manage to get home when visiting foreign parts, the local backers participate in the results. Certainly Spindrift and Bessie McCarthy were well supported, but the other victories by local contestants allowed a good margin to be carried

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testants allowed a good margin to be carried forward to their banking accounts. D. Wright (brother of George, of Ellerslie) was in great form at Waipukurau Meeting on Easter Monday. He won twice on Rainbow, and once on Moonraker, and was on the back of the Tagmunic bred one when Marturdam instricted Tasmanian bred one when Martyrdom just pipped

him in the Easter Handicap. Waitangi (Foul Shot—Sir Watkin mare) is being hacked about Napier streets, and a certain amount of mystery seems to be shrouded up in this horse. He won the Maiden race at the late Wairoa Meeting, and was entered for several other events at that place, but he either failed to score, or was scratched, or certain reasons prevented them starting the horse. He was also entered at Napier Park, but did not put in an appearance. He must be better than he looks, for he is a plain looking customer, with a most uncommonly sour looking figure head on him.

A committee meeting of the Napier Park Racing Club was held on Thursday afternoon, and it is satisfactory to know that, in spite of the terrible weather that was experienced on the second day of the Autumn Meeting, that the Club came out with a fair balance for the two days racing. The date for receiving nominations for the Winter Meeting was altered from April 14th to the 21st. Several accounts were passed for payment, including large amounts for improvements to the course and buildings

The Hawkes Bay Jockey Club have issued their programme for their Winter Meeting. McKeague, who used to don the black jacket

and red cap of the Wanganui sport, Mr J. Paul, rode two winners at Waipukurau, Martyrdom and Bedford. He is now attached to the Hon. J. D. Ormond's stable at Karamu.

J. Oakenfall, who for some considerable time was engaged at Mr W. Rathbone's racing and breeding establishment at Waipawa, and who latterly has been training Sparkle and Moira, at Hastings, left to-day (Tuesday) for Coolgardie. By the Waihora, which arrived from Lyttelton

on Monday, the Hon. J. D. Ormond's team of racers, and the brood mares purchased by that gentleman at Mr G. G. Stead's sale, were passengers. The former, with the exception of Spindrift, who had a very heavy and wee-begone appearance, and whose dicky led looked none too promising, showed no bad effects from their Southern campaign. Almost immediately after landing they left by road for the home stables at Karamu.

The receipt of the news announcing the success of Mr S. H. Gollan's Ebor, in the Great Stafford Steeplechase, at Home, was received by Napier and Hastings sportsmen with great satisfaction, and a large number of people at both places who do not come, strictly speaking, within the sporting circle, were glad to hear that his pluck has at last been rewarded, and they all hope that it is only the precursor of many more victories be-tween the flags for the N.Z. sportsman.

The Turf in Australia.

[OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

The A.J.C. Meeting-Courallie's Victory -How he was backed for the Doncaster-True Blue galloped on-Cabin Boy is not a hack-Chesterman might be such-A strong favourite nearly beaten -Punters dubious about Wallace winning the Sydney Cup-Great rejoicing when he won — Trentham (Trenton— Nellie Moore) a "clipper"-Toreador blocked in the Cup race - Coil and Newhaven - Cydnus a likely Derby colt-Waterbury and Balyhooley baulk in the Steeplechase-"A Prize Distribution" by members of Tattersall's.

THE only feature of the A.J.C. Doncaster mile was the comparatively easy victory scored by the top-weight, Courallie, who put on such a dash in the home stretch that nothing could catch him. His 9.3 in 2min $40\frac{1}{2}$ sec was a great go, but, of course, doesn't approach Marvel's great run a few years ago when he beat St. Blaize with thing about Courallie's rac 10.4 up. A strange isn't generally known. For a week or so he was a hot favourite, and the papers recorded thou-sands as having been booked against him, straight out and in doubles. Of course the public fell in, as usual, and backed the good thing all roads. But the owner said afterwards that he hadn't got any of the thousands-in fact, had very little about the horse. Courallie was apparently forced into the betting as a stalking horse for the ring to make a market. On the day he went back to 14 to 1, and then the stable got their little bit. When the son of Honeymoon can-tered home the consternation of the ring may be imagined. Albicore, the beautiful Response, and Patron's sister, Patrona, were first picks at start-ing time, and though Albicore was prominent, ing time, and though Albicore was prominent, she knocked off at the racing end. Patrona dis-appointed Chipping Norton, but Response was bound to get a place. It's picking up money backing the mare for a drum in most big handi-caps, or in fact for any race. True Blae, the Auckland-bred Hotchkies colt, ran in'o second position, though I believe he was badly galloped on during the spin. It interfored same that with on during the spin. It interfered some what with his Sydney Cup prospects, and he was never proninent. I have a great opinion of this youngster, who should be able to hold his end up with the best next spring. Mundiva, the country horse introduced into the Newmarket Handicap betting at the last moment, ran abso-lutely. He ien't a bad looking sort, but wants lutely. He ien't a bad looking sort, our waters time. The Delanev family were conspicuous at the finish, three brothers being on the placed horses.

When a neddy is well, and is a good 'un, it takes a grandstand to stop him. On the second day Courallie was given 10.0, or 161bs more than when he ran second in the Newmarket, yet he got home in 1min 15sec by a head from Dora (6.13), a five-year-old by Chesham-Remnant, Aurea (8.12), by Abercorn, being bang up third. There were fifteen others--some of the best, in-cluding Whakawatea (9.5). Cabin Boy (8.10) and Royal Rose (8.3) were last. The result sets one thinking what a good mare Maluma must be to have donkey licked a horse like Courallie in the Newmarket.

People expected Wallace to have a canter over for the St. Leger, but they met with sweet disap-pointment. His Flemington Leger rival, Cabin Boy, was there, and made him go all he knew. It was a forlorn hope a hundred yards from home, and backers who laid odds on Carbine's son almost contracted heart disease. Gough walloped him all the way up the straight, and he only passed Oxenham's colt in the last few strides. At the start Wallace wouldn't face the music until Cabin Boy pulled out and let him come up on the inside. Cabin Boy made the pace the whole way, galloping in the free and easy style for which he was no'ed at Flemington. He had a three lengths lead of Wallace at one time, but the chestnut reduced this to a length. At the back, however, Cabin Boy swung away and made things warm, and it was only by the most desperate riding that Gough passed the leader on the very threshold of victory. The result goes to show that Wallace isn't a brilliant of the extra special brand. Also that Cabin Boy isn't the back he was thought to be. He can gallop and stay without a doubt. The Merry gallop and stay without a doubt. The Merry Boy ran most respectably behind the the leaders, giving one the idea that he will prove a fair handicap horse later on. The Skipper and Fort were the last two. The latter looked dangerous in the straight, but he was, with Wallace, under the whip, and faded. Only that Wallace is as game as he is, he'd never win a race. He never hirks the floggings he gets in every event, taking his gruel like he does his oats.

The w.f.a. Autumn Stakes seemed to be a waiting sort of a race. Delaware, who took the lead, waited until the last half mile was entered on. and then set sail. He just held his advantage long enough to get home from the much improved Valiant, and Acmena was alongside the Valiant seemed to falter near the post, pair. otherwise he might have reversed things. Toreador and The Harvester weren't far away from the leaders. Were the latter fit he would have set the field to the right about. Chesterman shaped as expected, and ran last. He'd make a good butcher's Sunday afternoon horse for gallops on the beach.

on the beach. When anyone prates of "morals," back the best outsihere. People laid odds on the Carbine youngster, Fueile, for the Maiden Two-year-old. He led in the straight, and it seemed all over until the never-mentioned-in-the-betting Snap-shot (Nordenfeldt—Miriam) dashed up and gave a hot battle to the favourite, who only just got home. Vigilance (third) is by Abercorn-Lady

Vivian. Sabretache, the Aucklander (by Cuiras-sier-Toie), started, but was very green. He wasn't last, anyhow, Mosaic whipping in.

Snapshot can't be a bad sort of a two-year-old for he lined up for the one mile and a quarter Maiden on the second day and started at 6's. He crossed Patrona in the straight and ran fourth. Patrona, however, won from the favourite, The Merry Boy (by Trenton-Mara), Dan O'Brien's Ilchester (Abercorn-Iolanthe) being third.

A few day's before the meeting Whakawatea (10.13) was the prime pick for the High-weight Handicap, but, at the post, Little Agnes (Trenton -Dame Agnes) displaced him, and she won. There were a large number of withdrawals, the field being reckoned to have little show with Mr W. A. Long's mare, who has been going to win a race for some time. Attachment (Clieveden-Affectiou) split her and Whaka watea in the place

After the way he shaped in the Leger, people weren't so sure about Wallace for the Sydney Cup, but he went out at 3's. Leslie McDonald started Trentham to make the pace, and how did he make it! He didn't show up in the Doncaster on the first day, but with 281b from Wallace in the matter of weight, he was enabled to scoot over the two miles in fine style. He had a length's advantage in front of the stand, where Delaware was pulling double. He made the pace a cracker at the five-furlong post, ere which was reached there were a number of changes. In the straight the leader was still going strong, and at the Leger Cullinan looked round to see what had the Leger Cultiman looked round to see what had become of Wallaze. The favourite was then brought along under the whip, and gradually passed his stable-mate. He had had a clear run, but not so Toreador, who was vainly trying to get out of the beaten ruck. He succeeded too late and came with a rattle, heating Trentham by a short length for second place. The scene that followed Wallage's window was reminiscent that followed Wallace's victory was reminiscent of the year his dad won the event. The majority of the crowd had their little bit on the chestnut, hence the cheers and tears of joy. The Trier, who ran second to Lady Trenton a couple of years ago, was fourth, but Patroness, last year's winner, didn't shape according to promise. Re sponse and The Skipper followed, four lengths in front of Valiant. Then came Damien (who was privately expected to run rings round things). Waihine, Chesterman, and Malachite were the last three home. The time for the Cup (3min 31sec) had only been put up once previously — by Carbine Wallace, too, is the second V.R.C. Derby winner to win the Sydney Cup in the same season for the last thirty-seven years. The Australian Peer was the other. The winner was only packed in with the field once during the race, and Gough out out of the read with all possible expedience got out of the road with all possible expediency Trentham's meritorious two miles in front of a field of twenty one others, indicates something hot in the near future. He should improve greatly by the spring. I gave an opinion of the son of Nelly Moore a little while back in the REVIEW, and I quite expected to see him shine as he did on Monday. Wallace's win was in a

great measure due to his efforts. Trentham was one of the best bred in the race, and appears to be coming on as a stayer earlier than his halfbrother (Lochiel) did. The latter was regarded as a sprinter until he upset the apple-cart in the New Zealand Cup-memorable day !- and showed what he could do over distances in Australia afterwards.

Toreador had certainly bad luck in getting blocked in. It would have been a great "go" if he had got clear in time. Had he done so he would have beaten Wallace. That's a certainty. He was going much faster than the favourite at the finish. Then again, under other circumstances, Trentham could have beaten the pair had Callinan rode on his own, instead of according to orders. It was noticed that the placed trio in the Autumn Stakes were quite out of it, a fact which once again demonstrates the unreliability of w.f.a. events as a guide to picking handicaps.

Last year Wallace, favourite for the Champagne Stakes, was downed by Bob Ray. On Monday Newhaven was reckoned such a good thing for the same event that odds were laid on him, and he was badly beaten not only by Coil, but by the undreamt of Gozoczar, owned by Mrs Gannon, relict of the late Mr W. Gannon, who raced Arsenal, The Australion Peer, and others. Personally, I have always thought Coil nearly as good as Newhaven, but have been frightened to say so aloud-to a Victorian, at any rate. I was consequently surprised, even after Coil's defeat in the Flemington Ascot Vale Stakes, to see Cobbitty's brother go out at sevens. He was second favourite, 'tis true, but then the race was a bird for the Victorian champion. Both were penalised 10lbs on top of 8.10. Before the St. Leger was reached Newhav n got his head in front, but on Coil getting abreast of him he couldn't go any faster, and the Abercorn colt got home a length and a half from the unpenalised Gozoczar, who won a race recently, and appears to be something out of the common. Tire was fourth, three lengths in front of Fucile, and then followed the much-discussed Huret and Vigilance. My opinion of Coil is that he will prove far and away the better three-year old than Newhaven I took a fancy to the youngster the first time I saw him, and unless he has the bad luck in training that Cobbitty had, he should prove a dandy over all distances.

Writing of juveniles leads me to think that St. Albans may prove as strong as ever next spring. Cydnus, the winner of the First Nursery, beating Le Nord (Nordenfeldt - Hebe, imp.) Sayles, and fifteen others, with 8.5 up, is not yet as fit as might be, and he looks just the sort to blossom into a tip top Derby colt. He is by Trenton-Hypatia, and that you will write his name pretty often next spring is almost certain, unless I'm a bad judge. He won his race easily, and had a lot in has d. Present indications lead to the conclusion that next season's three-yearolds will be the best seen out for years. Lameness in the shoulder was, I believe, the

cause of Fishmonger's withdrawl in his engagements. The First Steeplechase fell to Black-tracker (Pathfinder-Zingari), who went out at The Joker (The Drummer-Camilla) was tens. good second, and the ancient Bushman third. Waterbury stuck up at the second of the treble the first time, and Ballyhooley did likewise the second time round. King, the favourite, and Glenara fell. Mikado II. was ten lengths off four h.

As Courallie and Wallace were written heavily in all the combination books, pencillers didn't enjoy their Easter holidays to any great extent. Wallace was favourite since the appearance of the weights in all the colonies, so that the public participate in a general prize distribution

Owners and Trainers' Reminders

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.

On Friday, 17th, at 9 p.m., nominations close for the following events ;---Avondale Hack Handicap.

Handicap Hurdles.

Autumn Handicap. Avondale Stakes Handicap.

Pony Haudicap.

Waitakerei Handıcap. Handicap Steeplechase. Shorts Handicap.

AUCKLAND JOCKEY CLUB.

On Friday, 17th April, nominations close as under :

Sporting News.

[BY REVIEWER.]

Count Lamont broke down at the Dargaville Meeting.

Old Chester changed hands during the Dargaville Meeting.

Barmby struck himself badly in a gallop last Friday morinng.

I am pleased to hear that Mr S. Bradly's colt, Armour, is in work again at Randwick.

Handicaps for the Egmont Winter Meeting are due on or about Friday. 24th April.

A resident of Greymouth has had the good fortune to draw the third horse in the Sydney Cup in Tattersall's sweep.

Goodwood (by Ascot-Maid of Eccleston, by The Pain er) has been sold in Christehurch for 14gs.. That's little enough money, surely, for a stallion.

It is rumoured that Stepfeldt is to retire at once to the paddock, and will not be raced any more this reason, but will take up stud duties next season.

Mr E. Lawrence has purchased the pony Mavourneen (by Anteros) from Mr J. Clements. The little chestnut mare showed good form at our late meeting.

In the Grandstand Handicap at the A.R.C. Meeting a protest was lodged, by the owner of Romp, against St. Kilda for crossing, but was promptly dismissed.

The sale of 123 thoroughbred yearlings, at the Randwick autumn sales this year, realised 9328 guineas, as compared with 117 yearlings and 8421 guineas last year.

Ngatuere and Ebor II. were heavily backed for the two principal events at Feilding, but the luck which formerly attended Homes' stable seems to have departed.

Cartridge (full-sister to Derringer), who was shipped from Auckland to England, missed last season to the Duke of Westminister's Blue Green, and this year has visited Orme.

Swordfish was backed by his connections pretty heavily in two hack races at Feilding, and, in his third race, when he won and paid £15 dividend, they let him go quite unbacked.

The stable took upwards of £600 from the totalisator over Man-o' War's victory in the reilding Handicap, but the second day's investments on the same horse were unremunerative.

The Mimi (Taranaki) Racing Club have had their programme of seven events and £42 stake money passed by the Taranaki Metropolitan Club, and the meeting will be held on May 25th.

Local sports will be able to enjoy an afternoon's fun at Potter's Paddock on Saturday, when the Auckland Polo Club will bring off their Annual Sports and Races. First event starts at 1.30 p.m.

Mr J. Paul has sent Cretonne (Ascot-Leonessa) to "Fed" Gilpin, at Napier, who will hunt the big chestnut, after which he may be given a trial in some of the back-end steeplechases.

The owners of Diamio are sanguine that the splint lameness, from which the crack steeplechaser is suffering, will have nearly worn off by next month so as to permit the horse being shipped by the Orizaba.

Bombshell is at the head of winning two-yearolds this season so far, his earnings totalling £1017. Our local two-year-olds are well up on the list; St. Paul £736, and Armilla £577; Porangi Potae £128 5s.

One jockey was brought before the stewards at Riccarton on Tuesday week, and as he was carry-ing too much inside weight, in the shape of liquid refreshment, his license was cancelled over the meeting.—The Spectator.

Mesers. McLeod and Cleland, having had enquiries for quotations on the Caulfield and Melbourne Cups, they have decided to open a double book, and have agreed to quote the tempting price of 1000 to 1 on the field.

The appeal lodged by Mr J. B. Williamson against the action of the Takapuna Jockey Club in declaring "no race" in the Hobson Handicap, in which Admiral Hawke came in first, has been dismissed by the Auckland Racing Club.

Royal Stakes of 500 sovs, for yearlings and fouls.

The Great Northern Champagne Stakes of 300 sovs, for now yearlings.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB.

On Friday, 24th April, at 9 p.m., nominations will close with the secretary at Devonport, or at Mr W. Blomfield's office, Durham Street East, Aucland, for the following events :-

FIRST DAY. Handicap Maiden Hurdles. Hundicap Maiden Plate. First Handicap Hurdles. Birthday Handicap. First Pony Handicap. Royal Handicap.

SECOND DAY.

Hack Handicap. Second Handicap Hurdles. Britannia Handicap. Handicap Steeplechase Victoria Handicap. Second Pony Handicap. Welter Handicap.

EGMONT R.C. WINTER MEETING.

On Friday, 1st May, at 9 p.m., acceptances ose as under :-

First Handicap Hurdles. Handicap Hack Hurdles. Hawera Stakes Handicap First Handicap Hack Flat Egmont Steeplechase. Stewards' Stakes Handicap.

Some southern papers say that Mr Stead's sale was not quite so "unreserved" as advertised, but it afforded him an opportunity of getting rid of what he did not want. Well, he may regret parting with mares like Enid, Auray, and Siesta.

Acme (by Chester-Princess Maud, imp.), dam of Acmena, Arquebus, and Acton, died suddenly the other day at the Kirkham Stud; while, at the same stud, about the same time Aurelia (by Musket) died from snake bite. Aurelia was dam of Aurea.

We are likely to have a choice sort of field for our Grand National Hurdles in June. Flying Shot, if he keeps well, will be a visitor; St. Kilda is having a little practice, and Donald McKinnon remains here until the meeting. I shall also ex-pect to see Docility.

The C.J.C. paid away a total of £3,396 5s. in stakes in connection with their Automn meeting, the principal winners being: Mr G. G. Stead, £1,258 5s.; Hon. J. D. Ormond, £959 10s.; Mr H. Vallance, £456: Mr M. Hobbs, £147 5s.; Mr J. Curran, £133; Mr S. J. Mercer, £114.

The Anti-Gambling League had no chance of stopping racing in England, but a great outbreak of that deadly epidemic, small-pox, has pre-vented the Gloucester races and other sports being held. Now, if any of these Anti-Gambling Loaguers and wrongly informed parsons desire to wipe out "all evils," let several of their league be inoculated with small pox. This seems to be the only chance they have of stopping the great national sport national sport.

For real spiceys neckties you must go to Geo. Fowlds