

## THE HAWKE'S BAY HOUNDS.

THE third meet of the season of the Hawke's Bay Hounds was fixed for Saturday, the 10th inst. Tayford," Hastings, the property of Mr Hamilton Russell. The weather was glorious, the country perfect for hunting, and the attendance of sportsmen very fair. The hounds threw off close to the house in which Captain Russell used to live, and a run of about seven miles ended on the main road beyond Captain Hill's. Amongst those present were Mrs. Sunderland on Lulu, Miss Nelson on Eversley, Miss Ormond on Otairi, Messrs. Sunderland (Master) on Warrita, W. Jackson (Huntsman) on Reco, Amunds (Whip) on Barbarossa, G. P. Donnelly on Canard, Woolley on Banjo, J. McNiven on a bay mount, Gelson on Satanella, Mackie on All Over, H. Hassall on Waikato, W. Edwards on Grey Momus, Harold Russell on Te Whetu, L. Cottle on Puketoi, A. C. Loughnan on Glengarrie, Hamilton Russell on Mark Twain, J. Wilson on Salamander, and Dr. Nairn on Harkaway. Mr Edwards had a wonderful recovery after getting entangled in a wire fence. There is a fact in connection with these hunts which becomes more and more evident at each meet, namely, that hounds used to hunting hares are not keen on a drag, and it would greatly add to the sport if a separate pack were kept for each. It is stated that Mr H. Hussell, well-known in the hunting has taken an appointment as huntsman to the Hawera Hunt Club. His friends wish him



[BY ORPHRUS.]

MISS ADA DELROY AT THE OPERA HOUSE. On Saturday evening Miss Delroy's popular combination opened a season strictly limited to seven nights. Auckland noses are keen to scent out a good thing, and very few, if any, seats were vacant. The entertainment reaches a very high standard, far above the common or garden variety show. Much of the work reminds one of the Howard Paul or German Reed performances, so refined, witty, and original are the various numbers. Not the faintest trace of vulgarity can be detected, and yet the fun throughout is fast, furious, and irresistible. As an overture, Mr Bert Phillips played a lively march, his dainty and elastic touch displaying to full advautage the excellent tone of a piano by the Danish Steinaway Company, the first of that make imported into New Zealand. Next followed a sparkling dualogue between Miss Delroy and Mr Bell, who indulged in a wordy war of smart repartee, which provoked roars of laughter. This led up to a lively duet called "Philosophy," with a wealth of familiar proverbs ridiculously twisted after the manner of Frank Burnand.
As an encore another duet, "That's how we do
it on the stage," was led up to by a splendid
burlesque of melodramatic tragedy, Miss Delroy, the virtuous heroine, being flung upon a chalk-line railway by Mr Bell, the cold-blooded villain, and run over by a toy engine. Mr T. Bergin's fine and clear baritone voice was well suited by "The Village Blacksmith," an additional effect being produced by the invisible choir. Mr Bergin has an excellent method, phrases well, and is especially strong in dramatic passages. As an encore he sang "The Toast" splendidly. Mr encore he sang James Bell caused inextinguishable laughter with his "Senegambian Oddities," a great deal of Attic salt going with the Senna! His stump Hie stump speech on "Marriage," songs, burlesque con-juring tricks, etc., etc., were delightful, and still the audience wanted more. Miss Ada Delroy's serio comic songs, "O Girls Take a Lesson from Me!" and "The Old Love and the New," the latter enhanced by a most fascinating pas seul, compelled a storm of enthusiastic applause, the twinkling steps and graceful poses being a revelation in artistic dancing. The charming little lady had to resort to strategy to escape further encores. The first part wound up with an original and screaming farce by Mr James Bell, well apported by Miss Ada Delroy, Mr Teddy Ford, and several other members of the company. After the interval to dashing march, played a quatre mains by Mr Bertie Phillips and another member of the company, served as an introduction to Miss Alice Simmons, who sang Ganz's "Sing Sweet Bird" with decision of attack and "Sing Sweet Bird with decision of attack and finished vocalise. In response to an enthusiastic encore, "Poor Wand'ring One," the favourite waltz song from the "Pirates," was effectively rendered. Miss Simmons is gifted with a pure and true soprano voice of considerable volume and admirably produced. Later on in a duet, a The Sirens" (I think), with Mr T. Bergin, both vocalists proved themselves artistic performers of much higher calibre than one expects to hear in an ordinary variety show, which, as I have already said, Miss Delroy's is decidedly not. Mr Teddy Ford next scored tremendously with

some extraordinary feats in facial expression. His features appear to be as plastic as indiarubber or putty, and in quick succession and artificial make up or costume, he simulates all sorts of expressions, including a man with a gumboil and short leg, a man with one half his face sad and the other merry, all sorts of mouths, a Scot before and after he has seen the point of a joke, a backer of Bloodshot and his emotions as an apparently certain win changes into defeat, the final spurt of a bicyclist, a cantankerous counsellor, and a dentist's patient in four phases of tooth-extraction. Nothing so clever in the line has ever been witnessed on an Auckland stage. He also sings capital comic songs, with facial illustrations which must be seen to be believed. Miss Ada Delroy's Cobra di Capello dance even surpasses all that one had been led to expect by notices elsewhere. Miss Alice Lethbridge is the only skirt dancer who can at all be compared with this lithe and dainty young lady by Auckland playgoers, whose standard for the future will undoubtedly be Ada I shall not attempt to describe the Delroy. I shall not attempt to describe the wonderfully graceful evolutions and convolutions of the 160 yards of flowing silk so marvellously manipulated under lovely limelight effects, with the picture finale, when portraits of many notables, including Sir George Grey, Mr Gladstone, Mr Crowther, Sir Maurice O Rorke, etc., and finally Her Gracious Majesty and the charming Ada herself are thrown upon the voluminous silk. The thing must be seen—it cannot be described. Mrs Bell's feats in "Somnancy," or sleep divination, are as marvellous as they are mysterious. The lady answers all sorts of questions written on slips of paper reposing in the pockets of the askers. She minutely describes dress and ap-pearance of persons all over the house. The lady claims no supernatural powers, but ascribed her thought-reading feats to a scientific secret hinted at by Mr Edison's telemeter. Certainly no other mind reader so baffles the man who always say "how it is done." Altogether, Altogether, Miss Delroy's entertainment more than deserves the brilliant success it has met everywhere and is bound to achieve in Auckland.

On Good Friday evening a Sacred Concert attracted a very full house to the City Hall, and a splendid programme was successfully performed. Misses Featon, Katie Fitzpatrick, and Mary Daysang choice selections with lovely limelight illustrations, as also did Mr Robin Hay and R. Buttery. The limelight views and Myriorama of the Passion were beautiful and much appreciated. Miss Abbott's pianoforte solos were carefully rendered, and Mr P. R. Dix clearly and concisely spoke the necessary announcements and descriptions. The concert was repeated on Sunday evening before another crowded house with some few alterations in the items.

CITY HALL-THE GREENWOODS : On Monday evening the house was crammed to its uttermost capacity, and the charming and accomplished young ladies scored a brilliant success. Much ains and expense had been bestowed in preparation, the costumes, scenery, and accessories being on a sumptuous scale. "Barbara," a one act comedy, was well played by Misses Maribel and Agatha Greenwood and Messrs G. Linden and Walter Steins. Miss Maribel Greenwood sang a seena ("Sweet Spirit Hear My Prayer") from Vincent Wallace's "Lurline" very creditably. A brillant and sereaming burlesque of "Romeo and Juliet" including many musical items, dances, and comicalities was the "Piece de resistance." Miss Agatha Greenwood as "Romeo" Agatha Greenwood and Messrs G. Linden and sang and acted delightfully, her rendering of the difficult selection from "Ernani" making a difficult selection from "Ernani" making a distinct hit. Miss Roberta Greenwood's "Mercutio," with a capital parody of the "Queen Mab" speech, won loud applause, and Miss Nora's "Juliet" knocked the boys in and out of the gallery. Miss Florence Maxwell as Paris looked charming, and sang very sweetly—an operatic serenade being an especially taking number. The Nurse turned into a grotesque Irishwoman gave the old favourite Johnny Collins opportunities, of which he fully availed himself. Other characters were well played by the Misses Eagleson and Brierly and Messrs Robin Hay, A. Carrington, Walter Steins and G. Linden. Naturally Shakespeare turned in his grave in horror at the liberties taken with his devine tragedy—nay, more he rose through the trap-door and was with difficulty appeared. Tonight (Thursday) is the last night of the season, and everyone should see this very creditable production which only needs a judicious use of the pruning knife to become first-rate.

THE EASTER CARNIVAL AT THE DRILL SHED Owing to pressure of racing matter on our columns this week a very interesting account of the Easter Carnival has perforced to be condensed into a The show is a good one, and is being well patronised. Numerous attractions are scooping in a big pool. The Italian ladies look v.ry sweet. The Turkish divan (Mrs Goodall's idea) is a delightful smoker's lounge, in charge of Mrs Dawes and the Misses Eastwood Alexander, and Kelly. The Chinese and Japanese court, in charge of Mrs James Russell, Mrs Archie Clark, Mrs R. Browning, Mrs Ware, and a bovy of pretty girls, is another success. The temptations include all sorts of fancy, useful, and ornamental work, a floral stall, a sweets booth, a fish pond, a doll stall, general stores, refreshment stall, fairy post, Punch and Judy, ladies' and children's clothing, produce stall, cake stall, phonograph, weighing machine, etc., etc. Mr P. R. Dix displays a thorough grasp of detail and wonderful marshalling capacity in his management of the Carnival. Among some capital side-shows, "Mrs Jarley's Waxworks" and some lovely tableaux, with limelight effects, were a great credit to Mrs Hudson Williamson, who worked hard in preparation, and made a wonder-fully good Mrs Jarley. Did space permit of a complete list of all who have laboured so willingly and successfully, that list would be printed

## Turf Records.

## AUCKLAND RACING CLUB AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY-MONDAY, APRIL 19TH.

TRADESMAN'S PLATE HANDICAP of 80 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. One mile

42 Mr R. Burke's b m Lady Anna, by St.
Leger—Anna, 3yrs, 7.0, Waldron ...
71 Mr D. McKinnon's br m Lufra, 5yrs,

7.3, Gall ... ... ... ... 25 Mr W. Moberley's b & St. Gordon, 3yrs,

Won by two lengths, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1min 44\frac{1}{2}\sec. Dividend £11 12s.

NORTHERN CHAMPAGNE STAKES of 300 sovs; second horse 30 sovs and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Colts 8.10, fillies 8.8, geldings 8.5. For two year-olds. Six furlongs.

8.5. For two-year-olds. Six furlongs.
283 Mr L. D. Nathan's br f Miss Emmy, by
Cuirassier—Roie, Gallagher
202 Hon. J. D. Ormond's ch c Defiant, by
Dreadnought—Legacy, Davis
340 Mr T. H. Lowry's ch c St. Copper, by St.

340 Mr T. H. Lowry's ch c St. Conon, by St. Leger—Sapphire, Whitaker
31 Mr G. S. Budge's b\_c Canopus, by Cas-

tor—Antelope, Taylor ....

83 Mr E. J. Evans' b c Coronet, by Castor
—Necklage, Greamer ....

—Necklace, Creamer ... ...

18 Mr E. F. Roche's ch c Blaircarrig, by
Blairgowrie—Cobweb, Neville ...

24 Mrs J. Lennard's ch g Brilliant, by

Regel—Mystery, Rayner ... 0
Won by a neck, a neck between second and aird. Time, 1min 18½ sec. Dividend, £3 2s.

EASTER HANDICAP of 250 sovs; second horse 20 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. One mile and a quarter.

623 Mr Thos. Morrin's b c Daystar, by

Castor—Cissy, 3yrs, 8.7, Gallagher
329 Mr J. Chaafe's b c St. Paul, 3yrs, 8.0,
Chaafe ... ...
291 Mr A. E. Byer's ch c Nestor, 3yrs. 8.5,

Other starters—62 Folly, aged, 7.7, Buchanan;
143 Haria, 5yrs, 7.3, Gall; 85 Porangi Potae,
3yrs, 6.13, McKee.

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Won, according to the judge's verdict, by a nose, two lengths between second and third.
Time, 2min 42½sec. Dividend, £2 4s.

The following is the winning table :-

EASTER HANDICAP. From 1874 to 1884, 2 miles; from 1885 to 1889, 12 mile; after that, 12 mile.

Year Winner Age Wt. Rider Tim.

1874 Batter ... ... 3 8 5 Brimmer ... Winner
Batter ...
Yatterina
Parawhenua
Bide-a-wee
Elsa ...
Yatapa ...
Yatapa ...
King Quail
Louie ...
Leonora ...
Radames Atkins ... McGee ... Byers ... Laing ... Carrington 3 44 3 45 3 43 4 13 3 40 Brown ... Clifford ... Leonora Radames
Administr'r
Turquoise Clogs Clogs Spade Guinea Friendship
Leorina Hilda Impulse Cynisca Inpulse Lottie Folly Acone Radames Byers Sutnerland 1884 3 55 9 5 6 10 9 7 Sutnerland
A. Woods...
White
Huxtable...
Priest
T. Taylor...
Moore
Collelo
Wells
Davis
Hodson
Gallagher... ••• Hodson ... Gallagher... Gallagher... 7 10 8 7 Acone ... Day Star

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. Two miles.

401 Mr R. H. Skipwith's b g St. Simon, by St. Leger — Winnie, 4yrs, 12.4, Fergus ... ... 1

179 Mr A. E. Byer's ch m Miss Nelson,

4yrs, 10.9, Katterns ... ... 37 Mr S. P. Moody's b g Tim, 5yrs, 9.0,

Moody ... 3
Other starters—33 Levanter, aged, 11.4, Rae;
63 Natation, 5yrs, 9.11, L. Morrigan; 88 Aughadowey, aged, 9.8, Phillips; 50 Hukatere, aged,
9.8. Burns; 19 Beggarman, aged, 9.7, Williams.

9.8. Burns; 19 Beggarman, aged, 9.7, Williams.
Won by a length, two lengths between second and third. Time, 3min 53½ sec. Dividend, £1 19s.

EDEN HANDICAP of 100 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. Seven furlongs.

38 Mr R. Burke's b f Lady Anna, by St. Leger — Anna, 3yrs, 7.8 (inc. 5lb penalty), Waldron ... ... 38 Mr J. Beckett's ch m Lady Marion,

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Won by a neck, half a length between second and third. Time, 1min 30sec. Dividend, £6 16s.

Onslow Stakes Handicar of 80 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. For two-year-

olds. Five furlongs.

347 Mr R. Burke's b f Miss Anna, by St.

Hippo—Anna, 7.6, Waldron

M. H. Warsington's ab f Presentment

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Mr Hy. Warrington's ch f Presentment,
by Richmond-dam unknown, 7.0,
Jellings ...

128 Mr F. Macmanemin's blk f Cuiralba, 7.2, Duff ... ... ...

Other starters—73 Picklock, 8.7, Burdett; 113 Miss Rose, 8.4, Gallagher; 81 Janet, 7.6, Satman; 156 Doneraile, 7.0, Sceates; 5 St. Aida, 7.0, Neville; 5 Leo, 7.0, Barlow; 10 Royal Conqueror, 7.0, Buchanan; 0 Gowrie, 6.10, Harrison; 6 Blairina, 6.10 (inc. 3lb over), Whitehouse; 15 Reaction, 7.3 (inc. 10lb over), Gall; 34 Electra, 6.7. S. Chaafe.

Won by a long neck, half a length between second and third. Time, 1min 5sec. Dividend,

PONY HANDICAP of 50 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. Seven furlongs.

300 Mr J. Livingstone's b m Fair Nell, by

8.5, Smith ... ... ... ... 73 Mr A. McMillan's br g Napoleon, 3yrs,

7.8, Satman ... ... 3
Other starters—30 Provoke, 5yrs, 8.12, Chaafe;
13 Archduke, 6yrs, 8.11, Townsend; 71 Leona,
6yrs, 8.10, Stewart; 55 Pororua, aged, 8.10, Buchanan; 67 Arquebus, 5yrs, 7.11, Burdett; 39
Recruit, 4yrs, 7.9, Kelly; 46 Repeat, 5yrs, 6.7,

Won by three lengths, half a length between second and third. Time, 1min 34sec.

RAILWAY HANDICAP of 80 sovs; second horse
10 sovs from the stake. Five furlongs.

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29 Mr W. Hawken's b g The Drone, by
Cocksure — Queen Bee, aged, 7.1
(inc. 5lb over), Buchanan ...
134 Mr A. Standish's b h Donovan, 6yrs,

Other starters—414 Lady Cuisine, 3yrs, 8.2, Gallagher; 77 Pyroxylin, 6yrs, 8.0, Julian; 205 Porangi Potae, 3yrs, 7.12, McKee; 48 Atalanta, 4yrs, 6.7, Satman.

Won by a head, a good third. Time, 1min 5sec. Dividend, £34 19s.

SECOND DAY-TUESDAY, APRIL 20TH.
THE STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 80 sovs; second

horse 10 sovs from the stake. One mile.

231 Mr J. Beckett's ch m Lady Marion, by

Malus Wands 5-rs 74 Secrets

Malua—Wanda, 55rs, 7.4, Sceates ...
22 Mr R. Hannon's ch g Castashore, 4yrs,

6.7, Buchanan ... ... ... 62 Mr W. Moberley's b c St. Gordon, 3yrs, 6.10, Jellings ... ... ...

Other starters—84 Webley, 7.12, Davis; 52 Haria, 7.8, Gall; 50 Pyroxylin, 7.4, Duff; 7 Yattenfeldt, 6.10, S. Chaafe; 3 Commodore, 6.7, Satman.

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Won by a length and a half, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1min 44sec. Dividend, £1 19s.

ELLERSLIE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse 10sovs from the stake. Six furlongs. 60 Hon. J. D. Ormond's ch c Defiant,

by Dreadnought—Legacy, 2yrs, 9.3,
Davis ... ... ... ...
33 Mr D. McKinnon's ch g Picklock, 2yrs,

2yrs, 7.9, Duff ... 3
Other starters—85 Miss Emmy, 9.3, Gallagher;
337 St. Conon, 8.12, Whitaker; 16 Coronet, 8.4,
Lindsay; 24 Canopus, 7.0, Jellings; 44 Doneraile, 6.11, Sceats; 13 Electra, 6.7, S. Chaafe.

Won by a length, half a length between second and third. Time, Imin 19sec. Dividend, £117s.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 250 sovs; second horse 20 sovs and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. One mile and a quarter.

291 Mr J. Chaafe's b c St. Paul, by St.

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Leger—Satanella, 3yrs, 8.9, J. Chaafe,
junior... ... ...
280 Mr T. Morrin's b c Day Star, 3yrs, 9.0,

7.0, Sceates ... ... ... 3
Other starters—82 Nestor, 8.8, Bird; 197
Doris, 7.10, Duff; 37 Lady Marion, 7.0, Buchanan; 25 Lufra, 7.0, Gall; 27 Porangi Potae, 6.11, Jellings.

Won by three lengths; half-a length between second and third. Time, 2min 11sec. Dividend, £2 19s.

The following is the winning table:—

AUTUMN HANDIGAP. From 1874 to 1889,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mile; after that,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mile. Time  $\mathbf{Winner}$ Age Rider Brimmer ... Batter ... Yatterina FrenchIsaak Walton ... Hippocampus ... Isaak Walton ... Stewart Mulgrew French ... Taylor ... Carrington J. Williams G. Williams Malvern ... King Quail ... Foul Play ... King Quail ... King Quail
The Poet
Nelson ...
Turquoise ...
Cinderella ...
Spade Guinea ...
Tamora ...
Leopold ...
Hida ...
Limpulse ...
Cynisca ...
Lmpulse ...
Royal Rose
St. Clements ...
Fabulist ... Newman ... Vaile Sutherland Sutherland White ... Katterns ... 7 10 10 0 7 10 9 6 9 6 7 12 7 12 Lindsay ...
T. Taylor ...
G. Smith ...
Collelo ...
Wells
Gallagher ... 10 Smith Fabulist... St. Paul... 5 9 Taylor Chaafe

AUTUMN STEEPLECHASE HANDICA: of 150 sovs; second horse 15 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. About three miles.

189 Mr A. E. Byer's oh m Miss Nelson, by Nelson—Torment, 4yrs, 10.11, Katterns ... ... ...

Mr H. H. Hayr's b g Kingswood, by Ingomar—Bessemer, aged, 10.8, Rae
 Mr H. T. Gorrie's blk g Mozel, by Turquoise, aged, 9.12, Woodfield

Other starters—283 Bombardier, 11.5, D. Morrigan; 67 Glenlora, 9.12, Olive; 41 Natation, 9.10, Fergus; 54 Flukem, 9.10, Burns; 20 Ditto, 9.7, Phillips.

A dead heat for first place with Mozel a length

A dead heat for first place with Mozel a length and a half away third. Time, 6min. 41sec. Dividends, Kingswood £1 14s., Miss Nelson £2 124s