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W. BRIGHT - Proprietor.

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This Hotel affords good accommodation to Visitors and the Travelling Public. It is centrally situated, and near the Railway Station, Post Office, etc. All Wines and Spirits of the Best Brands. Tariff: 4/6 per diem or 25/- per week.

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W. REDMOND (late of Pahiatua) } PROPRIETORS.  
A. WHEELAN (late of Kumara) }

The new proprietors beg to inform the residents of the Wairarapa and the public generally that they have thoroughly renovated and refurnished the hotel throughout, and are now able to offer all the comforts of a first-class house. Only the Best Brands of Liquors kept. ALL MEALS AND BEDS 1s. or 4s per day.

**RAILWAY HOTEL, MARTON**  
JOSEPH NORTHOVER, PROPRIETOR.

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Special Brands of Whiskies.

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**MANAWATU HOTEL, FOXTON**

This Hotel affords Excellent Accommodation for Commercial men, for whose convenience a fine sample room is kept; also Billiard Room containing best make of Tables, and all the conveniences of a first-class house.

C. H. HARRISON - Proprietor.

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**HANCOCK'S SPARKLING XXXX ALE**  
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Best of Wines and Spirits.

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ALF. CROSSEY - PROPRIETOR.

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TO BE HELD ON THE

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>, 1896.

£250 MONSTER ART UNION. £250

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(By kind permission of the Colonial Secretary).

FIRST PRIZE, VALUE £150.

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THIRD PRIZE, VALUE £20.

And 97 other Prizes, value £55 in all, a Full List of which will be issued shortly.

LIBERAL SPORTS PROGRAMME.  
PRIZES, £100.

Full particulars in "Auckland Star," October 17th, and "N.Z. Herald," October 24th.  
Art Union Tickets, 1s, including admission to Sports, may be obtained everywhere.

By arrangement with the Railway Department, CHEAP EXCURSION TRAINS will run from all stations between Mercer and Helensville to Auckland on the DAY of the SPORTS. The Mercer evening train has been altered to 6.30, and the Kaipara train to 5.10. Fares—First Class, 2d per mile; Second Class, 1d per mile. Orders for tickets, by post or telegram, will be promptly replied to.

J. CREAMER, General Secretary.

**AUCKLAND CALEDONIAN SOCIETY.**

PATRONS—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR  
AND LADY GLASGOW.

ANNUAL SPORTS

ON

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 1897,

ON THE

DOMAIN CRICKET GROUND.

THIRTY-FOUR EVENTS.

For full particulars see Posters and daily Papers

CONDITIONS.

All Entries for Handicap Events to be sent in to the Metropolitan Hotel not later than SATURDAY, 12th December, at 9 p.m. Handicaps to be declared in the following Saturday's paper, December 19th. Acceptances and Entries for all other events close December 25th, at 9 p.m., at the Metropolitan Hotel.

All Open Events will be conducted and decided in accordance with the Society's Rules and Conditions. Amateur Events will be competed for under the Rules of N.Z.A.A.A. and N.Z. Cyclists' Alliance. The Committee reserve the right to postpone the Sports if necessary. In all events, two competitors or no first prize, three competitors or no second prize, seven competitors or no third prize.

ADMISSION TO GROUND, ONE SHILLING.

Grandstand, 1s; Children under 12, half-price; under six, free.

JOHN CREAMER,  
Secretary.



[By VIGILANT.]

**AUCKLAND AMATEUR ATHLETIC CLUB'S CARNIVAL.**

The local amateur athletic club held its thirty-fourth sports carnival on the Domain Cricket Ground last Saturday in Queen's weather. There was a splendid attendance of the public, there being about six thousand persons, a large proportion of whom were ladies. As usual at the spring meeting, the members of the fair sex were attired in the latest and most artistic wearing apparel that the dressmakers and milliners in our midst are equal to, and certainly the sight was a most brilliant and effective one. The ground was in splendid order, thanks to Mr R. Yates, the caretaker, and the management quite up to the usual standard of excellence, for which, in a great measure, Mr W. C. Speight, the secretary, is responsible. Capital music was provided by the Newton Brass Band, and the usual afternoon tea was supplied to the ladies, and freely partaken of.

The racing, as a whole, was very good, though there was nothing that could be described as extraordinary; but Reynolds is to be congratulated on his performance in the mile exhibition ride, when he broke his own grass record of 2min 30sec for that distance, cutting out the mile in 2min 27 3-5sec. He was paced by a rambler tandem for the first half mile, and by single machines for the remaining half mile. A strong southerly breeze was against him, and the pacing was none too well timed or arranged.

Another event that disclosed a man of much promise was the high jump handicap, in which C. C. Laurie cleared 5ft 7in, independent of his handicap. This is only an inch below Bailey's New Zealand record of 5ft 8in, and Laurie's style and build stamp him as a man who, with practice, will do better than the record.

There is nothing in the sprint events that calls for special mention, other than the fact that P. H. Thomson, who was on the 8yds mark in the 100yds handicap and 17yds in the 250yds handicap, won the double in the hollowest possible fashion, his time being 10sec for the short event, and 26 3-5 in the longer distance; both good, considering the wind. The winner hardly looks the correct stamp for a sprinter, and strikes one more as a stayer for a journey, and he certainly astonished every one present—except perhaps himself and immediate friends—by the pace he mustered up. This is his first appearance under the auspices of the Auckland club, and although a decidedly auspicious one, the outcome is yet doubtful, as there is a protest in on the grounds of professionalism. This will be considered and dealt with at a meeting of the club's committee to-morrow evening.

Taking the 440yds Handicap as the next distance, another very tidy "go" was tabled by H. V. Buchanan, who won off the 17yd mark in 53sec. "Buch," as he is more familiarly known in athletic circles, ran a well-judged race, and came through his field in business-like style when they came into the straight, eventually winning by a couple of yards from T. Roberts, who ran from the 5yd mark.

In the half-mile event young Stone thoroughly deserved his win, and stamped himself as a coming man. Running from the 65yd mark, he was headed at the close of the half-distance, but sticking gamely to his opponents he eventually came on with a gallant little spurt about fifty yards from home, and caught the judge's eye in 2min 14-5sec.

Jas. McKean, who has always been credited with a lot of pace but no judgment, accounted for the One-mile Flat from 25yds in 4min 42 1-5sec. He ran with capital judgment on this occasion, and has evidently fallen into the hands of a good trainer, who has thoroughly initiated him into the mysteries as to how to handle himself. He is no "chicken" as far as age is concerned, otherwise I should predict a bright future for him; but he still has time to give a good account of himself.

A surprise, as far as time is concerned,

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

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