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### PASTIMES.

[By Vigilant.]

### FOOTBALL.

#### WELLINGTON FOOTBALL TOUR.

August 18—Taranaki, at New Plymouth  
 August 22—Auckland  
 August 27—Hawke's Bay, at Napier

#### OTAGO FOOTBALL TOUR.

August 26—Oamaru  
 August 29—Canterbury  
 September 1—Taranaki (at Hawera)  
 September 5—Auckland  
 September 9—Hawke's Bay  
 September 12—Wellington

#### QUEENSLAND FOOTBALL TOUR.

Thursday, August 18—Wellington.  
 Saturday, August 15—New Zealand match, at Wellington.  
 Thursday, August 20—Canterbury, at Christchurch  
 Saturday, August 22—Otago match, at Dunedin.  
 Tuesday, August 25—Southland, at Bluff.

#### AUCKLAND v. QUEENSLAND.

Auckland win by 9 points—The Queenslanders  
 play well—The slippery ground in favour of  
 Auckland—Queenslanders good on defence—  
 McCowan, D. J. Nelson, Rundle, and Evans  
 good men—Milne and McCowan score for the  
 visitors—Auckland's play not up to expecta-  
 tion—Wilson, Braund, McLean, and Absolum  
 score—Difference in reading rules—Referee  
 Symes decides correctly on our rules—The  
 N.Z. team—Four Aucklanders selected.

The first outside match of any note  
 this season was that of last Saturday  
 between the chosen fifteen of Queens-  
 land and the Auckland representatives  
 at Potter's Paddock, Epsom. The weather  
 in the morning was wet and dirty, but,  
 as the hour of play approached, eased up  
 a good deal, and at 2 o'clock a fine after-  
 noon was certain. Encouraged by the  
 promising outlook, and the expectation  
 of a good game, some five thousand en-  
 thusiasts and followers of the game  
 visited the deciding ground, only, how-  
 ever, to meet with a certain amount of  
 disappointment on the latter score. The  
 home team won, and of course this gave a  
 measure of satisfaction, though the game  
 all through was not by any means as  
 interesting as had been anticipated. The  
 visitors were a fast, willing lot, and  
 strong in defence, but this was counter-  
 balanced by the undeniable weakness in  
 passing tactics—a department of the  
 game on which success generally hinges.  
 In this respect they were far and away  
 below what I had been led to expect  
 from them; and times out of number  
 chances that might have resulted suc-  
 cessfully, had they shown the necessary  
 skill, were thrown away by ill-directed or  
 erratic passing. But they have not yet  
 been seen at their best, and I feel confi-  
 dent that, if they take the necessary care  
 of themselves, they will improve as they  
 go on through the colony. The local  
 players' exhibition in the back division  
 was decidedly disappointing, but their  
 forwards worked in good style, and proved  
 themselves a clever lot, beating the visi-  
 tors for the ball four times out of six  
 and doing good work in the open. The  
 cause of the weak display amongst the  
 rear rank is due in a great measure to  
 the faulty play on the part of Elliott at  
 five-eighths. Often he could not take  
 the ball at all (though it must not be  
 forgotten that he never could take the  
 oval when it came out with anything like  
 pace—and it did sometimes on Saturday);  
 but for this I do not blame him as much  
 as for what he did do with it on the occa-  
 sions on which he was successful in  
 securing it. Time after time he either  
 rushed into the thick of his opponents  
 before attempting to transfer it to his  
 three-quarters, and at others his pass was  
 ill-directed, and more than one chance of  
 adding to the score was lost. Mr Geo  
 Symes, of Hawera, acted as referee, and  
 the teams were as under:—

QUEENSLAND (maroon).—R. McCowan, full-  
 back; D. J. Nelson, W. J. Rundle, and H.  
 Hawkins, three-quarters; W. Evans, five-eight;  
 E. Currie, half-back; S. Cockeroff (captain), J.  
 Higginson, F. Pollard, W. H. Austin, W. H.  
 Tanner, H. Scarr, D. Milne, forwards; R. Nelson  
 and Doyle, wing forwards.

AUCKLAND (blue and white).—R. Maesfeld,  
 full-back; F. Surman, D. Clayton, and H. Abso-  
 lum, three-quarters; W. Elliott, five-eight; A.  
 Braund, half-back; C. Brady, J. Swindley,  
 Wilson, F. Murray, J. McLean, D. Gallagher,  
 S. Brown, forwards; I. Mills and Laing, wing  
 forwards.

#### The Play.—First Spell.

The Queenslanders won the toss, and  
 opened with a strong breeze and the sun  
 behind their backs, from the western  
 goal. Murray kicked off for Auckland,  
 and the local players proceeded to force  
 things, in spite of the wind, right from  
 the jump. The forwards got the ball out  
 of the scrum nearly every time, and two  
 or three nice dribbling rushes by this

"Get on the soil, young man; get on the soil."

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