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AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

OFFICERS—President: Colonel Dawson. Vice-President: Mr. Thos. Morrin. Stewards: Messrs W. R. Bloomfield, A. Buckland, Richard Duder, A. Hanna, H. T. Gorrie, A. Kidd, H. O. Nolan, J. C. Smith, W. D. Holgate. Hon. Treasurer: Mr. J. Dickey. Hon. Judge: Major Banks. Starter: Mr. George Catta. Clerk of Scales: Mr. F. W. Marks. Clerk of Course: Mr. A. Selby. Handicapper: Mr. J. O. Evelt.

SUMMER MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

BOXING DAY, 26th DECEMBER, 1895.

First race to start at 12 o'clock.

Trial Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Seven furlongs.

The Great Northern Foal Stakes of 300 sovs, added to a sweepstake of 10 sovs each; 5 sovs forfeit or no liability if declared by 8 o'clock on the night of general entry. The second horse to receive 50 sovs, and the third horse 25 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Colts, 8st 10lbs; fillies and geldings, 8st 5lbs. The forfeit (5 sovs) to be declared and paid to A.R.C. Secretary by 12 noon on the day before the race, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake (10 sovs). Closed. Six furlongs.

The Auckland Cup (Handicap) of 600 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and third horse 20 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 2 sovs, Acceptance 3 sovs each, and a final payment of 5 sovs at the post, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Two miles.

Handicap Hurdle Race of 120 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 3 sovs each, to go to the funds. Over 8 flights of hurdles. Two miles.

Railway Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Six furlongs.

Nursery Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Winner of the Great Northern Foal Stakes to carry 10lbs extra. Five furlongs.

Pony Cup Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 1 sov, and a final payment of 1 sov at the post, to go to the funds. Seven furlongs.

Christmas Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any handicap after publication of the weights to carry 5lbs penalty. One mile and a quarter.

SECOND DAY.

NEW YEAR'S DAY, WEDNESDAY, 1st JANUARY, 1896.

First Race to start at 12 o'clock.

Glasgow Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Seven furlongs.

New Year's Handicap Hurdle Race of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Over 8 flights of hurdles. Two miles.

Great Northern Derby of 500 sovs, added to a sweepstake of 15 sovs each; 5 sovs forfeit or no liability if declared to the Secretary by 8 p.m. on the night of general entry. Second horse to receive 100 sovs, and third horse 25 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds. Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies and geldings, 8st 5lb. The forfeit (5 sovs) to be declared and paid to the A.R.C. Secretary by 12 noon on the day before the race, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake. Closed. One mile and a half.

Midsummer Handicap of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance 2 sovs, and Acceptance 3 sovs each, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

County Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Six furlongs.

Auckland Racing Club Handicap of 350 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 2 sovs, Acceptance 3 sovs, and a final payment of 5 sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. One mile and a half.

Pony Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 1 sov, and 1 sov each at the post, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

Maiden Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. For horses that have never won 50 sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. One mile.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, 2nd JANUARY, 1896.

First Race to start at 12 o'clock.

Ascot Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. One mile.

Sylvia Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

Grand Stand Handicap of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 3 sovs each, to go to the funds. Winner of any race after publication of weights to carry 5lbs penalty. One mile and a quarter.

Auckland Steeplechase Handicap of 250 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 2 sovs, Acceptance 3 sovs, and a final payment of 3 sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. About three miles and a half.

Newmarket Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov, and Acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Winner of any race after publication of weights to carry 5lbs penalty. Six furlongs.

The Royal Stakes of 500 sovs; second horse to receive 20 per cent., and third horse 10 per cent. out of the stake. For two and three-year-olds. Weight for age. Winners after August 1, 1895, of any race or races collectively of the value of 250 sovs, 3lb; of 500 sovs, 5lbs; of 750 sovs, 7lbs; of 1000 sovs, 10lbs. Maiden three-year-olds at time of starting allowed 10lbs; two-year-olds, 7lbs. By subscription of 10 sovs each, payable to the Secretary of the A.R.C. on general entry day, Summer Meeting, 1895, unless forfeits are declared and paid as follows:—Yearlings (foals of 1892) may be struck out upon payment of 4 sovs by the first Friday in September, 1895; or upon payment of 6 sovs by the first Friday in December, 1895. Foals of 1893 may be struck out upon payment of 4 sovs by the first Friday in September, 1895; or upon payment of 6 sovs by the first Friday in December, 1895. Should there not be 25 horses left in on the first Friday in September, 1895, the Committee reserve the right to reduce the stakes. All horses remaining in after the first Friday in December, 1895, must pay their total entrance of 10 sovs by 12 noon the day before the race. Should there be any surplus arising out of the subscriptions it will be given to the race. Six furlongs.

Pony Handicap Hurdle Race of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. For four-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov, Acceptance 1 sov, and 1 sov at the post, to go to the funds. Over 6 flights of hurdles. One mile and a half.

Recovery Stakes (Handicap) of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards (ponies excepted) that have not won or received place money during the meeting. No entrance, acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds, to be made half an hour before the race. Five furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.

SUMMER MEETING, 1895-96.
With amounts to be transmitted to Secretary A.R.C.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1895, by 9 p.m.
NOMINATIONS—
Auckland Cup..... 2 sovs
Auckland Steeplechase..... 2 sovs
Auckland Racing Club Handicap 2 sovs

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1895, by 9 p.m.
ACCEPTANCES—
Auckland Cup..... 3 sovs
Auckland Steeplechase..... 3 sovs

THIRD FOREFIT—
Royal Stakes of 1895-96—For three-year-olds (foals of 1892) and two-year-olds (foals of 1893) 6 sovs

FIRST FOREFIT—
Champagne Stakes, 1896 1 sov

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1895, by 9 p.m.
NOMINATIONS—
Trial Handicap..... 1 sov
Midsummer Handicap..... 2 sovs
Handicap Hurdles..... 1 sov
County Handicap..... 1 sov
Railway Handicap..... 1 sov
Pony Handicap..... 1 sov
Nursery Handicap..... 1 sov
Maiden Handicap..... 1 sov
Pony Cup Handicap..... 1 sov
Ascot Handicap..... 1 sov
Christmas Handicap..... 1 sov
Sylvia Handicap..... 1 sov
Glasgow Handicap..... 1 sov
Grand Stand Hdcp..... 1 sov
New Year's Handicap..... 1 sov
Newmarket Hdcp..... 1 sov
Hurdles..... 1 sov
Pony Hdcp Hurdles 1 sov
Great Northern Foal Stakes—The nomination to be struck out, or the nominator will be liable to forfeit 5 sovs
Great Northern Derby—The nomination to be struck out, or the nominator will be liable to forfeit 5 sovs
N.B.—Owners striking their nominations out on or before this day have nothing to pay.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1895, by 9 p.m.
ACCEPTANCES—
Trial Handicap..... 2 sovs
Nursery Handicap..... 2 sovs
Handicap Hurdles..... 3 sovs
Pony Cup Handicap 1 sov
Railway Handicap .. 2 sovs
Christmas Handicap 2 sovs

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1895, by 12 noon.
Great Northern Foal Stakes—The forfeit of 5 sovs to be declared and paid, or the nominator will be liable for whole of sweepstake, 10 sovs.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1895, at the Post.
ACCEPTANCES—
Great Northern Foal Stakes (sweep) 10 sovs
Auckland Cup..... 5 sovs
Pony Cup Handicap 1 sov

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1895, by 9 p.m.
ACCEPTANCES—
Glasgow Handicap..... 2 sovs
Auckland Racing Club New Year's Handicap..... 3 sovs
Midsummer Hdcp 3 sovs
Pony Handicap..... 1 sov
County Handicap .. 2 sovs
Maiden Handicap .. 2 sovs

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1895, by 12 noon.
Great Northern Derby—The forfeit of 5 sovs to be declared and paid, or the nominator will be liable for the whole of the sweepstake, 15 sovs.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1896, at the Post.
ACCEPTANCES—
Great Northern Derby 15 sovs
Auckland Racing Club Handicap Pony Race 1 sov
Royal Stakes..... 10 sovs, by 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1896, by 12 noon.

ACCEPTANCES—
Ascot Handicap..... 2 sovs
Grandstand Hdcp... 3 sovs
Sylvia Handicap..... 2 sovs
Newmarket Hdcp... 2 sovs
Pony Hurdle Handicap 1 sov

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1896, at the Post.
ACCEPTANCES—
Steeplechase..... 3 sovs
Handicap Pony Hurdle Recovery Stakes..... 2 sovs
dle Race..... 1 sov

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 1896.
FIRST FOREFIT—
Great Northern Derby, 1896-97 2 sovs
Royal Stakes, 1896-97—For two-year-olds (foals of 1893), and yearlings (foals of 1894) 2 sovs
Great Northern Foal Stakes, 1896-97 (foals of 1894) 1 sov

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 1896, by 9 p.m.
NOMINATIONS—
Great Northern Derby Stakes, 1897-98.
Great Northern Foal Stakes, 1897-98.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1895.
Auckland Cup..... Summer Steeplechase

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1895.
Trial Handicap..... Nursery Handicap
Handicap Hurdles..... Christmas Handicap
Railway Handicap..... Handicap Pony Race

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1895, by 9 p.m.
New Year's Hdcp Hurdles..... County Handicap
Glasgow Handicap..... Racing Club Handicap
Midsummer Handicap..... Handicap Pony Race
Maiden Handicap

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Ascot Handicap..... Grandstand Handicap
Sylvia Handicap..... Newmarket Handicap
Handicap Pony Hurdles

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

THAMES JOCKEY CLUB

(Registered under Auckland Racing Club.)

OFFICERS—President: Mr. Jas. McGowan, M.H.R. Vice-President: Mr. Alfred Smith. Judge: Mr. John Wilson. Handicapper: Mr. W. Knight. Starter: Mr. C. Short. Clerk of Scales: Mr. W. Burton. Clerk of Course: Mr. J. Teddy. Stewards: Messrs C. J. Winder, E. McDonnell, W. Burch, Wm. Scott, D. Stewart.

SUMMER MEETING.

FIRST DAY,
THURSDAY, 26th DECEMBER, 1895.

First Race to start at one o'clock.

Maiden Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won over £20. Nomination 10s, acceptance 15s. Seven furlongs.

First Handicap Hurdles of 45 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Over 7 flights of hurdles. Nomination 20s, acceptance 25s. One mile and a three-quarters.

Goldfield's Cup of 55 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Nomination 25s, acceptance 30s. One mile and a half.

First Pony Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Nomination 15s, acceptance 10s. Five furlongs and a half.

First Handicap Steeplechase of 55 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Nomination 25s, acceptance 30s. About two miles and a half.

Stewards' Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs out of the stake. Nomination 15s, acceptance 15s. Weights will be declared after First Steeplechase; acceptance at scales. One mile.

Pony Hurdle Race of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs out of the stake. Nomination 15s, acceptance 10s. One mile and a half.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY, 27th DECEMBER, 1895.

First Race to start at one o'clock.

Midsummer Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs out of the stake. Nomination 15s, acceptance 15s. Seven furlongs.

Thames Handicap Hurdles of 55 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Over 8 flights of hurdles. Nomination 25s, acceptance 30s. About two miles.

Second Pony Handicap of 25 sovs; second pony to receive 3 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Nomination 15s, acceptance 10s. One mile.

Thames Goldfield's Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 7 sovs out of the stake. Nomination 1 1/2 sovs, acceptance 30s. One mile and a quarter.

Wolter Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs out of the stake. Nomination 10s, acceptance 15s. One mile.

Thames Handicap Steeplechase of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 7 sovs out of the stake. Nomination 1 1/2 sovs, acceptance 2 sovs. About three miles.

Free Handicap of 25 sovs. Post entry, acceptance 1 sov. Five and a half furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

SATURDAY, 30th NOVEMBER, 1895, by 8 p.m.
NOMINATIONS—
Maiden Handicap..... 10s
Midsummer Handicap..... 15s
First Handicap Hurdles 20s
Thames H'cap Hurdles 25s
Goldfield's Cup..... 25s
Wolter Handicap..... 10s
First Pony Handicap..... 15s
Goldfield's Handicap 1 1/2 sovs
First Handicap Steeplechase 25s
Second Pony Handicap..... 15s
Stewards' Handicap..... 15s
Thames H'cap Steeplechase 1 1/2 sovs
Pony Hurdles..... 15s

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1895.
WEIGHTS—
Maiden Handicap
First Handicap Hurdles
Goldfield's Cup
First Pony Handicap
First Handicap Steeplechase
Pony Hurdles

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14th, by 8 p.m.
ACCEPTANCES—
Maiden Handicap..... 15s
First Handicap Hurdles 25s
Goldfield's Cup..... 30
First Pony Handicap..... 10s
First Hdcp Steeplechase 1 1/2 sovs
Pony Hurdles..... 10s

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26th, 1895.
Weights for Stewards' Handicap will be declared after First Handicap Steeplechase. Nomination 15s, acceptance (at scales) 15s.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26th, 1895.
Weights will be declared at 8.30 p.m., and Acceptances at 9.30 p.m., for—
Midsummer Handicap..... 15s
Goldfield's Handicap..... 30s
Thames H'cap Hurdles 25s
Second Pony Handicap 10s
Wolter Handicap..... 15s
Thames H'cap Steeplechase 2 sovs

Five per cent. will be deducted from all winnings for course improvements.
All entries to be scaled and addressed to the Secretary, Rickett and Co.'s Buildings, Brown Street, Thames. Entrance money must be enclosed with name, age, pedigree, name of owner, and colour of rider. Any jockey riding except in the colours entered will be fined one guinea.
All disputes, claims, protests, and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by a majority of the Stewards, or whoever they may appoint, and such decision on all points shall be final.
The Rules of the Thames Jockey Club will be strictly adhered to.

H. J. GREENSLADE,
Secretary.

STRATFORD RACING CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING.

THURSDAY, 16th JANUARY, 1896.

OFFICERS.—President: Mr. H. N. Liardet. Vice-President: Mr. H. Bayley. Stewards: Messrs W. Symes, J. Melville, C. D. Sole, A. Bayly, R. McQuicken, W. H. Buckthorpe, W. Brookings, E. G. Allworth, R. S. Hirschberg, R. B. Lusk, J. H. Robson, and Dr. Harrison. Judge: Mr. H. Bayly. Clerk of Course: Mr. P. Brookings. Clerk of Scales: Mr. C. D. Sole. Treasurer: Mr. R. S. Hirschberg. Secretary: Mr. H. J. C. Counts. Handicapper: Mr. J. B. Henry. Starter: Mr. M. F. Baird. Timekeeper: Mr. H. G. Payne.

PROGRAMME.

Handicap Hurdle Race of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 20s. Over six flights of hurdles. One mile and a half. To start at 12 o'clock.

Ngauri Stakes of 20 sovs, for all horses that have not won a race exceeding the value of 40 sovs at time of start. Entrance, 20s. Minimum weight, 9st. Five furlongs. To start at 12.45 p.m.

Stratford Cup, a handicap of 125 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third 5 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 30s; acceptance, 60s. One mile and a quarter. To start at 1.30 p.m.

Pony Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Five furlongs. To start at 2.15 p.m.

Cardiff Stakes of 20 sovs, for horses that have never won an advertised race. Entries to close at 2 p.m. on day of race. Entrance, 20s. Catch weights. Four furlongs. To start at 3 p.m.

Midhurst Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 40s. Six furlongs. To start at 3.45 p.m.

Selling Race of 20 sovs; winner to be sold immediately after the race for 20 sovs. Entrance, 20s. Minimum weight, 8st. Five furlongs. To start at 4.15 p.m.

Toko Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Weights will appear immediately after the Midhurst Handicap is run. Seven furlongs. To start at 5 p.m.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

All stakes will be paid in full.
DEFINITION OF A HACK.—A horse that has never won an advertised race exceeding the value of 40 sovs at time of start, and is not nominated at time of entry for a Derby, Guineas, St. Leger, or Sapping Stakes (Hack, Hunter, and Pony Races excepted).
* Horses that have won an advertised race of the value of £25, after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 5lb if of the value of £40, and if over to carry a penalty of 7lb. Penalties not cumulative.
The Committee reserve to themselves the right to alter the date of meeting, entry, acceptance, appearing of weights, and order and time of events should they see fit to do so.
All races will be run under the Rules of Racing adopted by the Metropolitan Racing Clubs of New Zealand.



DATES OF NOMINATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES.

SATURDAY, 14th December, at 9 p.m.—Nominations close for Hurdle Race, Stratford Cup, Pony Race, and Midhurst Handicap, weights for which will appear on **SATURDAY, 4th January.**

SATURDAY, 11th January, at 9 p.m.—Acceptances close for Hurdle Race, Stratford Cup, Pony Race, and Midhurst Handicap; and entries close for Ngairi Stakes, Selling Race, and Toko Handicap.

Nominations and acceptances must be accompanied by the necessary fees, and addressed to the Secretary, Stratford.

Telegraph Office closes at 8 p.m.

HUGH J. C. COUTTS,
Hon. Secretary,
Submitted and approved this 16th day of September, 1895.

ROBT. G. BAUCHOPE,
Hon. Secretary, Taranaki Jockey Club.

FOXTON RACING CLUB.

HACK MEETING

TO BE HELD ON THE FOXTON RACECOURSE ON **WEDNESDAY, 22ND JANUARY, 1896.**

President: Mr F. Robinson. Vice-President: Mr E. S. Thyme. Judge: Mr Jno. Davies. Stewards and Committee: Messrs W. Robinson, J. H. Robinson, W. T. Little, P. Dudson, G. Gray, E. S. Thyme, H. Border, C. A. Harrison, A. E. T. Nixon, F. R. Young, and F. E. Jenks. Handicapper: Mr J. E. Henry. Clerk of Scales: Mr J. Cumberfield. Clerk of Course: Mr F. Easton. Timekeeper: Mr A. E. T. Nixon. Treasurer: Mr Walter Robinson. Starter: Mr P. J. Murtagh (machine).

PROGRAMME.

Flying Stakes Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 1 sov. Six furlongs. To start at 11.40 p.m.

Trial Hurdle Race of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Over six flights of hurdles, 3ft. 6in. high. Open to all horses that have never won an advertised hurdle race prior to date of entry. Minimum weight, 10st. Entrance 1 sov. One mile and a half. To start at 12.20 p.m.

Handicap Hurdle Race of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft. 6in. high. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 1 sov. One mile and three quarters. To start at 1 p.m.

Foxton Racing Club Handicap of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs and third horse 10 sovs from the stakes. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 3 sovs. The winner of any flat handicap of the value of 50 sovs and upwards after declaration of weights to incur a penalty of 7lb (not accumulative). One mile and a half. To start at 1.50 p.m.

Anniversary Stakes of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stakes. Open to all horses that have never won an advertised race of any description up to date of entry. Weight for age. Entrance 1 sov. One mile. To start at 2.25 p.m.

Electric Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Nomination 10s, acceptance 1 sov. Winner of Flying Handicap to incur a penalty of 7lb. Five furlongs. To start at 3 p.m.

Stewards' Stakes Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 1 sov. Winner of Foxton R.C. Handicap to incur a penalty of 7lb. One mile and a quarter. To start at 3.40 p.m.

Welter Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stakes. Minimum weight, 8st 7lb. Nomination 10s, acceptance 10s. One mile and a distance. To start at 4.20 p.m.

NOMINATIONS for all events, except Trial Hurdles and Anniversary Stakes, close with the Secretary on **SATURDAY, 28th December, 1895, at 9 p.m.** Weights will be declared on or about the 7th of January, 1896.

ACCEPTANCES close on **WEDNESDAY, 15th January, 1896, at 9 p.m.** Entries for Trial Hurdles and Anniversary Stakes will close on **WEDNESDAY, 15th January, 1896, at 9 p.m.**

DEFINITION OF A HACK.

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 Committee reserve the right to alter any of the above dates. The advertised fee must in every case accompany nominations and acceptances. All races to be run under the Rules of Racing. No betting allowed on the course, except through the medium of the totalisator. All stakes paid in full.

J. R. WHYTE,
Secretary.
Approved in accordance with the Rules of Racing.
FREEMAN R. JACKSON,
Secretary Wanganui Jockey Club.
4th October, 1895.

WELLINGTON RACING CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING, 1896.

WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY, JANUARY 22ND AND 24TH, 1896.

Judge: Mr G. H. Seales. Treasurer: Mr F. Franklyn. Clerk of Scales: Mr John Wilkins. Stewards: Messrs Jas. Ames, W. E. Bidwill, J. Dunstan, J. B. Harcourt, G. H. Harbice, C. P. Skerrett, J. Saunders. Handicapper: Mr J. O. Evett.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.

Anniversary Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. One mile.

Nursery Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Six furlongs.

Wellington Cup of 500 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and the third horse 25 sovs from the stake. Acceptance, 4 sovs; final payment, 6 sovs. After the declaration of the weights for this race, the winner of any handicap flat race of the value of 100 sovs may be re-handicapped, and made to carry such additional weight as the handicapper may impose. (Closed with 56 nominations.) One mile and a half.

Hurdle Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Two miles.

Welter Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 8st 7lb. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

President's Handicap of 125 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 3 sovs. The winner of the Anniversary Handicap to carry 7lb penalty, of the Wellington Cup 10lb penalty, or of both these races 14lb penalty. One mile and a furlong.

First Hack Handicap of 75 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. One mile and a furlong.

Telegraph Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. The winner of any previous race the same day to carry 7lb penalty, of two or more races 10lb penalty. Three-quarters of a mile.

SECOND DAY.

January Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. One mile and a furlong.

Hurdle Handicap of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and three-quarters.

Wellington Racing Club Handicap of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and the third horse 10 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 4 sovs. The winner of the January Handicap to carry 7lb extra. (Closed with 59 nominations.) One mile and a quarter.

Juvenile Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Five furlongs.

Second Welter Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 8st. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Seven furlongs.

Second Hack Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile.

Metropolitan Handicap of 125 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 3 sovs. The winner of the January Handicap or the Wellington Racing Club Handicap to carry 10lb extra, or of both these races 14lb extra. Three quarters of a mile.

Farewell Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov. Weights will be declared immediately after the Second Welter Handicap is run. Acceptance, 1 sov, at the scales, within ten minutes after the Metropolitan Handicap, the winner of the latter race to carry 7lb extra. One mile.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

[N.B.—All events close at 9 p.m.]
MONDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1895.
Weights declared for the Wellington Cup.

FRIDAY, 3RD JANUARY—General entry night.
NOMINATIONS—
Anniversary Handicap..... 1 sov
Nursery Handicap..... 1 sov
Hurdle Handicaps (both days)..... 1 sov
Welter Handicap..... 1 sov
President's Handicap..... 1 sov
Hack Handicaps (both days)..... 1 sov
Telegraph Handicap..... 1 sov
January Handicap..... 1 sov
Juvenile Handicap..... 1 sov
Second Welter Handicap..... 1 sov
Metropolitan Handicap..... 1 sov
Farewell Handicap..... 1 sov

TUESDAY, 7TH JANUARY—
Weights declared for the first day's handicaps.
TUESDAY, 14TH JANUARY.

ACCEPTANCES—
Anniversary Handicap..... 2 sovs
Nursery Handicap..... 2 sovs
Wellington Cup..... 4 sovs
Hurdle Handicap (first day)..... 2 sovs
Welter Handicap..... 2 sovs
President's Handicap..... 3 sovs
First Hack Handicap..... 2 sovs
Telegraph Handicap..... 2 sovs

MONDAY, 20TH JANUARY—
FINAL PAYMENT Wellington Cup (6 sovs).
THURSDAY, 23RD JANUARY—
Weights for second day's handicaps declared about noon.

ACCEPTANCES to be made before 9 o'clock the same night.
H. M. LYON,
Secretary.

Club Hotel, Wellington.

GISBORNE RACING CLUB

SUMMER MEETING,

TO BE HELD ON THE POVERTY BAY PARK COMPANY'S RACECOURSE, TE HAPARA, ON **WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, JANUARY 22ND AND 23RD, 1896.**

President: W. H. Tucker, Esq. Vice-President: J. Carroll, Esq., M.H.R. Stewards: Messrs J. Siderston, A. B. Newman, J. A. Harding, R. Harper, A. McKenzie, J. Clark, J. Price, J. Maynard, A. Taylor, F. A. Martin. Judge: Mr W. H. Tucker. Starter: Captain Winter. Handicapper: Mr C. D. Bennett. Totalisator Steward: Mr W. O. Skeet. Clerk of Scales: Mr J. E. Whitley. Clerk of Course: Mr A. Fritchard. Hon. Treasurer: Mr G. Matthewson.

PROGRAMME

(Approved by the Metropolitan Club).
FIRST DAY.—WEDNESDAY, 22ND JANUARY, 1896.

To Start at 12 o'clock.
Flying Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

To Start at 12.45 p.m.
Catch Weights of 10 sovs. For all horses that have never won a race of any description. Post entry, 3 sov. Half-mile.

To Start at 1.30 p.m.
First Handicap Hurdle Race of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Over six flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a half.

To Start at 2.15 p.m.
First Handicap Hack Hurdles of 15 sovs. Entrance, 15s, close Monday, 20th January, at 9 p.m. One mile and a half.

To Start at 2.45 p.m.
President's Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs; final payment at scales, 1 sov. One mile and a quarter.

To Start at 3.15 p.m.
First Hack Race Handicap of 100 sovs. Entrance, 3 sov, close Monday, 20th January, at 9 p.m. Six furlongs.

To Start at 3.45 p.m.
Shorts Handicap of 30 sovs. The winner to be sold by auction, with his engagements, immediately after the race, the proceeds to go to the funds of the club. Entrance, 15 sov, close Monday, 20th January, at 9 p.m. Five furlongs.

To Start at 4.30 p.m.
Park Stakes Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winner of the President's Handicap to carry 7lb penalty. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a distance.

SECOND DAY.—THURSDAY, 23RD JANUARY, 1896.

To Start at 12 o'clock.
County Stakes Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses bred in the counties of Cook and Waikato. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 1 sov. Seven furlongs.

To Start at 12.45 p.m.
Second Hack Race Handicap of 10 sovs. Entrance, 3 sov, close Monday, 20th January, at 9 p.m. One mile.

To Start at 1.30 p.m.
Stewards' Handicap of 45 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Seven furlongs.

To Start at 2.15 p.m.
Second Handicap Hurdle Race of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 15 sov. One mile and three-quarters.

To Start at 2.45 p.m.
Second Handicap Hack Hurdles of 15 sovs. Entrance, 15s, close Monday, 20th January, at 9 p.m. One mile and a half.

To Start at 3.30 p.m.
Grandstand Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. The winner of the Stewards' Handicap to carry 7lb penalty. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 15 sov. One mile and a distance.

To Start at 4.15 p.m.
Disposal Stakes Handicap of 30 sovs. The winner to be sold by auction, with engagements, immediately after the race, the proceeds to go to the funds of the club. Entrance, 15 sov, close 9 p.m., on the night of the first day's races. Seven furlongs.

To Start at 4.45 p.m.
Forced Handicap of 20 sovs. Winners compulsory—winners of Handicap Hurdle Races excepted—lowers and hacks optional. Entry, 1 sov. One mile.

HACK QUALIFICATION.

No horse that is or has been nominated for any race at this meeting, other than hack or selling races, will be allowed to compete as a hack.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

No entry will be received for any race except upon the condition that all claims, disputes, and objections arising shall be decided by the stewards, or whom they may appoint, and their decision on all points shall be final. All nominations, entries, and acceptances, &c., to be accompanied by the necessary amounts payable, and left in the Gisborne Racing Club's Letter-box, addressed to the Secretary, Arnyll Hotel, on the specified dates. Races to be run under the Rules of Racing. Five per cent will be deducted from the gross amount of all stakes.

GENERAL ENTRY NIGHT—MONDAY, 20TH JANUARY, 1896.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES, AND AMOUNTS TO BE FORWARDED.

MONDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1895, at 9 p.m.
NOMINATIONS—
Flying Handicap..... 1 sov
First Handicap Hurdle Race..... 1 sov
President's Handicap..... 1 sov
Park Stakes Handicap..... 1 sov
County Stakes Handicap..... 15s
Stewards' Handicap..... 1 sov
Second Handicap Hurdle Race..... 1 sov
Grandstand Handicap..... 1 sov

MONDAY, 20TH JANUARY, 1896, at 9 p.m.
ACCEPTANCES—
Flying Handicap..... 1 sov
First Handicap Hurdle Race..... 1 sov
President's Handicap..... 2 sovs
Park Stakes Handicap..... 1 sov
County Stakes Handicap..... 15s
Stewards' Handicap..... 1 sov
Second Handicap Hurdle Race..... 1 sov
Grandstand Handicap..... 1 sov

ENTRIES for Hack Flats and Hack Hurdles (both days), also entry for Shorts Handicap.

FINAL PAYMENT, at scales, President's Handicap, 1 sov. Weights for First Day's Races to be declared on **FRIDAY MORNING, 17th January, 1896.**

ACCEPTANCES SECOND DAY'S RACES.

County Stakes Handicap..... 1 sov
Stewards' Handicap..... 1 sov
Second Handicap Hurdle Race..... 15 sov
Grandstand Handicap..... 15 sov
Disposal Stakes Handicap..... 15 sov
(To be made by 9 p.m. on the night of the First Day's Races.)

WEIGHTS for Second Day's Races declared at 8 p.m. on the night of the First Day's Races.

M. G. NASMITH,
Secretary.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING

TO BE HELD ON **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29TH,**

AND SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST, 1896.

OFFICERS—President: E. Mitchellson, Esq., M.H.R. Vice-President: Colonel Goring. Stewards: Messrs E. W. Alison, R. H. Duder, F. Wells, W. Adams, A. Alison, J. Mays, W. Ayvenell, G. Jamkhani, W. J. Ralph. Judge: E. Mitchellson, Esq., M.H.R. Treasurer: Mr E. W. Alison. Starter: Mr E. D. Holstead. Clerk of Scales: Mr F. Marks. Clerk of Course: Mr Fred Wells. Handicapper: Mr W. Knight. Secretary: Mr R. Wynyard.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.

Handicap Maiden Plate of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 50 sovs. Nomination 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, one mile.

Handicap Hurdles of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles, Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, two miles.

Zealandia Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, five furlongs.

Takapuna Cup (Handicap) of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, third horse 10 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of any race of the value of 50 sovs after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 5lb extra; of 100 sovs, 10lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs, and three sovs at the post. Distance, one mile and a half.

Calliope Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, six furlongs.

Handicap Maiden Steeplechase of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won a steeplechase of the value of 50 sovs. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, about three miles.

First Pony Handicap of 40 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For ponies 14.2 and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, six and a half furlongs.

Stewards' Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of the Takapuna Cup or Zealandia Handicap to carry a penalty of 5lb extra; or both, 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, six and a half furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

Handicap Maiden Hurdles of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised hurdle race of the value of 10 sovs at time of entry. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, one mile and three-quarters.

Suburban Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, five furlongs and a half.

Second Pony Handicap of 35 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For ponies 14.2 and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, five and a half furlongs.

Takapuna Jockey Club Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 3 sovs. Distance, one mile and a quarter.

Hobson Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, five and a half furlongs.

Handicap Steeplechase of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 3 sovs. Distance, about three miles and a half.

Borough Hack Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 10 sovs at the time of entry. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, six and a half furlongs.

Anniversary Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of the Suburban Handicap or T.J.C. Handicap to carry a penalty of 5lb extra; or both, 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, seven furlongs.

NOMINATIONS.

FRIDAY, 20th December, by 9 p.m.—Takapuna Cup, Takapuna Jockey Club Handicap, Handicap Steeplechase.

FRIDAY, 10th January, by 9 p.m.—Handicap Maiden Plate, Handicap Hurdles, Zealandia Handicap, Calliope Handicap, Handicap Maiden Steeplechase, First Pony Handicap, Stewards' Handicap, Hobson Handicap, Suburban Handicap, Second Pony Handicap, Borough Hack Handicap, Anniversary Handicap, Handicap Maiden Hurdles.

THURSDAY, 30th January, by 4 p.m.—Handicaps for second day's racing.

ACCEPTANCES AND GENERAL ENTRIES.

WEDNESDAY, 22nd January, by 9 p.m.—Handicap Maiden Plate, Handicap Hurdles, Zealandia Handicap, Takapuna Cup, Calliope Handicap, Handicap Maiden Steeplechase, First Pony Handicap, Stewards' Handicap, Handicap Steeplechase.

THURSDAY, 30th January, by 9 p.m. (second day's racing)—Handicap Maiden Hurdles, Suburban Handicap, Second Pony Handicap, Hobson Handicap, Takapuna Jockey Club Handicap, Borough Hack Handicap, Anniversary Handicap.

WEDNESDAY, 29th January (at post)—Takapuna Cup.

All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, Devonport, or at Mr W. Blomfield's Office, Durham Street East, Auckland. Winners to pay 5 per cent. of their gross winnings towards the expenses of the course. All races to be run under the A.I.C. new rules. Telegraph Office at Devonport closes at 5 p.m.

ROBT. WYNWARD,
Secretary.

EGMONT RACING CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING,

TO BE HELD ON **WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, 12TH AND 13TH FEBRUARY, 1896.**

President: R. H. Nolan, Esq. Vice-President: A. W. Budge, Esq. Stewards: Messrs W. Adams, John Heslop, W. C. Symes, Jas. Davidson, E. Hirschberg, A. S. Tonks, H. E. Good, F. Hildford, Dr. Westera. Starter: Mr M. F. Baird. Clerk of Course: Mr J. T. Stone. Clerk of Scales: Mr H. W. Sutton. Handicapper: Mr M. F. Baird. Timekeeper: Dr. Reed. Judge: Mr Wm. Brewer. Treasurer: Mr H. W. Sutton. Secretary: Mr Alex. G. Brett.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.

First Race to start at 12 o'clock.
Waimate Handicap of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Seven furlongs.

First Handicap Hurdles of 110 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs out of the stake. Over nine flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high. Winner of any hurdle race of the value of 50 sovs or over after declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 3 sovs. Two miles and a distance.

First Handicap Hack Hurdles of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Over six flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high. Winner of any hack hurdle race of the value of 25 sovs or over after declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 10s. One mile and a half.

Egmont Cup Handicap of 250 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. Winner of any handicap of the value of 100 sovs after declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra; of 200 sovs, or two races of 100 sovs each, 7lb extra. Nomination, 2 sovs; acceptance, 4 sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

Sires Hack Produce Stakes, 1896, of 200 sovs (and Cup, value 5 sovs, to go to the nominator of sire of the winner) Nominator of sire, 40 sovs and Cup, value 5 sovs;



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

ATKINSON MEMORIAL STAKES HANDICAP OF 175 SOVS; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 2 sovs, acceptance 3 sovs. One mile and a half.

Second Handicap Hack Flat Race of 45 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 10s. One mile and a half.

NORMANBY STAKES HANDICAP OF 60 SOVS; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 1 sov. One mile and a distance.

PRODUCE HACK HANDICAP OF 35 SOVS; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses having paid final acceptance for Sires Hack Produce Stakes, 1896. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 10s. Six furlongs.

FRIDAY, 10TH JANUARY, 1896, AT 9 P.M.

Waimate Handicap... 1 sov Second Hp Hurdles... 1 sov First H'cap Hurdles 1 sov Atkinson Mem Stkes 2 sovs First Hp Hack Hurdles 1 sov Second Hp Hack Flat 1 sov

WEDNESDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1896, AT 9 P.M. Flying Handicap... 2 sovs Atkinson Mem Stkes 3 sovs Second Hp Hurdles... 2 sovs Second Handicap 10s Second Hp Hack Flat 10s Hack Hurdles... 10s

THURSDAY, 13TH FEBRUARY, 1896. Normanby Stks Hp... 1 sov Produce Hack Hp... 10s

ON OR ABOUT SATURDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY, 1896. Waimate Handicap... 1 sov Egmont Cup Handicap... 4 sovs First Handicap Hurdles... 3 sovs Hawera Welter H'cap... 1 sov

WEDNESDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1896, AT 8 P.M. Flying Handicap... 2 sovs Second Hp Hack Flat Race... 2 sovs Second Handicap Hurdles... 2 sovs Normanby Stakes Handicap... 2 sovs

THURSDAY, 13TH FEBRUARY, 1896. Normanby Stks Hp... 1 sov Produce Hack Hp... 10s

TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB AUTUMN MEETING,

TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, 19TH AND 20TH FEBRUARY, 1896.

President: A. Standish, Esq. Vice-President: W. Bayly, Esq. Stewards: Messrs. O. Samuel, Dr. O'Carroll, J. Paul, W. L. Newman, G. J. Newman, N. King, H. Cook, J. V. Dingle, T. Elliott, E. R. A. Haworth, L. W. Alexander, and A. Goldwater. Judge: Captain Mace. Starter: Clerk of the Course: Mr. G. Colson. Handicapper: Mr. J. O. Evett and Mr. W. Hatley (for hacks).

PROGRAMME. FIRST DAY.

First Handicap Hurdles of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. The winner of any Handicap Hurdle Race, after the declaration of the weights, to carry 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Over seven flights of hurdles. About one mile and a half.

First Handicap Hack Hurdles of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. The winner of any Hack Handicap Hurdle Race, after the declaration of the weights, to carry 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 10s. Over seven flights of hurdles. About one mile and a half.

Taranaki Jockey Club Handicap of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 15 sovs from the stake. The winner of any handicap of the value of 250 sovs to carry 7lb; 150 sovs, 5lb; 100 sovs, 3lb extra. Penalties not cumulative. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs; and a final payment of 5 sovs before 8 p.m. on night before the first day's races. One mile and a half.

First Handicap Hack Race of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. The winner of any handicap, after the declaration of the weights, to carry 5lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 10s. One mile.

First Pony Handicap of 25 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Open to ponies not exceeding 14hds high. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Six furlongs.

Hack Scurry Stakes of 35 sovs. The winner to be sold for 10 sovs, and any surplus to go to the funds. Catch weights. Entrance, 1 sov; to be made immediately after the First Pony Handicap. Five furlongs.

Flying Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. The winner of any handicap, after the declaration of the weights, to carry 5lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Six furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

Grandstand Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. Weights to appear at 8 o'clock on the night of the first day's races. Acceptances close at 9 o'clock same night. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Seven furlongs.

Second Handicap Hurdle of 75 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Weights to appear at 8 o'clock on the night of the first day's races. Acceptances close at 9 o'clock same night. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Over nine flights of hurdles. About two miles.

Second Handicap Hack Hurdles of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Weights to appear at 8 o'clock on the night of the first day's races. Acceptances close at 9 o'clock same night. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 10s. Over seven flights of hurdles. About one mile and a half.

Autumn Handicap of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Weights to appear at 8 o'clock on the night of the first day's races. Acceptances close at 9 o'clock same night. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 4 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Second Handicap Hack Race of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Weights to appear at 8 o'clock on the night of the first day's races. Acceptances close at 9 o'clock same night.



Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a quarter.

Second Pony Handicap of 25 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Open to ponies not exceeding 14hds high. Weights to appear at 8 o'clock on the night of the first day's races. Acceptances close at 9 o'clock same night. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. One mile.

Farewell Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, to be made immediately after the Autumn Handicap is run. Acceptance, 1 sov, immediately after the Second Pony Handicap is run. One mile.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES, AND AMOUNTS TO BE FORWARDED.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11TH, 1896. NOMINATIONS— 1st Hdep Hurdles... 1 sov Grandstand Hdep... 1 sov 2nd Hdep Hurdles... 1 sov Flying Handicap... 1 sov T.J.C. Handicap... 1 sov Autumn Handicap... 1 sov

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25TH, 1896. Weights— T.J.C. Handicap Flying Handicap

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH, 1896. ACCEPTANCES— 1st Hdep Hurdles... 2 sovs T.J.C. Handicap... 2 sovs Flying Handicap... 2 sovs

NOMINATIONS— 1st Hdep Hurdles... 1 sov 2nd Hdep Hurdles... 1 sov 1st Pony Handicap... 10s 2nd Hdep Hurdles... 1 sov 2nd Hdep Hurdles... 1 sov 1st Pony Handicap... 10s 2nd Hdep Hurdles... 1 sov

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 1896. Weights— First Hdep Hack Hurdles... 1 sov First Handicap Hack Flat... 1 sov First Pony Handicap

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, 1896. ACCEPTANCES— 1st Hdep Hack Hurdles... 10s 1st Hdep Hack Flat... 10s 1st Pony Handicap... 10s

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, 1896. Final Payment—T.J.C. Handicap... 5 sovs

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH, 1896. ACCEPTANCES— Grandstand Hdep... 2 sovs 2nd Hdep Hack Hurdles... 10s 2nd Hdep Hurdles... 2 sovs 2nd Hdep Hack Flat... 1 sov Autumn Handicap... 4 sovs 2nd Pony Handicap... 10s

ON THE COURSE. FIRST DAY.

ENTRY—Hack Security... 1 sov SECOND DAY— NOMINATION—Farewell Handicap... 1 sov ACCEPTANCE—Farewell Handicap... 1 sov

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Definition of a Hack.—Hack means a horse that has never won a race and is not nominated at time of start for any race, hack, hunter, and pony races excepted. All nominations, acceptances, and entries, accompanied by the necessary amounts, must be addressed to the Secretary, and left at the Secretary's Office, Brougham Street, New Plymouth, not later than 9 p.m. on the advertised dates of closing. Full particulars of colours, age, and pedigree must be forwarded with the nominations. In all cases where penalties have to be carried for winning, it shall be the duty of the owner, trainer, or jockey to notify the Secretary on or before Tuesday, February 18th, 1896. Five per cent will be deducted from all winnings towards the expenses of the course. Horses walking over will receive fifty per cent. of the stakes. All races to be run under the Rules of Racing as adopted by the Metropolitan Clubs of New Zealand. N.B.—The stakes in this programme are subject to revision by the Committee prior to closing, as to the dates of entry, acceptance, &c., amount of added money and conditions. The Committee also reserve to themselves the right of altering the dates on which the handicaps appear, should they deem fit to do so. ROBT. G. BAUCHOPE, Hon. Secretary.



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PROGRAMME. To be Run under the Rules of the North Island Trotting Association of New Zealand.

SATURDAY, 28TH DECEMBER, 1895, AND SATURDAY, 4TH JANUARY, 1896.

SATURDAY, 28TH DECEMBER, 1895. The prize presented by Mr S. Hordern for competition among the three-year-olds sold at his sale on the 31st December, 1894, will be competed for under the following conditions:—

Hordern 4-year-old Stakes of 50 sovs (in harness). For then three-year-olds sold by Mr Hordern at his sale at Potter's Paddock on the 31st December, 1894. Entrance, free. Distance, one mile. Flying start. Owners will require to notify the names of intending competitors on the day of general entry, viz., the 6th December, 1895.

Maiden Pony Race Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under that have never won an advertised race exceeding 10 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, five furlongs.

Maiden Trot Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For horses that have never won an advertised trotting race exceeding 25 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile and a half.

Pony Cup Handicap of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14.2 and under. The winner of any race after the handicaps are declared to carry a penalty of 5lb extra. Nomination, 30s; acceptance, 40s. Distance, one mile.

Auckland Trotting Cup of 120 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third 5 sovs out of the stake. The winner of any trotting race after the handicaps are declared to receive a penalty of 10sovs behind its original start. Nomination, 2 sovs; acceptance, 2 sovs; and a final payment of 2 sovs at the post. Distance, two miles.



Hurdle Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, one mile and a half, over six flights of hurdles.

Harness Trot Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. The winner of any trotting race after the handicaps are declared to receive a penalty of 10sovs, two or more 20sovs behind its original start. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 20s. Distance, two miles and a quarter.

Christmas Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. The winner of the Cup to receive a penalty of 7lbs, the Maiden or any other race 5lbs; penalties cumulative. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 25s. Distance, five furlongs.

Electric Trot Handicap of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. The winner of any trotting race after the declaration of the handicaps to receive a penalty of 5sovs, two or more 10sovs behind its original start. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 20s. Distance, one mile.

SATURDAY, 4TH JANUARY, 1896. The prize presented by Mr S. Hordern for competition among two-year-olds sold at his sale on the 31st December, 1894, will be competed for under the following conditions:—

Hordern 3-year-old Stakes of 50 sovs (in harness). For then two-year-olds sold by Mr Hordern at his sale at Potter's Paddock on the 31st December, 1894. Entrance, free. Distance, one mile. Flying start. Owners will require to notify the names of intending competitors on the day of general entry, viz., 6th December, 1895.

Selling Pony Race Handicap of 20 sovs. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. The winner to become the property of the club. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, five furlongs.

Trial Trot Handicap (saddle) of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won an advertised trotting race exceeding 25 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance 15s. Distance, one mile and a half.

New Year Handicap of 45 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. The winner of any race other than a selling race after the declaration of the handicaps to receive a penalty of 7lbs extra. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 25s. Distance, six furlongs and a half.

President's Handicap Trot (saddle) of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. The winner of the Trial Trot to receive a penalty of 10sovs behind its original start. Nomination, 2 sovs; acceptance, 2 sovs. Distance, two miles and a quarter.

Steeplechase Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, about two miles and a half.

Glasgow Trot Handicap of 35 sovs (in harness); second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. The winner of any trotting race after the declaration of the handicaps to receive a penalty of 10 sovs, two or more 20 sovs behind its original start. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 20s. Distance, two miles.

Grand Stand Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. The winner of any race other than a selling race after the declaration of the handicaps to receive a penalty of 7lbs, two or more 12lbs extra. Nomination 15s; acceptance 15s. Distance, five furlongs.

Telegraph Trot Handicap of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. The winner of any trotting race after the declaration of the handicaps to receive a penalty of 5 sovs, two or more 10 sovs behind its original start. Nomination 15s; acceptance 1 sov. Distance, one mile.

NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, HANDICAPS.

Nominations close on FRIDAY, 6th December, at 10 p.m. Handicaps for December 28th to appear about the 18th December. Handicaps for January 4th to appear about the 2nd January. Acceptances for December 28th close on FRIDAY, 20th December, at 10 p.m. Acceptances for January 4th close on FRIDAY, 3rd January, at 9 p.m. C. F. MARK, Secretary.

PALMERSTON NORTH METROPOLITAN TROTTING CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE PALMERSTON NORTH RACECOURSE ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1895.

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PROGRAMME.

Maiden Trot Handicap (saddle) of 15 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stakes. Nomination 10s, acceptance 5s. For horses that have never won an advertised trot, either in saddle or harness, at time of starting. Two miles. To start at 12 noon.

Manawatu Trot Handicap (saddle) of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 7 sovs, and the third horse 3 sovs from the stakes. Nomination 20s, acceptance 30s. Three miles. To start at 12.45 p.m.

Handicap Pony Trot (harness) of 20 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Height 14.2 and under. Nomination 10s, acceptance 10s. Two miles. To start at 1.30 p.m.

Maiden Trot Handicap (harness) of 15 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stakes. For horses that have never won an advertised trot, either in saddle or harness, at the time of starting. Nomination 10s, acceptance 5s. Two miles. To start at 2.15 p.m.

Summer Trot Handicap (harness) of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 7 sovs, and the third horse 3 sovs from the stakes. Nomination 20s, acceptance 30s. Three miles. To start at 3 p.m.

Handicap Pony Trot (saddle) of 20 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Height 14.2 and under. Nomination 10s, acceptance 10s. Two miles. To start at 3.45 p.m.

Electric Trot Handicap (saddle) of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Nomination 10s, acceptance 15s. One mile. To start at 4.30 p.m.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

Nominations close with the Secretary on SATURDAY, December 7th, at 9 p.m. Handicaps will be declared on SATURDAY, December 11th.



Acceptances close on SATURDAY, December 21st, at 9 p.m. All Nominations and Acceptances must be accompanied by the necessary fees. On no account will horses be handicapped whose nomination fees are unpaid.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

All ponies must be measured before starting. Nominators must state the bona fide owner of horses. Previous performances of the horses to be given at time of nomination, also colours of the riders. All horses must be ridden and driven out. If distanced by first horse, second and third money will be paid to the winner. All protests must be accompanied by a fee of 2 sovs, to be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. All disputes and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by a majority of stewards present, whose decision shall be final, and shall not be questioned in any court of law. Entries only received on this condition. To be run under the Rules of the North Island Trotting Association of New Zealand. Five per cent will be deducted from the gross amount of all Stakes. C. C. MILES, Secretary, Palmerston North.

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PROGRAMME.

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2. Half-mile Dash.—First prize, £2; second, £1; third, 10s. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 2s.
3. Three-mile Roadster.—First prize, £2; second £1; third, 10s. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 2s.
4. One Mile Handicap.—First prize, £3; second, £2; third, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 2s.
5. Two-mile Wheel Race.—First prize, £10; second, £6; third, £3; fourth, £1. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 10s.
6. Ladies Bracelet, 1½ mile.—First and second prizes, gold bracelets. Competitors to be nominated by ladies. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 2s.
7. Five-mile Roadster.—First prize, £3; second, £2; third, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 2s.
8. Five-mile Race.—First prize, £5; second, £3; third, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 3s.
9. Consolation, one mile.—First prize, £1 10s; second, £1. Entrance, 2s.
10. Hurry Scurry (sweepstake). Post entry, 2s 6d. For riders who have never competed in any bicycle race.

All the events are handicaps, and will be ridden under the rules of the N.Z. Cyclists' Union.

Mr M. Cohen gives a trophy for the competitor scoring most points at the meeting.

Nominations close with the Secretary on SATURDAY, December 14th. Handicaps declared on WEDNESDAY, December 18th. Acceptances on the ground, 15 minutes before each race.

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WELLINGTON NOTES.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

December 17.

Frank Galloway and E. B. Lusk, well-known in football and amateur athletic circles, left on Friday last for Sydney on a holiday trip.

Mr E. D. Hoben, who has acted as hon. sec. to the New Zealand Rugby Union since its formation, and a member of the *Evening Post* reporting staff for four years, leaves for Sydney shortly, where he has accepted a position on the *Daily Telegraph*.

A meeting convened for Tuesday last, to consider the proposal of forming a General Sports Club, was fairly well attended. Mr C. H. Izard was voted to the chair, and Mr A. Henderson, the convener of the meeting, explained the scheme proposed. It has been estimated that a club of 100 members, paying a subscription of £1 per head, with the receipts for billiard table, &c., would bring in an income of £2,100 per annum. The expenses of maintenance, &c., would amount to £1,100. This was a fair estimate, based on the balance-sheet of a club already in existence. To meet the naturally heavy initial expense, it was proposed to form a Limited Liability Company, with a guarantee of £1 per share. The chairman, in supporting the proposal, said the necessity for a club had been long felt. It was not always satisfactory to meet in an hotel, whereas a club would be of the greatest convenience, and there ought to be no difficulty in forming an excellent club from amongst the combined athletic bodies. Its privileges, at it became strengthened, might be made to include a gymnasium and, later on, a swimming bath. It would probably require £300 for furnishing and outfit, and there might not be any difficulty in obtaining a guarantee for this sum. He suggested the formation of a provisional committee. On the chairman's motion, it was resolved that a club, to be called "The Wellington Athletic Sports Club," should be formed. The following were appointed a provisional committee with power to add to their number:—Messrs C. H. Izard, A. E. Gibbes, Geo. Rache, Stevens, Woolridge, E. Davy, C. Tringham, R. G. Hallamore, R. Hood, and J. Doyle. The committee were empowered to draw up a prospectus and take other necessary steps to form the club, obtain premises, &c., and report at another general meeting, to be held a month hence. Mr Henderson was appointed to act as secretary *pro tem*.

The Wellington Amateur Athletic Club brought off a couple of test races on Saturday, when A. M. Stuart ran a half-mile. He is not fit yet, and against a head-wind occupied 2min 11sec. S. P. Hawthorne acted as pacemaker and very nearly won. Pownall did not put in an appearance and the quarter-mile hurdles was not run. Perrett, Poll, and Smith started in the mile walk, but not Talbut, who was thought good enough to send to Napier last February. Poll retired after the first lap. Perrett managed to beat Smith after a great race in 6min 58sec. They both mixed it and would be called off at Christchurch in the first lap. Neither is, however, likely to be sent. Messrs G. Humphries and H. McCordell acted as time-keepers, Messrs Donaldson and J. M. King as judges, and J. H. Hempton starter.

W. Fisher, who fought a draw with Harry Placke here a couple of months back, was among the spectators at the latter's benefit at Sydney on the 22nd inst. Fisher has been matched to box eight rounds with Jack Valentine, amateur champion of New South Wales, for a £50 trophy at Larry Foley's Hall on the 21st inst. Fisher is very game, but has not, I fear, the ring experience of his opponent.

The Wellington Cycling Club's Twenty-mile Championship was raced on the road on Saturday, Wellington to Blackbridge and back being the course, and saw T. M. Lucy score for the second time, thus securing the Swinton Company's Cup, also a gold medal. Of the seven entries F. B. Muir was the only non-starter. Herbert Smith made the pace nearly all the way, with Jeffrey next. Lucky caught Smith when a hundred yards from home, and won by a couple of yards, Jeffrey a good third. The other starters were Herbert Fabian and Nicholl. Time, 1hr 3min 52.5sec. Starter, Mr W. F. Christie; Mr M. C. Izard, judge; Mr D. Brand, time-keeper. Lucy rode a 28lb Imperial Rover.

The Wellington Cycling Club has at present a membership of 96, and has become entitled to a second delegate on the New Zealand Cyclists' Alliance; Mr G. Rankin, of Christchurch has been appointed to represent the club. A race meeting is to be held on the last Saturday in January, if the Basin Reserve is available. The following names have been added to the general committee to act as a sports committee:—Messrs Lynch, Lucy, W. Castle, Beckingsale, J. B. Grove, Brodie, Sinclair, Rowe, Coombs, Bridge, Walker, and Wright. A piano is to be obtained for the club-room. The articles for the adornment of the room have been presented by Messrs D. Brand and L. Herbert.

In a private letter, received from Sydney, I learn (writes our Wellington correspondent) that Mr Richard Coombes, president of the N.S.W.A.A., will be unable to make the trip across to New Zealand this month. The team will come in charge of Mr E. S. Marks, hon. secretary of the Association; W. Cartwright, the sprinter, and W. L. Kerr, the popular wheel rider, left on the 13th ult. The remainder of the team leave by the Mararoa on the 21st inst. Mr Coombes was present at the last Australasian Championship Meeting, held in Dunedin, and, owing to his inability to get across, New Zealanders will miss an opportunity of returning the many kindnesses extended by him to athletes visiting Sydney from this colony. The same writer informs us that W. F. Larkin, the ex-Auckland, is in training for the amateur events at the Caledonian Society's sports on New Year's Day. Also, that the erst champion sprinter, J. H. Hempton is at present in training, and may be among the starters at Christchurch this month.

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[By Vigilant.]

ATHLETICS, Etc.

THE NORTH SHORE GATHERING.

On Saturday next the North Shore Amateur Athletic and Cycle Club will hold their sixth carnival on the Devonport Cricket Ground, North Shore, and if favoured with anything like fair treatment at the hands of the clerk of the weather I should say the fixture will be largely patronised, as the admission fee, including the run across and back in the ferry, is only one shilling. Therefore, visitors will have the benefit of the sea air and the pleasure of witnessing an interesting afternoon's sport at a very moderate tariff. The entries are large, and a glance at the handicaps gives one the impression that the races will be very keenly contested, whilst the names of the athletes engaged are sufficient guarantee that good times will be recorded. The popular secretary, Mr R. Wynyard, and the management committee are doing their utmost to make everything comfortable and pleasant for the visitors, and as several necessary improvements have been effected on the ground, everyone may depend on all matters of detail being right up to date and the sports well managed. It is no easy task to unearth the winners of the various events, but as it is only the correct thing to venture an opinion, here goes.

Starting with the 100yds Maiden Handicap, which contains a field of something over thirty, I might say, before looking through the contestants, that I have no faith in a maiden "handicap." If you are going to have a maiden event on a programme put all the one mark; do not try to handicap them, as they generally result in a man with a big start winning in the hollowest of fashions, and although the handicappers are not to be blamed for the result, yet it only stands to reason that they cannot handicap a lot of unperformed men, of whose abilities they know nothing. But to get back to the point, that of selecting the most likely looking. I should say that Somerfield, Draffin, Speer, Riley, and E. C. Ballin will probably supply the winner, and to place them in order—Somerfield 1, Riley 2, Ryan 3.

The 120yds Handicap brings out another large field, the best of whom are F. Barton, F. Ballin, and Speer, and the result may read—R. Speer 1, F. Ballin 2, F. Barton 3.

Another large order presents itself in the 250yds Handicap, and to reduce matters to a quintette, I like best Poland, F. Ballin, T. Monour, Wilson, and Speer, and expect them to run—Speer 1, Wilson 2, Poland 3.

In the 440yds Handicap Oliphant, Francis, Frost, Buchanan, T. Monour, McCarthy, and Draffin are the most dangerous looking, and to try and land the placed men I should say—McCarthy 1, Buchanan 2, Draffin 3.

G. B. Beere, P. Barry, G. McLeod, and J. H. Davis should be the hardest quartette to beat in the Half-Mile Handicap, with the positions as follow—McLeod 1, Beere 2, Davies 3.

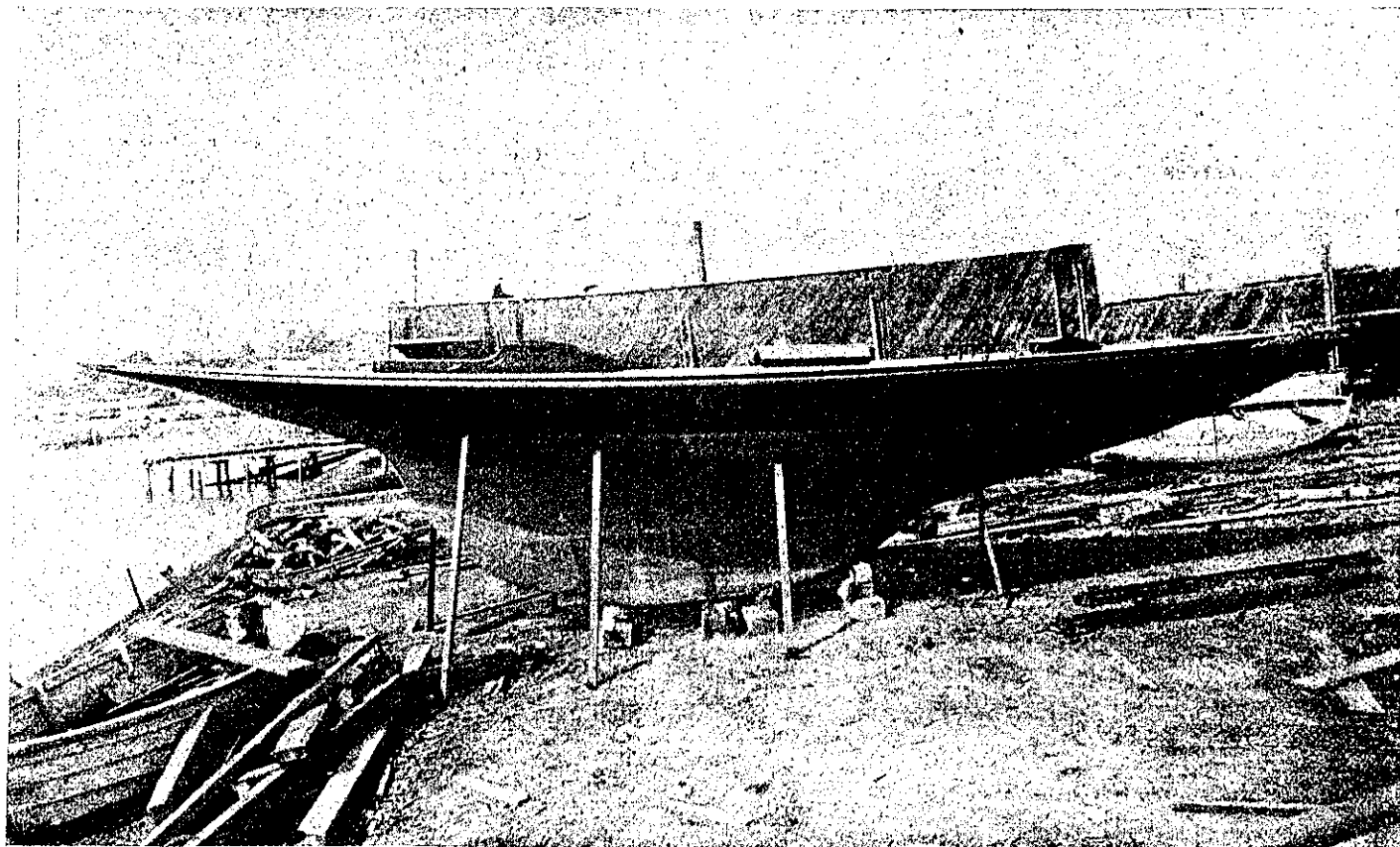
In the One Mile Handicap G. B. Beere, G. McLeod, P. Barry, A. Saunders, and G. W. Beuth should supply the winner, and the result may be—Beere 1, McLeod 2, Saunders 3.

On paper the 120yds Maiden Hurdles looks a very fair thing for Symons, who is on a good mark and is undoubtedly the most experienced hurdler in the field. Oliphant, Somerfield, and Philcox all have chances, but to sum them up I should say—Symons 1, Somerfield 2, Oliphant 3.

Oliphant, the scratch man in the 400yds Hurdles, will have a chance of catching his field in this event, though he should find C. Motion, Laurie, and Philcox hard to overtake. I like them as follows—C. Motion 1, Oliphant 2, B. A. Laurie 3.

Little difficulty should be experienced in picking the Two Mile Walk, which will prove the best of good things for our champion, A. Brady, if fit and well. They should finish—A. Brady 1, D. Wilson 2, J. Carrigan 3.

A WINNER AT THE PONSONBY REGATTA.



J. S. Barlow, photo.

THE FIVE-RATER MOANA (BUILT BY LOGAN BROS.)

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The 440yds Schools and Colleges contains several men of whom I know little or nothing, and may therefore prove a surprise. Hesketh, Hosking, Stone, and Airey are all to my liking, and may run—Hesketh 1, Hosking 2, Stone 3.

The "bike" anticipations will be found in the cycling columns.

The Auckland Amateur Athletic Club's committee held a meeting at the Club Room, Metropolitan Hotel, on Friday evening last, when the championship contingent which is to do battle for this province at the two big gatherings at Christchurch on December 28th and January 2nd and 4th, was finally selected. The following are the representatives:—A. Jones (sprints), A. A. Davis and M. O'Connor (distances), W. H. Martin and T. Roberts (hurdles), F. W. Creamer (walks), and W. W. Pilkington (bicycles). As may be seen from the above no less than three of our very best men will be absentees, viz., G. B. Beere (distance events), A. Brady (champion mile walker of Australasia), and E. Reynolds (champion five-mile cyclist of Australasia). In the case of the two first-mentioned athletes every effort has been made to obtain for them the necessary leave of absence, but without avail, and their loss to the team reduces Auckland's chance of retaining the championship banner materially, as both would, I believe, have placed winning brackets to their names in whatever they started for, Brady in particular being a certainty for the One Mile Walk, whilst he also would have placed second points to Auckland's credit in the Three Mile Walk, even if he did not manage to beat Creamer for first honours. In the case of E. Reynolds, our leading wheelmen, there will be nothing lost in the matter of points as far as the banner is concerned, but at the same time I should like to have seen this rider make the journey as I feel confident that he would hold his own with the best of them, including Kerr and the recently re-instated Lewis. Press of business prevents Reynolds making the trip to

Christchurch. Martin and Pilkington left on Monday last, and the remainder of the team will leave to-day. I wish them *bon voyage* and every success.

CYCLING.

The following are the anticipations for the cycle events at the North Shore Club's Carnival of Saturday next:—Maiden Handicap: Campbell 1, Gibson 2, Dacre 3. One Mile Handicap: Campbell 1, Trigg 2, Pilkington 3. Two Mile Handicap: Reynolds or Surman 1, Trigg 3. Three Mile Handicap: Surman or Trigg 1, Pilkington 3.

Though but two years old, the New South Wales League numbers over 3,500 members and will give a £500 prize in next year's gathering.

The wheel is rapidly gaining favour with the fair-sex here, and two or three ladies can often be seen pedalling down Ponsonby Road just about dusk. They have not started the "bloomers" yet.

Reynolds has definitely decided not to go to the championship meeting, press of business being the cause. This is to be regretted as the local crack would have made matters interesting for the best of them at Christchurch, not excluding Lewis and Kerr.

W. W. Pilkington, our cycle representative, who left on Monday last, will compete at the Pioneer Bicycle Club Annual Meeting on the 26th December.

YACHTING.

The Auckland yacht racing season opened on Saturday last with the Ponsonby Regatta, and taken all round the weather was splendid. There was a fair, steady breeze from the south in the early part of the afternoon, but towards evening it became very light and fluky, blowing from all directions. For the rowing events and onlookers a better day could not have been chosen, and the public took every advantage of it, many being

unable to get on the flagship (Borrowdale); the wharves and Shelly Beach were also crowded. The best sight of all, however, was the mass of sailing boats of every description which were buzzing round the flagship, and no small amount of skill was required to successfully work through the crowd; every boat in the harbour appeared to be there. The committee are to be congratulated on the decided success of their carnival, which to a great extent was owing to the way the arrangements were carried out. Ponsonby Navals also rendered valuable assistance carrying passengers to and from the flagship in their cutter.

Most interest was, I think, evinced in the race for yachts from two to four rating, for which there were six entries, viz., Mahaki, Rarere, Huia (steel yacht), Mizpah, Daisy, and Zinita, the four first named being new boats. Several alterations have been made to Zinita, and as good accounts were given of her behaviour when cruising she was pretty well favourite, but was never in it, and showed up very poorly. Her remodelled keel and new sails may have improved her on the wind but I think they have reduced her speed leading; she may do better in a breeze. Before the steel boat was launched she had a good following, but unless some radical alteration is made she must be looked upon as a failure. Of course she had only been put into the water a day or two previous, and those pieces of wood which had to be fixed on her fin to make it the thickness required by the A.Y.C. rules were all against her. As I heard one of her strongest barrackers say, "Wait till she gets those poultices off her keel." Daisy sailed exceedingly well in the second round, her topsail helping her in the light air, and at one time looked like winning. The knowing ones did not think much of Mahaki's chance, as she had been kept rather dark, owing to several accidents to her mast, but the Ponsonby rep. proved to be the winning boat, and led during the greater part of the race. On the day she was much too good for her opponents, and sailed like a witch. Mahaki was designed and steered by Mr J. Logan (of Logan Bros.), who also designed Gloriana, and he should be proud of her success. Rarere was my fancy with so much leading, but although she did well in the first round, Daisy passed her when the wind dropped, and she had to be content with third place Mizpah (centre-board) was first round the mark in Rangitoto Channel. The race finished—Mahaki first, Daisy about two minutes away second, Rarere third, Mizpah fourth, Zinita fifth, Huia did not finish. The winning boat takes a splendid cup, valued at ten guineas, presented by Mr J. Hawkins, of the Empire Hotel, Victoria Street, and is a trophy worth owning.

Only three boats entered for the race four to seven rating, viz., Aorere, Thetis, Moana. A good go was expected between the latter boat and the steel yacht Thetis, but the new boat led from the start, and coming back round the Viking's moorings for the first time was twelve minutes ahead of Thetis, who dropped out at the flagship. Aorere with her kites would have made things interesting, but for some unaccountable reason she was ten minutes late at the post, which completely spoilt her chance. Moana is without doubt a flyer, and sailed equally well on all points. Her owner, Mr W. Wilson, was at the tiller. The photo. on this page will give some idea of her shape.

Rogue was first past the flagship in the cruisers' race, Tangaroa second, but the latter boat won on time allowance. This was hard lines for the Rogue, as she never sailed better than on Saturday. Corinna was favourite for this race, but did not come up to expectations.

Kahawai, a one-rater built by a young fellow named Graham, of Ponsonby, won the under two-rating race, Mahoe being second. There is some talk of a protest, the winner having a ballasted fin. She is a well-built, shapely little craft, and a credit to her amateur builder. I hear that Kahawai has since been disqualified, Mahoe taking the prize.

Tui won the race for boats under 22ft, beating Anita by a length, after an exciting finish.

Colleen won the open boat race very easily. Only four started.

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AUCKLAND RACING CLUB. SUMMER MEETING, 1897-98.

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Of 500 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and third horse 25 sovs out of the stake. Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies and geldings, 8st 5lb each. By subscription of 10 sovs each, payable at the post, unless forfeits are declared as follows: - If struck out by the first Friday in June, 1897, 1 sov forfeit; if struck out by the first Friday in December, 1897, 3 sovs forfeit; if left in after this date, liable for the whole 10 sovs. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. Entries close on FRIDAY, 10th January, 1896. No money is required at the time of nomination. One mile and a half.

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ON DECEMBER 26TH

AND

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OF THE

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

"The Sporting Review" has been appointed the Official Calendar for the publication of all programmes in the Provincial District of Auckland, in terms of Rule 17 of the Rules of Racing.

Rule 17 reads: - "The programme of each meeting in which the added money is £150 or upwards must be advertised in full once at least in the Official Calendar. The advertisement shall show that the programme has been approved by the Jockey Club, shall state the days on which the meeting is to begin and end, and the names of the stewards, judge, starter, clerk of scales, and handicapper."

All notifications for the future published in this column are so published under the authority of the Auckland Racing Club, and are binding on country clubs and others, who must therefore duly note the same.

The Committee of the Auckland Racing Club meet on the first Monday in each month to pass programmes and transact general business. The disqualifications have been removed from the following: - W. Martin, M. Moore, Thos. Geach, A. C. Greenwood, and Mr Chatteris' pony Sulky. The license of Joe Scats has been suspended for three months from October 3rd, 1895.

Pony Measuring Committee meet second and fourth Monday at 10 a.m.

OWNERS' PERMITS.

The following owners' permits have been granted: - George Hill to train Ono and Gotzer; Henry Warrington, Pable; John Clark, Hoggarden, Tam O'Shanter, Souter Johnnie; F. Sistrone, Brian Boru, Jewel, Coinage; D. Hepburn, The Turk, Wool Queen, Lord Raven; Mr Weston, Kalo; Robert Thorpe, St. Ella, Silkworm; Finley McKenzie, Macearoni; T. Kencahy, Faki Paki, The Saint; W. P. Cooper, Miss Bevan, Kiara, blk g by Kalo, blk g by Emin Bey; Wm. Adams, Maritana, Craigard; H. Barr, Rodney; Wm. A. Ralph, Arena, Someday, Reveille.

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PROGRAMMES PASSED.

Muriwai Racing Club, December 21 Otorohanga Racing Club, December 21 Thames Jockey Club, December 26, 27 Alexandra Jockey Club, December 26 Ormond Jockey Club, January 1 Whatawata Racing Club, January 1 Poverty Bay Turf Club, January 15, 16 South Auckland Racing Club, March 6, 7 Te Aroha Jockey Club, March 12 Tologa Bay Jockey Club, March 16 WM. PERCIVAL, Secretary.

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AUSTRALIAN FIXTURES.

December 26, Thursday; 28, Saturday - Australian J.C. Summer

NOMINATIONS.

December 23, Monday - Gisborne R.C. Summer January 3, Friday - Wellington R.C. Summer (General Entry) January 10, Friday - Egmont R.C. Summer January 11, Saturday - Taranaki J.C. Autumn January 14, Tuesday - Wanganui J.C. Autumn February 3, Monday - Wanganui J.C. Autumn February 8, Saturday - Taranaki J.C. Autumn March 6, Friday - Auckland R.C. Autumn March 27, Friday - Auckland R.C. Autumn April 6, Monday - Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase April 11, Saturday - Egmont R.C. Winter April 27, Monday - Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase May 1, Friday - Auckland R.C. Winter May 29, Friday - Auckland R.C. Winter

HANDICAPS.

December 27, Friday - Auckland R.C. Summer December 27, Friday - Ormond Jockey Club Annual December 28, Saturday - Greymouth J.C. Midsummer January 1, Wednesday - Auckland R.C. Summer January 2, Thursday - Auckland R.C. Summer January 4, Saturday - Stratford R.C. Summer January 7, Tuesday; 23, Thursday - Wellington R.C. Summer January 14, Saturday; 15, Wednesday - Poverty Bay Turf Club Annual January 17, Friday; 22, Wednesday - Gisborne R.C. Summer January 25, Saturday - Taranaki J.C. Autumn February 1, Saturday - Egmont R.C. Summer February 10, Monday - Taranaki J.C. Autumn February 12, Wednesday - Egmont R.C. Summer February 18, Tuesday - Wanganui J.C. Autumn March 5, Thursday - Wanganui J.C. Autumn March 23, Monday - Auckland R.C. Autumn March 30, Monday - Auckland R.C. Autumn April 7, Tuesday - Auckland R.C. Autumn April 8, Wednesday - Auckland R.C. Autumn April 21, Tuesday - Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase April 24, Friday - Egmont R.C. Winter May 5, Tuesday - Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase May 6, Wednesday - Egmont R.C. Winter May 15, Friday - Auckland R.C. Winter June 1, Monday - Auckland R.C. Winter June 8, Monday - Auckland R.C. Winter

ACCEPTANCES.

December 21, Saturday - Coromandel Racing Club December 26, Thursday - Auckland R.C. Summer December 26, Saturday - Taranaki Hack Derby 1896 December 28, Saturday - Ormond Jockey Club Annual December 30, Monday - Auckland R.C. Summer January 1, Wednesday - Auckland R.C. Summer January 8, Wednesday; 15, Wednesday - Poverty Bay Turf Club Annual January 11, Saturday - Stratford R.C. Summer January 14, Monday - Wellington R.C. Summer January 20, Monday - Wellington Cup final payment January 20, Monday; 22, Wednesday - Gisborne R.C. Summer February 6, Thursday - Egmont R.C. Summer February 8, Saturday - Taranaki J.C. Autumn February 12, Wednesday - Egmont R.C. Summer February 13, Thursday - Egmont R.C. Summer February 15, Saturday - Taranaki J.C. Autumn February 25, Tuesday - Wanganui J.C. Autumn March 5, Thursday - Wanganui J.C. Autumn March 27, Friday - Auckland R.C. Autumn April 1, Wednesday - Auckland R.C. Autumn April 6, Monday - Auckland R.C. Winter April 7, Tuesday - Auckland R.C. Autumn April 9, Thursday - Auckland R.C. Autumn April 27, Monday - Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase May 1, Friday - Egmont R.C. Winter May 6, Wednesday - Egmont R.C. Winter May 12, Tuesday - Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase May 22, Friday - Auckland R.C. Winter June 3, Wednesday - Auckland R.C. Winter June 8, Monday - Auckland R.C. Winter

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1895.

THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB CLASSICS.

FROM the announcement made in this issue by the Auckland Racing Club it will be seen that the metropolitan authorities are reconstructing the provisions of classical races in a much desired direction. They are making the payments smaller, and giving the races more the appearance of purses provided by the club, rather than stakes contributed by the owners themselves. The Great Northern Derby, Great Northern Foal Stakes, and the Royal Stakes of 1897-98 are made the subject of an official announcement in this issue, from which it will be seen that the payments previously required are considerably reduced. In the past the subscriptions for the Derby provided for a first forfeit of 2 sovs, a second one of 3 sovs, and a third of 5 sovs. The Derby of 1897-98 has been arranged so that the first forfeit is 1 sov, the second forfeit has been abolished, and the third reduced from 5 sovs to 3 sovs. Entries for this event are due on Friday, November 10th. In the Great Northern Foal Stakes the second forfeit is abolished, and the third reduced from 5 sovs to 3 sovs. Entries for this are due on the same date as the Derby nominations are required. The Royal Stakes conditions are similarly altered, the first forfeit having been reduced to 1 sov, the second one of 4 sovs abolished, and the third of 6 sovs reduced to 3 sovs. So that yearlings (foals of 1894) can remain in the race right up to December, 1897, and then escape with a 3 sov payment. Foals of 1895 are similarly provided for. Entries for this race close on the same date that nominations are required for the Great Northern Derby and Foal Stakes. The action of the Auckland Racing Club in cutting down the payments required from owners in classic races is to be commended, for of late racing clubs have shown a marked tendency to ostensibly hang out rich purses which are really forced from the owners themselves.

Coming Events.

[BY BORDERER.]

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB SUMMER CARNIVAL.

NOTES AND ANTICIPATIONS.

ONCE again we are on the eve of the A.R.C. Summer Racing Carnival, and with good fields and a promise of glorious weather everything looks well for the gathering. Right from the heel of the island owners of racing animals have sent representatives to do battle for our purses, and with tip-toppers from Dunedin, Christchurch, and the Coast, our racers will have to gallop to keep the stakes from leaving the district. The tracks are all in first-rate order, and though the sun has been playing on them consistently of late, they have not assumed the baked condition so fatal to horses with weak spots. Particulars respecting the train arrangements will be found in our Turf Topic column, and before proceeding with anticipatory remarks respecting the racing I may mention that the catering arrangements will be in the hands of Mr T. McEwin, who will as usual provide an excellent luncheon under the grandstand.

THE CUP AND STEEPLCHASE.

Since our last issue the Cup candidates have been slipped along in merry fashion, and the whole of the field promises to be very fit when the contest opens. The top-weight, St. Hippo, has done some good strong galloping, and up to date has given no hint that he will crack up before his preparation has been completed. There may have been an idea on the part of this stable to have a fly at the Cup with Three Star, but that racer executed a performance last Saturday which has mangled whatever chance he possessed - and I don't think it was ever a very bright one. Three Star crashed through the fence separating the grass gallop from the course proper, and then fell under the chain that is stretched across the track when it is not open for work. He has been an absentee during the week, so I take it his buster was attended with serious consequences. Mr Gollan's horse, The Possible, was stretched over good mile and a half trips on Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday mornings, and from the way he acquitted himself against the favourite for the Derby, I think he will be one of the hardest horses to beat in the Cup. So far The Possible has not got two miles but I believe that journey lies within his capacity.

If he is ridden by Dawes, The Possible will have the services of a powerful and accomplished horseman, and should there be a pinch at the finish Dawes may be relied on to do Mr Gollan's horse justice. Next comes Impulse, and here is, I think, the neglected horse of the handicap. He is a proved stayer, and has shown brilliance far above ordinary class, but for some reason he is out of favour for the Cup. It may be that there is a doubt abroad as to his soundness, and from the gait at which he has been worked lately I don't think his people are too ready to give him a fly in earnest. If they extended him a crack up might result. However, while he stands to his work I take him to be one of the best horses in the handicap. Pegasus would puzzle a Solomon. At Takapuna he was in bad form and ran worse; yet he hobs up at Ellerslie in the mornings, looking well, and gets through as good work as anything on the track. It's a very general belief that Pegasus may silence his critics by winning this Cup, but I would be sorry to trust him with either spot cash or a tip. Three Star may be passed over, and Folly will not live out the distance. Dreamland goes well in the mornings, and is, I fancy, a certain place-getter, but I don't think she will get premier position. Quiltiri has a beautiful weight, and will carry a lot of money, and carry it creditably; but while recognising him as dangerous I prefer others. The rest I won't have. Fit and well on race day St. Hippo is master of the crowd, but I would not trust him until he shows up at the post. My pair against the field are

THE POSSIBLE and ST. HIPPO,
with a big preference for the former.

The acceptance for the Steeplechase looks a fair one, but it is not, for several of the runners have not a 100 to 1 chance. Their owners apparently think they have better prospects; but if ever-present hope was not firmly looted in the breasts of owners, racing clubs would get in a bad way. Roscius was a decided favourite for this race until a wave of doubt came from his home that the son of Gladiator had hurt himself when working, and was not to be trusted to face the flag. He has not yet reached Auckland, but it may be well to remember that when he won our Summer Steeplechase last year he was reckoned a cripple because he bled at the nose in his exercise gallops. But how did he stamp over his opponents on race day! So that he may bob up serenely in spite of reports to the contrary. His deposition from the position of favourite has given Fishmonger a lift-up in popular esteem; and there's no doubt, with 10.8 on the back of "old battle-axe," the field will have to make no mistakes, or else he will be in the lead when they cross Crowther's wall. I am not going to spread on this race, for, as I pointed out last week, if

TIRITEA
reaches the post in good order he is my straight-out fancy.

THE CLASSIC EVENTS.
The second race on the opening day of the meeting will be the important Great Northern Foal Stakes, which promises to give rise to an interesting contest. The Yaldhurst stable will be represented by two good ones in Epaulet and Uniform, the former of which is said to be very smart. The Hon. Mr Ormond's representative, Defiance will make a bold bid for victory; but with Armilla and St. Paul on our side there is a big prospect of the stake going to an Ellerslie-trained racer.

ARMILLA
is my pick for this race.

Before proceeding with my fancies for the minor events, I shall run through the Great Northern Derby candidates. On Osculator's performance in the V.R.C. Derby, he is reckoned a good thing for this race, but, good as his chance undoubtedly is, he will have to move along at a better gait than was cut out when Wallace carried off the V.R.C. Blue Ribband in 2min 46sec. We have a candidate here, Fabulist, who will ensure a true pace; and St. Regel, also, will be found moving at a pretty slick gait. All the same, on his track work since his arrival at Ellerslie,

OSCULATOR
should register a win, but a bet on Fabulist will not be thrown away.

THE MINOR HANDICAPS.
When acceptances closed last night for the minor handicaps, owners made a very satisfactory reply and good fields would appear to be assured. In the six furlong Railway Handicap, St. Laura and St. Clements did not like the look of each other, so both went out anticipating the other would accept. With 9lbs the best of St. Kilda, Musketry should beat him, and stands out as one of the best things in the handicap. His stable mate, Mauser, has gone out. Linstock, on a par with Doris, should be beaten, and Forma (at 11b less) is not so good as the Ophelia mare. Still, you don't know which Wright will prefer of the pair. His best will be hard to beat. The light weights have no chance.

MUSKETRY or WRIGHT'S BEST
should win this handicap.

The mile and a quarter Christmas Handicap is a hard race to pick, for it is a difficult matter to separate the Derby horses, Fabulist, Quiltiri, and St. Regel. For two, I like

QUILTIRI and ST. REGEL.
A dozen remain in the Pony Race, which looks a good thing for one of the horses handicapped at 7st odd. As I pointed out last week, Arquebus must take no end of beating in this race, and a nut that will be hard to crack is the Sydney pony Romp, which I consider very lightly handicapped. Fidget must have a chance, but I will pin my faith to

ARQUEBUS and ROMP.
There are thirteen in the first race of the meeting—the Trial Handicap. In this race a light-weight sure to be ignored is Frontignace, but my advice is to put a trifle on him. Lord Dunluce will run well, and Musketry will also figure prominently. Doris is sure to run well,

but I prefer her over six furlongs. Armour is another I have a big fancy for.

MUSKETRY and ARMOUR
are my pair, with Frontignace as an outsider. Nine have paid up for the Handicap Hurdles, of which I take the best to be Pansy, who, at 10.10, is given a nice scoring chance. Bombardier always has a chance. With him it is only a matter of clean jumping, but he is so uncertain in that respect that I would never put a farthing on him. I like

PANSY and DANTE.
There is a clinking field of sixteen in the Nursery Handicap. The Hon. Mr Ormond's Daring heads the list, and I think he is booked to win a race at the meeting. My particular idea for this race is the Dunedin filly St. Ouida and Lady Anna is worth a bit.

ST. OUIDA or DARING
are my fancies, with Lady Anna next best.

THAMES JOCKEY CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

The mining centre will have its racecourse busy on the 26th inst., when the Summer Meeting of the Thames J.C. opens. Good acceptances have been received. My fancies (with start in) for the meeting are as follow:—Goldfields Cup, Hazelmere or Eve; First Hurdles, Cingalee or Ditto; First Steeplechase, Ika or Cingalee; First Pony Handicap, Valencia or Nannie; Pony Hurdles, Kathleen or Little Jane.

Inter-Provincial.

[OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

WELLINGTON.

Training Notes from The Hutt—Wellington Cup Betting.

December 12.
With the present fine weather trainers at the Hutt are on the best of terms with themselves.

The veteran local trainer, Albert Peters, who is assisted by his sons Harry, the well-known horseman, and Ralph, has a useful string in hand, who should pay their hay under ordinary circumstances before the close of the season. And Austral (the lepper) is allowed a run and a little sunshine in the daytime, and he looks well on it. The black horse, Bona Fide (Sou'-wester—Fides), 4yrs, who met with an accident at the Johnsonville Railway Station, while being shipped to the Otaki meeting, received a nasty cut on one of his hind legs just above the fetlock, but will probably be all right before the end of the month. He is able to work at present; he is engaged in two hack events at Martinborough on Boxing Day. Mizpah, a bay filly by Lord Mandeville—Clymenus, engaged in the Second Wairarapa Derby next November, should furnish a lot before that time, and may prove a useful sort. Hard Case (Louis d'Or—Mama), an aged chestnut gelding, has failed to earn a winning bracket yet this season, and a three-year-old filly by Voltigeur, a bay with black points, has yet to make her debut in public. A four-year-old chestnut gelding, by Forester—Barbarian mare, with white blaze and one white fetlock, is a useful sort; he has also yet to make his first appearance under silk. These are the inmates of the six boxes at Mr Peters' place at present. He also has running out a six-year-old chestnut gelding, by Puriri—Riddlesworth mare.

At Mr W. Davis' stable, near the racecourse, where the only local Cup candidate (Kent) is located, I saw four useful horses whose form has recently been exposed in public, viz., Kent, Leda, Strathbraun, and Swordfish. They are all strung up and will probably be called upon to do further service this month. Leda and Kent are entered at Palmerston and Opaki, Swordfish at Martinborough, and Strathbraun at Opaki and Martinborough. It is yet undecided where they will go, but the list of acceptances will tell, and Mr Davis is a capable trainer and will secure a fair share of the prizes offered by clubs; he has the services of a useful light-weight in Leo. Matthews, who is attached to the stable.

Mr Isaac, who is the oldest of the local trainers, though only of recent years training from the Hutt, has only two horses in training at present. These are Revolution and Revolt, both of whom scored at the Hutt last month. Revolution has been entered at Martinborough in two races, and has pretty big burdens to carry. Revolt is a horse I have a fancy for in jumping company up to a mile and a half, and he may not race again before the W.R.C. Summer Meeting.

P. McGrath, the well-known horseman, is at present in Mr Freeth's employ.

Mr F. Martin's trainer, H. Fletcher, has Review and Kingslake in work at present. The former is engaged at Opaki and Lower Valley meetings, and the latter at Martinborough. J. Armstrong, who does the riding, is also connected with the stable. If the going is not too hard for Kingslake at Martinborough he should win one or both hack races there. The Chainshot—Sylph filly engaged in the Second Wairarapa Hack Derby next November is being got into shape. Sylph's yearling filly, by Chainshot, is also engaged in the Third Wairarapa Hack Derby. Sylph, who was one of the first of Mr Martin's representatives on the turf, is one of Mr Douglas' breeding, by Javelin—Maid of the Mountain; her first progeny, Opeti (by Steppo) raced in a hack event at the Hutt last month. Mr Martin has sold Sylph to J. Taggart.

The stable presided over by the brothers Jack and Dave Taggart includes the trotting stallion Brooklyn, who is having a good season; F.B., by Blackwood—Abdallah, bred by Mr Mace, of Christchurch; Rose, Little Hero, Khandallah, Judge Retford (Judge Beldon—Retford Belle), and Billy Buttons. Some of the team have been entered at Palmerston, and if they race there they will be unable to start at the local meetings.

Rose, Khandallah, F.B., and Sylph are stinted to Brooklyn.

At Porirua, Mr Josh Prosser has The Miser, his full brother, Gaspard, and half brother, The Baillie (by Flintlock), also Steel King, in work. The Miser has been entered for the Palmerston Cup on Boxing Day; The Baillie is engaged in the Egmont Hack Sires Produce Stakes, to be run in February. Kaahu has been blistered and turned out.

[BY WIRE.] December 16.

Previous to his departure for England the Musket horse Derringer was insured for £500.

Mr G. G. Stead's team for Ellerslie, Mauser, Musketry, Bloodshot, Epaulet, and Uniform, in charge of R. Mason, passed through on Friday last.

R. Ray took Quiltiri up at the same time.

Mr E. F. Yuille reports the following business on the Wellington Cup since last week:—500 to 5 Wikitoria, 200 to 11 Lorelei, 200 to 8 The Miser, 300 to 3 Orion's Belt, 200 to 10 Magazine, 200 to 12 Waiuku. Auckland and Wellington Cup double:—100 to 4 St. Hippo and Skirmisher, 100 to 4 Quiltiri and Skirmisher, 100 to 3 Quiltiri and Waiuku, 100 to 3 The Possible and The Artist, 100 to 2 Pegasus and Waiuku, 100 to 1 First Nelson and Bessie McCarthy. There is no alteration in the Wellington Cup quotations to report, except that Skirmisher has hardened to 100 to 14, and Lady Zetland and The Artist to 100 to 10.

December 17.

A meeting of the stewards of the Wellington Racing Club was held last night, Colonel Pearce in the chair. The treasurer laid on the table a statement of accounts in connection with the recent Spring Meeting, which showed a very satisfactory result considering the bad weather experienced on the second day. The disqualification of R. Ross and the mare Princess Cole for suspicious running at the Otaki Maori Racing Club's Meeting on the 13th ult. was endorsed. Adam McMorrin, who was disqualified for life for striking another jockey in a race on the Hutt Park racecourse in November, 1893, applied for the commutation of the sentence, which was agreed to on the condition that McMorrin shall not apply to any club for either a trainer's or a jockey's license. An offer of a portable starting machine was made by Mr P. J. Murtagh, but as the club is already supplied the offer was declined. It was resolved to offer Mr Harry Piper the position of starter for the Summer Meeting. It was decided to considerably enlarge the grandstand luncheon room, and a committee was appointed to furnish the room throughout, and to arrange with a first-class caterer to supply luncheon at the January meeting.

CHRISTCHURCH.

The New Brighton Meeting—The Calendar Question—Auckland Cup Betting.

[BY WIRE.] December 17.

St. Hippo is the local favourite for the Auckland Cup at 3 to 4 to 1, Quiltiri being also supported at 5 to 1. The Possible has also been backed for small sums. Roscius and Tiritea are the selected ones for the Steeplechase.

Mr Atyeo informs me that betting on your approaching meeting, and on the Wellington Cup, has not been particularly brisk. Skirmisher, Lady Zetland, The Shrew, and The Artist are the popular fancies.

Barmby leaves for Palmerston to-morrow, and he should win the Palmerston Cup.

Marino has gone to the Coast, as also has Artiller, Mona, Couranto, Minerva, and Jack.

There was a slight disposition to brighten the odds against Skirmisher for the Wellington Cup last week, but the cause is not glaringly apparent. He has been doing slow work.

A very successful day's racing was witnessed at New Brighton yesterday, when the Christchurch Racing Club held its annual meeting. The weather was splendid and the number present a record. Over £2000 was invested during the afternoon. The enjoyment of those attending was greatly due to the good management of all the officials (especially the courteous and energetic secretary, Mr Rattray) doing their utmost to anticipate the wishes of their patrons. The first event, the Hurdle Handicap, was won easily by Freeborn, by Guy Fawkes—Freeman's dam, who was nicely ridden by G. J. Walls. Armstrong was second and Black Jack third. Dividend, £2 12s. Alcestis, by Master George—Payche, won the Maiden, Rangefinder second, a position he has occupied too often to be pleasant to his owners. Dividend, £2 16s. A protest against Alcestis receiving the stakes was entered, which was upheld. Loveshot and Silver Spec fought out a splendid finish in the Christchurch Handicap, one mile, the former, who is a son of Chainshot, winning by a short head. Silver Spec got badly away and subsequently had the misfortune to get jammed on the rails, or she would have won. In addition, Connop, who was riding Silver Spec, had his leg severely cut by contact with the rails. Magazine finished third. Dividend, £2 4s. Mr Butler's Medicus, by Apremont—Miss Russley, took the Flying Handicap, beating Magazine and Kowai, who finished second and third respectively, and two others. Dividend, £5 12s. Miss Madge won the Selling Race, paying £2 12s. The Welter Handicap fell to Frenchy, by St. George—Fleurange, who rewarded his supporters with the decent dividend of £7 12s. The Saddle Trot was easily won by Peggy, £33 6s. being returned as dividend. How this mare paid such a dividend is one of those things few could understand, as she is one of the best trotting mares in the province. When commenting on the Plumpton Meeting I mentioned in your columns that she would win in the future. Holly won the Harness Trot easily. Dividend, £14 8s. This event was spoiled by Venus dis-

lodging her driver. The mare galloped through the field, and several of the competitors pulled out of her way.

Kingan was thrown twice by Kowai before the start for the Welter Handicap at New Brighton, fortunately without serious injury. When Little Jack fell in the Hurdle Race Dan Roberts was considerably knocked about.

A trotting meeting will be held at New Brighton on Boxing Day. The Tinwald nominations for New Year's Day are not noticeable for the quality of the contestants.

Maximus, the fashionably-bred Maxim—Miss Kate colt, started in the Maiden at New Brighton. He is not a bad shaped one, but his galloping ability is not on a par with his breeding.

Solano is still an inmate of the Middleton establishment, Mr Lunn having purchased him.

Au Revoir is looking the picture of health, and it is to be hoped that this good animal will stand the winding-up process.

Liberator is at work looking as young and brisk as ever.

It will be some time before Chaos is fit to carry colours, if he ever is.

It is to be hoped that the action of the Wairarapa stewards with reference to advertising in the Referee will be the means of having the matter re-opened and settled on a more equitable basis. Nearly every racing man here with whom I have discussed the question is of opinion that a great mistake was made in attempting to force clubs to advertise in the local paper. At the same time it is generally held there should be one recognised paper in which all forfeits disqualifications, etc., should be published, but that ordinary racing advertisements should be left entirely to the discretion of racing clubs.

NAPIER.

Training Notes from Hastings—Wellington Cup Betting.

[BY WIRE.] December 17.

Messrs Pope and Sibley's prize in the St. Alban's lottery, the filly by Trenton—Girofle, arrived by the Manapouri last Sunday. She was taken to Palmer's stable and remained there till yesterday, when she left for Porangahan, the residence of her owners. The groom in charge informed me that Mr W. R. Wilson is of the opinion that this filly and the one out of Lady-in-Waiting are the pick of the stallion's yearlings.

Training operations are in full swing at Hastings and Napier Park now, in view of the Xmas meetings to be held in this district. Moonraker, Maid Marion, Sequah, the Torpedo—Honey-suckle colt, Zaecho, and Waterlily at the latter place, and Gooseman's, Robertson's, Ellingham's, and Maher's teams, at Hastings, have been putting in good work.

Tiritea, who left here last Monday to fulfil his engagements at your Christmas and New Year fixtures, is greatly fancied locally for the Steeplechase.

The Shrew's connections here are backing her heartily for the Wellington Cup. One would think from the confident manner in which they are planking down their bit, that Bianca's game and sterling daughter could not possibly lose.

The weights for the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club Meeting made their appearance on Monday morning, but as the acceptances are not due until Wednesday next, I shall refrain from hazarding any tips till then.

Messrs Wilson and Profit report the following betting for the week on the Wellington Cup: 100 to 12 The Shrew, 100 to 10 Skirmisher, 200 to 19 Lady Zetland, 100 to 9 The Artist, 100 to 6 North Atlantic, 100 to 10 Quiltiri, 100 to 5 Banner, 100 to 5 Pompon, 150 to 6 Kent, 100 to 3 Brooklet.

By reference to our business columns it will be seen that Mr William Mackenzie, the powerful and gifted baritone, gives a Grand Sacred Concert in the City Hall on Christmas night. Those who heard him sing "The Trumpet Shall Sound" at his first concert will hail the announcement with delight. In addition to a powerful array of artistes Madame Goldenstedt, Mons Willomoff, and Charles Waud will assist. Full particulars are to appear shortly.

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Telegrams will not be attended to. Remittances should be sent to the MANAGER, RESULT DEPARTMENT, SPORTING REVIEW, VULCAN LANE, AUCKLAND.

NOTES

[By Gipsy King.]

[By wire.—Continued from page 13.]

Maori Girl, the dam of the steeplechasers Queenslander, Gasparina, and Chrystal, died at Orua (Downs' estate), near Foxton, on Friday. Two of her progeny—a four-year-old half brother Voltigeur, and a three-year-old by Flintlock (both untried)—are running on the estate.

Milksop, the dam of Mr Gollan's Kimberley, foaled to Haere this season, but the youngster only lived about a week. Milksop visits Ascot this season.

Jim McTaggart has not experienced very good luck since temporarily removing to Foxton with his team. Last week Trickey ricked the muscles of her shoulder, and it is doubtful if she will be able to fulfil any of her Christmas engagements; and Ruby Twist, the four-year-old half brother to Irish Twist, was taken suddenly ill with inflammation of the kidneys a few days afterwards, and she will also be spelled for a while. Both horses were looking well, and McTaggart had been very attentive to them all the winter, so that their retirement right in the thick of the racing season is decidedly hard luck.

Owners and trainers will be so busy during the Christmas holidays that they will be glad to be reminded that the attractive programme issued by the Foxton Racing Club requires attention on Saturday, December 28th (same day as Ashurst races), when nominations for all events except the Trial Hurdles and Anniversary Stakes close with Mr J. K. Whyte, Secretary, Foxton. Those interested should not forget that the Woodville Meeting follows a few days afterwards; so that both meetings can be attended with little additional expense. The Woodville programme will duly appear in the REVIEW, and owners will then see something to their advantage. The Woodville Club has a splendid course, and well up-to-date appointments, and is largely attended, this latter item always assuring owners a favourable dividend. Cheap fares will be available for both meetings. And owners at the same time should note that there are fewer meetings this year than last, consequently they must take advantage of meetings such as the Foxton and Woodville.

For the Second Taranaki Hack Derby, I like the Ascot—Fides colt, Surrey, as well as anything in the race.

My selections for the Ashurst meeting, to be held on the 28th December, are:—Maiden Hurdles, Jacobite; Flying Handicap, Streamlet or Iphimedee; Manawatu Gorge Handicap, Aio; Maiden Plate, Mary; Siberia Handicap, Slumber; Visitors Handicap, Allington; Pohangina Handicap, Roll Call; Scurry Stakes, Volta or Arlington.

My selections for the Manawatu meeting are:—Telegraph Stakes, Kent or Hotspur; Hurdles, Rangipai; Hack Hurdles, Barman; Palmerston Cup, Leda or Brooklet; First Hack Flat, Seabreeze; Grandstand Handicap, Bloomsbury; Ladies' Purse, First Sight.

On Monday evening next the first of a series of Continental Water Concerts will be given, the p.s. Eagle having been chartered for the season by the Continental Concert Company. These concerts are to be conducted on similar lines to those which have been so thoroughly successful on the Continent for some years. Everything will be done in first-class style, and no effort will be spared by the Company to make the concerts enjoyable to patrons. The charge is to be a popular one, viz., one shilling, and books containing a dozen tickets may be had for ten shillings.

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Our Illustrations.

With this issue we give six plates illustrating the Messrs. Alison Bros.' Motu-Korea Stud. Four yearlings are reproduced, together with a colt foal from Tamora, and the St. Leger horse, Regal, who now acts as sire of the island stud. As will be seen from the photos., Regal's youngsters are of a most promising nature, and show that in his first venture at stud work he has not belied the great blood running in his veins. The yearlings represented are colts from Friendship and Tamora (by Regal), one by Cairrassier—Jessie, and a filly by Nelson from Phantom. Yearlings are difficult subjects for a photographer to handle, but we think our artist has done the youngsters justice.

On page 5 of this number is an appropriate photo. (taken on the builders' slip) of Messrs. W. and F. Wilsons' yacht, the 5-rater Moana, winner of the race from 4 to 7 rating at Ponsonby Regatta on Saturday last. As will be seen, she has long, racey-looking lines, and judging by the way she sneaked through the water in her maiden effort on Saturday, her looks do not belie her. She is rigged with mainsail and two headsails, has a bulb keel, and her roomy deck is fitted with Indian teak. All her fore and aft planking is in one length, deck included. A splendid finish has been given her—in fact, the well-known Logan finish. Moana was built by Logan Bros., and designed as a racing cruiser, with good room and accommodation below. Her dimensions are:—Length over all, 46ft 3in; water-line, 31ft.; beam, 9ft.; draught, 7ft. On the same page is a picture of the officials of the Wellington Amateur Athletic Club.

TROTTING.

OFFICIAL CALENDAR.

THE AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB. DURHAM STREET EAST, August 30th.

To the Editor SPORTING REVIEW.

SIR,—I have been instructed by the Committee of this Club to inform you that your paper has of this day been appointed the OFFICIAL CALENDAR for trotting clubs in the Provincial district of Auckland.

Yours faithfully,
C. F. MARK,
Secretary.

COMING EVENTS.

December 28, Saturday; January 4, Saturday—Auckland Trotting Club
December 30, Monday—Palmerston North T.C. Summer
January 2, Thursday—Greytown Metropolitan T.C. Midsummer
January 23, Thursday; 25, Saturday—Wellington Trotting Club
February 15, Saturday; 22, Saturday—Otauhu Trotting Club Annual

HANDICAPS.

January 2, Thursday—Auckland Trotting Club

ACCEPTANCES.

December 20, Friday—Auckland Trotting Club
December 20, Friday—Wellington Trotting Club
December 21, Saturday—Palmerston North T.C. Summer
January 3, Friday—Auckland Trotting Club
January 3, Friday—Wellington Trotting Club

AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

[BY BORDERER.]

Splendid acceptances were received last night by the A.T.C. for the two Cups of their Summer Meeting, only three being scratched from the Trot and one from the Pony Cup. A better result could not have been wished for, and Mr Knight can take credit for having satisfied those very difficult mortals, trotting men and pony owners. In the Cup I like Rosebud, Ruby, and Tom Hicks. The Pony Cup should go to Pica or Nannie. For the Hurdles I like Helena and Quail. In the Christmas Handicap, Rodney or Nannie. Harness Trot, Ruby or Ike. Electric Trot, Gay Belle or Slim Jim. Maiden Trot, Wallace D. Maiden Pony, Little Belle.

The Palmerston North Trotting Club have removed the disqualification which they passed on W. J. McTaggart for interfering with Kentucky Wilks in a race at Palmerston North, when riding Othello. Trotting men, with whom Jack is very popular, will be glad to hear of this. The "term" which he has served is sufficient punishment for the offence he was alleged to have committed.

It is said that as soon as the rules of the North Island Trotting Association are formally confirmed, one of the delegates will propose that the Association should communicate with the Canterbury Metropolitan Trotting Association, as the representative institution of the South Island, asking if they will act in concert with the North Island Association in a reciprocal manner for the advancement of trotting generally. The proposal will also contain a recommendation that it would be beneficial for delegates from each association to meet once a year in Wellington for the purpose of discussing matters of interest in connection with trotting.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING, DECEMBER 26, 1895, AND JANUARY 1 AND 2, 1896.

FIRST-CLASS LUNCHEON.

Tea and Coffee Rooms.
Strawberries and Cream.
Ice Creams, &c., in Grandstand and on Lawn.

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AUCKLAND RACING CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

Further payments and acceptances in connection with the above meeting are due as under:—

Christmas Handicap of 100 sovs, 1 1/4 mile, 2 sovs
On Tuesday, 24th December, by 12 noon—

Great Northern Foal Stakes—The forfeit of 5 sovs to be declared and paid, or the nominator will be liable for whole of sweep-stake, 10 sovs.

On Thursday, 26th December, the following payments are due at the post:—

Great Northern Foal Stakes of 300 sovs, 6 furlongs (sweep), 10 sovs.

Auckland Cup of 500 sovs, 2 miles, 5 sovs.

Pony Cup Handicap of 80 sovs, 7 furlongs, 1 sov.

On Monday, 30th December, at 9 p.m., acceptances close for—

Glasgow Handicap of 100 sovs, 7 furlongs, 2 sovs.

New Year's Handicap Hurdles of 100 sovs, 2 miles, 2 sovs.

Midsummer Handicap of 150 sovs, 5 furlongs, 3 sovs.

County Handicap of 100 sovs, 6 furlongs, 2 sovs

Auckland Racing Club Handicap of 350 sovs, 1 1/2 mile, 3 sovs

Pony Handicap of 80 sovs, 6 furlongs, 1 sov.

Maiden Handicap of 100 sovs, 1 mile 2 sovs.

On Tuesday, 31st December, by 12 noon—

Great Northern Derby—The forfeit of 5 sovs to be declared and paid, or the nominator will be liable for the whole of the sweep-stake, 15 sovs.

On Wednesday, 1st January, the following payments are due at the post:—

Great Northern Derby of 500 sovs, 15 sovs

Auckland Racing Club Handicap of 350 sovs, 1 1/4 mile, 5 sovs

Handicap Pony Race of 80 sovs, 6 furlongs, 1 sov.

On Thursday, 2nd January, acceptances are due as under:—By 12 noon—

Ascot Handicap of 100 sovs, 1 mile, 2 sovs.

Sylvia Handicap of 100 sovs, 6 furlongs, 2 sovs.

Grandstand Handicap of 150 sovs, 1 1/4 mile, 3 sovs.

Newmarket Handicap of 100 sovs, 6 furlongs, 2 sovs.

Pony Handicap Hurdle Race of 70 sovs, 1 1/2 miles, 1 sov.

PALMERSTON NORTH METROPOLITAN TROTTING CLUB.

On Saturday next, 21st inst., at 9 p.m., acceptances in connection with the above meeting will close with the secretary, Mr C. C. Miles, as under:—

Maiden Trot Handicap (saddle) of 15 sovs, 2 miles, 5s.

Manawatu Trot Handicap (saddle) of 50 sovs, 3 miles, 30s.

Handicap Pony Trot (harness) of 20 sovs, 2 miles, 10s.

Maiden Trot Handicap (harness) of 15 sovs, 2 miles, 5s.

Summer Trot Handicap (harness) of 50 sovs, 3 miles, 30s.

Handicap Pony Trot (saddle) of 20 sovs, 2 miles, 10s.

Electric Trot Handicap (saddle) of 25 sovs, 1 mile, 15s.

GISBORNE RACING CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

On Monday, 23rd inst., by 9 p.m., nominations in connection with the above meeting will close with the secretary, Mr M. G. Nasmith, as under:—

Flying Handicap of 50 sovs, 6 furlongs, 1 sov.

First Handicap Hurdle Race of 50 sovs, 1 1/2 mile; 1 sov.

President's Handicap of 100 sovs, 1 1/4 mile, 1 sov.

Park Stakes Handicap of 50 sovs, 1 mile and a distance, 1 sov.

County Stakes Handicap of 40 sovs, 7 furlongs, 15s.

Stewards' Handicap of 45 sovs, 7 furlongs 1 sov.

Second Handicap Hurdle Race of 60 sovs, 1 1/2 mile, 1 sov.

Grandstand Handicap of 60 sovs, 1 mile and a distance, 1 sov.

ORMOND JOCKEY CLUB ANNUAL MEETING.

On Saturday, the 28th inst., acceptances for the above meeting close at 8 p.m. with Mr J. H. Aislabie, as follows:—

Handicap Hurdles of 30 sovs, 1 1/2 miles, 1/2 sov.

Flying Handicap of 25 sovs, 6 furlongs, 1/2 sov.

Ormond Cup Handicap of 45 sovs, 1 1/2 miles, 1 sov.

THE BLAND HOLT SEASON.

Bland Holt, who may always expect a genuinely hearty welcome from Auckland playgoers, commenced a season of melodrama at the Opera House on Thursday evening, and was greeted with a large and enthusiastic audience. The opening production was the sporting and spectacular drama "The Prodigal Daughter," in which the full strength of Mr Holt's very powerful company was seen to advantage. The many fine scenes were enthusiastically received, and when it came to the representation of the Grand National Mr Holt gave his patrons a most realistic representation, in which no less than half-a-dozen horses were put to jumps not at all easy to negotiate. The scene, as indeed the whole piece, went splendidly, and the general verdict was that the opening production was the best thing Mr Holt has yet given us. There can only be two more representations of the piece. On Tuesday evening Mr Holt will stage the sensational drama, "The Span of Life," of which we have heard much and expect more, with all its spectacles and sensational effects.

Turf Topics.

[BY REVIEWER.]

Detector has been scratched for the Great Northern Foal Stakes.

With Roscius under suspicion, our big Steeple looks a good thing for Tiritea.

Casket, who was sold recently for 150 guineas, has gone into Loughlin's stable.

Liberator is in work again down Christchurch way, looking as fresh as a daisy.

Doris did a big sprint at Ellerslie the other morning, and will win a race at the approaching meeting.

It is stated that Donald McKinnon has already been supported for the next Grand National Hurdle Race.

Bombardier is training on well at North Shore. His party are confident of capturing the Summer Steeplechase.

Rumour says that the owner of Bendonwell (Mr S. Solomon, the Dunedin lawyer) intends retiring from the turf.

The Napier people are fond of what they call the "Tiri" double for our Cup and Steeple—Quiltiri and Tiritea.

Carnage and Trenton leave Australia for England by the Orient liner, Orizaba, which leaves Melbourne next Saturday.

Southern reports say that Chaos is in such a bad way that it is doubtful if the son of Total Eclipse will ever race again.

"Mazeppe," of the Otago Witness, takes impulse to win the Auckland Cup, and Roscius and Cingalee for the Steeplechase.

Mr T. McEwin, of the City Buffet, will supply luncheon at Ellerslie during the Christmas meeting of the Auckland Racing Club.

"Borderer's" finals for the A.R.C. and A.T.C. meetings will appear in the Second Edition of the REVIEW on Saturday morning.

Mr Stead's colt, Musketry, will have to be reckoned with at the coming events. He has done some good gallops since his arrival at Ellerslie.

The Wellington Park foalings finished last week, when Lilac (Leolinus—Leila), foaled a colt to Cuirassier. The Park lot numbers 19 fillies and 11 colts.

A second edition of the SPORTING REVIEW, containing "Borderer's" notes and anticipations for the A.R.C. Summer Meeting, will be issued on Saturday morning.

I understand Mr W. R. Wilson visits Auckland this month. Perhaps he wishes to re-stock St. Albans, and has his eye on some of the Wellington Park yearlings.

The owner of Patron is hopeful of getting another race out of Flaneur's son, who is now doing plenty of solid work at Flemington. He should be quite ready about Champion time.

St. Hippo remains Cup favourite at three, but there is very little betting doing. Fishmonger is now favourite for the Steeple, and coupled with St. Hippo commands friends at 100 to 6.

Bloodshot, Musketry, Mauseur, Uniform, Epaulet, Quiltiri, and St. Ouida arrived from the South on Monday, and have been doing good work at Ellerslie. Daring, Defiance, and Tiritea arrived from the Coast yesterday.

Mr D. A. McLeod reports the Great Northern Derby market as follows:—Osculator, even money; Fabulist, 100 to 25; Quiltiri, 100 to 18; Mauseur, 100 to 20; St. Regal and Musketry, 100 to 12; Armour, 100 to 10; Forma, 100 to 5.

Trenton has been sold after all. Mr T. Morrin received a cable from the Master of St. Albans last Thursday, informing him that Trenton had been bought by a son of Sir Samuel Wilson, and that the horse will be shipped to England with Carnage.

The Possible and Osculator have been doing some good gallops in company over twelve furlongs, and though the latter has always had a bit the best of it at the finish, it has to be remembered, it takes a good galloper to keep pace with the Derby favourite over a mile and a half.

Major George has instructed Messrs Hunter and Nolan to auction the members of his racing string on Saturday, the 4th of January, when the following blood horses will be put under the hammer:—Pegasus, Anniversary, Admiral Hawk, Heart of Oak, Neptune, and The Master.

T. C. Robson, the light-weight jockey, arrived to-day with the Hon J. D. Ormond's two-year-olds, Daring and Defiance. Robson, who hails from the Australian side, will ride the colts in their engagements, and will in future be connected with Mr Ormond's racing stable.

Trains will leave Auckland for the Ellerslie racecourse on December 26th and January 1st and 2nd at 10.45, 11.25, 11.45, 12 noon, 12.30, 1.0 and 2.10 p.m., returning to Auckland at 4.30, 5.0, and at intervals up to 15 minutes after the last race. Reserved cars will be provided for ladies.

The question of holding race meetings on Xmas Day was considered at a recent meeting of the Wairarapa Racing Club, and a motion carried "That this club views with regret the action of certain persons in various parts of the Wairarapa in holding race meetings on Christmas, and that the other clubs of the Wairarapa be asked to discontinue them."

The Auckland Racing Club have suspended the jockey's license of D. Swanson. The disqualification imposed on Knapsack for running at unregistered meetings has been removed, and the following programmes passed:—Te Karaka R.C., December 26th; Opotiki Hack Meeting, December 26th; Bay of Plenty R.C., February 20th and 21st, 1896; Takapuna J.C., January 29th and February 1st and May 23rd and 25th, 1896.

Gentlemen's overcoats reduced from 25/- and 30/- to 10/6, 12/6, and 15/6 at Fowlds' great sale

The third annual sale of the Motu-Korea yearlings will take place on Monday, December 30.

Mr W. P. Crick, who has had his hands full of trouble over the notorious Dean case, owns racers and had a win at Randwick recently. Crick could not see the race, as he is on trial for conspiracy.

The Nordenfeldt—Mersey stallion, Carnage, has been sold by Mr W. R. Wilson to Mr W. Alison, of the London *Sportsman*, as agent for an English racing man. The horse will be shipped Home shortly.

Now that "Tattersall" has received notice to quit Queensland soil he notifies that on and after January 1st, 1896, his address will be Hobart, Tasmania. So that his alluring offer of a fortune for £1 will still glitter before the eyes of Australasians.

As will be seen from the pictures appearing in this issue Messrs Alison Bros. have some fine yearlings to offer from Motu-Korea at the approaching Christmas sales of bloodstock. The St. Leger horse, Regal, is now the sire of the Stud, and from the youngsters to be put up this year it is certain he will be the success at the stud that his breeding suggests.

The N.Z. Cup winner, Euroclydon, takes his name from a tempestuous north-east wind that blows in Levant. The name occurs in Longfellow's "Midnight Mass":—

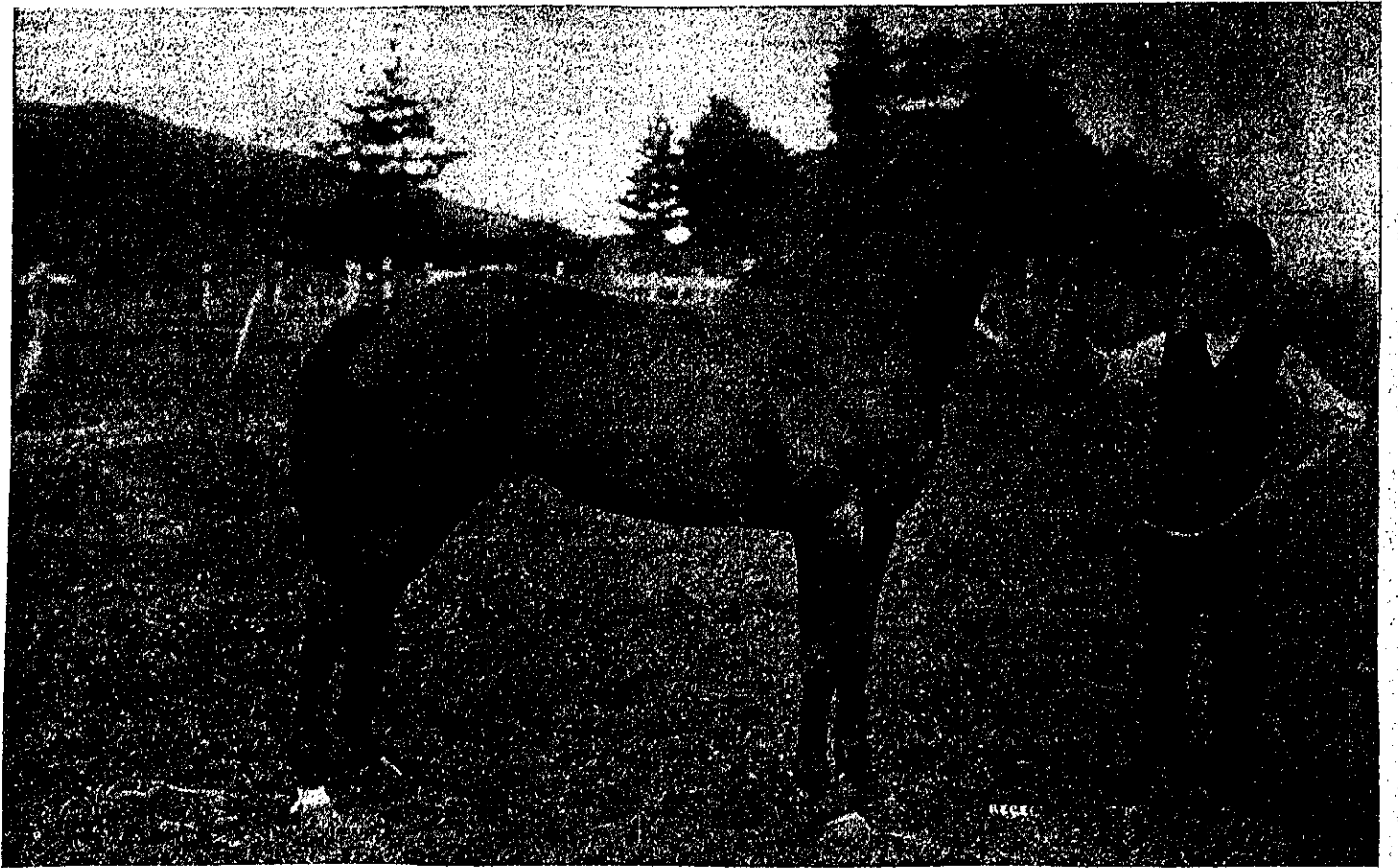
Then comes with an awful roar,
Gathering and sounding on,
The storm wind from Labrador—
The wind Euroclydon,
The storm wind.

Three Star livened up training matters last Saturday by smashing through the fence separating the course-proper from the grass gallop and then coming a cropper over the chain which is stretched across the course when the track is closed. The party connected with the Castor gelding may have had a Cup idea about him last week, but his mishap has shut out that prospect. They have a safer representative in St. Hippo.

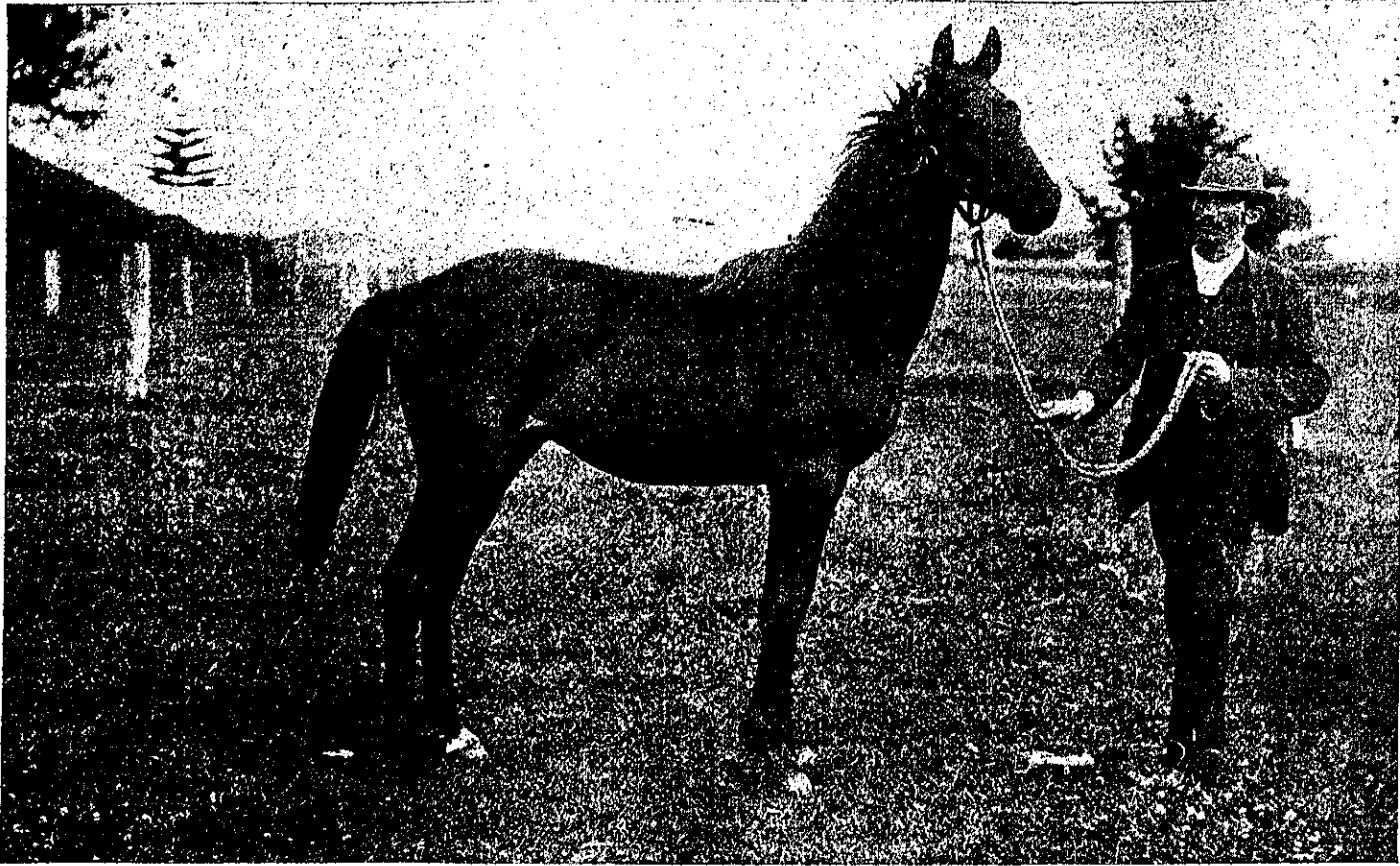
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SKETCHES AT THE MOTU-KOREA STUD.

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THE SIRE REGAL (BY ST. LEGER—ATALANTA).



YEARLING COLT BY CUIRASSIER—JESSIE.

The privileges in connection with the A.R.C. Summer Meeting were sold at the Brunswick Mart. on Tuesday, and resulted as follows:—Cards, £260, Mr W. Adam; Grandstand bar, £142; Lean-to bar, £151, Mr Dunn. Booths under Derby-stand—No. 1, £75, Mr Hawkins; No. 2, £47, Mr Tooman; No. 3, £25, Mr Thompson; No. 4, £31, Mr Kelly. Stabling, £7, Mr King; refreshment stalls, £30, Mr Saunders.

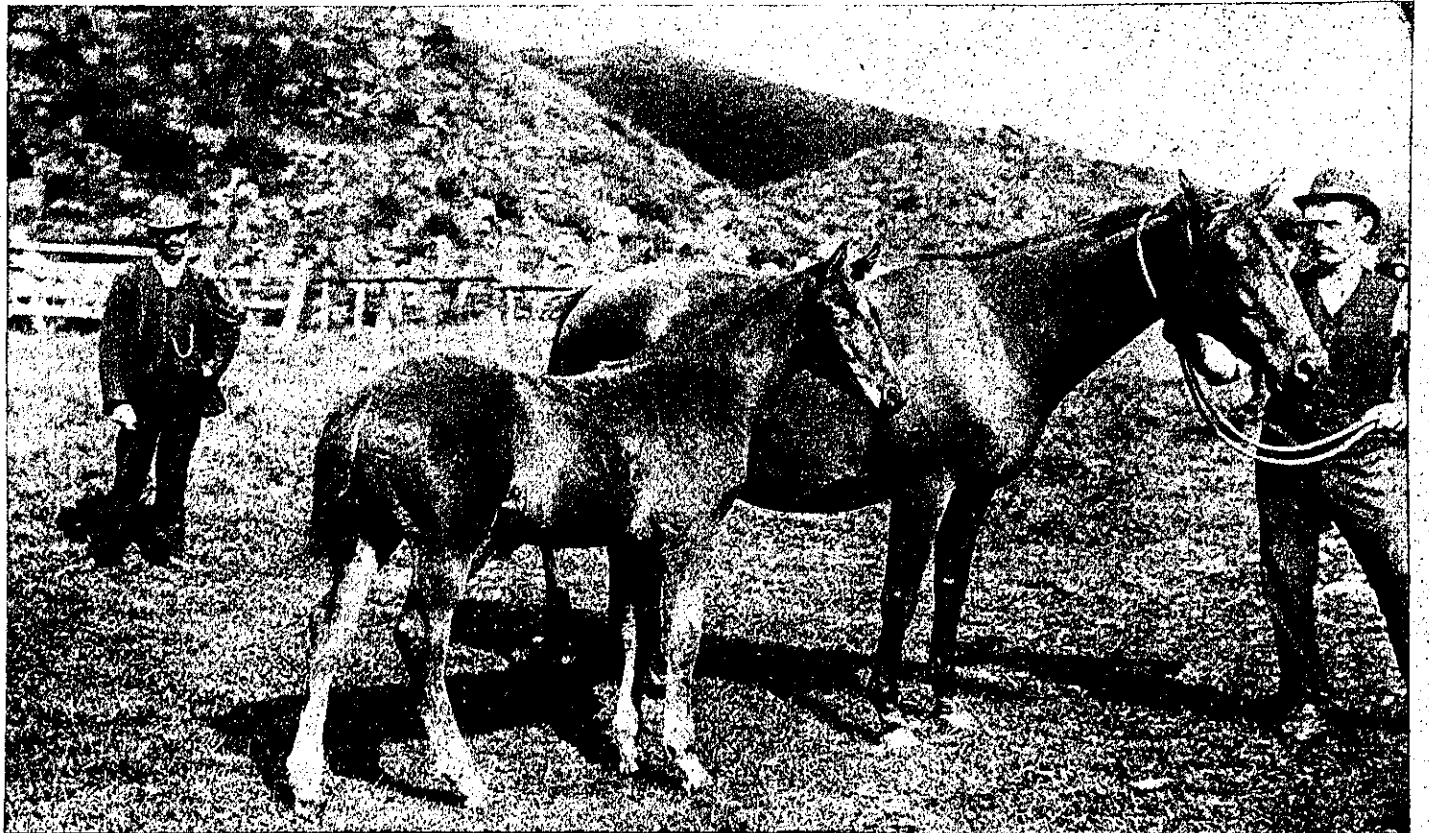
"Malua," of the *Tairi Advocate*, refers to the Racing Calendar question as follows:—"This is a petty meddling with details that should be altogether beyond the province of racing conferences. It may create a nice little monopoly for a Christchurch newspaper, but that is about all that can be said in favour of the arrangement. I hope our Otago delegates will set their backs up a bit, and protest against this interference at the first opportunity that is offered them. I do not see that there is any particular gain in holding such conferences. The Otago country clubs always get on well enough under the jurisdiction of the D.J.C., and never asked for a change. If it had not been for a resolution of a racing conference the Tairi Club would not have been driven into such financial straits as it was driven into by the rule concerning the minimum amount of stakes. Had it not been for that rule the general public would, before now, have had the benefit of a grand stand and other conveniences on the Mosgiel race-course. Each metropolitan club should know the circumstances and requirements of the clubs within its own jurisdiction, and should be able to legislate for them without the aid of conferences. There might be something said in favour of meetings in conference of racing delegates if only the broad principles of racing laws are to be dealt with and cases of difficulty settled for which no precedent exists; but to interfere with the internal arrangements of clubs, and even dictate to them which paper they are to advertise their programme in, is an annoying interference that is sure to beget opposition."

An instruction given by Major George to Messrs Hunter and Nolan looks as though the Master of Wapiti is retiring from racing. The Major has instructed the firm named to sell by auction on January 4th, Pegasus, Anniversary, Heart of Oak, Admiral Hawke, and The Master.

Robinson Crusoe, who is taking up stud duty in the Hawke's Bay district, carried off as a racehorse the A.J.C. Champagne Stakes, A.J.C. Sires' Produce and Sydney Derby of 1876, the A.J.C. Queen's Plate and Sydney Leger of 1877. Robinson Crusoe sired in eight seasons 48 winners, who won in stakes £29,000. His best sons were Navigator, Trident, The Sailor Prince, Preston, The Captain, Selkirk, The Officer.

Twelve thoroughbred yearlings will be sold at the Motu-Korea Stud (Brown's Island) on Monday, December 30th. The youngsters are: Regal—Mystery colt, Cuirassier—Jessie colt, Nelson—Phantom filly, Regal—Friendship colt, Nelson—Torment filly, Regal—Tamora colt, Cuirassier—Vasator filly, Warrior—Muriel gelding, Regal—Rewarewa colt, Regal—Pearl gelding. There will also be offered a brown gelding by Paddy's Land out of Peal, and a chestnut filly by Brigadier out of Mayflower.

A very dismal side of the racing picture was given at Hunter and Nolan's yards last Friday, when several blood horses were auctioned at ridiculous rates. Mr S. C. Caulton's team of racehorses, in training and with engagements, were put up, and the following miserable prices were obtained:—Nikan, by Hotchkiss—Yattaghan, 2yrs, with a liability of £7, brought 15gs; Porangi Potae, by Castor—Madcap, 2yrs, liability of £20, 21gs; Deadshot, liability of £56, 50gs; The Sharper, liability of £22 10s, 22gs. Mr Brimblecombe was the buyer in each instance. In addition to the above the two-year-old Brigadier filly Brigantine and the pony Sweetheart were put up, the former going to Mr George McBride for 17gs, the latter being passed in at a reserve of £15.



THE MUSKET MARE TAMORA WITH COLT FOAL BY REGAL.

Japonette silk handkerchiefs reduced from 1s to 6d at Geo. Fowlds' great sale.

Weights, etc.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

ACCEPTANCES.

Table listing race details for Auckland Cup of 600 sovs. two miles, including names of horses and their weights.

Table listing race details for Auckland Steeplechase of 250 sovs, about three miles and a half.

Table listing race details for Great Northern Foal Stakes of 300 sovs, six furlongs.

Table listing race details for Uniform (bay colt, by Hotchkiss-Formo) and other horses.

Table listing race details for Railways Handicap of 100 sovs, six furlongs.

Table listing race details for Christmas Handicap of 100 sovs, one mile and a quarter.

Table listing race details for Pony Handicap of 80 sovs, seven furlongs.

Table listing race details for Trial Handicap of 100 sovs, seven furlongs.

Table listing race details for Handicap Hurdles of 120 sovs, two miles.

Table listing race details for Nursery Handicap of 100 sovs, five furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

GLASGOW HANDICAP of 100 sovs, seven furlongs.—First Nelson, St. Kilda, Lord Dunluce, Eve, Ploughboy, Peerless, St. Laura Miss Nelson, Kingsman, Doris, Merry Maid, Panoply, Acone, Bonnie Scotland, Quiltiri, Commodore, Anniversary.

NEW YEAR'S HANDICAP HURDLES of 100 sovs, two miles.—Economy, Waverley, Blackfriar, Pansy, Tiritea, Knapsack, Bombardier, Ravensworth, Disturbance, Ika Vuka, Belmont, Ogre, Roscius, Dante, Lady Bird, Othello, Loch Ness.

MIDSUMMER HANDICAP of 150 sovs, five furlongs.—Korowai, Porangi Potae, St. Owen, Antares, St. Elmora, Sabretache, Lady Anna, Miss Leger, Nestor, Detector, St. Paul, Hotchkiss—Fishgirl colt, Armilla, Day Star, Epaulet, Uniform, Daring, Defiance, Rubin, St. Ouida, Admiral Hawke.

COUNTY HANDICAP of 100 sovs, six furlongs.—First Nelson, St. Kilda, Lily, Pororua, Rookwood—Governess g 5yrs, Eve, St. Laura, Miss Nelson, St. Clements, Hazelmere, Doris, Panoply, Forma, Acone, The Possible, Quartezo, Heart of Oak, Deadshot.

PONY HANDICAP of 80 sovs, six furlongs.—Lady Thornton, Storyteller, Leona, Cupid, Nannie, Fidget, Kathleen, Kit, Mavourneen, Hazelmere, Bit o' Fashion, Arquebus, Silkworm, Lavinia, Vampire, Valencia, Sweetheart, Talisman, Tit, Romp.

MAIDEN HANDICAP of 100 sovs, one mile.—Aughadovey, Mantle, Lord Dunluce, Dorothy, Rex, Frontignac, Plough Boy, Viceroy, Miss Nelson, Lady Agnes, Pirate, Armour, Stamford, Merry Maid, Retaliation, Yattenfeldt, Repeater, Joker, Cadet, St. Simon, Ongro, Captivity, Anniversary, Neptune.

THIRD DAY.

ASCOT HANDICAP of 100 sovs, one mile.—First Nelson, Lord Dunluce, Deadshot, Eve, Plough Boy, Peerless, St. Laura, Lady Agnes, Pirate, Kingsman, Doris, Bit o' Fashion, Haria, Three Star, Panoply, Bonnie Scotland, Quiltiri, Mauser, St. Simon, Ongro, Heart of Oak.

SYLVIA HANDICAP of 100 sovs, six furlongs.—Korowai, Oruba, Porangi Potae, Brigantine, Antares, St. Elmora, Lady Anna, Miss Leger, Nestor, St. Paul, Hotchkiss—Fishgirl colt, Armilla, Day Star, Epaulet, Uniform, Daring, Defiance, Sappho, Rubin, Admiral Hawke.

GRANDSTAND HANDICAP of 150 sovs, one mile and a quarter.—First Nelson, St. Regel, St. Kilda, Fabulist, Anita, Folly, St. Laura, Impulse, Kingsman, Merry Maid, Dreamland, Three Star, Stepfeldt, Panoply, Yattenfeldt, Bonnie Scotland, The Possible, Oculator, Quiltiri, Joker, Pegasus.

NEWMARKET HANDICAP of 100 sovs, six furlongs.—First Nelson, St. Kilda, The Sharper, Peerless, St. Laura, Miss Nelson, St. Clements

Doris, Panoply, Forma, Acone, The Possible, Mauser, Quartezo, Anniversary.
PONY HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 70 sovs, one mile and a half.—Romeo, Kathleen, Libeller, The Dove, Little Toni, Marionette, Valencia, Romp.

AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

ACCEPTANCES.

Table listing race details for Auckland Trotting Cup of 120 sovs, two miles.

PONY CUP of 70 sovs, one mile.

Table listing race details for Pony Cup of 70 sovs, one mile.

HURDLE HANDICAP of 40 sovs, one mile and a half.—Romp 12.10, Faunteroy 11.5, Helena 11.4, Little Raven 11.2, Pica 11.0, Mother Ship-ton 10.10, Quail 9.12, Little Jane 9.10, Bees 8.7, Little Minnie 8.7.

CHRISTMAS HANDICAP of 30 sovs, five furlongs.—Tit 11.7, Romp 10.6, Rodney 9.8, Nannie 9.4, Germina 8.7, Retan 7.0, Robin 6.7, Kaipara 6.7, Bees 6.7.

HARNESS TROT HANDICAP of 40 sovs, two miles and a quarter.—Katie M. scr, Rosebud 8s, Tom Hicks 27s, Ruby 36s, Nellie 37s, Duke C. 37s, Ike 37s, Otara 45s, Sandfly 52s, Gipsy 65s, Lawter Bell 65s.

ELECTRIC TROT of 35 sovs, one mile.—Hurricane scr, Ike 4s, Nellie 4s, Duke C. Miss Graham 10s, Gay Belle 12s, Nelson 18s, The Judge 20s, Slim Jim 22s, Bendigo 22s.

MAIDEN TROT HANDICAP of 25 sovs, one mile and a half.—Tamaki scr, Fawn scr, Morning Star 9s, The Judge 15s, The Count 15s, Miss Huon 15s, Maud 15s, Wallace D. 20s, Slim Jim 20s, Totay 29s.

MAIDEN PONY HANDICAP of 25 sovs, five furlongs.—Quail 8.10, Mother Shipton 7.12, Little Belle 7.12, Brigadier 7.6, Tommy Atkins 7.6, Dearie 7.0, Little Nannie 7.0, Effie 7.0.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

NOMINATIONS.

TAKAPUNA CUP (HANDICAP) of 200 sovs, one mile and a half.—Scot Free, Repeater, Anita, Annabelle, First Nelson, St. Regel, St. Simon, Lady Agnes, Miss Nelson, Yattenfeldt, Three Star, Panoply, Forma, Doris, Norina, Folly, Eve, Ben Varrey, Mantle, Retaliation, Fabulist, St. Clements, Kingsman.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP of 100 sovs, one mile and a quarter.—Scot Free, Repeater, First Nelson, St. Regel, St. Simon, Anita, Annabelle, Lady Agnes, Miss Nelson, Yattenfeldt, Acone, Three Star, Panoply, Doris, Norina, Folly, Eve, Lord Dunluce, Ben Godfrey, Forma, Deadshot, Mantle, Retaliation, Fabulist, St. Clements, Kingsman.

HANDICAP STEEPLCHASE of 100 sovs, about three miles and a half.—Mozel, Charley, Warrior, Hippolydes, Othello, Ogre, Knapsack, Ditto, Bombardier, Belmont, Disturbance, Fishmonger, Cingalee, Molly Hawk.

MANAWATU RACING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

ACCEPTANCES.

PALMERSTON CUP of 300 sovs, one mile and a half.—Barby 8.10, Prime Warden 8.9, Rangipuhi 8.5, Leda 7.7, Blarney 7.5, The Miser 7.3, Hotspur 7.2, Lorelei 7.1, Brooklet 7.0.

TELEGRAPH STAKES of 80 sovs, seven furlongs.—Kent 8.6, Umslopogaga 8.3, Hotspur 8.2, Cheque 7.9, Bloomsbury 7.9, Tartan 7.0, Tuhiwai 6.9, Kaiwaka 6.7.

GRAND STAND HANDICAP of 85 sovs, one mile.—Blarney 8.9, Kent 8.3, Umslopogaga 8.0, Bloomsbury 7.9, Variety 7.9, Cheque 7.9, Mystical 6.7, Kaiwaka 6.7.

FIRST HACK FLAT, one mile and a quarter.—Seabreeze 8.6, Tricky 8.2, Volta 8.2, Aio 7.12, Swift 7.12, Thrush 7.3, Puawai 6.9, Undine 6.9.

HACK HURDLES, one mile and three-quarters.—Kai-Iwi-Lady 11.3, Nat 10.8, Barman 10.8, Steel King 9.13, Revenue 9.12, Leander 9.0, Sweet Sleep 9.0.

LADIES' PURSE, one mile and a half.—Flying Shot 12.13, Venture 11.3, First Sight 11.3, The Brook 11.3, Violet 11.3, Schnapps 11.0, Barossa 11.0, Opai 11.0, Astronomer 11.0, Undine 11.0.

HANDICAP HURDLES, two miles.—Rangipai Unity 10.1, Aurora 9.8, Glenelg 9.7, Spreydon 9.0, Narrate 9.0.

MASTERTON-OPAKI MEETING.

ACCEPTANCES.

TELEGRAPH HANDICAP, six furlongs.—King's Bowman 8.10, Porepo 8.3, Sea Serpent 8.2, Warnote 7.2.

OPAKI STAKES, one mile and a quarter.—Prince Cole 8.13, Porepo 7.4, Sea Serpent 7.4.

WAIPUHI HANDICAP, one mile.—Prince Cole 9.2, Porepo 8.0, King's Bowman 7.13, Sea Serpent 7.8.

SCUBBY, four furlongs.—Scrip 9.11, Springtime 9.0, Meddler 9.0, Dinah Shad 8.5, Listener 8.5, Gem 8.5, Sir Agnes 8.5, Vaseline 8.2, Woodman 8.0, Forest Queen 8.0, Tiri 8.0, Winnie 8.0, Roa Martin 8.0.

LADIES' BRACELET.—Slaiden 12.7, Makomako 11.12, Meddler 10.13, Latere 10.7, Peter 10.5, Cardigan 10.0.

HANDICAP HACK RACE, one mile and a half. Slaiden 9.2, Makomako 8.5, On Dit 8.0, Springtime 7.10, Latere 7.2, The Gem 6.13, Miner 6.10.

FLYING HACK HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Scrip 8.10, On Dit 8.7, Crescent 8.6, Springtime 8.3, Napoleon 8.2, Sir Agnes 7.5, Russley 7.0, Belle 7.0.

MAIDEN HACK RACE.—Roimata, Listener, Kelpie, Crescent, Woodman, Sir Agnes, The Gem, Vaseline, Dinah Shad, Forest Queen, Miner.

THAMES JOCKEY CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

ACCEPTANCES.

MAIDEN HANDICAP of 25 sovs, seven furlongs.—St. Simon 8.5, Kalo 8.5, Laddie 7.4, La Grippe 7.4, Awatuna 7.4, Fairy Tale 7.0, Lilly 7.0, Discharge 6.12, Victorine 6.10, Snip 6.10, Hokihoe 6.7, Prairie Girl 6.7, Silence 6.7.

FIRST HANDICAP HURDLES of 45 sovs, one mile and three-quarters.—Cingalee 11.2, Pembroke 10.8, Kalo 10.2, Mozel 10.2, Chester 10.2, Scultheen 10.0, Ditto 10.0, Black Friar 9.12, Othello 9.10, Awatuna 9.10, Ramsworth 9.7, 9.7, Sepoy 9.7, Bogtrotter 9.0.

GOLDFIELDS CUP of 55 sovs, one mile and a half.—Ben Godfrey 9.10, Retaliation 8.6, Hazelmere 8.6, Ida 8.4, Eve 7.12, Pororua 7.10, Peerless 7.10, St. Simon 7.9, Cicopatra 7.6, Darrier 7.2, Norina 6.11, Orena 6.7, Discharge 6.7, Hokihoe 6.7, Laddie 6.7, La Grippe 6.7.

FIRST PONY HANDICAP of 25 sovs, five and a half furlongs.—Romeo 9.2, Bit of Fashion 8.7, Kathleen 8.7, Cupid 8.4, Nannie 8.4, Rodney 8.0, Libeller 7.12, Valencia 7.6, Leona 7.2, Bees 6.10, Prairie Gull 6.7, Little Nell 6.7.

FIRST HANDICAP STEEPLCHASE of 55 sovs, about two miles and a half.—Cingalee 11.2, Kingswood 10.12, Scultheen 10.7, Mozel 10.4, Ika 10.2, Chester 10.2, Kalo 10.2, Othello 10.0, Sepoy 9.12, Bogtrotter 9.12, Ditto 9.10, Matariki 9.7.

PONY HURDLE of 50 sovs, one mile and a half.—Romeo 11.10, Kathleen 11.7, Bit of Fashion 10.8, Libeller 9.12, Little Jane 9.0, Little Nell 8.7, Bees 8.7.

HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

HANDICAPS.

WELTER HANDICAP.—Prairie Grass 9.10, Torpina 9.10, Solitaire 9.7, Moonraker 9.6, Lotion 9.5, Drury Lane 9.2, Triton 8.12, Goosander 8.10, Zacho 8.7, Heavenly Twin 8.0, Hippogriff 8.0, Poppun 8.0, Sparkle 8.0.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE, one mile and a half.—Hopeful 11.12, The Plug 10.11, Morag 10.10, Kiwi 9.5, Tally-ho 9.5, Whariti 9.2.

SUMMER HANDICAP.—North Atlantic 9.8, Spindrift 8.8, Blarney 8.1, Torpina 8.0, Zanella 7.8, Searchlight 7.5, Queensborough 7.4, Waingongoro 7.1, Orion's Belt 7.0, Allan-a-Dale 6.10, Musketeer 6.7.

TRIAL HANDICAP.—Aphony 9.7, Lotion 8.13, Fleuret 8.6, Triton 8.5, Goosander 8.3, Waterlily 7.11, Rainbow 7.10, Steamlet 7.10, Hippogriff 7.6, Poppun 7.6, Martyrdom 7.5, Unfortunate 7.2, Tokate 7.0, St. Kevin 7.0, Rangipunehu 6.12, bay filly by Torpedo—Primrose 6.12, Moira 6.12, Ayesha 6.7.

TWO-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP.—Fearnought 8.10, Guardsman 8.0, brown colt by Torpedo—Honey-suckle 8.0, Bijou 7.10, Trentalto 7.9, First Whisper 7.9, bay filly by Dreadnought—Clara 7.9, Lorenzo 6.10.

BOXING DAY HANDICAP.—North Atlantic 9.10, The Shrew 9.3, Spindrift 8.10, Zanilla 7.10, Solitaire 7.10, Rip Van Winkle 7.9, Waingongoro 7.2, Allan-a-Dale 6.13, Heavenly Twin 6.7.

CHRISTMAS HANDICAP.—The Shrew 9.9, Torpina 8.9, Solitaire 8.8, Searchlight 8.6, Krina 8.4, Moonraker 8.2, Rip Van Winkle 8.2, Queensborough 8.0, Orion's Belt 7.10, Amoureux 7.9, Musketeer 7.0, Heavenly Twin 6.7, Martyrdom 6.7, Kiritea 6.7, Moira 6.7.

HOBBSON RACING CLUB.

HANDICAPS.

HURDLE RACE.—Tim Whifler 11.2, Bravo 10.6, Rabelais 9.12, Ravenswood 9.10, Blue Ribbon 9.6, Daphne 9.0.

MAIDEN PLATE.—Hard Times 8.10, Toby 8.4, Skylark 7.10, Tiger 7.8, Dauntless 7.6, Fancy Free 7.4.

PONY RACE.—Toby 8.12, Nettie 7.4, Scotch Lassie 6.10.

HOBBSON CUP.—Tim Whifler 8.12, Dolph 8.9, Bravo 8.4, Ravenswood 7.12, Rabelais 7.10, Maid of Erin 7.6, Dauntless 7.2.

FLYING STAKES.—Tim Whifler 9.2, Bravo 8.7, Rabelais 8.0, Toby 8.0, Blue Ribbon 7.12, Ledgerina 7.12, Maid of Erin 7.8, Waimate 7.4, Dauntless 7.2, Skylark 7.0.

STRATFORD R.C. SUMMER MEETING.

NOMINATIONS.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 40 sovs, one mile and a half.—Sa Lib, Ditto, Aughadovey, Kai-Iwi Lady, Nugget, Consort, Tell-tale, Bradshaw, Thunderbolt, Kiora, Clematis, Madeline, Dead Bird, Barbarian.

STRATFORD CUP of 125 sovs, one mile and a quarter.—Flying Fish, Voltigeur, Aughadovey, Fairy Tale, Quadratic, Sedgebrook, Rex, Pyroxilin, Castlebleyne, Lord Dunluce, Australina, Return, Clayton, Locarius, Dummy, The Friar, Iolanthe, Navigator, Disraeli, Fish Oh, Freewill, Merry Soul, Man-o-War, Crimson Streak, Docility, Buckley's Chance, Melas, Sweet Bay, Roll-Call, Bowshot, Sellinger.

PONY HANDICAP of 25 sovs, five furlongs.—Lady Carrington, Fidget, Kismet, Edith Mary, Kathleen, Cow-sparker, Factory Lass, Tariki, La Grippe, Miss Fun, Bush Girl, Unknown, Olivette, Venus.

MIDHURST HANDICAP of 60 sovs, six furlongs.—Castlebleyne, Aughadovey, Fairy Tale, Rex, Voltigeur, Quadratic, Sedgebrook, Ditto, Lord Dunluce, Secrecy, Pyroxilin, Return, Australina, King's Guard, Arawa, Clayton, Provoke, Locarius, Dummy, The Friar, Kai-Iwi Lady, Echelon, Konaka, Kakura, St. Hiko, Iolanthe, Factory Lass, Navigator, Coolie, St. Vincent, Diarlie, Fish Oh, Man-o-War, Pauline, Bowshot, Crimson Streak, Sweet Bay, Sulphine, Silver Sea, Buckley's Chance, Docility, Sonak, Sellinger, Gunner.

ALEXANDRA ANNUAL RACES TO BE HELD ON BOXING DAY (THURSDAY, 26TH DECEMBER, 1895).

Judge: Mr J. Bainbridge. Starter: Mr W. S. Rutherford. Clerk of Scales: Mr J. Meville. Clerk of Course: Mr W. Beet. Handicappers: Committee, exclusive of horse owners. Stewards: Messrs T. Finch, J. G. Berry, J. Reilley, J. Hodson, W. S. Rutherford, G. R. Godkin, G. Miles, E. H. Aubin, W. Searancke.

- PROGRAMME. First Race to start at 12.30 sharp. Handicap Hurdle Race of 8 sovs; second horse to receive 1 sov from the stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 4s; acceptance, 4s. Two miles. Maiden Plate Handicap of 5 sovs; second horse to receive 1 sov from the stakes. For horses that have never won an advertised race exceeding 5 sovs. Entrance, 5s. One mile. Alexandra Cup Handicap of 10 sovs, with a sweep of 5s (for starters) to go to second horse. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 5s. Two miles. Trotting Match Handicap of 4 sovs; second horse to receive 1 sov from the stakes. Entrance, 4s. Two miles. Settlers' Race Handicap of 6 sovs; second horse to receive 1 sov from the stakes. To be owned by settlers residing within a radius of ten miles. Entrance, 6s. One mile and a half. Maori Hurry Scurry of 5 sovs. Post entries. One mile. Consolation Handicap of 3 sovs. For all beaten horses. Entrance, 3s. One mile.

RULES AND CONDITIONS.—All Races to be run under A.R.C. Rules. NOMINATIONS for Hurdles and Cup to be made with the Secretary, at Alexandra, not later than SATURDAY, 14th December, at 8 p.m. ACCEPTANCE AND GENERAL ENTRIES on SATURDAY, 21st December, at 9 p.m. WEIGHTS to appear on TUESDAY, 17th December. NOMINATIONS to state age, pedigree, and performances of horses. Qualification fee, 10s 6d. Three horses to start in each event or no race. The necessary amount of cash must accompany all entries. W. SEARANCKE, Hon. Secretary.

THE KARAKA RACING CLUB HACK RACE MEETING, TO BE HELD ON THE KARAKA RACECOURSE ON THURSDAY, 26TH DECEMBER, 1895 (BOXING DAY).

President: James Orr, Esq. Vice-President: Walter Wethered, Esq. Stewards: Messrs Jeffrey, Maclean, A. McKenzie, Julius Caesar, A. Irvine, Te Kani Pere, Niri Ruru, Mahaki Parsons, T. Kenealy, J. C. Crimmins, R. H. Trotter, J. Pritchard, Allan Campbell, E. O'Dwyer, E. Tait, Henare Ruru. Judge: Mr J. Orr. Handicapper and Starter: Mr R. H. Trotter. Clerk of Scales: Mr E. Seamons. Hon. Treasurer: Mr J. Orr. Clerk of Course: Mr Henare Ruru.

- PROGRAMME. To Start at 11.30 a.m. Handicap Hurdle Race of 12 sovs. Distance, one mile and a half. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination, 8s; acceptance, 4s. Scurry Race of 5 sovs. Catch weights. Distance, four furlongs. For horses that have never started in an advertised race. Post entry, 5s. Karaka Cup Handicap of 15 sovs. Distance, one mile and a half. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 5s. Maori Race Handicap of 7 sovs. Distance, one mile. For horses owned and to be ridden by Maoris. Minimum weight, 10st. Post entry, 7s. Station Race of 7 sovs. Distance, once round the course. 11st up. For horses the bona fide property of station hands for the last six months. Post entry, 7s. Flying Handicap of 10 sovs. Distance, six furlongs. Winner of Cup to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance, 10s.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES. WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER. NOMINATIONS—Handicap Hurdle Race 8s Karaka Cup 10s Flying Handicap 10s SATURDAY, 21ST DECEMBER. ACCEPTANCES—Handicap Hurdle Race 4s Karaka Cup 5s WEIGHTS declared THURSDAY, 19TH DECEMBER. Nominations and acceptances, accompanied by the necessary amounts payable, must be addressed Secretary, Karaka Racing Club, Masonic Hotel, Gisborne, and arrive there by 8 p.m. on the advertised dates of closing. Five per cent will be deducted for course expenses. Rules of Racing strictly adhered to. J. H. AISLABIE, Secretary.

NORTH SHORE AMATEUR ATHLETIC AND CYCLE CLUB. SIXTH CARNIVAL. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21. DEVONPORT CRICKET GROUND. FIRST EVENT TO START AT 2 P.M. THROUGH TICKET—ONE SHILLING. Hunter's Band in attendance. R. WYNYARD, Hon. Sec.

HOTELS FOR SALE.—A first-class County Commercial Hotel in Wellington district, guaranteed takings £90 to £100 per week; net rental after sub-lets £3 5s per week; free house. This hotel is situated in one of the best towns in the North Island, and is a rare opportunity of securing a really first-class business. Hotel, freehold, rising township, now doing good trade, will be sold a bargain. DWAN BROS., HOTEL BROKERS, Wellington.

Amid the Thoroughbreds.

[BY BORDERER]

THE MOTU-KOREA YEARLINGS.

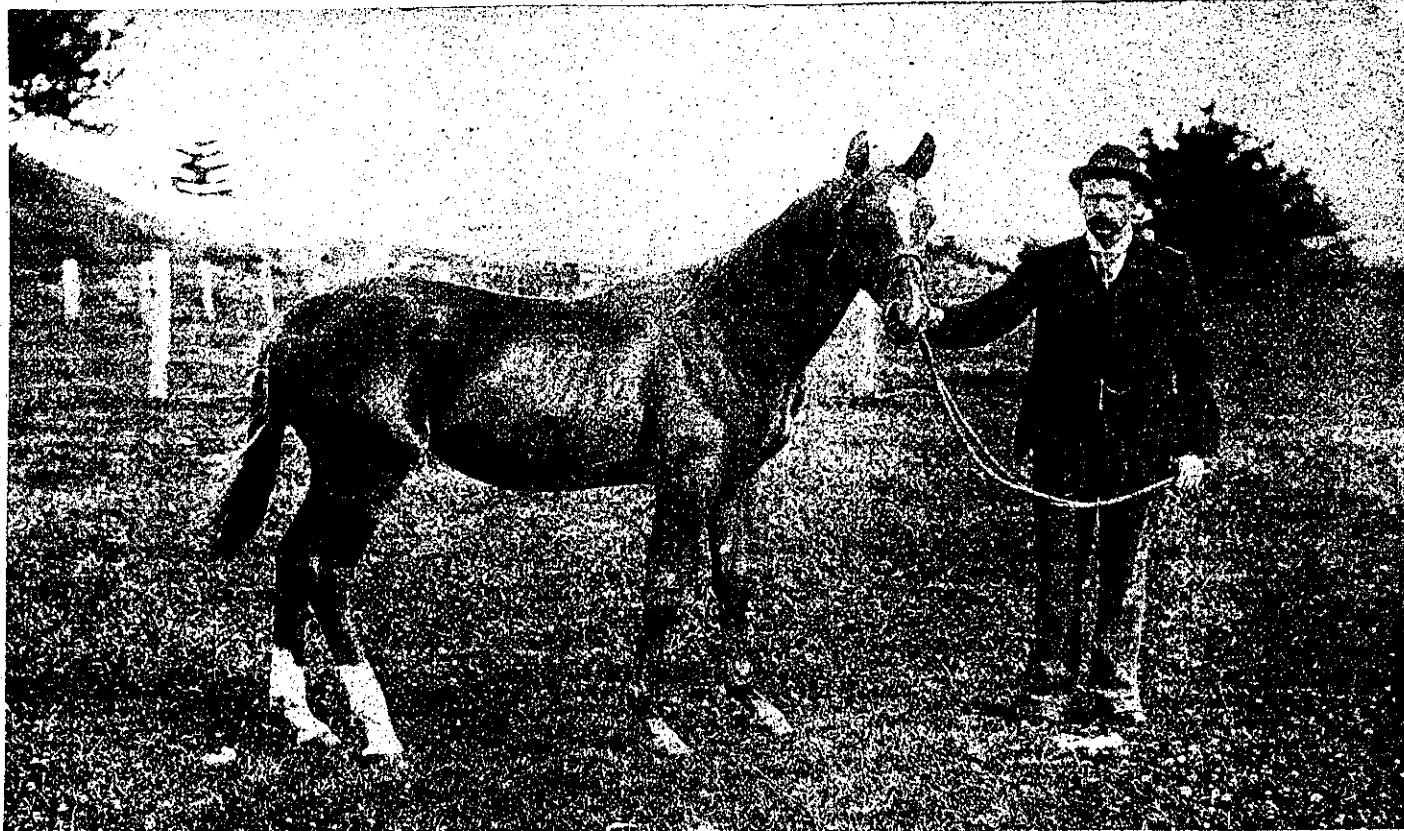
AN ILLUSTRATED VISIT TO THE ISLAND STUD.

THREE crops of thoroughbreds have been raised at the Messrs Alison Bros.' Island Stud at Motu-Korea, and the present yield leaves the preceding efforts far in the back-ground. During their first two seasons the popular proprietors of the stud (Brown's Island as it is generally called) relied upon the services of sires from neighbouring studs, but this year their leading stallion is the St. Leger—Atlanta horse, Regal, who carried their colours in season 1890-91 (when he won the Takapuna double), and who promised to develop into such a stout sprinter until an unfortunate break-down threw him out of work. I had heard a lot of the fine stock this St. Leger horse was producing, and one day last week I journeyed down to the Island to see how far this highly-praised son of a doughty sire justified the encomiums passed upon his ability as a producer of racing stock. It only required a glance at the yearlings being prepared for the annual sales next month to prove the truth of the complimentary remarks that are being passed upon Regal's stud work. The youngsters claiming him as sire are all well grown, excellently muscled and proportioned, and fit in every respect to stand comparison with stock grown on any stud-farm in New Zealand. The party in whose company I visited Motu-Korea last week had a metallic twang about it, inasmuch as the Auckland Ring were all there with very few exceptions. The pencilers were not there on business. They accompanied our party because they have a natural feeling of affection for the youngsters

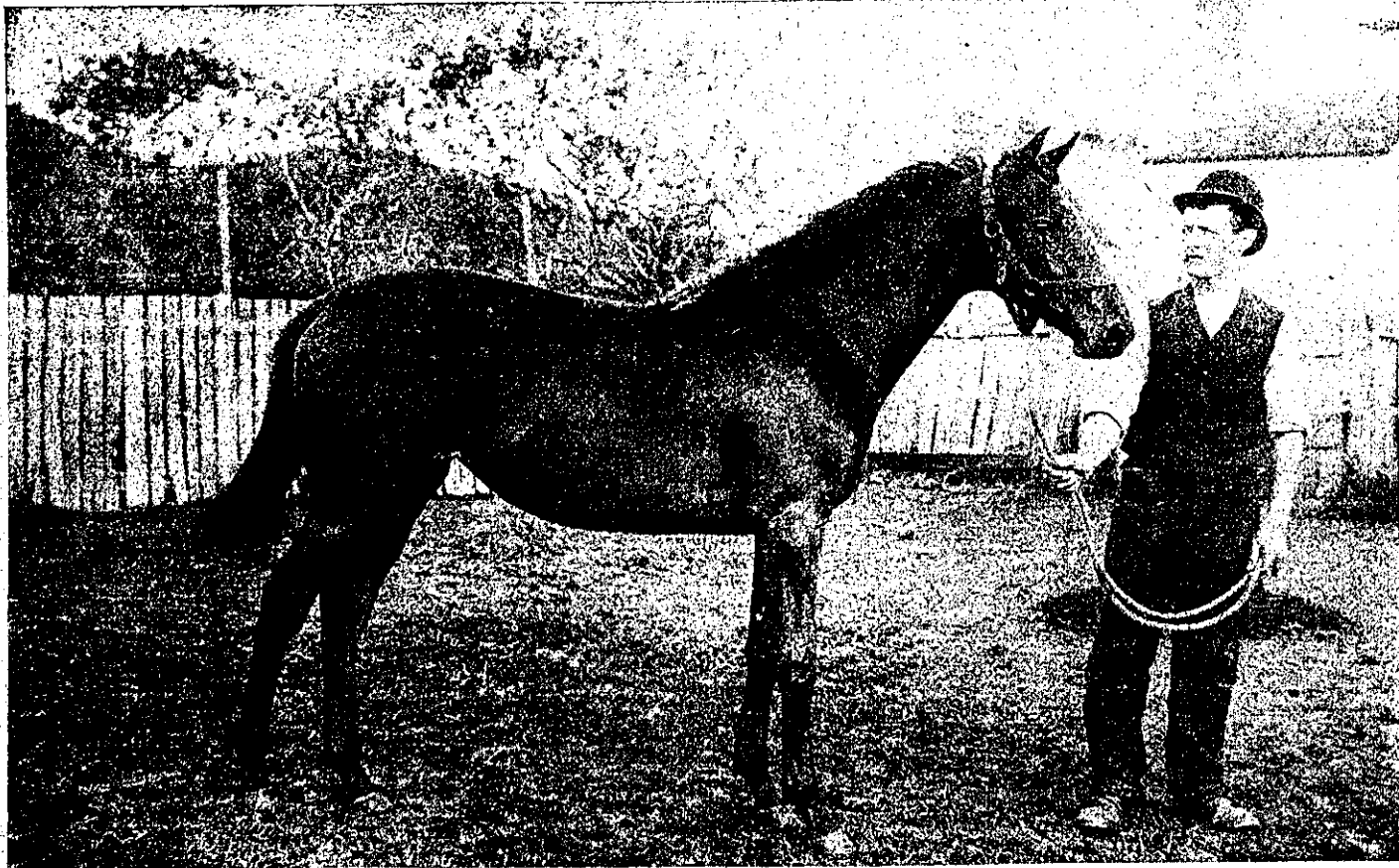
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SKETCHES AT THE MOTU-KOREA STUD.

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YEARLING COLT BY REGAL—FRIENDSHIP.

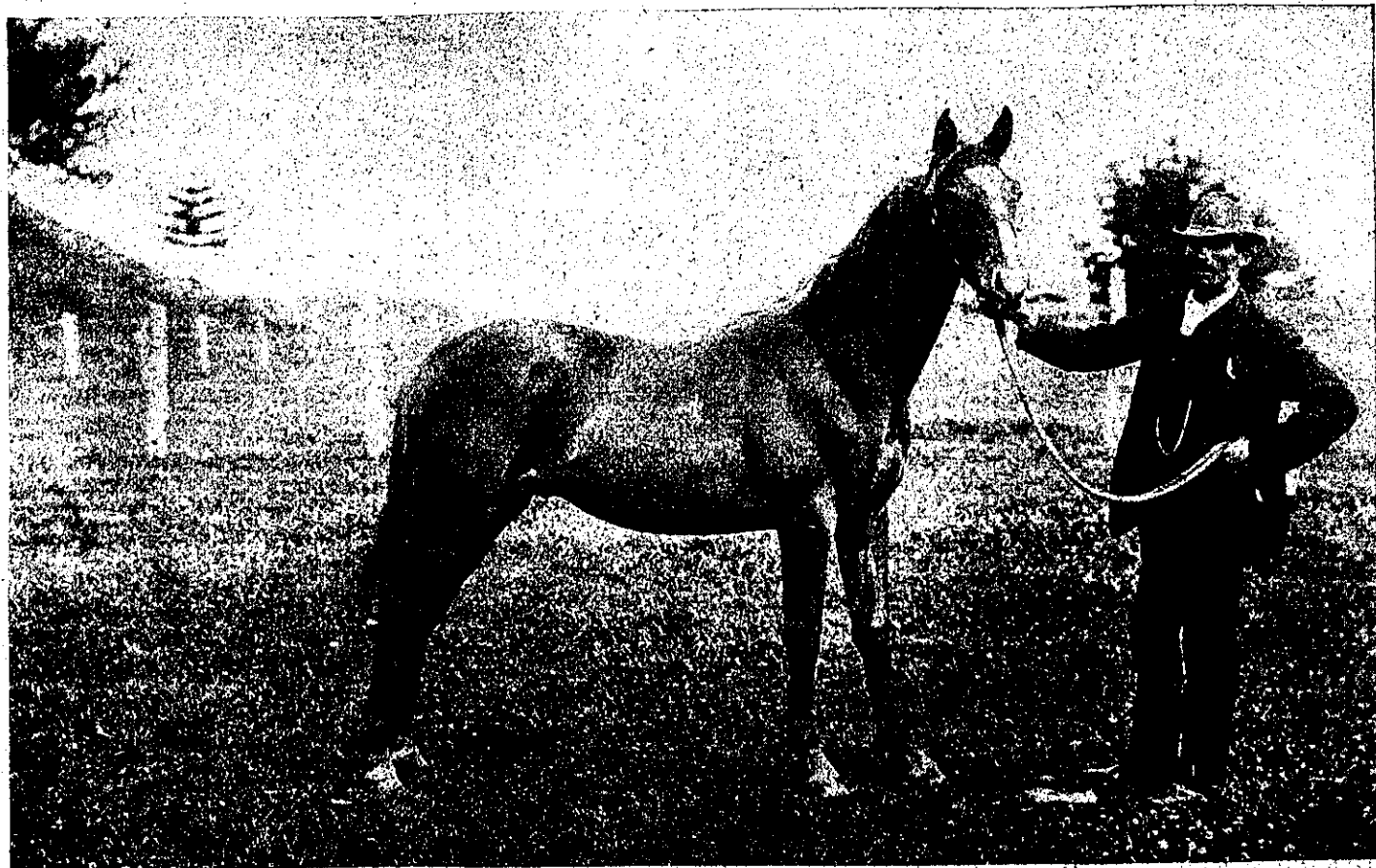


YEARLING FILLY BY NELSON—PHANTOM.

surroundings which the Island possesses to make it eminently suitable for a depot for the breeding of thoroughbred stock. The soil is a warm, rich volcanic, and the valleys in the centre of the Island give abundance of shelter, while the outdoor life led by the youngsters hardens their constitutions. And the hilly nature of much of the acreage is calculated to give them grand muscular development. The feed at the Island is always first-class, and the salt tonic thrown on its paddocks from the open bay gives the youngsters an ever-present desire to exercise their powers of digestion. The matrons of this stud are small in number, but very select. But, as the principal object of my visit is to look at the yearlings, we will examine the Regal—Friendship colt, which is being placed in position by Mr Slack. As this youngster is out of Friendship (St. Regal's dam), Adam Byers adopts an air of proprietorship and proceeds to put him in a position most suitable for the display of his points. His picture appears on this page, and from it one can easily imagine what a fine-grown substantial colt he is. In colour he is chestnut, and is built in a mould that speaks racing all over. He has a level, short-coupled back, beautiful head and neck, with great powerfully-developed quarters. There is no silliness about this colt, every glance of his eye showing him to be a sensible, level-headed fellow. As I remember St. Regal when a yearling, this half-brother of his is larger than he was, but you can't say he is better shaped, for the simple reason that it would be very hard to find a better proportioned fellow than St. Regal is as a three-year old, or as he was as a yearling. His run at Takapuna showed what Friendship can do with the aid of a sire like St. Leger, and with a worthy son of the Doncaster horse, such as Regal undoubtedly is, there is every reason why her present yearling should be every whit as good as the stock thrown to St. Leger's serving. It would, indeed, be strange if Friendship threw a bad one, for both in breeding and racing deeds she is an undoubted gem. Bred by Mr Rouse,

who will some day or other either roll shekels in their way or call upon to disburse. Bookmakers are very fond of racing stock—generally from the point of view obtained from an inverted gin-case. One member of last week's party does not, however, come under that class. Mr D. A. McLeod has shown his love of the thoroughbred and its attendant pleasures by running a colt in the classics of the Australian turf. So far the gentleman has not made a fortune through his predilection, but he is very confident en route to Motu-Korea that his turn will come when the Great Northern Derby Stake is hung up, for if you listen to "Mac" Osculator is going to lick the Derby out of sight. "What about Fabulist?" the pencil-owner is asked. "Him!" replies Osculator's owner with a ring of scorn in his voice. "If my colt can't beat him I'll drown him." But for all that Fabulist will run a big horse in the Derby, although from the work I have seen Osculator do in the morning of late there appears every prospect that Mr McLeod's colt will carry off the Blue Riband. But there will be a struggle for it. The Ellerslie trainer, Adam Byers, is another member of our party, and is no doubt on the look-out for another St. Regal, who first saw the light at the Motu-Korea Stud. When the first lot of yearlings were put up at the Island in 1894 Byers became the possessor of this colt for a sum of 200 guineas, at which figure he was a very cheap purchase. The win registered at Takapuna on the 7th inst. by St. Regal should form a good advertisement for the Messrs Alison Bros., and with such a showing the produce of the dam, Friendship, should be eagerly sought after. In order to supplement the writer's descriptive powers, the special artist of the SPORTING REVIEW, Mr J. A. Slack, accompanied the party named with his camera, and as will be seen from the pictures appearing on this page and on page 9, took six representative plates of the Stud as it stands at present.

In previous accounts of my visits to Motu-Korea, I have referred to the admiral natural



YEARLING COLT BY REGAL—TAMORA.

of New South Wales, in 1879; she was got by the Yattendon horse Reprieve, from Nydia, by Tarragon out of Atalanta (grand dam of Reprieve), by Reprieve (imp.) Friendship showed great pace as a four-year-old by winning the Penrith Handicap, Coronation Handicap, Albury Cup, Summer Handicap at Yass, and Publican's Purse. She also won Chipping Norton Handicap (Liverpool, N.S.W.), one mile and a quarter, with 8.2; ran second to Merlin in the Sydney Anniversary Handicap, at Randwick, in a field of twenty-four starters; won a large number of races in Auckland, among others the Onehunga Spring Flying Handicap, one mile; Wanganui Consolation, one mile; Takapuna Birthday Handicap, one mile and a half, beating Antelope, Libeller, Turquoise, Tamora, and four others; A.R.C. Winter Handicap, one mile and a distance, beating a field of eleven; Onehunga Winter Flying Handicap, beating five others; A.R.C. Autumn Easter Handicap of 200 sovs, one mile and three quarters, beating a field of six; Takapuna J.C. Stewards Handicap, Winter Meeting, Friendship ran her last race at the A.R.C. Winter Meeting, being beaten by a head out of twelve starters, carrying 9st and giving 2st to the winner. She was one of the gamest mares that ever carried a bridle, and as kind tempered as she was consistent. The second youngster to look into the photographer's camera was a chestnut colt by Regal from the Musket mare Tamora. This youngster is a sturdily-built fellow with a fine sloping shoulder, good quarters and rare timber. He possesses the dignified calm that stamps so many successful racers, and displayed a quiet contempt for the attitudinizing of the photographer that was good to behold. Like the Regal colt first inspected this fellow shows great bone and substance, and has a racing line in every turn of his limbs. This colt is out of the same dam as Nestor by a son of that two-year-old's sire, so that there is close relationship between the pair. The Friendship and Tamora colts are splendidly grown and stamp Regal as a sire able to transmit strength and grace to his progeny. Running in the same paddock as the pair mentioned is a brown colt by Cuirassier. He comes from the Anteros mare, Jessie (dam of Rex), and compared with his companions is perhaps a trifle peacocky, but a good 'un for all that. He is not cast in such heavy lines as is generally the case with Cuirassier's get, and shows by his style of striding around the paddock that he has a very fair idea of galloping. Jessie showed big pace when training for three-year-old engagements, but owing to an accident had her speed seriously impaired. Her dam, Tres Deuce, was full-sister to Calumny, as good a racer as ever put toe on New Zealand turf. When tried in Australia she carried off amongst other big items the Hawkesbury and Geelong Handicaps. Jessie's full-sister, Louie, was another good performer, so that on both sire and dam's side this colt comes from big galloping strains. My readers have only to look at the pictures of these three colts to see for themselves that they show fine bone and substance, and are cast on lines that betoken speed and breeding.

After finishing with the enclosure tenanted by the three colts described above, we entered another paddock where from amongst a cluster of yearlings one stood out prominently. Closer examination showed that we were looking at a bay filly by Nelson from the Musket mare, Phantom, and a rare-shaped youngster she is, as will be seen on reference to her photo, appearing on page 11. She is well forward, too, for her age, and shows as much quality as I have ever seen in Nelson's get, and they all have a fair share of good looks. Look at her photograph, and you will agree that a handsomer yearling it would be hard to find. Running in the same paddock as Nelson's daughter are three colts, one gelding and two fillies. Rewa Rewa has an upstanding well-filled-out colt to Regal, and the Barbarian—Ladybird mare, Pearl, has a bay colt to the same sire. The fillies are from Vasator and Torment, by Cuirassier and Nelson respectively, and the unsexed youngster is from Mystery by Regal. The jumper Warrior is represented here by a neatly-built brown colt from the St. Leger mare Muriel. All these youngsters do credit to their breeding, and the care bestowed upon them by the Alison Bros., who are to be complimented upon possessing a batch of yearlings that for breeding and looks are equal to anything to be found on a New Zealand stud-farm.

Before we depart our attention is arrested by the Musket mare, Tamora, galloping past with a colt foal, which for forwardness and build beats any foal I have ever seen. He is so grandly proportioned that the photographer places the foal and mare in position and takes a picture which appears on page 9. This foal speaks eloquently for the stallion powers of Regal, who will, I think, find it a difficult matter to improve upon the pledge of affection given by him to Tamora. On our homeward journey I learn from Mr E. W. Alison that Regal has seven foals on the island—four colts and three fillies. The mares with colt foals are Jessie, Pearl, Tamora, and Vasator, those with fillies being Muriel, Mystery, and Rewa Rewa. The four pictures of yearlings appearing in this issue show what sort of stock Regal is throwing, and one finds little difficulty in prophesying for him a successful career at the stud.

NOTES.

[By GIPSY KING.]

A Gisborne sport informs me that Mahaki is now doing good work at Gisborne.

At Greytown North, Wairarapa, Steve Harris has Von Tempsky and The Dean (St. Leger—Jacob's dam) in work. The latter shaped very well at the Taratahi—Carterton Meeting on Nov. 9th, and if not hurried, such as he was when in training at Wanganui, he should win a hack hurdle race amongst the company he is likely to meet in the Wairarapa.

In the same town Mr Harry Catt has a useful looking six-year-old grey gelding by Grand Duke from Mahara's dam. He picked him up for the proverbial song, and I think he has the best of the bargain. In his day Mihara could gallop with anything he had to meet in the Valley, and if this half-brother trains on and does not win a race his looks belie him.

A popular sport in Greytown North is Mr T. Wright, one of the few owners who care to race for sport. At present he has nothing in training, having stunted his mare Bangor (by Tim Whiffler) to Ascot last season, and I trust the old mare will throw something worthy of carrying Mr Wright's colours. Bangor visits Merrie England this season.

Mr A. Fabian, of the same town, has the three-year-old Roseminster (Administrator—Anterose) and Dissenter (Puritan—Achievement) in training. The former has not yet fulfilled her early promise, but Dissenter, who is half-brother to the defunct West Coaster Doubtful, ran sufficiently forward at Carterton to suggest that with time he will yet do some service for the stable, more especially if he were gelded. Tommy Montague is head man in the stable.

Mr Fabian has a nice-looking two-year-old brown filly, Soretna (by Remington—Anterose) that looks like being a slippery sort. She has any amount of size and substance, and I was not surprised to learn that she had taken first prize and gold medal in the two year-old class at the Carterton Show. Mr Fabian may well feel proud of Anterose (Anteros—Sludge) as a brood mare, and if she were mated with a son of Traducer one may expect the same happy result as that attained by mating her full sister Fugitive (owned by Messrs. Baker and Co. of Manawatu) with sons of Traducer. Fugitive is the dam of Wanderer (by Natator), Rangitira, and Fair Play (by Somnus). Wander and Rangitira are now performing stud duties, and besides being fast when racing they can hold their own for good looks. Fair Play is the colt that recently broke his leg at Woodville, and had he lived, this season's racing would have proved him to be very brilliant.

The definition of a hack competing at the Feilding Spring Meeting was as follows:—"Hack means horse that has never won an advertised race (hack and hunter races excepted), or is not nominated at date of entry for any race (hack and hunter races excepted)." It will be recollected that the owner of Trickery protested against the stakes being awarded to Gold Cup in the mile hack race, for the reason that the latter was nominated for open events at the Greymouth Summer Meeting. Subsequently it was found that Gold Cup was not entered for the Greymouth Meeting at date of nomination for the Feilding Meeting. Further, that Mr Hill, owner of Gold Cup, stated that he had not nominated the mare for the Greymouth Meeting. But suppose that Gold Cup had been nominated for the Greymouth Meeting after the date of nomination for the Feilding Meeting, even by someone else, and not upon the authority of Mr Hill, I think the stewards at Feilding would have had a very knotty point to decide. The conditions of the hack races were plain enough, and as far as their decision in the matter is concerned they would have had no other course open to them but to award the stakes to the owner of Trickery although the owner of the latter, in view of the statement made by Mr Hill, signified that he would only ask for reasonable proof from the Greymouth Club that Mr Hill had not nominated Gold Cup. My opinion is that if Mr Hill had lost the stakes he would have been able to claim the equivalent amount in damages from the person who did nominate the mare at Greymouth. The Gaming and Lotteries Act of 1894 would not, I venture to say, apply to such a case as this, and even if it did the aid of the Greymouth Club could be invoked to apply Rule 143 to the person who nominated the mare at Greymouth. It has been argued that the Feilding stewards could not have taken the stakes from the owner of Gold Cup in the face of his statement that the mare had been nominated for Greymouth without his authority, the contention being that should anyone wish to be dishonest enough they could prevent any hack racer from competing in hack races, with similar conditions to those in force at Feilding, simply by nominating them for open events. As I said before, it is a very knotty question, and no finality could be arrived at, because there is no Turf Council or representative Appeal Board to determine such a question—that is, assuming that the Law Courts ruled that the case did come within the scope of the Gaming and Lotteries Act of 1894.

The urgent necessity for a representative racing institution or appeal board, occurs again in connection with the refusal of the C.J.C. to allow Mrs Crammond the amount of her costs in the protest against The Artist in the Metropolitan Handicap. Mrs Crammond cannot appeal from the decision of the C.J.C., as that club is the metropolitan club for the district, and the same men could not consistently uphold her appeal! Horse owners practically now have no appeal either to a racing tribunal or court of law against what they may consider to be an unjust decision.

Mr Bryant has arrived at Bulls (Rangitikei) with the Eiridsport—Oceana colt which he won in the St. Albans Lottery.

Mr Stead's colt, Mauser, has been scratched for all engagements at the Manawatu meeting.

I mentioned last week that the three-year-old colt, The Baillie, had been transferred to Mr Jos. Prosser's stable at Porirua, but I have to add that he has now purchased the colt. Evidently The Miser's success at Wellington has caused Mr Prosser to think highly of Gormaine's progeny.

Alick Hall is now engaged at Manakau, near Otaki, schooling Volta (by Voltigeur) for hurdle races. There is no question of Volta's pace, and his conformation suggests that he should succeed at the illegitimate game.

I met Alf. Shearsby at Palmerston North the other day, and was glad to see him looking so well after his recent illness at Riccarton. He speaks most highly of the kind treatment he received from the Riccarton folk during the time he resided there. He informs me that after a journey to the West Coast of the South Island, he will return after Christmas and will take up his residence in the North Island, most probably at Palmerston North, as being a central position for training horses. Shearsby is a careful and steady man, and I shall be glad to see him get a few good horses together.

The Ashurst Racing Club have effected several improvements recently on their racecourse. At the forthcoming race meeting, two totalisators will be used, and the approaches to the same enlarged, so that investors will have no ground for complaint this year on account of the crushing.

A full-sister to Brooklet has been named "The Brook."

Mr M. C. O'Connell, formerly of the Commercial Hotel, Hawera, has taken the Club Hotel at Palmerston North, and if he identifies himself with all branches of sport in the same way that he did in Hawera he will soon make the Club Hotel as popular a resort as the old Commercial Hotel was. Already Mr O'Connell has joined the Manawatu Racing Club, and I would like to see him on the committee.

Whenever any of the horses from W. Homes' stable at Bulls win a race it is quite a general remark, "What a lucky young fellow Billy Homes is!" But the same people forget the period of exasperating bad luck that the same trainer had a season or two ago, when consistent old Lonely and the deceiving Fortune (Monte Carlo's sister) were running in the interest of the same trainer. Lonely's consistency in securing second place, principally in hack hurdle events, became proverbial. During the season 1893-94 Lonely competed in 31 races, his record being 8 firsts, 12 seconds and 5 thirds. Fortune started 10 times and had only one win. Twelve times second with the one horse would break the heart of any ordinary man. Lonely was hardly class enough perhaps for some of the lightly-handicapped smart hack hurdle horses, but I know when he was running he was just as fit as any of the numerous winners the stable has sent out during last season and the present season so far as it has gone, but the difference is that what we term "his luck" was dead out then, and no matter how fit he may have got a horse during that spell the fates would be "agin" him. They say it is a long lane that has no turning, and so it has proved with Homes. As the Yankees say, he goes right ahead now.

I have been asked by several lately the meaning of the name "Tutanekai," which has been bestowed on the Chainshot—Hinemoa colt, winner of the First Hack Race at the Wellington Spring Meeting. The name occurs in the Maori legend about Hinemoa, and a Maori scholar informs me Tutanekai was the "masher" who swam across a lake and rescued Hinemoa, whom he afterwards married.

Complaints are frequently made by those who attend North Island race-meetings and are fortunate enough to be able to present themselves at the "pay out" window of the totalisator building, that the payments are not made expeditiously enough so as to allow them to get their money in time to have a look round before the next race. The fact is the payment-windows are pokey little places, and lucky investors are huddled together like bees. At meetings where it is necessary, say to use two totalisators, there should also be two payment-windows. Self-locking turn-stiles should be placed close by the payment-windows, so that only one person at a time can approach the window, which will give more freedom to those wishing to count their dividend, while at the same time it will minimise the chance of people being robbed.

Recently I acted as sponsor to the Torpedo—Bonny Blink filly, which has been named Basilisk, a species of cannon. Two others are Somnolent, by Somnus—May King mare, and Clearlight, by St. Clair (by Deadshot)—First Light.

The Manawatu Racing Club have decided to allow local trainers the use of the outside of the course proper, until the plough gallop is fit to work on. This arrangement averted the threatened exodus of horses from Palmerston North to Foxton, although J. McTaggart, with Trickery, Hesitation, and Ruby Twist, had left before the compromise was arrived at. The Foxton course is in splendid order, and no amount of rain has any serious effect on the track. The chief complaint of the Palmerston North trainers appears to be that they are not permitted to work on the training track, even though they are agreeable to accept the responsibility and risk of working their horses when, in the custodian's opinion, the track may not be fit to work on. With the plough gallop, no matter how wet it may be, very little damage can be done to it, and if any trainer wishes to relieve the club from responsibility, they should be allowed to train their horses upon it. This appears to be a very reasonable request. If there was a good sand track on the Manawatu course, I think there would be more horses trained in this town than any part of the North Island, as it is so centrally situated and obviates the necessity for trainers having to pay unnecessary railage rates, such as others have to do, supposing they go from Napier to Wanganui. The Palmerston North trainer saves the passenger fare for himself and the railage on his horses for that part of the journey from Napier to Palmerston North and back.

The proposed Ashurst Hack Guineas race, to be run for in December, 1896, will be worth £50 to the winner. The distance will be one mile, and the nomination will close about the 25th January. For the 1897 Guineas race, the stake will be increased to £100.

J. Knight, of Palmerston North, now has charge of the ex-Wairarapa gelding, Brooklet. I don't remember having seen Mr Macara's cast off looking so well before.

It may not be generally known, but the Wellington Racing Club was the first club in New Zealand to adopt the numbered saddle-cloth.

At a North Island meeting recently a jockey was called before the stewards to explain the running of the horse and his own unsatisfactory way of handling the horse. Not in the least disturbed or agitated about the "carpeting," he entered the stewards' room, and, in reply to the question concerning the horse, ingeniously ignoring the one referring to himself, he remarked—"Well, gentlemen, I knew you were all backing 'im, and I done my best for you, but take my tip he aint the bloke he's made out to be." Then one of the stewards was hard-hearted enough to propose that owner, trainer, and jockey should be disqualified, but in the face of such a candid statement from the jockey, it is surprising to learn that the disqualification nearly came off, a reprimand eventually being recorded against the jockey.

Dante, who has been doing fairly well in hurdle-racing company this season, is out of an Elswick mare, named Julia, and the latter was used as a stock mare for many years on Messrs Moore and Currie's station, before the firm dissolved partnership. The former manager for the firm informs me that it was almost impossible to knock the mare up, she was so hardy and game, and he is of opinion from her jumping ability and pace that, had she been trained, she would have been able to win a steeplechase in those days.

Hesitation, the black mare by Gipsy King—Vacillation, who ran fairly well at Otaki, is to be schooled over hurdles shortly. Vacillation, the dam of this mare, is a half sister to Hippomenes and Sylvia Park.

I am glad to see that Messrs Fergus and Montgomery, the owners of the consistent Sea Breeze, have taken the little mare out of the hack class, where she has lately been carrying, for one of her build, pretty heavy burdens. To show in what good nick Fergus has kept the mare, I may mention that since they purchased her last autumn she has competed in nine races, has won on three occasions, and has five seconds to her credit, only once being unplaced. This is very creditable to the trainer, and her forward running is proof that the public may have confidence in the stable. Like Dante, Sea Breeze comes from an Elswick mare, and it would appear that Sou' Wester is the proper nick for these mares, in the same way that the Traducer—Painter blend has been so successful.

It is the general opinion of £ s. d. men that the Manawatu Racing Club made a mistake in not granting a license to bookmakers to lay "straight-out" wagers on their course, although the amount proposed, viz., £10, was too much. The public encourage the bookmakers, and this alone will prevent the club coping with the difficulty, and it would have been better to license them in the same way as the Egmont Racing Club do. The latter club have not suffered any loss whatever through granting such licenses. On the other hand, they have the license fees, equivalent to another £800 going through the totalisator, as a set off against any illicit betting the bookmakers may have done. The amount in license fees that the Manawatu Club would have received in connection with their Boxing Day meeting would have come in very handy for putting down a sand training track. This amount they will lose, and I doubt if they will be able to curb the betting, because the public are getting very cunning, as well as the metalicians, and they will have their "little bit" on, in spite of the rules of racing. It is not too late for the club to reconsider the matter—which I would urge them to do—before the meeting.

Mr W. Tatham, formerly of Hastings, is now located at Palmerston North, and during an interesting conversation with him on Australian racing, a lot of which he has witnessed lately, I enquired if it were true that old Uranus had been killed for the purpose of feeding the lions at the Sydney Zoological Gardens. I was delighted to hear that the old horse had not met with such a cruel fate, and that he is now used for the purpose of leading racing ponies to the training tracks and to the pony meetings about Sydney. He has a good home and only sufficient exercise to keep him healthy. I was also surprised to hear that the little chestnut gelding Dingo (by Remington—Cornelia), who is well-known on the Wanganui and Napier coasts, is now in Sydney. Mr Tatham endeavoured to get a certificate for the half brother to Ahua for the 15-hand "pony" hurdle races, but Dingo could not get under the standard. Mr Tatham then exchanged him for a four-year-old mare by Navigator—Hippomia. Dingo, like many of his relatives, was very clever over fences, but he is not over sound.

Mr Tatham is undecided whether he will remain permanently in Palmerston North, although like many others he recognises the convenient position of place if the training tracks were anything like decent to work on after a shower of rain. However, I am hopeful that after the Boxing Day meeting the club will settle this little difficulty. At present "William" has two "foreigners" in hand both bred in New South Wales. He very kindly permitted me to have a look at them, and the first that claimed attention was a six-year-old bay gelding named Tapeoos (pronounced "Tapeo"), by Glenelg. "Tapeo" is a decidedly comical looking customer. He is all corners and has a hollow back, and I could not help thinking that at last a mate had been found for the old Wairarapa battler, Makomako. But "Tapeo" shows more quality and has better hind-quarters. With a rug on this horse exhibits a strong resemblance to old Uranus. "Tapeo" appears to be deficient in racing condition, but

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now that the weather has taken up he will be slipped along. Hurdle-racing may be his forte. The other horse is a six-year-old black gelding named Ebony, by Cliveden (son of Chester) from a Panic mare. Ebony is a real good sort to look at. He stands fully 16.1, powerfully built, with great oblique shoulders and a prominent wither suggestive of jumping ability. He seems to have a rather long back, but being slightly "roached" this will counterbalance the length. His hind-quarters are well put together, and strong enough, but they are not in proportion with his fore-end. It would be difficult to get a horse perfect. Ebony is a regular Daimio to look at, and although he may not have the pace of one I feel sure he could jump a house. Mr Tatham has the four-year-old Navigator—Hippomina mare and a four-year-old gelding by Cynthus from the dam of Cynthia (the latter having been a good mare on the "other side"), running out in a paddock at Palmerston North.

A cynical sort of individual writes me hoping that I will suggest that tomb-stones should be erected on the Feilding course, to the memory of all the "dead 'uns" that were found at the Spring Meeting! He says he knows of six good horses that were "dead," and in the one race alone three horses, good performers, were "dead" for another animal that failed to win, being beaten at the finish by another animal that the "push" did not think worth "squaring." He suggests that a number of the stewards should stand down at the turn, where all the "reefing" is done. This individual should retail his information out to punters, and go nap next time he hears the alleged "dead 'uns" are having a go! There's millions in it!

I was agreeably surprised when I reached Greytown to learn that Mr Walter Armstrong, the well-known Wairarapa sport, who was bed-ridden for nearly eighteen months, is now able to move about the house, and occasionally, when the weather permits, is able to go out for a drive. It will be recollected that just about the time of the last general election one side of Mr Armstrong's body suddenly became paralysed, and since that time until a few months ago he was not able to leave his bed. To one of a sporting turn of mind, especially when the annual district meetings came round, the imprisonment must have been nearly as bad as the illness. Some time ago Mr Armstrong wrote me saying that he hoped to be able to pay another visit to the Foxton races, where he was so hospitably treated by the officers of the club three years ago, and although I doubted at the time if he would be able to make the journey, there is just a probability that he may be present at the club's January 22nd meeting. Mr Armstrong has, I think, always had some interest in good old Dromedary since she started racing. The Rangitikei people can hardly understand to this day how the old mare managed to defeat Rangipuhi and Dingo in the Sandon Handicap a few years ago, but she did, Young Skeet making every post a winning post from the fall of the flag, and under the circumstances it is surprising how she managed to hang out the one and a half miles. The race often crops up when horsey matters are being discussed down Rangitikei way, but the correct solution of the problem is, I think, that the jockeys on Dingo and Rangipuhi, who were keeping a watchful eye on each other, thought that Dromedary would come back to them, but unlike the cat she didn't. It was a great day for backers of the Greytown mare, and "Walter" was not the least excited man on the course.

There has been many complaints this season about the indifferent manner in which the catering is carried out at some of the North Island race-meetings. The public do not mind a hashed up sort of luncheon, provided the tariff is arranged accordingly. Personally, I seldom have time to get lunch on a racecourse, so cannot say whether the complaints are genuine or not, but from the incessant grumbling one hears I should say that some improvement is necessary. About three years ago I felt peckish when attending a meeting north of Wanganui, and adjourned to the lunch room, which was utterly devoid of nick-nacks or decorations to relieve the bar-like appearance of the room. The fare was cold roast beef and bread, and cold blanc-mange. Ugh! Not being a fastidious sort of individual I made no noise such as a number of others were doing, but when I was bailed up at the door for 3s. I meekly asked if I was supposed to be paying for anyone else? Several others came up at the time, and hearing the "tariff rate" objected to pay, and a strike occurred, and nearly a row, as the man with the money-bag had locked us in while he "collected." However, "virtue was triumphant," and we were let off with 2s.

The Wellington Bacing Club are making special arrangements for the catering for the luncheon at the Wellington Cup Meeting. The caterer who has been entrusted with this is one of the best in the North Island, and puts on a luncheon in tip-top style at a reasonable price.

A nomination for the Ladies' Purse at the Manawatu Meeting reads:—"Mrs Wolf's Schnapps."

I have just had a glance at the Manawatu Racing Club handicaps. At first blush, Leda (7.7) in Palmerston North Cup might be the "Leda" past the winning post at the end of the mile and a half. Strong exception is taken to the lenient handicap of 7.1 awarded to Lorelei, and many think that some mistake has been made. If she fails to win the Cup what handicap will she receive for the President's Handicap of one mile a quarter on the second day? Kent is nicely handicapped in the Telegraph and Grandstand Handicaps, and Sea Breeze in the Hack Flat. Gunboat, 10.0, has started twice in hurdle races and was beaten on both occasions, yet he has to give weight to Aurora, 9.8, in the hurdle race. The latter has accounted for several jumping events in the past. Rangipai, 10.8, only requires to be in form to win. In the Hack Hurdles, Halcione, who showed good form at the Master-ton Spring Meeting, is placed amongst the maiden (9.0) division; ditto Raupo, who showed more than maiden form at Waverly last month. Tangaroa, 11.9, in this race will no doubt be

favourite at this weight, on the strength of his running in the First Handicap Hurdles at the Spring Meeting, when he should have won, but lost through Dante being allowed up on the inside.

The progeny of Mr John Cotter's mare, Caller Herrin, has been doing very well this season so far. Banner (by Escutcheon), Gold Cup (by Ascot), and Ben Varrey (by Vanguard), each claim Caller Herrin as dam.

The Baillie (by Flintlock), the three-year-old half-brother to The Miser, has been transferred from George Madison's stable at Palmerston North to Jos. Prosser's Porirua stable. The only reason that the owner of The Baillie has for removing the colt was that he was afraid that the heavy nature of the training track on the Manawatu course might crack the colt up. It seems very hard luck for Madison. I know the owner of The Baillie would have waited until the present wretched weather cleared up, but the colt has an engagement in the Egmont Sires' Hack Produce Stakes in February, and it is necessary that he should have some solid work before Christmas.

THE WELLINGTON CUP.

[By "GIPSY KING."]

I have received three communications asking me if I would be good enough to give my "fancy" for the Wellington Cup. It was not my intention to do so, as "Borderer" will, no doubt, go fully into the handicap, and having the material at hand, he will be able to grapple with the task more exhaustively than I can do. A Bohemian cannot carry all the data required for a contract such as this, in addition to his wardrobe. To try and sift out the probable winner from a well-adjusted handicap containing fifty-four horses is enough to bring beads of perspiration to any man's brow, and I would rather be excused until after the acceptances. However, to comply with my friends' requests, I will pick out a few that appear to me to have a chance, but, having done that, I am just in as big a fix as before, for the reason that I have no information as to the condition of some of those I intend selecting. North Atlantic, Lady Zetland, Bessie McCarthy, Skirmisher, The Shrew, Irish Twist, Rangipuhi, Waiuku, Panoply, Chaos, Lorelei, and Brooklet, are a dozen that occur to me as fairly well handicapped. I assume that North Atlantic (8.12) will be more forward than he was at N.Z. Cup time, and in last year's Cup he occupied a prominent but unenviable position at the finish, being wedged in against the rails with a horse on the off-side and one at the back, which prevented him from being pulled out. Still, he was very well then, and it may be difficult to get him back to that form. Lady Zetland (8.9) I select on last year's form in the same race, as she was "near it," and I fancy that it was only the favourable position Mahaki obtained rounding the bend that won him last year's Cup. Bessie McCarthy (at 8.8), fit and well, I would pin my faith to before anything in the race, but, from all accounts, she is not in anything like racing trim at present, but a wonderful improvement can be effected in a light-fleshed animal in two months. Skirmisher (8.6) just now is very well, and he is not likely to be over-raced between now and January next, although I am of opinion that the Vanguards thrive on judicious racing in public. The Shrew (8.1) is not a particularly great fancy of mine for this race, but is such a handy kind of mare for the Wellington course that I am disposed to hold her in respect for that reason alone. Irish Twist (8.2), since his enforced retirement, may be better or worse, but if he only retains his form of last Christmas, he will have to be reckoned with, but the course might beat him. That stride of his—as long as a wet week—will not be too much in his favour rounding "Tattenham corner." Rangipuhi (7.12) has not made his appearance this season, but he has wintered well, and with the racing he will no doubt be given during the Christmas and New Year time, he will be well forward in his preparation, and with a good strong horseman on his back, I intend to have the Maori-owned horse on my side. His 2min 11sec for one mile and a quarter, on the Hutt course, at the Cup meeting last year, not forgetting his performance at the Wanganui Autumn Meeting afterwards, is worthy of consideration. "Jim" Retter, a steady man, now has charge of Rangipuhi, and I see no reason why he should not get him as well as his previous trainer. Waiuku (7.12) is generally voted a non-stayer, but I am not of that opinion, as I have seen him run over a distance when nothing like fit to do so, and although I am afraid that there is hardly time enough to prepare him for a journey, still he has done a fair amount of racing this season, which will assist his mentor in getting him to run out the requisite distance. Were I sure that he would be given a genuine and solid preparation, and have the services of a first-class horseman, I would select him to be better than The Shrew and Lorelei, whom I consider have a chance on this course. Panoply (7.11) has run some fair races on the Sydney-side, and the fact that the son of Splendor has not been asked to do anything big over a distance is no reason why he should not stay. Chaos (7.8) has such a handy impost, considering his N.Z. Cup running, that, if he be the elect of the stable, I should pick him right out, as I think one mile and a half will suit him better than two miles, besides being a handy horse for the course. Lorelei (7.5) will improve a lot on her second to Leda at Feilding, in the Manchester Handicap, one mile and a quarter, and if Leda was handicapped at 7.5 I think she would receive the support of most of those who saw her run at Feilding, although I would set Leda down as a better stayer than Lorelei. My twelfth representative is Brooklet (7.3), whom I feel sure will be benefited by a good strong preparation, such as she has not had during her recent campaign, owing to the exceptionally unseasonable weather that trainers have experienced this spring. She is a great raking mare, whom her trainer (T. Quinlivan, sen.) has brought out in a

very careful manner; she is not a "boy's horse," and I think that sharp turn into the straight, at the Hutt, may prove fatal to her chance. If the race was run on the C.J.C. course, and a strong horseman could be secured for her, she would beat all those that competed at Wellington and Feilding, but a big striding mare, such as she is, will require to have all the luck on her side in securing a position before reaching that bend, which has upset the calculations of more than one trainer before to-day. I have tried as far as possible to give good reasons for selecting the twelve horses mentioned, and, to go for one, would name CHAOS, although at present there appears to be certain indications that he is an unlikely starter, but I can pretend to know the intentions of his owner and trainer, so that I will stand at this horse for the present.

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THE HOLIDAYS.

Or all times in the year when we wish to be convivial, and the toast "here's health" is an open sesame to almost every man's heart, the "Christmas season" is the most prominent one; and yet at the present time our prohibitionist friends are redoubling their efforts to close the better class of public-houses, and urging the public to an access of strictness in the administration of the licensing laws on a principle of their own—somewhat different to the ordinary interpretation of the term. There are times when a certain amount of relaxation is necessary, when the strings having been drawn too tightly, need a relapse to fit them for future use. This our prohibitionist friends would deny, and insist upon a hypothetical tautness that neither nature nor art will stand without breaking. It is strange that the leaders of the Prohibition Party in New Zealand should be clergymen, paid to act as exponents of the Christian religion, and yet by their every act, and by their daily life, show a lack of the sentiments they are supposed to preach to the public. It is not "Peace on earth, goodwill to men" that we get from them, but "pay me so much for travelling expenses and I will do my best to prove that every idea that runs counter to mine, and the people who support me, is not only irreligious, but blasphemous in every particular." Their parishes, the flock entrusted to their care, is a matter of secondary consideration as long as these so-called shepherds can bleat before the public and receive in return the applause of a carefully drilled *claque* that simply shows an artificial appreciation when it receives its cue, and in reality does not possess either the heart or brains to thoroughly understand the question under discussion, or comprehend actually what is going on. "Peace on earth and good will to men," is it? We ask in all fairness, Is it a plank in the platform of the Prohibitionists? No—emphatically no. With Pharasaic pertinacity they insist that there is only one line of conduct that may be considered right and proper, and that line they have mapped out. Their coat of arms, to speak figuratively, is surmounted by the motto of bigotry and intolerance; and when they bring to their aid the precepts of religion or philosophy, the principle upon which they act may be embodied in the sentence, "Orthodoxy is my 'doxy and heterodoxy is your 'doxy." By what right are they empowered to spoil our natural indulgences? Who has made their representatives living re-incarnations of the bigotry of John Knox? We protest, and every fair-minded man in Auckland protests—yes, we may say in New Zealand—against the attempt to resurrect a

species of Spanish Inquisition, whose attention shall be especially devoted to hounding respectable men engaged in the liquor traffic into a corner, where they must be treated as either offenders against society, or pariahs worthy of social ostracism. Our feelings to our readers, and to the world at large, are of a kindly nature tinged with merriness, and if we seem to be a bit acid in our remarks it is only that we must have our sling at those who would cast an ascetic gloom over the friends whom we wish every joy and pleasure to during the coming holidays. Good luck to all is our wish, and the toast is one that can only be healthily given when the calculating brain resigns its throne for awhile, and bows to the emotional heart.

TRADE TOPICS.

They had been having a little game of "a bob in and the winner shouts," and a disagreement having arisen over the game, the matter came before a well-known magistrate. Like most other judges occupying a position on the bench, he professed ignorance of this insinuating little game. The local constable tried to explain the *modus operandi*, stating that each of the players put in a shilling, the winner taking the pool, out of which he paid for the drinks—sixpence each. "Perfectly fair, I assure your Worship," remarked the constable. "Yes, apparently," said the magistrate, "but what becomes of the other sixpences?"

Another good story is told of a magistrate who had to adjudicate upon another little trouble that arose out of a game of "Yankee-grab." The game had to be explained to him; he didn't know, of course. One of the witnesses produced a "box and bones," and, by way of illustration, had thrown a six, five, and two, and was proceeding to pick up the five and two, when, to everyone's astonishment, the magistrate in a hurried manner called out—"Oh! Leave the five."

The leading hotel in Wanganui, the Rutland, has changed hands, Messrs. Dwan Bros., the premier hotel brokers and valuers, having sold Mr C. J. McCarthy's interest in it to Mrs Scott, late of the Masonic Hotel, Gisborne. Mrs Scott is the widow of the late Mr James Scott, who piloted the native football team through the United Kingdom some years ago.

Mr R. Fawcett, who was a general favourite as host of the Anchor Hotel, is now occupying the Naval and Family Hotel, at the corner of Pitt Street and Karangahap Road, so long associated with the name of the late Mr Brodie. A new house, equipped with the latest conveniences, has been erected, and Mr Fawcett may be relied on to give comfort to town friends and country visitors at the new house.

Mr John Hand, of the Thames Hotel, seems to be about as deep in the sea of mining speculation as any of the publicans in Auckland. If you get into conversation with him on the subject he draws a bundle of scrip from his hip pocket and flourishes it dramatically, while in mournful tones he tells you the number of calls he has had to pay, and expatiates on the scarcity of dividends he has received. Although John is a pretty heavy speculator, he doesn't let his business suffer for all that; and he is much oftener seen in his own bars than on the Exchange. In fact, he seems to have converted his private bar into a species of select mining exchange, where most of the out-of-town mining men can be met with.

The next young lady on our list is a doughty little party of the Watteau Shepherdess type of beauty. She has many admirers, as what pretty woman has not? I am one of the humble adorers in her train, and confess to feeling annoyed when she smiles on another fellow. Touch the harp gently—

Her name is suggestive,
Perhaps you have heard
Its sweet music on festive
Occasions, the word
Means beautiful; surely
A less happy term
Would picture her poorly;
She's love's own sweet germ.
The name, can't you think it?
Why Bella; the elf,
Whenever we drink it
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A toast that is cheery
To each one whose mind
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- 536 P.C.—The Possible—St. Clements—Roscius
537 P.C.—The Possible—Bonnie Scotland—Roscius
538 D.J.—The Possible—Folly—Bombardier
539 C.D.—Pegasus—Pegasus—Belle
540 J.F.W.M.—Pegasus—Ben Godfrey—Levanter
541 J.F.W.M.—The Possible—Ben Godfrey—Bombardier
542 F.D.P.—Three Star—St. Hippo—Roscius
543 F.D.P.—Three Star—Folly—Levanter
544 Mrs E.A.—Yammerschooner—Waiuku—Levanter
545 Mrs E.A.—Quiltiri—Mahaki—Ditto
546 M.O.B.—The Possible—Dreamland—Roscius
547 J.W.—St. Hippo—Impulse—Roscius
548 J.W.—St. Hippo—Impulse—Mozel
549 V.C.—Quiltiri—Osculator—Cingalee
550 W.E.McC.—Pegasus—St. Clements—Belle
551 W.E.McC.—Quiltiri—Anita—Roscius
552 C.R.—St. Hippo—Anita—Tiritea
553 E.O.N.—St. Hippo—St. Clements—Bombardier
554 E.O.N.—St. Hippo—Annabelle—Fishmonger
555 C.T.—First Nelson—Quiltiri—Bombardier
556 E.H.D.—Pegasus—Ben Godfrey—Fishmonger
557 W.McL.—The Possible—Osculator—Fishmonger
558 A.M.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Bombardier
559 R.R.—St. Hippo—St. Regal—Tiritea
560 R.R.—The Possible—Dreamland—Roscius
561 Mrs B.O.R.—Three Star—Osculator—Fishmonger
562 T.H.V.—Impulse—Pegasus—Bombardier
563 Mrs S.C.—The Possible—B. Scotland—Fishmonger
564 J.C.—The Possible—St. Clements—Roscius
565 J.C.—The Possible—The Possible—Fishmonger
566 L.W.D.—Three Star—The Possible—Tiritea
567 L.W.D.—Quiltiri—Dreamland—Bombardier
568 J.E.—Pegasus—Folly—Cingalee
569 D.G.—St. Hippo—Impulse—Fishmonger
570 D.G.—Casket—Folly—Ika
571 D.G.—St. Hippo—Casket—Mutiny
572 D.G.—Casket—Impulse—Ika
573 J.T.W.—St. Regal—Ben Godfrey—Mariner
574 J.T.W.—Quiltiri—St. Regal—Roscius
575 J.T.W.—Three Star—Anita—Roscius
576 R.R.W.—Dreamland—Quiltiri—Roscius
577 R.R.W.—Dreamland—St. Regal—Tiritea
578 R.R.W.—Pegasus—Dreamland—Sepoy
579 E.W.P.—The Possible—Marino—Fishmonger
580 E.W.P.—The Possible—St. Clements—Sepoy
581 E.W.P.—The Possible—North Atlantic—Mozel
582 A.J.W.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Bombardier
583 A.J.W.—St. Hippo—Mahaki—Roscius
584 W.McL.—The Possible—Pegasus—Fishmonger
585 W.McL.—Folly—Quiltiri—Fishmonger
586 P.G.—The Possible—The Possible—Roscius
587 J.S.—The Possible—St. Regal—Fishmonger
588 J.S.—The Possible—Three Star—Tiritea
589 J.S.—Impulse—Pegasus—Bombardier
590 C.M.—Impulse—St. Clements—Bombardier
591 C.M.—The Possible—Impulse—Roscius
592 C.M.—The Possible—St. Hippo—Tiritea
593 H.D.—First Nelson—Quiltiri—Bombardier
594 A.H.C.—Folly—Marino—Belle
595 A.H.C.—St. Hippo—Ben Godfrey—Bombardier
596 M.S.—St. Hippo—First Nelson—Fishmonger
597 D.D.J.—The Possible—Quiltiri—Tiritea
598 D.D.J.—Three Star—St. Regal—Tiritea
599 D.D.J.—St. Hippo—Three Star—Tiritea
600 D.D.J.—Impulse—Three Star—Tiritea
601 D.D.J.—Three Star—St. Hippo—Tiritea
602 R.D.G.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Levanter
603 M.O.B.—Impulse—The Possible—Levanter
604 J.E.T.—Pegasus—Three Star—Roscius
605 B.V.D.—Euroclydon—Mahaki—Tiritea
606 A.E.V.—The Possible—Impulse—Fishmonger
607 W.M.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Mutiny
608 W.M.—St. Hippo—Impulse—Roscius
609 J.C.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Tiritea
610 C.S.G.—Impulse—The Possible—Roscius
611 A.S.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Bombardier
612 A.S.—The Possible—The Possible—Bombardier
613 L.K.—Euroclydon—Waiuku—Bombardier
614 J.A.H.—The Possible—Impulse—Tiritea
615 J.R.—St. Hippo—Ben Godfrey—Roscius
616 G.L.—Euroclydon—Waiuku—Fishmonger
617 W.F.—Euroclydon—Waiuku—Despised
618 R.K.—Euroclydon—St. Clements—Mutiny
619 R.P.K.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Bombardier
620 H.K.—Pegasus—Euroclydon—Mozel
621 M.M.—The Possible—Three Star—Fishmonger
622 M.M.—Three Star—Folly—Tiritea
623 M.M.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Molly Hawk
624 A.O.—Three Star—St. Clements—Bombardier
625 A.O.—St. Hippo—St. Clements—Bombardier
626 H.G.—St. Hippo—Impulse—Tiritea
627 E.B.—St. Hippo—Three Star—Mozel
628 E.A.J.—St. Hippo—Folly—Bombardier
629 E.A.J.—Impulse—St. Clements—Tiritea
630 E.A.J.—Impulse—St. Hippo—Bombardier
631 E.A.J.—St. Hippo—Impulse—Scatheen
632 E.A.J.—St. Hippo—Impulse—Roscius
633 E.A.J.—The Possible—St. Clements—Tiritea
634 E.A.J.—Pegasus—The Possible—Mutiny
635 K.C.W.—Impulse—St. Clements—Tiritea
636 K.C.W.—Impulse—The Possible—Tiritea
637 K.C.W.—Impulse—St. Hippo—Tiritea
638 K.C.W.—St. Hippo—Impulse—Tiritea
639 J.D.—The Possible—The Possible—Roscius
640 F.C.S.—Pegasus—Euroclydon—Roscius
641 F.C.S.—Pegasus—Euroclydon—Bombardier
642 F.C.S.—Pegasus—Euroclydon—Tiritea
643 J.W.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Mutiny
644 J.W.—Euroclydon—Casket—Mutiny
645 A.S.A.—Dreamland—Spindrift—Tiritea
646 D.F.—Three Star—Impulse—Mozel
647 D.F.—The Possible—Spindrift—Molly Hawk
648 L.B.W.—St. Hippo—Osculator—Tiritea
649 L.B.W.—The Possible—St. Clements—Fishmonger
650 L.B.W.—Folly—St. Clements—Cingalee
651 L.B.W.—The Possible—North Atlantic—Tiritea
652 L.B.W.—Quiltiri—Mahaki—Fishmonger
653 L.B.W.—Impulse—Marino—Tiritea
654 A.C.—Pegasus—Three Star—Fishmonger
655 K.C.W.—Pegasus—Dreamland—Mozel
656 A.R.—Pegasus—Waiuku—Mutiny
657 H.McL.—Pegasus—Three Star—Tiritea
658 H.McL.—The Possible—Osculator—Tiritea
659 J.R.—Three Star—Mauzer—Tiritea
660 G.B.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Fishmonger
661 G.B.—Quiltiri—The Possible—Fishmonger
662 J.B.—Anita—St. Clements—Bombardier
663 J.B.—St. Hippo—St. Regal—Fishmonger
664 A.N.E.—Impulse—The Possible—Roscius
665 A.R.—The Possible—Three Star—Tiritea
666 A.R.—The Possible—Impulse—Tiritea
667 A.N.E.—The Possible—Three Star—Roscius
668 C.P.—Impulse—Mahaki—Mutiny
669 W.D.—Haria—Annabelle—Hippoclydes
670 H.M.—St. Hippo—Pegasus—Fishmonger
671 T.H.P.—Quiltiri—Osculator—Tiritea
672 T.H.P.—Quiltiri—Dreamland—Bombardier
673 A.M.—Folly—Dreamland—Roscius
674 F.McD.—The Possible—Dreamland—Roscius
675 M.McG.—St. Hippo—Forma—Bombardier
676 M.R.—The Possible—St. Hippo—Roscius
677 M.R.—The Possible—Bonnie Scotland—Roscius
678 C.P.M.—Impulse—Ben Godfrey—Roscius
679 J.S.—Quiltiri—The Possible—Tiritea
680 W.H.—The Possible—Doris—Bombardier
681 J.F.L.—The Possible—Ben Godfrey—Roscius
682 J.F.L.—Impulse—St. Regal—Tiritea
683 J.T.F.—St. Hippo—Solitaire—Roscius
684 J.F.F.—Pegasus—Solitaire—Fishmonger
685 J.T.F.—The Possible—Stepfeldt—Roscius
686 Mrs T.E.—Anita—Folly—Roscius
687 R.B.—Impulse—Waiuku—Fishmonger
688 R.B.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Roscius
689 A.J.D.—The Possible—St. Clements—Tiritea
690 W.M.—The Possible—Bessie McCarthy—Ditto
691 W.M.—The Possible—Bessie McCarthy—Sepoy
692 C.G.B.—Bessie McCarthy—Haria—Fishmonger
693 C.G.B.—Ida—Bonnie Scotland—Molly Hawk
694 C.G.B.—Mahaki—Quiltiri—Stirling
695 C.G.B.—Euroclydon—Roscius—Fishmonger
696 T.J.—St. Hippo—St. Hippo—Bombardier
697 E.M.—The Possible—Pegasus—Fishmonger
698 F.C.S.—St. Hippo—Three Star—Tiritea
699 J.S.—St. Hippo—Folly—Bangovoree
700 C.G.T.—St. Hippo—Anita—Ditto
701 J.D.—St. Hippo—The Possible—Fishmonger
702 J.D.—Three Star—St. Clements—Bombardier

- 708 G.W.—The Possible—Osculator—Mutiny
704 A.D.—Impulse—Osculator—Tiritea
705 A.D.—Impulse—Bessie McCarthy—Roscius
706 A.D.—Impulse—Ben Godfrey—Tiritea
707 B.S.—Three Star—The Possible—Bombardier
708 B.S.—The Possible—Impulse—Bombardier
709 J.F.W.M.—The Possible—Panopy—Bombardier
710 T.F.—Quiltiri—The Possible—Tiritea
711 B.B.—Three Star—St. Hippo—Tiritea
712 J.H.C.—The Possible—The Possible—Fishmonger
713 A.C.—Quiltiri—St. Clements—Roscius
714 H.C.—Three Star—Three Star—Tiritea
715 A.C.—The Possible—Three Star—Tiritea
716 A.C.—Three Star—St. Clements—Roscius
717 A.C.—St. Hippo—St. Clements—Tiritea
718 H.B.J.—Pegasus—Three Star—Fishmonger
719 O.R.J.—St. Hippo—Anita—Bombardier
720 O.R.J.—Anita—St. Regal—Bombardier
721 O.R.J.—Folly—First Nelson—Levanter
722 O.R.J.—Impulse—St. Hippo—Tiritea
723 O.R.J.—First Nelson—Folly—Mozel
724 T.G.—Quiltiri—The Possible—Fishmonger



THIRD ANNUAL SALE OF THE MOTU KOREA YEARLINGS

BRED BY AND THE PROPERTY OF MESSRS ATISON BROTHERS.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30TH, 1895,

THE FOLLOWING THOROUGHBRED YEARLINGS

Will be Sold by Auction (without reserve), at the Island of MOTU KOREA, Auckland, by

MESSRS HUNTER & NOLAN, AT 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

A Special Steamer will convey intending purchasers to Motu Korea, leaving the Ferry Teo, Auckland, at 1.30 p.m.; returning from the Island not later than 4.30 p.m., arriving at Auckland 5.30 p.m.

- A CHESTNUT GELDING, foaled September 9th, 1894, by REGAL out of MYSTERY, by The Painter out of Fortuna, by St. Aubyn (imp) out of Crescent, by Sir Hercules out of Moth, by Camel (imp) out of Miss Foote. Mystery was a great performer, winning races over all distances. Engagements—Great Northern Foal Stakes, 1896-7; Auckland Guineas, 1897.
A BROWN COLT, foaled September 11th, 1894, by CUIRASSIER out of JESSIE, got by Anteros out of Tres Deuce, by Traducer out of Gitana, by Sir Hercules out of Gipsy Queen. Jessie is the dam of Rex, and was remarkably fast, but met with an accident when training. Engagements—Great Northern Foal Stakes, 1896-7; Hawke's Bay Guineas, 1897; Auckland Guineas, 1897.
A BAY FILLY, foaled August 26th, 1894, by NELSON out of PHANTOM, by Musket out of Atlantis (dam of St. Leger). Phantom is full sister to Happyland, the dam of Hova, a great racehorse. Engagements—Great Northern Foal Stakes, 1896-7; Hawke's Bay Guineas, 1897; Auckland Guineas, 1897.
A CHESTNUT COLT, foaled November 3rd, 1894, by REGAL out of FRIENDSHIP (bred by Mr Rouse in New South Wales in 1879), by Reprive (son of Yattendon) out of Nydia, by Tarragon out of Atalanta (grand dam of Reprive), by Reprive (imp). Friendship was a splendid performer and a perfect lady in appearance; she is the dam of St. Regal, winner of the last St. Andrew's Handicap at Takapuna. Engagements—Great Northern Foal Stakes, 1896-7; Hawke's Bay Guineas, 1897; Auckland Guineas, 1897.
A CHESTNUT FILLY, foaled September 21st, 1894, by NELSON out of TORMENT, by Musket out of Hannah, by Traducer out of Ronga, by Diomedes out of Waimea, by Sir Hercules. Torment is the dam of Miss Nelson, the above filly being a full sister. Engagements—Great Northern Foal Stakes, 1896-7.
A CHESTNUT COLT, foaled September 25th, 1894, by REGAL out of TAMORA, by Musket out of Moonlight, by Ake Ake out of Moonbeam, but Pacific out of Moonshine, by The Label (sire of Traducer) out of Twilight, by Velocipede. Tamora was a most consistent performer, and is the dam of Nestor, winner of the last Avondale Nursery Handicap. Engagements—Great Northern Foal Stakes, 1896-7; Hawke's Bay Guineas, 1897; Auckland Guineas, 1897.
A BAY FILLY, foaled October 10th, 1894, by CUIRASSIER out of VASATOR, by Captivator out of Vaccilation, by Knottingley out of Atalanta, by Dainty Ariel out of Moonshine (imp), by The Label out of Twilight, by Velocipede. Engagement—Auckland Guineas, 1897.
A BROWN GELDING, foaled September 9th, 1894, by WARRIOR (Ingomar—Fanny Fisher) out of MURIEL, by St. Leger out of Lady Mary, by Towton (imp) out of Miss Nightingale, by Sir Hercules out of Jessica.
A BROWN COLT, foaled November 25th, 1895, by REGAL out of REWARDWA, by Hippocampus out of Escape (dam of Escape).
A BAY GELDING, foaled September 25th, 1894, by REGAL out of PEARL, by Barbarian out of Ladybird, by Traducer out of Barbary.
ALSO,
A BROWN GELDING, 2yrs, by PADDY'S LAND out of PEARL.
A CHESTNUT FILLY, by BRIGADIER out of MAYFLOWER. This filly is full sister to the pony Fidget.
The whole of the Yearlings are well grown, and, being highly-bred, are well worthy of the inspection of intending purchasers.
MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1895.
HUNTER & NOLAN, AUCTIONEERS.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 1896.

TENTH ANNUAL SALE OF THOROUGHBRED YEARLINGS

(WITHOUT RESERVE), BRED BY AND THE PROPERTY OF THOS. MORRIN.

AT WELLINGTON PARK, AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND, BY MESSRS HUNTER AND NOLAN

At 12 o'clock.

- A CHESTNUT COLT, by St. Leger out of Valentina, by Leolinus out of Lyre, by Patriarch out of Lyra (imp.), by Thormanby out of Clotilde, by Touchstone, Valentina, by Velocipede, the dam of this filly, is own sister to All There, a great performer
A BAY COLT, by St. Leger (imp.) out of Balista, by Musket out of Ouida, by Yattendon out of Guldare, by Little John out of Guldare, by Gohanna out of Deception, by Theorem (imp). Balista was a brilliant mare, and won many races, and is own sister to those good performers Artillery and Hilda, and three-quarter sister to Strathmore, Hazel, and Brown Alice.
A CHESTNUT COLT, by St. Leger out of Lyrelinus, by Leolinus (imp.) out of Lyre, by Patriarch out of Lyra (imp.), by Thormanby out of Clotilde, by Touchstone out of Valentina, by Velocipede out of Jane, by Moses. Lyrelinus is own sister to All There, a good performer in Australia.
A CHESTNUT COLT, by St. Leger (imp.) out of Bangle, by Musket out of Locket (imp.), by Thunderbolt, and own sister to those great mares Necklace and Necklet. Bangle is the dam of those game colts Casket and Orion's Belt. Casket proved himself one of the best three-year-olds of last season, winning amongst other races, the Dunedin Cup, Great Easter Handicap, President's Handicap, and Dunedin Spring Stakes. Orion's Belt won the Hawke's Bay Nursery Handicap and Napier Park Staying Stakes Handicap.
A BAY COLT, by St. Leger out of Sapphire, by The Drummer (imp.) out of Amethyst (imp.), by Ambrose out of Heroine of Lucknow, by Nutwith out of Poahontas, by Glencoe, dam of Stockwell, Ratanaplan, and King Tom. Sapphire is the dam of Zealandia, Ballater, and Blue Fire, all great performers—the latter winner of the Challenge Stakes, 2000 sovs; also Mannlicher, winner of Challenge Stakes and Champagne Stakes.
A CHESTNUT COLT, by St. Leger (imp.) out of Hazel, by Nordenfeldt; sister to Strathmore and Brown Alice, and half sister to Hilda and Artillery; dam of that good mare Hazelmore. Hazel won the Great Autumn Handicap, one mile and a half, in the record time for New Zealand, beating a first-class field.
A BAY FILLY, by St. Leger (imp.) out of Puwerewere, by Nordenfeldt, own sister to Crackshot, out of Pungawerewere, dam of Brigadier, Tranter, Tetford, St. James, Katipo, and Osculator (all brilliant horses).
A CHESTNUT FILLY, by St. Leger out of Aida, by Leolinus, out of L'Orient (imp.) by Knight of the Crescent. This filly is full sister to that brilliant horse Impulse, winner of the New Zealand Cup of 1894.
A BAY FILLY, by St. Leger out of Yattaghan, by Nordenfeldt out of Yattacy, by Yattendon out of Ecstasy, by The Marquis (imp.) out of Lady Exeter, by New Warrior. Yattaghan was a good performer, winning the Franklin Cup, Stewards' Stakes, and Flying Stakes at the South Auckland Meeting.
A CHESTNUT FILLY, by St. Leger (imp.) out of Lady Evelyn, by Perkin Warbeck (imp.), dam Pulchra (imp.), out of Formosa, winner of Two Thousand Guineas, Oaks, and St. Leger.
A BROWN COLT, by Castor (imp.) out of the celebrated Hilda, by Musket; the best racing mare in New Zealand, own sister to Artillery, Balista, and half sister to Strathmore, Hazel, and Brown Alice, all good performers.
A BROWN COLT, by Castor (imp.) out of Necklace, by Musket out of Locket (imp.), by Thunderbolt out of Keepsake, by Daniel O'Rourke out of a daughter of Hampton. Necklace was a great racehorse at all distances, and is the dam of Swordbelt, Miss Letty, Collette, Cravat, and Armilla, all very fast and good performers. Collette won the A.J.C. Autumn Nursery Handicap, six furlongs, in 1.16, beating some of the best youngsters in Australia; Armilla won the Musket Stakes and Nursery Handicap (carrying 9st in a large field).
A BROWN COLT, by Castor (imp.) out of Lady Walmaley, by Musket; own sister to the celebrated Carbine, and dam of that brilliant filly Vasco Spes, who won two-year-old honours in Queensland.
A BROWN COLT, by Castor (imp.) out of Lady Wellington, by Musket; own sister to that good horse Derringer.
A BROWN COLT, by Castor (imp.) out of Antelope, by Apremont (imp.) out of Miss Kate (imp.), dam of Prime Warden (winner of the Metropolitan Stakes, Canterbury and Otago Cups, the Geraldine Cup, Onslow Stakes, &c.) and Sultan (winner of several big events).
A BROWN FILLY, by Castor (imp.) out of Welcome Katie, by Musket, dam of Tulloch, Ben Godfrey, and Leds (all winners); Leda, by Castor, is own sister to the above-mentioned filly.
A BAY FILLY, by Castor (imp.) out of Victoria, by Fave (imp.); and dam of Adelaide, winner of the A.R.C. Welcome Stakes, beating a large field.
A BAY FILLY, by Castor (imp.) out of Lioness, by Leolinus (imp.). Lioness was a very fast mare, out of Miss Laura, by Trumpeter.
A CHESTNUT FILLY, by Castor (imp.) out of Pungawerewere, by Golden Grape (imp.), and dam of Katipo, Tetford, Brigadier, Tranter, St. James, Crackshot, and Osculator, all good performers, the latter winner of the V.R.C. Spring Stakes, and beaten by a short head in the V.R.C. Derby.
A BAY COLT, by Hotchkiss out of Formo, by Sterlingworth (imp.) out of Pulchra (imp.), by Rosicrucian out of the great English Formosa, winner of the One Thousand Guineas, Oaks, and St. Leger, and dead heat for the Two Thousand Guineas. This colt is own brother to Formo (winner A.E.C. September Stakes and Welcome Stakes), and three-quarter brother to that game mare Forme (winner as a two-year-old, of the September Stakes, Auckland, Welcome Stakes, Hawke's Bay; and, as a three-year-old, won the Hawke's Bay Guineas, ten runners, consisting of the pick of New Zealand three-year-olds, and the Auckland Guineas.
A BAY COLT, by Hotchkiss out of Weasel, by Anteros out of Zealandia, by Maror out of Toi Toi, by St. Aubyn out of Waimea, by Sir Hercules. Weasel is dam of St. Mary, winner of the South Auckland Flying Stakes and Maiden Plate.
A BAY COLT, by Hotchkiss out of Queen Cole, by King Cole. Queen Cole is half sister to Derringer and Cartridge.

- A BAY COLT, by Hotchkiss out of Yattacy, by Yattendon from Ecstasy, by The Marquis (imp.) by Lady Exeter, by New Warrior from Agitation (imp.), by Ambrose.
A CHESTNUT FILLY, by Hotchkiss out of Bridal Rose, by Black Rose, winner of C.J.C. Derby, out of Amy, by Daniel O'Rourke.
A BROWN COLT, by Cuirassier (own brother to the celebrated Trenton) out of Katipo (a good performer, and dam of that promising colt Dead Shot), out of Pungawerewere (winner of the Dunedin Cup, and dam of Brigadier, Tetford, Tranter, St. James, also winner of the Dunedin Cup, and Crackshot, winner of the Auckland Cup, Canterbury Cup, two miles, Auckland Plate, weight-for-age, and Hawke's Bay Spring Handicap; and Osculator, winner of the V.R.C. Spring Stakes and only beaten by a short head in the V.R.C. Derby.
A BROWN COLT, by Cuirassier out of Tasmania, by Manuka out of Zillah, dam of that great performer Tasman, winner of 35 races, value of £5,600.
A GREY COLT, by Cuirassier out of Maid of Athol, by Maribyrnong out of Paraguay, by Little John out of Sappho, by The Marquis. Maid of Athol is the dam of Krupp, Soudan, Kotuku, Scots Grey, Queen of Trumps, and Tartan, all winners and good performers.
A BROWN COLT, by Cuirassier out of Lilac, by Leolinus (imp.) out of Leila (imp.), by Buccaneer, sire of the renowned Kincsem.
A BROWN FILLY, by Cuirassier (full brother to the great Trenton), out of Sunrise by Rama Rama out of Awatea by Ravensworth (imp.); out of Skybird (imp.), by Teddington, winner of English Derby.
A BROWN FILLY, by Cuirassier out of Ouida, by Yattendon, dam of those great performers, Artillery, Hilda, Balista, Strathmore, Hazel, and Brown Alice.
A BROWN FILLY, by Cuirassier out of Albatross, by Malta out of The Auk, by The Marquis (imp.). Two Thousand Guineas winner and St. Leger out of Seagull by Fisherman, out of Omen (imp.) by Melbourne. Albatross is the dam of Loch Ness, Teksum, Merganser, Elswick, all great performers.
A BROWN FILLY, by Cuirassier out of Bianca, by Black Eagle out of Bessie, by Angler out of Scraps, by Lord of the Hills out of Ragpicker, sister to the famed Sylvia. Bianca is the dam of Sweet Lavender and The Shrew, winner of the Hawke's Bay Christmas and Autumn Handicaps, Napier Park New Year's and Flying Handicaps, and Flying Handicap at the Autumn Meeting, &c.
A BROWN FILLY, by Cuirassier out of Radiance, by Fireworks out of Sunshine, by Maribyrnong out of Night Light (imp.), by Archy. Radiance is own sister to those great racers Quadrant, Utopia, and Cruiser, and her first foal, Lustre, was a good performer.
A BAY FILLY, by Cuirassier out of Gannet, by Anteros (imp.) out of Albatross, dam of those good performers, Lochness, Teksum, Merganser, and Elswick; dam of Brigand and Booby, both brilliant performers.
A BROWN FILLY, by Brigadier out of The Jilt, by Traducer (imp.); dam of those good mares Folly (winner of the South Auckland Autumn Handicap, Takapuna Cup, A.R.C. Easter Handicap, City Handicap, and others) and Eve (winner of Zealandia Handicap, Suburban Handicap, Grandstand Handicap, Taranaki Autumn Handicap, &c.)

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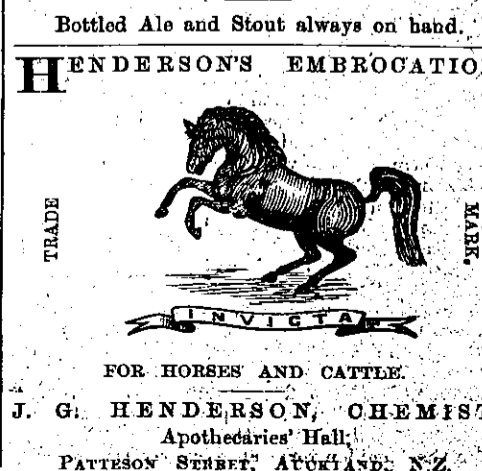
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CUIRASSIER by Musket (imp.)—Frailty, by Goldsmith—Flora McIvor, by New Warrior (imp.)—Io, by Sir Hercules. Cuirassier is full brother to that successful sire Trenton, who in his first season in Australia has sired Ronda (second in Melbourne Cup), Delaware, Extra-Weenie (winner of the Maryborough Plate), and V.R.C. Oaks, Galliardia, Lady Trinton, Light Artillery (one of the best two-year-olds of his season)—all good winners. Cuirassier himself ran second to Manton in the Hawkes Bay Guineas (beaten a head), and won the Great Northern Derby (beating Manton, Raglan, Hilda, etc., in the fast time of 2min 40sec), the Great Northern St. Leger, Railway Stakes Handicap, and Trial Stakes. Terms:—25 guineas for single mare; 20 guineas two or more the property of the same owner.

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The following are some of Gipsy King's performances on the Turf:—
As a **TWO-YEAR-OLD**.—Won Dunedin Two-year-old Selling Race. Won Dunedin J.C. Champagne Stakes (Sextant fourth). Won D.J.C. City Stakes Handicap, 8st 12lb Won C.J.C. Autumn Nursery Handicap, 9st. Second in D.J.C. Criterion Stakes with 8st 9lb, Fairy Maid, 7st 7lb, first. Second in C.J.C. Middle Park Stakes with 7st 7lb, Maxim 7st 2lb first, Fair Nell (dam of Loyalty, etc.) 6st 11lb, third. Second in C.J.C. New Year Nursery Handicap, 8st 9lb, Maxim 8st 12lb first. Third in C.J.C. Spring Nursery Handicap, 7st 13lb, Sextant 7st 13lb first, Cruchfield 8st 5lb second. Second in D.J.C. Hopeful Stakes Handicap, 8st, Teddy Vuille 7st 5lb, first. Third in C.J.C. Champagne, Maxim first, Sextant second, Sultan fourth.
As a **THREE-YEAR-OLD**.—Won Dunedin Cup, 2 miles and a distance, carrying 8st 4lb, the official time for the race being 3min 51sec, the fastest time on record up to that date: Springton 8st 13lb second, Artillery 8st third. Won D.J.C. Handicap, 1 1/2 mile, 9st 2lb, Silvermark 7st 5lb second, Springton 7st 6lb third. Won North Canterbury Cup, 1 1/2 mile, 8st 5lb, Ruby 8st second, Beresford 7st third. Second in New Zealand Cup, 2 miles, 7st 11lb, won by Luchiel, 6vrs, 7st 12lb, Beresford, 6vrs, 6st third, beating Nelson, Artillery, and others. Second in C.J.C. Derby, 1 1/2 mile, won by Maxim, Sextant third, Cruchfield fourth.
Gipsy King's sire, Le Loup, is by Traducer (imp.), dam Mermaid (imp.), and is therefore full brother to Malice (dam of Mischief) to Lurline (dam of Darcine), one of the most successful sires now in America, to Castaway (sire of Salvage, the Auckland Cup winner) and Cast Off, and to Naiad (dam of Neerul). It will thus be seen that all Le Loup's relatives are winner producers. As a racehorse Le Loup was undoubtedly one of the best in N.Z. at the time he was in training. In 1879 he won the Victoria Racing Club's Handicap, carrying 8st 7lb, and at the Canterbury Jockey Club's meeting in the same year he won the Free Handicap, and after getting away two lengths to the lead in the Flying Stakes of 6 furlongs, weight for age, the race being run in the fastest time on record in the colonies. In the Spring of 1880 he won the C.J.C. Handicap, Canterbury J.C. Cup 2 miles, Canterbury Cup 2 1/2 miles, and Christchurch Plate. As a stud horse Le Loup was highly thought of, and won the Champion prize at the Otago Agricultural and Pastoral Association's Show, beating Bundoora, who had previously won a similar prize at the Canterbury Show.
Gitana, the dam of Gipsy King, was imported from New South Wales by Sir Hercules Robinson, and comes from some of the best racing families in the colonies. Rapid Bay, sire of Gitana, is full brother to Neckersgat, who is sire of Dunlop, Melbourne Cup winner, while her dam Gipsy is by the famous stallion Yattendon, sire of Chester and the unbeaten Grand Flaneur.

Gipsy King's tabulated pedigree herewith will bear the closest inspection, and it should not be forgotten that the name of the famous English mare, Pocahontas (dam of the Emperor of stallions—Strookwell—) and Estaplan (occurs three times in his ancestral lines, twice through King Tom (half brother to Stockwell), and once through Ayacanon, half sister to Stockwell). In Gipsy King's pedigree there are many well-known strains of blood, chief among them being Traducer (sire of Sir Modred and Cheviot, now two of the leading sires in America), Vanguard, Somnus, Natator, and several other successful stud horses. It will be observed that Mermaid, the grand dam of Gipsy King on the sire's side, is also grand dam of Natator, who has sired so many winners, especially cross-country horses, on the Wanganui Coast. Reference has already been made to Gitana's breeding, so that the tabulated pedigree only requires perusal to confirm the opinion frequently expressed, that Gipsy King is one of the most stoutly bred stud horses at the service of breeders in New Zealand. Gipsy King has competed in the show ring several times, gaining first and champion prizes as the best thoroughbred stallion at Egmont A. and P. Society's Show 1890, 1891, and 1892, and also in 1894 at Waiuku and Franklin Shows, meeting good fields on each occasion.

Bay Stallion	Gipsy King	Traducer, imp.	The Label
Pantaloons	Castrol, by Buzzard Idalia, by Peruvian		
Pasquinade	Camel, by Whalebone Banter, by Master Henry		
Elis	Langar, by Selim Olympia, by Sir Oliver		
Languid	Cain, by Paulowitz Lydia, by Paulton		
Harkaway	Economist, by Whisker Nabockliad mare		
Pocahontas	Glencoe, by Sultan Marpeasa, by Muley		
Flying Dutchman	Bay Middleton, by Sultan Barbelie, by Sandbeck		
Evening Star	Touchstone, by Camel Bertha, by Rubens		
Wild Dayrell	Ion, by Cain [Middleton Ellen Middleton, by Bay Birdcatch'r, by S. Hercull's Pocahontas, by Glencoe		
Ayacanon	Harkaway, by Economist Pocahontas, by Glencoe		
King Tom	Melbourne, by Hy. Clinker Molly, by Pantaloons		
Giraffe	Cap-a-pie, imp., by Colonel Paraguy, by Sir Hercules		
Sir Hercules	Tros, imp., by Friam Alice Grey, by Rous' Emigrant, imp.		
Cassandra	Figaro, by Operator, imp. Emilius mare, imp.		
Il Barbiers	Rous' Emigr't, by Pioneer Camerton mare, imp.		
Gipsy			

In placing Gipsy King at the service of breeders in the Hawera district probably for the last season the owners have every confidence in claiming that the horse has stood a thorough test as a stud horse, and the stock he has left—upstanding, strongly built, good looking horses, showing quality and substance—are a credit to so young a sire, and is an indication that he has the gift of transmitting his own goodness to his progeny. Like many other thoroughbred stallions, Gipsy King has only served a limited number of well-bred mares, yet with these few chances he has produced several winners, and a number of his progeny now in training give every promise of distinguishing themselves this season.

Those of his stock that have run prominently are Dart, Bush Boy, The Hero, Vagrant, Storm King, Excitation, Kahu, and Steel King. The three former have won races both in New Zealand and Australia. At the Victoria Racing Club's National Meeting Dart ran second to Dainio—said to be the best steeplechase horse in the Australian colonies—in the V.R.C. Grand National Steeplechase of 1000 sovs, after which Dart was sold for 370 guineas and Bush Boy was passed in at 250 guineas. Last racing season Gipsy King's stock won in New Zealand £458, and Le Loup's stock won £978. Nearly all Gipsy King's progeny have a penchant for cross-country racing, and as this class of horse finds a ready sale breeders should study their own interests, and breed what they can sell. Thoroughbred mares with or without foals will be taken the greatest care of, and all visiting mares will be placed in well grassed paddocks.
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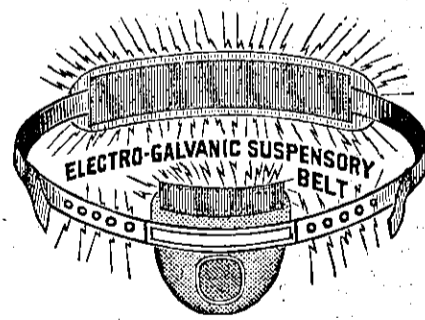
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