

Hangfire, Prohibition, Marionette, Repose, Mirth, Ormeo, Langdale, Marvellous, The Archer, Forestertina, Right Metal, Reality, Onyx, Fore Royal, Tamarere, Undine, Maatu, Lady Carrington, First Shot, Stella.

HANDICAPS.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

Table with columns for horse names, st lb, and race details. Includes Takapuna Cup Handicap of 200 sovs. One mile and a half.

FIRST HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. About three miles and a half.

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POVERTY BAY TURF CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

HANDICAP HURDLES, one mile and a half.—Hopparden 11.9, Kauri Gum 11.0, T Rose 10.2, Drury Lane 9.8, Lord Raven 9.7, Disturbance 9.5, Zanzibar 9.4, Miss Bevan 9.0, Reflection 9.0, Hukate 9.0, Jack 9.0.

HORORATA RACING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

HORORATA CUP, one mile and a quarter.—Chaos 9.12, Marquis of Zetland 9.9, Maximus 8.11, Annoyance 8.0, Salvo Shot 7.5, Nicholas 6.7. BANGOR PLATE, seven furlongs.—Bizarre 8.12, Vogegang 8.3, Remorse 8.0, Annoyance 7.12, Venom 7.9, Bimetallist 6.11.

ACCEPTANCES.

WELLINGTON RACING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

Table with columns for horse names, st lb, and race details. Includes Wellington Cup, One mile and a half.

WELLINGTON STAKES. For two and three-year-olds. Four furlongs.

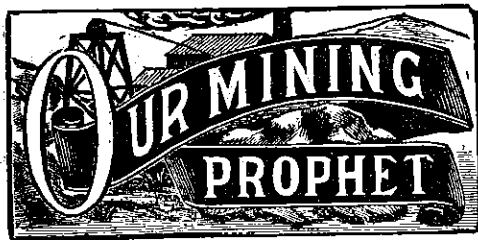
Table with columns for horse names, st lb, and race details. Includes St Paul, Uniform, Dauntless, etc.

THE BETTING MARKET.

Messrs McLeod and Cleland report the following prices on offer: Wellington Cup. 4 to 1 Douglas, 12 to 1 Quiltiri, 4 to 1 Leda, 12 to 1 Rangipuhi, etc.

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THE Stock Exchange opened after the Christmas vacation on Tuesday last to much better business than has been experienced during the last three months. Numerous stocks were in demand at an advanced price, and at the time of writing there is every prospect of the market still further improving.

FOUR-IN-HAND.—As anticipated by me some few weeks back, this stock has considerably advanced. The directors have shown an independence of action in dealing with the syndicate that holds the option, for which they should be commended by shareholders.

OUTRASSIER.—A cheap stock, and well worth buying at 6d.

HAURAKI NORTH.—Of the Coromandel stocks the Hauraki North is one of the best to buy. The mine just now is looking splendid.

COROMANDEL FREEHOLD PROPRIETRY.—The flotation of this property is proceeding favourably at Home. Opinions differ as to the merits of this property, but I do not think one can go far wrong in buying at present prices.

NEW ALBURNIA.—I have on previous occasions advised my readers to buy this stock, and I am still of that opinion. The present should be a prosperous year for the Alburnia Company.

COMSTOCK AND BROKEN HILL.—The option for the sale of the above properties falls due next month. The terms provide for a considerable amount of cash, and shares are dirt cheap at present quotations.

FLOWER OF WAHAI.—Not much chance of it living through the dry season.

WAHAI PINNACLES.—I have at different times advised my readers to sell this stock, and my advice, judging by the balance-sheet just presented, was well founded.

ROYAL SOVEREIGN.—Good in name only. STERLING.—One of the cheap stocks worth watching. A few pounds put into these, as well as Stanley shares, should reward one well.

IVANHOE.—Always worth ninepence. IMPERIAL.—There are not many better investments on the market, and at 1s 6d these shares are well worth buying.

TALISMAN.—High enough at present. KAPAI VERMONT.—Wait patiently and you will be rewarded.

LORNA DOONE.—One of the cheapest of the Kennedy Bay stocks, but by no means the worst. Buy at 3d or under.

MORNING STAR.—A long time showing itself. BAY VIEW.—Not much likelihood of shares going any lower.

TARARUA CREEK.—At 5s 6d these shares are worth securing, for double the money won't buy them before the end of the year.

ZONE.—No buyers. ROYAL SHIELD.—A cheap shot at 8d. The property is well situated and favourably spoken of by experts.

GREAT BARRIER G. & S.—Considerable business in this stock from 3s 6d to 4s. Be wise in time and sell it at a profit.

HARB OF TARA.—Not much in demand. A fresh option might move the shares.

ZEALANDIA.—A good investment at 1s 1d. Now is the time to buy.

INVICTA NORTH.—Too low to quote. It will soon be difficult to give the shares away.

HERCULES.—The best price offered in 6d, which is far below the legitimate value of the stock.

BUNKER'S HILL.—The rise in these shares, which I anticipated, has already taken place. Don't be in a hurry to sell, for this stock will see a much better price.

WAITEKAURI UNITED.—Seven shillings and sixpence is hardly a fair price for these shares.

WELCOME FUND.—A considerable amount of work has been done upon this property of late, and we should shortly hear of something good.

WAITEKAURI SOUTH.—Buy at anything under 8d.

MAORILAND.—Shares very steady in price. The new issue has been allotted. At the figure this is, I think, a very fair investment.

AJAX.—One of the best of the Kuaotuna low-priced stocks.

LA MASCOTTE.—Not worth paying the calls on.

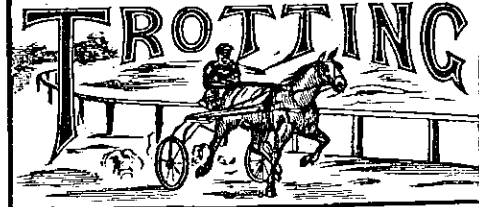
MAORI DREAM.—At present quotations Maori Dream shares should be worth securing. The property is a good one and only requires a little more developing to bring dividends.

MONOWAI.—There have been exchanges in this stock at 4s 9d and 5s, but much better prices will shortly be obtained.

VICTORIA.—The steady returns from this mine warrant a better price for shares. The latest sales were at 3s and 3s 1d.

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CALENDAR.

January 21, Thursday—Johnsonville and Hutt County Trotting Club Summer January 21, Thursday; 23, Saturday—Wellington T.C. Summer

HANDICAPS.

January 11—Johnsonville and Hutt County T.C. Summer ACCEPTANCES.

January 14, Thursday—Wellington Summer January 18—Johnsonville and Hutt County T.C. Summer

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

We have received the following official notice from the secretary of the North Island Trotting Association:—

"At a meeting of the association, held last evening (Jan. 4th), to decide which club is entitled to race on January 21st, Johnsonville or Wellington, it was resolved that the president be instructed to ask the Colonial Secretary to grant a totalisator permit to the Wellington Club for January 19th and 23rd, and to the Johnsonville Club for January 21st. I was also instructed to publish in our official paper the following disqualifications, which have been endorsed by the association: Disqualified by the Johnsonville Trotting Club, John Flanagan, for life, for grossly insulting language to the stewards. Disqualified by the Johnsonville Trotting Club, James Pettie, during the pleasure of the club, for the use of insulting and abusive language to Mr Alfred Elbourne, the official handicapper to the club. Disqualified by the Hawke's Bay T.C., Amos Clegg and the brown mare Fiona, for ever, for trotting the mare under the name of Clive. The above were endorsed on September 29th, 1896. With regard to the removal of the disqualification by the Otahuhu T.C. from P. C. Carr, this will be endorsed at the next meeting.—Yours faithfully, C. C. MILES, Secretary."

NOTES.

The programme of the Hawera Trotting Club meeting, to be held on Friday, March 12, is published in our advertising columns. Full particulars as to the time of nominations, etc., will be found in the advertisement.

A special meeting of the North Island Trotting Association was held on Jan. 4. The Wellington Trotting Club's programme for Jan. 21 and 23 was passed; Johnsonville Trotting Club's programme was passed for January 21. A long discussion took place relative to the dispute between the Wellington and Johnsonville Clubs, as to which should have the date January 21; eventually it was resolved that the president be instructed to ask the Colonial Secretary to grant a permit to the Wellington Club for January 19 and 23, and to the Johnsonville Club for January 21. It was further agreed, on the motion of Mr Brown, that in future the Wellington Trotting Club should revert to the days between the Wellington Racing Club's meeting.

A trotting match for £100 has been arranged between Mr A. Austin's Pleasanton and Mr M. Edwards' Albert Victor. The match is to take place at Ellerslie on February 24, and, as both horses are remarkably well bred, a lot of interest will doubtless be taken in the match.

On Saturday next, January 9, by 9 p.m., nominations for all events in connection with the Johnsonville and Hutt County Trotting Club's Summer Meeting close with the secretary, at the White Swan Hotel, Wellington, in lieu of the 6th inst., as previously advertised. Handicaps will appear on the 14th inst., and acceptances are due on the 18th January.

That good looking trotter Bellman was put up for sale after the Wellington Park yearlings had been disposed of the other day, but he failed to change hands. Bellman is a splendid mover, and he had very bad luck in losing so often as he did at the late meeting of the Trotting Club.

The Auckland Trotting Club's Meeting, which was brought to a close on Dec. 30th, was one of the most successful that the club has yet held, and when all the accounts have been made up it will be found that there is a handsome profit, a matter upon which the energetic and obliging secretary should be congratulated, because he has done so much to deserve the success attained.

The sport right through was of a high order, and Mr Knight is deserving of more than a passing word of praise for his handicapping. He had difficult material to deal with, as trotters were brought together that had never measured strides with one another before, and were comparative strangers to the handicapper. However, he came out of the ordeal all right, although perhaps in some of the events he was a little too severe on some of the back markers. In the principal event of the last day of the Meeting—the President's Handicap—the winner (Dictator) got in rather lightly.

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HAWERA TROTTING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING

(To be held on the Egmont Racecourse, Hawera, ON FRIDAY, 12TH MARCH, 1897 (With a Totalisator).

OFFICERS:—President: Geo. Hutchison, Esq., M.H.E.; Vice-president: W. C. Symes, Esq.; Judge: J. Heslop, Esq.; J.P.; Treasurer: A. G. Brett, Esq.; Clerk of Scales: A. S. Tonks, Esq.; J.P.; Timekeeper: J. F. Pease, Esq.; Starter: M. F. Baird, Esq.; Stewards: Messrs. J. Davidson, W. C. Symes, C. A. Budge, H. Spratt, E. Lucena, J. Dabnett, F. C. Faber, E. Bartlett, F. W. Buckingham, I. Hardley, C. E. Brewer, and A. G. Brett; Clerk of Course: Mr T. Higginson; Handicapper, Mr A. Elbourne; Hon. Secretary: Mr W. J. Tristram.

PROGRAMME.

Maiden Handicap Trot (Saddle) of 15 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs out of the stake. For horses that have never won an advertised trot at time of starting. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 7s 6d. Two miles.—To start at 12.30 p.m. Pony Handicap Trot (Harness) of 15 sovs; second pony to receive 3 sovs out of the stake. Height, 14.2 hands and under. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 7s 6d. Two miles.—To start at 1.15 p.m. Hawera Handicap Trot (Saddle) of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 30s; acceptance, 20s. Two and a half miles.—To start at 2 p.m. Egmont Handicap Trot (Harness) of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 10s. Two miles.—To start at 3 p.m. Electric Stakes Handicap Trot (Saddle) of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 10s. One mile.—To start at 3.45 p.m. Autumn Handicap Trot (Harness) of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 30s; acceptance, 20s. Three miles.—To start at 4.30 p.m. Handicap Selling Trot (Saddle) of 20 sovs. Winner to be sold immediately after the race, and proceeds to go to the Club. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. One and a half miles.—To start at 5.15 p.m.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.

NOMINATIONS close with the Secretary at the office of the Club, Hawera, on SATURDAY, 20th February, 1897, at 10 p.m.

HANDICAPS will appear on or about MONDAY, 1st March, 1897.

ACCEPTANCES close with the Secretary on MONDAY, 8th March, 1897, at 10 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 without certificates to the stewards' satisfaction must be measured before starting.

Name, age, sex, pedigree, description, and previous performances of the horses and ponies to be given at time of nomination; also name or assumed name of owner, and colours of the riders and drivers.

All horses must be ridden and driven out.

All protests must be accompanied with a fee of £2, to be forfeited if proved to be deemed frivolous or vexatious.

All disputes, objections, and claims, arising out of the racing, shall be decided by a majority of the Stewards present, whose decision shall be final, and shall not be questioned in any Court of Law. Entries only received on this condition.

Nominator's attention particularly directed to Rule 43.

To be run under the Rules of the North and South Island Trotting Association of New Zealand.

No rider or driver will be allowed to start if not dressed in proper costume, as provided by Rule 121, or not producing License at Scales.

Any jockey not weighing out within ten minutes after ringing of bell, or not returning saddle-cloths immediately at the conclusion of an event, will be fined 21s.

Winner of any race after declaration of handicaps may be re-handicapped.

All stakes paid in full. Order of running subject to alteration. Telegraph Office closes at Hawera at 8 p.m.

W. J. TRISTRAM, Hon. Secretary.

TOTALISATOR INVESTMENTS.

The Secretary will receive monies for Investment on the Totalisator one-half-hour before the advertised time to start each race. Instructions must be accompanied by Bank Drafts, Post Office Orders, Postal Notes, or Money Order Telegrams. Contingent instructions cannot be attended to. Cheques will not be received.

Passed by the North Island Trotting Association.—C. C. MILES, Palmerston North, December 31st, 1896.

JOHNSONVILLE AND HUTT COUNTY TROTTER CLUB.

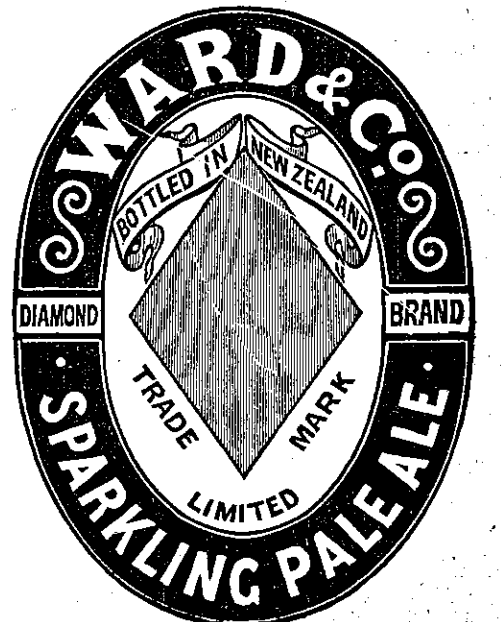
SUMMER MEETING, 21ST JANUARY, 1897.

NOMINATIONS for all events close with the Secretary, at the White Swan Hotel, at 10 p.m., on the 9th inst., in lieu of 6th inst., as previously advertised.

HANDICAPS will appear on the 14th inst.

ACCEPTANCES also close on the 18th inst., at 10 p.m.

G. BENNETT, Secretary.



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