St. Mary	7 12	Crescent	6 12
Repeater	7 10	Ditto	6 7
Edna	7 8	Tip	6 7
Handsome Jack	7 4	Victorine	6 7
Deceiver	7 2	Bogtrotter	6 7

FIRST HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 50 sovs. One mile
and three-quarters.

Despised	11 4	Molly Hawk	9 8
Belle	10 12	Ladybird	9 7
Union Jack	10 10	Ika Vuka	9 0
Warrior	10 8	Levanter	9 0
Bonovoree	10 8	Beaulieu	9 0
Bombardier	10 4	Duncan Grey	9 0
Marchal Neil	9 8		

BRITANNIA HANDICAP of 60 sovs. One mile and one
furlong.

St. Kilda	8 10	First Nelson	7 2
Doris	8 10	Lufra	7 2
Folly	8 8	Grenadier	7 0
Annabelle	8 6	Anita	6 12
Scot Free	8 6	Handsome Jack	6 10
The Sharper	8 0	Norina	6 10
Retaliation	7 7	Cleopatra	6 7
Clarion	7 8	Aughadowney	6 7

FIRST PONY HANDICAP of 35 sovs. Six furlongs and
a half.

Lady Thornton	9 6	Penguin	7 6
Vampire	8 8	Silkworm	7 4
Kathleen	8 6	Storyteller	7 4
Nannie	8 2	Quail	6 10
Sweet Lavender	8 0	Bride	6 10
Cupid	7 12	Leona	6 10
Fidget	7 8	Virgin	6 7
Mother Shipton	7 8		

FIRST HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 65 sovs. About
three miles.

Despised	11 6	Kildare	9 12
Shillelagh	11 2	Deceiver	9 12
Belle	11 2	Molly Hawk	9 10
Fishmonger	11 2	Maroon	9 7
Cingalee	11 0	Duncan Grey	9 7
Bombardier	10 12	Beaulieu	9 7
Parnell	9 12		

ROYAL HANDICAP of 40 sovs. Five furlongs and a
half.

St. Kilda	9 8	Lufra	7 4
Doris	9 8	Miss Nelson	7 3
The Sharper	9 2	St. Mary	7 2
Annabelle	9 0	Lady Agnes	7 0
St. Patrick	8 4	Anita	6 12
Grenadier	7 9	Handsome Jack	6 10
Retaliation	7 8	Norina	6 10
Heart of Oak	7 8	Cleopatra	6 7
Repeater	7 6	Adam	6 7
Clarion	7 6	Victorine	6 7
Acacia	7 6		

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB WINTER
MEETING.

ACCEPTANCES.

WANGANUI STEEPLECHASE of 250 sovs. About three
miles.

Busaco	13 0	Oaklands	10 0
Norton	13 0	Raven	10 0
Roscius	12 4	Awara	9 11
Tiritea	11 3	Spreydon	9 11
Kapua	11 0	Rangipai	9 11
Morag	11 0	Unity	9 10
Bootes	10 8	Egmont	9 9
Belle	10 7	Entry	9 9
Union Jack	10 4	Austral	9 8

WINTER OATS HANDICAP of 100 sovs. One mile and
a half.

Monte Carlo	8 0	Hotspur	7 2
Irish Twist	8 0	Lorelei	7 1
Waiuku	7 11	The Artist	7 0
Priores	7 8	Guncotton	6 7

FLYING HANDICAP of 50 sovs. Six furlongs.

Priores	8 6	Lorelei	7 7
Waiuku	8 6	The Artist	7 6
Orion	8 1	Ben Varrey	7 3
Hotspur	7 8	Gold Cup	6 10
Guncotton	7 7		

TRIAL STEEPLE.—Kapua, Spreydon, Kafir,
Unity, Egmont, Entry, Langley the Devil, Snap-
cap, Prospect, Tottorua, Lord Clair.

NOMINATIONS.

HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE.—Barney, Tottorua,
Ramaka, Duggwogle, Seddon, Hop Bitters, Re-
gret, Wariti, Amalgam, Prince Teck.FINAL STEEPLECHASE.—Prospect, Molly Hawk,
Awara, Snapcap, Spreydon, Barney, The Drome-
dary, Kaweka, Ebor, Dante, Kafir, Hop Bitters,
Egmont, Wariti, Austral, Raven, Bootes, Seddon,
Langley the Devil, Entry.HACK FLAT.—Juanita, Huikawai, Ascot Vale,
Strashiot, Sedgebrook, Antrim, Raupo, Man-o'-
War, Tonganui, Lord Vivian, Buckley's Chance,
Bowshot, Kai-Iwi Lady, Napoleon, Tomboy,
Muttural.AUCKLAND TROTTER CLUB AUTUMN
MEETING.

ACCEPTANCES.

EASTER HANDICAP of 60 sovs. Two miles.

Three Cheers	scr.	Morning Star	40s.
Katie M.	scr.	The Judge	44s.
Nellie	14s.	Ingar	52s.
Duke C.	36s.	Rocket	52s.

HARNESS TROT HANDICAP of 40 sovs. two
miles.—Pleasanton scr, La Rue 8s, Three Cheers
8s, Katie M. 8s, Coronella 14s, Ruby 25s, Duke
C. 46s, Sparrowhawk 46s, Bessie Dorle 46s.ELECTRIC TROT HANDICAP of 40 sovs, one
mile.—Katie M. scr, Coronella Spreydon Lad 8s,
Duke C. 18s, Morning Star 20s, The Judge 22s,
Fibre 26s, Rocket 26s.SELLING TROT HANDICAP of 30 sovs, one mile
and a half.—Spreydon Lad scr, Gwendoline 18s,
Tyrone 18s.FLYING STAKES HANDICAP of 30 sovs, five
furlongs.—The Dove 9.12, Mother Shipton 8.8,
Direc' 8.6, Nelly 8.5, Pica 8.2, Veoline 8.2,
Chance It 7.9, Germina 7.7, Queen Quail 7.7,
Barbary 7.2, Robin 7.0, Zephyr 7.0, Coquette II.
7.0, Retan 7.0, Duchess 6.7, Kaipara 6.7, Dearie
6.7.AUTUMN HANDICAP of 45 sovs, seven furlongs.
—The Dove 9.10, Reil 8.12, Fauntleroy 8.10,
Mother Shipton 8.10, Direct 8.5, Nelly 8.5, Pica
8.2, Little Hero 7.8, Helena 7.8, Queen Quail 7.7,
Kit 7.2, Robin 7.0, Kate 7.0, Coquette II. 7.0,
Deceiver 6.10, Laddie 6.7, Toby 6.7.HURDLE HANDICAP of 30 sovs, one mile and
a half.—Fauntleroy 11.6, Mother Shipton 11.6,
Butterfly 10.12, Little Raven 10.8, Helena 10.6,
Little Jane 10.0 Lady May 9.7, Ladybird 8.10,
Effie 8.9, Laddie 8.7, Retan 8.7, Deceiver 8.7.SELLING HANDICAP of 25 sovs, five furlongs.
—Mother Shipton 8.8, Butterfly 8.4, Chance It
7.9, Barbary 7.2, Freda 7.0, Toby 7.0, Coquette
II. 7.0, The Nun 7.0, Retan 7.0, Rakau 6.7, Kis-
met 6.7, Circus Girl 6.7.

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cap, and Second Handicap Steeplechase), T.J.C.
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treble (Grand National Hurdle Race, Great
Northern Steeplechase, and Handicap Hurdles)
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THE WINE INDUSTRY.

WE referred to the question of New Zealand as a possible great vine-growing district in a previous issue, and pointed out that Mr Bragato, the expert from Victoria, who was sent to New Zealand to make a thorough examination of the country from a viticultural point, claimed that we possessed a country having every adaptation for the growth of vines. He spoke particularly of the Otago district, and although his examination of the North Island was more cursory, still he expressed himself as satisfied that New Zealand, as a colony, was not making the best of its resources when it neglected to pay attention to this vast industry, which means thousands of pounds of revenue to the Government besides, an export income that means a great feature in the finances of the colony at large. It is a subject that demands the earnest attention of capitalists and vigneron, and we hope that in the near future an active interest will be taken in the matter. It is probably not known to the general public that within a comparatively short distance of Auckland there lives a gentleman who, thoroughly satisfied with the opportunities offered in New Zealand for vine growing and the manufacture of wine, has for many years interested himself in the subject, and at the present time is able to place on the market an article that, for fruitiness and bouquet, bids fair to successfully rival the imported article. It is true that he has not gone into the manufacture of wine on as large a scale as some of our South Australian vigneron, but were the demand to increase and the wine to become more extensively known, arrangements could easily be made for a much greater supply. We refer to Mr Philip Quesne, of Hamilton East, the proprietor of the Waikato Hotel. While travelling through the Waikato district a short time back we paid a visit to the Waikato Hotel, and at Mr Le Quesne's invitation went through his vaults. Mr Le Quesne is originally from Jersey, one of the Channel Islands, and although virtually a New Zealander by adoption, he still retains a love for his native island, and hopes at some time in the near future to pay a visit, in company with his wife and daughter, to the Old Country, and stop at the island that has become so noted throughout the world for its pretty women, its balmy climate, and its ten-foot cabbages. This range certainly includes the sublime and the ridiculous, but the features mentioned are at any rate well-known ones; but *revenue a nos moutons*. Mr Le Quesne owns one very finely situated vineyard, adjacent to his hotel property, from which he derives a small but select quantity of grapes that yields him an exceptionally fine vintage. The larger portion of his wine, however, is the product of grapes purchased from other vineyard owners in the Waikato district. The appliances for making the wine are, it is true somewhat limited, but the quality of the article produced is not to be cavilled at. The grapes are first run through a crushing machine and from thence are taken to the press which has the appearance of a gigantic cider press such as is used in America for extracting the spirit from apples. It is called a 50 ton press but

it is calculated that it can bring a power of 500 tons to bear if necessary in crushing seconds, or the residue of the first vintage for making light claret and ordinary table wine. From the press the wine flows into a large vat from which it is taken and after being treated is placed in two large 500 gallon tanks where it is allowed to ferment, a certain period being allowed for this process, after which it is drawn off into casks and allowed to age. Mr Le Quesne distinctly states that he never fortifies his wines but puts them on the market *absolutely pure*. The cellage accommodation is fairly extensive and consists of four vaults which together have a storing capacity of about four hundred casks. The wine is, in some cases, kept until it is six or eight years old, but is generally sold at an age of four years. A few seasons back there was a bigger demand than could be met with and Mr Le Quesne, in order to supply his numerous orders, was obliged to explain to his customers that he would have to give them a blend of the three-year-old wine. The experiment proved a distinct success, and many of those who were supplied have particularly requested to be again supplied with the same quality. The two principal brands placed on the market are the "Bon Accord" and "Bon Mado," the latter named after Mr Le Quesne's birthplace in Jersey. He also produces a very fine Tokay the royal wine of Austria which possesses a body and flavour similar to the best Tokay produced in California. The only point in the wine produced in this district that an expert might perhaps if hypercritically exact, take exception to, is that it is a shade too sweet, greater age however, will in all probability give it the requisite dryness. Altogether Mr Le Quesne possesses a compact and economically marked plant and we are satisfied that his wine is more than worthy of the encomiums that have been passed upon it by experts and of the liberal patronage it receives.

HERE AND THERE.

Pressure on our space renders it impossible for us to give an extended description of Mr T. Porter's breeding farm and premises at Mercer, which has been unavoidably held over until our next issue.

Mr J. McRae, late of the Palace and Lake Hotels, Rotorua, goes into the Waverley this week. The people up Rotorua way will miss this gentleman, as, I understand, he enjoys the reputation of being the only individual who can artificially awaken the geysers into activity.

By cable from Canada we hear that after an exhaustive inquiry, lasting over three years, the Commission appointed by the Canadian Government report that "prohibition" would injure business, extinguish a large source of municipal revenue, and involve compensation." What says Cold-water Isitt to this.

Another old identity in the person of Mr Geo. B. Martin, licensee of the United Service Hotel, died on Wednesday of last week and was interred at the Purewa Cemetery on the following day (Thursday) a large number of friends following the remains to their last resting place. The deceased gentleman, who was 68 years of age at the time of his death, was a native of Guernsey, and, after going to Western Australia, landed in New Zealand some thirty-three years ago. He was for many years employed as brewer in Secombe's Brewery, Kyber Pass Road, since which he has conducted the following houses: Junction Hotel, Queen's Hotel, an hotel at Wairoa South, the Motorua Hotel (New Plymouth), Pacific Hotel, and subsequently the United Service, at which house his death occurred. Mr Martin was widely known and highly esteemed as a man of sterling worth, and in addition to leaving a wife to mourn her loss, there will be many in Auckland by whom he will be missed.

From a contemporary:—"I admit that Isitt is a success, but his success is a commercial one. If Isitt were offered a 'call' to some far district where the income exceeded his present gate money, Isitt would at once see that the 'call' was not only divine, but an advantageous thing, and to be jumped at. One feels compelled to ask himself after a real soul-inspiring prohibition lecture—

Is it only for the plunder
Isitt blows his clarion loud?
Is it only trumped up thunder
Isitt whoops it at the crowd?"

Mr Stopes, a well-known brewing authority, recently remarked that the brewers of twenty-two years ago used on an average 193 bushels of malt to brew 1000 gallons of beer, whereas now, he estimates, they use less than 29 bushels to the cwt; and the tendency is to a still smaller use of malt. Putting the production of barley in the United Kingdom in 1894 at about 81,383,000 bushels, or 49,691,500 cwt, he says that, if only barley were used in the brewing of beer, 32,000,000 cwt of that grain would be needed, but he believes that about 4,000,000 cwt will be displaced by maize, 4,500,000 cwt by sugar, and probably 5,500,000 cwt more by foreign barley, thus reducing the native barley required to 18,000,000 cwt, or 36,000,000 bushels, leaving over 45,000,000 bushels for distilling, grinding, and seed.

Mr Walker, Jun., of the well-known firm of John Walker and Sons, who was through this way recently, spent something like £5,000 in Sydney alone in placing the firm's whisky on the Australian market. Men were engaged at a salary to visit the various public houses and call for a drop of "Johnny Walker."

A writer on one of our contemporaries possesses a fine vein of satire, and uses it unsparingly on Isitt in discussing his departure for England:—"Parting is such sweet sorrow that I could say good bye until to-morrow." Now I have got my hand in, I'll fire off another—"We couldn't well have spared a better man."

Many of the modern tavern signs are corruptions. The Pig and Whistle is intended for Peg and Wassail, alluding to the peg tankards introduced in Saxon times. The Goose and Gridiron means the Swan and Harp. The Bull and Mouth has reference to the capture of Boulogne Harbour by Henry III., and was originally Boulogne Mouth. The Beetle and Wedge conveys an allusion to a heavy mallet or beetle, wielded by three men and used for pile driving. Libbard's Head means the Leopard's Head.—*English Paper.*

"To those that ask shall be given" was the remark of a local publican to his brewer a short time ago, and then he proceeded to inform the gentleman that he would like to make financial arrangements more suited to his (the publican's) taste. "I have read the passage in my bible," he continued, "and sincerely believe in its efficacy." The brewer, overwhelmed at his customer's scriptural erudition, consented to the new arrangements; but when we proposed to apply the text in our favour and suggested the opening of a credit account for pints, he didn't seem to see the point, and changed the conversation to the bi-metallic theory.

Mr W. C. Lupton, speaking at the fifth annual dinner of the Morecambe Association (England), compared the teetotal party with a crying child, which might disturb the equanimity of the Licensed Victuallers, but could be quieted with a jujube or a promise. Further on in his discourse this gentleman says: "We must remember, however, that the child which is still in existence, will grow up to mature age, and would have to be dealt with in the future. It would be by the continued exertions of such societies as those under whose auspices they were met that night that the child must be kept in its proper place, and be shown that England was not to be governed by fanatics and faddists. England was a nation of men able to judge for themselves what they would eat or drink. At the present time there was less excess in the use of alcohol than there had ever been, and the habits of society had greatly improved in that respect. The reason of that was the spread of education, and the march of civilization, and not the efforts of the teetotal party. They would not accept the Bishop of Chester's scheme, and they had a right to equitable compensation and consideration whenever the licensing question was dealt with."

"Working Men and the Veto" is the title of a pamphlet written by Mr A. Locke Cox, and published by the Liberal and Anti-Sunday Closing Union, 135 Salisbury Square, London, and apart from the intrinsic merits of the arguments contained in the brochure, its appearance is timely, and while its contents will hardly prove pleasant reading for men of the "Cold Water Isitt" type or his co-workers on the Prohibition League, every right thinking citizen throughout the length and breadth of New Zealand will hold with the views set forth by this gentleman. Mr Cox regards the Local Veto Bill as one of the most dangerous obstacles in the path of radical reforms, and his opposition, based on such grounds, quite apart from any personal interest must be regarded as important. Discussing the "Veto" through nine pages of interesting matter this gentleman shows plainly that prohibition would not cure drunkenness. On the other hand, while it would displace public, it would increase private drinking, with the result that intemperance would be increased a thousand fold. On page 10 the author ends with the subjoined vigorous summing up: "We feel confident we have said enough to put our fellow Democrats on their guard against this most specious and unnecessary Bill when we have shown that it is based on tyranny and inequality. It is neither more or less than an attempt on the part of a few self-righteous bigots to restrain freedom of thought and speech. Precisely as the priestly tyrants of a few centuries ago thought that the regeneration of mankind depended upon the enforcement of certain dogma, so do the teetotal tyrants of to-day believe that this regeneration depends upon the closing of public houses, and they are equally prepared to invoke the spirit of persecution to attain their ends. We cannot believe that the workers of England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, who are slowly emancipating from the thralldom of centuries will consent to have their march towards freedom impeded by the fetters of a prohibition which is not wanted, which could by no possibility do good, and which would be certain to result in discomfort and annoyance to the great bulk of the people, without producing any counterbalancing good in any direction whatever. We urge all Democrats, therefore, to set their face against the Veto; first, because it threatens to block the way to imperative reforms; and, secondly, because under the fraudulent pretence of extending the power of the popular will, it really seeks to enable a small minority to set up a reign of coercion and inequality. There will now be no cause for the Liberal party if they hesitate to discard the Alliance teetotal nostrum, a nostrum which, if persevered in, means political death."

The 9th of September, the date fixed for the Harding-Sullivan sculling championship, is memorable as being that on which H. E. Searle and O'Connor rowed for the championship of the world over the Thames course.

PROHIBITION AND BI-METALLISM

Two subjects in the public mind
Are uppermost of late,
Which, though they differ much in kind,
As matter for debate,
One point alike they both possess,
For each is cause of schism,
And prohibition none the less
Than is bi-metallism.

While some the cup which cheers prefer,
Though non-intoxicating;
The merits of their choice they err,
In rather overstating.

In language most intemperate
For temperance they plead,
Meanwhile they wildly execrate
The liquor sellers' greed.

The cause, they say, of all our ills,
The waste of all our savings
Is due to beer, and whisky stills
And alcoholic cravings.

Were but these spirits exercised,
We'd Plenty have, and prize it,
And shortly would be canonised
Our patron saint, St. Isitt.

But others to another cause
Ascribe our retrogression,
And promise us, amidst applause,
A cure for the depression.

In language scholarly and choice,
And crammed with erudition,
They tell us with persuasive voice
The cause of our condition.

It seems the source of all our woe,
Commercial cataclysm,
Is due, so tell us those who know,
To—Monometallism.

The panacea for our ills,
Depression's exorcism,
The only one which fills the bills
Is just—Bi-metallism.

The newest way old debts to pay
Has thus at last been found;
You get a clear receipt for, say,
Ten shillings in the pound.

Truth, it is said, lies in a well,
A statement allegorical;
Her state, I fear, of those who tell
Such tales is metaphorical.

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Pony Race Handicap of 15 sovs, 6 furlongs, 10s.
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Britannia Handicap of 60 sovs, 1 mile 1 furlong, 1½ sov.
First Pony Handicap of 35 sovs, 6½ furlongs, 1 sov.
First Handicap Steeplechase of 65 sovs, about 3 miles, 2 sov.
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Great Northern Steeplechase of 400 sovs, about 3½ miles, 3 sovs.

A USEFUL BETTING SYSTEM.

The man with the system is still at large, the padded chamber not having yet claimed its own. He talks of thousands when he can get anyone to listen, and borrows shillings when he can induce anyone to lend. He may be seen at a street corner on a rainy day, with his shoulders up and his shoes in a state of decay. Still, however empty his pockets and his stomach, the fire of hope burns in his heart with a steady, inextinguishable flame. He believes in the system. He has tried it and it has broke him more than once, as it has broke others, but he will try it again if he can beg or borrow the necessary funds and evade the legitimate claims of the padded cell. Poor man with the system!—I have known him at many stages of his development—even when he has been getting ready on the course with an unholy light in his eyes and fifty shillings to go on the next favourite, the last having been "looking on"—and his final stage has been his worst.

Not always possessing the ghastly experience that makes my life a burden to me now, I once tried a system myself, nay two systems, one for cards and one for the course, and if I had not rescued when young anything might have happened. Fortunately I had a stern parent who emphasised most of his arguments with a big stick, and there is no resisting a man who, if he fails to convince you by the force of his reasoning, succeeds by the strength of his arm. He was a great believer in work; nothing gave him so much pleasure as to see others toil; and when I endeavoured to obtain a little money from him so as to extend the operations of the system, he expatiated on the necessity of steady industry, and intimated that if I continued a speculative career I should be turned out. That appears to have sunk into my mind, for even at the most adventurous crisis of my nature, before maturity and after, I never was keen on being turned out. One can always go indeed before measures of such extreme violence are projected.

My card system, I remember, failed first. It was a modification of the well-known "tops and bottoms" system, by means of which the ingenious Mr Labouchere is supposed to have won immense sums at Monte Carlo; but the most I could ever win in one night when in luck was 12s 6d, using a great deal of paper and pencil in building up that noble pile; while I have lost as much as £3 10s in five minutes. After that I lived for some time on loaf-sugar at the club, until the waiters would stand me no longer; one remarking that "they wanted no bloomin' refinery on the premises;" and further sacchariferous supplies having been cut off, and even the Worcester sauce secreted, I went to interview the friend who had taught me the system. The

broker's man just beat me by a short head on the post—the door-post—and removed what few possessions were left to the instructor of my youth. The spectacle touched my heart, and since then (being careful of my heart) I have not played the "tops and bottoms" method as a means of livelihood.

But, of course, one severe lesson was not enough. I must next try my luck with a system of backing horses. The gentleman who explained it to me endeavoured during the interview by various wiles to conceal the fact that he wore no shirt and smelt lamentably of the gin of yester year and since; he said "there were millions in it," and sold to me all the patent rights for half a crown and the donation by me to him of a specified quantity of his favourite beverage. The main principle of this system (which is familiar to most punters) was to back second favourites to win so much per race and recover losses subsequent to the last winner; and after carefully going through the book I made the delightful discovery that I could easily earn £10 per day. Needless to say, I lost no time in entering upon this lucrative occupation. I must have worked it for quite five days, returning, too, from my last meeting first class, but under the seat with a lookie's muddy heels in my face, and in my pocket merely the stationery required to work the system—only that and nothing more. The good-red gold had gone.

Having regard, then, to these saddening experiences, it is not surprising that I do not love the Man with the System, and when I meet him now I converse on indifferent topics. When he begins to explain the exact number of thousands to be won, I expatiate on the fineness of the weather; when he desires to borrow two and sixpence, I express my views with freedom on the political situation. Oh, no, I do not believe in systems, agreeing with a dear friend of mine who gets his living in the small ring, that the only good system is to go to a race meeting with nothing and bring something away. He once

the London end to receive the messages. The numbers of the runners were first sent to him, the number of the winner followed with almost incredible rapidity, and it was sometimes backed in the club minutes before the intelligence had been received there.

In order to appreciate the feasibility of Sammy's system, the fact must be recollected that he was not tied down by any official restrictions or instructions; he was not obliged to wait until the winner's number had actually been put up. In many races, especially during the steeplechase season, the winner may be discovered a long way from home; and Sammy, using a strong pair of glasses from his coign of vantage, was thus often enabled to bet with the utmost confidence (per telephone) without waiting for the victorious steed to pass the post. He could see when it was all over bar shouting, so to speak, being a good judge of the game, if withal slightly unscrupulous, and he made few mistakes. Indeed, for some time past he was doing really well by strict attention to business and quickness in despatching orders, and was laying the foundations of a handsome fortune, when an unhappy mischance, which I am not in a position to describe, since we may not have heard the last of the calamity, sowed the seeds of suspicion in the minds of trustful bookmakers, and Sammy's agent—with the winner up his sleeve—was received with contumely. Nothing more was to be done; the game was up, the telephone played out.

Those of us who have at different times lost pleasant sources of income—and there are few of us who have not been afflicted by that terrible experience—may readily imagine that the emotions of Mr Bugster when he could not get his money on after the winner had passed the post were not of an exhilarating character, and his manner of expressing them were even less idyllic. A good deal of that, however, was pure bounce. Even when his little scheme was most flourishing and the periodical auriferous results

"We'll risk it," said Sammy to him of the inflamed proboscis, "this horse can't be beat if he stands up, and he's jumping like a stag; send up No. 7 quick, a splash, and then we'll shut up shop for the day."

Accordingly No. 7 was sent up and heavily backed s.p. at a certain club; and the horse so numbered on the card passed the post an easy winner by about a dozen lengths. "That's all right," said Sammy with a sigh of relief and satisfaction as No. 7 was put in the frame, "that ought to do us a bit of good. It was one of old Joe Pincher's outsiders—you know, he has half a James on each way, and tells his pals that his couldn't win if all the others had fits during the journey. We are sure of the limit to our little lot, tens-as at least."

"Going on?" queried the bibulous conspirator.

"No more to-day," replied Samuel; "we've already given 'em snuff enough for one afternoon, and we will (D.V.) resume business to-morrow."

After dinner the same evening the two successful backers were smoking long cigars and drinking whisky and sodawater *ad lib.* in the smoking-room of their hotel, when Mr Bugster, who was reading the returns of the day's racing in the evening paper, emitted a fearful groan and almost glided out of big armchair, so violent was his agitation.

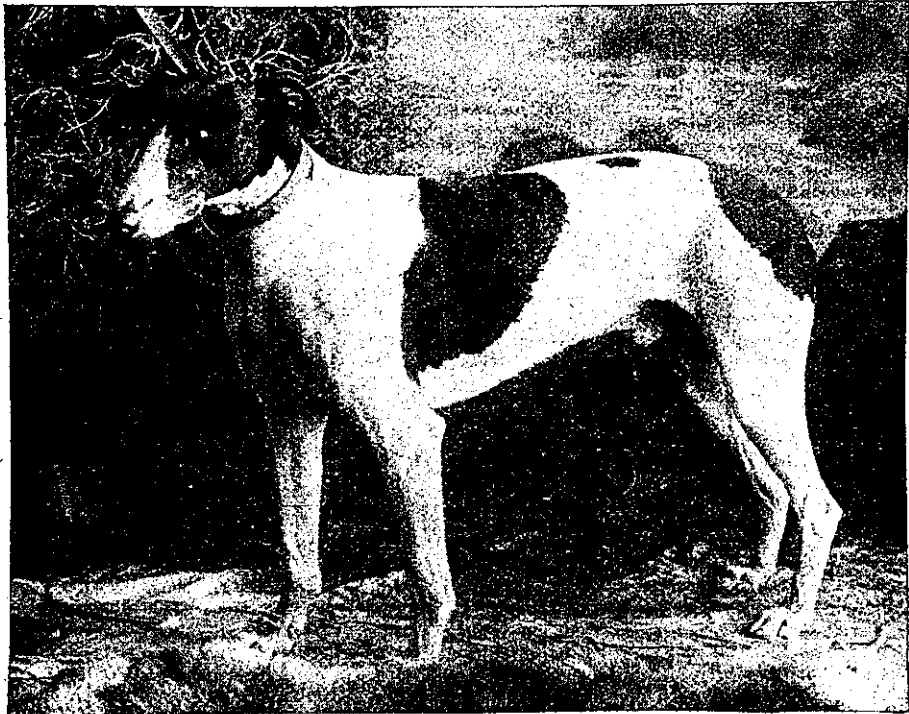
"What's the play now, Sammy?" asked his friend, noticing these extraordinary manifestations; whereupon the genial Bugster groaned more successfully than before, and handed the newspaper to his as yet unstricken associate, pointing with a dirty finger to a particular paragraph. After reading this even the convivial one turned pale (nose and all), and his hand shook so painfully that when he tried to elevate his glass, in the usual direction, monthwards, it became suspended, quiveringly, half-way, and the waiter, having been there before, removed it from his grasp without comment. The fatal paragraph told them that No. 7 had been disqualified!

Oh, yes, Mr Bugster is still about. The telephone business has, however, been abandoned, being considered rather too *fin de siècle* for even the tape clubs, and no one knows what Mr Bugster is now doing. This may be explained by that he is doing comparatively nothing. He is doubtless looking out for another system.

But his ruddy-nosed companion, having saved a little money, and being imbued with the spirit of commercial enterprise, took a small public-house in the country, and became at once his own best customer. He not only drank away all the profits of the business in an incredibly short time, but also swilled himself into the local cemetery, where his wife, after seeing him deposited, observed piously, "A decent chap enough, mates, but for the booze!"

We may thus be induced to reflect on the results of even a useful system, and to eschew all such temptation for the future.

—Sporting and Dramatic News.



Mr J. W. Russell's ROCK (Rocket—Miss Hannah).

went to Sandown with a piece of string and a cough lozenge, and returned home beastly drunk.

Another old friend of mine, Sammy Bugster by name, had a useful system, and except that of the capitalist with the piece of string, I never heard a better one. Sammy's system was to back winners after they had passed the post; and the gentle reader will agree that this method is not an easy one to beat. I will tell you how Sammy did it.

He had got a few hundreds together by the aid of one or two friends who were engaged in the scheme with him, and they devised quite a perfect plan of action. Sammy had discovered that at certain meetings distant from the metropolis he could beat the wires by the telephone; that was the keystone of his system. Of course, most of us know how they bet at the London tape clubs, but a little explanation may be necessary to make the story clear. The runners for each race are wired from the course to the club, then the bookmakers begin to bet with great industry. "Can you give me a line?" they ask with a festive smirk. They also receive messages as to what is being backed in the ring, and practically know as much as if they were carrying on their business at the meeting. They get a wire when the horses are "off," and of course they have the winner up quickly, and many of them go on betting up to the last practicable moment. On this practice Mr Bugster worked with considerable profit to himself and one or two associates for a time.

He selected his meetings with admirable discrimination. They were a certain distance from London; those were most convenient where the races could be seen from a house near the course. Granting those favourable local conditions, Mr Bugster would hire (paying a special price) two rooms in a house so situated, taking them for the meeting, then he and his associates completed their necessary arrangements. Telephonic communication was the first essential. They had a clever agent at

reached quite a handsome total, Sammy did not expect it to last. He knew that it would be found out sooner or later, and therefore he attempted to make money as quickly as he could, before his telephonic arrangements became useless. It was when in hot pursuit of that noble ambition that a misfortune happened to him which showed that even the best system of backing horses—and I take that Mr Bugster's system left little to be desired—may occasionally go wrong.

He was working on the usual lines at a mid-land meeting, and had backed two or three really "good things." So "good," indeed, were they that they had virtually won when his commission was placed on the market. He had rented two rooms in a house overlooking the course, and by the aid of his glasses could "read the race" with a success that defied competition. With him was a confederate, to whom Sammy observed after backing two winners, "We must have a rare splash on the next race if we can get it through sharp so as to beat the wires. It is no use hanging about any longer playing at marbles. We must capture a big sum quick, or they'll tumble to our little game."

"All right, Sammy, my pippin," replied the confederate (led into crime through drink, as you could see from his nose), "you give me the winner of this next steeplechase as quick as you can. Something may win it in a walk, and I'll send the number up, with instructions to get on as much as possible."

There were five or six runners for the steeplechase referred to; when they were started Mr Bugster had his glasses on them at once, eagerly watching the race, while his strawberry-nosed colleague just as eagerly watched him. Two of the competitors soon fell, one tailed off, and about a quarter of a mile from home Sammy saw that, as the expert's aver, "there was only one it." The leading horse was about ten lengths in front, had only two plain fences to jump, his rider was sitting still holding him, while the others were being pushed on and could go no faster.

Turf Records.

WAIRARAPA R.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY—APRIL 15.

OPEN HURDLE HANDICAP of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. About one mile and a half.

54 Mr Q. Donald's g g Mutineer, by Treason—Desdemona, aged, 10.10, F. Ross ... 1
56 Mr P. F. Tancred's Oddfellow, 9.8, E. Collins ... 2
35 Mr J. Skeet's Dromedary, 11.0, F. Secombe ... 3
Also started—88 Sedition, 10.12, R. Arnott; 28 Cyrus II., 9.10, R. Buckridge.

Won by a length, half a length separating Oddfellow from Dromedary. Time, 2 min 59sec. Dividend, £4 7s.

TRIAL HACK HANDICAP of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 4 sovs from the stake. About six furlongs.

84 Mr J. Gravestock's ch g Omago, by Master Agnes—Model, 4yrs, 8.1, J. Ayres ... 1
64 Mr F. Seacombe's Miss Linne, 7.7, J. McLachlan ... 2
44 Mr W. E. Bidwell's Crescent, 7.11, R. Buckridge ... 3
Also started—52 Bona Fide, 8.7, McTaggart; 10 Rebounding Lock, 7.11, Lyon; 48 Foresore, 7.11, Jackson; 6 Amborite, 7.0, J. Matthews; 3 Ruby, 7.7, J. Skeet; 5 Gem, 7.6, Connor.

Won by half a length. Time, 1 min 20 4-5sec. Totalisator, 313. Dividend, £3 7s.

TELEGRAPH HANDICAP of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. About seven furlongs.

121 Mr A. W. Cave's b g Sea Serpent, by Piscatorious—Rumour, 8.3, Ayres ... 1
68 Mr P. F. Tancred's King's Bowman, 8.9, Keegan ... 2
111 Mr W. Davies' Kent, 7.13, L. Matthews ... 3
Also started—121 Review, 7.3, Jackson.
Won by a neck. Time, 1 min 34sec. Totalisator, 440. Dividend, £3 11s.

AUTUMN HACK HANDICAP of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. About one mile and a quarter.

58 Mr W. Hutana's Slaiden, by Grand Duke, 7.12, Armstrong ... 1
66 Mr W. Davies' Swordfish, 8.1, Matthews ... 2
105 Mr C. Cress' Awatere, 8.4, Jackson ... 3
Also started—14 Treacherous, 7.8, Connor; 48 Fresh Deal, 8.2, Montague; 40 Mako Mako, 8.11, H. Reid; 14 Persimmon, 7.9, McLachlan; 15 Inverness, 7.3, Hood; 12 Bull's Eye, 7.0, Keegan; Ruby, 7.3, Skeet; 11 Salmon, 7.0, Myers.

Won by a length. Time, 2 min 17 1-5sec. Totalisator, 385. Dividend, £5 19s.

A pair of 7s 6d gloves for 6d at Fowlds' sale of Moore's salvage stock.

EASTER HANDICAP of 90 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. About one mile and a half.

141 Mr I. Freeth's Revolution, by Treason—Mischief, aged, 8.7, H. Reed ... 1
149 Mr W. Hutana's Prince Cole, 8.9, Armstrong ... 2
63 Mr O. Cress' Von Tempisky, 7.13, Jackson ... 3
Also started—48 Kent, 7.7, McLachlan; 37 Review, 6.11, Myers; 14 Primero, 7.4; 40 Arius, 7.11, Matthews.
Won easily by two lengths. Time, 2min 43sec. Totalisator, 514. Dividend £3 5s.

FLYING HACK HANDICAP of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stake. About half a mile.

158 Mr W. A. Donald's b g Voltaire, by Master Agnes—Polly, aged, 9.9, J. Reid ... 1
50 Mr W. Hutana's Slaiden, 9.1, James ... 2
22 Mr W. E. Bidwill's Crescent, 7.10, Buckeridge ... 3
Also started—12 Awatere, 9.9, Jackson; 41 Omago, 8.0, Ayers; 52 Miss Minnie, 7.2, Keegan; 15 Brookfield, 9.4, Matthews; 24 Napoleon, 7.5, McLachlan. Won easily by a length. Time, 50½sec. Totalisator, 375. Dividend, £2 2s.

OPEN WELTER HANDICAP of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. About a mile and a distance.

76 Mr P. F. Tancered's ch g King's Bowman by Forester—Princess Royal, 9.11, Ayers ... 1
135 Mr H. T. Mahupuku's The Toad, 8.7, Arnott ... 2
11 Mr C. R. Bidwell's Arius, 9.11, Buckeridge ... 3
Also started—33 Primero, 9.5, Reed.
Won all the way. Time, 2min 4 2-5sec. Totalisator, 252. Dividend, £3 2s.

HUNTERS' FLAT HANDICAP of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stakes. About one mile.

128 Mr T. Benton's Makomako, 13.2, Owner ... 1
32 Mr K. McKenzie's Kaika, 11.13, F. Matthews ... 2
32 Mr W. McKerrow's Whangaimoana, 10.0, Buckeridge ... 3
Also started—22 Cyrus II., 11.13, F. Pearce; 135 Mutineer, 13.2, J. Cress.
Won by a clear length from Kaika, Wangaimoana a length away third. Time, 1min 59sec. Totalisator, 350. Dividend, £2 9s.

TURANGANUI NATIVE JOCKEY CLUB ANNUAL MEETING.

MONDAY, APRIL 15TH, 1895.

Weather Fine.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half.

32 Mr H. Glover's b g Donald McKinnon, by The Dolphin, 5yrs, 10.4, Ashdown ... 1
36 Mr D. Thompson's ch m Jewel, aged, 9.10, Sceats ... 2
37 Mr J. A. Harding's b g Worth, aged, 11.2, Hayden ... 3
Also started—78 Disturbance, 10.0; 44 Pani, 10.4.
Won by half a length. A protest was entered by Sceats (rider of Jewel) against Donald McKinnon, on the grounds of a cross, but after hearing evidence the protest was dismissed. Time, 3min. Totalisator 227. Dividend £6 7s.

MAIDEN HACK SCURRY of 10 sovs. Catch weights. Four furlongs.

70 Mr Te Kani Pere's br m Small Gun, by Derringer, Sharp ... 1
10 Mr Walters' Malcolm, Slater ... 2
Also started—44 Daybreak, 20 Kawia, 3 Piata, 10 Opipi, 24 Goodshot.
Won by a number of lengths. Time, 51 3-5sec. Totalisator 181. Dividend, £2 6s.

EASTER HANDICAP of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Five furlongs.

14 Mr W. C. Walsh's gr h Pani, by Merwin—Lady Grey, aged 9.2, Slater ... 1
35 Mr A. B. Newman's b m Glauvina, 4yrs, 8.11, Cudd ... 2
20 Mr G. H. Allen's b g Forella, 6yrs, 7.0, Sharp ... 3
Also started—36 Pororua, 8.12; 8 Retribution, 8.10; 57 Perkin, 8.10; 43 Hopmarket, 8.0; 22 Zillah, 7.4; 4 Bachuss, 7.2; 22 Wool Queen, 7.0; 9 Small Gun, 6.7; 2 Nikapua, 6.7; 6 Monaco, 6.7.
Won by three-parts of a length. Time, 1min 5½sec. Totalisator, 278. Dividend, £17 17s.

HACK RACE HANDICAP of 10 sovs. Seven furlongs.

19 Mr Ball's b g Paki Paki, by Patriarch, 6yrs, 8.0, Ready ... 1
43 Mr R. Harper's b g Royal, 5yrs, 8.2, Sharp ... 2
44 Mr Roger's br h Bulldog, 5yrs, 8.7, Slater ... 3
Also started—21 Avis, 8.8; 5 Bachuss, 8.7; 7 Albert, 8.4; 23 Nightingale, 8.0; 23 Laddie, 7.7; 6 Bessie, 7.4; 2 Valentia, 7.2; 16 Ngakuroa, 7.0.
Won by a short neck. Time, 1min 34sec. Totalisator, 209. Dividend, £9 18s.

TAIRAWHITI HANDICAP of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and a quarter.

78 Mr C. Lewis's g g Perkin, by Perkin Warbeck II.—Blue Bell, Atkins ... 1
44 Mr W. J. Hamon's b g Hopmarket, 5yrs, 7.10, Benson ... 2
54 Mr E. O'Dwyer's ch m Pororua, 4yrs, 8.7, Ready ... 3
Also started—64 Samoa, 7.10; 15 Cochebo, 7.7; 22 Napper, 7.0; 7 Zillah, 6.13; 7 Glenora, 6.12; 11 Monaco, 6.7.
Won easily. Time, 2min 16sec. Totalisator, 302. Dividend, £3 9s.

MAORI RACE HANDICAP of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and a quarter.

6 Mr Whanga's rn g Nikapua, by Hailstorm, 5yrs, 8.6 and 4lb over, Lung ... 1

66 Mr Glover's b h Donald McKinnon, 5yrs, 10.12, Hakarai ... 2
53 Mr Rangiuia's b m Daybreak, 4yrs, 8.0 and 4lb over, Abraham ... 3
Also started—12 Baldie, 9.12; 8 Mangahone, 9.4; 17 Happy Jack, 8.0; 3 Kalo, 8.0.
Won by about a length. Time, 2min 21 3-5sec. Totalisator, 165. Dividend, £24 15s.

FORCED HANDICAP of 15 sovs. One mile.

16 Mr A. B. Newman's ch m Glauvina, by Daniel O'Rourke—Luna, 7.4, S. Newman ... 1
8 Mr E. P. Joyce's b m Zillah, 6.12, Benson ... 2
22 Mr W. C. Walsh's gr h Pani, 9.5, Banks ... 3
Also started—63 Parkin, 25 Pororua, 24 Retribution, 16 Jewel, 9 Cochebo.
Won by about a length. Time, 1min 46sec. Totalisator, 183. Dividend, £10 5s.

FEILDING J.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY—APRIL 15TH.

FLYING HANDICAP of 60 sovs. Six furlongs.

50 Mr J. M. Fraser's Allan-a-dale, 7.9, Fairbrother ... 1
64 Mr W. H. Fergus's Cheque, 8.12, McTaggart ... 2
29 Mr R. W. Smith's Seabreeze, 7.0, G. Reed ... 3
Also started—50 Kalmea, 8.5; 77 Orion, 8.3; 31 Gold Cup, 7.2.
Won under the whip by two lengths, Seabreeze a good third. Time, 1min 22sec. Totalisator, 301. Dividend, £5 8s.

HANDICAP HURDLES of 60 sovs. One mile and three quarters.

93 Mr J. Green's Narrate, 9.0, Morris ... 1
103 Mr R. Kingan's Aurora, 10.8, owner ... 2
37 Mr C. Hawkin's Unity, 10.8, McTaggart ... 3
Also started—38 Rangipai, 11.3; 32 Sunbeam, 9.0.
Won comfortably by two lengths. Time, 3min 34sec. Totalisator, 384. Dividend, £2 18s.

HACK HURDLES of 40 sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

91 G. Maddison's Barman, 9.0, McTaggart ... 1
66 Mr C. Leen's Spreydon, 11.0, A. Hall ... 2
97 J. Retter's Tangaroa, 10.0, owner ... 3
Also started—6 Defence, 10.10; 15 Haeremai, 9.7; 30 Passion, 9.0.
Won by a long neck. Time, 3min 1-5sec. Totalisator, 385. Dividend, £3.

FEILDING HANDICAP of 200 sovs. One mile and a half.

116 Mr J. Collin's Lorelei, 6.13, Jenkins ... 1
69 Mr D. McKinnon's Scot Free, 7.8, Donovan ... 2
47 Mr E. Calthrop's Monte Carlo, 7.13, McCormick ... 3
Also started—120 Rangipui, 8.13; 63 Westmere, 7.13; 94 Ua, 7.13; 44 Blarney 7.6.
Won easily by a length. Time, 2min 45 1-5sec. Totalisator, 553. Dividend, £4 5s.

HACK FLAT of 40 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

79 Mr W. Jenkins' Vigil, 7.9, Jenkins ... 1
136 Mr S. Wilson's Roll Call, 8.3, Wells ... 2
22 Mr T. S. Bristol's Tomboy, 6.10 ... 3
Also started—55 Freewill, 8.3; 77 Finesse, 8.3.
Won by a length. Time, 2min 15 1-5 sec. Totalisator, 372. Dividend, £4 5s.

WINTER OATS HANDICAP of 50 sovs. One mile.

48 Mr J. M. Fraser's Allan-a-dale, 7.9, Fairbrother ... 1
33 Mr A. M. Robertson's Zanella, 7.5, Watt ... 2
51 Mr C. Fitzherbert's Kalmea, 8.5, Jenkins ... 3
Also started—42 Cheque, 8.11; 48 Variety, 8.0; 38 Cyrus, 7.2; 40 Tuhiwai, 6.7.
Won by a nose on the post. Time, 1min 50 sec. Totalisator, 300. Dividend, £5 12s.

HACK FLYING of 30 sovs. Six furlongs.

179 Mr L. Holmes' Umslopogaas, 8.13, W. Holmes ... 1
60 Mr W. Trask's Reality, 7.6, Morris ... 2
43 Mr M. Coleman's Allington, 8.3, Jenkins ... 3
Also started—16 Aintree, 6.9; 44 Tophorn, 6.9; 11 Totia, 6.9.
Won easily. Time, 1min 25secs. Totalisator, 353. Dividend, £1 15s.

SECOND DAY—APRIL 16TH.

DENBIGH STAKES of 60 sovs. One mile.

36 Mr E. Calthrop's Monte Carlo, 8.2, McCormick ... 1
30 Mr J. M. Fraser's Allandale, 7.9, Fairbrother ... 2
6 Mr U. Marumaru's Tuhiwai, 6.7, Neary ... 3
Also started—38 Kalmea, 8.0; 93 Zanella, 7.9; 18 Variety, 7.10.
Won by a half a neck. No time was taken. Totalisator 221. Dividend, £5 10s.

SECOND HANDICAP HURDLES of 50 sovs. One mile and a half.

110 Mr R. Kingan's Aurora, 10.7, Owner ... 1
117 Mr J. Green's Narrate, 9.13, Morris ... 2
51 Mr K. Waitere's Rangipai, 10.13, A. Hall ... 3
Also started—20 Unity, 10.2; 17 Sunbeam, 9.0.
Won comfortably by two lengths. Time, 3min 1 2-5sec. Totalisator, 315. Dividend, £2 11s.

SECOND HACK HURDLES of 35 sovs. One mile and a half.

114 Mr C. Leen's Spreydon, 11.12, A. Hall ... 1
50 Mr J. Retter's Tangaroa, 10.2, Owner ... 2
117 Mr G. Maddison's Barman, 10.4, McTaggart ... 3
Also started—9 Passion, 9.0; 8 Sonny, 9.0.
Won easily by a couple of lengths. Sonny ran off at the first hurdle. Time, 3min 3 3-5sec. Totalisator, 326. Dividend, £2 11.

OROUA HANDICAP of 100 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

200 Mr J. Collins' Lorelei, 7.9, Jenkins ... 1

65 Mr D. McKinnon's Scot Free, 8.3, Donovan ... 2
47 Mr A. Robertson's Blarney, 7.0, D. Watt ... 3
Also started—58 Rangipui, 8.10; 52 Monte Carlo, 8.6; 22 Westmere, 7.12; 25 Allan-a-dale, 7.11.

Won easily by a length, Blarney a good third. Time, 2min 14 3-5sec. Totalisator, 469. Dividend, £2 2s.

SECOND HACK FLYING of 30 sovs. Five furlongs.

160 Mr L. Holmes' Umslopogaas, 9.5, W. Holmes ... 1
51 Mr J. Wilson's Roll Call, 8.9, P. White ... 2
115 Mr W. Jenkins' Vigil, 8.5, Jenkins ... 3
Also started—12 Pihanga, 8.3; 9 Allington, 8.3; 17 Puawai, 7.7; 2 Tophorn, 6.7; 2 Aintree, 6.7.
Won very easily by two lengths; a length between second and third. Time 1min 8sec. Totalisator, 368. Dividend £2 1s.

SHORTS HANDICAP of 55 sovs. Five furlongs.

141 Mr D. Campion's Ngatuere, 6.9, Jenkins ... 1
35 Mr F. Tilley's Gold Cup, 7.2, Watt ... 2
33 Mr R. Smith's Seabreeze, 7.2, Myers ... 3
Also started—87 Cheque, 8.12; 15 Kalmea, 7.5 Orion, 8.3; 37 Caribou, 7.9.
Won on the post by a nose after a grand finish. Time, 1min 8sec. Totalisator, 423. Dividend, £2 14s.

FINAL HANDICAP of 25 sovs. One mile.

132 Mr L. Holmes' Umslopogaas, 9.8, W. Holmes ... 1
44 Mr W. Trask's Reality, 7.3, Jenkins ... 2
103 Mr J. Hathaway's Pihanga, 7.12, G. Reed ... 3
Also started—30 Freewill, 8.4; 3 Totia, 6.7.
Won easily by a length. Time, 1min 55 3-5sec. Totalisator, 312. Dividend, £2 2s.

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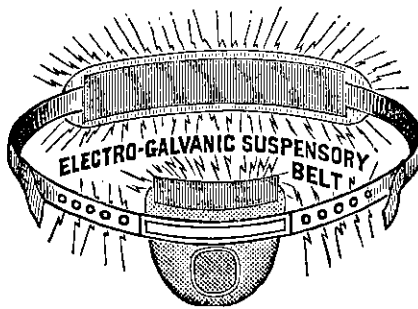
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