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AUCKLAND RACING CLUB. AUTUMN MEETING.

THIRD DAY—SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 1897.
First Race to Start at 1 o'clock.

Maiden Hurdle Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised hurdle race exceeding 30 sovs in value at time of entry. Entrance 1 sov, and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. One mile and a half.

Handicap Hurdle Race of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Over seven flights of hurdles. One mile and three-quarters.

St. George's Handicap of 120 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. One mile.

Pony Handicap Hurdle Race of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Entrance 1 sov, and acceptance 1 sov each to go the funds. One mile and a half.

Criterion Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov, and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Four furlongs.

Handicap Steeplechase of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. About three miles.

Grandstand Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1 sov, and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

Victoria Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov, and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.
AUTUMN MEETING, 1897.

With amounts to be transmitted to Secretary, A.R.C.
THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 1897, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.
Maiden Hurdles 1 sov Criterion Handicap 1 sov
Handicap Hurdles 1 sov Handicap Steeple 1 sov
St. George's Handicap 2 sovs Grandstand Handicap 1 sov
Pony Hurdles 1 sov Victoria Handicap 1 sov

FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 1897, by 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS.
Northern Champagne Stakes, 1898.

NORTH NEW ZEALAND GRAND
NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE MEETING.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 1897.

First Race to Start at 1 o'clock.

Maiden Steeplechase Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won a steeplechase value 50 sovs at time of entry. Entrance, 1 sov; and 2 sovs each at the post. About two miles and a half.

Winter Welter Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov; and acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight of handicap, 9st. One mile.

Grand National Handicap Hurdle Race of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 2 sovs; and acceptance 2 sovs each, with a final payment of 4 sovs at the post, to go to the funds. Over eight flights of hurdles. Two miles.

Selling Steeplechase of 80 sovs. Entrance, 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Four-year-olds to carry 11st 7lb; five-year-olds, 12.0; six years and aged, 12st 3lb. The winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race for 100 sovs. If entered to be sold for 50 sovs, allowed 7lb; if for 40 sovs, 14lb; if for 20 sovs, 21lb; if for nil, to carry 9st 7lb. No other allowance. About three miles.

Maiden Handicap Hurdle Race of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won a hurdle race of the value of 40 sovs at the time of starting. Over seven flights of hurdles. Entrance, 1 sov; and acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. One mile and three-quarters.

Pony Handicap Hurdle Race of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Entrance, 1 sov; and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Over six flights of hurdles. One mile and a half.

SECOND DAY—MONDAY, JUNE 7, 1897.

First Race to Start at 1 o'clock.

Maiden Handicap Hurdle Race of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov; and acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. For all horses that have never won a hurdle race of the value of 40 sovs at time of starting. Over six flights of hurdles. One mile and a half.

Pony Handicap Hurdle Race of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Entrance, 1 sov; and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Over six flights of hurdles. One mile and a half.

Great Northern Steeplechase Handicap of 500 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and third horse 20 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 2 sovs; and acceptance 3 sovs each, with a final payment of 5 sovs at the post, to go to the funds. Winner of any steeplechase of the value of 150 sovs, after declaration of weights, to carry 5lb penalty. About three miles and a half.

Handicap Hurdle Race of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Over seven flights of hurdles. Entrance, 1 sov; and acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. One mile and three-quarters.

Tally-Ho Handicap Steeplechase of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov; and acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. About two miles and a half.

Second Winter Welter Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov; and acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight of handicap, 9st. Seven furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, &c.,
NORTH N.Z. GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE MEETING, 1897.

With amounts to be transmitted to Secretary, A.R.C.
FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 1897, by 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS.
Grand National Handicap Hurdles 2 sovs Great Northern Steeplechase 2 sovs

FRIDAY, MAY 21, 1897, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.
Grand National Handicap Hurdles 2 sovs Great Northern Steeplechase 3 sovs

FRIDAY, MAY 21, 1897 (GENERAL ENTRY NIGHT),
by 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS.
Maiden Steeplechase 1 sov Maiden Hurdles 1 sov
Winter Welter 1 sov Pony Hurdles 1 sov
Selling Steeplechase 2 sovs Handicap Hurdles 1 sov
Maiden Hurdles 1 sov Tally-Ho Steeple 1 sov
Pony Hurdles 1 sov Second Winter Welter 1 sov

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 1897, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.
Maiden Steeplechase 2 sovs Winter Welter 1 sov
Maiden Hurdles 2 sovs Pony Hurdles 1 sov

SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 1897, at the Post.

Grand National Hurdle Race 4 sovs

MONDAY, JUNE 7, 1897, at 12 noon at Racecourse.

ACCEPTANCES.
Maiden Hurdles 2 sovs Pony Hurdles 1 sov
Handicap Hurdles 2 sovs Second Winter Welter 1 sov
Tally-Ho Steeple 2 sovs

MONDAY, JUNE 7, 1897, at the Post.

Great Northern Steeplechase 5 sovs

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1897.

Grand National Hurdles Great Northern Steeplechase

TUESDAY, MAY 25, 1897.

Maiden Steeplechase Maiden Hurdles

Winter Welter Handicap Pony Hurdles

MONDAY, JUNE 7, 1897, Morning "Herald."

Handicap Hurdles Tally-Ho Steeplechase

Second Maiden Hurdles Second Winter Welter

Pony Hurdles

WM. PERCIVAL,
Secretary, A.R.C.

EGMONT RACING CLUB.

WINTER MEETING.

President: R. H. Nolan, Esq. Vice-President: R. E. McRae, Esq. Stewards: Messrs W. Adamson, John Heslop, W. C. Symes, R. Hirschberg, A. S. Tonks, R. E. Good, F. Riddiford, Dr. Westera. Starter: Mr M. F. Baird. Clerk of Course: Mr Geo. H. Gibson. Clerk of Scales: Mr H. W. Sutton. Handicapper: J. E. Henry, Hon. Vet. Surgeon: Mr S. Durham, M.R.C.V.S., L. Hon. Surgeons: Drs Reid and Westera. Timekeeper: Dr. Reed. Judge: Mr Wm. Brewer. Treasurer: Mr H. W. Sutton. Secretary: Mr Alex. G. Brett.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY, 5th MAY, 1897.

To Start at 11.45 a.m.

First Handicap Hurdles of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Over nine flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Two miles and a distance.

Handicap Hack Hurdles of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Over six flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 10s. One mile and a half.

Hawera Stakes Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 3 sovs. One mile and three furlongs.

Egmont Handicap Steeplechase of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. Winner of any handicap steeplechase of the value of 100 sovs, after declaration of weights, to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 2 sovs; acceptance, 4 sovs. About three miles.

First Handicap Hack Flat of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

Stewards' Stakes Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Seven furlongs.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY, 6th MAY, 1897.

Second Handicap Hurdles of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Over seven flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and three-quarters.

Mania Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a distance.

Hawera Handicap Steeplechase of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. About two miles and a half.

Second Handicap Hack Flat Race of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a quarter.

High-weight Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Minimum weight, 8st 7lb. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a quarter.

Final Handicap Steeplechase of 45 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. About two miles.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES,
AND AMOUNTS TO BE FORWARDED.

NOMINATIONS close on MONDAY, 12th April, 1897,
at 9 p.m.

First Hurdles 1 sov Second Hurdles 1 sov
Hack Hurdles 1 sov Mania Handicap 1 sov
Hawera Stakes 1 sov Hawera Steeple 1 sov
First Hack Flat 1 sov Second Hack Flat 1 sov
Egmont Steeple 2 sovs High-weight Handicap 1 sov
Stewards' Stakes 1 sov Final Steeplechase 1 sov

ACCEPTANCES are due by MONDAY, 26th April, 1897, at 9 p.m., for—

Hawera Stakes 3 sovs Stewards' Stakes 1 sov
Egmont Steeple 4 sovs First Hack Flat 1 sov
First Hurdles 1 sov Hack Hurdles 1 sov

ACCEPTANCES are due by WEDNESDAY, 5th May, 1897, at 9.30 p.m., for—

Second Hurdles 1 sov Second Hack Flat 1 sov
Mania Handicap 1 sov High-weight Handicap 1 sov
Hawera Steeple 2 sovs Final Steeplechase 1 sov
(Immediately after running of High-weight Handicap.)

WEIGHTS appear on or about 1897

for—
First Hurdles First Hack Flat
Hack Hurdles Egmont Steeplechase
Hawera Stakes Stewards' Stakes

WEIGHTS appear on WEDNESDAY, 5th May, 1897,
for—
Second Hurdles Second Hack Flat
Mania Handicap High-weight Handicap
Hawera Steeplechase Final Steeplechase
(Immediately after running of Hawera Handicap Steeplechase.)

NOMINATIONS and ACCEPTANCES will be received at the time and on the dates mentioned, at the office of the Club, Hawera; and by Mr Harry H. Hay, Tattersall's, Auckland; and Mr Alfred I. Danvers, Napier. Telegraph Office closes at Hawera at 8 p.m.

ALEX. G. BRETT, Secretary.

OTAHUHU AND SUBURBAN RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING

TO BE HELD ON THE

OTAHUHU RACECOURSE

ON

SATURDAY, MAY 8, 1897.

President: W. F. Massey, Esq., M.H.R. Vice-Presidents: B. Weston, Esq., W. McManus, Esq. Stewards: Messrs J. Harper, W. Abbott, W. Absolum, S. Morrison, W. McManus, H. Harrison, R. S. Absolum. Starter: Mr George Cutts. Handicapper: Mr J. O. Evett. Judge: A. R. Harris, Esq., J.P. Clerk of Course: Mr T. A. Brown. Clerk of Course: Mr T. A. Brown. Treasurer: Mr Wm. Abbott.

PROGRAMME.

Passed by A.R.C.

Maiden Plate Handicap of £12 10s; second horse to receive 2½ sovs from the stake. For all horses that have never won an advertised race exceeding 20 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 7s 6d. Distance, seven furlongs.

Pony Cup Handicap of £12 10s; second pony to receive 2½ sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 7s 6d. Distance, six furlongs.

Otauhu Cup Handicap of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, one mile.

Maiden Handicap Hurdles of 15 sovs; second horse to receive 2½ sovs from the stake. For all horses that have never won a hurdle race exceeding 20 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 7s 6d. Distance, one mile and a quarter.

Flying Stakes Handicap of 15 sovs; second horse to receive 2½ sovs from the stake. Winner of Maiden Plate to carry a 5lb penalty, of Otauhu Cup 7lb, of both 10lb extra. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 7s 6d. Distance, five furlongs.

Selling Race of 20 sovs. For three-year-olds and upwards. Three-year-olds to carry 9st; four-year-olds, 9st 12lb; five, six, and aged, 10st. The winner to be sold for 40 sovs. If entered to be sold for 30 sovs allowed 7lb; if for 20 sovs, 14lb; if for 10 sovs, 21lb; if for nil, to carry 7st. Surplus, if any, to go to the funds. Entrance, 20s. Distance, six furlongs.

NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS close on FRIDAY, April 23, 1897, at 10 p.m.

WEIGHTS to appear about TUESDAY, April 27, 1897.

ACCEPTANCES and ENTRIES for Selling Race close on FRIDAY, April 30, at 10 p.m.

N.B.—All communications to be addressed to the Secretary, Otauhu, or care of Mr W. Bloomfield, Durham Street East, Auckland.

SPECIAL TRAINS will run. See later advertisement.

WM. L. LOCKHART,
Secretary.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB

WINTER MEETING,

TO BE HELD ON

SATURDAY, MAY 22ND, AND MONDAY,
MAY 24TH.

OFFICERS—President: E. Mitchelson, Esq. Vice-President: Colonel Goring. Stewards: Messrs E. W. Alison, R. H. Duder, F. Wells, W. Adams, A. Alison, J. Mays, W. Avenell, G. Lankham, W. J. Ralph. Judge: E. Mitchelson, Esq. Treasurer: Mr E. W. Alison. Starter: Mr E. D. Halstead. Clerk of Scales: Mr F. Marks. Clerk of Course: Mr Fred Wells. Handicapper: Mr W. Knight. Secretary: Mr R. Wynyard.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, MAY 22nd, 1897.

Handicap Maiden Hurdles of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised hurdle race of the value of 10 sovs at time of entry. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a half.

Handicap Maiden Plate of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 50 sovs. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Seven furlongs.

First Pony Handicap of 40 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For ponies 14.2 and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

Birthday Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of any race of the value of 50 sovs, after the declaration of the weights, to carry a penalty of 5lb extra; of 100 sovs, 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 3 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

First Handicap Hurdle Race of 75 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Winner of Maiden Hurdles to carry a penalty of 5lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Two miles.

Handicap Maiden Steeplechase of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won a steeplechase of the value of 25 sovs at time of entry. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. About two miles.

Royal Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of the Birthday Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY—MONDAY, MAY 24th, 1897.

Hack Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 10 sovs at the time of entry. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Seven furlongs.

Second Handicap Hurdles of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and three-quarters.

Britannia Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. One mile.

Second Pony Handicap of 35 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For ponies 14.2 and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

Victoria Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of Britannia Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

Handicap Steeplechase of 125 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of Handicap Maiden Steeplechase to carry a penalty of 5lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 3 sovs. About three miles and a half.

Welter Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Winner of any race, after the weights are declared, to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Lowest weight, 7st 7lb. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS.

FRIDAY, April 23rd, by 9 p.m. (First Day)—

Maiden Hurdles 1 sov First Pony Handicap 1 sov
Maiden Plate 1 sov Royal Handicap 1 sov
First Hurdles 1 sov Maiden Steeplechase 1 sov
Birthday Handicap 1 sov

SECOND DAY—

Hack Handicap 1 sov Victoria Handicap 1 sov
Second Hurdles 1 sov Second Pony Handicap 1 sov
Britannia Handicap 1 sov Welter Handicap 1 sov
Steeplechase 2 sovs

WEIGHTS.

FRIDAY, May 7th, by 4 p.m.—First Day's Racing and Handicap Steeplechase (Second Day).

SATURDAY, May 22nd, by 9 p.m.—Second Day's Racing.

ACCEPTANCES AND GENERAL ENTRIES.

FRIDAY, May 14th, by 9 p.m.—

Handicap Hurdles 2 sovs Maiden Hurdles 1 sov
Birthday Handicap 3 sovs Maiden Plate 1 sov
Royal Handicap 1 sov First Pony Handicap 1 sov
Handicap Steeplechase Maiden Steeplechase 1 sov
(Second Day) 3 sovs

SATURDAY, May 22nd, by 10 p.m. (Second Day's Racing)—

Second Hurdles 1 sov Victoria Handicap 1 sov
Hack Handicap 1 sov Second Pony Handicap 1 sov
Britannia Handicap 2 sovs Welter Handicap 1 sov

All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, Devonport, or at Mr W. Bloomfield's Office, Durham Street East, Auckland.

The Club reserve the right to alter the programme and dates of meeting.

Winners to pay 5 per cent of their gross winnings towards the expenses of the course.

Telegraph Office at Devonport closes at 5 p.m.
Telegraph Office open on course to 5 p.m. on race days.

ROBT. WYNARD,
Secretary.

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB STEEPLECHASE MEETING.

MONDAY AND TUESDAY, 24TH AND 25TH
MAY, 1897.

President: Dr Earle. Vice-President: Mr H. N. Harrison. Judge: Dr Earle. Hon. Starter: Mr C. H. Chavannes. Handicapper: Mr J. O. Evett. Clerk of the Scales: Mr E. A. Campbell. Clerk of the Course: Mr Donald MacDonald. Time-keeper: Mr R. Higgin. Hon. Surgeon: Dr Connolly. Hon. Vet. Surgeon: Mr J. A. Hawke, M.R.C.V.S. Stewards: Dr Connolly, Messrs E. E. Fletcher, Alex. Higgin, A. J. Parsons, Dr Saunders, J. H. Nixon, R. Anderson. Secretary and Treasurer: Mr Freeman R. Jackson.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY—MONDAY, 24TH MAY, 1897
(QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY).

Flying Stakes Handicap, on the flat, of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov.—To start at 12 noon.

Wanganui Steeplechase Handicap of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and the third horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Over the Wanganui Steeplechase course. About three miles. Winner of any handicap steeplechase of the value of 100 sovs, after declaration of weights, to carry a penalty of 7lbs. Nomination, 2 sovs; acceptance, 5 sovs.—To start at 1 p.m.

First Hunters' Steeplechase Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Open to all qualified hunters (vide Definition of Hunters). About three miles, over such course as the Stewards may direct. Gentleman riders. Lowest weight not under 11st. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov.—To start at 2 p.m.

First Handicap Hurdle Race of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. About two miles and a distance, over eight flights of hurdles 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs.—To start at 2.45 p.m.

First Hack Flat Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. One mile and a distance. Minimum weight, 7st 7lb. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 10s. Vide definition of a hack.—To start at 3.30 p.m.

Suburban Steeplechase Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. About two miles and a half, over such course as the Stewards shall direct. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov.—To start at 4.15 p.m.

SECOND DAY—TUESDAY, 25TH MAY, 1897.

Winter Oats Handicap (on the flat) of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs.—To start at 12 noon.

Second Handicap Hurdle Race of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. About two miles, over seven flights of hurdles 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs.—To start at 1 p.m.

Grandstand Steeplechase Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. About two miles and a half, over such course as the Stewards shall direct. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs.—To start at 2 p.m.

Second Hunters' Steeplechase Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Open to all qualified hunters (vide Definition of Hunters). About two miles and a half, over such course as the Stewards shall direct. Gentleman riders. Lowest weight not under 11st. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov.—To start at 2.45 p.m.

Second Hack Flat Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. One mile. Minimum weight, 7st 7lb. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 10s. Vide definition of a hack.—To start at 3.30 p.m.

Final Steeplechase Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. About two miles. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov, to be made half-an-hour before the race starts.—To start at 4.15 p.m.

QUALIFICATION FOR HUNTERS.—Open to all horses qualified during the year 1896, or that have ridden to the hounds twice in the present season, 1897, to the satisfaction of the Master of Hounds, but which have never won an advertised steeplechase or hurdle race (hack and hunter races excepted). Masters certificates to be produced to Clerk of the Scales.

DEFINITION OF A HACK.—A hack is a horse that has never won an advertised race (hack and hunter races excepted), and that is not at the time of starting, and has not been, during the three calendar months previous to the time of starting, nominated for any race (hack and hunter races excepted).

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

And amounts to be forwarded to the Secretary W.J.C. STEEPLECHASE MEETING, 24TH AND 25TH MAY.

MONDAY, April 5th, 1897, at 9 p.m.—NOMINATIONS for Flying Handicap, 1 sov; Winter Oats, 1 sov; Wanganui Steeplechase, 2 sovs; First Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov; Second Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov; Suburban Steeplechase, 1 sov; Grandstand Steeplechase, 1 sov.

FRIDAY, April 23rd, 1897, on or about.—WEIGHTS for Flying Handicap, Wanganui Steeplechase, First Hurdles, and Suburban Steeplechase.

TUESDAY, April 27th, 1897, at 9 p.m.—NOMINATIONS for First Hunters' Steeplechase, 1 sov; Second Hunters' Steeplechase, 1 sov; First Hack Flat, 1 sov; Second Hack Flat, 1 sov; Final Handicap Steeplechase, 1 sov. ACCEPTANCES for Flying Handicap, 1 sov; Wanganui Steeplechase, 6 sovs; First Hurdle Handicap, 2 sovs; Suburban Steeplechase, 1 sov.

TUESDAY, May 11th, 1897, on or about.—WEIGHTS for Hunters' Steeplechase and First Hack Flat.

TUESDAY, May 18th, 1897, at 9 p.m.—ACCEPTANCES for First Hunters' Steeplechase, 1 sov; First Hack Flat, 10s.

MONDAY, May 24th, 1897, at or about 8 p.m.—WEIGHTS for Winter Oats, Second Hurdles, Second Hunters' Steeplechase, Grandstand Steeplechase, and Second Hack Flat.

MONDAY, May 24th, 1897, at 10 p.m.—ACCEPTANCES for Winter Oats, 2 sovs; Second Hurdle Handicap, 2 sovs; Second Hunters' Steeplechase, 1 sov; Grandstand Steeplechase, 2 sovs; Second Hack Flat, 10s.

TUESDAY, May 25th, 1897, on the course.—WEIGHTS for Final Steeplechase will be declared after the Second Hunters' Steeplechase, and ACCEPTANCES must be made half an hour before the race starts.

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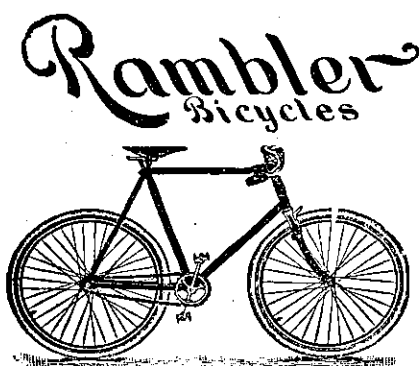
All entries, nominations, etc., will close at the secretary's office, Wanganui, at 9 p.m., except when otherwise specified. All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, Wanganui Jockey Club, Wanganui, entrance money enclosed, with the name, age at the time of entry, name of owner, pedigree, colours of the rider, and in case of handicaps where horses have not previously started on the Wanganui Course, pedigree and performance of the horse. Entries by telegram must be confirmed in writing at the earliest possible opportunity. In all cases where penalties have to be carried for winning, it shall be the duty of the owner, trainer, or jockey to notify the same to the Secretary, when possible, the evening before the race, or in any case half an hour prior to the start. Any person neglecting to comply with this rule shall pay a fine, to be imposed by the stewards, not exceeding 5 sovs. All races to be run under the New Zealand rules of racing. No entry will

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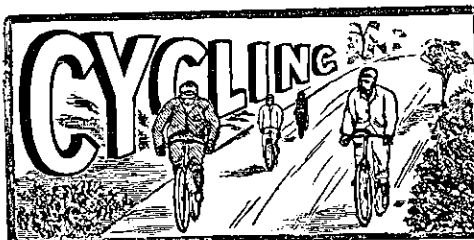
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[BY RIM.]

AUCKLAND, October 27th, 1896.

To the Proprietors, SPORTING REVIEW,
Auckland.

DEAR SIRS,—I have pleasure in advising you that the SPORTING REVIEW has been appointed the Official Organ of the Auckland Cycle Club.

Yours faithfully,

J. P. HOWDEN,

Sports Secretary.

A Southern writer says next season will be the busiest ever known in the annals of New Zealand cycling, so far as racing is concerned.

English and American cycling papers now devote considerable space to Australian wheeling items. In a recent issue the English *Cyclist* enlarges upon the merit of Richardson's trans-continental ride from Coolgardie to Adelaide. The ride is considered one of the most remarkable ever accomplished in Australia, and a Rover light roadster was ridden throughout without mishap. It would be suicidal for a man to undertake a journey of this description on an inferior mount.

Ken Lewis has temporarily retired from racing.

The New Zealand Cyclists Touring Club membership has reached close on 800.

In the Bordeaux to Paris race this year motor cars will be used for pacing purposes.

In 1895 there were only ninety professional bicycle racing men in the United States. Now there are 1973.

I hear that endeavours are being made by a visitor to Auckland with the local Cash Club for Lesna, the French rider, now in Sydney, to ride here. The idea would be to promote a meeting to be held in about three or four weeks time, with the above-named rider as the principal attraction.

The Auckland Amateur Athletic and Cycle Club, at a meeting held after we had gone to press last week, decided not to send Reynolds Home. This was partly due to the difficulty in Reynolds arranging his business satisfactorily during his absence, and the lateness of the hour, which, as I remarked some time ago, would be all too scant for a sound preparation.

Miss Harwood, the English professional cyclist has thrown out a challenge to race any other lady rider a distance of 25 miles. This has been accepted by the French wheelwoman, Miss Marced Vautro.

Tom Linton is back in Paris training on the winter track. Asked his opinion of young Champion, *la prodige Francais*, he remarked that the "little Frenchy" was a second Michael, and that he had arranged a match with him, wherein the hour record was likely to suffer. Tom is having five electric tandems built by the Gladiator people, and says he feels sure he can, with their assistance, put in 33 miles for the hour on the Catford track.

H. Thompson and A. Donn who were recently suspended by the New Zealand Cyclists Alliance for being paced by cash riders when attempting to lower records have been warned and the suspension removed.

The *Paris Velo* says:—"Three cyclists had a spin along the Nile, when one of them, who was in front, suddenly fell over an obstacle which lay across the road, and which turned out to be a crocodile. The cyclists at once jumped from their machines, one of which rolled against the animal, which, opening its enormous jaws, closed them over the back wheel. Suddenly a loud explosion was caused by the puncturing of the tyre, which so frightened the crocodile that it swiftly disappeared in the river, leaving three astonished cyclists and a punctured tyre behind it." Surely no one could doubt the accuracy of this?

Now that Reynolds is not going to England, the colonial competitors at the Glasgow (World's) Championships in July next will consist of C. H. Jones (New Zealand), W. L. Kerr (New South Wales), and B. Goodson (Queensland).

We have paid a visit to the new Show Rooms opened at 8, Wellesley Street East by Messrs Baker and Baker, as agents for the Collier Two-Speed Bicycles and the Hollis Bicycles, and must say we are much impressed with the appearance of both makes of machines. The great boom in the Two-Speed Gear should at once make them popular in the hilly district of Auckland, and to many riders who cannot afford to pay for this extra luxury, the Hollis Machines are the best and cheapest ever shown in the colony.

When the last American mail left John S. Johnson was laying so seriously ill at Minneapolis that he was not expected to live.

A week or two back an application was made to the Taranaki County Council for permission to run a motor car on the County roads, but the councillors feeling dubious about granting it have adjourned the matter.

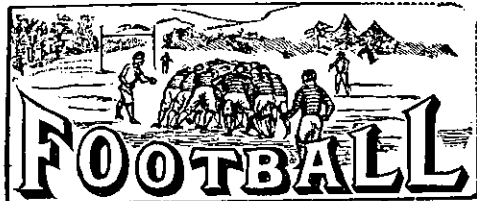
Dr. George Herschell, an eminent specialist in diseases of the heart, gives it as his opinion, that a high gear with a proportionately long crank is less exhausting than a low gear and its consequent fast pedalling; the doctor is himself an ardent cyclist, therefore he is in a position to quote as an authority. This is rather a sticker to the theorists who assert that the increase in gear, so noticeable during the last twelve months, has been a great factor in producing heart disease, and it is now generally admitted amongst those who have tried high gears—that is, from 80 to 104—that under ordinary circumstances the high gear is less fatiguing in a speed contest than one from 70 to 76 would be. Next season, we are told, some of the English cracks intend to ride gears up to 120, but the fact must not be overlooked that to get the best results from these extra high gears there are two things absolutely necessary, the first is the length of crank required. Eighty to 84 should have not less than 7in, which should be increased as the gear rises. The second consideration to be looked to is weight of machine. It is hardly possible to get a feather weight racer, say 20lb or 21lb, rigid enough to stand the strain of a high gear, and the consequence is a loss of power. A machine with 80 gear is light enough at 23lb. As the gear increases so also should the weight of machine. Some of the world's best riders use racing machines up to 26lb weight.

Three British wheelmen, Messrs. Fraser, Lunn, and Lowe, who are riding round the world, were in India when the last mail left. These gentlemen are writing up their experiences for several leading English and American papers, and in the principal cities of India they delivered lectures. They have had some thrilling adventures. The *Madras Mail* of March 16 says: "From Calcutta they go probably to Burma, then to China, Japan, Australia, across America from San Francisco to New York, and then by steamer to Southampton for London. Mr. Fraser, the leader of the party, says: 'We had a rough and perilous journey from Teheran. In the first 300 miles the tracks were hard and cycleable, afterwards they were rocky. For long distances riding was impossible. We were frequently stoned. Food was scarce. The accommodation in Chapparkhanahs was horrible. On the mountains of Kolikush we were lost in the snow. We plodded on till we fell from faintness and abandoned our machines to look for the road. Wolves were about. We spent all the night among the snow. We reached Dehbid nearly dead, after being twenty hours without food. Another night we encountered bears. Persia is a hopeless and uninteresting land.'

A startling invention has just come to light in England. It is called the "Eureka" driving wheel for cycles and motor cars. The inventor explains that it is a cycle on rollers, with the earth as a plane, and that a mile a minute can be accomplished with this cycle. It is geared to 250in, but is propelled as easily as a 60in gear. The machine is frictionless, and the heavier the rider the faster it goes.

So popular has cycling become in Germany, that an enterprising individual has hit upon a plan for enabling cyclists to pursue wheeling on the ice. The front wheel of the bicycle is taken off, the front bars are lengthened, and a long sledge runner is fastened at the lower ends. The rear wheel is covered with a band, in which are fixed iron points to avoid slipping. On hard snow roads it is said that about the usual speed can be

maintained, but on smooth ice the machine attains great speed with slight effort by the rider. A like machine is now in use in Canada.



[By Vigilant.]

The annual general meeting of the Auckland Rugby Union was held last Tuesday evening, though too late, of course, for notice in these columns. As the meeting has, however, been fully dealt with by the dailies I will merely select one or two of the most notable features. The report, after setting forth the results of the 1896 season's operations, shows the profit on last year's transactions to have been £604 14s 9d, inclusive of the slight balance, some thirty odd pounds, brought forward from the previous year. Of this £500 was voted to the Ground Trust Fund, which now totals £1300 12s 8d.

A motion was tabled by the Newton Football Club to the effect that in future the selection committee be chosen at the annual meeting instead of being subsequently chosen by the managing committee. A good deal of discussion *pro* and *con* took place anent the proposal, the weightiest remarks to my mind being those of Mr T. Henderson, who pointed out that the selection by delegates of the "committee" would probably have the result of introducing club feeling, voters naturally having an inclination to get on those who thought they would favour the clubs they represented. Also, he said, the matter would be rushed through too hastily without sufficient consideration, and it would perhaps afterwards be found that the very man they wanted had actually been omitted. His remarks had, I believe, a good deal to do with the motion being negatived, and I might also say the meeting acted wisely.

The chairman of the meeting at the A.R.U. annual meeting (A. E. T. Devore, president) is very much in favour of a one man selection committee, and his remarks in this direction had the effect of notice of motion being given, that rule 5 with reference to the three-man committee be expunged and a clause inserted that the committee in future compose one man only. This will be discussed at a special general meeting this (Thursday) evening.

The managing committee of the A.R.U. for the incoming season comprises the following gentlemen:—Messrs T. Henderson (chairman), J. C. Webster, W. Airey, V. Langsford, and A. Cotter.

The football season will open here on May 8th with the championship fixtures. I hear there will be a great deal of difficulty this year in getting together a satisfactory Referee's Association.

The alleged professionalism on the part of the Parnell Club in inviting young Asher, of Tauranga, to come up and play for that district has been cleared up. The communication was a private one sent by Mr Tapper, of Parnell, and entirely without the sanction of the club.

With the exception of the Suburbs district the whole of the senior clubs who will compete in this year's championships seem pretty well satisfied with their lot, the one in question being very much in doubt as to whether or not they will be able to put a fifteen in the field.

Beyond the usual round I do not see that there will be much to interest followers of the Rugby game, the season in this respect seeming to be a decidedly quiet one, the only visiting team of moment with which the local "reps." will try conclusions being the New Zealand fifteen, which goes to Australia in June next. Of course the usual matches will be played with the outside unions in the province, some of which, at times, are worth watching, and judging by the lively team that the Thames this year will put in the field the local men may on that occasion look forward to a very tough contest.

In Grafton district there has been very little change, though that little inclines to be for the worst, as it means the loss of Gittos, one of their best forwards. Certainly I. Mills (Newton) and S. Browne (City) are inside that district's boundaries, but I am led to believe that they intend giving the game best.



A GROUP OF COMPETITORS AND TRAINERS AT THE WANGANUI AND WEST COAST CASH CYCLING CLUB'S MEETING, THURSDAY, 18TH MARCH, 1897.

Photo. by — Parvington.

The City boys are very fond of their chance of carrying off this year's honors, and when one is informed that they have added to their ranks Siddell, Newton's three-quarter, McConnell, the old Auckland who last year did good service in the front rank for the Merivale Club, Christchurch, Rockley, of Taranaki, and probably Allen, they certainly seem to have room to feel a little "cocky." There is one absentee who they will sadly miss, and that is the flat-footed scoring three-quarter back, Frank Surman, who had furnished into one of the best men one could wish to see in this position.

The Ponsonbyites have not a great deal to crow about, as they will be without Masefield, Stichebury, and V. Langsford, but then, of course, they are able to fall back on their first juniors to replenish the falling away of the old "birds," and as there are some very good men in that fifteen they should not be altogether out of the running. It might also be noted that they have Oly Riley back again.

The Newton Club sustain a severe loss in Siddell, Hazeman, G. Murray, and I. Mills, but from what I am given to understand the new men grafted into the district will just about counter-balance the losses, in which case the Club will be sort of "as they were before they were"; that is to say, just about as strong as when they were bracketed with Parnell and City last year when the trio divided the senior honours. The new comers are

W. Airey, who by the way is more aptly described as an old 'un back again. Richards, of Wairarapa, a three-quarter to fill Siddell's place, and they say a couple of reputed coastal forwards.

North Shore have added quite a string of new men to their ranks, and being a team who badly needed it no one would be sorry to hear that it is so. There will be Pitt, Irwin, and White, all "sodgers" recently transferred from Wellington, and who are said to know a thing or two about the rugger game. H. Dacre, an old Auckland boy, Jamieson and Prince, of Franklin, and, last but not least, the well-known wing forward Teddy Binney, who is this year residing inside the Shore boundaries. They will, however, suffer the loss of their oldest, and certainly one of their best representatives, W. Wynyard, who is unable to don the jersey for his Club this year.

Parnell have certainly added to their strength this year, for while they lose a sterling forward in McLean, and a rare old general in "Billy" Elliott, they add to their list of membership Cranston (Pukekohe), D'Arcy (Wairarapa), Pike, and Brody, who played three-quarter for the team two seasons back, and G. Murray, the dashing Newton forward. It is also understood that Frank Jervis, the crack three-quarter, will play throughout this season, so that putting two and two together the eastern suburb will be a very hot lot.

Suburbs, as above stated, will probably

not be able to place a team in the field at all, and should they not do so I suppose the boundaries will be altered and their players divided amongst the other districts.

It appears that Yorkshire will not be the champion English County this season, as both Cumberland and Kent have come to the front and will be hard to dispose of.

A. Mason, who played halfback for Otago last year, is now in Wellington, and will, it is said, throw in his lot with the Melrose Club.

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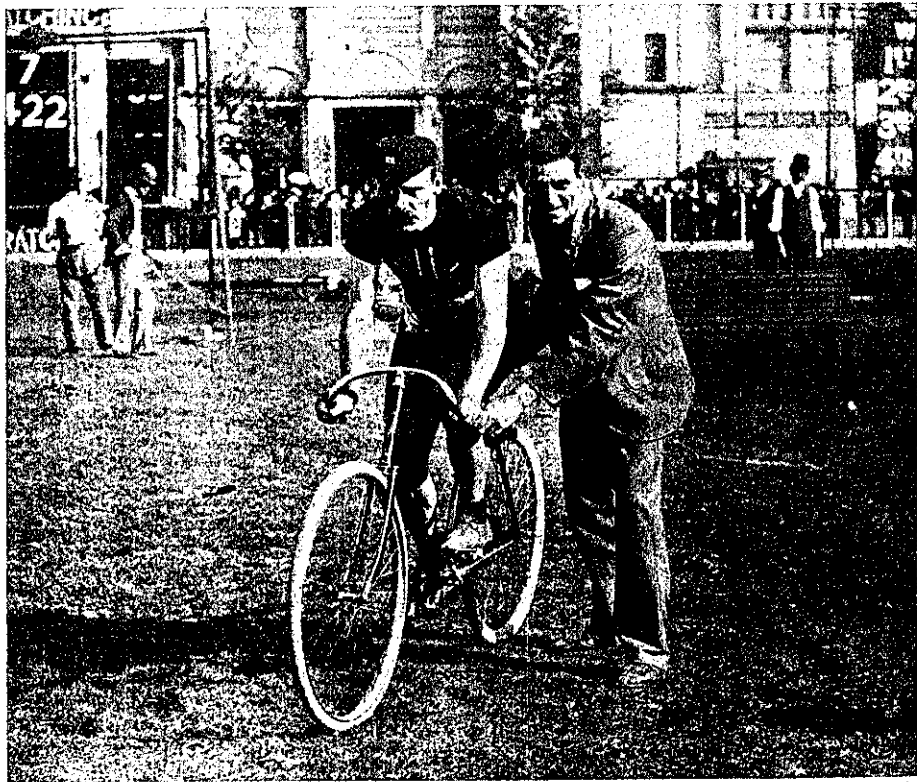
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Rule 17 reads:—"The programme of each meeting in which the added money is £150 or upwards must be advertised in full once at least in the Official Calendar. The advertisement shall show that the programme has been approved by the Jockey Club, shall state the days on which the meeting is to begin and end, and the names of the stewards, judge, starter, clerk of scales, and handicapper."

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As some doubts have arisen as to whether the recent action of the Racing Conference has interfered with the appointment of the Sporting Review by the Auckland Racing Club as the Official Calendar, we publish the following letter for general information:—

MEMO. FROM AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

Auckland, 4th December, 1895.

THE PROPRIETOR SPORTING REVIEW, AUCKLAND.

DEAR SIR,—In answer to yours of 2nd December, my Committee have decided not to alter existing arrangements at present.—Yours truly,
WM. PERCIVAL,
Secretary A.R.C.

The Committee of the Auckland Racing Club meet on the first Monday in each month to pass programmes and transact general business.

Disqualification removed from David Swanson.

Pony Measuring Committee meet second and fourth Monday at 10 a.m.

David Swanson having left Thos. Hodson's employ, contrary to rules and agreement, owners, trainers, and others are cautioned against employing him.

JOCKEYS' LICENSES.

John Rae, H. Harrison, John Keane, Michael Moore, Wm. Davidson, Frank Burns, Dennis Morrison, Adam E. Byers, Wm. Perry, D. Creamer, M. Jones, Thos. Hall, Ernest Haigh, John Carey, Thos. Morrison, Thos. McGuire, Fred. Power, Fred. Benson, Alf. Williams, Charles W. Turner, Howard Jones, George Banks, Thos. Sharp, David Wright, Joseph Griffiths.

TRAINERS' LICENSES.

John Rae, Dennis Morrison, J. B. Williamson, H. Linnell, Martin, H. Harrison, Koss Heaton, A. E. Byers, Wm. Croil, M. Moore, Joseph Griffiths, J. Carey, Alfred Williams, John R. Jones.

APPRENTICES' LICENSES.

George Harrison, James Wilson, Moss Moses.

OWNERS PERMITS.

Richard Henwood, H. T. Gorrie, C. Gordon, R. Thorpe, J. E. Thorpe.

METROPOLITAN CLUBS.

Metropolitan Clubs meet as under:—
Auckland—First Monday in each month. W. Percival, secretary.
Taranaki—Last Friday in each month. R. G. Bauchope, secretary.

Wanganui—First Friday in each month. F. R. Jackson, secretary.

Wellington—First Monday in each month. H. M. Lyon, secretary.

Hawke's Bay—First Friday in each month. F. D. Luckie, secretary.

Nelson—Last Wednesday in each month. J. H. Glen, secretary.

Marlborough—As arranged. C. J. W. Griffiths, secretary.

Canterbury—First Tuesday in each month. W. H. E. Wanklyn, secretary.

Dunedin—Last Thursday in each month. S. James, secretary.

Greymouth—Last Friday in each month. J. C. Doogan, secretary.

WM. PERCIVAL, Secretary.

RACING CALENDAR.

NEW ZEALAND.

April 24, Sat.—Auckland R.C. Autumn.
April 29, Thurs.—30, Fri.—South Canterbury J.C. Autumn.
April 29, Thurs.; May 1, Sat.—Wellington R.C. Autumn.
May 5, Wed.; 6, Thurs.—Egmont R.C. Winter.
May 6, Thurs.—North Canterbury J.C. Annual.
May 12, Wed.; 13, Thurs.—Napier Park R.C. Winter.
May 22, Sat.; 24, Mon.—Dunedin J.C. May.
May 22, Sat.; 24, Mon.—Takapuna J.C. Winter.
May 24, Mon.; 25, Tues.—Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase.
May 24, Mon.; 25, Tues.—Otaki Maori J.C. Hack.
June 5, Sat.; 7, Mon.—A.R.C. North New Zealand Grand National Steeplechase.
June 23, Wed.; 25, Fri.—Hawke's Bay J.C. Winter.
July 14, Wed.; 17, Sat.—Wellington R.C. Winter.
August 12, Thurs.; 14, Sat.—New Zealand Grand National Steeplechase.

NOMINATIONS.

April 23—Takapuna J.C. Winter.
April 27—Napier Park R.C. Winter.
April 27—Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase.
April 30—A.R.C. Northern Champagne Stakes and Royal Stakes.
April 30—Otaki Maori R.C. Hack.
April 30—A.R.C. North New Zealand Grand National.
May 21—A.R.C. North New Zealand Grand National.
May 8—Dunedin J.C. May.
June 4—New Zealand Cup.
June 29—The Wellesley Stakes 1898 and 1899, the Wellington Stakes 1899, and New Zealand St Leger 1899.

HANDICAPS.

April 23—Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase.
April 28—Dunedin J.C. May.
May 1—North Canterbury J.C. Annual.
May 4—Napier Park R.C. Winter.
May 7—Takapuna J.C. Winter.
May 8—Otaki Maori R.C. Hack.
May 14—A.R.C. North New Zealand Grand National.
May 25—A.R.C. North New Zealand Grand National.
June 7—A.R.C. North New Zealand Grand National.

ACCEPTANCES.

April 26—South Canterbury J.C. Autumn.
April 26—Egmont R.C. Winter.
April 27—Wellington R.C. Autumn.
April 27—Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase.
May 4—North Canterbury J.C. Annual.
May 8—Napier Park R.C. Winter.
May 8—Dunedin J.C. May.
May 14—Takapuna J.C. Winter.
May 15—Otaki Maori R.C. Hack.
May 21—A.R.C. North New Zealand Grand National.
June 2, 5, 7—A.R.C. North N.Z. Grand National.

RACING RECORDS.

NEW ZEALAND.

4 furlongs—47s, Safeguard, 2yrs, 8.3, C.J.C. Spring Meeting, 1894. Golden Fleece, 3yrs, also made this time at the same meeting, carrying 7.11.
5 furlongs—1m 1s, Forester, 5yrs, 7.3, C.J.C. Flying Handicap, 1886.
6 furlongs—1m 14s, Loyalty, 2yrs, 7.4, C.J.C. Challenge Stakes, 1893. Barnby also made this record in Sept., 1894, at Ashburton.
7 furlongs—1m 27½s, Ruby, 4yrs, 7.13, C.J.C. Craven Stakes 1888.
1 mile—1m 41½s, Merganser, 4yrs, 8.0, J.C. Handicap, C.J.C. Spring, 1892.
1¼ mile—2m 8½s, Tit Bit, 4yrs, 7.5, C.J.C. Grandstand, 1887.
1½ mile—2m 35½s—Merganser, 4yrs, 9.9, C.J.C. Great Autumn Handicap, 1893.
1¾ mile—3m 4-5s, Spindrift, 4yrs, 7.8, Wanganui Cup, 1896; 3m 5s, Waitiri, 4yrs, 8.5, A.R.C. Handicap, 1887; St. Katherine, 3yrs, 7.11, Wanganui Cup, 1893.
2 miles—3m 29s, Rosefeldt, 5yrs, 7.7, N.Z. Cup, 1893.
2 miles and a distance—3m 50s, Occident, 6yrs, 7.10 Dunedin Cup, 1891.
2½ miles—3min 57½sec, Euroclydon, 3yrs, 7.9, Canterbury Cup, 1895.

AMERICAN AND AUSTRALIAN.

3 furlongs—36½s, Cumberland, Maribymong (Vic.), Sept. 1893, Australia.
½ mile—46s, Geraldine, West Chester Course, N.Y. (track partly down hill), August 30, 1889, America.
5 furlongs—57s, Correction, West Chester Course, N.Y. (track partly down hill), Sept. 29, 1893; Dr. Hasbrouck also made this record; America.
1m, Patroness, Randwick, March 26, 1894, Australia.
1m 0½s, Walwa, Maribymong (Vic.), Sept. 30, 1893, Australia.
5½ furlongs—1m 7s, Wild Rose, Caulfield, Feb., 1891, Australia.
¾ mile—1m 9s, Domino, Morris Park, N.Y. (track partly down hill), Sept. 29, 1893, America.
1m 13½s, Precation, Randwick, N.S.W., January 1, Australia.
7 furlongs—1m 23½s, Bella B, Monmouth Park, July 8, 1890, America.
1m 27s, Trieste, Flemington, Vic., Nov. 3, 1891, Australia.
1 mile—1m 35½s, Salvador, against time, Monmouth Park, N.J., Aug. 8, 1890, America.
1m 40s, Bungebah, Randwick, N.S.W., Sept., 1890; this record has also been made by Boolka, Kingfish, Delaware, and Paris; Australia.
1 mile and 1 furlong—1m 51½s, Tristan, Morris Park, N.Y. June 2, 1891, America.
1m 55½s, Rosebrook, Flemington, Vic., Nov. 4, 1893, Acme, Reconstruction, and Cerise and Blue also made this time; Australia.
1½ mile—2m 32s, Banquet, Monmouth Park, N.J., July 17, 1890, America.
2m 6s, Hova, Flemington, Vic., Nov. 11, 1893, Australia.
1 mile 3 furlongs—2m 22½s, Aristocrat and Leichardt, Rosehill, Australia.
1½ mile—2m 32½s, Lamplighter, Monmouth Park, N.J., Aug. 9, 1892, America.
2m 35½s, Prince Imperial, Hawkesbury, 1885; Megaphone, Hawkesbury, N.S.W., Sept. 6, 1890, and King Olaf, Hawkesbury, N.S.W., April 11, 1891, Australia.
1 mile 5 furlongs—2m 49½s, Hopetoun, Flemington, Jan., 1893; Australia.
1½ mile—3m 0½s, Hotspur, San Francisco, April 30, 1891, America.
3m 3s, Correze, Flemington, Vic., Nov. 8, 1890, Australia. Donation also made this record, Flemington, Nov. 1893.
2 miles—3m 27½s, Ten Broeck, against time, Louisville, Kentucky, May 29, 1877, America.
3m 23½s, Carbine carrying (10.5), Flemington, Vic., Nov. 4, 1890, Australia.
2½ miles—3m 56½s, Peckness and Springbok, dead heat, Saratoga, N.Y., July 29, 1875, America.
3m 59½s, Isolator, Flemington, Vic., March 3, 1896, and Dreadnought, Flemington, Victoria, March 4, 1890, Australia.
3 miles—5m 23½s, Wallace and Quiver dead heat, Flemington, Vic., March 5, 1896, Australia.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

CRIB asks.—In playing cribbage is it right to take 2 or 3 when 15 is made with the last card. Answer—You take 2 only.

WAGER II. writes.—Would you kindly decide this wager: At our meeting just passed I backed a double, viz., Day Star and Miss Nelson. Do I not get half of the amount. My reasons for thinking so are that the totalisator paid out, so did the bookies, on both Kingswood and Miss Nelson. Therefore, I think I am entitled to half my double. Answer—The backer of the double (Day Star and Miss Nelson) must pay, because Kingswood was the absolute winner of the Steeplechase.

Sporting and Dramatic REVIEW

AND

LICENSED VICTUALLERS' GAZETTE.

WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE WEEKLY STANDARD.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 1897.

SPORTING TOPICS.

It was decided by the V.R.C. committee on Monday 12th inst. to insert a clause in the conditions of the jumping races to be run at Flemington in the immediate future that the handicapper shall not go beyond 13st 7lb in framing his weights. The committee will also draft a new rule of racing, fixing the maximum in all jumping races at this weight, and will ask the members of the club to pass it, so that the principle shall become general throughout the colony.

So far Erl King has proved anything but a success as a hurdler in England, and perhaps it would have paid Mr Gollan better to have kept him for flat racing. At the Windsor meeting, on March 3, the bay gelding was well backed for a two mile hurdle handicap, in which he had 11st 7lb, but he failed to distinguish himself, being a bad fourth in a field of seven.

Writing concerning the number of horses in training at Randwick the Sydney Daily Telegraph remarks:—"Once again Mr Kelso has the longest string in work—not a novelty for him by any means of late years—and while he is responsible for 16 regular attendants, J. Allsop has one less. Mr S. Hordern is represented by no fewer than 15, so that that gentleman's name should be found very high up in the list of winners between now and the close of the season. T. Payten's team consist of a dozen. Mr Lamond has 10 in work, and E. Key presides over eight. About 30 other trainers adopt Randwick as their headquarters.

Mr Wm. Lockhart, secretary to the Otahuhu and Suburban Racing Club, has produced the programme for the annual race meeting of his club, and a glance at the advertisement, which makes its first appearance in this issue, tells one that if the weather is any way fine on the 8th of May a good day's sport may be looked forward to. The principal event to be decided is the Otahuhu Cup, a mile race of 20 sovs, which should attract a good number of trainers to give their neddies a spin on the popular suburban race track. Nominations for all events close on Friday, April 23, at 10 p.m., and Mr Evett will adjust the handicaps on or about April 27.

Bombshell is said to be giving his trainer in England the greatest satisfaction.

An English exchange states that the well-known rider H. Luke has closed his career as a jockey, and commenced as a trainer. Though Luke won the Two Thousand Guineas on Petrarch, it is in handicaps that he has made his record, as he has accounted for the Cesarewitch, Cambridgeshire, Chester Cup, Northumberland Plate, Chesterfield Cup, Shropshire Handicap (twice), Liverpool Spring Cup (twice), Lewes Handicap, and many other good races.

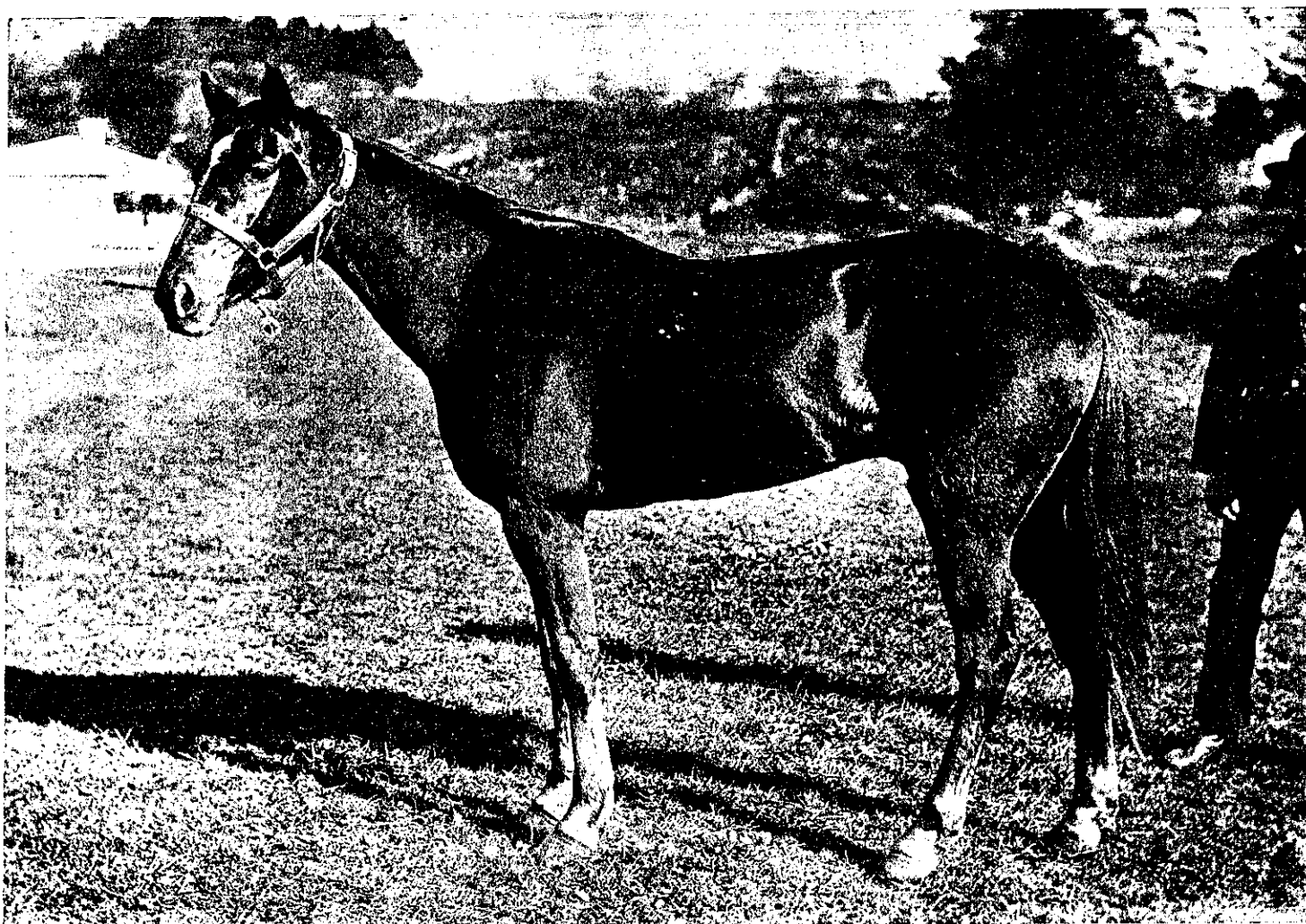
Mr Jas. R. Keene, a prominent patron of the American Turf, recently sent two three-year-olds to England to be raced, one of them, St. Cloud (Candlemas—Belle of Maywood) having engagements in the Derby, St. Leger, Eclipse Stakes, the Princess of Wales' Stakes, and Jockey Club Stakes at Newmarket, and the Grand Prize of Paris. The colors of Mr James R. Keene are not strange to English racecourses, and are more particularly identified with the victories of Foxhall in the Cesarewitch and Cambridgeshire of 1881, in which year the colt also won the Grand Prize of Paris.

The V.R.C. committee on April 12 considered the question whether it is desirable to adhere to the system of fixed penalties, or to adopt the re-handicapping principle in respect of horses winning races after they have been weighted for events. After discussion it was decided to continue the system of fixed penalties for all events for which entries close on June 1 next.

Idoltry is proving a good investment for Mr S. Hordern, as her three representatives—Hindoo, Adoration, and Maldon—have each scored winning brackets, and will no doubt do their dam further credit in the future. Idoltry, it may be remarked, went to the stud as a two-year-old, her first foal being Hindoo.

The Sydney Referee remarks:—"Mr C. M. Lloyd, who is managing Mr W. Cooper's racing in Australia, has made arrangements to send Newhaven to England by the Oroya next month. He will not go back to Flemington after the A.J.C. Meeting, but will be shipped direct from Sydney on May 17.

A deputation from several N.S.W. northern race clubs waited on the A.J.C. committee on Tuesday of last week. The deputation was made up as follows: Messrs Gillies (West Maitland), Maroney (Newcastle), Fletcher and Thurling (Wallsend), and Pinuim (Singleton). They pointed out that country jockey clubs were under a disadvantage in not being able to accept the entries of "small horses" that had competed at pony and galloway races. So many horses had drifted into the ranks of the ponies and galloways that the number of horses now eligible for nomination under the A.J.C. rules in the country districts was considerably reduced. Previous to the present condition of things, the "small horses," who now ran at pony and galloway races, took part in the meetings of the district race clubs, and it was sought to return to the former state of things by requesting the A.J.C. not to apply the rule disqualifying ponies and galloways to places outside the metropolitan area. The deputation was informed that the committee would consider what could be done in the matter, and a reply would be given in the course of a month.



MR H. J. CONNOP'S BAY GELDING ISRAELITE, WINNER OF THE MAIDEN PONY RACE AT THE A.T.C. MEETING.

An Indian exchange says that the horse market in Calcutta is in such a desperate condition that shippers are unable to find purchasers for the residues of their shipments at even such a low all-round price as Rs. 250 a head, there being no buyers in the market. The same paper adds that so far as experience of the past season goes, the class of horse that sells the best and the quickest is the racehorse and the well-bred horse likely to race over fences, and their prototypes of the pony class.

The Sydney Referee of the 14th inst. gives the following description of the Hawkesbury Autumn Handicap, which was won by Mr S. Hordern's Adoration (Nordenfeldt—Idoltry):—Hopscotch was always favourite on the course, and started firm at 5 to 2, with Adoration next in demand, and Right Honourable third favourite. After that trio long prices were going, The Meddler being in better request than anything else. Unfortunately the mile and a quarter post is at an awkward place to start a big field of horses, as they begin on a turn, and it would be and improvement in future if the distance were made another furlong, which will ensure a fair chance for horses to settle into position before they have to make a turn. Right Honourable was the unlucky horse in the first scramble for places, and he got knocked on to the rails. This treatment he resented by refusing to gallop for a time after it occurred, and his many backers were afforded a sight of him when the field was going along the back stretch, toiling about ten lengths behind the last horses of the main body. Between him and the rest there was a cloud of dust, and his chance looked hopeless. Meanwhile Thespian

was making the running, attended by Rockwall, and so they ran until after passing the half-mile, when Freedom ran up on the outside and got to the front before beginning the home turn. Though he led into the straight the Queenslander could not sustain his effort, and once more Rockwall took up a leading position and Adoration appeared on the outside. Right Honourable had been missed, but he was now seen again, having made a remarkable run on the inside and got almost up with the leaders inside the distance. He could not do any more, as Adoration drew out and won by half a length, with Rockwall second, a head in front of him. It was a wonderfully good run in a fast race, and though he did not win the performance was very meritorious. It was bad luck for Mr Macken and Allsop that Right Honourable was so badly badly served at the start, for otherwise he could hardly have lost. Adoration got somewhat knocked about, as was proved by her jockey's leg having come into contact with the rail, several splinters from which were extracted by a medical man afterwards. The Nordenfeldt filly is not a big one, but of rare quality. It was generally supposed Miss Nora would represent the stable, as Adoration was in the Doncaster Handicap, but Earnshaw recommended otherwise, and scored for Mr Hordern his first win in the H.R.C. Autumn Handicap. Adoration is out of Idoltry (dam of Hindoo and Maldon), one of the mares selected in England by Mr F. W. Day for Mr Hordern's stud. This mare is by Isonomy from La Trappe, by Hermit, and her union with Nordenfeldt has turned out well enough to make her purchase a payable investment apart from Hindoo's successes.

Hopscotch does not generally begin well, and he had to race through the field to get near the leaders. He was in a nice position five furlongs from home, but was in trouble at the turn and then died away—not a recommendation for his Doncaster Handicap chance. Messmate did not last the journey out either, but Sam and Projectile were not distressed, and would have been suited by another couple of furlongs. The Meddler and Dalmeny made no show, and it was a little too far for Thespian.

According to an advertisement in another part of this paper, Messrs Buchanan and Son will offer for sale by auction some well-known racehorses. On account of Mr Donald McKinnon, those well-performed racers Lufra and Haria, with the pony Arquebus, will come under the auctioneer's hammer; then Fair Nell (who, not later than last Monday, showed her speed at Ellerslie by winning the Pony Handicap from a capital field), Lady Cuisine, and Royal Conqueror, members of Mr J. Livingstone's team, will be submitted. Reference to the pedigrees and performances of the animals under notice should cause some spirited bidding on the 24th inst. (next Saturday), at Mr Blaikie's Stables, Greenlane.

Messrs Hunter and Nolan notify, in another column, that they have been instructed by Mr A. Standish, the well-known New Plymouth sport, to sell by auction, on Friday, April 30, at the Durham Yards, that first-rate performer, Donovan, and the four-year-old daughter of The Australian and Eilenn (Wai-iti).

The Egmont Racing Club have decided that bookmakers, their clerks or agents, will not be admitted to witness the meeting to be held on the club's course on the 5th and 6th of May, and advertise to that effect in another column.

A time-table, showing the order of trains from Auckland to Ellerslie, on Saturday next, will be found in an advertisement elsewhere.

[Cable Address: "Rush."]

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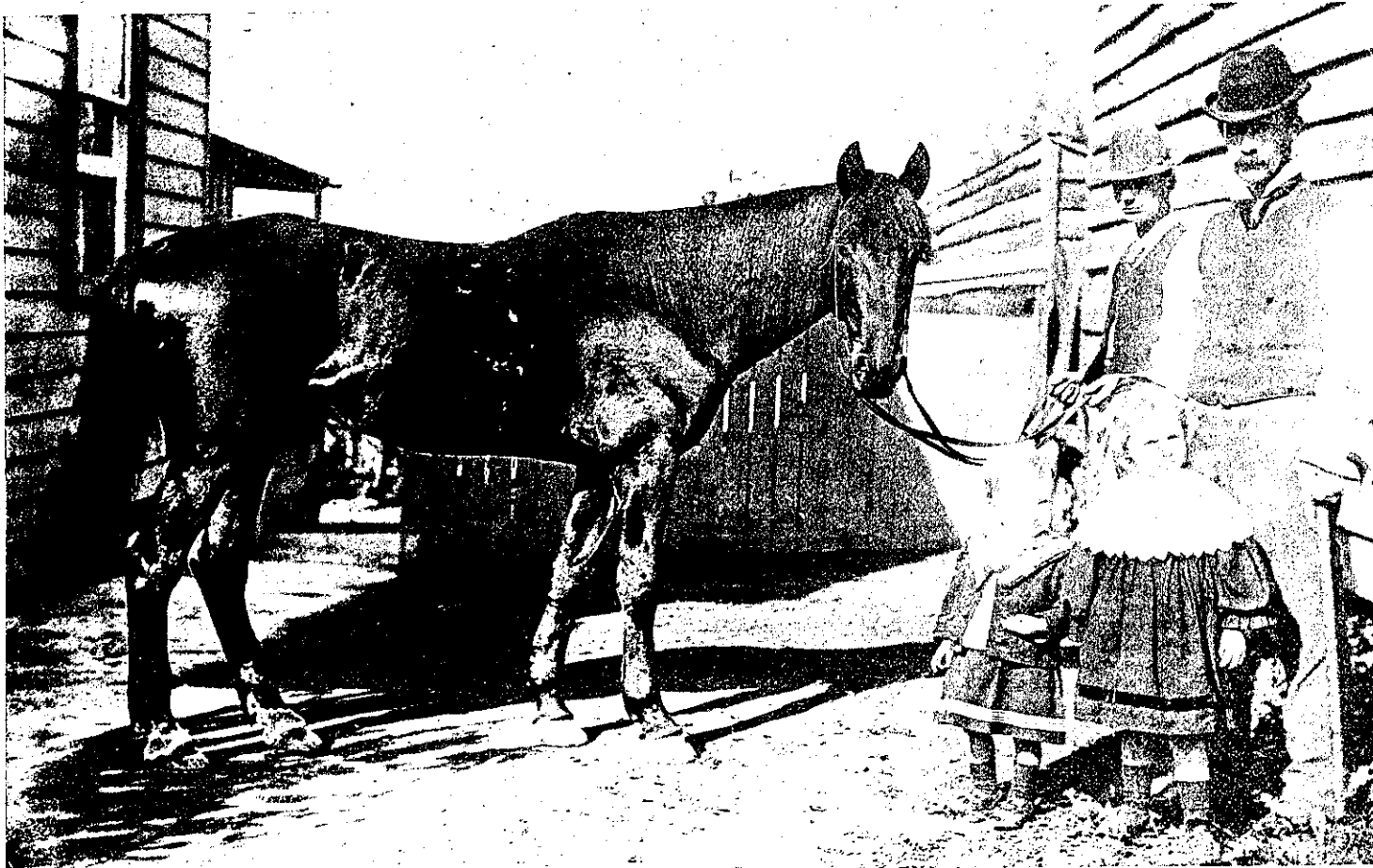
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After the Races.

THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

[BY ATLAS.]

FIRST DAY—MONDAY, APRIL 19TH.

ANOTHER Autumn Meeting is numbered with the gatherings of the past, and the recollections of it will always be pleasant, for the meeting was a pronounced success. Perhaps it might have been more successful had the handicapper adopted a higher scale in most of the events, but then we are all liable to make mistakes—the critic as well as others—and if Mr. Evett did err he must have solace in the thought that the racing right through was interesting to the patrons of Ellerslie. In the matter of weather the Club was in luck. Monday was a delightful day, and Ellerslie was seen at its best, and that is saying a great deal, because the Ellerslie course and its surroundings at any time are pretty. The course proper was in excellent order, and Mr. Percival with his staff had the business arrangements of the meeting in splendid order. On the first day between 6000 and 7000 people patronised the course, and it is satisfactory to note that the sum passed through the machine, £7936, totalled £1188 more than on the corresponding day last year, and we are encouraged to think that, as a community, we are correspondingly richer. Mr. Impey's band did its duty in capital style. The totalisator was most efficiently worked by Mr. Bloomfield and his staff. Mr. T. McEwin who presided over the luncheon rooms discharged his portion of the contract to the entire satisfaction of his patrons, and under all these favouring circumstances it is not surprising that the meeting was such a great success.

The programme was opened with the Tradesman's Plate for which fourteen cried content. This handicap was a particularly light one as the top weight was 7.10. Everyone likes the genial handicapper and it is no spirit of petty criticism that I take exception to it. Speaking to one horse owner he remarked to me, "The evil effects of handicappers commencing their scale low is more observable every race meeting, especially in the northern metropolitan district. The exhibition of several of our best horsemen of unsullied honor strolling about the saddling paddock, whilst trainers are assisting children and deformed pigmies into the saddle, with the jackals of the turf hovering round, is enough to shake one's confidence in the future prosperity of horse breeding and racing." And these words were emphasised by the remark, "Shades of Admiral Rous look down" (or up, because I don't know which place he is in, but I think the chances are that he is on top). The old Admiral I feel very much inclined to think would hold his hands up in horror if he contemplated a field of fourteen with the top weight at 7st 12lbs. It is not justice, Mr. Evett, either to horse breeders or good jockeys, and that plain fact should be stated. In nearly every race at the meeting we saw mannikins in the saddle, while such men as Tommy Taylor and others that we could name had to stand down. The Tradesman's Plate possessed another interest. Under the rose it was known that a well-known and highly respected North Shore sportsman had set the Metropolitan Club in motion over recent scandals. The inquiry was still pending, and it was significant to those who knew anything about the evidence given before the committee of the Metropolitan Club that Waldron, the stable boy, was up on Lady Anna. It is wonderful, too, how well the mare acted in the hands of the youthful jockey. At North Shore she was fractious and in a lather of foam, but at Ellerslie she was quiet. Mr. Cutts got the big field off like a regiment of cavalry. Commodore, Flying Fish, and Lufra formed the front division, and it was not long before Mr. Donald McKinnon's mare had assumed the lead, and she was followed by Swordfish, Flying Fish, and Markinch, while Lady Anna was just in front of the bunched field. At the five furlong post Lufra just held a slight advantage of Flying Fish, while Panoply and Lady Anna were close up. St. Gordon at the turn made a forward move and got on terms with Lufra, with Lady Anna closing up. Lufra was first into the straight, but at the distance Lady Anna made her final effort, and coming away won by a couple of lengths. The win was popular, and the North Shore sportsmen were warmly congratulated. The dividend, £11 12s, must have been a solace for past disappointments. After the placed horses came Markinch and Flying Fish. I was pleased to see that my suggestion regarding the drawing for places by the jockey boys was adopted in this race. They drew numbered marbles, and the system is one that no fault can be found with.

St. Conon was voted the good thing among the seven who weighed out for the Northern Champagne Stakes, but substantial support was also accorded to Miss Emmy and Defiant. The latter pair made the pace, followed by Blaircarrig, while Coronet acted as whipper-in. Rounding the bend, St. Conon made his gallop, and with a few long strides he was almost on terms with the leaders, and a great battle ensued. However, when fairly in the straight St. Conon shirked it very badly, while Defiant and Miss Emmy fought out a brave battle, but Gallagher rode the mare home in splendid style, and landed the stakes by a long neck, while the rolling St. Conon was a neck away third, Canopus fourth, and Coronet fifth.

Six faced the starter for the Easter Handicap, the only scratching being Fabulist. The public fancied Daystar—although there were rumours that he was showing signs of his old soreness—but George Wright turned him out in fine condition, while all the others looked really well. Mr. Cutts sent them away to a splendid start, the first to show the way when they had settled down being Porangi Potae with Folly and St. Paul following. Very much the same order was preserved past the stand, Daystar being last. At the turn Porangi Potae had enough and

Haria appeared in front, and led into the straight with St. Paul, Nestor, and Daystar in close attendance. At the Derby stand Haria had enough, and then Daystar and St. Paul went to the front together and a great battle home resulted in the judge giving his verdict in favour of Daystar by a nose, Nestor being two lengths away third, with Haria fourth, Porangi Potae fifth, and Folly last. The finish was a very exciting one, and many people are inclined to think that St. Paul won, but the angle at Ellerslie is a very difficult one, and the judge is certainly in the best position to decide. Nestor performed fairly well and is evidently improving. Probably this strapping son of St. Leger will be at his best about the next New Zealand Cup time.

In the Handicap Hurdle Race St. Simon was made a warm favourite in a field of eight. When the flag fell Tim, Natation, and Aughadowey formed the first division. At the second fence Tim was the pilot, being attended by Aughadowey, while Miss Nelson and Levanter were close up. At this fence Natation's rider was unseated, and passing the stand the order was—Aughadowey and Tim together, with Miss Nelson and Levanter close up, Heggarmann acting as whipper-in. Levanter led round the back, but when they came into the home turn Miss Nelson was in front, while St. Simon had improved his position. When fairly in the straight, St. Simon ran up to Miss Nelson, and quickly had her in trouble, winning by a long length. On returning to the paddock, Hukaters showed unmistakable signs of soreness.

Thirteen faced the starter in the Eden Handicap, and Armilla was made a warm favourite, but fairly good support was given to Lady Anna. The first to show the way were The Sharper,

thought he had only an outside show. At the distance Donovan made an effort to get in front, but something happened to him and he failed at the finish, The Drone winning by a head.

SECOND DAY.—TUESDAY, APRIL 20.

Again the Auckland Racing Club were fortunate in the matter of weather. The attendance fell short of that on the first day, but speculation was brisk, and the sum of £26,101 passed through the machine, making a total for the two days of £14,037. Owing to the absence of Major Banks, Major Westrupp and Mr. W. H. Herries, M.H.R., acted conjointly as judges.

The opening event, the Stewards' Handicap, attracted a field of eight, and Lady Marion, a bookmaker's horse, was elected favorite. I make this remark in order to commend Mr. Beckett. His little Malua mare has been before the public some time, and she always gets there, or thereabouts. In this race Cast Ashore, a good looking chestnut gelding by Castor, acted as pilot during the first portion of the journey, but half-way down the straight Lady Marion, running with all the gameness of her sire, put in a claim, and won by a length and a half. St. Gordon finished within a length of Cast Ashore, while Lufra tailed off last.

The Ellerslie Handicap brought about an interesting meeting among our two-year-olds. Notwithstanding his erratic running on the first day, St. Conon was made a warm favourite, St. Crispin occupying the second place in the opinion of the public. Mr. Cutts again effected a good start, and the heavily-weighted Miss Emmy was the first to show the way, followed by St. Crispin. Along the back St. Crispin went to the front and led to the turn, where the whole field bunched

stage. Flukem, although blundering at the sod wall, continued to lead to the old water jump, where Kingswood drew up with him, and he began to fall away. Mozel going up the hill went up to Kingswood, and going through the plantation was in front, while the others were bunched together in his rear. After passing the plantation Mozel had a clear lead, and came down the hill in front of Miss Nelson, while Kingswood and Bombardier were close handy. Mozel negotiated the stonewall first, and when he led into the straight proper he seemed to have the race in hand, but at this stage Miss Nelson came at him, and in turn appeared to be the winner. Opposite the Derby stand Rae brought Kingswood up with a well-timed run, and Miss Nelson finished together, the judge giving a dead heat. Mozel was close up third, and Bombardier fourth.

The totalisator paid out on the dead-heat, and the owner of Miss Nelson consulted with one of the part owners of Kingswood on the subject of the division. However, the rider of Kingswood, who is also a part owner, was obdurate. He was evidently under the impression that an injustice had been done his horse Dentist at North Shore, and declared that he would have all or nothing. It now became evident that the run-off would be a "battle royal," and the race, although the last of the evening, was witnessed with a lot of interest. Soon after the start Rae took Kingswood to the front, and made the pace sound. Kingswood jumped in faultless style, while Miss Nelson more than once blundered. However, she was on terms with Kingswood coming down the hill for the last time, and the excitement became intense. The pair raced to the last obstacle locked together, but here Miss Nelson again struck, and Kingswood coming on won by about three lengths. On returning to scale both Rae and Katterns were loudly applauded.

Ten sported silk in the Flying Handicap, Armilla being again made favourite. Lillie and Kanaka were the first away, and the former led into the straight, still being there when the Derby Stand was reached. At this stage Armilla threw out a challenge, but was unable to sustain it and Lillie won comfortably by a couple of lengths from Rex, who was closely attended by Three Star, Armilla being fourth.

Thirteen came out for the Pony Handicap, and Fair Nell, on the strength of her previous good deed, was made favourite, while Leona, Norina, and Partan Jeannie had a strong following. Partan Jeannie, Norina, and Provoke all flattered their backers in the straight, but, at the distance, Napoleon came with a wet sail and won easily by three lengths from Fair Nell. This pony, Napoleon, has been mentioned freely of late as one of the animals connected with the enquiry instituted by the A.R.C. at the late Avondale meeting. Napoleon ran a dead-heat with Panoply in the Selling Race, after which he was sold for £30. Since then it has been alleged that proof can be given that twice over he had been pulled contrary to the interests of this previous owner. Napoleon's running on Tuesday, like that of Lady Anna on Monday, came to many in the light of a revelation.

The Meeting was brought to a most successful close with the Shorts Handicap, in which the main was seven. Mr. J. C. Booth's rather uncertain mare Rex secured for him his first win of the Meeting. Messrs. Alison Bros.' Regel astonished everyone by the way in which he ran in this race. Although manifestly above himself he stuck to Rex right through the journey, and was only beaten by a little over a length, that fast mare Porangi Potae having to be content with third place.

THE CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

[BY OUR CANTERBURY CORRESPONDENT.]

FIRST DAY—MONDAY, APRIL 19TH.

The C.J.C. Autumn Race Meeting was commenced on Monday under very favourable climatic conditions, the weather being fine all day. There was as usual a large attendance, Dunedin being strongly represented. Speculation was brisk, the sum of £9,170 being passed through the totalisator—£1,927 more than that handled on the first day of the Autumn Meeting last year.

The racing commenced with the Kildare Hurdle Race, for which the top weight, Social Pest, was installed favourite with Highlander next in demand. The race was a very pretty one right up to the last fence, each one of the starters except Regret seeming to have a chance of winning. Social Pest failed to respond to Highlander's final challenge in the last fifty yards and the latter finished first, half a length in front of the son of Ahua. Old Clarence ran very well and was third three lengths behind Social Pest. Tally-Ho was fourth only a neck behind Clarence.

The Champagne Stakes resolved itself into a match between Multiform and Miniature, Mr. Stead's colt winning very easily by nearly three lengths. Mr. Stead has now won the Champagne Stakes five years in succession. Gold Medallist was withdrawn.

Salvo Shot, who has been showing good form lately, was most in demand for the Autumn Maiden Plate and beat Female Franchise by half a length for first honors, Miss Orwell being two lengths away third. Dunedin visitors backed Plotter heavily, but the son of Catesby could not get nearer than fourth. This colt made a bold bid for victory in the Canterbury Derby in November last, but he is evidently not the colt he was cracked up to be.

There were fifteen starters in the Great Easter Handicap, for which the public installed Telemeter as favourite. Waiuku was supported more than the others. The race needs very little description. Gold Spur made the running from the start and was never headed, winning very easily by two lengths from Barshot, who was a length and a half in front of Waiuku, who was followed by Belle Clair, Mannlicher, Firefly, Telemeter, and Skirmisher in the order named. Lord Roslyn was last. Telemeter was never promi-



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Lady Marion, and Armilla, and they entered the straight in that order, but at that juncture Armilla took command. At the half distance Lady Marion and Lady Anna got on terms with the leader. After a splendid finish Lady Anna was returned the winner by a neck, a neck separating second and third. This, the second victory of Lady Anna during the day, was evidently very popular. Lady Anna, it may be remarked, is the horse chiefly involved in the enquiry that has recently been instituted by the A.R.C. The allegation is that Lady Anna has been interfered with, and the fact that she has performed so well with the stable boy in the saddle, lends colour to the allegation. Messrs. Duder, who own the mare, were warmly congratulated after her second victory.

A field of fourteen cried content in the Onslow Stakes. Miss Anna was very properly elected favourite, and she proved her excellence by winning her third successive victory. This mare is the first of St. Hippo's progeny to race, and up to the present she has a splendid record. On Monday she was fairly tried, and proved her gameness. Miss Anna, like Lady Anna, belongs to Messrs. Duder, and the stable boy was again up.

In the Pony Race ten started, and Fair Nell was made first favourite. She justified the confidence reposed in her by galloping away from her field at the finish. Norina, who ran second, is evidently a good mare, and more will be heard of her in the future.

The Railway Handicap, in which there were seven starters, brought the day's sport to a close. Lady Cuisine was the popular pick, but Lillie and Porangi Potae received substantial support. The Drone commenced well and galloped in a style which completely astonished those who

up. At the Derby Stand it seemed to be anyone's race, the field being all together; but opposite the Grandstand Defiant, well handled by Davis, shot out and won by a length from Mr. Donald McKinnon's Picklock, with St. Crispin close up third, Miss Emmy fourth, and St. Conon fifth. The Hon. J. D. Ormond's colt paid the very nice dividend of £11 7s.

The Autumn Handicap brought out a field of eight, and St. Paul was elected favourite. Porangi Potae was a little fractious at the start, but Mr. Cutts succeeded in getting the field away on very even terms. Porangi Potae as usual acted as pilot, and at the bottom turn was two lengths in front of Markinch, after whom came St. Paul, Doris, and Haria. Porangi Potae showed the way along the back followed by Markinch and St. Paul, but on entering the straight St. Paul ran to the front and very quickly had everything else in trouble, winning easily by three lengths from Daystar, Markinch being an indifferent third. Although Chaeaf on St. Paul won easily there is no reason why he should have looked behind him as if he were playing with his opponents. This conduct on the part of a jockey neither serves the horse he is riding or its owner.

The next event, the Autumn Steeplechase, proved to be the race of the meeting. Kingswood and Bombardier were almost equal favourites in the field of eight which started. Flukem was the first to show the way, and led past the stand, followed by Miss Nelson, Kingswood, and Natation, and at the water jump led by nearly a dozen lengths. When negotiating the hill the leader began to fall back to his field. All the horses jumped splendidly and were close together when the sod fence was reached. Flukem, Miss Nelson, Mozel, and Kingswood being altogether at this

gent. Vanilla, Skirmisher, Lord Roslyn, Mar-emma, Belligerent, Firefly, Tire, and Manawanui all ran disappointingly. Gold Spur was bred in the Oamaru district, and is a brown gelding by Rubezahl—Rose Spur; he is four years old, and was bought by his present owner (Mr J. Loughlan) for £14. Barshot, who finished second, pulled up very sore.

Jewel, who is a remarkably fine mare, carried 9st to victory in the Epsom Welter, defeating Black and Red, Arquebus, and five others.

Mr Ormond's colt, Daunt, had very little difficulty in winning the Russell Plate. Bracelet, who was a hot favourite, whipped round when the tapes went up and took no part in the race.

Vandyke annexed the Sockburn Handicap in 7½ style from Salvo Shot, but the latter would probably have won had he not lost a length or so at the top turn. Vandyke won the same race last year.

The Gimcrack Race furnished a good set-to between Molly Darling, Alcestis, and Stockfish, who finished in the order named. The winner was bought in at 30 guineas.

SECOND DAY—TUESDAY, APRIL 20TH.

The weather was fine though cold for to-day's racing. The Peerswick Hurdle Race, the first event on the programme, brought out a field of five. Clarence, the outsider of the party, had more pace than the others in the last 100 yards, and won by a length and a quarter from Highlander, who was half a length in front of Ilex. Tally-Ho was fourth, and Social Pest last.

Six fillies faced the starter in the Autumn Nursery. After a pretty race Gold Leaf beat Bracelet by half a length for first honours. Miniature being three lengths away third, Beauty Sleep was fourth, and Bloomer last.

Manawanui created a surprise by winning the Yaldhurst Welter Handicap. The race produced the best finish of the meeting, Manawanui just beating Telemeter by a head for first place. St. Elmo was third four lengths behind Telemeter, Plotter fourth, Lord Zealand fifth, Salvo Shot sixth. The dividend, £20 9s 6d, was the largest at the meeting.

Waiuku 8.12, Lord Roslyn 8.1, Leda 7.9, Chaos 7.7, Belligerent 7.0, Firefly 7.0, Tire 6.12, were starters in the Great Autumn Handicap. The first-named, who had been well backed by his connections for the double, was the public fancy. Belligerent made most of the running, Tire, Lord Roslyn, and Chaos following. The field was close together entering the straight, but Waiuku soon had his opponents in difficulties, and taking the lead just below the distance went on and won by a length and a half from Leda, who came fast in the last 100 yards. Tire was a neck behind Leda, then followed Belligerent, Firefly, Chaos, Lord Roslyn, in the order named. The half-mile was done in 57sec., the 6 furlongs 1min. 24sec., and the mile and a-half in 2min. 40 1-5sec.

The Fifth Challenge Stakes was robbed of a good deal of interest owing to Seashell being left at the post and Mannlicher dislodging his rider as the barrier was raised. Neither took any part in the race, and Gold Medallist did not start. Multiform won very easily by a length from Daunt, Gold Leaf being third and Argon last.

Gold Spur showed what a fine horse he is by carrying 9.5 to victory in the Templeton Handicap, cutting out the six furlongs in 1min 16 1-5sec. Molly Darling (6.13) was second and Belle Clair (8.4) third. Gold Spur, who won hard held by a length and a half, was giving weight to such smart sprinters as Vanilla (8.6), Jewel (8.8), and Marino (8.5).

Wearly won the Addington Plate by half a length from Alcestis, but no bid was offered for the daughter of St. George. Barmby, whose best days as a racehorse are evidently over, was third. He was entered at £100. The son of Vanguard, who, at his best, was one of the fastest sprinters in New Zealand, should make a good stud horse. Mauser, Vogengang, and Bold were among the starters.

The Final Handicap saw Barshot, who was made favourite, at his best, beating Boreas (second), Skirmisher (third), Black and Red, Leda, Marlin, and Belligerent. Barshot won very easily by a length.

Mr J. E. Henry (handicapper), was not able to be present at the meeting owing to sickness in his family at Wellington.

Inter-Provincial.

HAWKES BAY.

The flood—Death of Leonora and several other brood mares—Cyclists in difficulties.

NAPIER, April 20.

Owing to the flood which we had on Friday last Fred Collins, C. Siddells, and Tom Sweeney, with their respective teams had to quit Greenmeadows and take refuge in Napier. Robinson Crusoe, who forms one of Collins' team, is located at Palmer's stables, while the other members of the string, Morag, Drury Lane, a five-year-old daughter of Patriarch and Claudina, and a two-year-old filly by Rewata out of the Anteros mare Maratama, are up at their owner's, Mr George Richardson, place on the hospital hill. Moonraker, Maid Marion, and Billy are at Rymers' stables. Although the Park Racing Club's course and fixtures are situated in close proximity to where the principal part of the deluge took place, they have come out of the ordeal all right, as will be seen when I state that of 150 sheep that were grazing on their property, not a single one has been lost. With the exception of a small deposit of silt at the back of the course, and a slight list to seaward of the galvanised fence that encloses the grand stand and lawn enclosure, matters are as they were previous to the flood.

News from Hastings, and it has been a bit patchy for the last few days, tells of the death by

drowning of Captain Russell's brood mare Leonora, and a couple of stud matrons belonging to the owner of Flaxmere. Mr W. Douglas, of Temahanga, has also lost three of his brood mares, the names of which I have not been able to ascertain.

As showing the effect the storm has had upon the postal department, no SPORTING REVIEWS of last week are yet to hand.

The Waipukerau races, which were to have taken place on Easter Monday, have been postponed indefinitely, interruption in the railway traffic being the cause of the postponement.

Mr A. McCartney, who is one of the missing boat's crew, is the well known licensee of the Albion Hotel in this town. He officiated for some time back as judge at the Town and Suburban meetings, and a few years ago had Piscatorius at the service of breeders in this district.

A team of the Wanderers' Bicycle Club, consisting of Messrs. A. C. Norris, W. B. Jourdain, Caughley, Pocock, T. Oliver, and T. Taylor, accompanied by Messrs. Bowman, Lindsay, and Strickland, of the Amateur Athletic Club, left Napier on Good Friday by the express train, en route for the Wanganui meeting, which was timed for Easter Monday. The train got along all right until Pakipaki was reached, about seventeen miles from Napier, when a halt took place, as it was found upon reaching that place that nothing but water loomed in sight, and it was not considered advisable to proceed further until advice had been obtained from the authorities. A message was sent at once to Hastings, from whence two men were despatched to Napier on a trolley, asking for instructions. Hour after hour passed and no news came, while the water deepened in front, and the situation became more serious. There was very little food on the train, and the passengers had to do without lunch. At last, at half-past five, it was decided to return to Hastings, and the train slowly proceeded back, many stops having to be made on account of the critical condition of the rails. Hastings was at last reached, and a rush made for the hotels, all of which were quickly crowded by the unusual number of strangers, who started to relieve their now ravenous hunger. After putting in Saturday and Sunday at Hastings, the party returned to Napier at mid-day on Monday. To say that they enjoyed the trip would be a stretch of the imagination, but, as several of the team remarked to me, it might have been worse, and I think they were lucky to get home with their lives.

Our Illustrations.

THIS week, as one of our leading illustrations, we present Mr Wm. Percival, the popular secretary of the Auckland Racing Club. Mr Percival is not approachable concerning his own history, and therefore we are dependent upon others to supply us with information. We find that the jovial executive officer of the Auckland club was born in Wanstead, England, and early in his career he displayed a taste for horses, and was adjudged a splendid cross-country lad when only in his teens. He arrived in Auckland in 1868, and a few years afterwards became a leading follower of the hounds, and for ten years no more fearless rider could be found across country. On one occasion the subject of our illustration met with an accident while riding Coronation in a steeplechase at Canterbury (N.Z.). Since that time he has devoted attention to the interests of the Auckland Racing Club, and is now decidedly popular. It has been said that Mr Percival is too closely identified with certain horses. We, however, give the guarantee that the horses with which Mr Percival's name has been connected have been fairly and honourably leased. No doubt Mr Percival takes a strong interest in the progeny of his stable, but that interest is more for the benefit of the turf than for himself.

To interest our cycling contributors we give a picture of our English friends, Messrs. Green and Edwards, who have recently been competing in Melbourne; also a group of competitors and trainers at the Wanganui and West Coast Cycling Club's Meeting, held at Wanganui on March 18.

We also present Israelite, the winner of the Maiden Pony Race at Potter's Paddock last Saturday. This little fellow is only thirteen hands two inches and a half high, but he is the picture of a racehorse in miniature.

Another picture is that of the cross-country pony, Fauntleroy. He is a splendid performer, and certainly deserves better success than has attended his efforts at Potter's Paddock.

Kapai's picture is also given. He was the winner of the Electric Trot and the Stewards' Trot at the late meeting of the Auckland Trotting Club. He is a fine, handsome horse, and has few superiors when racing under saddle.

We give a portrait of Butler, alias Harwood. The appearance of this savage in our columns needs a word of excuse, because, as a rule, we only cater to the sporting world. However, at the present time he is an object of public interest. Soon after the publication of our paper to-day he will probably arrive in Auckland. Although many wish to see the murderer, it is certain that the detectives who have him in charge will prevent the curiosity of the public being gratified, and for that reason we present his portrait.



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Anticipations.

THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

[BY ATLAS.]

THE weights were issued at a late hour last night, and from the necessarily hurried glance I make the following selections:—

Maiden Hurdle Handicap.—TIM 1, THE INDIAN 2, MOZEL 3.

Handicap Hurdle Race.—GIPSY PRINCE 1, AUGHADOWEY 2, LEVANTER 3.

St. George's Handicap.—DORIS 1, LADY ANNA 2, FLYING FISH 3.

Pony Handicap Hurdle Race.—LIBELLER OF PORORUA.

Criterion Handicap.—REGEL 1, THE DRONE 2, JANET 3.

Handicap Steeplechase.—ST. SIMON 1, KINGSWOOD 2, LEVANTER 3.

Grandstand Handicap.—DONOVAN 1, PORANGI POTAE 2, REX 3.

Victoria Handicap.—CANOPUS 1, ST. CRISPIN 2, CORONET 3.

OUR EASTER COUPON.

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21 picked winning treble—Easter Handicap, Autumn Handicap, and Steeplechase.

Two of these, 188 and 366, were informal as they did not reach our office by the specified time.

The division will, therefore, rest with the 19 successful tipsters, each of whom will receive 10s. 6d. Had Miss Nelson won the prize would have fallen to four competitors, who relied upon the daughter of old Nelson to win the steeplechase. The amounts are payable at our office on application. The following are the winning numbers, with names and addresses, of the winners:—

- 25 L. L. Beeson, Church Street, Devonport
- 54 J. Russell, Vulcan Lane, Auckland
- 62 Miss E. Vallilley, Whata Whata
- 103 W. G. Irwin, Ellerslie
- 183 T. C. Barrett, Nelson Street [informal]
- 267 E. Seaborne, Remuera, Auckland
- 318 Mrs H. Mason, Coromandel Street, Newtown, Wellington
- 319 C. Edwards, Beresford Street
- 329 R. P. Kinloch, Three Kings, Orehunga
- 366 Mrs O'Connor, 65 Vincent Street [informal]
- 378 S. McEwin, City Buffet, Queen Street
- 383 J. Russell, Vulcan Lane, Auckland
- 445 E. Hewson, Vermont Street
- 453 E. Lundin, Wellesley Street, Auckland
- 470 Bert Stone, Eden Street, Mount Eden
- 513 E. N. Mabblerley, Graham Street, Auckland
- 537 Charles Lloyd, Waihai School, Lower Parnell, Auckland
- 550 W. M. Richards, next School, Lower Parnell, Auckland
- 597 W. S. Dickey, Upper Union Street
- 621 A. Tuohy, Lorne Street
- 629 Daniel Kelly, Richmond Road

We shall shortly announce several new coupons.

At the present time there are four remarkably fine yearlings at Ellerslie. The Cuirassier—Jadestone colt is in the hands of Mr George Wright, and is looking remarkably well. This is a lusty and powerful colt, and will be either a champion or nothing.

Mr J. C. Booth has a couple of very fine youngsters to handle, one being by St. Hippo out of Cantiniere, and the other by Cuirassier—Balista. Most people would prefer the last-named, but the Cantiniere colt is very likely to furnish into another St. Hippo; he is a powerful fellow, and in many respects resembles his sire. The fourth colt is located at Alex. Caulton's stable in Greenlane; he is by St. Leger—Antelope and stands on a beautiful set of legs; he has only been placed in Caulton's hands during the past week, but already he displays the sweetest of tempers; with his fine quarters and great shoulders this, the latest son of Antelope, should make a wonderful galloper.

The value of stallions of the highest class is going up fast in America, states an exchange. Only a few days ago \$30,000dols. was offered for Allerton (2min 9½sec), 15,000dols. was bid for another prominent stock horse, and it is well-known that there are several 10,000dols. buyers looking for the best they can get.

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HANDICAPS.

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MAIDEN HURDLE HANDICAP of 60 sovs. One mile and a half.			
	st lb		st lb
Natation	11 9	The Indian	9 11
Ongo	11 9	Samoa	9 10
Glenlora	10 11	Waitress	9 7
Mozel	10 11	Wally	9 5
Forella	10 10	Awatuna	9 0
Tim	10 7	Maid of Honor	9 0
Lady Agnes	10 7	Emerald	9 0
Play Boy	10 3	Outlaw	9 0
Reflection	10 0		

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 80 sovs. One mile and three-quarters.			
	st lb		st lb
St Simon	12 13	Beggarmen	9 7
Levanter	11 8	Hukaters	9 7
Gipsy Prince	11 5	Aughadowey	9 7
Miss Nelson	11 2	Megoulet	9 0

ST. GEORGE'S HANDICAP of 120 sovs. One mile.			
	st lb		st lb
Day Star	9 6	Three Star	7 7
St Paul	9 6	Kanaka	7 6
Fabulist	9 5	Pyroxylin	7 0
Armilla	8 7	Porangi Potae	7 0
Doris	8 7	Fair Nell	6 12
Lady Anna	8 4	Cast Ashore	6 10
Lady Marion	7 12	Korowai	6 10
Markinch	7 11	Swordfish	6 7
Webley	7 11	Wal-iti	6 7
Panoply	7 11	Commodore	6 7
Retaliation	7 10	Yattenfeldt	6 7
Haria	7 9	Anniversary	6 7
Flying Fish	7 8	Recruit	6 7
Lufra	7 8		

PONY HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 40 sovs. One mile and a half.			
	st lb		st lb
Clayton	11 0	Archduke	10 0
Libeller	10 6	Repeat	9 0
Pororua	10 4		

CRITERION HANDICAP of 80 sovs. Four furlongs.			
	st lb		st lb
St Kilda	10 6	Napoleon	7 8
Lillie	9 3	Repo	7 7
Rex	8 10	The Drone	7 6
Regel	8 8	Janet	7 5
Miss Emmy	8 6	Decoracion	7 5
The Sharper	8 4	Cuiralba	7 5
Picklock	8 3	Doneraile	7 0
Provoke	8 0	Leo	6 10
St Crispin	7 10	Waititi	6 9
Lady Cuisine	7 10	The Owl	6 7
Donovan	7 10	Seabreeze	6 7
Clarion	7 8		

HANDICAP STEEPLCHASE of 80 sovs. About three miles.			
	st lb		st lb
St. Simon	11 12	Sepoy	9 7
Levanter	11 12	Glenlora	9 7
Kingswood	11 4	Flukem	9 7
Miss Nelson	11 0	The Indian	9 7
Bombardier	11 0	Hukaters	9 7
Gipsy Prince	10 11	Megoulet	9 7
Mozel	9 11	Ditto	9 7
Forella	9 7		

GRANDSTAND HANDICAP of 80 sovs. Five furlongs.			
	st lb		st lb
St Paul	9 11	Donovan	7 6
Doris	9 5	Lady Cuisine	7 6
Armilla	9 0	Lufra	7 5
Lillie	8 10	Pyroxylin	7 3
Rex	8 7	Porangi Potae	7 2
Regel	8 5	Korowai	6 10
Lady Marion	8 5	Swordfish	6 9
Miss Emmy	7 10	Tamakiti	6 7
Kanaka	7 7	Corvette	6 7

VICTORIA HANDICAP of 80 sovs. Five furlongs.			
	st lb		st lb
St Crispin	8 7	Leo	7 7
Volcano	8 6	Blairina	7 0
Coronet	8 5	Electra	7 0
Cuiralba	8 5	Reaction	6 10
Repo	8 4	Gowrie	6 7
Janet	8 2	Crusade	6 7
Royal Conqueror	7 11	Atalanta	6 7
Canopus	7 11	Brilliant	6 7
Doneraile	7 10		

AN EXCELLENT MARKSMAN.

"The most expensive shot I ever made was in the mountains in a Western state," remarked an amateur Nimrod, who has about a dozen guns and rifles and half a dozen dogs, not to speak of hunting suits innumerable and divers sporting paraphernalia, according to the *Detroit Free Press*. "I was after wild turkey in a gulch where it was said a gang of nine or ten had their rendezvous. I was prowling through a thicket when I heard 'em. There they were all together eating something. Whatever they were feeding on, it brought their necks all in a bunch, and my heart bounded with exultation. I took careful aim at those necks and let fly with both barrels from my shotgun. Well, sir, it knocked every one over, so closely had they been standing together. I confess it was like pot-hunting, and that I ought to have flushed 'em first. I went forward to get my game.

"Suddenly I heard a voice.
"Hey you, thar!"
"I looked up and there was one of the long, old-fashioned, muzzle-loading rifles pointed straight at me.

"Did you kill them gobblers?"
"Yes, all at one shot too."

"Well you fork out 2dol apiece. Them's my tame turkeys. My cabin's over thar. See it? Them birds were feeding out of a trough, eating corn I put thar for 'em. Do you pay or—"
"I pay."

"And I did. It was a 10dol shot. The greasy, ragged hill-dweller and apology for a farmer chuckled when he took the money.

"I s'pose ye don't want the birds?"
"Yes, I do," I answered, testily.

"Wal, the folks to hum can tell the difference 'tween tame and wild birds, I cal'late."

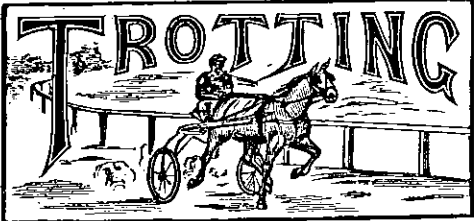
"Oh, keep 'em," I said, angrily.
"So he took them to his cabin, and as I departed he yelled out.

"Say, stranger, there's some of my geese back thar ye might try yer hand at. That thar was a great shot of your'n. Five to onst! Ho! ho!"

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NORTH ISLAND TROTTER ASSOCIATION OF N.Z.

PALMERSTON NORTH, March 24th, 1896.
To the Editor SPORTING REVIEW.
Auckland.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that your paper has been appointed the OFFICIAL CALENDAR for the North Island Trotting Association of New Zealand.

Yours faithfully,
C. C. MILES,
Secretary N.I.T.A. of N.Z.

AUCKLAND TROTTER CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

[BY ATLAS.]

SECOND DAY—SATURDAY, 17TH APRIL, 1897

ALTHOUGH the weather on the final day of the Auckland Trotting Club's Autumn meeting was suggestive of breezy Wellington, there was a wonderfully good attendance at Potter's Paddock, and speculation during the afternoon was fairly brisk, the sum of £2001 passing through the machine, making a total for the two days of £3975 10s. Mr Marks must be commended for the complete nature of his arrangements, and the management of the racing was highly satisfactory. I was glad to see Mr Harris in his usual place in the judge's box, as in that position he has the respect and confidence of the public. Mr Cutts handled the red flag with his customary ability, while the interesting nature of the racing and the good fields was a flattering tribute of praise to Mr Knight, the handicapper.

Proceedings were opened with the Trial Trot, in which a field of eleven started. Golden King was the absolute favourite, but at the last moment the well-informed division plucked the dollars down on Wild Rose II., and when the start was effected she was almost as good a favourite as Golden King. The mare moving at a nice easy gait soon got to the front, and she was never afterwards displaced, and won very comfortably by half a dozen lengths. After the race it was reported to the committee that the mare had been rung in, and for a short time she was taken charge of and her description taken. I have no doubt, however, that the winner is what she has been represented to be—Wild Rose II.

The Maiden Pony Race brought out a field of eight, and the public placed their confidence in the polo pony First Whisper. This little mare has been singularly unfortunate since her introduction to racing. Well fancied at the polo sports at Ellerslie, she was defeated by Chance It, who, only a few mornings before, had succumbed to her on the training track. Since then at Potter's Paddock she has always run forward, but has never been able to quite get there. On Saturday she got well away, and had a substantial lead along the back stretch, but when negotiating the bend Israelite put in an undeniable claim, and very quickly had everything else in trouble, winning finally by nearly two lengths.

Ten was the main for the Easter Handicap Trot, and Hordern was made a very strong order, the whisper having gone round that he had done a satisfactory trial. Duke C. did not start owing to some misunderstanding at the post, and the money invested on him (£64 10s) was returned to the investors. The race is soon described; Ingar quickly got to the front and repeated Wild Rose's performance in the first race. Vulture, in the final round, made a good effort to catch him, but lost his chance by breaking badly. Mr Renwick's gelding eventually won easily by a dozen lengths. Kapai trotted splendidly in the latter part of the journey and got second, while the favourite, Hordern, was never dangerous, and collapsed before half the journey had been done.

The Steeplechase amongst the ponies is always an item of interest at Potter's Paddock, and that on Saturday was no exception to the rule. Six faced the starter, and every one of these was well backed, the total number of investments doubling that invested on any of the others during the day. Fauntleroy was the actual favourite, but The Dove and Little Raven followed him closely in the estimation of the public. Helena, from the fall of the flag, made the pace lively, and was followed by Fauntleroy and Little Tom. The other three were close up, and passing the stand the second time Fauntleroy reached Helena, while Little Raven was last. Going round the bend Little Raven, who had been patiently and wisely ridden, began to move up. He was full of running, and the leaders beginning to tire, he was on terms with them before the dip was reached, and the race was then virtually over, as he came away and won very easily by half a dozen lengths. Little Raven was ridden by his owner, who deserves credit for the judgment he displayed.

The Second Harness Trot brought out a field of five, Slim Jim and Duke C. being the pick of the public. However, they both failed badly. Slim Jim in the early part of the journey moved well, but he had to give way to Lord Harold, who eventually won very easily from Hordern.

A dozen cried content in the April Handicap, and Silkworm, Lena, and Lady Howitzer carried most money, but it did not fall to the lot of



MR R. HENRY'S BR G KAPAI, WINNER OF THE STEWARDS' AND ELECTRIC TROTS AT THE A.T.C. MEETING.

Photo. by J. A. Slack, Auckland

any one of them to catch the eye of the judge first. Cupid was the first to act as pilot, but Topsail took command at the dip, where the field was well bunched and close up. A splendid contest down the straight ensued, and the issue was in doubt until the finish, when Rangiru put in a well-timed run and won by a neck from Silkworm and Topsail, who made a dead heat for second place.

The shades of night were rapidly approaching before the last race—the Class Trot—was run. Six started, and out of that number Rosebud was made a pronounced favourite, but she quite disappointed her backers. Alice got to the front three furlongs from home, and won very easily from Lusitania. This brought a very successful meeting to a close.

The following are the results:—

TRIAL TROT HANDICAP of 25 sovs (saddle); second horse 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half.

100 Mr E. Ellett's b m Wild Rose II., aged, 33sec, owner ... 1
3 Mr Thomas Brady's b m Little Agnes, aged, 33sec, Brady ... 2
15 Mr W. McLeod's b m Coralie, aged, 39sec, owner ... 3
Other starters—29 Lusitania, scr, Palmer; 63 Waihinapai, 4sec, Edwards; 24 Okoroire, 18sec, Henry; 105 Golden King, 24sec, Newsham; 6 Miss Graham, 25sec, owner; 5 Bendigo, 25sec,

owner; 6 Bessie Doyle, 35sec, owner; 6 Doctor, 35sec, Neighbour.
Won by half a dozen lengths. Time, 4min 28sec. Dividend, £1 12s.

MAIDEN PONY RACE of 20 sovs; second horse 3 sovs from the stake. Five furlongs.

103 Mr H. J. Connop's Israelite, 8.2, Glass 1
244 Mr M. Wood's b m First Whisper, aged, 8.4, Kelly ... 2
87 Mr M. Briggs' b g Siwash, aged, 7.7 (including 9lb over), Gillespie ... 3
Other starters—38 Pembroke, 8.10, Dixon; 38 Little Belle, 7.8, Powell; 75 Papamoa, 7.4, Brady; 17 Disgrace, 6.7, Neville.

EASTER HANDICAP TROT (saddle) of 45 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. Two miles and a quarter.

44 Mr J. Renwick's b g Ingar, aged, 40sec, owner ... 1
30 Mrs Carr's br m Vulture, aged, 37sec, Carr ... 2
14 Mr Douglas Henry's br g Kapai, aged, 4sec, E. Ellett ... 3
Other starters—48 Darlington, 16sec, owner; 16 Claret, 21sec, owner; 186 Hordern, 27sec, owner; 6 Sandfly, 30sec, Neighbour; 63 Bess, 36sec, G. Clarke; 0 Hazelwood, 37sec, owner; 4 Doctor, 45sec, Armer.
Won by a dozen lengths. No time taken. Dividend, £4 4s.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 49 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. About two miles and a half.

225 Mr T. Greenwood's blk g Little Raven, aged, 10.0, owner ... 1
71 Mr W. J. Bowden's ch m Helena, aged, 11.2, McClusky ... 2
267 Mr E. Williams' br g Fauntleroy, aged, 11.10, McLennan ... 3
Other starters—95 Little Tom, 11.0, D. White; 50 Pembroke, 10.8, Quinton; 235 The Dove, 10.5, Cook.
Won by five lengths. Time, 5min 49sec. Dividend, £1 17s.

SECOND HARNESS TROT HANDICAP of 40 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half.

92 Mr W. J. Greenwood's ch g Lord Harold, aged, 43sec, owner ... 1
85 Mr R. Henry's b g Hordern, 6yrs, 30sec ... 2
193 Mr E. G. Sandall's b g Slim Jim, 6yrs, 46sec, owner ... 3
Other starters—152 Duke C., 12sec, Chatteris; 20 Sandfly, 32sec, owner.
Won easily. Time, 4min 31sec. Dividend, £2 13s.

APRIL HANDICAP of 35 sovs; second pony 5 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs and a half.

115 Mr James Ramwell's b f Rangiru, 3yrs, 7.6, Gillespie ... 1
242 Mr G. Hatton's ch m Silkworm, aged, 9.4, White ... 1
14 Mr H. C. Greenwood's ch m Topsail, 5yrs, 9.8, Quinton ... 1
Other starters—212 Lena, 9.4, Lett; 156 Lady Howitzer, 8.10, Kelly; 57 Cupid, 8.6, Dixon; 45 Kit, 8.0, Powell; 35 First Whisper, 7.12, McEwan; 51 Israelite, 8.1 (inc. 7lb pen.), Glass; 14 Germina, 7.0, Neville; 9 Papamoa, 6.12, Brady; 6 Maria, 6.7, Speakman.
Won by a neck. Time, 1min 30sec. Dividend, £3 15s.

CLASS TROT of 40 sovs (in saddle or harness); second horse 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half.

82 Mr P. Williams' b m Alice, aged, 16sec, Edwards ... 1
22 Mr J. Winter's b m Lusitania, aged, 16sec, Armer ... 2
10 Mr J. Gage's gr m Fibre, aged, 27sec, Clarke ... 3
Other starters—217 Rosebud, 9sec, owner; 34 Old Judge, 16sec, owner; 26 Waihinapai, 19sec, Duncan.
Won by half a dozen lengths. Time, 4min 14sec. Dividend, £2 2s.

NOTES.

The stewards of the Akaroa County Racing Club have disqualified for life Charles O'Reilly for entering Homeward as a district horse at the recent meeting of the club at Little River. Homeward is also disqualified for life. The rider on the occasion as well as a prominent owner, who, it is alleged, is the real proprietor of the animal, were acquitted of any complicity in the matter.

The owner of Maud S., the celebrated American trotter, gives some interesting particulars about his purchase of the mare. She was for sale as a two-year-old for 350dol, and to please his trainer, who liked her looks, although she was a very small animal, Captain Stone purchased her, and named her Maud S., after his little daughter. For some time the mare would not take at all to the trotting gait, but by exercising patience, Bair, her trainer, at last got her to settle down. She for some time held the mile record with 2min 8½sec.



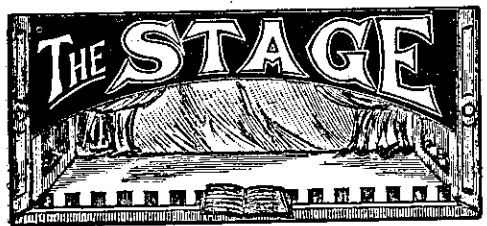
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THE HAWKE'S BAY HOUNDS.

THE third meet of the season of the Hawke's Bay Hounds was fixed for Saturday, the 10th inst., at "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 (Huntman) on Repo, 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 Mornus, Harold Russell on Te Whetu, L. Cottle on Puketoi, A. C. Loughnan on Glengarrig, 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. Hassell, well-known in the hunting field, has taken an appointment as huntsman to the Hawera Hunt Club. His friends wish him every success.



[BY ORPHEUS.]

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 advantage the excellent tone of a piano by the Danish Steinway Company, the first of that make imported into New Zealand. Next followed a sparkling dialogue 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 James Bell caused inextinguishable laughter with his "Senegambian Oddities," a great deal of Attic salt going with the Senna! His stumpy speech on "Marriage," songs, burlesque conjuring 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 supported by Miss Ada Delroy, Mr Teddy Ford, and several other members of the company. After the interval a 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 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, "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 india-rubber or putty, and in quick succession and unaided by 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 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'Rourke, 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 appearance 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 teleometer. Certainly no other mind-reader so baffles the man who can always say "how it is done." 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 Day sang 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 pains 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 scena ("Sweet Spirit Hear My Prayer") from Vincent Wallace's "Lurline" very creditably. A brilliant and screaming burlesque of "Romeo and Juliet" including many musical items, dances, and comicities was the "Piece de resistance." Miss Agatha Greenwood as "Romeo" sang and acted delightfully, her rendering of the difficult selection from "Ernani" making a distinct hit. Miss Roberta Greenwood's "Mercurio" 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 divine tragedy—nay, more he rose through the trap-door and was with difficulty appeased. 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 CARNAVAL AT THE DRILL SHED: Owing to pressure of racing matter on our columns this week a very interesting account of the Easter Carnival has perforce to be condensed into a very few lines. The show is a good one, and is being well patronised. Numerous attractions are scooping in a big pool. The Italian ladies look vry 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 bevy 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 wonderfully good Mrs Jarley. Did space permit of a complete list of all who have laboured so willingly and successfully, that list would be printed here.

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 .. 1
- 71 Mr D. McKinnon's br m Lufra, 5yrs, 7.3, Gall .. 2
- 25 Mr W. Moberley's b s St. Gordon, 3yrs, 7.0, Jellings .. 3

Other starters—74 Panopy, aged, 7.10, Duff; 82 Markinch, 6yrs, 7.8, Seates; 57 Pyroxylin, 6yrs, 7.8, Julian; 131 Flying Fish, aged, 7.5, Barlow; 7 Yattenfeldt, 6yrs, 7.8 (inc. 5lb over); Kelly; 16 Cast Ashore, 4yrs, 7.2, Stewart; 7 Commodore, 4yrs, 7.0, Satman; 5 Wai-iti, 4yrs, 6.12, S. Chaafe; 14 Swordfish, 3yrs, 6.12, Whitehouse; 9 Anniversary, 4yrs, 6.10, Harrison; 2 Tamaki, 3yrs, 6.12 (inc. 5lb over), Coulthard.

Won by two lengths, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1min 44½sec. 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.

- 283 Mr L. D. Nathan's br f Miss Emmy, by Cuirassier—Roie, Gallagher .. 1
- 202 Hon. J. D. Ormond's ch c Defiant, by Dreadnought—Legacy, Davis .. 2
- 340 Mr T. H. Lowry's ch c St. Conon, by St. Leger—Sapphire, Whitaker .. 3
- 31 Mr G. S. Budge's b c Canopus, by Castor—Antelope, Taylor .. 0
- 83 Mr E. J. Evans' b c Coronet, by Castor—Necklace, Creamer .. 0
- 18 Mr E. F. Roche's ch c Blaircarrig, by Blairgowrie—Cobweb, Neville .. 0
- 24 Mrs J. Lennard's ch g Brilliant, by Regal—Mystery, Rayner .. 0

Won by a neck, a neck between second and third. Time, 1min 18½sec. 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 .. 1
- 329 Mr J. Chaafe's b c St. Paul, 3yrs, 8.0, Chaafe .. 2
- 291 Mr A. E. Byer's ch c Nestor, 3yrs, 8.5, Bird .. 3

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

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, 1½ mile; after that, 1¼ mile.					
Year	Winner	Age	Wt.	Rider	Time
1874	Batter	3	8 5	Brimmer	—
1875	Yatterina	4	8 10	French	—
1876	Parawhenua	6	8 12	Brimmer	—
1877	Bide-a-wee	6	7 7	Atkins	—
1878	Elsa	5	7 10	McGee	—
1879	Yatapa	5	6 2	Byers	3 44
1880	Yatapa	6	5 11	Laing	3 45
1881	King Quail	5	7 5	Carrington	3 43
1882	Louie	3	7 6	Brown	4 13
1883	Leonora	3	8 3	Clifford	3 40½
1884	Administr't'r	4	7 5	Sutherland	3 55
1885	Tarquoise	5	9 5	Sutherland	3 9
1886	Clogs	4	6 10	A. Woods	3 9½
1887	Spade Guinea	4	9 1	White	3 11½
1888	Friendship	4	7 6	Huxtable	3 10½
1889	Leonora	6	7 0	Priest	3 5
1890	Hilda	4	9 6	T. Taylor	2 39
1891	Impulse	3	6 7	Moore	2 40
1892	Cynisca	6	8 13	Collole	2 46
1893	Impulse	5	8 12	Wells	2 37
1894	Lottie	4	8 5	Davis	2 40
1895	Folly	5	7 7	Hodson	2 41½
1896	Acone	5	7 10	Gallagher	2 40
1897	Day Star	3	8 7	Gallagher	2 42½

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 .. 2
- 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. Morrgan; 88 Aughadowney, aged, 9.8, Phillips; 50 Hukatore, aged, 9.8, Burns; 19 Beggarman, aged, 9.7, Williams. Won by a length, two lengths between second and third. Time, 3min 53½sec. Dividend, £1 19s.

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

- 138 Mr R. Burke's b f Lady Anna, by St. Leger—Anna, 3yrs, 7.8 (inc. 5lb penalty), Waldron .. 1
- 38 Mr J. Beckett's ch m Lady Marion, 5yrs, 7.11, Seates .. 2
- 452 Mr T. Morrin's b f Armilla, 3yrs, 8.5, Gallagher .. 3

Other starters—25 Three Star, 5yrs, 8.11, Creamer; 33 Webley, 5yrs, 8.4, J. Stewart; 81 Kanaka, 5yrs, 7.11, Duff; 72 Lady Cuisine, 3yrs, 7.9, Buchanan; 70 Rex, 4yrs, 7.9, Whitaker; 19 The Sharper, aged, 7.7, McKee; 7 Cast Ashore, 4yrs, 7.4, J. Stewart; 86 Donovan, 5yrs, 7.0, Jellings; 3 Cleopatra, 5yrs, 6.12, Harrison; 20 Korowai, 6.7, Gall.

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

ONSLOW STAKES HANDICAP 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 .. 1
- 8 Mr Hy. Warrington's ch f Presentment, by Richmond—dam unknown, 7.0, Jellings .. 2
- 128 Mr F. Macmanemin's blk f Cuiralba, 7.2, Duff .. 3

Other starters—73 Picklock, 8.7, Burdett; 113 Miss Rose, 8.4, Gallagher; 81 Janet, 7.6, Satman; 156 Doneraile, 7.0, Seates; 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, £2 10s.

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

- 300 Mr J. Livingstone's b m Fair Nell, by Cap-a-pie—Fishplate, 3yrs, 8.7, Taylor .. 1
- 164 Mr G. F. Baker's ch m Norina, 5yrs, 8.5, Smith .. 2
- 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 Pororia, aged, 8.10, Buchanan; 67 Arquebus, 5yrs, 7.11, Burdett; 39 Recruit, 4yrs, 7.9, Kelly; 46 Repeat, 5yrs, 6.7, Waldron.

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.

- 29 Mr W. Hawken's b g The Drone, by Cocksure—Queen Bee, aged, 7.1 (inc. 5lb over), Buchanan .. 1
- 134 Mr A. Standish's b h Donovan, 6yrs, 7.5, Gall .. 2
- 220 Mr J. E. Thorpe's b m Lillie, 5yrs, 8.7, Stewart .. 3

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 Malua—Wanda, 5yrs, 7.4, Seates .. 1
- 22 Mr R. Hannon's ch g Castashore, 4yrs, 6.7, Buchanan .. 2
- 62 Mr W. Moberley's b c St. Gordon, 3yrs, 6.10, Jellings .. 3

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.

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 .. 1
- 33 Mr D. McKinnon's ch g Picklock, 2yrs, 7.12, Gall .. 2
- 145 Mr David Stewart's ch c St. Crispin, 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, Seates; 13 Electra, 6.7, S. Chaafe.

Won by a length, half a length between second and third. Time, 1min 19sec. Dividend, £11 7s.

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. Leger—Satanella, 3yrs, 8.9, J. Chaafe, junior .. 1
- 280 Mr T. Morrin's b c Day Star, 3yrs, 9.0, Gallagher .. 2
- 28 Mr J. Marshall's ch g Markinch, 6yrs, 7.0, Seates .. 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 HANDICAP.					
From 1874 to 1889, 1½ mile; after that, 1¼ mile.					
Year	Winner	Age	Wt.	Rider	Time
1874	Batter	3	9 10	Brimmer	—
1875	Yatterina	4	8 10	French	—
1876	Isaak Walton	3	8 0	Stewart	—
1877	Hippocampus	4	7 13	Mulgrew	—
1878	Isaak Walton	5	8 8	French	—
1879	Malvern	4	6 8	Taylor	—
1880	King Quail	4	6 8	Carrington	2 40
1881	Foul Play	6	9 4	J. Williams	—
1882	King Quail	6	7 10	G. Williams	2 53½
1883	The Poet	5	8 2	Newman	2 53½
1884	Nelson	3	7 7	Vaile	2 40½
1885	Tarquoise	5	6 10	Sutherland	2 40½
1886	Cinderella	4	7 13	Sutherland	2 41
1887	Spade Guinea	4	9 8	White	2 39
1888	Tamora	4	7 6	Katterns	2 44½
1889	Leopold	3	7 10	Lindsay	2 42
1890	Hilda	4	10 0	T. Taylor	2 14
1891	Impulse	3	7 10	G. Smith	2 12½
1892	Cynisca	6	9 6	Collole	2 12
1893	Impulse	5	9 6	Wells	2 12½
1894	Royal Rose	3	7 12	Gallagher	2 12
1895	St. Clements	6	7 12	Smith	2 12½
1896	Fabulist	3	9 5	Taylor	2 13½
1897	St. Paul	3	8 9	Chaafe	2 11

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

- 189 Mr A. E. Byer's ch m Miss Nelson, by Nelson—Torment, 4yrs, 10.11, Katterns .. +
- 284 Mr H. H. Hay's b g Kingswood, by Ingomar—Bessemer, aged, 10.8, Rae .. +
- 156 Mr H. T. Gorrie's blk g Mozel, by Turquoise, aged, 9.12, Woodfield .. 3

Other starters—283 Bombardier, 11.5, D. Morrgan; 67 Glenlora, 9.12, Olive; 41 Natation, 9.10, Fergus; 64 Flukem, 9.10, Burns; 20 Ditto, 9.7, Phillips.

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 12s.

RUN OFF.

60	Kingswood, Rae...	1
37	Miss Nelson, Katterns ...	2
Won by three lengths. Time, 6min 54sec.		
Dividend, £1 9s.		

The following is the winning table:—

Year	Winner	Age	Wt.	Rider	Time
1874	Rustic	11	7	McCoy	—
1875	Shamrock	11	8	Meurant	—
1877	Perfume	11	10	Hodson	—
1878	Don Juan	10	0	McIvor	—
1889	Sportsman	10	5	Wilson	—
1890	Baron	10	7	Munn	—
1891	Sportsman	10	7	Wilson	—
1892	Te Whetumarama	11	7	Edwards	—
1893	Reform	11	7	J. Rae	10 28½
1894	Chandler	11	12	J. Rae	—
1895	Macaroni	11	2	Edwards	8 46½
1896	Guy Fawkes	5	9	Edgecombe	8 53
1897	Volcano	9	12	Hickey	8 40
1898	Huntsman	9	10	Fergus	9 19
1899	Orangeman	10	4	J. Rae	8 26
1890	Recruit	10	12	Frewin	9 10
1891	Ingarangi	6	9	Burns	9 18½
1892	Hine	9	7	Morrigan	8 50
1893	Flukem	6	9	Shaw	8 0
1894	Bombardier	5	9	Morrigan	8 30
1895	Bello	10	0	Lynn	6 42
1896	Carbuncle	5	9	Burns	6 46½
1897	Kingswood	10	8	Rae	6 54

FLYING HANDICAP of 100 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs.

56	Mr J. E. Thorpe's b m Lillie, by Ingomar—Ladybird, 5yrs, 8.3, Stewart	1
118	Mr J. C. Booth's ch g Rex, 4yrs, 7.12, Whitaker	2
33	Mr R. Harper's rn g Three Star, 5yrs, 7.10, Sceates	3

Other starters—191 Armilla, 3yrs, 8.11, Gallagher; 5 Panoply, aged, 7.10, Howard; 166 Kanaka, 5yrs, 7.10, Duff; 6 Pyroxylin, 5yrs, 7.7, Julian; 6 The Sharper, aged, 7.7, McKee; 95 Donovan, 5yrs, 7.7, Buchanan; 1 Cleopatra, 5yrs, 6.7, Harrison.

Won by two lengths. Time, 1min 17½sec. Dividend, £10 17s.

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

65	Mr A. McMillan's br g Napoleon, by Brigadier—Ma Petite Fille, 3yrs, 7.5, Satman	1
348	Mr J. Livingstone's br m Fair Nell, 3yrs, 9.0, Taylor	2
110	Mr J. Marshall's ch m Partan Jeannie, 3yrs, 7.9, Sceates	3

Other starters—56 Archduke, 8.12, Townsend; 24 Provoke, 8.11, J. Chaeffe; 44 Pororua, 8.9, Buchanan; 123 Norina, 8.9, Smith; 183 Leona, 8.7, Stewart; 33 Arquebus, 7.10, Gall; 14 Recruit, 7.4, Jellings; 27 St. Owen, 6.10, Coulthard; 75 Repeat, 6.9, Waldron; 3 St. Pippin, 6.7, Powell.

Won easily by three lengths. Time, 2min 19sec. Dividend, £15 6s.

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

249	Mr J. C. Booth's ch m Rex, by St. Leger—Jessie, 4yrs, 7.12, Whitaker	1
185	Messrs Alison Bros.' br h Regel, aged, 7.12, Gallagher	2
81	Mr A. S. Caulton's br f Porangi Potae, 3yrs, 7.7, McKee	3

Other starters—148 Lillie, 8.5 (inc. 5lb penalty), Stewart; 143 Donovan, 7.9, Buchanan; 46 Wai-iti, 6.10, Gall; 49 Atalanta, 6.7, Satman.

Won by a length, a length between second and third. Time, 1min 5secs. Dividend, £3 4s.

AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY.—APRIL 17.

The weather was fine and the attendance large. The following are the results:—

THE FIRST HURDLE RACE, a handicap sweepstakes of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. About two miles and a half.

Jack Hanwell, 9.7	...	1
Irish Stew, 10.7	...	2
His Grace, 9.12...	...	3

Eight started. Irish Stew was favourite at 2 to 1.

Won by a length and a half. Time, 5min 2sec.

THE AUTUMN STAKES, a sweepstakes of 10 sovs each, with 400 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. One mile and a half.

Mr W. A. Long's ch g Hopscotch, by Grand Flaneur—Terara, 9.0	...	1
Mr S. G. Hutton's ch g Battalion, 9.0	...	2
Mr W. Bailey's ch c Coil, 8.4...	...	3

Betting—6 to 4 against Coil, 3 to 1 Vivian and Battalion, 10 to 1 Hopscotch.

Hopscotch soon went to the front, and won by six lengths. Time, 2min 38½sec.

THE TWO-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN STAKES, a sweepstakes of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. For two-year-old maiden horses. Seven furlongs.

Mirella, 6.13	...	1
Kilt, 6.12	...	2
Rowdy, 7.1	...	3

Mirella won by a long neck. Time, 1min 29½sec.

THE DONCASTER HANDICAP, a sweepstakes of 20 sovs each, with 1000 sovs added; second horse 200 sovs and third horse 100 sovs from the stake. One mile.

Mr J. Baron's b or br g Superb, 4yrs, 7.0	...	1
Mr J. Mitchell's b g Cremorne, aged, 9.9	...	+
Mr S. Hordern's b f Adoration, 3yrs, 7.4	...	+
Mr John Dines' ch h Steward, 5yrs, 8.2	...	4

Betting—3 to 1 Vanitas, 7 to 1 Reka, 10 to 1 Cremorne.

Opposite the stand, Superb shot out and won by a length, the next three being close up. Time, 1min 40½sec.

THE A.J.C. ST. LEGER, a sweepstakes of 20 sovs each, with 300 sovs added; second horse 100 sovs and third horse save stake. Colts 8.10, fillies 8.5, and geldings allowed 3lb. One mile and three-quarters.

Mr W. C. Cooper's ch c Newhaven, by Newminster—Oceana	...	1
Mr S. G. Cook's b c The Officer, by Robinson Crusoe—Marie Louise	...	2
Messrs. H. E. A. and V. White's br c Charge, by Carbine—Forest Queen	...	3

Betting—3 to 1 on Newhaven, 6 to 1 against The Officer.

Newhaven won as he liked by seven lengths, four lengths between second and third. Time, 3min 22½sec.

THE HIGH-WEIGHT HANDICAP, a sweepstakes of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs.

Mr W. R. Wilson's b g Pilatus, by Chester—Etna, 9.12	...	1
Messrs. McLeod and Cleland's br c Sabretache, 10.0	...	2
Mr H. C. White's ch g Cranbourne, 9.0	...	3

Nineteen started. Pilatus won by three-quarters of a length. Time, 1min 16½sec.

SECOND DAY.—APRIL 19.

The attendance was again large, although the weather was threatening. Results:—

THE FLYING HANDICAP, a handicap sweepstakes of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs.

Mundiva, 7.0	...	1
Althone, 7.6	...	2
Joie, 7.6...	...	3

Betting—5 to 1 against Mundiva, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by a length. Time, 1min 15½sec.

THE MAIDEN STAKES, a sweepstakes of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. Weights—2 years, 7.0; 3 years, 8.2; 4 years and upwards, 8.7. One mile and a quarter.

Grafter, 8.2	...	1
Kilt, 6.11	...	2
Positano, 8.0	...	3

Betting—2 to 1 against Kilt, 3 to 1 Grafter, 4 to 1 Positano.

Won by half a length. Time, 2min 14½sec.

THE CHAMPAGNE STAKES, a sweepstakes of 20 sovs each, with 500 sovs added. For two-year-olds. Colts, 8.10; fillies, 8.8; geldings at time of starting allowed 3lbs. Six furlongs.

Mr W. R. Wilson's b c Aurum, by Trenton—Aura	...	1
Mr W. Duggan's b c Amberite, by Carbine—Duenna	...	2
Mr S. Hordern's b c El Norte, by Nordenfeldt—Hebe (imp.)	...	3

Other starters—Phidias, The Hypnotist, and Metford.

Betting—3 to 1 on Aurum, 7 to 1 Phidias, 10 to 1 the others.

Aurum went to the front at she start, and led all the way. Time, 1min 17½sec.

THE SYDNEY CUP, a handicap sweepstakes of 20 sovs each, with 2000 sovs added; second horse 300 sovs, and the third horse 150 sovs from the stake. Two miles.

Mr W. E. Royd's br g Tricolour, by McCurly	...	1
Mr W. E. Key's blk m Kallatina, 5yrs, 7.11, Gallagher	...	2
Mr C. Lincoln's b m Loch Leigh, 4yrs, Smith	...	3

Betting—6 to 1 Vanitas, 8 to 1 Coil, 12 to 1 Battalion and Cremorne, 16 to 1 Superb, 20 to 1 Tricolour and Fadladeen, 25 to 50 to 1 the others.

Won by two lengths, a length between second and third. Time, 3min 31½sec.

The following is the winning table:—

Year	Horse	Pedigree	A.	Wt.	Time
1866	Yattendon	Sir Hercules—Cassandra	3	8 4	3 41½
1867	Fishhook	Fisherman—Marchioness	4	8 10	3 40
1868	The Barb	S. Hercules—Y. Gullane	4	8 12	3 40
1869	The Barb	S. Hercules—Y. Gullane	5	10 8	3 40
1870	Barabell	S. Hercules—Y. Gullane	4	7 10	3 43
1871	Mermaid	King Alfred—Millsop	4	7 5	3 40
1872	The Prophet	New Warrior—Pauline	3	6 10	3 36½
1873	Vixen	Yattendon—Miss Redford	4	7 2	3 40
1874	Speculation	Kingston—Bess Bedlam	3	6 2	3 39
1875	Imperial	Maribyrnong—Eugenia	6	7 9	3 36
1876	A.T.	Tarragon—Luna	4	6 4	3 37½
1877	Kingfisher	Kelpie	4	7 5	3 36½
1878	Donocrat	G'ma di Vergy—Silverhair	4	6 5	3 33½
1879	Savannah	Kingston—Sappho	4	8 7	3 33½
1880	Petra	King of Ring—Mischief	3	7 12	3 37½
1881	Progress	Angler—Coquette	3	8 2	3 36½
1882	Cannamulla	M'ab'Ding—Jess'mine	3	6 0	3 34
1883	Darabin	The Peer—Lurline	4	9 6	3 33½
1884	Favo	Drum—Rompi's Girl	5	6 4	3 36
1885	Normanby	G'ma di Vergy—Kitty	5	6 10	3 35
1886	Cerise & Blue	Wilberforce—Myrtle	4	8 2	3 33½
1887	Eriseo	Gd. Flaneur—Verbena	3	6 1	3 39½
1888	Austin, Peer	Darabin—Stookdove	3	8 6	3 32½
1889	Carbine	Musket—Mersey	3	9 0	3 31
1890	Carbine	Musket—Mersey	4	9 9	3 37
1891	Highborn	Gdmaster—H. L. Dayship	5	9 3	3 37½
1892	Stromboli	Chester—Etna	3	8 0	3 31½
1893	Realms	Arohne—Empress	5	9 1	3 37
1894	Ly. Trenton	Trenton—Black Swan	4	7 7	3 34
1895	Patroness	Gd Flaneur—Olga	5	7 0	3 33½
1896	Wallace	Carbine—Melodious	3	8 12	3 31
1897	Tricolour	...	5	7 6	3 31½

THE FIRST STEEPLECHASE, a sweepstakes of 5 sovs each, with 250 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. About two miles and a half.

Whitefoot II., 11.12	...	1
Mignon, 11.10	...	2
Booties, 11.0	...	3

Betting—5 to 2 Mignon, 3 to 1 Whitefoot, 5 to 1 Booties.

Seven started. Ulysses fell and Gladstone baulked. Won by four lengths. Time, 5min 42sec.

THE FIRST NURSERY HANDICAP, a sweepstakes of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. Five furlongs.

La Carabine	...	1
Moreat	...	2
Influenza	...	3

Eighteen started. LaCarabine, who was the favourite at 3 to 1, won by half a length, a neck between second and third. Time, 1min 4½sec.

CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY.—MONDAY, APRIL 19TH.

The weather was fine, and the attendance large. Results:—

KILDARE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 120 sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

215	Mr A. McDonald's Highlander, 9.8, Watts	1
280	Mr J. Rutherford's Social Pest, 11.8, Clarke	2
42	Mr T. Stewart's Clarence, 10.13, Stewart	3

Other starters—510 Ilex, 11.0, Robertson; 119 Tally-Ho, 10.12, Mitchell; 82 Regret, 9.0, Shaw.

Won by half a length. Time, 3min 26 1-5sec. Dividend, £3 6s.

CHAMPAGNE STAKES of 500 sovs. Six furlongs.

2	Mr G. Stead's Multiform, 8.10, Derrett	1
0	Mr M. Sherwin's Miniature, 8.8, Matthew	2

Won by three lengths. Time, 1min 19sec. Dividend, 18s.

AUTUMN MAIDEN PLATE of 100 sovs. Seven furlongs.

465	Mr C. Klingenstein's Salvo Shot, 8.4, Williams	1
129	Mr Rutherford's Female Franchise, 8.4, Clarke	2
62	Mr Haysmith's Miss Orwell, 8.4, C. Cochrane	3

Other starters—254 Plotter, 8.7, Ari; 196 Tale of the War, 8.4, W. Buddicombe; 62 Rangefinder, 8.4, Roden; 29 Miss Charm, 8.4, Brown; 120 Rustic, 8.4, Derrett.

Won by half a length. Time, 1min 30 3-5sec. Dividend, £2 10s 6d.

GREAT EASTER HANDICAP of 500 sovs. Seven furlongs.

178	Mr J. Loughlin's Gold Spur, 8.7, W. Pine	1
144	Mr W. Rathbone's Barshot, 7.9, Donovan	2
330	Mr McQuinness' Waiuku, 8.11, Russell	3

Other starters—96 Mannlicher, 9.0, Derrett; 153 Vanilla, 8.7, W. Buddicombe; 126 Skirmisher, 8.6, Clarke; 77 Maremma, 7.0, White; 210 Belle Clair, 8.4, Brown; 38 Lord Roslyn, 8.0, King; 91 Leda, 7.9, Matthews; 459 Telemeter, 7.7, Davy; 23 Belligerent, 7.7, McDonald; 8.7, Firefly, 7.7, Holmes; 45 Tire, 7.5, O'Neil; 96 Manawanui, 7.3, Wilson.

Won very easily by two lengths. Time, 1min 28 1-5sec. Dividend, £10 18s 6d.

EPSOM WRITER HANDICAP of 120 sovs. One mile.

301	Mr W. O. Rutherford's Jewel, 9.0, H. Thomson	1
137	Mr S. J. Mercer's Black and Red, 9.0, Brown	2
150	Mr A. Sefton's Arquebus, 9.12, Clarke	3

Other starters—55 Lord Zetland, 7.3, Shaw; 62 Speculator, 7.12, Stratford; 119 Remorse, 7.4, Donovan; 86 St. Elmo, 7.7, Matthews; 58 Double Event, 7.7, Wilson.

Won easily by a length. Time, 1min. 52sec. Dividend, £3 9s.

RUSSELL PLATE of 150 sovs. Five furlongs.

195	Hon. J. D. Ormond's Daunt, White	1
139	Mr J. R. Maguinness' Filme, 6.7, Free	2
33	Mr H. A. Knight's Argon, 7.2, O'Neill	3

Other starters—457 Bracelet, 9.7, Derrett; 202 Bloomer, 7.12, Macdonald; 112 Beauty Sleep, 7.10, Holmes; 70 Weary, 7.9, Donovan; 90 Seashell, 7.2, Wilson.

Won easily by four lengths. Time, 1min. 3 2-5sec. Dividend, £4 6s 6d.

SOCKBURN HANDICAP of 100 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

187	Mr J. Fitzgerald's Vandyke, 8.6, G. Matthews	1
367	Mr C. Klingenstein's Salvo Shot, 7.9, W. Williams	2
66	Mr H. A. Knight's Bi-metallist, 6.9, J. O'Neill	3

Other starters—308 Boreas, 7.0, P. White; 362 Marlin, 7.0, J. Rae; 68 Annoyance, 7.8, H. Donovan.

Won by a good half length. Time, 2min 11 4-5sec. Dividend, £8 10s 6d.

GIMCRACK RACE, of 50sovs. Six furlongs.

RUSSLEY PLATE of 150 sovs. Five furlongs.		
195	Hon. J. D. Ormond's Daunt, White ...	1
139	Mr J. R. Maguinness' Filme, 6.7, Free	2
33	Mr H. A. Knight's Argon, 7.2, O'Neill	3
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COMMON SENSE AND REASON.

ALTHOUGH the question of prohibition has been practically settled by the voice of the people for the next few years, still the more rabid members of the teetotal division, smarting under a sense of their well-merited defeat, are straining every nerve to injure the moderate party by endeavouring to give undue prominence to isolated cases of illegal trading. If a conviction is recorded or a license endorsed it is immediately trumpeted throughout the colony by Mr Isitt's leather-lunged henchmen, and the incident used as a textual peg upon which to hang a vituperative attack against every man and collection of men who don't accept without questioning the laws and tenets of the ultra cold-water party. Now, since the matter is virtually settled for the nonce, it is not our purpose in this article to either attack the exponents of prohibition or champion the cause of the liquor traffic. We simply wish to handle the matter in a purely dispassionate manner, and see what would be the result to the people if prohibition were to become the law of the land. We have in previous issues discussed the direct effect such a course would have on the revenue of the colony, and explained that prohibition would mean an increased tax on necessities; we have also dealt with the subject from the point of view of its utter impracticability were an attempt made to carry it out; but now we wish to speak of the effect that prohibition would have on those honest workers (many of them teetotallers, by the way) directly and indirectly earning their living through their connection with the liquor traffic. The last census of New Zealand shows that there is a total of 6,766 people directly engaged in the liquor traffic, distributed as follows:—

Hotelkeepers, 1334 males and 204 females; relatives assisting, 157 males, 348 females; manager-clerks, 67 males, 11 females; hotel, club, etc., servants, 1136 males, 2075 females; managers, secretaries, stewards of club-houses, 32 males, 3 females; barmen, 196; barmaids, 210; wine and spirit merchants, 43 males; assistant ditto, 5 males, 1 female; clerks, bookkeepers, accountants, travellers, storekeepers, 44 males; cordial merchants, salesmen, 5 males; brewers, bottlers, 234 males, 4 females; managers, clerks, travellers, 54 males; relatives assisting, apprentices, 18 males; cellar-men, assistant carters, etc., 151 males, 1 female; maltsters and assistants, 118 males; distillers, bottlers, 2 males; wine makers, bottlers, 9 males; cordial, etc., makers, 293 males, 6 females; clerks, bookkeepers, travellers, 6 males; total, 3903 males, 2863 females; grand total, 6766.

Now with all due respect to the official compiler of records, we are thoroughly convinced that these figures are considerably underrated, and mind you, they refer merely to those directly dependent for their living on the trade. When we go another step and include cork makers, ordinary bottling firms, aerated water makers, and many other industries that would be driven to bankruptcy were they deprived of their principal customers, the figures would be nearly double, and if we were to include those dependent upon the workers and small property holders who derive their sole income from the rentals paid by the different branches of the trade, we would find that nearly 33 1-3 per cent. of the population of this colony depends directly or indirectly on the continuance of the liquor traffic. If we introduce prohibition in its sternest form, what are we to do with these people? How are we to place them?

Although they may be willing to work, what employment are we to give them? It would be too big a contract for even the most financially sound Government to grapple. What, then, would be the result if this huge army of unemployed were thrown on the hands of a Government already in difficulties, and whose treasury would be further depleted by the sudden loss of nearly £60,000 revenue per year? and to make matters still worse, every individual engaged in the Trade who was possessed of capital (and there are many) would withdraw it and invest it in some other colony where more reasonable laws were in force. The result would be a disastrous and widespread panic, inevitably followed by an epoch of anarchy



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promoted by the hungry army of the unemployed. Our conclusions are based upon pure logic, and not in any way tinged by sentimentality or partisan feeling. The prohibitionists never seem to look at a question from a practical point of view, and even their theories are utterly illogical. Granted that drink does prove a curse to a few, is that any reason why the whole financial structure of a nation should be upset? As well to say because fire uncontrolled is a destroying element no one should be allowed to have a grate or a stove in his house; or that because horses are used for gambling purposes on the race course and thereby offend the principles of the "unco guid," therefore the equine race should be utterly destroyed. It is not by such extreme measures that the cause of temperance will be advanced. A temperate life must spring from the inside, and cannot be forced by arbitrary legislation.

THE L.V. PORTRAIT GALLERY.

In this issue we present our readers with a portrait of Mr Thomas J. Burns, the popular host of the Empire, Timaru. Although an old resident of Timaru—having resided there for twenty years—it is only within the last three years that Mr Burns elected to cater for the public. Know-

ing what was wanted, however, he has in this short time made the Empire a name for excellence in the hotel line. This hotel is built on the most modern and approved principles. The rooms—numbering thirty—are large, lofty, and tastily furnished, with good ventilators in every room; the sanitary arrangements are perfect. In the billiard-room are two first-class tables, one being an Alcock prize table—and a better one is not open to the public of New Zealand. In short, nothing is wanting which tends to the comfort and enjoyment of his patrons. Mr Burns takes considerable interest in cycling matters, and his house is the one in Timaru appointed by the N.Z. Cyclists Touring Club; he is, also, vice-president of the Timaru Tourists' Cycling Club. We congratulate him on his possession of so good a house and wish him the success he so justly merits.

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Easter week is always looked forward to by golfers, and great disappointment was felt when Good Friday opened with heavy rain. Though it cleared somewhat towards midday it was cold and disagreeable all day. And under the circumstances the large number on the links in the afternoon showed the great enthusiasm which exists among the members of the club. The game was as much enjoyed as usual, though naturally scoring was a little higher. On Saturday some most interesting games were played, one of the best being a foursome, in which Mr Carr, with Mr Gould (a member of the Melbourne Golf Club) as his partner, defeated Messrs Grimshaw and Peel by 2 holes. Mr Grimshaw, after his long absence, played surprisingly well.

The course is now at its best, and the recent rains have done a lot of good to the greens. Mr Timms deserves great credit for the improvement he has wrought on them. The Green Committee have this week fenced the 8th and 9th greens in view of the forthcoming New Zealand Championship Meeting.

Curious technical points are always arising, and here is a conundrum which actually required solution on Saturday. A playing with B as his partner finds their ball lying against an obstacle which he manages to remove without disturbing the ball. A whose turn it is to play turns to his caddy, selects his club, and is on the point of addressing the ball (he does not ground his club) when it rolls over. Query (A). Is this a stroke? (B) If so, does it affect the rotation of play? The question was put to Mr Fairbanks, a member of the Royal and Ancient Club, St. Andrews, and he decided both in the affirmative. Golfers would do well to consider this decision.



[By Vigilant.]

I have heard nothing about a New Zealand team going across to compete at the Australian Championship Meeting at Sydney in October, and though this is perhaps rather early in the day to go into the matter I should like to see a team sent. Reynolds, Creamer, Holder, Patrick, and Bennett would form a contingent that would call for a lot of beating.

I have not seen what any of the Wanganui papers have to say since the New Zealand Amateur Athletic Association decided to abandon the proposal of sending Holder and Reynolds to England. However, I suppose they will abandon the idea now, and I should like to see them send the crack across to Australia in October to compete in the Sydney championships, in response to the N.S.W.A.A.'s request.

Sid Thomas, the once famous English amateur, is evidently now a back number. On Feb. 6 he competed in a cross-country race, over ten miles, and though in receipt of 90sec start, could get no nearer than nineteenth. The scratch man, C. S. Sydenham, won easily in 1hr 2min 38sec.

It was the rule with certain of aboriginal sprinter Charley Samuels' "backers" (writes a Sydney Bulletin correspondent) to put a tolerable suit of clothes on his back after he had achieved a win, and then set him adrift among jugs and bottles. After a fortnight or so, he would be told that his money was all vanished. By the way, his return is made just at the time when those in the know say that it only needs an enterprising man with a few hundreds to set the pedestrian business on its feet.

Referring to Mr. R. Coombes' notice of motion to the N.S.W.A.A., re the advisableness of an intercolonial conference to consider: The desirability of establishing an Amateur Athletic Union of Australia, or, if New Zealand cares to join us, Australasia; the reinstatement

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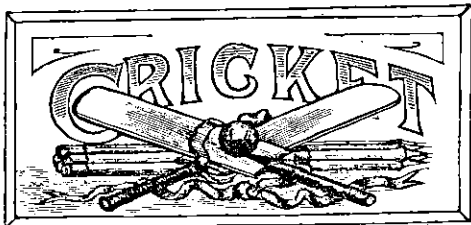
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of professionals; the advisability of renewing the Australasian agreement, which expires by the effluxion of time at the completion of the next Australasian Championship meeting, a Wellington confere says:—"In connection with the above I might mention that there seems no valid reason why an Australasian Athletic Union should not be organised. There is something of the Federal spirit about the idea; it would be productive of a great deal of good, and the interests of the sport would be better conserved. With regard to the reinstatement proposal there would no doubt be some friction and New Zealand would probably come in for some hard knocks at the proposed conference, if such were held. It is a well-known fact that amateur authorities on the other side do not approve of the apparently wholesale manner—so they describe it—in which professional runners are "whitewashed" and allowed into the fold in this sinful country. And perhaps they are right. However, I don't know that the N.Z.A.A.A. have done very much that they ought not to have done. It must be remembered that this is a small colony comparatively speaking, and that it is only during the last few years that there has been a pronounced addition to the list of amateur clubs on the Association's roll. The consequence has been that runners who had raced for money applied to be reinstated, advancing the argument that there were no amateur clubs in their districts when they started running, and they had perforce to race as pros. In a number of instances of this sort reinstatements have been granted. In other cases where clubs had existed and pros. desired to come in they had to "stand down" for a considerable period before being admitted as amateurs. There were, of course, instances where "desirable" pros—from a running standpoint—were reinstated, but there have also been a great many applications refused. However, it is to be hoped that the conference advocated by Mr. Coombes will be held, and that New Zealand will be represented at it."

Articles have been signed between E. C. Bredin and A. R. Downer to run a 440yds. World's championship. It was, I believe, to have eventuated on Good Friday at Woodgreen Meeting.



[BY STONEWALLER.]

There has been some remarkable tall scoring in Melbourne this season. At the beginning of the month the M.C.C. made 702 against the Wimmera. T. Trumble slammed the bowling about to the tune of 157, of which 64 were made by fours. Blackham knocked up 153, including 21 fours, and Leith was 106 (not out). The last-named batsman hit 3 fives and 11 fours. From one of his strokes the ball bounced off the asphalt, through a large window in the kitchen of the pavilion, and another time the leather just missed going through a window in the press box, but as Joe Taylor was there waiting for it no further damage would have been done. Fry also made things "hum" when making his 68, for in that total there were 13 fours. The Collegians against an M.C.C. team trotted up 750 runs, the principal scorers being Stewart, 311, and Dinsmore, 174, or a total of 485 between them. In a match against Malvern East Melbourne piled up the runs at an astonishing rate. In the first thirty minutes' play 100 runs had been made, and in 90 minutes the total had been carried to 293 for the loss of three wickets. Vautin made 118, including one 6, three 5's, and sixteen 4's. J. Harry made 115 (not out), including a 5 and twelve 4's. The veteran Boyle, who has returned to Melbourne, totted up 44, including six boundary hits. Fast as this rate of run-getting was, it has once been beaten in Melbourne, an M.C.C. team on the 13th February, 1894, having made 291 runs in 75 minutes.

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- 550 W.M.R.—Day Star—St Paul—Kingswood
- 551 W.M.R.—Day Star—Armilla—Kingswood
- 552 W.A.—Day Star—St Paul—Levanter
- 553 W.A.—St Paul—Fabulist—Levanter
- 554 O.N.R.—St Paul—Haria—Levanter
- 555 O.N.R.—St Paul—St Paul—Mozel
- 556 J.T.W.—Folly—Fabulist—Kingswood
- 557 J.T.W.—Day Star—Fabulist—Levanter
- 558 C.C.—St Paul—Doris—Bombardier
- 559 T.R.—Day Star—St Paul—Bombardier
- 560 T.R.—Day Star—Fabulist—Bombardier
- 561 T.R.—Nestor—Fabulist—Mozel
- 562 T.R.—Nestor—St Paul—Bombardier
- 563 T.R.—Porangi Potae—Fabulist—Levanter
- 564 T.R.—Haria—Fabulist—Nataion
- 565 J.F.W.M.—Day Star—Doris—Kingswood
- 566 T.R.—Haria—Day Star—Levanter
- 567 T.R.—Fabulist—St Paul—Nataion
- 568 T.R.—Fabulist—St Paul—Bombardier
- 569 T.R.—St Paul—Day Star—Levanter
- 570 T.R.—St Paul—Day Star—Bombardier
- 571 T.R.—St Paul—Fabulist—Mozel
- 572 T.R.—St Paul—Fabulist—Bombardier
- 573 T.R.—St Paul—Fabulist—Glenora
- 574 H.H.—Day Star—Fabulist—Bombardier
- 575 H.H.—Day Star—Fabulist—Levanter
- 576 R.D.G.—Day Star—Armilla—Bombardier
- 577 H.H.—Day Star—Fabulist—Kingswood
- 578 G.M.—Day Star—Porangi Potae—Mozel
- 579 H.H.—Day Star—Armilla—Kingswood
- 580 A.W.—Day Star—Nestor—Glenora
- 581 W.M.—St Paul—Doris—Mozel
- 582 E.S.—Nestor—St Paul—Kingswood
- 583 E.S.—Day Star—Day Star—Mozel
- 584 E.S.—Day Star—St Paul—Bombardier
- 585 E.S.—Day Star—Fabulist—Levanter
- 586 W.K.—St Paul—Day Star—Kingswood
- 587 T.G.—Day Star—Porangi Potae—Kingswood
- 588 T.G.—Day Star—Porangi Potae—Kingswood
- 589 W.T.C.—St Paul—Doris—Levanter
- 590 W.S.D.—St Paul—Day Star—Mozel
- 591 W.S.D.—St Paul—Day Star—Levanter
- 592 W.S.D.—Day Star—St Paul—Levanter
- 593 W.S.D.—Day Star—Folly—Levanter
- 594 W.S.D.—Day Star—Markinch—Levanter
- 595 W.S.D.—Day Star—Nestor—Levanter
- 596 W.S.D.—Day Star—Fabulist—Bombardier
- 597 W.S.D.—Day Star—St Paul—Kingswood
- 598 W.S.D.—Day Star—Lady Marion—Levanter
- 599 W.S.D.—Day Star—Lufra—Levanter
- 600 W.T.W.—Haria—Day Star—Kingswood
- 601 W.H.M.—St Paul—Fabulist—Bombardier
- 602 W.H.M.—Nestor—St Paul—Kingswood
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- 606 C.G.—St Paul—Day Star—Glenora
- 607 R.B.—Day Star—St Paul—Levanter
- 608 C.G.K.—St Paul—Day Star—Ditto
- 609 F.N.—Nestor—Porangi Potae—Hukater (informal)
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- 610 G.M.—St Paul—St Paul—Levanter (informal)
- 611 G.M.—Day Star—Day Star—Levanter (informal)
- 612 F.K.—Haria—St Gordon—Miss Nelson (informal)
- 613 —St Paul—Armilla—Kingswood (informal)
- 614 C.S.G.—Day Star—St Paul—Miss Nelson
- 615 I.S.—Fabulist—Doris—Levanter
- 616 I.S.—Day Star—Doris—Levanter
- 617 F.K.—Day Star—Doris—Levanter (informal)
- 618 P.O.—Day Star—St Paul—Mozel
- 619 R.R.—Day Star—Day Star—Mozel
- 620 J.P.—Folly—Fabulist—Hukater
- 621 A.T.—Day Star—St Paul—Kingswood
- 622 H.H.—Folly—Lufra—Nataion
- 623 C.F.—Day Star—Porangi Potae—Mozel
- 624 T.D.—St Paul—Armilla—Glenora (informal)
- 625 T.D.—Nestor—Fabulist—Miss Nelson
- 626 T.D.—Fabulist—Porangi Potae—Miss Nelson (inf.)
- 627 T.D.—Porangi Potae—Doris—Miss Nelson (informal)
- 628 T.D.—Porangi Potae—Day Star—Kingswood
- 629 H.C.H.—Folly—Day Star—Levanter
- 630 H.C.H.—St Paul—Day Star—Levanter
- 631 W.D. Merry Maid—Huna—Levanter
- 632 Miss E.A.P. Nestor—St Paul—Kingswood
- 633 R.McL.—Day Star—Armilla—Kingswood

- 634 R.McL.—Haria—Porangi Potae—Levanter
- 635 G.U.—Day Star—St Paul—Levanter
- 636 G.U.—Nestor—Day Star—Levanter
- 637 G.U.—St Paul—Nestor—Mozel
- 638 H.H.—Folly—Lufra—Flukem
- 639 D.R.—Day Star—St Paul—Kingswood
- 640 A.P.—Day Star—Porangi Potae—Mozel
- 641 A.P.—Nestor—Nestor—Miss Nelson
- 642 A.P.—Day Star—Doris—Kingswood
- 643 W.E.A.—Day Star—Doris—Mozel
- 644 —Day Star—Armilla—Levanter
- 645 W.A.—St Paul—Lady Anna—Kingswood
- 646 B.B.—Porangi Potae—The Brook—Levanter
- 647 J.H.C.—St Paul—Day Star—Kingswood
- 648 J.H.C.—St Paul—Armilla—Bombardier
- 649 C.D.—Nestor—Porangi Potae—Bombardier
- 650 W.M.R.—St Paul—Day Star—Levanter
- 651 H.C.—Porangi Potae—St Paul—Kingswood
- 652 H.C.—Haria—St Paul—Hukater
- 653 H.C.—St Paul—Doris—Mozel
- 654 H.C.—Porangi Potae—Armilla—Mozel
- 655 H.C.—Porangi Potae—Day Star—Mozel
- 656 H.C.—St Paul—Doris—Flukem
- 657 H.C.—St Paul—Porangi Potae—Flukem
- 658 H.C.—Porangi Potae—Doris—Mozel
- 659 H.C.—Porangi Potae—Armilla—Bombardier
- 660 A.M.—St Paul—Day Star—Bombardier
- 661 A.M.—St Paul—Fabulist—Bombardier
- 662 A.M.—St P. ul—Doris—Levanter
- 663 E.B.—St Paul—Doris—Bombardier
- 664 H.G.G.—Nestor—Day Star—Levanter
- 665 J.B.—St Paul—Doris—Kingswood
- 666 D.L.E.M.—Haria—Day Star—Kingswood
- 667 D.L.E.M.—St Paul—Day Star—Kingswood
- 668 L.L.B.—The Brook—Merry Maid—Kingswood
- 669 L.L.B.—Porangi Potae—Day Star—Nataion
- 670 H.R.B.—St Paul—St Gordon—St Simon
- 671 H.R.B.—Doris—Lady Marion—Hukater
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- 673 G.G.—Armilla—Nestor—Glenora
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- 699 J.B.—Haria—Lufra—Mozel
- 700 H.A.—Folly—Armilla—Kingswood
- 701 S.J.G.—Folly—Porangi Potae—Kingswood
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- 703 McC. & Co.—St Paul—Day Star—Miss Nelson
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- 747 T.E.F.—Haria—St Paul—Levanter
- 748 A.H.—St Paul—Armilla—Mozel
- 749 A.H.—Haria—Porangi Potae—Glenora
- 750 T.E.F.—Day Star—Armilla—Levanter
- 751 B.P.H.B.—Haria—Merry—Maid—Levanter
- 752 W.E.McC.—Day Star—St Paul—Ditto
- 753 E.D.—Haria—Black and Red—Bombardier
- 754 W.E.McC.—St Paul—Doris—Levanter
- 755 A.J.F.—Day Star—St Paul—Levanter
- 756 A.J.F.—Day Star—St Paul—Mozel
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- 758 R.M.—Haria—Day Star—Mozel
- 759 Mrs E.J.—Antares—Waiuku—Kingswood
- 760 Mrs E.J.—St. Paul—Doris—Kingswood
- 761 F.D.McV.—Day Star—Nestor—Kingswood
- 762 W.D.M.—Day Star—Armilla—Bombardier
- 763 J.P.C.—Fabulist—Doris—Kingswood
- 764 M.E.—Day Star—Armilla—Mozel
- 765 E.E.—Haria—Armilla—Kingswood
- 766 J.P.C.—Folly—Armilla—Hukater
- 767 F.M.E.—Daystar—Doris—Ditto
- 768 W.F.—St. Paul—Day Star—Levanter
- 769 G.W.B.—St. Paul—Folly—Kingswood
- 770 G.W.B.—St. Paul—Day Star—Mozel
- 771 G.W.B.—Haria—St. Paul—Miss Nelson
- 772 G.W.B.—St. Paul—Haria—Mozel
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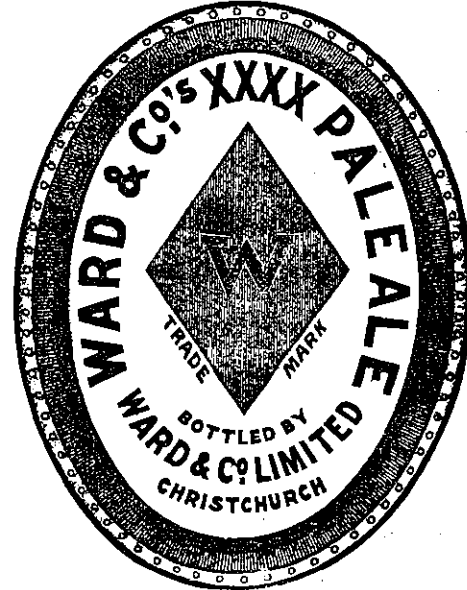
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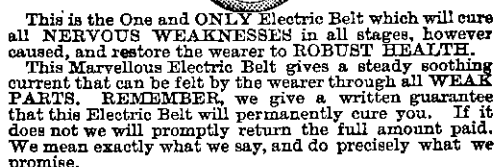
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