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## AUCKLAND RACING CLUB. NORTH NEW ZEALAND GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE MEETING. PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 1897.

First Race to Start at 1 o'clock.

**Maiden Steeplechase** 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** 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 160 sovs, after declaration of weights, to carry 6lb 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  
Winter Welter Handicap  
Maiden Hurdles  
Pony Hurdles  
MONDAY, JUNE 7, 1897, Morning "Herald."  
Handicap Hurdles  
Second Maiden Hurdles  
Pony Hurdles  
Tally-Ho Steeplechase  
Second Winter Welter  
WM. PERCIVAL,  
Secretary, A.R.C.

## LAKE TAKAPUNA HACK RACES

SATURDAY NEXT, MAY 1st.

MACKAY'S PADDOCK, TAKAPUNA.

PROGRAMME.

**Handicap Trot (local)** of 3 sovs. Open to all horses owned in the undermentioned districts. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s. Distance, three miles.

**Handicap Maiden Plate (local)** of 3 sovs; second horse to receive 10s from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised race. Open to owners of horses residing in the districts of Devonport, Takapuna, Northcote, Birkenhead, Lucas Creek, and Wade. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s. Distance, one mile.

**Handicap Maiden Plate (open)** of 5 sovs; second horse to receive 10s from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised race. Nomination, 3s; acceptance, 2s. Distance, one mile.

**Hack Cup (open)** of 10 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 6s; acceptance, 4s. Distance, one mile and a half.

**Handicap Hurdle Race (open)** of 8 sovs; second horse to receive 80s from the stake. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 3s. One mile and three-quarters.

**Flying Stakes (local)** of 5 sovs; second horse to receive 20s from the stake. Open to all horses owned in the districts above mentioned. Nomination, 3s; acceptance, 2s. Distance, six furlongs.

**Pony Race (local)** of 3 sovs; second pony to receive 10s from the stake. For ponies, 14 hands 2 inches and under, owned in the above-mentioned districts. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s. Distance, six furlongs.

'BUSES from The Shore and a STEAMER to The Lake. Members of Tattersall's only allowed to bet.

Admission to Course, ONE SHILLING.

JOHN GEORGE GEE, Secretary.

## 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, H. E. Good, F. Riddiford, Dr. Westera. Starter: Mr. M. P. 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 stake. 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 J. Danvers, Napier. Telegraph Office closes at Hawera at 8 p.m.

ALEX. G. BRETT, Secretary.

## TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB

WINTER MEETING,

TO BE HELD ON

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

OFFICERS—President: E. Mitchellson, 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. Mitchellson, Esq. Treasurer: Mr. E. W. Alison. Starter: Mr. E. D. Haistead. 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 stake. 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 stake. 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 stake. 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 stake. 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 stake. 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 stake. Winner of the Birthday Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 1/2 sovs. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY—MONDAY, MAY 24TH, 1897.

**Hack Handicap** of 80 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 stake. 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 stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. One mile.

**Second Pony Handicap** of 35 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. 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 stake. 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 stake. 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 stake. 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..... 1 sov

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 1/2 sovs  
First Pony Handicap..... 1 sov  
Hndsp 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. WYNWARD,  
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. E. Higgle. Hon. Surgeon: Dr. Connolly. Hon. Vet. Surgeon: Mr. J. A. Hawk. M.R.C.V.S. Stewards: Dr. Connolly, Messrs E. B. Fletcher, Alex. Higgins, 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** 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** 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** 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** 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** 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, 1 sov.—To start at 3.30 p.m.

ance, 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. STEEPLCHASE MEETING, 24TH AND 25TH MAY.

**MONDAY, April 26th, 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, 5 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 25, 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.

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS.

To which the attention of persons entering horses is particularly directed.

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 be received under any pretence whatever after the hour named.

#### ALL STAKES WILL BE PAID IN FULL.

N.B.—The stakes in the subjoined programme are subject to revision by the committee prior to closing, as to the dates of entry, acceptance, etc., amount of added money, and conditions. The committee also reserve to themselves the right of altering the date on which the handicaps appear, should they deem fit to do so.

FREEMAN R. JACKSON, Secretary.



#### EGMONT RACING CLUB.

**BOOKMAKERS**, their Clerks and Agents, are notified that they WILL NOT BE ADMITTED to Egmont Racing Club's Grounds on the 5th and 8th May, 1897.

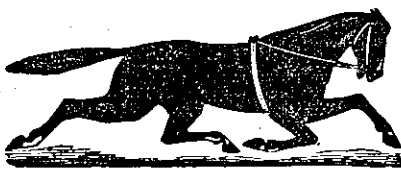
ALEX. G. BRETT, Secretary.



#### ONEHUNGA HACK RACES

A Hack Race-meeting will be held on the old Onehunga Racecourse on SATURDAY, MAY 15, 1897. For programme, etc., see posters.

W. M. TAPP, Secretary.



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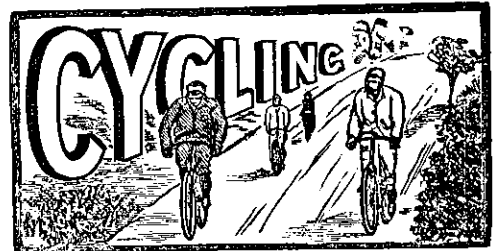
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[By Rim.]

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.

There is no getting away from the fact that the Yankees are right up to date, the latest illustration of this fact having been brought under my notice in Queen Street on Saturday morning last. A gentleman who arrived by the Mariposa was to be seen pedalling through Queen Street, with a seat attachment in front of his handle-bar, on which was perched his young male offspring, evidently enjoying the ride.

Reynolds informs me that he would have found it extremely difficult to quit business just at present to go Home to the World's Championships at Glasgow in July, but says that should he be called upon next year he will probably be able to arrange matters, if given sufficient notice.

From what I can gather, arrangements have been made down south for an appearance of the record-breaking Frenchman, Lesna, now in Australia, before his departure for the Continent. The Auckland negotiations that were being conducted by Mr Hunter, of the N.S.W.L.W. came to nothing, and we are not likely to see the Frenchman on our track.

The Paris cycling journal, *Vélo*, of February 21st, speaking of the arrival of the New Zealander, Jones, says:—Jones, the New Zealand champion, whose arrival in Paris we have announced, was present yesterday afternoon at the training for the Liberal Arts. He is a large, strong man, easily distinguished by his beard and red hair. Jones is an amateur of great speed, especially in the ten miles. We questioned him yesterday as to his projects. He has come to Europe, he says, simply for a pleasure trip, and not on a sporting tour. He has come to Paris from London to see our races, our tracks, and the Tom Linton-Champion match.

The bicycle thief is said to be increasing and multiplying in all parts of the colony.

The well-known rider, J. W. Jones, will probably retire from the track, as racing is said to interfere with his business.

"More Breeches of Promise" is the side-heading in a Home country newspaper to a paragraph saying that a lady sued her tailor for the non-delivery of a pair of bloomers which were to be ready by a certain date.

The Atalanta (Ladies) C.C. ought to be 200 or 300 strong by now, with the hundreds of wheelwomen there are in Christchurch.

The Christchurch *Wheelman* says that cash amateurism seems to be making big strides in the North Island.

A meeting of the cycling section of the Kimberley Athletic Club was held recently for the purpose of forming a volunteer corps in connection with the Griqualand West Brigade. The attendance was very small, and the meeting was adjourned. The movement does not seem to be very popular.

Though the supremacy of British-made cycles is pretty well admitted the wide world over, there can be no doubt that some very fine machines are being made on the other side of the Dover Straits. It will be news to a great many people to know that there are a vast number of famous "English" cycles manufactured abroad.

The Archbishop of Paris has forbidden the priests under his control to cycle in their clerical dress, but in ordinary habiliments they may ride the wheel to their heart's content.

Writing on 16th April, our Napier correspondent remarks:—Another attempt at record-breaking was made on the cycling track at the Recreation Grounds on Tuesday evening, when J.



Caughley rode a mile unpaced, and Gus Peterson tried to get within the standard for the mile paced. Both efforts were, however, unsuccessful. Caughley took 2min 19 3-5sec to get over the mile, Gus Peterson's time, his efforts being nullified by indifferent pacing, was 2min 19sec.

The first bicycle ever built in America was made in Hartford in 1877, and sold the next year to a Boston man.

### CHRISTCHURCH CYCLING.

[BY OUR CANTERBURY CORRESPONDENT.]

The Christchurch Cycling Club's race meeting was a great success, 3100 persons passing through the turnstiles. The Ritchie Brothers (Ernest and Harold) won the four principal events, but the times, owing to the wind, were not fast. Ernest Ritchie has gone to Wanganui.

"Joey" Barker, the cash champion, made an attempt to lower the one mile New Zealand record of 2min 2sec, held by himself, but he could not do better than 2min 23sec. "Joey" is a rider of the Bill Martin type, and is a great man for the almighty dollar. He did not rake in any rocks at the Christchurch meeting, and left on the following day for Wellington, where on Easter Monday he won the lion's share of the prize-money. This season Barker and Hunt have won more money at cycle racing than any other half dozen riders in New Zealand. They always ride to win, and they know how to stick to their money.

"Toby" Wilmot, the ex-amateur champion, has not won much since he joined the cash ranks. He has met Barker too often lately, and Barker has knocked the bottom out of him completely. Toby's best days are over.

The League of New Zealand Wheelmen, is becoming stronger every day, and new clubs are applying for affiliation at every meeting. The League is now managed by men who know a great deal about cycling and the way the sport should be conducted. The Alliance, the governing body of the "shamateur" in New Zealand, seems to have lost all its life, and unless new men take office I shall soon have to chronicle the winding-up of this so-called lily-white amateur body.

Cash v. Trophy, or vice versa.—The Pioneer Bicycle Club, the oldest amateur club in New Zealand, held a race meeting on a half-holiday recently. Weather lovely, attendance small. The Christchurch Cycling Club, the promoters of cash races in New Zealand, held a race meeting on April 16th. Weather bitterly cold and threatening rain, attendance 3100! Your readers may judge for themselves as to what the Christchurch public thinks of the two clubs at the present time.

Harry Thompson and A. Donn, who were recently disqualified by the Cyclists' Alliance for allowing themselves to be paced by cash riders when attempting to break records at Timaru, have been "whitewashed" by the said Alliance. Everyone knows this body could not afford to lose two such prominent riders, hence its reason for climbing down and allowing Thompson and Donn to again ride among the amateurs.

The Ashburton Cycling Club (affiliated to the Cyclists' Alliance) held a race meeting on Easter Monday in conjunction with the local amateur athletic club. Ashburton has a population of about 2000 and two cycling clubs, one amateur and the other cash. The cash club is flourishing. The amateur club had not a single representative in six out of seven cycling events at the meeting. Pioneer Club went down from Christchurch, ran the meeting, and returned with all the cups, etc. And this is the way they do things at Ashburton.

Wall, the leading amateur of Wanganui, has joined the rapidly increasing body of cash cyclists. He made his debut as a cash rider at the Druids' Sports, Wellington, on Easter Monday. His best performance was in riding a dead heat with "Joey" Barker in the mile scratch event. Wall is a stoutly-built young fellow, and if he trains well should soon be in the front rank of Colonial riders.

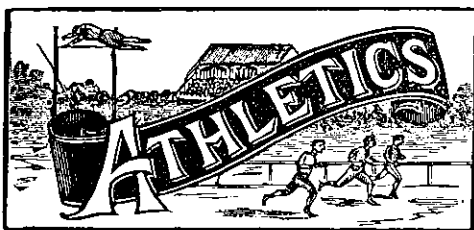
The cricket season at Wellington was brought to a close on Saturday last, when the Phoenix Club met and defeated the Midland eleven. This gave the senior premiership to the Wellington Club.



A. M. SKEATES, A LEADING CASH CYCLIST.

Photo. by H. Whitnall-Smith

Queen Street, Auckland



[BY VIGILANT.]

That august body, the N.Z.A.A.A., decided to "receive" the letter from the A.A.C. protesting against the motion of the association re suppressing betting. Wonder they even did that.

"Silverspur" in last week's *New Zealand Mail* says it is a pity that A. H. Holder could not have been sent Home to represent New Zealand in the English Championships, and gives it as his opinion that there would probably have been steps taken by the Association to send him had he been a Christchurch man. Talking of Holder and the N.Z.A.A.A., I understand this body is anxious to send the Wanganui champion across to the Australasian Championship Meeting in October next.

A correspondent in the Christchurch *Press* calls attention to the increase in betting on the amateur sports there. We thought such things were solely confined to Auckland.

From Taranaki comes the news that six men, recently reinstated as amateurs, have broken their status.

At the N.Z.A.A.A. meeting the name of P. M. Thomson was struck off the amateur list. Thomson, as will be remembered, is the Auckland who showed himself such a fine sprinter and is a brother of H. G. Thomson.

From the detailed account to hand of the Wanganui Amateur Athletic Club's Meeting of Easter Monday I find that the function was a highly-successful one, though the heavy nature of the track prevented any very fast times being recorded. From this it will be seen that H. G. Thompson had a pretty lively go to win the 440yds handicap, only about a foot separating him from C. E. Bridge, who was also on the 12yds mark, while a yard would have covered the placed men; the time was 54 1-5sec. T. Moncur (25yds) also had a very desperate go with the same athlete, Bridge (20yds), in the Half-mile Handicap, only just squeezing home, while Sutherland was not a yard away from the second man; time, 2min 12 4-5sec. Matters were hardly so close in the One Mile, in which Sutherland (scr.) proved victorious, winning by a matter of five yards in 4min 58 4-5sec. He came to the front in the last lap, getting home with a spurt.



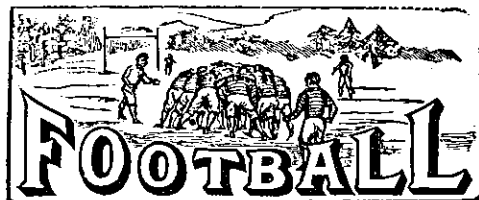
RALPH AND WALNE, THE TANDEM WINNERS AT MELBOURNE.

Photo. by Wall Bros.,

St. Kilda, Melbourne.

Another old Auckland boy, A. H. Williamson, scored at the Wanganui meeting, winning the 100yds from the 5yds mark, in time returned as 10sec, a yard separating him from T. Moncur, who had 8yds.

A Wellington writer says the Auckland Amateur Athletic Club has protested against the motion passed by the N.Z.A.A.A. asking the committee to take active steps to put down betting, seeing that every precaution had been taken to abate the nuisance by communicating with the police. At the close of his comment, my *confrere* says:—"Amateurs are human, like every other class of the community, and ever since the present writer has known anything about amateurism he has known some of them to wager over every meeting."



[BY VIGILANT.]

At the special general meeting of the Auckland Rugby Union, held last Thursday evening, the motion put forward by Mr Airey, suggesting the substitution of a one-man committee to select representative teams in the place of three as at present, was adopted, with only three dissenting voices. I incline to think that the change will prove for the best, though opinions vary considerably.

It appears that there is very little prospect of Suburbs being able to put a senior team in the field this year, according to Mr Leahy's representations at the special meeting of the Auckland Rugby Union on Thursday last. The Union, however, decided to give the club a few days to send in names of those prepared to play, and do not feel inclined to establish a precedent in allowing the men to join other district clubs.

J. Arneil has been elected a life member of the Auckland Rugby Union.

If the arrangements are carried out as anticipated by the New Zealand Rugby Union, the tour of the New Zealand team to Australia will read as under:—Leave Wellington 20th June, play New South Wales on 3rd and 10th July, Queensland on the 17th and 24th July, and New South Wales on the 31st July, with minor matches on each Wednesday. The team would then leave by the Alameda on the 2nd August, arriving at Auckland on the 6th, and play here on the 7th, leaving again for the South on the 9th August.

Several practice matches were played on Saturday at Potter's Paddock.

The movements of provincial teams as proposed for the season are as under:—Otago to play Southland; bush districts to play Wairarapa; Canterbury to visit South Canterbury and Otago; Wairarapa to visit Wanganui and Taranaki; Manawatu to visit Taranaki; Poverty Bay to visit Hawke's Bay; Buller to play West Coast; Wanganui to visit Taranaki; Auckland to visit Taranaki; Taranaki to visit Wellington, Canterbury, and Otago; Wellington to visit Otago, Southland, Hawke's Bay, also probably playing Manawatu and South Canterbury.

The management committee of the New Zealand Rugby Union for the incoming season will be as under:—Messrs Bate (Wellington), Bee (Otago), Wesney (Southland), Morrison (Hawke's Bay), Gibbons (Auckland), Lawrenson (Poverty Bay), McCardle (Canterbury), with officers *ex officio*; auditor, Mr Coupland (Wellington); appeal committee, Messrs Henderson (Auckland), Fache (Wellington), Cotterill (South Canterbury), Firth (Nelson), Logan (Hawke's Bay).

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All notifications for the future published in this column are so published under the authority of the Auckland Racing Club, and are binding on country clubs and others, who must therefore duly note the same.

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.

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

WM. PERCIVAL, Secretary.

**RACING CALENDAR.****NEW ZEALAND.**

April 29, Thurs.; 30, Fri.—South Canterbury J.C. Autumn  
April 29, Thurs.; May 1, Sat.—Wellington R.C. Autumn  
May 6, Wed.; 6, Thurs.—Egmont R.C. Winter  
May 6, Thurs.—North Canterbury J.C. Annual  
May 8, Sat.—Otahuhu and Suburban R.C. Autumn  
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 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.**

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 30, Fri.—Otahuhu and Suburban R.C. Autumn  
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

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**AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.**

SUMMER MEETING, 1898-99.

THE ROYAL STAKES, 1898-99.

FOR YEARLINGS AND FOALS.

Of 500 sovs; the owner of the second horse to receive 10 per cent, and the owner of the third horse 5 per cent out of the stake. For two- and three-year-olds. Weight-for-age. Winners after August 1st, 1898, of any race or races collectively of the value of 250 sovs, 3lb; of 500 sovs, 5lb; of 750 sovs, 7lb; of 1000 sovs, 10lb. Maiden three-year-olds at time of starting allowed 10lb; two-year-olds, 7lb. By subscription of 10 sovs each, payable to the Secretary of the A.R.C. on General Entry Day, Summer Meeting, 1898, unless forfeits are declared and paid as follows:—Yearlings (foals of 1895) may be struck out upon payment of 2 sovs by the first Friday in June, 1898; or upon payment of 4 sovs by the first Friday in December, 1898. Foals of 1896 may be struck out upon payment of 2 sovs by the first Friday in June, 1898; or upon payment of 4 sovs by the first Friday in December, 1898. All horses remaining in after the first Friday in December, 1898, must pay their total entrance of 10 sovs by twelve noon the day before the race. Should there be any surplus arising from the subscriptions it will be given to the race. Six furlongs.

Entries closed for yearlings on January 8th, 1897. ENTRIES close for foals on FRIDAY, April 30th, 1897, by 9 p.m. No money is required at time of nomination.

**AUTUMN MEETING, 1898.**

THE GREAT NORTHERN CHAMPAGNE STAKES, 1898.

FOR NOW YEARLINGS.

Of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 8lb; geldings, 8st 5lb. By subscription of 7 sovs each, payable at the post, unless forfeits are declared as follows:—If struck out by the first Friday in December, 1897, 1 sov forfeit; if struck out by the first Friday in February, 1898, 3 sovs forfeit; if left in after this date, liable for the whole 7 sovs. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. Six furlongs.

ENTRIES close FRIDAY, 30th April, 1897. No money is required at the time of nomination.

ENTRIES for the above events are to be made to the Secretary of the A.R.C., at his office, Durham Street; or to the Secretary of the C.J.C., Canterbury; D.J.C., Dunedin; H.B.J.C., Napier; W.R.C., Wellington; M.R.C., Blenheim; V.R.C., Melbourne; A.J.C., Sydney.

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

**OTAHUHU AND SUBURBAN RACING CLUB.****ANNUAL MEETING**

TO BE HELD ON THE

OTAHUHU RACECOURSE

ON

SATURDAY, MAY 8, 1897.

Acceptances and Entries for Selling Race close TO-MORROW (Friday, April 30), at 10 p.m.

WM. L. LOCKHART,  
Secretary.

**Sporting and Dramatic****REVIEW**

AND

LICENSED VICTUALLERS' GAZETTE.

WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE WEEKLY STANDARD.

THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 1897.

**THE AUTUMN MEETING.**

THE success of the late Autumn meeting of our metropolitan club must be gratifying to all lovers of horse racing, as well as to the Auckland Racing Club. Following so closely on the wonderful success of the Spring gatherings, that achieved at the Autumn meeting must be regarded by Mr Percival and his committee almost in the light of a triumph. The financial results, as indicated by the totalisator alone, seems to be satisfactory evidence of the increased prosperity of the colony and Auckland in particular. It is true that in mining matters we have lately experienced a depression, but in all other respects business appears to be thriving, and that is demonstrated by the fact that the totalisator receipts at the Autumn meeting were £3369 greater than those of last year, and the fair deduction is that the general community is more prosperous than last year, and have so much more money to expend in other ways than upon the necessities of life. It may be that some few speculate upon the totalisator who cannot afford to do so, but the great bulk of totalisator money represents capital that is not required by the investor for business pursuits. In addition to the financial success the A.R.C. has another substantial reason for regarding the late meeting with satisfaction, for combined with the fact that the racing right through was excellent, it was entirely free from those suspicious circumstances that too frequently at race gatherings provoke the thought that something shady is

being done. After so much talk of turf scandals of late the purity of the racing at the late meeting was a relief, and this may in a measure be attributable to the knowledge that the committee of the Auckland Racing Club have recently given evidence that they are determined to get at the root of certain scandals that have occurred in the past. With fair and equitable handicapping and a field of triers there are bound to be surprises, and this was shown at the late meeting, when a fair percentage of outsiders got home. There was nothing out and dried about any of the races, and therefore good dividends were the rule. While the Auckland Club is to be congratulated on the success of their meeting, they are entitled to further warm praise for their liberal action in voting the sum of £100 towards the Hawke's Bay Flood Relief Fund. It was, we understand, proposed to hold a special meeting in aid of the Fund, but there was a chance that wet weather or something else might cause it to be a failure, and the club very wisely and generously determined to give the Napier sufferers £100 out of their funds. Of course there are captious cavillers who already complain that the club had no right to vote its funds for such a purpose, but we venture to think that these critics will meet with but little sympathy.

**Sporting Topics.**

The yearlings at present being handled give promise of furnishing into splendid two-year-olds. The Balista and Cantiniere colts in Mr Booth's hands are exceptionally fine animals, while Mr George Wright has a beautiful filly and the Jadestone colt in hand. The filly purchased by the Hon W. Mossman, of Queensland, is highly spoken of, and Blue Jacket, by St. Leger—Antelope, is giving a lot of promise. This youngster is in the hands of Alick Caulton, and was ridden into town during the week. Besides being beautifully built, especially behind, he has a splendid temper, and behaved like an old stager in the street. He is a stranger to nervousness, and took advantage of his presence in town to pay a visit to the SPORTING REVIEW office, where our reporter avers he whispered a tip, but that must be reserved for a future occasion.

It was currently reported in town during the week that that good mare, Anita, an Auckland Cup winner, had been so seriously injured by the kick of a horse that she would have to be destroyed. However, rumour, as it very often is, was wrong, but there was some grounds for it. When the popular owner of the mare was seen he explained that she was all right, but it was true she had been kicked. A draught mare had been put into the paddock where she was grazing, and during one of the nights of last week kicked Anita in the hind-quarters. At first it was feared that the injury was of a serious nature, but since then she has quite recovered, and is as well and as frisky as ever she was.

Mr John George Gee elsewhere publishes the programme prepared for the Lake Takapuna hack race-meeting, to be held in McKay's Paddock on Saturday, May 1. The programme is an attractive one for the class of horses catered for, and the outing should be a pleasant one. Attention should be drawn to the fact that 'busses will run from North Shore to the Lake at convenient intervals on the day of the meeting.

We understand that Royal Conqueror, the strapping son of Flintlock, has been purchased by a patron of Mr J. C. Booth's stable. At the sale on April 23 he was passed in, it being understood that there was a reserve of 150 sovs on him. It is pretty certain that that price has been realised, as there was more than one good judge after him. He has furnished into a beautiful colt, and is a likely looking Derby customer.

Messrs. Hunter and Nolan's sale of racehorses to-morrow should create a lot of interest. Foremost in the lot to be sold is the speedy St. Clements, by St. Leger—Satanella, own brother to St. Paul. He has had a brilliant career on the turf, and if he never races again he should be worth something for stud purposes. The two-year-old Volcano has a lot to commend him. At the summer meeting of the Avondale Jockey Club he won a race in good style, and at the late meeting of the Auckland Racing Club he shaped remarkably well, running third to that undoubtedly good colt, St. Crispin. At the same time the sensational and good-looking Donovan will be submitted. The way in which he beat a good field in the Newmarket Handicap at Ellerslie, and paid a big dividend, in January will be remembered. Wai-iti and another are also in the list for sale.

The conditions of the Royal Stakes, to be run at the Summer Meeting of the Auckland Racing Club next season, will be found in our advertising columns. Entries for foals close on Friday at nine p.m. At the same time entries for now yearlings for the Great Northern Champagne Stakes, to be run at the next Autumn Meeting, close, but better information as to conditions, etc., can be obtained by a reference to Mr Percival's advertisement.

Recently Mr Harry Hayr has had no occasion to growl at Dame Fortune. After the Takapuna meeting he with a well-known publican became possessed of Panoply for the modest sum of £37. At the Avondale meeting Wright's despised cast-off ran a dead-heat for the selling race, and then on Saturday last he was a starter in the St.

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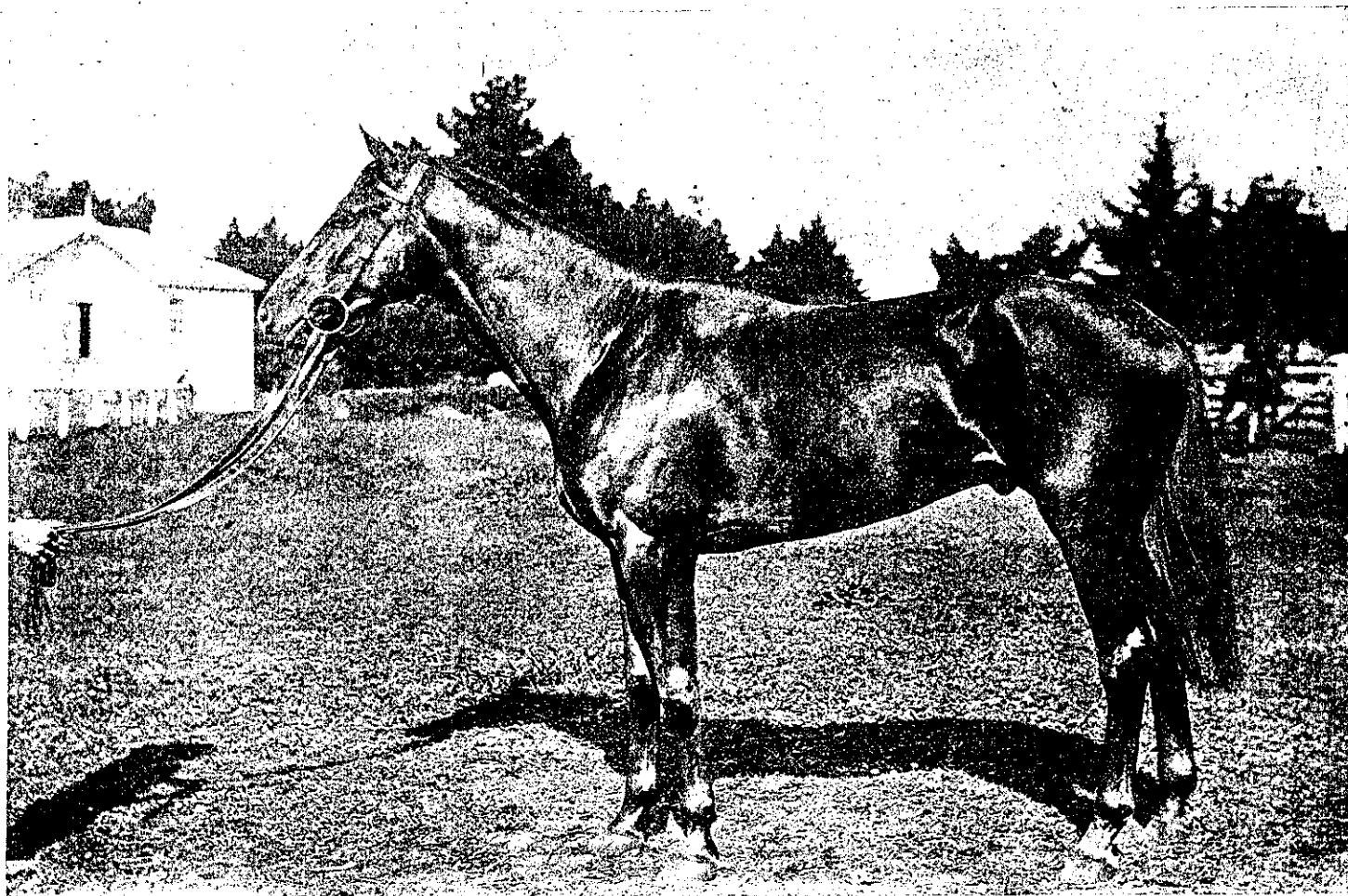
George's Handicap, in which he was opposed by fifteen others. Panoply is an in-and-out gentleman. At one time the Hon. W. A. Long, of Chipping Norton, New South Wales, thought so well of him that he refused an offer of £300. His trainer, the veteran Brown, however, tired of the well bred horse, and pronounced him a rogue, the result being that he was sold to Sam Fielder, the well-known trainer, for sixty guineas. Hopscotch was put up at the same sale, but the reserve on him was 2000 guineas. Panoply, in Sam Fielder's hands, did not do much good, and the astute Randwick trainer gave him to Mr George Wright in exchange, we believe, for the pony Golden Fleece. In Wright's hands he was a comparative failure, but unexpectedly won a race at North Shore. After that George Wright, like Tom Brown and Sam Fielder, tired of Splendour's son, and he was put up for absolute sale, with the result that Mr Harry Hayr and a friend bought him for £37. Their luck has been better than that of Panoply's previous owners, and on Saturday they scored a decided hit. They had no confidence, however, in the horse, and so far as the owners were concerned only a few sovereigns were put on him, but those few sovereigns brought grist to the mill, as Panoply, for once in a way, took it into his head to gallop (and he can gallop when he likes), and he won a very fine race, paying the handsome dividend of £55 5s. There was rejoicing in the Hotel Occidental that night.

Frank Macmanemin and Fred Davis had a lot to do with Panoply's win—the former for understanding the temper of the horse and the latter for obeying his instructions. The trainer had conceived the opinion that the uncertain son of Splendour required to be driven from the word "go," but the stable boys had formed a contrary opinion and had told Davis not to touch his mount with the spurs. However, Macmanemin gave his instructions otherwise, and warned Davis to put on the sharpest spurs he had and to drive Panoply along from the jump. These instructions so disconcerted Davis that he recalled the "quid" he intended to invest on Panoply on the machine. It was bad luck for him, but he remembered his instructions, and Panoply, bounding away from the rowels, showed how he can gallop under pressure. A waking up of this sort may do the horse good in the future.

Rumour has it that when George Wright saw his cast-off galloping home he called him a gentleman, while Mr Harry Hayr and some lady friends, who had their dollars on, used more endearing terms.

If Mr Harry Hayr's luck was in in the matter of Panoply, he also scored with Kingswood. After disappointing everybody at Avondale, Mr O'Rourke parted with Ingomar's son, and Jack Rae, with Mr Hayr and another friend, became the owner. It was a wonderfully good bargain, as Ingomar's son must have returned the purchase money twice over to his new owners, but Jack Rae, as his trainer and rider, is entitled to the lion's share of the credit. In all his three races he handled his horse with consummate judgment and skill. The finish which he put in on Saturday, when he beat Moezel, is one that will long be remembered. It was a splendid piece of horsemanship, in which the rider seemed to lift his horse home just at the critical moment. Speaking of it afterwards Jack said—"I did not know how it was going to end. I had remained a good way back in the hope of seeing something else first tackle Moezel before I had a go at him, but somehow nothing else seemed able to do it, and I had to set sail. I did not know what the result would be, and when it had ended I did not know whether I had won or not; but on the first day, when it was given a dead-heat between me and Miss Nelson, I felt certain I had won. It was that and other things that made me determined to run off."

Kingswood will go to the Hawera meeting, and with one pound less than he carried at Ellerslie on Saturday last he should have a big show.



HON. J. D. ORMOND'S OR C DEFLIANT (BY DREADNOUGHT—LEGACY), WINNER OF THE ELLERSLIE HANDICAP AT THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

A well-known Ellerslie horse-shoer, Gough, had a narrow escape of being killed during the week. It appears that on Thursday morning last he was operating upon Dentist, and probably over-confidence caused him to incautiously take hold of the animal's hind leg. Dentist resented this, and lashing out, hit Gough with his unshod foot fair on the nose. It was a wonder the man was not killed, but since then his nasal organ has presented more the appearance of a pancake than anything else. Jack Rae, speaking of Dentist, warmly defended the animal from the charge of viciousness, saying "He is one of the quietest animals alive, but I may say that when breaking him in he knocked one of my teeth out, and that is why I called him Dentist." If Gough had his way he would probably call him John L. Sullivan.

The latest news from Victoria is to the effect that the V.R.C. Committee have, by a large majority, decided to strongly support the introduction of the totalisator, and with that view the parent body is seeking the co-operation of the country clubs.

News comes from New South Wales of the death of that splendid show horse, Fairfield. It appears that he met with an accident at Bathurst and had to be destroyed. During his career Fairfield won nearly a hundred prizes, and as his presence shows had the effect of frightening other competitors away it was found necessary to bar him at some of the country shows. His owner, who gave £450 for him, intended taking him to England.

A hack race meeting is advertised to be held on the Onehunga Racecourse on Saturday, May 15th.

That great South Australian sire, Neckersgat, is dead, news to that effect having been received by cable on Tuesday night. During his career at the stud Neckersgat sired a lot of winners, the most notable probably being Dunlop and The Nun.

At the annual yearling sale, held by Mr T. S. Clibborn in Sydney, the prices realised were very small. Many well-known buyers were not in evidence, and the drought and prospect of a grassless Winter prevented others from speculating. In fact, the drought had already affected some lots, and there was an unusual number with blemishes. Though the last to be offered, the Kirkham selection, sent up in rare trim, as usual attracted most attention, and brought the highest prices. Coil's brother, Cocos, as fine a specimen of the thoroughbred as could be produced anywhere, started at 100gs, went by leaps and bounds to 1000gs, and was secured by Coil's owner for 1150gs. All the Abercorns showed fine quality, and a half-brother to that famous horse, by Gossoon (imp.), fetched second top price, Mr Leonard (Vic.) being the purchaser at 700gs. Two others, an Abercorn and a Carbine, brought 200gs each.

Those two well-known bookmakers, Messrs Dan McLeod and Robert Cleland, have just cause to anathematise in forcible language their bad luck in owning a horse like Sabretache. There can be no doubt that he is a good animal, but surely he must have been foaled under an unlucky star. In the Spring of the year he was showing splendid work on the Randwick training track, and it was thought that he had a big chance in some of the important events at the V.R.C. Spring Carnivals. Indeed one journal, the *Sportsman*,

gave him as a good thing for the Melbourne Cup. Just when his prospects were bright he was seized with influenza, and he was a failure at the meeting. Since then he has ran well on several occasions, but has always just been beaten by a head or a neck; but his last experience in the Rous Handicap at Randwick was the unluckiest cut of all. Sabretache was the first past the post, and the genial Sydney metalician, Mr Paddy Burke, at once sent the pleasing intelligence by cable to his friend, Mr Dan McLeod, that Sabretache had won, and that he had backed him for the Auckland. No wonder, then, that champagne was spilt in Auckland, but the rejoicing was all too soon, as later advices revealed the sad fact that Sabretache had been disqualified for crossing. It is not surprising to know now that the disgraced horse is on his way home. It is to be hoped that in his own land he will be more successful than he has been across the water.

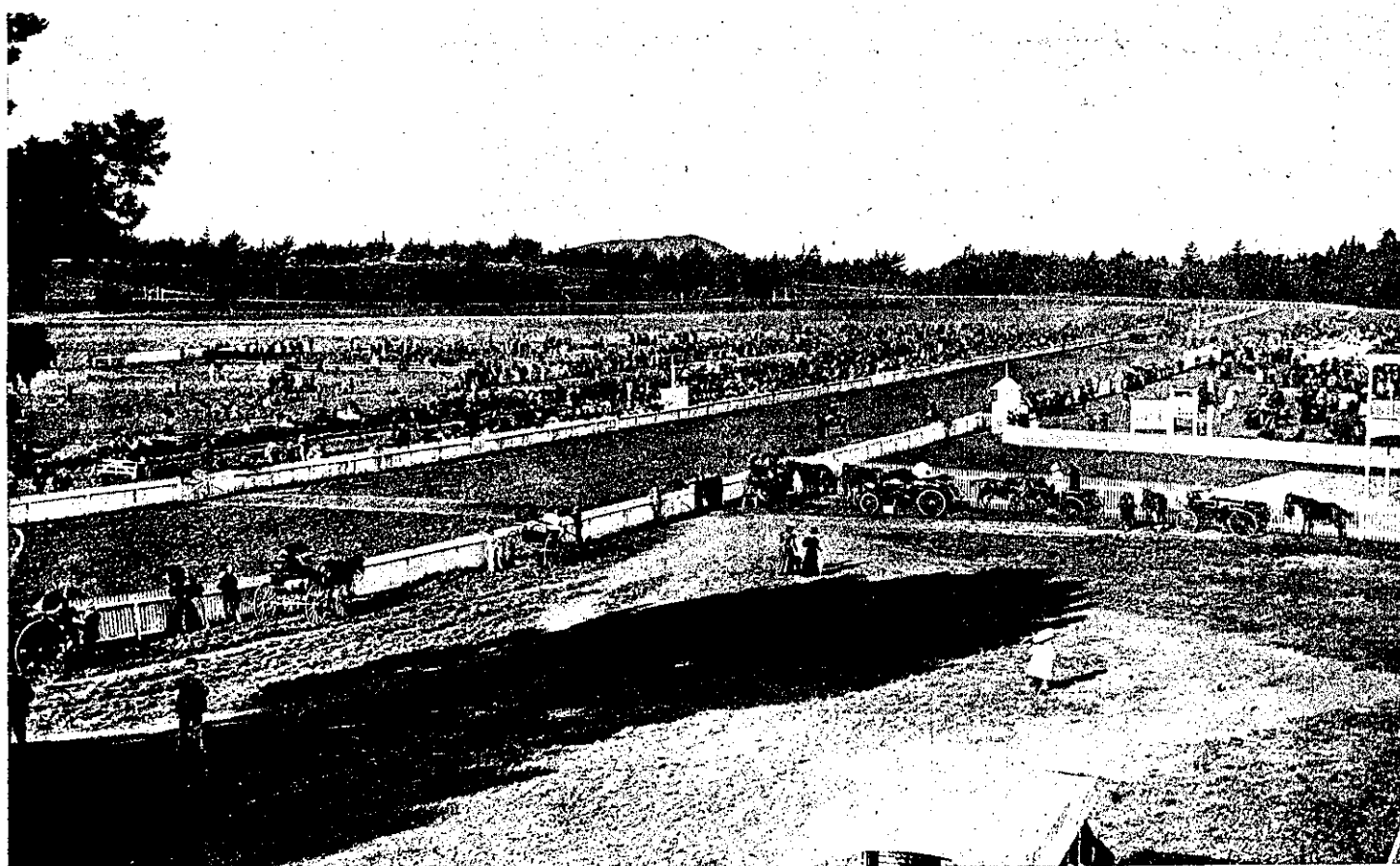
Newhaven will go to England in charge of T. Stephens, who was at one time connected with the Auckland Stud Company, and was afterwards in the employ of Mr A. Chirnside.

The high-priced New Zealand-bred Mosquetaire (Nordenfeldt—Frailty) is now at the stud in England. The fact is alluded to by a London writer as follows:—"Mr L. W. Humby, of Iwerne Minster, has arranged with Mr Gollan for that gentleman's horse Mosquetaire to stand at his stud this season. Mosquetaire is an own brother to Havoc, and there is no reason why, like Frailty's other sons, he should not get high-class stock, for he is a good-looking, beautifully-balanced horse. He never ran, owing to his having damaged his forelegs when in training, by galloping some miles on a hard road after getting rid of his boy. Mr Humby is one of the few breeders in England who has mares of Fisherman blood, and as Mosquetaire boasts two crosses of that celebrity, he will be well mated."

Writes Mr Gibson, owner of Dairio, now in England:—"Horses who jump like Dairio are no good here, they lose too much at the jumps, through trying to clear 5ft, while English horses are going quite a foot lower. . . . A really good bold hurdler could win many steeplechases here, of which there are quite a number while the season lasts."

The Victorian mare Emmalea was a starter under 11.2 in the Sandown Park (England) Grand Prize, two miles (a hurdle race), run a few weeks ago, and finished fourth to last in a field of eleven, going out unbacked, the third favourite, Knight of Rhodes (12.9), winning from the unbacked John O'Seaham. One writer said of Emmalea—"She was the merest rag to look at, and was as weak as a rat."

The general idea is that "tote" proprietors scoop in the shekels with both hands at every race-meeting they attend with the machine. But this is not always so. The betting machine man is frequently "out" at the end of a day to a very considerable extent. At the last Foxton races the tote proprietor dropped £200 as the result of mistakes and bungling. The tote clerks frequently lose their heads when "paying out," and hand people dividends on "cronk" tickets, to say nothing of paying more than the ticket-holder is entitled to. Mistakes will happen, and they are peculiarly liable to occur when a crowd of people who have "struck the winner" are howling round a totalisator like hungry wolves round a log-but. The tote is a wonderful machine, but it is not perfect by a long way. What is really wanted is a machine fitted with automatic, lightning-calculator clerks, which will pay out directly a race is over, and will refuse to register investments within five minutes of the ringing of the starting-bell.—*Spectator*.



VIEW OF THE ELLERSLIE COURSE.

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## After the Races.

### THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

[BY ATLAS.]

THIRD DAY--SATURDAY, APRIL 24TH.

THE Auckland Racing Club stewards and other officials, I feel tolerably sure, are proud of the success of their Autumn Meeting. If they are not they ought to be, and judging from the telegraphic and cable information I have little hesitation in saying that the meeting at Ellerslie was the most successful from any point of view of similar gatherings held in any part of Australasia during the Easter holidays. Much of the credit of the triumph of the gathering is due to the efforts of the secretary, who succeeded in keeping the meeting well before the public, but one greater promoter of success was the weather. The clerk of the weather fairly smiled upon the Autumn Meeting, and while other days during the week were rainy and unpleasant, the weather

to show the way, the colours of Tim and Playboy showing close up. There was not much alteration to the far turn, where Outlaw ran up to Mr Booth's horse, but he did not last long and the next to put in a claim for the pilot's position was Forella, and at the back, under the plantation, the brown gelding, going all he knew, was three lengths in front of Reflection, but Forella had made the pace too strong, and when the bend was reached he fell back to Reflection, and the cry went up that the latter would win. But the glasses, to the initiated, had revealed the fact that there was still one in the rear to be dealt with. Katerns (on Tim) had been riding a patient race, but he was creeping up when negotiating the bend, and although Reflection was first into the straight his master, Tim, was in his wake. When heads were turned for home fairly, Tim came away and won with something in hand by three lengths, a similar distance separating second and third. Natation was fourth, The Outlaw fifth, Playboy sixth, and Awatuna last.

Four only competed in the Hurdle Race, and of that number the gay Miss Nelson received most support. Mr J. B. Williamson's trained Aughadowey did the cutting-out work, and he did it so well that he had the field in trouble when the straight was reached. Before this Miss Nelson had come to grief, and Aughadowey, going on by himself, won easily from Levanter, while Hukater was an indifferent third. The win was popular as Aughadowey's owner has not

if the journey had been a little bit further that this plucky little daughter of Malua would have got her game head in front. Markinch was close up fourth, with Fabulist fifth.

Only four saddled up for the 40 sovs offered for the Pony Hurdle Handicap, and Pororua and Clayton were the elect of the public, but backers were all astray, as they occupied the two last positions, while Repeat and Libeller were first and second. Repeat's victory was a very easy one, and the business-like way in which he did his work causes me to think that he would make many of the big horses move to beat him over the sticks. On Saturday he played with the field opposed to him. The favourite, Pororua, fell during the race, but pony and rider escaped injury.

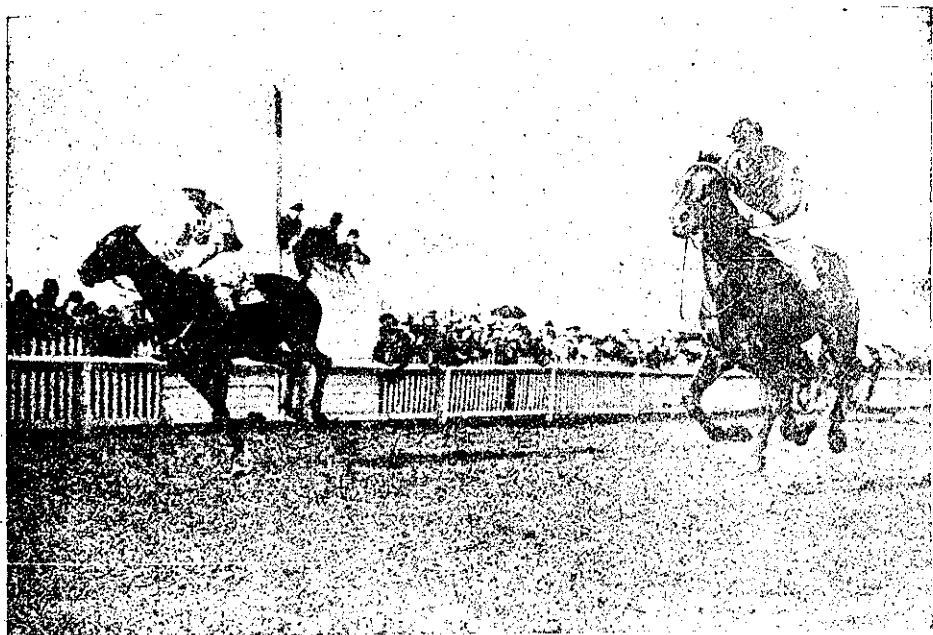
Another large field flattered Mr Evett's adjustment of the weights in the Criterion Handicap, and on the strength of her previous good performances, Mr Nathan's fine filly, Miss Emmy, was made favourite. Backers were not wrong this time. The favourite got well away, with Decoration, Regal, and Rex as her nearest attendants. These four remained in close company to the home bend, where Miss Emmy was leading. Gallagher rode his mount vigorously, and she won at the end by three lengths from Picklock, who made a good run at the finish and beat Rex for second place. Although favourite, Miss Emmy paid the satisfactory dividend of £3 16s.

The Second Handicap Steeplechase proved to

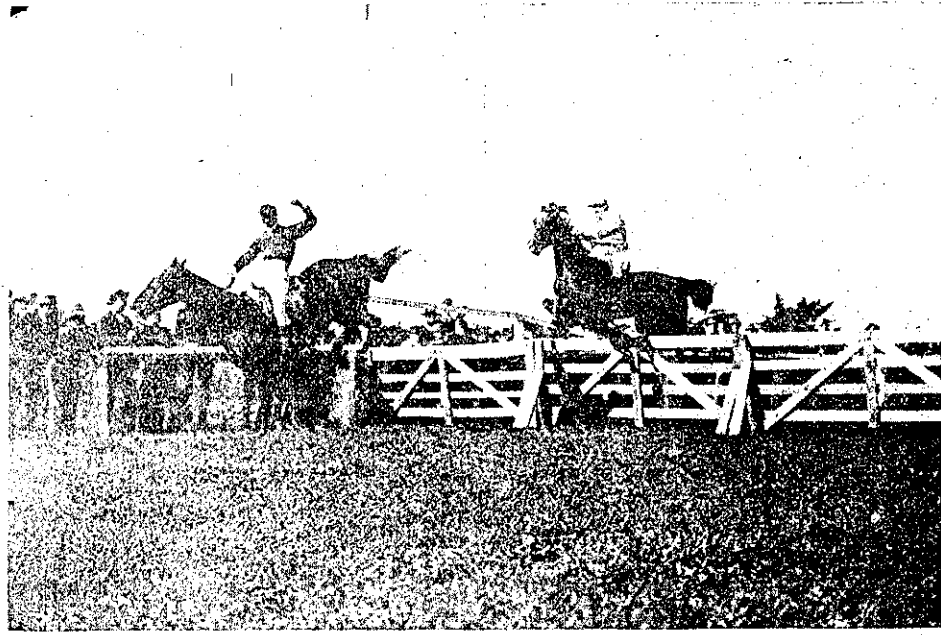
odds against him he began to decrease the leader's lead, but Mozel at the final jump seemed to have the race in hand. Rae's splendid finishing power was never seen to better advantage. Once over the last obstacle he steadied Kingswood for an instant to find that he was properly on his feet, and then he sat down and rode him for all he was worth. For a moment it appeared as if the task was a hopeless one, but Kingswood came gamely on, and brought Mozel to the whip before the Stand was reached. Opposite the Stand Rae, with the whip in his left hand, called on Kingswood, whose head was on Mozel's girths, to make one final effort, and most nobly did the horse respond, as in the next few strides he drew level, and as the pair flashed past the post the judge's verdict was—Kingswood by a nose. Forella was about fifteen lengths away third, with Bombardier, in his usual position, fourth. The exciting finish greatly pleased the public, and both Rae and Woodfield were loudly cheered on returning to scale.

The Grandstand Handicap saw thirteen at the barrier, and of that number Rex, Kanaka, Lillie, Doris, and Regal received most support, but the unexpected happened, and the winner turned up in Porangi Potae, who had hitherto disappointed her friends. That gay old gentleman, Regal, played up a little at the post, but, taking everything into consideration, he has a wonderful good temper; he is in blooming health, and when one considers that he has been several years at the

### SKETCHES AT THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.



FINISH OF THE EASTER HANDICAP.



ST. SIMON AND MISS NELSON JUMPING THE LAST HURDLE.

on each day of the Autumn gathering was beautifully fine, and that on Saturday was particularly so, the going being firm and just of that consistency that the most tender-footed prad need not have been frightened of it. It was not surprising, under the favourable climatic influences that the attendance was large, but one of the soundest and best reasons for congratulating the stewards of the club was the fact that the running all through was not only interesting but seemed beyond suspicion. It was a satisfactory sign of the times, too, to note that the sum of £6,811 passed through the machine, making a total of £20,848 for the meeting, or an increase of £3,369 over last year's figures. Mr Impey's band, as usual, added pleasure to the day's proceedings, while the catering department, in the hands of Mr T. McEwin, of the City Buffet, was as efficiently conducted as ever.

Proceedings were opened on Saturday with the Maiden Hurdle Race, for which seven faced the starter. Tim was the most fancied. This five-year-old son of Woolbroker has only just recently been purchased by a well-known and respected sharebroker, and the price paid, I believe, was something like £60, with a promise of £40 out of his first win. The seller did not have to wait long for his £40 dividend, as at the very first time of asking after the sale the horse did the needful, and both seller and purchaser, under the circumstances, were probably satisfied. After the barrier was liberated Reflection was the first

been too lucky, although a straight goer. This was the first time he had the chance of seeing his horse gallop since his visit to Australia.

The St. George's Handicap was the surprise of the day. Sixteen sported silk, and of that number Fabulist, Doris, Markinch, Three Star, and Flying Fish all received substantial support, but the winner did not come from any of these. The big field was sent away well together, and the front division consisted of Anniversary, Flying Fish, Fabulist, and Haria, while the despised outsider, Panoply, appeared just at the head of the ruck. Anniversary led along the back with Flying Fish and Three Star, while Panoply had run into fourth position, and for once in a way appeared to be in a galloping humour. Mr Harry Hayr's colours first passed Flying Fish and then Three Star, and in the home bend the uncertain son of Splendour was going in great style, and quickly had anniversary in trouble. The turn into the straight was done at a great bat, and although Panoply had got to the front young Davis never eased him for a moment, but kept at him, and it was well he did, for he had no time to spare, the field behind closing up. Markinch, Fabulist, and Cast Ashore all made good runs, but Panoply, driven along vigorously by Davis, lasted it out in better style than he usually does, and won a great race by a neck from the good-looking Cast Ashore. This son of Castor is evidently on the improve, but he only beat Lady Marion by a head for second place, and I think

be the most interesting event of the day, and although the prize was not as big as it ought to be, ten cross-country horses fought it out for the 80 sovs. Mozel was a slightly better favourite than Kingswood, and the result of the race showed what good judges the public are. Kingswood was the quickest away, and led over the first jumps. Soon afterwards Glenlora shot to the front, and carried the field along at a good pace. At the old water-jump Sepoy deprived Glenlora of first position, and soon had a dozen lengths lead, which he increased to twenty lengths going through the plantation to the top of the hill, Forella being second, with Mozel and Kingswood in company, two lengths further away, Bombardier being next. At the jump in Crowther's Paddock Sepoy ran off, leaving Kingswood in the van; but Forella soon afterwards took the pride of place, with Mozel and Kingswood following close together. Forella was first over the double, but at this juncture Woodfield gave Mozel a little bit of his head, and he led the field two lengths over the stone wall. Going round the bend and up the hill it looked as if the black gelding was going to clear out from his field, and when the descent of the hill was commenced it looked as if, bar accidents, he could not lose. It was now that Rae showed his excellent generalship, and, judging the capabilities of his horse, he began to ride him in real earnest. The game son of Ingomar answered to his every call, and although the public thought it was any

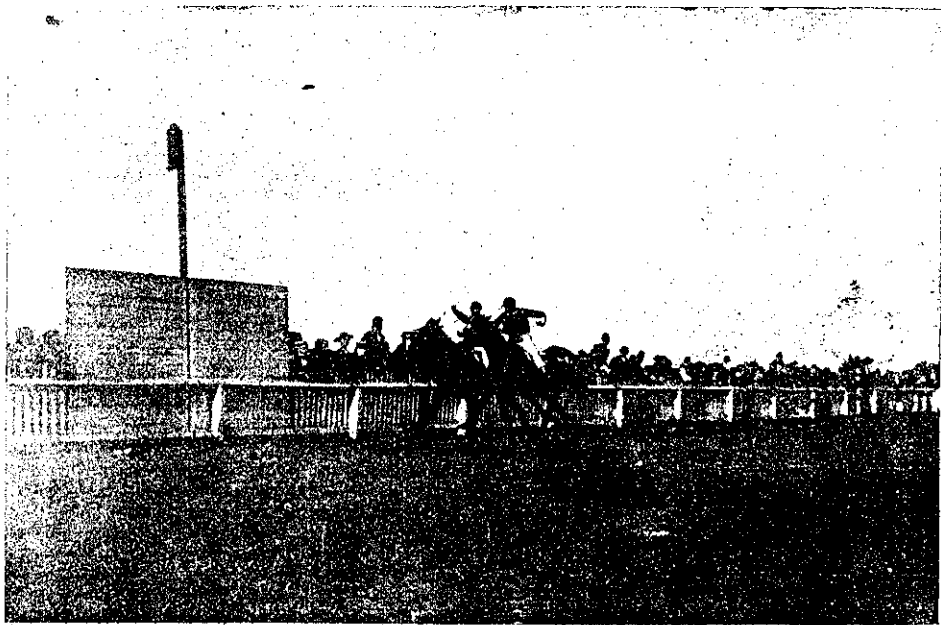
stud his conduct among a big field of horses is surprisingly good. When the field was sent on its mission it was seen that Allick Coulton's filly was in the van. I was standing beside the trainer and, although I dare say he had something good at stake, he calmly said, "My mare is in front and she will stay there." He was right, and his words are a trenchant description of what happened. Lady Cuisine, Swordfish, and Kanaka all made forward runs, but they made no impression on the flying leader, who won by a couple of lengths. The wonder is that this daughter of Castor did not do better in some of the other races, but that is not the fault of her trainer or any of her party. She was as well as hands could make her and was always "on the job."

The Victoria Handicap, for which a dozen started, brought a most successful day's racing to a close. The top-weight (St. Crispin) was favorite, but Janet also received sound support. St. Crispin, Volcano, and Canopus seemed to be first away, and the first-named soon afterwards took up the lead, and as the field swept round the bend there appeared to be one or two accidental collisions. This gave the leader a distinct advantage and, never faltering, he won by three lengths from Reaction, with Volcano third. The time was a second and a half slower than that put up by Porangi Potae.

The following shows the prize winners at the meeting:—



THE BOOKMAKERS AT WORK.



FINISH OF THE STEEPLCHASE ON SATURDAY.



Mr L. D. Nathan—First Champagne Stakes, £247; first Criterion Handicap, £66 10s	£313 10
Mr H. H. Hay—First Steeplechase, £118 15s; first St George's Handicap, £104 10s; first Steeplechase, £36 10s	289 15
Mr T. Morris—First Easter Handicap, £209; second Autumn Handicap, £19	228 0
Mr J. Chasafe—Second Easter Handicap, £19; first Autumn Handicap, £209	228 0
Mr R. Burke—First Tradesman's Handicap, £66 10s; first Onslow Handicap, £66 10s; first Eden Handicap, £85 10s	218 10
Hon. J. D. Ormond—Second Champagne Stakes, £28 10s; first Ellerslie Handicap, £85 10s	114 0
Mr R. H. Skipwith—First Handicap Hurdles, £85 10	85 10
Mr J. E. Thorpe—First Flying Handicap, £9 10s; first Short's Handicap, £86 10s; second Maiden Hurdles, £9 10s	85 10
Mr J. Beckett—Second Eden Handicap, £9 10s; first Stewards' Handicap, £86 10s	76 0
Mr W. Hawkins—First Railway Handicap, £66 10	66 10
Mr A. C. Caulton—First Grandstand Handicap, £66 10	66 10
Mr D. Stewart—First Victoria Handicap, £66 10	66 10
Mr E. J. Evans—First Handicap Hurdles, £9 10s; second Pony Race, £9 10s; first Maiden Hurdles, £47 10s	57 0
Mr J. Livingston—First Pony Handicap, £38; second Pony Handicap, £9 10s; second Grandstand Handicap, £9 10s	57 0
Mr A. McMillan—First Pony Race, £38 0	38 0
Mr W. Croft—First Pony Hurdles, £33 5	33 5
Mr A. E. Byers—Third Easter Handicap, £9 10s; second Handicap Hurdles, £9 10s; second Steeplechase, £14 5s	33 5
Mr D. McKinnon—Second Tradesman's Handicap, £9 10s; second Ellerslie Handicap, £9 10s; second Criterion Handicap, £9 10s	28 10
Mr R. Hannan—Second Stewards' Handicap, £9 10s; second St George's Handicap, £9 10s	19 0
Mr H. T. Gorrie—Third Steeplechase, £9 10s; second Steeplechase, £9 10s	19 0
Mr A. Standish—Second Railway Handicap, £9 10	9 10
Mr T. H. Lowry—Third Champagne Stakes, £9 10	9 10
Mr H. Warrington—Second Onslow Handicap, £9 10	9 10
Mr J. Marshall—Third Autumn Handicap, £9 10	9 10
Mr T. B. Bell—Second Victoria Handicap, £9 10	9 10
Messrs Allison Bros.—Second Short's Handicap, £9 10	9 10
Mr J. Rae—Second Handicap Hurdles, £9 10	9 10
Mr J. O'Hara—Second Pony Hurdles, £4 15	4 15
Total	£2346 10

## THE AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

### THIRD DAY—THURSDAY, APRIL 22.

THE Autumn Meeting of the Australian Jockey Club was continued on Thursday, April 22, under rather unfavourable circumstances, as in the early part of the day showers fell and there was a strong cold wind. These unpleasant conditions continued during the afternoon, when the rain fell steadily. The course is a splendid weather course—the best in the Colonies—the sandy nature of the soil quickly absorbing the moisture. The racing was good throughout, and resulted in several surprises. In a field of eight in the Second Hurdle Race the betting was 4 to 1 each of three, and one of the 4 to 1 chances—Irish Stew—got home. The All-Aged Stakes was viewed with a lot of interest, as the mighty Newhaven was a starter, but Aurum was not there. These two cracks seem to play hide and seek with one another, but although Aurum was not one of the number the other starters were all aristocrats, and consisted of Hopscotch, True Blue, Metford, and Mahee. The race proved another of Newhaven's remarkable failures. He seems to fail just when his chances are supposed to be brightest. This was so in the Caulfield Guineas, the V.R.O. St. Leger, and now in the All-Aged Stakes at Randwick. The long-suffering public were laying 2 to 1 on Newminster's son, and it really did seem to be good business to back at that price. However, when the flag fell we are told that Newhaven was left at the post, and once more his backers received a shock, and many probably thought that the sooner he was taken away to England, or anywhere else, the better, for there is never much money on him for the majority of backers when he does win, and it is ruinous when he loses. We are not told that there was any enquiry into the cause of Newhaven's stopping at the post; but if he did not win, another rich man's horse, the Hon. W. A. Long's Hopscotch, got home from True Blue, with the colt Metford in third place. Considering the nature of the weather the time was very good, namely, 1min 43½secs. The Velter Handicap, run over a similar distance, occupied three seconds longer, and was won by Eagle, with Ellengarat second, and the unlucky New Zealander, Sabretache, third. Aurum frightened most of his opponents out of the Easter Stakes, there being only two other starters besides himself, and under such circumstances it was not surprising to find that it was 1 on Mr Wilson's brilliant colt. As usual, he made hacks of the others, and won by four lengths, cutting out the seven furlongs on a wet day in 1min 28½secs. The Cumberland Stakes afforded the Queensland horse, Battalion, another opportunity of displaying his excellence. There were only three other starters, namely, Coil, True Blue, and Hopscotch, and Coil was an even-money favourite. The Queensland appears to have had a good thing in hand, as he won by five lengths. Gozorina brought the afternoon's sport to an end by winning the City Handicap. The following are the results:—

SECOND HURDLE RACE, a handicap sweepstake of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. About three miles.	
Mr A. Langden's ch g Irish Stew, by Moorlad—The Nun, aged, 10.12	1
Jack Hanwell, 10.7	2
His Grace, 9.12	3
Right started. Aeolus fell.	
Betting—4 to 1 against Merrigal, Aeolus, and Irish Stew, 5 to 1 Jack Hanwell.	
Won by a length. Time, 6min 17½secs.	
ALL-AGED STAKES, a sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 400 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. One mile.	
Hon. W. A. Long's ch g Hopscotch, by Grand Planer—Terara, 8.12	1
Mr A. Hooke's b h True Blue, 4yrs, 9.0	2
Mr W. Bailey's ch c Metford, 7.1	3
Other starters—Newhaven and Mahee.	
Betting—2 to 1 on Newhaven, 2 to 1 against Hopscotch, 20 to 1 the others.	
Newhaven was left at the post, and Hopscotch, adopting his usual tactics, went to the front	

from the jump, followed by True Blue and Metford. Won by four lengths; the same distance between the others. Time, 1min 43½secs.

WELTER HANDICAP, a handicap sweepstake of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. One mile.

Englo	1
Ellengarat	2
Sabretache	3

Fifteen horses started. Won by half-a-length; Sabretache was close up third. Time, 1min 46secs.

EASTER STAKES, a sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 300 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Fixed weights, with penalties and allowances. Seven furlongs.

Mr W. R. Wilson's b c Aurum, by Trenton—Aura, 9.1

Mr W. Duggan's b c Amberite, by Carbine—Duenna

Mr S. G. Cook's b c The Hypnotist, by Trenton—The Charmer

Betting—2 to 1 on Aurum, 5 to 1 against The Hypnotist and Amberite.

The Hypnotist led to the bend, where Aurum shot to the front and made hacks of the field, winning by four lengths. Time, 1min 28½secs.

CUMBERLAND STAKES, a sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 400 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. Two miles.

Mr S. G. Hatton's ch g Battalion, aged

Mr A. Hook's b h True Blue, 4yrs, 9.2

Mr W. Bailey's ch c Coil, 3yrs, 8.0

Other starter—Hopscotch. Betting—Even money Coil, 3 to 1 Hopscotch, 5 to 1 the others.

Won by five lengths. Time, 3min 43½secs.

CITY HANDICAP, a sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 300 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half.

Mr W. P. Crick's b m Gozorina, by Gozo, 5yrs, 7.4

Mr J. Weston's b m Old Clo', 4yrs, 7.8

Mr E. Key's blk m Kallatina, 5yrs, 8.10

Eleven horses started. Won by a length and a half. Time, 2min 43secs.

### FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY, APRIL 24.

Although the sky was overcast in the morning it cleared up at noon and was fine afterwards. The racing was good, but, in some instances, the results were not satisfactory. In the Rous Handicap, for instance, the New Zealander Sabretache got home first, but a protest was entered on the ground of crossing Fucile; there appeared to be some interference, but had Sabretache kept on straight it is probable that he would have got home with a longer lead than half a length; as it was the committee held that he had interfered with Fucile and disqualified Sabretache for the race. In the next race, the Place Handicap, the New Zealand-bred True Blue was made first favorite but he is evidently not in his true form and did not get a place, the race being won by an outsider (Positania), who was favoured with the minimum weight. New Zealand again played a prominent hand in the next event, the Second Steeplechase. Seven started, and out of that number the bad-tempered Mignon was made favourite, with the New Zealander, Bootles, and Whitefoot next in demand. The race was a chapter of accidents—the favourite fell, Whitefoot ran unkindly, and Gladstone balked. Bootles led all the way, but the finish was exciting, as Gladstone went in hot pursuit of the leader in the straight, but Bootles lasted it out and won by half a length. Again New Zealand had a say, although possibly only a remote one, as the Second Nursery Handicap was won by Girlie, the progeny of the New Zealand-bred Carbine. Five faced the starter in the A.J.C. Plate, three miles, and as Newhaven was one of the number, of course the race became possessed of a lot of interest, but not speculation. The fact is that the public are frightened to lay the odds on Newminster's son, and they are equally afraid to lay against him. He won by twenty lengths on this occasion, a length separating second and third, Coil and Fucile. Fucile's position in front of True Blue and Battalion shows that Sabretache cannot be a bad horse. The final event of the meeting went to that reliable Trenton mare, Old Clo'. The following are the results:—

ROUS HANDICAP, a handicap sweepstake of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds. One mile and a half.

Messrs McLeod and Cleland's br c Sabretache, by Cuirassier—Roie, 8.7 (disqualified)

Mr F. Gaxien's b c Fucile, by Carbine—Venice, 8.2

The First Mate, 8.0

Ten horses started. Betting—3 to 1 Fucile, 4 to 1 Sabretache, 6 to 1 to 10 to 1 the others.

Sabretache came home by half a length, but was disqualified for crossing. Time, 2min 39½secs.

PLACE HANDICAP, a free handicap sweepstake of 10 sovs each for starters, with 300 sovs added. One mile and a half.

Mr H. C. Dangar's br h Positano, by St. Simon—Ponza, 5yrs, 6.7

Mr E. Key's blk m Kallatina, 5yrs, 8.12

Mr W. P. Crick's b m Gozorina, 5yrs, 7.11

Twelve started. Betting—4 to 1 True Blue, 8 to 1 Adoration and Reka, 10 to 1 Gozorina.

Won by a length and a half. Time, 2min 42½secs.

SECOND STEEPLCHASE, a handicap sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 250 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. About three miles.

Mr E. Shove's ch g Bootles, by Volunteer, aged, 11.2

Mr W. Hill's ch g Tayforth, aged, 9.7

Mr E. Shove's ch g Ulysses, 10.2

Seven horses started. Betting—2 to 1 against Mignon, 4 to 1 Whitefoot and Bootles, 6 to 1 Tayforth.

Won a great race home by half a length. Time, 7min 9½secs.

SECOND NURSERY HANDICAP, a handicap sweepstake of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Six furlongs.

Mr J. R. Anderson's br f Girlie, by Carbine—Twinkle

Mr A. Trevelyan's ch g Kilt

Mr S. Hordern's ch f Mirella

Seventeen horses started. Won by a head, with half a length between second and third horses. Time, 1min 17½secs.

A.J.C. PLATE, a sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 500 sovs added; second horse 100 sovs and third horse 50 sovs from the stake. Three miles.

Mr W. C. Cooper's ch c Newhaven, by Newminster—Occana, 3yrs, 8.0

Mr W. Bailey's ch c Coil, 3yrs, 8.0

Mr F. Gaxien's b c Fucile, 3yrs, 8.0

Other starters—Battalion and True Blue. Betting—5 to 4 on Newhaven, 2 to 1 against Battalion, 4 to 1 Coil, 10 to 1 True Blue.

Won by twenty lengths, a neck separating second and third horses. Time, 6min 9½secs.

FINAL HANDICAP, a handicap sweepstake of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. One mile and a quarter.

Mr J. Western's br m Old Clo', by Trenton, 4yrs, 8.1

Mr C. A. Roberts' br g Talavera, 4yrs, 7.2

Rockwall

Thirteen horses started. Won by two lengths. Time, 2min 13½secs.

## Inter-Provincial.

### CANTERBURY.

Lord Rosslyn—Our fastest horses—Sale of thoroughbred stock—The Wellington meeting and prospects of the horses—An opinion regarding best horses and jockeys—Boulanger—A Thompson Handicap prediction—Sale of Apremont.

#### CHRISTCHURCH, April 23.

Lord Rosslyn finished absolutely last in the Great Easter and Great Autumn Handicaps. Prior to the meeting the son of St. Clair did some really good work on the track, and many competent judges were of opinion that he had improved since the Dunedin meeting. His running at Riccarton is unaccountable, and was very disappointing to his connections, who had backed him to win the double.

Gold Spur and Barshot are, I think, the two fastest four-year-old horses over distances up to six furlongs in the colony at the present time. A race over six furlongs between Barshot, Gold Spur, Gold Medalist, Multiforum, Waiuku, and the best of the three-year-olds, whom I take to be Uniform, Daystar, and St. Paul, would be well worth seeing.

Firefly, who showed promise last season of making a fast filly, seems to have lost all her pace. Her running in the Easter and Autumn Handicaps was anything but first-class.

#### April 26.

Pyne and Co. held a sale of thoroughbred stock on Easter Wednesday. There was very little competition for the lots offered. Mr V. Harris' horses, which were sent in for absolute sale, were disposed of at the following prices:—Liberator, 11gs, W. Kerr; Quiltiri, 74gs, A. Sefton; Belligerent, 65gs, R. Ray, junr. Rustic was passed in at 43gs. Ray re-sold Belligerent, who again goes into G. Murray-Aynsley's stable.

Barshot, Tire, Tully-Ho, Leda, St. Elmo, Daunt, and Gold Spur were shipped for the north on Thursday. All these horses have engagements at the Wellington Racing Club's Autumn Meeting. Several Canterbury horses have engagements at Wellington—Mannlicher, Skirmisher, Marino, Arquibus, and Belligerent being in the Thompson Handicap. Both Mannlicher and Skirmisher are well treated. The former, if well on the day, should beat more than beat him. Waiuku, on his Canterbury running, must have a big say. If I were asked to name three to supply the winner I would go for Waiuku, Mannlicher, and Lord Rosslyn.

Mr G. G. Stead was again the principal prizewinner at the Canterbury Autumn Meeting, his cheque amounting to £1,300. The other principal amounts were:—J. Loughlin, £552; S. McGuinness, £460; J. D. Ormond, £335; G. Clifford, £160; W. Rathbone, £150; S. McDonald, £120; W. O. Rutherford, £110; J. Reilly, £110; C. Klingenstein, £100. The total amount paid in stakes was £3,795.

At a sporting resort in Christchurch the other day a number of men discussing the Canterbury and Auckland autumn race-meetings passed opinions about horses now in training. The general opinion seemed to be that Gold Spur was the fastest sprinter in the colony, that Gold Medalist, Multiforum, and Bracelet were much superior to the other two-year-olds, that St. Simon was the best hurdler, and that White and Derrett were the best jockeys.

Boulanger's name appears among the nominations for the Ashburton Club's Autumn Meeting. It would appear from this that the son of Grand Prix's racing days are not yet over.

Waiuku is the popular pick here for the Thompson Handicap at the Wellington Meeting. Waiuku and Boreas left Lyttelton for the north on Saturday night.

H. A. Knight sold his well-known thoroughbred stallion Apremont to Mr W. Rathbone, the Hawke's Bay sportsman. Apremont will be sent to his new owner's head-quarters in charge of H. Thomson in about a fortnight. I hear Mr Rathbone mates only his own mares with Apremont. The price paid for Apremont has not transpired.

### WELLINGTON.

Lady Agnes' big dividend—The Featherstone meeting—Strathbraun injured—Miss Emmy tipped from the North—The Wellington Club give £25 to the Floods Relief Fund—An injured jockey relieved—Meeting of Stewards—The forthcoming meeting—Sedgebrook an unlikely starter—Pollock v. Saunders—Boreas beats Waiuku—Barshot reported lame.

#### WELLINGTON, April 27.

Wi Pere (daddy of Kani Pere) was one of the three lucky persons who held a ticket on Lady Agnes—(dividend, £144)—at Featherstone. He gave Mr Corlett £8 and the jockey (Phillips) £2. How Mr Corlett could let the mare start unbacked at such a price it is difficult to say. On the second day she ran two seconds, beating on one occasion her brother (Sir Agnes).

Tommy Clarke won his second race at Featherstone on Tuesday with Umslopogans, after being beaten over the same distance on the first day; he beat King's Bowman at a difference of 5lb and paid the fair dividend of £5 5s. Jimmy Pibrow won the Hurdles the first day on Kiaora, Tricky Jack being unplaced; on the second day Tricky Jack won, with Kiaora second. Testator won the Trial Hack Handicap, beating two better favorites, In the Swim and Sylph. Mr Tancred protested against The Miser's rider for striking his jockey with a whip, but it did not come off. Kiaora and Testator are four-year-old geldings by Petroleum. Ruamahanga (a three-year-old by Voltigeur) won a double, defeating War Note, Vaseline, Sir Agnes, Langdale, and all the best sprinters, on the first occasion.

Strathbraun struck himself while galloping on Saturday and his leg filled. He has not worked since.

Miss Emmy was sent down as a strong tip for the Criterion at Ellerslie.

Joe Dyers rode three winners at Featherstone, also three seconds. Master Agnes' progeny won three races, besides being placed on nine occasions.

Owing to illness in his family, Mr J. E. Henry, the handicapper, missed the first day of the C.J.C. Meeting, but he was present on the second day, although unable to make the handicaps.

The Stewards of the Wellington Racing Club met yesterday. A suggestion was made that another race should be added to the programme of the coming meeting, in aid of the sufferers by the recent disastrous floods in Hawke's Bay, but it was considered too late in the season for a programme of eight events, and a sum of £25 was voted to the relief fund, instead.

Out of the Jockeys' Relief Fund, R. J. Walden was voted £10 on account of injuries received in the Taranaki District some months ago, and £6 was voted to James Reynolds, who was hurt at the Masterton-Opaki Race Meeting on March 17th last. The secretary's action in guaranteeing amount up to £6 10s for the funeral expenses of the jockey, Sharp, who died suddenly in Wellington recently, was approved. Minnific's Band was engaged to play on the lawn at the races on Thursday and Saturday.

Alf. Dillon has brought the jumping horse Pyrites from Blenheim with a view to taking part in the jumping meetings.

Most of the horses have arrived from the north or south to take part in the Wellington Racing Club's meeting this week. Sedgebrook had a rough passage in a small steamer from Wanganui, and got considerably knocked about, and is unlikely to take part in the meeting.

On Saturday last Mr Jellicoe applied to have the case, Pollock v. Saunders (Feilding Jockey Club) removed from the Supreme Court to the Court of Appeal. The case is likely to be heard this week, and will settle the right of bookmakers on private racecourses.

The case, Proffitt v. Canterbury Jockey Club, to be heard at Christchurch next month, will also decide the right of pencilers on public reserves.

Loveshot and Strathbraun were taken to Featherstone for the Wairarapa Meeting, but were brought back to The Hut on the meeting being postponed. The former went up for the second day, and raced twice unsuccessfully. Mr Roderick McRae, of Richmond (Nelson) has come across to see the gelding (who now runs in Mr R. Richmond's name) perform.

Boreas did a good gallop this morning, beating Waiuku.

Barshot is reported lame.

### OTAGO.

Funeral of W. Sharpe—Lord Rosslyn's split hoof—Gold Spur—Emmeline wins a double—Illness of the son of the D.J.C. secretary—Bookmakers hit, one missing—Blackpool for sale.

#### DUNEDIN, April 27.

The late W. Sharpe was buried in the Dunedin Cemetery from Laughlin's Hotel, St. Kilda. There was a big following.

Lord Rosslyn developed his old trouble at Riccarton, a split hoof. I do not fancy he can be got round for our May meeting.

What do you Northerners think of the £14 hack, Gold Spur? He is a big fancy here for the Thompson Handicap at Wellington, notwithstanding his topweight. After our May meeting he is to be taken to Victoria. Regarding his Easter Handicap win, I am assured on good authority that the stable connections did not back him for much, being afraid of Telemeter and Barshot.

The Trident—Ruth filly, The Gleaner, has been sold to an up-country goldfields owner.

Laughlin left this morning by express train for Wellington, his horse having gone on previously from Lyttelton in charge of Pine.

Emmeline won the double at the Riverton races last week. She is booked to visit Gipsy Grand this season.

Bertie James, a son of our respected secretary, Mr Sydney James, is, I regret to state, dying, no hope being held out of his recovery. He is a fine young fellow just entering manhood. His illness is the result of a cold settling on his lungs. He was in the Union Shipping Company. Much sympathy is felt here for his father and the other members of the family.

Our bookmakers had another bad time over the C.J.C. Meeting. One of them, who appeared to be doing very well, has since been missing, leaving many anxious inquirers behind.

Blackpool, the Trident—Eleanor colt, so far untied, is on the sale list. He is a very big fellow.

## HAWKES BAY.

*Rainbow—Yearlings—Track Notes*

*—The Waipukurau Racing Club*

*—Death of Le-nora—Captain Russell's bad luck—Training notes—*

*Tally-Ho—The approaching steeplechase meeting—The Town and*

*Suburban course.*

NAPIER, April 23.

In consequence of Rainbow having knocked one of his hind legs badly his contemplated trip to Auckland has had to be abandoned. It is very hard luck for Banks, as he had the horse really well.

Percy Martin, this last week, has had the tackle on a good-looking brown filly, full sister to Loyalty Bonnie Scotland, and Saracen.

Mr Donnelly's brace of yearlings, the Quilt—Kotuku filly and the colt by Torpedo—Como, have been sent back from Hastings to their owner's place at Crissoge.

Lord Raven has been putting in some good even track work at Hastings during the past week.

Mr Moeller's bracelet candidate, Enanga, the aged son of Piscarorius, has been a visitor to the course this last week. Vincent will no doubt be able to lick him into shape by the time the bangle comes up for decision.

Little Billee, by Waterfall—Bonny Blink, has got through some good sprinting tasks, moving in a nice, free and even style.

April 27.

The Waipukurau Racing Club have decided to hold their postponed race-meeting on Wednesday, May 5th.

When Leonora was drowned she had a foal at foot by Dreadnought running with her, and it shared its dam's fate, and I am sorry to say that Capt. Russell's bad luck did not end with this double loss, as last week, when a lad was exercising Katriona, the yearling filly by St. Andrew from Katinka, she got away with him, and in jumping a fence she broke her back, and consequently had to be destroyed. Really, the genial captain has had enough of favours from the fickle Goddess of Fate lately, and I should say it is about time she let up on him and dealt with someone else by way of variety.

Percy Martin has the filly by Carlyon—Naomi in hand. The two colts out of Fair Nell and Florence McCarthy are again visitors to the tracks, and seem to have improved with their short cessation from toil. Glengarry has been out with the Hawke's Bay hounds, the grey 'chaser fencing in his usual 18 carat style. Maher should with anything like ordinary luck have the pleasing satisfaction of leading him in a winner in some of the timber events which will shortly take place in this district. Jim Munn no longer officiates as mentor of Mr Douglas' team. George Hope has had his team increased by three of the above gentleman's horses—Sarda, Waterstone, and The Mute—Honeysuckle gelding. Prince Charlie, who is going and looking well, is also an inmate of George Hope's establishment. Golden Plover was put over the little sticks on the Hastings track last Thursday morning. Forerunner's son getting through his task in a very pleasing manner. Pinrose, who a couple of seasons back proved a good, consistent stake winner when carrying "Mr Postland's" blue and white livery, was schooled over the fences on Saturday morning, with H. Moore in the pig-skin. Hiko's sturdy son fenced like an old hand at the business, never making a mistake or faltering in the slightest degree.

Mr C. H. Loughnan, who at one time owned Tally-ho, has purchased the baby brother to Morag (by Crusader); he rejoices in the name of Bartosia and has seen active service over country, having been used lately by the whip of the Hawke's Bay hounds.

Daunt arrived from the South by the Waihora on Saturday.

In view of the steeplechase fixture at Hastings in June, the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club are putting up the schooling fences, consisting of post and rails, a sod bank, and gorse fences.

The Town and Suburban Racing Club's course got a severe doing by the action of the flood, the major portion of their course being covered with silt about 3 feet deep.

At a committee meeting of the Napier Park Racing Club, held this morning, it was decided, on account of the impassable state of the roads, the bridges having been washed away and railway communication interrupted, to postpone the Park races from the 12th and 13th May to Wednesday and Thursday, 19th and 20th May, by which time it is anticipated the train traffic will be resumed to Napier. The weights will be declared on Friday, 7th May, and acceptances will be postponed till Tuesday, 11th May.

Fred Pannetti, news of whose death in Perth has been received by cable, it will be remembered, took over Rewi (by The Mute—Mina Mina), Escapade (by Furi—Escape), and Yarra (by Bundoors—Bribery) to the other colonies some

ten years ago. New Zealand sports will best remember Fred as a first-class hand with the cue.

Mr W. Douglas, of Pemahanga, lost by the flood Kopeki (full sister to Kapua and Wheriko), by The Mute—Vira; Spearfeldt, by Nordenfeldt—Speargrass; a full sister to Torpina, and two yearlings by Torpedo.

## Our Illustrations.

THE portrait of Mr Woodward is referred to in the Licensed Victuallers column. Several pictures are devoted to the late race meeting at Ellerslie. That of the course, taken from the jockeys stand, gives an excellent idea of the shape of the track as well as of the surrounding country. A snap-shot of St. Paul and Day Star, just after passing the judge's post, gives an idea of the close nature of the finish of the Easter Handicap; some people thought that St. Paul had won, and, after looking at the snap-shot, they may still be inclined to think so, but it should be borne in mind that the angle at the winning post in a very deceptive one, and the judge is certainly in the best position to decide. Another interesting picture is the exciting finish between Kingwood and Moezel in the Second Steeplechase. The other Ellerslie pictures explain themselves. Our cycling friends will be interested with the pictures of those two great riders, Ralph and Walne, the winners of the tandem race at Melbourne recently. A portrait is also given of the well-known rider, Mr A. M. Skeates; it shows him on the 25lb Onslow bicycle which he rode from Auckland to New Plymouth via Taupo, Napier, and Wellington, a distance of 817 miles, the cyclistometer registering the distance. Mr Skeates bears testimony to the fact that the Onslow machine stood the rough roads and hills without a mishap.

## Anticipations.

### WELLINGTON RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

[FROM OUR WELLINGTON CORRESPONDENT.]

My selections for the various events to be decided at the Wellington Racing Club's Autumn Meeting are:

Waiwetu Handicap.—THE MISER.

Maiden Stakes.—SABREUR.

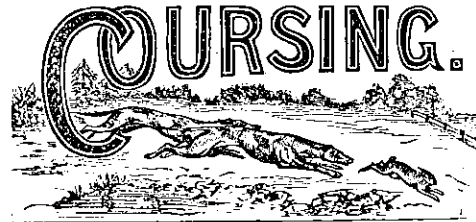
Thompson Handicap.—WAIUKU.

The Hurdles.—MUCH ADO.

Welter Handicap.—LOTION.

Hack Race.—RUAMAHANGA.

Railway Handicap.—UMSLOPOGAAS.



[BY DICKEN.]

I had a pleasant trip out to Avondale on Sunday last, in the company of one of the officials of the coursing club. The country is certainly looking splendid, and the green fields are more suggestive of spring than the autumn of the year. The Avondale Racecourse and Plumpton certainly look as well as any other part of the country, and for the well-kept course and the splendidly-furnished Plumpton, the caretaker (Jim Fergusson) is entitled to hearty congratulation. As we entered the Avondale enclosure a shower of rain began to fall, but that, I was informed, was by no means uncommon, as if there is a suspicion of rain anywhere it is bound to be in evidence at Avondale. The shower, however, was but a light one, and we were not deprived of the pleasure of a stroll over the splendid Plumpton. It was my first visit, and I cannot help expressing my surprise at the excellent and complete arrangements made for the conduct of the sport. Certainly the Avondale Plumpton and its appointments are better than anything in New South Wales at the present time, and although the old grounds at Diggers Rest and Mooney Valley are splendid convincing grounds, I am inclined to give preference to Avondale. Fergusson's idea of boxing the hares prior to coursing them is an ingenious one. In these boxes the healthy hare can be seen before being liberated, and the danger of an unsatisfactory course after a weak and diseased hare is avoided. Practically, if ordinary care is observed, only the strong and healthy hare should be liberated. The system adopted at Avondale must be known to my readers, but it is new to me and I cannot help speaking in high terms of Fergusson's ingenious contrivance. The feeding ground is all that can be desired, and the five hundred yards of coursing land should be quite sufficient to test the merits of our best dogs. If in that distance they cannot make an impression on pussy with a reasonable slip, say fifty yards, the dogs may be voted no good and not worth feeding. Better going for a dog's feet could not be desired, and the escapes are admirably arranged. I had a look at the game and they appeared to be strong and fast. At least the bucks were so, but a number of the does, I understand, are still breeding. This is probably a little unfortunate, and may be attributable to late summer rains. However, there are plenty of bucks to go on with, and have reinforcements are on their way to Avondale.

It is not often that the distinction has been conferred upon New Zealand of exporting dogs to the other and older parts of the world, where coursing is in full swing, but that distinction has been conferred upon us through the agency of that genuine supporter of the sport, Mr J. W. Russell, of the Occidental Hotel. Last week he succeeded in placing on satisfactory

terms, on behalf of Mr Frank Baker, a nice-looking black dog, the purchaser being an American gentleman, who at once shipped the dog for America. The dog referred to is Best Bower, and is well-bred, being by Merchant out of Marmalade, and has, therefore, distinct strains of the blood of Mr Percy Lamb's great dog, Livingstone, an Australian Waterloo Cup winner, and the Hon. Mr Gore's clever bitch, Good News, another Australian Waterloo Cup winner. If Best Bower only possesses a little of Livingstone's dash, with Good News' cleverness, then he should make some of the dogs in the land of the Stars and Stripes sit up.

Frank Baker, I hear, has a promising string in work, and all his charges are going on well. If they continue to do so he may lead back a few winners during the coursing season.

I regret to hear that something like friction exists between the Avondale Club and the owner of the land on which the Plumpton has been made. It appears that the owner has raised some objections to the renewal of the lease, and if these objections are maintained it is possible that the club will have to seek fresh fields. It would be a pity after all the excellent work Fergusson has put in at Avondale if this had to be done, as both the Plumpton and the racing tracks are in fine order. However, the club has received an advantageous offer of land quite, if not more, conveniently situated to the railway station as the present Avondale course.

Our Napier correspondent wires:—"The Plumpton Coursing Club suffered severely by the late floods, the ground being rendered a perfect bog, and, worse luck, all the hares got drowned. A large number of hares had been ordered from Canterbury, but in consequence of the damage to their property the order was countermanded, and it's a shade of odds that for some considerable time, there will be no sport for coursing enthusiasts in this part of the colony."

## THE BETTING MARKET.

Messrs Barnett and Grant, Christchurch, report the following business on the

### NEW ZEALAND CUP.

100 to 10 Blackpool	500 to 12½ G. Medallist
1000 to 30 L. Rosslyn	400 to 8 Daredevil
1000 to 20 Cannonshot	500 to 10 Armor
600 to 15 Sir Laurence	300 to 9 Mannlicher
500 to 15 Multiform	200 to 5 Coronet
500 to 12 St. Conon	200 to 8 Culverin
500 to 11 Skirmisher	200 to 5 Uniform
500 to 18 Euroclydon	

And smaller lines, the ruling price being from 1000 to 30 to 10.

The Lake Takapuna hack race-meeting on Saturday promises to be a big success, as the acceptances are of a highly satisfactory nature. The betting will be conducted by members of Tattersall's Club.

Privileges in connection with the Otahuhu and Suburban Clubs race meeting will be sold by Mr Beale to-morrow.

The s.s. Gairloch, as will be seen by advertisement, has been put on for the benefit of visitors to the Egmont Winter Meeting.

The acceptances and the entries for the Selling Race, to be run at the annual meeting of the Otahuhu and Suburban Club on the 8th May, close to-morrow night.

The Winter Meeting of the Egmont Racing Club commences on Wednesday next, and finishes on the following day. The programme is framed in a liberal spirit, and there is every reason to hope and expect that Mr A. G. Brett will have the pleasant duty of reporting a pronounced financial success when he has totalled up the receipts.

The fact should be borne in mind that nominations for the Grand National Hurdle Race and the Grand National Steeplechase, to be run for at the Northern New Zealand Grand National Steeplechase meeting, to be held on June 5th and 7th, close to-morrow night. The sum of 2s 6d is the fee required in each race.

On Wednesday and Thursday next, at the City Hall, a novel cycling entertainment is announced in our advertising columns as "The Latest London Craze." The attractions include a grand musical ride on bicycles, with illuminations and limelight effects, a bicycle drama in pantomime, "Off for the Honeymoon," a number of splendid tableaux, and a concert, to which Misses E. L. Featon and Katie Fitzpatrick, and Messrs Abel Rowe, Archdale Taylor, Tom Adams, Alf. Bartley, etc., will contribute some of their favourite items. With such a tempting bill at such reasonable prices a crowded house seems more than likely, and it will be wise to secure seats, which can be done on payment of an extra sixpence.



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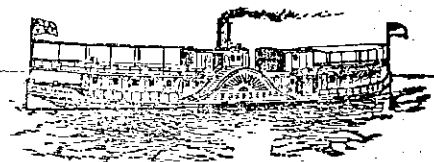
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## DISTRICT ORDERS.

Brigade Office, Auckland, April 27th, 1897.

The undermentioned Volunteer Corps in the Auckland District will Parade for Inspection and Drill during May ensuing, in the order detailed below:—

PONSONBY NAVAL ARTILLERY—Monday, 3rd, at 7.30 p.m.

VICTORIA RIFLES—Tuesday, 4th, at 7.30 p.m.

DEVONPORT NAVALS—Wednesday, 5th, at 7.30 p.m.

"A" BATTERY ARTILLERY—Thursday, 6th, at 7.30 p.m.

AUCKLAND NAVAL ARTILLERY—Tuesday, 11th, at 7.30 p.m.

GARRISON BAND—Monday, 9th, at 7.30 p.m.

TE AROHA RIFLES—Thursday, 13th, at 7.30 p.m.

THAMES NAVAL ARTILLERY—Monday, 17th, at 7.30 p.m.

AVONDALE RIFLES—Wednesday, 19th, at 7.30 p.m.

CADET CORPS.

PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE ENGINEERS—Thursday, 6th, at 2.30 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE RIFLES—Monday, 10th, at 10.30 a.m.

AUCKLAND COLLEGE AND GRAMMAR SCHOOL RIFLES—Monday, 10th, at 2.45 p.m.

KING'S COLLEGE RIFLES—Monday, 10th, at 12 noon.

ORDERLY ROOMS OF CITY CORPS will be inspected at 11.0 a.m. on Thursday, 20th.

By Order.

J. GRANT, Lieut., Acting Adjutant, Auckland District.





OFFICIAL CALENDAR.

NORTH ISLAND TROTTING 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.

LANCASTER PARK AUTUMN MEETING.

SATURDAY, APRIL 17TH.

The Autumn meeting of the Lancaster Park Trotting Club opened on Saturday week. The sum of £4,430 passed through the totalisator. Results:—

MAIDEN TROT (saddle), two miles.  
Rockwood, 14sec ... 1  
Minnie May, 9sec ... 2  
Coral, 15sec ... 3  
Won by half a length. Time, 6min 3sec.  
Dividend, £7 4s.

PONY TROT (harness), two miles.  
Dorothy, 20sec ... 1  
Ruby II., 30sec ... 2  
Destiny, 11sec ... 3  
Won by thirty yards. Time, 5min 40½sec.  
Dividend, £1 12s.

AUTUMN TROT (saddle) of 100 sovs, two miles.  
Nero, 20sec ... 1  
Jessie, 23sec ... 2  
Won by forty yards. Time, 5min 17sec. Dividend, £8 6s.

LIMIT TROT (harness or saddle), two miles.  
Sam Slick, 8sec ... 1  
Monte Carlo, 9sec ... 2  
The Duchess, 9sec ... 3  
Won by three lengths. Time, 5min 15½sec.  
Dividend, £4 4s.

OPEN TROT (saddle), two miles.  
Alerton, 16sec ... 1  
Jersey, 3sec ... 2  
Won by a length. Time, 5min 25½sec. Dividend, £4 12s.

EASTER TROT (harness) of 100 sovs, two miles.  
Ruadan, 19sec ... 1  
Mambrino Abdallah, 11sec ... 2  
Sam Slick, 3sec ... 3  
Won by three lengths. Time, 5min 19½sec.  
Dividend, £2 4s.

ELECTRIC TROT (saddle), one mile.  
Lorine, 18sec ... 1  
Maggie, 8sec ... 2  
Rauriki, 13sec ... 3  
Won easily. Time, 2min 5½sec. Dividend, £8 4s.

DASH TROT (harness), one mile.  
Berlin Maid, 18sec ... 1  
Prince Imperial, 2sec ... 2  
Time, 2min 45sec. Dividend, £4 2s.

SECOND DAY—APRIL 21.

The Trotting Club's Autumn Meeting concluded to-day, when £4,234 passed through the totalisator. Results:—

MAIDEN TROT (harness), one mile.  
Imperial, by Imperious, 15sec ... 1  
Brookholm, ser ... 2  
Won by two lengths. Time, 3min 32 3-5sec.  
Dividend, £2 10s.

PONY TROT (harness), two miles.  
Billy Buttons, 22sec ... 1  
Won easily. Time, 5min 45sec. Dividend, £2 18s.

LINWOOD TROT (saddle) of 80 sovs. Two miles.  
Maggie, 16sec ... 1  
Won by 100 yards. Time, 5min 16 2-5sec.  
Dividend, £2 14s.

OPEN TROT (harness), two miles.  
Vain Glorious, 28sec ... 1  
Uncle Tom, 25sec ... 2  
Jersey, ser ... 3  
Won by two lengths. Time, 5min 40½sec.  
Dividend, £4.

SELLING TROT (harness), one mile.  
Nigger, 2sec ... 1  
Pilot, 8sec ... 2  
Tommy II. ... 3  
Won by five lengths. Time, 5min 49 2-5sec.  
Dividend, £2 2s.

LANCASTER PARK TROT (harness) of 80 sovs, two miles.  
Ruadan, 16sec ... 1  
Sam Slick, 3sec ... 2  
Mambrino Abdallah, 10sec ... 3  
Won by three lengths. Time, 5min 19 4-5sec.  
Dividend, £4 4s.

TELEGRAPH HANDICAP (saddle), one mile.  
Violet, 20sec ... 1  
Rauriki, 17sec ... 2  
Monte Carlo, ser ... 3  
Won by twelve lengths. Time, 2min 45 4-5sec.  
Dividend, £1 12s.

FINAL TROT (harness), one mile.  
Bed of Stone, 19sec ... 1

Prince Imperial, 1sec ... 2  
Won by a length. Time, 2min 48 1-5sec.  
Dividend, £2 10s.

NOTES.

At a meeting of the stewards of the New Brighton Trotting Club, on April 21st, the decision of the South Island Trotting Association in regard to the Annie Rooney—Nigger case was considered. Instructions were issued to pay out the totalisator dividend on Annie Rooney.

The New York correspondent of the *Breeder and Sportsman*, writing on February 11, states:—  
"As the outcome of an after-dinner talk about trotting horses which took place last month at an up-town club between Marcus Daly, of Montana, and E. H. Harriman, the wealthy New York financier, who owns Stamboul, 2,07½, two unusual matches were arranged to-day. Each is to be played on pay, and Daly and Harriman have deposited \$10,000 with Stakeholder F. P. Olcott, president of the Central Trust Company. One race is for two-year-olds trotters, in mile heats, the best two in three, and the other is for three-year-olds, in mile heats, the best three in five, the stakes in each event being \$2,500 a-side. According to the agreement, the races will take place at Goshen, Orange County, N.Y., next August, the exact date to be decided not later than June 1st, when the colts are to be named. A notable feature of the matter is that the match-makers invite all other owners who choose to comply with the conditions to come in on equal terms, thus throwing down the gauntlet to such crack colts as Jupe, 2,13½, holder of the world's race record for two-year-olds; Mabel Money-penny, 2,20; Preston, 2,21½; Directum Kelly, 2,23½; Mary Beaufort, 2,23; Potenta, 2,27½; Fanny Foley, George Starr's unnamed son of Director and others that proved their worth last season."

NOMINATIONS.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE, seven furlongs.—Hairy Legs, Lufra, Sultan, Archduke, Regal, Swordfish, The Sharper, Tamaki, Atalanta, Polite, Dorothy, Marionette, Wai-iti, Korowai, Playboy, St. Gordon, Decoration, Provoke, Cleopatra, Castashore, Orena, Recruit, Corvette.

HANDICAP MAIDEN HURDLES, one mile and a half.—Webley, Outlaw, Emerald, Taihoa, Samoa, His Worship, Anniversary, Lady Agnes, Bellevedere, Reflection, Kia-Ora, Glenora, Awatuna, Maid of Honour, Tim.

FIRST PONY HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Arquebus, Archduke, Norina, Partan Jeannie, Topsy, Nora, St. Owen, Topsail, Pororua, Fair Nell, Napoleon, Lena, Provoke, Leona, Recruit, St. Pippin, Fidget, Sweet Lavender.

BIRTHDAY HANDICAP, one mile and a quarter.—Flying Fish, Doris, Lady Marion, Sabretache, Markinch, Pyroxylin, Regal, Miss Nelson, St. Kilda, Porangi Potae, Lady Anna, Rex, Panoply, Retaliation, St. Gordon, Castashore, Cleopatra.

FIRST HANDICAP HURDLES, two miles.—Beggarmen, Gipsy Prince, Hukater, Miss Nelson, Aughadowey, The Friar, Bombardier, Annabelle, Kingswood, St. Simon, Pansy, Flukem, Maid of Honour.

HANDICAP MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE, about two miles.—Hairylegs, Beggarmen, Sepoy, Emerald, Perform, Gipsy Prince, Hukater, Ditto, The Friar, Bellevedere, Annabelle, Reflection, St. Simon, Forella, Kia-Ora, Clayton, Awatuna, Nugget, Maid of Honour, Playboy, Waitress, Tim.

ROYAL HANDICAP, five furlongs.—The Drone, Lillie, Lufra, Doris, Lady Marion, St. Crispin, Pyroxylin, Regal, Miss Nelson, Clarion, The Sharper, Porangi Potae, Tamaki, Repo, Miss Anna, Panoply, Lady Cuisine, Donovan, Korowai, Playboy, Decoration, Cleopatra, Cast Ashore, Seabreeze, Norina.

SECOND DAY.

HACK HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Sultan, Taihoa, Lady's Maid, My Sweetheart, Sword-Tamaki, LeRoi, Polite, Ramadon, Butcher Boy, Marionette, Wai-iti, Atalanta, Decoration, Mimosa, Pubia, Recruit, Corvette.

SECOND HANDICAP HURDLES, one mile and three-quarters.—Outlaw, Beggarmen, Gipsy Prince, Hukater, Miss Nelson, The Sharper, Aughadowey, Annabelle, Bombardier, Reflection, Kingswood, St. Simon, Pansy, Flukem, Maid of Honour, Waitress, Knapsack.

BRITANNIA HANDICAP, one mile.—Flying Fish, Doris, Lady Marion, Sabretache, Markinch, Pyroxylin, Regal, Miss Nelson, St. Kilda, Porangi Potae, Anniversary, Lady Anna, Panoply, Fair Nell, Donovan, Retaliation, Castashore, St. Gordon, Cleopatra.

SECOND PONY HANDICAP, five furlongs.—Arquebus, Archduke, Norina, Partan Jeannie, Topsy, Nora, St. Owen, Topsail, Pororua, Fair Nell, Napoleon, Lena, Provoke, Leona, Recruit, St. Pippin, Fidget, Sweet Lavender.

VICTORIA HANDICAP, six furlongs.—The Drone, Lillie, Lufra, Doris, Lady Marion, St. Crispin, Regal, Clarion, Porangi Potae, Tamaki, Miss Anna, Repo, Lady Anna, Atalanta, Polite, Rex, Panoply, Lady Cuisine, Cleopatra, Castashore, Orena, Seabreeze, Norina.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE, about three and a half miles.—Aorere, Sepoy, Belle, Gipsy Prince, Hukater, Miss Nelson, Ditto, Aughadowey, The Friar, Bombardier, Annabelle, Mozel, Kingswood, St. Simon, Forella, Glenora, Flukem, Nugget, Maid of Honour, Playboy, Tim.

WELTER HANDICAP, one mile.—The Drone, Hairylegs, Flying Fish, Sabretache, Samoa, Pyroxylin, Regal, Miss Nelson, St. Kilda, Swordfish, Clarion, The Sharper, Lady Anna, Annabelle, Panoply, Dorothy, Korowai, Playboy, St. Gordon, Provoke, Cleopatra, Castashore, Leona, Orena, Corvette.

NAPIER PARK RACING CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

WINTER OATS.—Aphony, Aleonora, Leontine, The Shrew, Little Billee, Martyrdom, Target, Drury Lane, Maid Marion.

HIGH-WEIGHT HANDICAP.—Brennan, Slaiden, Lotion, Golden Plover, Aphony, Leontine, Nukarau, Drury Lane, Maid Marion.

WELTER HANDICAP.—Brennan, Slaiden, Lotion, Penrose, Aphony, Nukarau, Maid Marion.

SECOND TRIAL HURDLES.—Slaiden, Cleive, Billy, Gorse, Rainbow, Much Ado, Toriki, Penrose, Erina, Heavenly Twin, Rhino, Daphne, Bulldog, Sylvanus, Napper Tandy, St. Anthony.

NEWSTEAD HANDICAP.—Brennan, Cleive, Forecast, Nina, Marchioness, Straybird, Te Ngaeh, Daphne, Poppun.

ELECTRIC HANDICAP.—Waterstone, Aleonora, The Shrew, Little Billee, Target, Nansen, Drury Lane, Maid Marion.

SETTLERS HANDICAP.—Brennan, Cleive, Forecast, Marchioness, Straybird, Te Ngaeh, Daphne, Poppun.

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

FIRST HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE, about three miles.—Elk, Dick, Convict, Fleetwood, Sir Athol, Venture, Cadd, Augheen, Barbarossa, Halcione, Tell-Tale, Exchange (late Wanganui).

SECOND HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE, about two miles and a half.—Same as First Hunters' Steeplechase.

FIRST HACK FLAT, one mile and a distance.—Quatic, Rodara, Fair Ellen, Mainboom, Kline, Novelty, Puriri, En Avant, St. Vincent, Guardfish, Locarius, Fireworks, Lightning, Emerald.

SECOND HACK FLAT, one mile.—Same as First Hack Flat, with the addition of Moana and Rubin.

FINAL STEEPLECHASE, about two miles.—Bradshaw, Fencer, Rambler, Gipsy Prince, Convict, Levanter, Natation, Sir Athol, Tell-Tale, Garrison, Exchange (late Wanganui).

HANDICAPS.

EGMONT RACING CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

FIRST HANDICAP HURDLES of 70 sovs. Two miles and a distance.

Couranto ... 10 13 Natation ... 9 7  
Scerecy ... 10 13 Storm King ... 9 0  
Swift ... 10 13

HAWERA STAKES HANDICAP of 100 sovs. One mile and three furlongs.

Angler ... 8 10 Rex ... 7 9  
Marino ... 8 10 Sylvia Park ... 7 8  
Man-o'-War ... 7 12 Kanaka ... 7 2  
Arquebus ... 7 11 Pyroxylin ... 6 9  
Light ... 7 10 Australina ... 6 9

EGMONT HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. About three miles.

Levanter ... 11 12 Kaitoa ... 9 9  
Kingswood ... 11 3 Claymore ... 9 9  
Promedary ... 10 5 The Friar ... 9 9  
Bradshaw ... 10 6 Tokanui ... 9 9  
Mozel ... 9 13 Dick ... 9 7  
Minerva ... 9 13 Traveller ... 9 7

STEWARDS' STAKES HANDICAP of 50 sovs. Seven furlongs.

Marino ... 8 11 Kanaka ... 7 8  
Angler ... 8 10 Ascot Vale ... 7 8  
Rex ... 8 3 Bowshot ... 7 4  
Man-o'-War ... 8 0 Pyroxylin ... 7 0  
Arquebus ... 8 0 Australina ... 6 10

DUNEDIN JOCKEY CLUB'S MAY MEETING.

HANDICAP HURDLES.—Ilex 11.10, Clarence 11.7, Highlander 10.10, Lobo 10.7, Belmont 9.12, Rebel 9.10, Roslyn 9.5, Ulster 9.2, Guide 9.9.

BIRTHDAY HANDICAP.—Strathbraan 8.12, Hippomenes 8.7, Lord Rosslyn 8.5, Skirmisher 8.4, Vandyke 8.3, Chaos 7.12, Black and Red 7.12, Arquebus 7.9, Manawanui 7.7, Aldershot 7.7, Missire 7.6, Mauer 7.5, Marlin 7.4, Lady Somnus 7.2, Annoyance 6.13, Emmeline 6.11, Don Joseph 6.7, Pitch and Toss 6.7.

TRADESMEN'S PLATE.—Gold Spur 9.12, Musketry 9.0, Strathbraan 8.12, Belle Clair 8.6, Marino 8.6, Vanilla 8.5, Maremma 8.5, Vandyke 8.3, Telemeter 8.0, Arquebus 7.13, Manawanui 7.12, Lord Zetland 7.10, Mauer 7.8, Marlin 7.7, Arline 7.6, Remorse II. 7.4, Rancour 7.2, Maxims 7.2, Wild Peer 7.0, Double Event 6.9, Tiara 6.9, Shooting Star 6.7, Pitch and Toss 6.7.

OTAHUHU AND SUBURBAN RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Knight of Athol 8.12, My Sweetheart 8.5, Tamaki 8.3, Decoration 8.0, Neptune 8.0, Warrigal 7.10, Atalanta 7.8, Taihou 7.5, Sultan 7.5, One Shot 6.10.

PONY CUP HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Purvoke 9.0, Pororua 8.11, Bit o' Fashion 8.5, Lena 8.4, Norina 8.4, Napoleon 8.0, Topsail 7.12, Israelite 7.10, Topsy 7.6, Repeat 7.0, Maria 7.0, St. Owen 6.12, St. Peter 6.7.

OTAHUHU CUP HANDICAP, one mile.—Webley 8.12, Miss Nelson 8.9, Bonnie Blue 8.5, Pyroxylin 7.10, Flying Fish 7.10, Lady Cuisine 7.6, Samoa 7.3, Norina 7.2, Purvoke 7.0, Dorothy 7.0, Cleopatra 7.0, Anniversary 7.0, Clarion 6.12, Pirate 6.11, The Drone 6.10, Bit o' Fashion 6.10, Polite 6.7, Topsail 6.7.

FLYING STAKES HANDICAP, five furlongs.—Lillie 9.9, Miss Nelson 9.3, Lady Cuisine 8.7, Pyroxylin 8.4, Flying Fish 8.4, Anniversary 8.0, Knight of Athol 7.12, Norina 7.12, Dorothy 7.11, Samoa 7.8, The Drone 7.8, Provoke 7.7, Cleopatra 7.7, My Sweetheart 7.6, Tamaki 7.5, Israelite

7.5, Pirate 7.5, Clarion 7.4, Decoration 7.3, Bit o' Fashion 7.3, Lena 7.3, Atalanta 6.10, Sultan 6.10.

MAIDEN HURDLES, one mile and a quarter.—Webley 11.7, Glenora 11.0, The Sharper 10.11, Rataplan 10.10, Kia-Ora 10.0, Israelite 9.7, Maroro 9.5, Warrigal 9.0, Napoleon 9.0, Taihou 9.0, Outlaw 9.0, Awatuna 9.0, Black Drone 9.0.

ACCEPTANCES.

WELLINGTON RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

THOMPSON HANDICAP. One mile.

Gold Spur ... 9 5 The Miser ... 8 0  
Waiuku ... 8 13 Leda ... 7 7  
St Paul ... 8 12 Loveshot ... 7 6  
Strathbraan ... 8 7 Marino ... 7 6  
Manglicher ... 8 7 Pompo ... 7 4  
Barshot ... 8 4 Boreas ... 7 0  
Lorelei ... 8 0 Sylvia Park ... 7 0

WAIWETU HANDICAP. Seven furlongs.

The Miser ... 8 8 Return ... 7 0  
Hillstone ... 8 0 St Elmo ... 7 0  
Undine ... 7 5 On Dit ... 6 10

FIRST HURDLE HANDICAP. One mile and three-quarters.

Much Ado ... 10 7 Flirt ... 9 5

WELTER HANDICAP. One mile and a furlong.

Lotion ... 10 10 Nero ... 9 10  
Hillstone ... 9 11 Voltigeur ... 9 6

RAILWAY HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

Gold Spur ... 9 11 Umslopogaas ... 7 5  
Strathbraan ... 8 11 Undine ... 7 2  
Arquebus ... 7 9 St Elmo ... 6 10  
Boreas ... 7 7 On Dit ... 6 8  
Sylvia Park ... 7 5

FIRST HACK HANDICAP. One mile.

War Note ... 8 10 Saltatoria ... 7 7  
Muscatel ... 8 9 Lady Agnes ... 7 6  
The Guardsman ... 8 5 Lister ... 7 3  
Whario ... 8 2 Major ... 7 3  
Rumahanga ... 8 0 Stockade ... 7 0  
Crescent ... 7 11 Winnie ... 7 0  
Roseleaf ... 7 10 Sherwood ... 6 7  
Yellow Rose ... 7 10 Raupo II. ... 6 7  
Rodara ... 7 8

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

FLYING STAKES HANDICAP of 50 sovs. Six furlongs.

Angler ... 8 5 Light ... 7 7  
The Artist ... 8 2 Undine ... 7 2  
Sedgebrook ... 8 0 Ascot Vale ... 7 0  
Man-o'-War ... 7 10 Return ... 6 10  
Titohi ... 7 9

WANGANUI STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 300 sovs. About three miles.

Levanter ... 11 7 Swift ... 9 11  
Bootles ... 11 0 Glenclg ... 9 10  
Tangaroa ... 10 2 Bradshaw ... 9 7  
Rangipai ... 9 12 Claymore ... 9 7

FIRST HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 80 sovs. About two miles and a distance.

Dante ... 12 5 Docility ... 9 11  
Dumny ... 10 12 Natation ... 9 10  
Tangaroa ... 10 9 Tribadour ... 9 0  
Swift ... 10 7 Broutanin ... 9 0

SUBURBAN STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 60 sovs. About two miles and a half.

Levanter ... 12 0 Tokanui ... 9 10  
Natation ... 10 5 Fencer ... 9 7  
Bradshaw ... 9 10 Sir Athol ... 9 7  
Claymore ... 9 10

SOUTH CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB AUTUMN MEETING.

HIGH-WEIGHT HANDICAP. Seven furlongs.

Speculator ... 9 10 Lady Lear ... 7 7  
Victim ... 9 3 Pitch and Toss ... 7 7  
Stockfish ... 8 12 Esau ... 7 7  
Miss Orwell ... 8 2 Vanquisher ... 7 0  
Double Event ... 7 10

WASHDYKE WELTER HANDICAP. One mile.

Liberty ... 9 2 Victor ... 8 7  
Tale of War ... 9 0 R.L. ... 8 7  
Glenore ... 8 12 Ammunition ... 8 5  
Rosslyn ... 8 11 Strongbow ... 8 2  
Lzal ... 8 10 Montigny ... 8 2  
Padlock ... 8 9 Pony Moore ... 8 0  
Gloaming ... 8 7

AUTUMN HANDICAP. One mile and a quarter.

Jewel ... 8 12 Belligerent ... 7 7  
Vandyke ... 8 7 Lady Somnus ... 7 4  
Telemeter ... 7 11 Remorse ... 7 2  
Salvo Shot ... 7 8

FLYING HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

Jewel ... 8 7 Molly Darling ... 7 6  
Vanilla ... 8 5 Liberty ... 6 13  
Salvo Shot ... 7 8 Padlock ... 6 9  
Speculator ... 7 7 Pitch and Toss ... 6 7

TIMARU TROT. Two miles.

Spider ... 25sec Patience ... 42sec  
Marguerite ... 25sec Craigmere ... 42  
The Fiddler ... 25 Parora ... 42  
Fairchild ... 28 Huntley ... 47  
Doubtful ... 34 Black Oak ... 47  
Kilrush ... 38 Factory Girl ...  
Jay Gould ... 40 Mist ...  
Statesman ... 40

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[BY ORPHEUS.]

THE ADA DELROY COMPANY.—A brilliant season closed on Saturday night with a crowded house. During the week many new items were introduced, including Mr Harry Gilbert's descriptive songs, "Jack Crawford" and "H.M.S.," both stirring, patriotic, and dramatic recitals of British gallantry. The bellowphone duet by Miss Delroy and Mr Bell as usual delighted everybody. The performers wear mittens studded with tinkling bells on hands and feet, and a cap and bells as well. This gives a register of ten notes, and tunes such as "Daisy Bell," "Monte Carlo," etc., are played with wonderful accuracy, while the movements of two pairs of hands and feet and two heads are quaintly comic. Mr T. Bergin sang "Fill Me the Flagon" and "The Gallants of England" in splendid style, and Miss Alice Simmons fully sustained her reputation with Millard's "Waiting" and "Come to the Greenwood," the entire freedom from "scoop" and tremolo being a rare treat. Mr Teddy Ford, in addition to his marvellous facial exploits, recited "Murphy shall not sing to-night," with prodigious effect. Madame Bell's feats in "Somnolency" were as bewildering as ever. Altogether this must be ranked as one of the best variety companies seen in Auckland, and an early return visit will be very welcome.

LAST night the Greenwoods generously gave a performance in the Opera House for the benefit of the sufferers from the recent disastrous floods at Napier. As this journal goes to press on Wednesday a notice is of course impossible in this issue.

ON the 8th of May Mr Kennedy, the famous mesmerist, is to open at the Opera House with a team of educated ponies. These little fellows perform the most marvellous feats without the direction of a whip or other command than word of mouth from their trainer. One especially clever pony, although blind, swings himself on a trapeze and jumps through a paper hoop on a pedestal, from which he again jumps back to the trapeze, and calmly proceeds to set it in motion and enjoy a quiet swing.

AUCKLAND SOCIETY OF ARTS EXHIBITION.—The Choral Hall has been well patronised all last week by lovers of pictures. On the whole the exhibits display a marked improvement on last year. The general standard is higher, although there is, perhaps, no special work which stands out in prominent relief, and it is difficult to name the best picture. Perhaps Mr L. J. Steele's life-like portrait of Bishop Cowie would get most votes in a plebiscite. Signor Nerli's work is of the impressionist school, and he has painted two of our Auckland girls, Miss V.D. and Miss F.P., whose charming faces are easily recognised. Many would have preferred to see the former young lady painted without a hat and in a simpler gown, but doubtless the picture will in future years decide any disputes about the style of dress worn in Auckland in 1897. "An Autumn Evening," by Mr Frank Wright, is especially bright and pleasing, and his water-colours generally are remarkable for grasp of effect, breadth and tone. Mr T. L. Drummond's "A bend on the creek" for harmony of treatment and calm repose ranks among that artist's most successful efforts. Mr Douglas Perrett's "Hooker Valley" is a delicate rendering of the ever romantic shades of evening effects, and the same artist in "Suva Reefs" shows a spirited sketch of a Fijian scene. Mr Payton contributes much fine work, "Ohinemutu Rotorua" being the most popular. "After Rain" is full of sentiment. The "Wherepuni" is a magnificent study in brown. Among Miss Vaile's many pleasing pictures "On the Waikato" is, perhaps, the best. This lady's moonlight effects are especially attractive. Mr G. M. Nairn's portrait of our old friend Mr D. M. Luckie is a remarkable faithful likeness and a fairly executed painting, which leads an excellent collection of works by Wellington artists, among which the exhibits of Miss M. E. Richardson and Miss Mabel Hill merit high praise. Mr Barrard's water-colours are extremely good. Misses Rosa Ball and Pilcher show marked improvement in flower painting. "Chrysanthemum" by the former and "Roses" by the latter being capital studies. Miss H. Stuart's coloured photograph of George Rignold as Henry V. is well up to the high standard that clever artist has set herself. Space will not permit of a notice of many other good pictures, and for the same reason anything like criticism is impossible, but a very beautiful picture after the Dutch manner by Mr A. Montague, "At Harleem," must not be passed over without a word of high commendation.

CITY HALL: MONDAY POPS.—Mr P. R. Dix somehow manages to impart a freshness and variety to these concerts, hence their continued popularity. Mr Charles Cooper's myriorama, "The Land of the Moa," shows a series of beautiful views and portraits, illustrative of New Zealand history from the earliest times. With Mr P. R. Dix's concise explanations such an exhibition not only delights but instructs many who would otherwise never take the slightest interest in the early history of Maoriland. The musical programme was choice and much appreciated by a crowded house. Mr R. H. Buttery, who is gifted with a mellow and sympathetic baritone voice, sang Adams' "Romany Lass," and "The Sleeping Camp," by St. Quentin, with lovely lime-light effects, being encored, of course. Miss Carrie Knight's rendering of "Home, Sweet

Home" was artistic in its perfect simplicity and tenderness. Few singers know how to sing "Home, Sweet Home." Miss Knight is one of the few. The lime-light illustrations were beautiful, and enthusiastic applause compelled a repetition. Later on, "Kind Sir," from "The Gondoliers," also won an encore. Mr Taylor's character songs from "Iolanthe," "The Law is the Chief Embodiment," "When I went to the Bar," and "When Britain Ruled the Waves," need no praise, and of course won encores. Mr Wynyard-Joss made his customary hit with mandolin solos, playing (including encores) "Stephanie Gavotte," "British Grenadiers," "The Girl I Left Behind Me," and "In Old Madrid." Miss Katie Fitzpatrick's songs and encores were, "Ever With Thee," "Won't You Be My Sweetheart," and "Dublin Bay," the last with splendid lime-light effects. Miss Violet Gelston made her debut with Tosti's "Good-bye," and later on was encored for Marzials' "Twickenham Ferry." Miss Gelston's voice is a mezzo-contralto of pure quality and true intonation. Much more volume and quality of tone in the registers will be produced by study and practice. The favourite tenor, Mr Abel Rowe, sang "The Volunteer Soldier," with exquisite lime-light views (encored), Moir's "Only Once More," and as an encore a serenade from "Paul Jones." A vocal quartette, "The Flowery Month of June," was creditably rendered by Misses Ethel Boulton, Blanche Tobias, and Messrs. P. R. Dix and R. H. Buttery. Mr Alf Bartley was as effective as ever at the pianoforte. Mr Dix announced a splendid concert to be given for the benefit of the Hawke's Bay Fund on Friday next. Every-one asked had at once promised to assist, and a rare programme is therefore a certainty.

The pupils of the Marist Brothers' College gave their annual musical and dramatic entertainment at the Opera House on Monday evening. Even standing room was at a premium. The performance was a brilliant success, and was repeated on Tuesday evening for the benefit of the Hawke's Bay Fund.

## THE GREAT GLOVE FIGHT.

### FITZSIMMONS AND CORBETT.

THE glove fight between Fitzsimmons and Corbett, on the 17th of March last, appears to have created extraordinary interest in America; so great, indeed, that one paper, the *San Francisco Examiner*, paid a sum of £500 for a special train for its representatives. We extract the following from our exchanges:—

FIRST ROUND.—They stood looking at each other straight in the eye. Both feinted and side-stepped. They continued for a moment, and Fitz finally crowded Corbett into a corner and let go his left. Corbett ducked and Fitz rushed against the ropes. Corbett in the next rally scored with the left lightly on the nose, quickly following with a stiff left on the body. Fitz did some feinting with the right, trying hard to land on Corbett's jaw, but the Californian was wary. In the next attack Corbett let out his left, half-swung fashion, catching Fitz hard with the left on the eye. Both men landed lefts. After a clinch Fitz tried to sneak his right over on the break-away, but Corbett was on the move and laughed. Both fell short with the left leads for the body, and then Corbett landed a hard right over the heart just as the bell sounded. Fitz winked and Corbett laughed.

SECOND ROUND.—Both answered promptly, Fitz forcing the issue and swinging his right for the jaw and missing. They clinched for several seconds, and Corbett tried for an uppercut, but was short. Corbett stopped a left swing for the jaw. In the next rally Corbett swung his left on Fitz's left eye, and a moment later poked his left straight on Fitz's nose. Fitz rushed a swinging right and left, and chased Corbett around, but Corbett stopped both blows with his arms and smiled. Corbett landed lightly with the left twice on the nose. Following up his advantage he struck Fitz twice heavily with the left in the stomach, escaping with a counter. In the next attack Corbett slipped and left himself open, but Fitz was not quick enough to take advantage of the opportunity, and Corbett lost nothing. They were sparring when the bell sounded.

THIRD ROUND.—As soon as the bell rang Corbett came out of his corner on a sprint and smashed Fitz hard on the body, quickly following it with two more in the same place, and a right on the ear. Fitz led, but was short, and a clinch followed. Fitz now took a hand at pushing and backed Corbett toward the ropes, trying to score with either hand. Corbett was wary, however, and avoided all of Fitz's blows. While close in clinch Fitzsimmons caught his right over on the back of the head, and then winked to the crowd. Corbett then rushed and tried with his right for a vital point, but fell short. In the next attempt Fitz shoved his left straight for Corbett's mouth, and followed it with a light left on the chin. A clinch followed, and they were locked for several seconds. In the next mix-up Fitz landed hard at short range with the left on the jaw. As the bell rang Fitz had Corbett in his own corner, and was about to swing his right, and Corbett laughed and said, "Not now!" Each retired to his corner, apparently happy and confident.

FOURTH ROUND.—Again Corbett was the aggressor, and he promptly swung a left hook, swinging fashion, landing lightly on the jaw. He promptly followed up the advantage thus gained with a hard right over the ear and a left on the jaw, forcing Fitz to clinch. On the break-away Corbett tried to swing his right, and Fitz laughed. Hot fighting followed, Corbett being the aggressor. Then Fitz made a vicious swipe with the right for the jaw, but fell short, and Corbett landed. Fitz kept swinging viciously for the jaw, but Corbett stopped them with his

elbows, at the same time sneaking in two lefts on Fitz's jaw. Again Corbett led, scoring heavily with the right on the heart. In the next attempt Corbett missed with his right and left, but smashed Fitz hard on the jaw three times with the left, and followed with a stiff right over the heart. As they clinched Corbett scored twice with the right and left on the body. They were clinched when the bell rang. This round was entirely in Corbett's favour.

FIFTH ROUND.—Corbett again came out on a sprint, and promptly smashed Fitz on the jaw with force and accuracy with his left. The blow angered Fitz, and he rushed at the Californian viciously, swinging both hands for the jaw, but failing to score a blow. In the next rally both landed lefts. Then Fitz rushed and succeeded in landing a hard right on Corbett's ribs. Corbett's next lead for the jaw with the left fell short, and they clinched. Corbett again tried his left for the jaw, but fell short, and Fitz tried to cross him with the right, but Corbett cleverly blocked the blow. A sharp rally followed at close quarters, during which Fitz scored three blows. Fitz said to Corbett: "Well, how do you like it?" Jim's reply was a smash with the left on the mouth, bringing blood. Corbett promptly followed up his advantage with terrific rights on the jaw, making Fitz's head rock. Fitz smiled, but it was a very sickly smile. It was plain to all that Corbett had satisfied himself that he had taken his opponent's measure, for he went at him regardless of consequences.

SIXTH ROUND.—Fitz was mad clear through when he responded. He rushed Corbett and tried to score with the right, but failed, a clinch following. Then Fitz did considerable wrestling and the crowd cried "Foul!" Then Corbett came at his man viciously, smashing him with right and left on the jaw, making Fitz unsteady on his feet. A straight left on the nose made the blood flow in streams. A right-hander on the jaw staggered Fitz, and in order to avoid further punishment, he dropped to his knees, remaining down eight seconds. Corbett stood off waiting for him. When he did get up Corbett promptly smashed him on the jaw with the left, following with the right on the jaw, staggering Fitz. A straight left on Fitz's damaged nose again brought the blood. This round was all in favor of Corbett, who seemed to have his opponent in great distress and guessing at the close. Fitz returned to his corner distressed and worried. His seconds worked hard during the rest, and he answered the bell in good physical shape, but the smile was gone.

SEVENTH ROUND.—Both men sparred cautiously for a time. Then Fitz let go right and left at Corbett, but Corbett stepped in close, avoiding the blows. Both then scored with lefts. Fitz seemed to have lost strength, and Corbett had no trouble in throwing him about in the two clinches that followed. Both swung lefts, but neither scored, standing off looking at each other for some moments. Corbett sent out his right straight from the shoulder, landing on Fitz's nasal organ, again bringing blood. Fitz was desperate, and tried to connect Corbett's jaw with his right, but failed. On the next try, however, he succeeded in landing his right on the jaw. Fitz continued rushing wildly, and Corbett found no difficulty in keeping out of range. Corbett's generalship was superb, and elicited rousing applause. Corbett went to his corner smiling, while Fitz looked worried and tired.

EIGHTH ROUND.—They answered the bell promptly, Corbett looking the fresher. Feinting for a moment resulted in a clinch. On the breakaway Corbett scored with the right on the lower lip, splitting it and drawing blood. Fitz then took a hand at forcing matters, and did some rushing, trying hard but unsuccessfully to land an effective blow. Corbett tried with the left for the jaw, but fell short, and Fitz's glove grazed his vital point. Fitz's next lead went wide of the mark, and Jim countered with the left heavily on the jaw, making Fitz's head rock. Both scored lightly with the left, and then swung right and left for the head, but Corbett escaped. As the bell sounded Corbett shot his left straight from the shoulder flush on Fitz's lip, drawing the blood freely.

NINTH ROUND.—They came out of the corner in good form and sparred, feinting for a moment. Then Corbett shot out his left, landing lightly on the jaw, and quickly followed with a blow from the same member on the body, making Fitz jump. A moment later he did the same. In the next exchange Fitz landed a hard right on Corbett's shoulder, causing the Californian to career towards the ropes. He also planted a hard left on Corbett's shoulder. Fitz again tried for the jaw, but fell short. He was not discouraged, and again tried for the jaw, but fell short. Again he tried for the same point, scoring heavily and staggering Corbett. Charley White shouted to Corbett to look out for Fitz's left, and Corbett shook his head, meaning, "I'm watching him." Fitz had the best of the fighting in this round.

TENTH ROUND.—When time was called Fitz seemed refreshed and confident, and was the aggressor, leading off with a left, swing fashion, but missing, losing his balance and falling on the ropes. It was a good opportunity for Corbett to score, but he was not quick enough, although he landed a right on Fitz's neck before the latter fully recovered his feet. Both rushed, Corbett missing and Fitz landing with a hard left on the jaw. In the next rally Corbett scored twice on the mouth with his left, bringing a fresh supply of blood. His success encouraged him and he promptly came back at Fitz with a mild right-hander on the jaw, quickly following it with a left on the jaw. Fitz's blows did not seem to concern Corbett much, for he kept pinching away on Fitz's mouth. Corbett's next lead fell short and he clinched, rushing Bob to the ropes. At that Colville shouted to Abe Levy across the ring, "Easy work for Jim!" "You bet!" said Levy.

ELEVENTH ROUND.—Corbett was the fresher at the call but Fitz was willing and repeatedly rushed with varying success. Corbett landed two clean lefts on the jaw and mouth. In the

next rally Fitz tried nobly to place his right on Corbett's jaw, but Jim skillfully stopped all blows with his arm. In a subsequent clinch Fitz came within an ace of scoring heavily with his right for an uppercut. As it was the blow grazed Corbett's jaw. Fitz kept up his aggressive tactics, scoring a left straight twice on the mouth and once with the same member on the jaw. Corbett seemed satisfied to allow Fitz to hit him, perhaps with the idea of disabusing Fitz's mind of the theory that he couldn't stand punishment. At any rate, he did not make what might be termed an effort to counter Fitz's leads.

TWELFTH ROUND.—Fitzsimmons came out on the run, promptly swung for the jaw, missed, lost his balance and fell against the ropes, again giving Corbett an opportunity to place his right on the jaw, but he wasn't quick enough. Fitzsimmons continued rushing and failed to land, Corbett countering some on Fitz's bloody mouth. Light sparring was followed by Corbett forcing Fitzsimmons to the ropes and landing a right on the jaw, Fitzsimmons sparring at long range and threatening to shoot his right for Corbett's jaw. Corbett then smashed Fitzsimmons three times hard over the right eye, scratching the Australian. Once Fitzsimmons dropped both hands and Corbett made a vicious attempt to score with his right, uppercut style, on the Australian's chin, but missed by quite a large margin. Corbett seemed the fresher of the two at the end of the round.

THIRTEENTH ROUND.—The men came together on the first exchange, each scoring with a left on the jaw. Fitz, still the aggressor, chased the Californian around the ring, swinging hard with both hands. Corbett showed excellent generalship, skillfully dodging, side-stepping or stopping blows with the arms. Corbett then landed lightly with his left on the body and made a right swing, but missed. Fitz, after a breakaway, retreated towards his corner and dropped both hands. Corbett attempted to land a knock-out blow, but failed. Coming to the centre again, Fitz landed his left forcibly twice on the mouth. Later Corbett hit the Australian five times in succession on nose and mouth, bringing blood on each occasion. When they retired to their corners Fitz's face was covered with blood, while Corbett was unmarked.

FOURTEENTH ROUND.—Corbett led first, shooting out a left, but was short. His next effort met with better results. The blow landed hard on Fitz's damaged nose. This he followed with another left on the same point. The blows seemed to nettles Fitz, and he promptly came back at Jim, scoring with force on the jaw and following it with two left swings on Corbett's jaw. He followed up the advantage just gained cleverly. Rushing viciously at Corbett, he planted his left with fearful force in the pit of the stomach and followed it with a right over the heart. Corbett placed his hand over his body, and, with an expression of agony on his face, sank writhing in pain to the floor. There were some cries of foul, but the blow was a perfectly fair one. It doubled Corbett up completely, and from that moment his claims to the title of champion pugilist of the world ceased to exist. After an effort that was pitiful in the extreme, Corbett finally struggled to his feet, and in a dazed sort of way made his way to the north-west corner and wanted to go on with the fight, but Fitz laughed at him and friends separated them. Later Corbett's seconds made a claim of foul, which the referee refused to allow. I showed my description of the knock-out blows to Siler immediately after the fight, and he said, "That is just the way it happened. There was no foul. The blows were perfectly fair." The time of the round was one minute and forty-five seconds.

### FITZ TELLS ABOUT HIS VICTORY.

Fitzsimmons, in speaking of the fight, said—"In the sixth round the blood was interfering with my breathing, and I played as careful as I could, hanging on when possible to avoid punishment. I knew if I could stand that round I should win. I was in pretty bad shape for a little while, but after that I never had a doubt as to my winning, for Corbett's blows were growing slower and slower every minute, while I did not feel any ill-effects myself. When I hit him in the last round I was going to uppercut him with my left, but I saw him gradually sinking, and I restrained myself and walked away. I thought he would not be able to get up in time, so I walked to my corner, knowing the fight was mine. Corbett talks about a return fight, and says that he will follow me from town to town until I give him a return battle. I am thirty-six years of age, have fought more championship battles than any two men in ancient or modern ring annals, and shall retire. I will never fight again. I feel more than pleased at the work of Referee Siler, and am satisfied that his interpretation of the rules was along fair lines. I have been confident all along of my ability to whip Corbett. He gave me a hard fight, and I got considerable punishment. I waited for the time, and finally, as I could not get at his head, played for his body and finished him. I ended Corbett with the same blow that I used on Sharkey—a left-hand swing on the body under the heart."

### CORBETT ON HIS OWN DEFEAT.

Carson (Nev.), March 17.—Corbett said: "The man beat me fairly and I must give him credit for that, but I think I am the man's master. He could not put me out by hitting me on the face. He hit me a number of times on the side of the jaw, but his blows were not more forcible than my own. When he landed his blows had spent their force, and I saw that it would be an easy matter for me to win the fight if I did not become careless, and that is just what I did. I became too careless, and Fitz's arm—which one I do not know—shot out and caught me right in the stomach. I was not knocked out, but I could not get my wind. I gasped for breath. I knew all that was going on, yet I did not have the strength to rise until too late. If Fitz will give me another fight I will have a purse on hand of from \$10,000 to \$30,000 ready to be covered."



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## THE WELLINGTON SUBURBS ELECTION.

We think it is safe to say that no bye-election that has taken place in the history of this colony has caused more intense interest than the one just decided in the suburbs of Wellington. From a Ministerial, and also from an Opposition, standpoint, it represented a desperate struggle between the Government and those who represent the Opposition in the New Zealand Parliament, in which the Government proved victorious. The question, however, of Prohibition versus Moderation was an important factor in the contest, and we rejoice to know that the latter proved victorious by obtaining a substantial majority in its favor. Mr C. Wilson, the successful candidate, is a journalist whose writings have secured for him a high position in the ranks of New Zealand journalists, whilst Mr Atkinson is a rising young lawyer, practising in the City of Wellington. Mr Wilson, by precept and example, has endeavoured to prove that liberty, toleration, and the free-will agency of the New Zealand colonists is the policy best suited to advance the best interest of the young and growing colony in which we live. Mr Atkinson, on the other hand, has preached and practically supported the narrow unpracticable doctrine laid down by Sir Robert Stout, Rev. Isitt and Co., and at the election he was supported by all the strength which that effete party could bring to bear in the advocacy of his candidature. We do not say that all other issues were obscured, but it is quite safe to assert that the main issue was a struggle between Mr Wilson as a temperate candidate and Mr Atkinson as a supporter of fanaticism, and we confidently assert that temperance people and every lover of New Zealand liberty will rejoice over the result. We heartily congratulate Mr Wilson on the result of the election, and we trust the effect of his victory will be to stimulate the moderate party in New Zealand, to cause the party to concentrate their energies, and to become convinced that the victory achieved for moderation in the Wellington Suburbs can, by judgment and united action, be repeated in every district in New Zealand, from the North Cape to Stewart Island.

## THE HAWKE'S BAY FLOODS.

THE press of the colony has recorded full telegraphic reports of the terrible disaster which has befallen our neighbours in the Hawke's Bay provincial district, but a personal inspection of the scene of the disaster has satisfied us that it is absolutely impossible to describe the appalling disaster which has befallen our unfortunate fellow colonists in the districts recently inundated outside Napier. We rejoice to know that a noble response has been made to the appeal for monetary and other aid to the sufferers in their dire distress, but it has struck us as being very remarkable that no teetotal or prohibition organisation has so far taken any practical steps to alleviate the great trouble, whilst on the other hand the Mayor of Napier, Mr Swan (who, by the bye, is a brewer), has been working night and day in order to obtain assistance for the poor sufferers, who cannot possibly assist themselves. The Government has also generously assisted, inasmuch as Mr Swan has been authorised to "frank" telegrams to all parts of

New Zealand when soliciting aid, and he has also been permitted to cable free to the whole of the Australasian colonies for the same purpose. Perhaps there was no part of Hawke's Bay which suffered to a greater extent than Clive, which is practically a suburb of Napier, and it is heartrending to contemplate that for many hours over three hundred men, women, and children had to leave their homes in Clive and take refuge on the bridge spanning the raging river which flows through that settlement, the terrible situation being all the time accentuated by the feeling that at any moment the structure might be swept away, whilst at each end of the bridge ten feet of flood water prevented the slightest possibility of escape. A few



MR W. WOODWARD, PROPRIETOR OF THE PACIFIC HOTEL, THAMES.

chains from the bridge, however, the Farndon Hotel is situated, close to the railway station, and the large-hearted proprietor of the hostelry assisted to organise a boating party, and in the course of a few hours the whole of the people were removed to the upstairs portion of the hotel, and the utmost effort was made to secure comfort for the sufferers. We shall more fully refer to this matter in our next issue; in the meantime we would say to Stout, Isitt, and Co., consider the action of this publican, and to each member of the company we would say "Go thou and do likewise."

## THE L.V. PORTRAIT GALLERY.

Mr William Woodward was born in Hamilton, Waikato, in 1865, and when ten years of age, besides keeping up his school attendance, commenced to learn the trade of baker and confectioner with his father, who was then in business in Queen Street, Auckland. Losing his parents at an early age, he went into the service of Mr D. Grubb, Karangahake Road, Newton, where he remained about five years, completing his education in the business he had chosen. Desiring a change from the dull routine of a baker's life, he went to the Thames, and for some considerable time was employed coaching between that town and Paeroa. Being a general favourite he made a little money, and started "tributing" at the Prince Imperial mine. After about twelve months of this he returned to his old trade, and went

into the employ of Mr T. Douglas, Thames, with whom he remained some three years. Here he found his fate, in the shape of Mrs. Woodward, and after some good business experience took possession of the Provincial Hotel, Grahams-town, which he held until the house was closed. Removing to Auckland, he took up the business known as the Glasgow Bakery, Wellington Street, and eventually became the proprietor of the Pacific Hotel, Thames, where he now reigns as a most genial and popular boniface. It will interest many of his old pupils to be reminded that Mr Woodward was for some time an instructor in the Thames Gymnasium, and is at the present day not only a good athlete, but the most popular baritone in the district. His accomplishments are not confined to music and gymnastics, but in racing, boating, and all descriptions of sport he will generally be found on top.

## TRADE TOPICS.

John McCaw, a Blue Spur (Otago) Prohib., lectured at Blue Spur a few nights ago. He announced himself as a staunch believer in Prohibition, but declared that, to be effective, Prohibition must go hand-in-hand with moral suasion. "Man," said John, "was a free agent, and force should not be applied to make a man abstain from making use of the gifts God had given him. And he did not believe in Prohibition in districts where sly-grog selling would take its place. He thought it only tended to make men become sneaks. He would rather have a public-house where a man could go in in the broad light of day, and have a drink if he wanted it, than see men slinking in at back doors, like curs." The *Spectator* has hopes of John. He is too level-headed to remain a member of the Pump Party. — *Spectator*.

Sterrong derrink again! According to the Edinburgh correspondent of the *Otago Daily Times*, a quart whiskey-bottle has been found in the stomach of a huge cod-fish landed at Bukie. It is with pain that the *Spectator* chronicles this item, and reflects that if that cod had only kept away from the drink he might have evaded capture!

"Forty million gallons of whiskey in bond in Scotland!" exclaimed a red-nosed man as he laid his *Star* on his knee in the Ocean-Beach (Dunedin) tram, and cast his eyes roofwards with an ecstatic expression of countenance. "Forty millions of gallons!—whew!" "Yes," commented a pious-looking party, wearing his hair a la Tennyson Smith, and a very large piece of blue-ribbon on his breast, "Yes, you may well feel astonished, yea, and dismay, my friend, at those figures. You may well deplore the fact that the Arch Enemy is so busy in Scotland." "What are you giving us?" asked the red-nosed party, "I was just thinking what a glorious drunk you could have with forty million gallons of whiskey, that was all. For-ty million gallons!" The long-haired party groaned audibly and resumed the reading of his *Star*.

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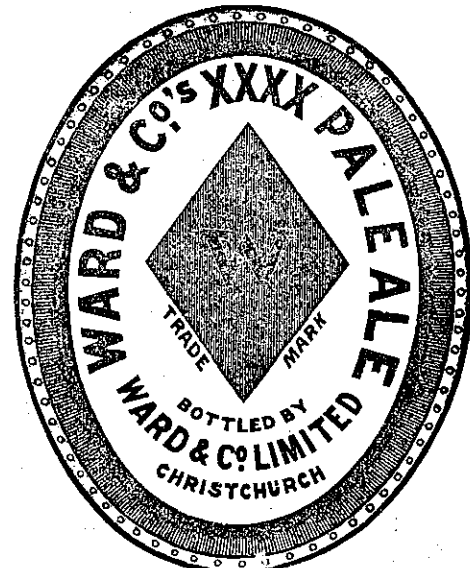
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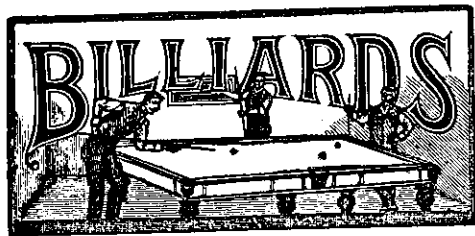
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William J. Peall, the phenomenal spot-stroke-player, was born January 31, 1854, and startling rumours of what he would do in this line were current some time before he made his debut as a professional. This was in March, 1880, in an American tournament at the Westminster Aquarium. The heats were 500 up, Joseph Bennett and Mitchell were at scratch, and Peall and R. Wilson were on the limit mark, with a start of 175 points. Had Peall performed in a manner at all worthy of his home reputation, he could not possibly have lost, but he was very nervous, and appeared to no advantage: indeed, he required a great deal of public play before he was able to shake off this want of confidence in himself and do himself full justice. In exhibition games he repeatedly made some very big breaks, and won an American tournament at the Aquarium in the following year, but it was long before he could show anything like his real form in a match for money. In 1884 he beat W. Mitchell in an exhibition game of 1000 up, going out in four breaks, inclusive of his initial miss, and scoring the game in 44min. In the same year Peall made a break of 1889, including 548 consecutive spot-strokes, at Cambridge; but as the game was over when he had scored 411, and he simply continued the break at the request of the spectators, this cannot be ranked as a record. Fortunately Peall can well afford to waive his claim to this, as at the Aquarium, on November 5 and 6, 1890, he completely eclipsed it with an extraordinary break of 3304, all made inside the game, and comprising runs of 93, 3, 150, 123, 172, 120, and 400 spot strokes.

More than four years prior to this, however, Peall had met Roberts on even terms in a six days' spot-stroke match. The conditions were to



W. J. PEALL, A CHAMPION ENGLISH BILLIARD PLAYER.

play four hours per day, each player to place his ball where he chose at the beginning of a break, and the highest aggregate score at the end of the week to win. His highest break was only 906, nevertheless he had the match in hand from start to finish, and won as he liked with an aggregate of 16,734 against 11,925. Considering how little opportunity he has had of playing the spot stroke in public for several years past, it is marvellous that he does not appear to lose his command over it in the smallest degree. In a short game it has become quite an ordinary occurrence to see him start the game by screwing in off the spot, leave the red ball just over the middle pocket, and, working his way at once to the top of the table, run out without ever giving his opponent a stroke. Players will know that screwing in off the spot is by no means the easiest of strokes, but fancy being fairly certain to do it with exactly the right strength to leave the red ball over a middle pocket! For a long time past Peall has been willing to play any man in the world, all in, on a "Standard" table, and the title of champion at English billiards unquestionably belongs to him. At the spot-barred game Peall is considerably handicapped by his lack of height, and it is wonderful that he has kept his place with the younger players as well as he has done. Always fit and ready to do himself justice, Peall is extremely popular with the public, and no member of his profession is more deservedly respected.

It is evident that they can play billiards in South Africa. Stevenson made his mark in England, but since his return he has suffered defeat, and this is what a South African paper has to say on the subject:—"So H. W. Stevenson, the South African Champion, who has come to the front wonderfully in England, has arrived once more on this continent, but he could not have lost his 'sea legs' to be beaten as he was by Freeborough, at Capetown, creditable a player though the latter is. Stevenson played the Capetown crack 1,000 up, spot-barred, the local man receiving 300 start. The champion started in good style, scoring 230 while his opponent was making 120, but from this Freeborough made great improvement, and ran out a winner by 232 points. Stevenson made a break of a century, and Freeborough one of 94."

## Turf Records.

### AUCKLAND RACING CLUB AUTUMN MEETING.

THIRD DAY—SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 1897.

Weather fine, attendance large. Results:—

MAIDEN HURDLE HANDICAP of 60 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half.

233 Mr G. F. Baker's b g Tim, by Wool-broker—dam unknown, 5yrs, 10.7, Katterns ... 1

131 Mr J. C. Booth's ch m Reflection, 5yrs, 10.0, Woodfield ... 2

33 Mr J. Martin's br g Forella, aged, 10.10 Collins ... 3

Other starters—109 Natation, 11.9, Rae; 23 Playboy, 10.3, Hughes; 10 Awatuna, 9.10 (inc. 10lb over), Sharp; 22 The Outlaw, 9.8 (inc. 8lb over), A. Williams.

Won easily by two lengths. Time, 3min 2sec. Dividend, £2 3s.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 80 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. One mile and three-quarters.

123 Mr E. J. Evans' b g Aughadowey, by Howitzer—Pastime, aged, 9.7, Phillips ... 1

108 Mr C. Archibald's b g Levanter, aged, 11.8, Rae ... 2

57 Mrs Barron's br h Hukatere, aged, 9.7, Wright ... 3

Other starter—210 Miss Nelson, 11.2, Katterns. Won by five lengths. Time, 3min 32sec. Dividend, £3 12s.

St. GEORGE'S HANDICAP of 120 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. One mile.

20 Mr H. H. Hay's b g Panoply, by Splendor—Esperance, aged, 7.13 (including 2lb over), Davis ... 1

79 Mr R. Hannan's ch g Cast Ashore, 4yrs, 6.10, Buchanan ... 2

57 Mr J. Beckett's ch m Lady Marion, 5yrs, 7.12, Lindsay ... 3

Other starters—267 Fabulist, 9.5, Gallagher; 214 Doris, 8.7, Smith; 135 Markinch, 7.11, Sceates; 40 Haria, 7.10, Gall; 122 Flying Fish, 7.8, Stewart; 126 Three Star, 7.9 (inc. 2lb over), Whitaker; 36 Pyroxylin, 7.4 (inc. 4lb over), Duff; 47 Porangi Potae, 7.0, Jellings; 52 Fair Nell, 6.12, Satman; 5 Korowai, 6.10, Barlow; 4 Swordfish, 6.13 (inc. 6lb over), Whitehouse; 11 Wai-iti, 6.7, Stockman; 13 Anniversary, 6.7, Coulthard.

Won by a neck, a head separating second and third. Time, 1min 45½sec. Dividend, £55 5s.

PONY HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 40 sovs; second pony 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half.

79 Mr W. Croll's b g Repeat, by Muskapeer—Duchess, 5yrs, 9.0, Burns ... 1

67 Mr J. Morrison's b g Libeller, aged, 10.6, Joe Stewart ... 2

121 Mr C. Tate's b g Clayton, aged, 11.0, Crozier ... 3

Other starter—149 Pororua, 10.4, Collins (fell). Won easily by three lengths. Time, 3min 12sec. Dividend, £4 14s.

CRITERION HANDICAP of 80 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. Four furlongs.

281 Mr L. D. Nathan's br f Miss Emmy, by Cuirassier—Roie, 2yrs, 8.6, Gallagher ... 1

64 Mr D. McKinnon's ch g Picklock, 2yrs, 8.3, Gall ... 2

138 Mr J. C. Booth's ch g Rex, 4yrs, 8.10, Hall ... 3

Other starters—160 Regal, 8.8, Bird; 61 The Sharper, 8.4, Taylor; 18 Purvoke, 8.0, Sceates; 85 Donovan, 7.10, Whitaker; 45 Clarion, 7.12 (inc. 4lb over), Lindsay; 70 Napoleon, 7.8, Satman; 49 Repo, 7.7, Waldron; 104 The Drone, 7.6, Buchanan; 75 Decoration, 7.5, Duff; 9 Wai-iti, 6.9, Stockman; 20 The Owl, 6.7, Jellings; 12 Seabreeze, 6.7, Whitehouse.

Won by three lengths; a good third. Time, 48½secs. Dividend, £3 16s.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 80 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. About three miles.

227—Mr H. H. Hay's b g Kingswood, by Ingomar—Bessmer, aged, 11.4, Rae ... 1

243 Mr H. T. Gorrie's blk g Mozel, aged, 8.11, Woodfield ... 2

21 Mr J. Martin's br g Forella, aged, 9.7, Collins ... 3

Other starters—180 St. Simon, 11.12, Fergus; 166 Bombardier, 11.0, Morrigan; 12 Sepoy, 9.7, Williams; 57 Glenora, 9.7, Olive; 28 Plukem, 9.7, Burns; 67 The Indian, 9.7, Lang; 6 Ditto, 9.7, Phillips.

Won by a nose, after an exciting finish, a dozen lengths between second and third. Time, 6min 41sec. Dividend, £3 19s.

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

52 Mr A. S. Caulton's br f Porangi Potae, by Castor—Madcap, 3yrs, 7.2, Jellings ... 1

92 Mr J. Livingstone's b f Lady Cuisine, 3yrs, 7.6, Buchanan ... 2

2 Mr W. Walters' br c Swordfish, 3yrs, 6.11 (inc. 2lb over), Whitehouse ... 3

Other starters—143 Doris, 9.5, Smith; 143 Lillie, 8.10, Creamer; 165 Rex, 8.7, Hall; 104 Regal, 8.5, Gallagher; 148 Kanaka, 7.7, Duff; 86 Donovan, 7.10 (inc. 4lb over), Whitaker; 55 Lufra, 7.5, Sceates; 22 Pyroxylin, 7.3, Julian; 5 Korowai, 6.10, Barlow; 5 Corvette, 6.7, Waldron.

Porangi Potae led all the way and won by two lengths. Time, 1min 5sec. Dividend, £17 13s.

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

252 Mr David Stewart's ch g St. Crispin, by St. Leger—Tingara, 8.7, W. Smith ... 1

20 Mr T. B. Bell's br c Reaction, 7.0 (inc. 4lb over), Buchanan ... 2

18 Mr F. Macmanamin's br c Volcano, 8.6, Lindsay ... 3

Other starters—137 Coronet, 8.5, Creamer; 52 Cuiralba, 8.5, Duff; 35 Repo, 8.5, Waldron; 234 Janet, 8.2, Gallagher; 60 Canopus, 8.3 (inc. 6lb over), Taylor; 32 Doneraile, 7.10, Hall; 22 Blairina, 7.0, Whitehouse; 24 Electra, 7.0, S. Chafe; 2 Gowrie, 6.7, Harrison.

Won by two and a half lengths, a length between second and third. Time, 1min 6½sec. Dividend, £3 3s.

### WAIRARAPA RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY—MONDAY, APRIL 19.

The weather was fine and the attendance large. The sum of £2844 was passed through the totalisator. Results:—

TRIAL HACK HANDICAP of 25 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. Five furlongs.

50 Mr A. Donald's b g Testator, 4yrs, 7.7, Drinkwater ... 1

62 Mr P. F. Tancred's ch g In the Swim, 4yrs, 7.12, O'Neale ... 2

101 Mr F. Martin's b f Sylph, 3yrs, 8.7, McPherson ... 3

Other starters—Master Hume, Mrs Shannon, Winnie, Matipo, Try Luck, Katerfelto, Fairy Tale, Saltatorial, Forestry, Sir Novice, Blunderbuss, and Administration.

Won by a nose. Time, 1min 5sec. Dividend, £7 14s.

A protest for interference was dismissed.

TELEGRAPH HANDICAP of 60 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs.

88 Mr A. W. Cave's b g On Dit, 4yrs, 7.4, Hercock ... 1

103 Mr W. A. Donald's b g Voltaire, 6yrs, 7.3, Ayres ... 2

122 Mr T. Clark's b g Umslopogaas, aged, 8.5, McPherson ... 3

Other starters—King's Bowman and Per-simon.

Won by about half-a-length. Time, 1min 18 2-5sec. Dividend, £4 19s.

FIRST HACK HURDLE HANDICAP of 35 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and three-quarters.

84 Mr J. E. Pilbrow's ch g Kia Ora, 4yrs, 9.2, Pilbrow ... 1

33 Mr R. G. Waldon's b m Daisy Bell, aged, 9.0, Waldon ... 2

102 Mr Jas. Orr's g g Bull's Eye, 6yrs, McLaughlin ... 3

Other starters—Tricky Jack and Springtime.

Won by two lengths. Time, 3min 35sec. Dividend, £4 6s.

FLYING HACK HANDICAP of 40 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs.

115 Mr Jas. Cress' b g Ruamahanga, 3yrs, 7.4, Ayres ... 1

135 Mr Jas. Macara's b m War Note, 4yrs, 8.10, Taylor ... 2

27 Mr K. McKenzie's ch m Vaseline, 4yrs, 8.1, O'Neale ... 3

Other starters—Sir Agnes, Whario, Roseleaf, Sylvan, Lady Agnes, Try Luck, and Sherwood.

Won by a length from Warnote, who made a big effort in the straight. Vaseline was a good third. Time, 1min 20sec. Dividend, £3 19s.

EASTER HANDICAP of 85 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half.

134 Mr W. Strang's b g Nero, 4yrs, 7.4, Ayres ... 1

Mr P. F. Tancred's ch g King's Bowman, 8.5, O'Neale ... 2

Mr A. W. Cave's b g On Dit, 4yrs, Hercock ... 3

Other starter—Prince Cole.

Won by two lengths. No time taken. Dividend, £2 4s.

HACK WELTER HANDICAP of 30 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. One mile.

3 Mr S. Corlett's ch m Lady Agnes, 3yrs, 8.7, McKay ... 1

11 Mr H. Nees' b m Winnie, 4yrs, 8.7, Hercock ... 2

Mr T. Marshall's blk m Rudini, aged, 8.9 ... 3

Other starters—The Kitten, Come Again, Russley Belle, Master Hume, In the Swim, Testator, Fred Hedge, Guardfish, and Sherwood.

Won by a length. Time, 1min 51½sec. Dividend, £144.

OPEN WELTER of 45 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and a distance.

54 Mr W. A. Donald's b g Voltaire, 6yrs, Ayres ... 1

33 Mr J. V. Reid's b g Dorrington, 8.7, Reid ... 2

76 Mr W. Strang's b g Nero, 4yrs, 8.12, O'Neale ... 3

Other starter—Mahara.

Won by a length. Time, 2min 2sec. Dividend, £3 6s.

SECOND DAY—TUESDAY, APRIL 20.

Weather fine and the attendance good. The sum of £2,258 was passed through the machine, making the total for the two days £5,102.

Results:—

MOROA HACK HANDICAP of 30 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs.

Mr J. Macara's b m Warnote, 8.13, Taylor ... 1

Mr S. Corlett's ch m Lady Agnes, 7.6, J. Taylor ... 2

Mr W. E. Corlett's ch m Sir Agnes, 9.4, Daly ... 3

Other starters—Crescent, Roseleaf, Ruamahanga, Sylph, Sylvan, Testator, In the Swim, Thunder, Sherwood.

Won by a head. Time, 1min 18sec. Dividend, £6 13s.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 50 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. Five furlongs.

Mr T. Clark's b g Umslopogaas, 8.2, McPherson ... 1

Mr P. F. Tancred's ch g King's Bowman, 8.7, Godfrey ... 2

Mr A. W. Cave's b g On Dit, 7.13, Hercock ... 3

Other starters—Loveshot, Voltaire, Forepo, Derrington, Thalia, Persimmon.

Won by a length. Dividend, £5 5s.

SECOND HACK HURDLE HANDICAP of 30 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half.

Mr J. H. Warner's b g Tricky Jack, 9.12, R. Buckridge ... 1

Mr J. E. Pilbrow's ch g Kia Ora, 10.0, Pilbrow ... 2

Mr J. Orr's b m La Velta, 9.13, McLaughlin ... 3

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Mr R. Richmond's blk h Loveshot, 8.9, Barry ... 3

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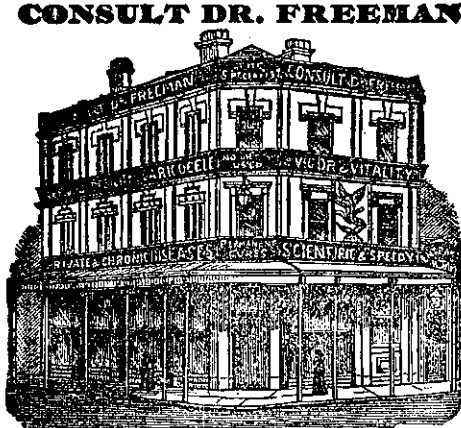
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