

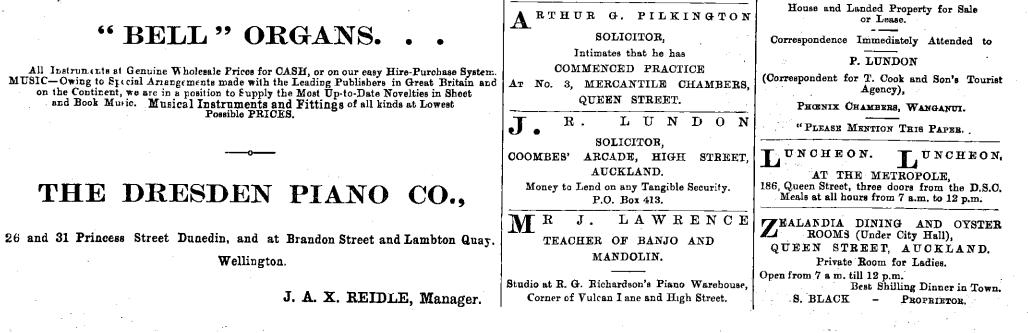
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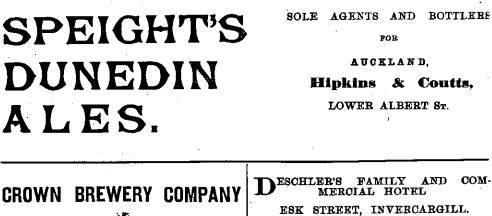


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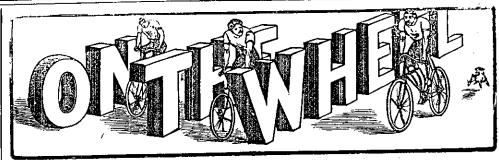
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It has been suggested as a means to minimise the danger of cycle accidents that the part of the railing where danger exists should be protected with rope netting, so that if a spill or smash-up did happen the net would act as a buffer and lessen the chances of serious damages.

The president of the League of Ame-rican Wheelmen has been voted, an exchange reports, £700 for his personal expenses for the year.

Recent files to hand from England give particulars of an important judgement by Mr Justice Ridley. It was an action under Lord Campbell's Act for compensation for the loss of a husband. Last August, it appears, defendant, A. J. Wilson, who is a minor, was riding on the wrong side of the road, and met deceased, Hilton, and another rider named Ander on. The latter blew his whistle, expecting every moment to see Wilson cross to his right side, but instead, Wilson darted in between the two riders and collided violently with Hilton, who fell heavily, and died a few days after from the effects. The defendant, through his counsel, did not deny his blame, and ex-pressed his sorrow, but added that, as a rule, a man should keep to his proper side, but it had been laid down repeatedly that this was not an absolute rule, and circumstances sometimes were held to cover its breach. It was stated that a quantity of loose metal caused Wilson to keep to his wrong side. Had defendant been anything else but a minor, earning only ten shillings per week, he would have had to pay a heavy penalty. The verdict was $\pounds 50$ for the widow and $\pounds 25$ for each of the two children. Jackson won the Perth Gold Stakes of

£25, run over three distances—one, three, and five miles. Jackson was first in each event, and so won the prize easily. His times were: One mile 2min 46sec, and three miles 7min 20sec; the time for the five-mile race is not yet to hand. In the three-mile race Beauchamp fell, and caused Walne, Parsons, and McDonald to come to grief. Fortunately the riders all escaped without injury.

 \mathbf{at} cycling enthusiast

a place where bombs may be concealed, and consequently the Russian police have received orders to take the skirts of all damsels riding bicycles. It is understood that there have been 150,000 applications for positions in the police force since the issue of the order.

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Mr W. J. Farmer has been appointed manager of the Dunlop Tyre Company's Adelaide depot.

The New York Legislature has passed a Bill prohibiting more than fifteen hours riding out of the twenty-four. This measure was framed to discontinue the disgusting six-day races.

Mr Frank White, who rode from Perth (W.A.) to Rockhampton (Queensland) and back, 8480 miles, in 152 days, now proposes to pedal right round Australia Perth to Port Darwin, and home by

the overland route. The London Cyclist publishes the following list of world's and English records: -World's: 1 mile, flying start, 1 min 31 4.5sec, M. Taylor; 5 miles, standing start, 8min 22 4.5sec, T. Linton; 10 miles, s s, 17 min 11 1-5sec, T. Linton; 25 miles, s s, 42min 42sec, H. Elkes; 50 miles, s s, 1hr 32min 13 4-5sec, C. Huret; 100 miles, s s, 3hrs 11min 1 4-5sec, C. Huret. Énglish : 1 mile, f s, 1 min 35 sec, Platt-Betts; 5 miles, s s, 8min 47 1-5sec, Chase ; 10 miles, s s, 17min 36sec, Chase ; 25 miles, s s. 44min 46 4-5sec, Chase; 50 miles, s s, 1hr 34min 45 4-5sec, Palmer; 100 miles, s s, 3hr 24min 41sec, Gould. • World's: 1 hour, 34m 1220yds, H. Elkes; 6 hours, 165m 1300yds, M. Cordang; 12 hours, 317m 600yds, M. Cordang; 24 hours, 616m 340yds, M. Cordang. English: 1 hour, 33m 712yds, Chase.

A curious accident occurred at Koroit (Vic.) lately, when a local cyclist was trying to establish a record on a "home trainer," which was worked by running an ordinary bicycle on three large wooden rollers. A spectator named Carter was standing by, holding a stop watch, timing the cyclist's run, when suddenly one of the gear wheels on the trainer broke, portions flying in all directions. Unfortunately one piece struck the watch-holder on the hand, breaking one finger, and then cut through the iron roof of the blacksmith's shop in which the trial was being made.

An enterprising Buluwayo rider has planned a trip by bicycle next year through Central Africa to the Paris Exhibition. " My route, as 1 have laid it out." he writes in a letter from Buluwayo, will be by way of Salisbury, Tete, Lake Nyassa. lantyre, Lake Tanganyika, and so to Khartoum; thence by the Nile, and on to Constantinople (perhaps by land), Naples, and Paris. Of course, I shall have a companion with me, and we shall ride as much of the distance on our bicycles as possible. We calculate to be about five months on the trip.

Martin has quickly recovered from his accident, and on the 6th inst. he rode two seconds at the Yarraville meeting. In the five mile scratch race he was only beaten half a wheel by Forbes in 12min 40sec, with Body a long way off third. Subsequently Martin came out, and, paced by a quad steered by George Carpenter, established a flying start half-mile record for the Footscray track. The American's time was 57 1-5sec, the last lap (onethird of a mile) only taking him 37 3-5sec. Martin was in good form, but he could not sustain his brilliant finishing sprints. With a little more time he will be quite himself again. Corbett, who caused the accident to Martin by his " careless riding," has been suspended for a month by the League of Victorian Wheelmen, and has been re-ported to the council of that body with a view to further punishment. The English Cyclist says that the rumour that Jack Green means to come to Australia shortly is incorrect. Green is bound by agreement to remain in England until the end of December.

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(Victoria) has invented a new tyre. It It is a variation of the old tyre, but in this case the type is composed of tennis balls cemented in the slotted rims. The advantages are said to be that no pumping is required, and that one puncture will not render the machine unrideable.

The Dunlop Company draws the attention of all cyclists to the fact that poor imitations of their '99 tyre have been offered to the public in some quarters as genuine multiplex Dunlop tyres. Cyclists are therefore warned to be on their guard against this imposition, which can be easily frustrated by looking for the company's trade mark—" Dunlop's head" which is embossed on all genuine Dunlop covers and tubes.

Russian ladies are getting their "rights" with a vengeance. The police of that place have issued an edict forbidding the riding of cycles by skirted riders within the bounds of the city. The skirt is considered to be an element of danger, and possibly it is thought to be

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Michael has decided to go into training again for middle distance races. Lately he has been devoting himself to horseracing. Perhaps he has discovered that the steel steed is the most reliable after all.

Three of America's best riders Sanger, Titus, and Hooper have given up the racing track for good.

BY VIGILANT.J

J. D. Greenshields, who won the hammer throwing at the inter-'Varsity sports with a throw of 110ft. lin., used a wire handled hammer. This fact settles the question whether a wire handle is permitted by the English athletic authorities. G. B. Tincler and E. C. Bredin met at Cliffon

ville, Belfast, on April 4, to decide their 1000yd race. The meeting of the cracks was a bit of a flasco, for Bredin never seemd to be able to get going. He left the track before the race was finished and allowed I incler to walk in in 2min 26sec. The weather was showery and there was a very cold breeze blowing, but even with these disadvantages a much better performance was expected.

Two powerful American athletic bodies the Knickerbocker Athletic Club and the New Jersey Athletic Club have joined forces, and the consoli-dation is expected to have a big effect upon American athletics. Since the decline of the Manhattan A.C. the New York A.C has held pride of place, but now the amalgamation of the two clubs named above will liven things up a great deal. Keen rivalry may be expected and the effect on athletics will be good, for the rivals will will spare nothing in the attempt to excel each other in athletic enterprise.

A New York schoolboy recently jumped 5ft. 113in. from a solid board floor in one of the New York armouries. The youngster, J. S. Spraker, put up this good performance at a meeting promoted by the Berkeley School Athletic Association and tied at the jump nemed with one of the tut rs G. P. Servise. This is the best high jump ever accomplished by a schoolboy.

Writing of juvenile athletes reminds me that H. Strudwick, aged fifteen, of Quernmore School, Bromley, Kent, at his school sports won the long jump with a leap of 18ft lin, and won the quarter-mile in 60sec. Both these are school records, the previous jump record for under sixteen standing to C. B. Fry's credit, being 17ft 5in, accomplished when the ex-champion was at Repton.

IRISH RECORDS.

The following is a list of records for 1898, dealt with by the Irish Records Committee, which

H. Walsh-Mile flat, 4min 21 2 5sec ; inter-national contest at Ballsbridge, Ireland v. Scotland; July 16, 1898; passed.

T. F Kiely-16lb hammer, 9ft circle; 146ft 10in; international contest at Ballsbridge, Ireland v. Scotland; July 16, 1898; passed.

W. J. Newburn-Long jump; 23ft 4in; Queen's College, Cork; May 21, 1898; passed.

 W. J Newburn-Long jump; 23ft 9 3.8in;
 Dublin Postal Sports; June 18, 1898; passed.
 W. J. Newburn - Long jump; 24ft 03in; international contest, Ireland v. Scotland ; July

16, 1898; passed. W. J. Newburn -W. J. Newburn - Long jump; 24ft 63in; Mullingar; July 18, 1898; rejected. T. F. Kieley-16lb hammer, run and follow;

1. F. Kleigy-Toto halmer, July 24, 1898; passed.
D. Hogan-Zölb; 35ft 3½in; Limerick Co.;
July 24, 1898; rejected.
T. F. Kiely-16lb hammer, 9ft circle; 151ft
11in; Cahir; July 25, 1898; passed.
J. Chardlog Standing high jump with

J. Chandler — Standing high jump, with weights, 4ft 113in; G.A.A. Championship, Cork; August 14, 1898; passed.

J. Chandler — Standing long jump, with weights, 12ft 94in; Carrick; August 28, 1898; Dassec

J. Magan-Weight 56lb for height; 14ft 8½in;

Carrick; August 28, 1898; passed J. Magan-Weight 56lb for height; 14ft 8½in; Erniscorthy; September 26, 1898; passed.

H. Courtney-Hoo-step and jump, standing; 36ft 6in; Carrick; August 28, 1898; passed. P. Leahy-High jump; 6ft 4%in; Mill Street; September 6, 1898; passed.

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W. J. Newburn-Long jump, grass take off), W. J. Newburn-Long jump, grass take off),
23ft 3in; Monasterevan; August 5,[1898; passed.
J. Delaney--56lb weight, between legs without
run or follow; 26ft 3in; G. Championship, Cork;
August 14, 1898; passed.
T. F. Kiely--56lb, unlimited run; 38ft 11in;
G. Championship, Cork; August 14, 1898;

passed.

T. Phelan-56lb, between legs with follow; 28ft 9in; Clonmel; August 2, 1898; passed. J. Mangan-56lb, between legs without run or follow; 27ft; D. M. P. Sports, Ballsbridge; September 17, 1898; passed.

The Ring.

HOLLOWAY v. CURRAN.

At the National Sporting Club, London, Jim Hollowsy, the light-weight champion of South Africa, defeated Jim Curran, of Rotherham, on a foul, though when the referee stopped the fight he was much the better man. The match was for £100 a side and a purse of £125. The following account of the contest is from the London Sportsman:

Of the two, Holloway claims much the better record, for, whereas Curran has failed to win a fight of note, and suffered defeat at the hands of Harry Greenfield, Spike Sullivan, and Johnny Hughes (twice), the Africander has only had his colors lowered on one occasion, while he subsequently inflicted a crushing defeat on his con-With the exception of his contest with queror. Jewey Cook, all Holloway's battles have been decided in South Africa. A man able to take the ring at 10st, Holloway has invariably been called upon to meet men much bigger than himself. At home he bears the reputation of a good, honest fighter, a man who has never been con-cerned in a "cross" or consented to lie down on an opponent. He won the light-weight championship of South Africa by defeating Arthur Tully, the Australian, while just before leaving for England he defeated Jack Valentine, a man who for some time held the amateur middle and heavy weight championship of the Colonies. chough not a youngeter, being in his thirty-first year, Holloway is a well-preserved man, a muscular fellow of the wear-and-tear sort. He is noted for his stamina and hard hitting rather than for cleverness, and he is one of those who never know when they are beaten. At the Green Man Holloway found most comfortable quarters, and, wanting for nothing, he progressed in his training as his best friend could wish.

The business of weighing was gone through in the little room set aside for this sort of thing at the National at two o'clock. As usual, the place was packed. Holloway scaled naked, and Curran in his singlet, and both were returned at 9st 13lb. The brown skin of the Africander compared favorably with the fairer hue of the Englishman, and as far as looks went, Holloway appeared harder and better trained than his opponent. After the men had passed the weighing, offers were made to take 60 to 40. Nothing was done, and, though a point less would have been accepted, not a bet was made. Despite this, the contest was looked forward to with a fair amount of interest. Cur. an, who paid a visit to America last year, was reported as having made much improvement, and though in his last fight at the Na ional he went down in easy fashion before Johany Hughes, there were many who did not forget the excellent show he gave in his contest with spike Sullivan. According to his own account, Curran did not receive the treatment he deserved when in the States, and, personally, he was full of confidence as to the result of his was full of confidence as to the traditional was quite battle with Holloway. The last-named was quite as much in love with his job as the Englishman, and brimful of vitality and good spirits, he would not hear of defeat. At the scale the men shock hands cordially, Holloway expressing the wish that the heat men might win that the best man might win.

When the members assembled in the evening, Curran was established favorite, and after 50 to 40 had been betted several times on the Englishman, the odds rose to 6 to 4.

At a quarter to eleven Jim Holloway and Jim Curran appeared for the event of the evening. Both were well received. The stranger had in his corner Mike Nol.n, Bill H. ffernan, and Bill Bax'er. Behind Curran were Ben Jon Anthony Diamond, and Billy Rotchford. Jordan, Mr Angle and Mr Bettinson superintended the fastening of the gloves. Both the principals were enweloped in dressing givens. The seconds h d a cheer as well as the boxers, and at ten mi utes to eleven the contest commenced. The star peculiar, Holloway stood wide, and looked pounds the lighter. Alter some feinting, the stranger jumped in with the left at the body. A clinch ensued, and while in holds Curran tried in vain to land a blow. Holloway caused some amuse-ment by covering his face with the gloves. The first round was pretty well all clinching, and not half a dozen good blows were struck. In the second there was some improvement. Holloway set to work, but he was countered full in the face. The Africander bored in, however, and landed the right heavily on the head. Curran, in reply, sent a hard left on the mouth, and then they clinched in a way that tried the patience of the referee. Two rounds passed with little in it. Once Curran got a rap on the side of the head, and only saved himself from falling by clasping went in favour of the Rotherham man. His left found its way three times to the face of the Africander, and try as he would, Holloway failed to make any headway. Coming up for the next bout the Britisher again showed to advantage, and three times he got home fair and square on the mouth. The blows, however, made no im-pression on the stranger, and the more he was hit the more he came for the music. When they took the middle for the fifth time, Curran was in front for points, with Holloway quite as strong as his rival. The stranger now made a grand effort. Fighting almost as fresh as at the start, he went for the Rotherham man at a rare bat.

Two spanking righthanders on the head made Curran clinch for safety, and "Curran, you are holding," came in loud tones from the referee. Curran objected to this, but Mr Angle told him to box, and not talk. Keeping up the attack, to box, and not talk. Keeping up the attack, Holloway fairly tested his man for this round, and getting the best of some punishing work, he was the stronger when the men went to their corners. From this stage to the finish the affair was fought out on anything but fair lines. Holloway was not at fault, but Curran, as the Africander began to land, resorted to more holding. Putting a lot of life into his work, the stranger staggered the Englishman now and again with right-banded blows on the head. Curran lost his power, and though getting in some hits, his blows lacked steam. Frequently he was cautioned to no purpose, and all the while Holloway pegged away, By the time hitting when and where he could. By the time twelve rounds had been disputed Holloway was far the stronger man. Curran's leads were feeble and ill-timed, and as he repeatedly held the other man's left glove the referee disqualified him half way through the thirteenth round.

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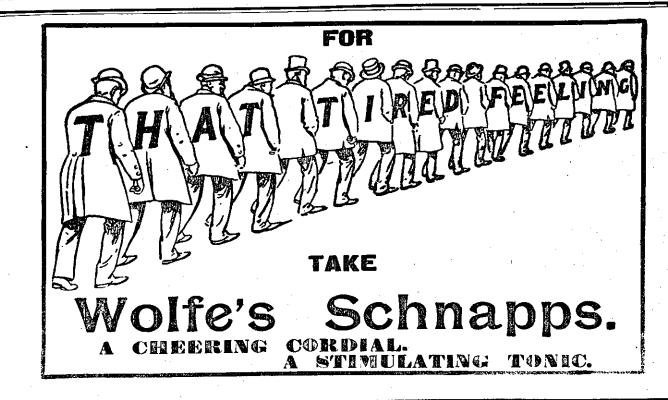
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[BY STONEWALLER.) THE AUSTRALIANS IN ENGLAND.

The third match of the tour, that against Surrey, was commenced on Monday, the 15th inst. Overnight there was a heavy rainfall, and at noon on Monday the wicket was so wet that the start was postponed for an hour or so. Surrey batted first, and considering the state of the pitch, did fairly well in scoring 59 for two wickets by lunch On the resumption of play the batsmen time. found that the sun was affecting the wicket, thus giving the bowlers great assistance. From this time to the conclusion of the unnings Howell proved simply unplayable. He had the batsmen fairly tied up, and one after the other they went back to the pavilion, every member of the team being fairly convinced that the New South Wales bee-farmer had plenty of sting. The innings totalled 114, the run-getters being Abel 22, Brockwell 29, Hayward 16, Jepnson 16, and Hayes 12. Howell captured all ten wickets for 28 runs, thus accomplishing a feat never done by any other Australian in first class cricket. Of course Howell was greatly favored by the stickiness of the wicket, but all the same his performance was a very good one. The Surrey team is not up to the high standard of a few years ago, and in the match against the Australians had the bad luck to be without Lockwood, who on a bad wicket is about the most certain ecorer in the When the Australians batted Surrey ranks. the wicket was perhaps a bit better. At any rate, the visitors played with more confidence than the Englishmen, and play for the day ended with the score at 122 for the loss of four wickets. Darling 10, Worrall 22, Hill 29, and Gregory 36, did not hesitate, but played a vigorous game, and made runs while they could. On the second day rain interfered with the play considerably, and after the total had been carried to 165 for the loss of another wicket the game had to be aban-doned for the day On the Wednesday the Ausdoned for the day On the Wednesday the Aus-tralians continued batting till 249 was on the board. Kelly, with a vigorous 50, was mainly responsible for the respectable addition to the total. He played a dashing game. In a minority of 135, the Surrey men did worse than at their first attempt, and though Hayes showed excellent defence, the score was only 65 when the last wicket fell. Howell was again a thorn in the side of the batsman: he captured five for 29, the other wickets falling to Trumble, who also bowled very finely. I do not think there can be much opinion as to the merits of the teams. The Australians certainly had all the best of the luck, but they proved that they could do fairly well on a wet wicket against one of the first class counties. By beating Surrey by an inninge and 70 runs the Australians scored their first success

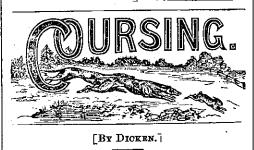
On Thursday the Australians met a scratch lot, under the title of South of England, at Eastlot, under the title of South of English, as Luce bourne. The following made up the English team :- F. G. J. Ford, J. Hearne, A. Trott, Middlesex; W. Attewell, A. Shrewsbury, W. Charn and A. O. Jones, Nottingham; C. J. Gunn, and A. O. Jones, Nottingham; C. J. Burnup, E. M. Braybrooke, and Alec Hearne, Kent; and A. Lilley. Warwickshire. The Australians batted first, and though at one time the board showed only 97 for the loss of six wickets, Jones and Laver saved the side. The former gave a dashing display, scoring 54 out of 66 in a little over half an hour. Laver stayed the innings out and played very carefully for his 32, not out. In the end the total reached 222. The English team, in reply, only made 171, Gunn being the principal scorer with 52, not out. The Nottingham man went in third wicket down, so the value of his display is easily estimated. Bowling for the Englishmen, Hearne took three wickets for 48, Trott two for 105, Attewell two for 48, and Jones one for 16, while for the Australians Howell captured three for 48, Trumble four for 35, Jones two for 57, and Noble one for Going in a second time with an advantage of 57 runs, the Australians had all the best of the wiket, and at the time of drawing stumps had 214 for [the loss of six wickets. Darling made the first 15 runs scored, and then was cleverly caught and bowled by Trott, who dismissed him in a similar manner in the first innings Iredale made 27, Hill 32, Trumble 25, and Laver again showed good form in getting 39, and young Trumper made top score in the score in the match with 64. He gave an excellent display of batting, and was congratulated all round for his ospital performance. On the Saturday morning rain again fell heavily, and after losing two more wickets for an addition of 13 runs Darling declared the innings closed with the total stand-ing at 227 for eight wickets. This left the scratch team with 276 to get to win. It would have been almost a hopeless task for a far better batting team, and with the eleven in question the result was a foregone conclusion. The soddened Wicket suited Trumble admirably, and the big Victorian came out with the good record of seven wickets for 37. Howell took two for 35, and Noble one for 16. Shrewsbury was the only batsman to make much of a stand against the bowling, and made 31 by good play. The other double figure scorers were Grann 18, Jones 11, and Ford, not out, 17. The total made by the Englishmen was 107, which left the Australians winners by 171 runs. The record of the tour now stands at two wins, one loss, and one draw. On Monday the Australians commenced a match against the Yorkshire eleven, last year's champion tean. This match will be a far keener struggle than any of the previous contests, and should the Australians come out on top the victory will do much to encourage them in the contest against All England, which commences on June 1.



The Australian team which visited the Old

June 22, 23, 24, at Lords, v. England: Aus-tralia, 53 and 347; England, 202 and 111 for four wickets. England won by six wickets. July 16, 17, 18, at Manchestor, v. England: Australia, 412 and 125 for seven wickets; Eng-land 205 Australia won by four land, 231 and 305. Australia won by four wickets.

August 10, 11, 12, at Kennington Oval, v. England : England, 145 and 84; Australia, 119 and 44. England won by 66 runs



The June meeting of the Auckland Coursing Club will be held on Saturday, June 10, and Wed-nesday, June 14. The programme appears in our advertising columns. The Bracelet Stakes is for an unlimited number of all aged dogs, at 30s. each, open to all dogs that have never won over £3 of advertised money. The Waitakerei Cup is for an unlimited number of all-aged dogs, at £2 each. Nominations for both the Cup and Stakes must be made before 8 p.m. on Friday, June 2. An addition to the stock of hares at the Plump-ton is to be made. Those at present in the Plumpton are probably the best in Australasia. At any rate, I would like to back the flier that nearly killed Lavender Water and Revenge against anything that can be produced in Australia

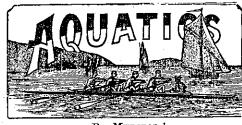
The coursing on the second day of the May meeting was quite as good as on the first, and the success should go a long way towards causing coursing men to accord hearty support to the June meeting

Coursing appeared to be going strongly around San Francisco when the mail left, despite the fact that to betting was taking place at Ingleside Park, and the place was practically closed down. Union Park naturally had the pull, and for one stake there were 96 entries, and although there had been a lot of rain hares stood up well. There were some 600 people present on the Saturday, and no less than 7000 on the Sunday, when the winner (Maud S., by Emin Pasha) and the runner-up (Mercy May, by Jim o' the Hill) had to run no less than six courses. On the following Saturday and Sunday there was another 96 dog stake at the same park, the attendance again being very large on the Sunday. Rocket (by Skyrocket) proved the winner, with the im-ported False Flatterer (by Fitz Fife-Fascinating Fan) runner up. By the way, False Flatterer not only ran six courses, but had an undecided on the Sunday-seven goes on one day. On the Saturday and Sunday before the Mariposa sailed there was an 80 dog stake and also a 32 dog event, 7000 people again attending on the Sun day Gladiator (by Said Pasha) won the big event, with Royal Flush (by Skyrocket) runnerup, the same old six courses being in evidence for the dogs in the decider. Another 96 dog event was to be decided on the Saturday and Sunday following the departure of the Mariposa, and the stake easily filled At Stockton, too, regular meetings were being held each Saturday and Sunday.

is no doubt that Dawson made a fatal mistake in agreeing to break the original conditions of the articles, which stipulated for a "neutral hall" (says a writer in the Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News). During the week's play at the Argyll Hall there was really nothing in it between the two men, for, at the end of the first half of the match, Roberts only held a lead that his opponent could have wiped out in a single his opponent could have when out it is single good break. Directly, however, that play was resumed at the Egyptian Hall, the whole com-plexion of the match was altered. Roberts evi-dently felt that his "foot was on his native heatb," and he went away so fast that the result was placed byond doubt in two or three days. Taken as a whole, the play of neither man was at all worthy of his reputation, but possibly the great importance of the occasion had something to do with this. Dawson, at his best is not the player that Roberts once was, and very possibly never will be, but there is no disguising the fact that the latter has gone off his game. Considering that he will be fifty-two this year, it is not surprising that this should be the case, for very few men of that age retain full possession either of their eyesight or nerve. Under strictly neutral conditions. I fancy that there is little or nothing to choose between the two players.

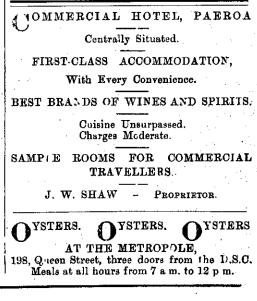
water, in which the aquatic exhibitions w given daily. The previous attempts had resulted very satisfactorily, but on the last occasion he, as all high divers do some time or other, made a miscalculation, and, descending into the water with his body perpendicular, his head struck the bottom with great force, and he did not re-appear upon the surface as usual. The Knickerbocker Δ .C. champion swimmer plunged into the tank, discovered Donaldson lying prone at the bottom, brought him to the surface, and with the assist-ance of others, removed him from the tank. The injured man was laid out on the floor of the hall. The police cleared a breathing space, and a squad of physicians came to the rescue. An injection of strychinne was administered, and after ten minutes Donaldson showed signs of life. He moved his arms slightly, and half opened his eyes, but did not appear conscious. He was taken in an ambulance to the New York Hospital, He was where an examination showed that the left side of his skull was fractured. He remained in an unconscious condition until early on the morning of March 10, when he expired. An autopsy was made, with the result that death was found to have been caused by a fracture of the skull at the base of the brain. The brain was considerably lacerated.

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By MURITAI.J

Full particulars of the tragic end of Professor T. P. Donaldson, the famous American swimmer and diver, are to hand. He was engaged to give exhibitions of high-diving during the progress of the Sportsmen's Show, an annual display held under the auspices of the New York Sportsmen's Association, in Madison Square Gardens. Don-aldson had gone through his "turn" successfully for six days, but on March 3 he took a header from a platform placed on the roof gardens, at an altitude of 54ft above a tank containing 7ft of



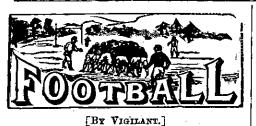
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FIXTURES.

May 27-Newton v. North Shore, City v Suburbs, Poneonby v. Parnell, Grafton bye. June 3-Newton v. Po sonby, City v. North Shore, Grafton v. Parnell, Suburbs bye. Jne 10-Newton v. Grafton, City v. Ponsonby,

Suburbs v. North Shore, Parnell, Oily v. Grafton, June 17—Newton v. Parnell, City v. Grafton, Suburbs v. Ponsonby, North Shore bye. June 24—City v. Parnell, Suburbs v. Grafton,

North Shore v. Ponsonby, Newton bye.

The second round of the senior contests was played on Saturday, when Newton played Suburbs, Grafton met Ponsonby, and the North Shore team tried conclusions with the Parnell fifteen. The first and second matches were played at Potter's Paddock, while the Parnell men journeyed to the Shore. The weather was all against a big attendance at Fotter's, but still there was a very good gathering of spectators present to witness the games.

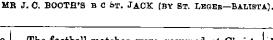
Interest naturally centered in the game be-tween Newton and Suburbs played on the ground in front of the stand, and though the ground was sloppy and the ball rather greasy, a very interesting game was watched by the crowd filling the stand. In the result Newton were successful by 7 points—a penalty goal and a goal from a mark—to nil. Mr A. Campbell acted as referee, and Messrs W. Dickey and George Smith looked after the touch lines. In the first half the game was marked by loose scrums and the many scrambling forward rushes. The passing of the backs lacked precision, and this, no doubt, was due, in a measure, to the greasy state of the ball which prevented accurate handling. Throughout the first spell McPike was ubi-quitous, and on several occasions he looked very like crossing the Newton line He was once especially dangerous, but Tommy Roberts caught him just in the nick of time, and pushed him over the touch line only a few yards away from the corner flag. There was a lot of give and take play, but up to the time the whistle blew no no score had been registered by either team. On the resumption of play Wilson headed a rush of Newton forwards which took the ball across the Suburbs line. However, a scrum was ordered for a knock on, and the Suburbs defence eventually drove back the attack and averted the danger. Then after the ball had been up and down the field several times, the Newton men had a free kick awarded them. Eaton took the kick, and landed a splendid goal from near the half-way mark. McPike was very conspicuous throughout the remainder of the play, and had he been well backed up on one or two occasions a score must have resulted for Suburbs. Towards the close Kirkwood marked for Newton, and Eaton landed another good goal, and the game ended in a victory for Newton by 7 to nil.

The Ponsonby men, who drew a bye in the first round, had the Grafton team to meet for their first match of the season. Mr F. J. Ohlson was the referse, and he had plenty of running about, for the game was a very lively one, and the ball travelled up and down the ground at a fairly fast pace. As in the game between Newton and Suburbs, the ball was too slippery to allow of very great certainty in handling the ball, consequently the passing of the backs on either side was not nearly up to the mark. From the kick off the Ponsonby men rushed the ball into their opponents' territory, and there the ball mained for a few minutes. Over eagerness to score caused the Ponsonby men to commit an offence against the rules, and the consequent free kick relieved the Grafton lines. Good kicking on the part of the Ponsonby backs again sent the ball to the Grafton twenty-five, and there it remained for some little time, until C. Hay forced just in time to prevent a score. The Grafton men then had a turn at the other end, but the defence was too good, and nothing came of the attack. The blue and blacks then had a turn at

attacking, but soon the ball was forced back to their own twenty-five, and from a penalty kick Smith landed a beautiful goal for Grafton. Noth-ing more was scored at half-time, when Grafton led by 3 to nil. In the second half the game was very similar to what had gone before, each team having an advantage in turn. Webber had a try at kicking a goal from a penalty, but though the attempt was a good one it was unsuccessful. Just before time was called Renwick fell over the Ponsonby line, and Smith kicked a good goal, the ball hiting an upright and falling between the posts. Dug. Hay got injured early in the game, and retired to full-back, Renwick taking his place at five eights, and Smith going three quarters. Renwick played a very good game, and made many openiugs for his three quarters, who always found the Poesonby defence very sound. Carlton Hay was fairly smart behind the pack, while Smith, Freeman, Tait, and Freeborn all did good work, their line kicking being especially valuable to their side. The forwards all worked hard, perhaps the Bradys' and Cucksey doing as well as any. Webber, at full for Poneonby, was very safe in tackling, and his kicking was par-ticularly useful and accurate- Riley, Lendrum, and Upton, the three quarters, were in good form, but the day was against them, or they would have given a better display of passing and running. Rule, at five eights, was not quick enough in getting the ball out to his three-quarters, but his defence was of a sound description. Galloway, behind the scrum, did very smart work, and played a dashing game up to the time he was injured and had to retire. The forwards were hardly in such condition necessary for a heavy day, but they are a good lot, and with more prac-tice they will show much better form than they did on Saturday.

Photo by C. Bell, Auckland.

Parnell took the field against the Shore two men short, and naturally had to put up with the worst of the deal, for the heavy Shore forwards whenever they chose. Murray blove for wards whenever they chose. Murray played on the wing, and in the first half he played a great game and rallied his team in splendid style. Several times the marcons looked dangerous, but the defence was always equal to the occasion, and eventually a good rush on the part of the Shore men enabled Pitt to score a good try. The kick failed, and thus play was for a short time in Shore territory. A passing run by P. Gerrard, Walsh, and Nicholson carried the ball back to the Parnell twenty-five, and shortly afterwards Nicholson marked from a punt by Hedges, and Pitt safely put the ball between the goal posts. Half time was then declared with the score stand ing at 7 to nil in favour of North Shore. In the second half the Shore team appeared content to rest upon their laurels and acted mainly on the defensive. Shortly before time the Shore front rank rushed away from the half-way mark, and making no mistake they carried the ball across the Parnell line and Pitt registered another try. The shot for a goal was not successful and almost immediately after the whistle blew, and the game ended in a win for the Shore by 10 to nil. Pitt proved himself to be one of the best men on the ground, he was always on the ball and he led the rushes which demoralised the Parnell men Gerrard, Frankham, and Nicholson put in a great deal of useful work, and Cardno at full-back was fairly sure in his defence. The Parnell team lacked condition, and the backs did not work with unity. In better trim the Parnell men will yet give some of the teams a shaking up.



The football matches were resumed at Christchurch on Saturday in good weather. The Christ-church team defeated Linwood by 15 to 13, after a very good go, Sydenham vanquished Kaiapoi by 5 to nil, and Merivale walked over the Albion fifteeu to the tune of 32 to nil.

Rain fell at Dunedin on Saturday and rendered the ground and ball very greasy. In the senior flag contests the Kaikoura and Union clubs played a draw, Alhambra beat Pirates by 6 to nil, Southern triumphed over Zingari by 9 to nil, and the Dunedin fifteen best University by 13 to 3.

Our Napier correspondent wires: - The weather on Saturday was a decided improvement on that of previous Saturdays, and therefore a goodly contingent of admirers of the King of Winter Sports wended their way to Farndon Park, where a couple of senior and one junior match were played. As the *locale* is a public reserve the football people can make no charge to spectators for admission, but for those that are inclined to support the game by subscription a receptacle is placed at the entrance gate. The amount gathered from this source on Saturday last reached the respectable sum of nearly a fiver, which should be extremely gratifying to all con-cerned. In the Pirates v. Te Aute College set-to the latter proved the winners by 11 points to 6. The Native lads have got together a specially strong combination this season, and they will take a power of beating whenever they line up for the fray On the other senior ground the Clive team put a head on the Napier contingent, the score at the call of time being Olive 24, Napier 11. The latter in the first spell seemed Napler 11. The latter in the mist spen seemen to be all at sea, though they livened up greatly in the second effort. Mr Logan refereed in the first match, and Mr Weir acted likewise for the Clive-Napler contest. The Junior Flag contest, Pirates 11. v. Ahuriri, was a close and even game, and ended in a win for Pirates by 3 points. At the Spit grounds Caledonian ousted the Nap er II. by 12 points to nil. In the Third Cup com-petition West End beat Napier III. The former had all the best of the warfare, winning by 23 points to nil. The Hawke's Bay Rugby Union met in the Criterion Hotel on Saturday night, Mr Hallamore presiding. Permission was granted to the Napier Guards to play a match with the Napier Rifles on Queen's Birthday. A transfer from the Port Ahuriri C ub to the Napier Club was granted. The following matches were fixed was granted. The following matches were nice and referees appointed for next Saturday :-At Farndon: Napier I. v. Te Aute; Clive I. v. Pirates I., Mr Logan; Te Aute II. v. Guards, Mr Weir. At Stortford Lodge: Tomoana v. Caledonians, Mr Ebbit. At the Spit: Napier

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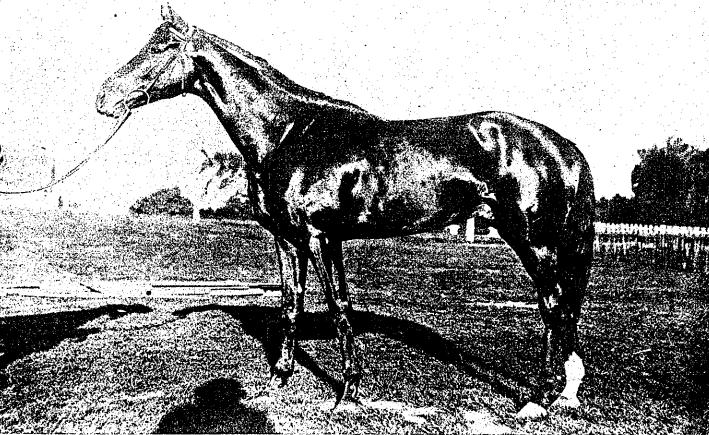
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There was no football at the Thames on Saturday owing to the very heavy rainfall which took place on the Saturday morning

At Wellington on Salurday the senior football matches attracted good crowds of spectators. Athletic beat Poneke by 5 points to 3, Wellington and Melrose played a drawn game, each side scoring 3 points, and Petone best the Oriental Club by 27 to nil. .

II. v. Clive II., Mr Allen; Kis Ora v. Caledonians III, Mr H. C. Wilson.

Sid. Orchard, the old Canterbury rep., is now playing three-quarter in the Linwood (Christchurch) team.

S. Pentecost, the holder of the One Mile Amateur Championship of New Zealand, who will probably be a member of the team to represent New Zesland at the Australasian meeting in Brisbane, played three quarter in one of the Junior Flag teams. He intends keeping in form in view of being chosen, and has, I believe, made satisfactory arrangements with his employers for the necessary leave of absence.

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Some Sketches from Life.

POLO. THE NEW ZEALANDERS IN AUSTRALIA.

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There has never been such strong interest dis-Dayperdown and New Zealand excited. The ground was thronged by visitors from every part of the district, say the *Leader* of May 13, not-Brassey, accompanied by Lord Neville, was present, having come specially to see the match. The teams were :- Camperdown : Messrs J. C. Manifold, W. T. Manifold, E. Manifold, and L. G. M'Arthur. New Zealand: Messre W. Strang, A. Strang, Baker, and Robinson. The recent rains had made the ground rather heavy and Suppery, but the game, nevertheless, was fast. Mr Baker's pony came down twice, but he was not hurt. The others got through without a fall. At the start Mr W. T. Manifold carried to goal by a brilliant run, and scored for Camperdown. This was followed by two behinds, and then Baker got a beautiful goal for the visitors. Camperdown had the best of the play, and added another goal. In the next term Camperdown had the ad-vantage, and after another goal put up three be-hinds, one after another. Their success continued into the third term, when they added three more goals by brilliant play. Towards the end of the term the visitors rallied, but, in spite of a desperate effort, could only register minor points. At half time Camperdown were 6 goals 5 behinds, New Zealand 2 goals 2 behinds. In the fourth term Camperdown kept the ball in the vicinity of the New Zealand and the term the ball in the vicinity of the New Zealand goal, but a stubborn defence was made, and they only got one more goal, while New Zealand scored only one behind. Although practically beaten, the New Zealanders in the next term played all they knew, and the game became intensely exciting. Camperdown were put on the defensive. The play raged round their goal, and behind after behind was scored, but goals were saved. Just before the bell rang Camperdown got another goal, the scores being Camperdown 8 goals 9 behinds, New Zealand 2 goals 9 behinds. New Zealand continued their improved form in the last term, and got two more goals, but were unable to make up the difference, owing to the splendid defensive game played by Camperdown. Final scores :---Camperdown 8 goals 10 behinds, New Zealand 4 goals 12 behinds. The play all through was of a high class character, both teams showing masterful combination and accuracy in hitting in every point of the game. The visitors' play was frequently cheered, but there was a general feeling of pleasure that they were unable to lower the supremacy of the Cam perdown team.

The New Zealand team met Caramut this afternoon at Osborne House, North Geelong, in the presence of about 3000 people, including Lord and Lady Brassey and a party from the Govern-ment House, and 'a large number of visitors, a special train bringing a large con ingent from Melbourne. The players were :- New Zealand : S. Blake, J. and A. Strang, and J. Bobinson ; and Caramut : E. B. De Little, R. A. Affleck, H. Osborne, and R. A. D. Hood. The umpiles were Chester Manifold (Caramut) and Williamson (New Zealand). The game was really a magni-ficent one, the struggle throughout being re-markably even. The scores were equal three times, a "two all," "three all," and "five all." With the totals equal at the ringing of the bell, the play was continued on ; and A. Strang eventually scored a goal and won the game for the Maorilanders, the scores being New Zealand, 6 goals 8 behinds; Caramut, 5 goals 10 behinds. For the winners J. Strang played a brilliant game, and was ably seconded by A. Strang. For the losers De Little and Osborne were the most conspicuous-

On Saturday at Moonnee Valley there was a large a semblage, including Lord and Lady Brassey, and a party from the Government House, to witness the first intercoionial match between New Zealand and Victoria. The former's team



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Bobinson; that of Victoria the Messrs Manifold (3) and Mr R. A. D. Hood. Mr E. de Little judged for Victoria, Mr Williamson for New New Zealand, while Mr (A. Clarke was referee. The game was a spirited one all through. The Maorilanders made some brilliant rushes, but were met so strongly that they could not score, Mr W. Manifold, with a specially good bit of play, scored first goal for Victoria. At half-time the scores were :-- Victoria, 3 goals 8 behinds; New Zealand, 1 goal 1 behind. On resuming the visitors redoubled their efforts, but were un On resuming. able to add another goal to their score. which, at the close of the match, stood :-- Victoria, 6 goals 12 behinds; New Zealand, 1 goal 13 behinds.

HOCKEY AND GOLF AT NAPIER.

On Saturday the hockey pennant matches were begun, when the United A. team met and defeated the Napier A team by 7 goals to 3. The superior combination of the Union team was responsible for their victory. A match between a mixed Napier B, the United B teams, and the Napier Rifles resulted in a victory for the former by 2 goals to 0.

On Saturday a mixed foursome was played at the Waiohiki links on Saturday, and was of a very interesting nature. The course was over a round each of the men and ladies link. The leading scores for the day were as follows :---Miss D. Kennedy and H. Pescock, gross 96, handicap 10, nett 86; Mrs Wenley and G. M. Morris, 103, 15, 88; Mrs K. Tareha and K. Tareha, 92, comprised the Meesre Strang (2), Baker, and 2, 90; Mrs Jardine and J. F. Jardine, 111, 20,

91; Mrs Donneliy and A. A. Kennedy, 95, 3, 92; Miss F. Watt and W. G. Wood, 101, 8, 93; Miss M. Donnelly and C. D. Kennedy, 94, scr, 94; Mrs Kawhi and Kawhi, 97, 3, 94; Mrs R. Tareha and Te Raera Tareha, 103, 5, 98; Mrs Antill and R. S. McLean, 125, 20, 105; Mrs Cato and C. H. Cato, 111, 4, 107; Mrs Tohi and Tohi, 117, 5, 112. Afternoon tea was kindly provided by the Misses Kennedy, Williams, and MoFarlane.

LATE CYCLING.

Our Canterbury correspondent wires :-- As I predicted the Pioneer Bicycle Club has decided by a substantial majority to again throw in its lot with the Cyclists Alliance and secede from the League of Wheelmen. The meeting held on Friday night was thoroughly representative, over thirty of the most prominent members including about fifteen amateur racing men voted strongly for the Alliance. The members who voted in favour of the League were chieffy sup-porters of cash cycling, some of them being cash racing men. The action of the Pioneer Club in thus severing its connection with the League must be taken as a great victory for amateurism and the Cyclists' Alliance. No doubt clubs in other parts of New Zealand will quickly follow the example of the Pioneer Club. League men here worked hard to get the Pioneer Club to remain under the League banner. For some days prior to the meeting the League touts canvassed the members of the Pioneer Club who had a leaning towards the cas 1 governing body, but they refrained from approaching the amateur members. Even the cocksure prognostication of the Auck-land correspondent of the League's official organ published or the eve of the meeting of the Club, was crushed to the ground like many more prog-nostications empanating from the same source. Now that the Pioneer Bicycle Club one of the oldest and most influential clubs in New Zealand. has again declared itself in favour of the Cyclists' Alliance, amateurism may be expected to boom next season. The League never made any serious attempt to cater for the amateur riders, and it is not likely that clubs that support amateurism are going to give that support to a body like the League. The League's proposed alteration of amateur definitions is likely to meet with strong opposition from several South Island clubs, who are beginning to wonder whether the League really has any backbone. A few months ago the

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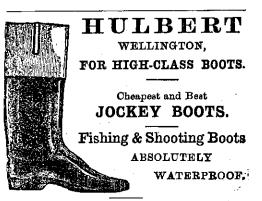






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[BY ORPHEUS.]

"Orpheus" will be glad to hear from those managers of theatrical companies touring New Zealand who desirs that the public shall know the movements of the companies. Any information as to dates, etc., will be acknowledged in these columns, as well as any other items of interest to the theatrical world. All letters should be adjressed — "Orpheus," SPORTING AND DRAMATIO REVIEW, Vulcan Lane, Auckland.

MESSES BAGSTEE AND SONS, Paternoster Row, London, have published a "Gem Edition of Handel's Messiah," weighing 40z, with full score, words and music upon 181 pages (each measuring $\delta in x 3 j in$)—price $\delta d !!!$ It is probably intended for the use of such men as the lynx-eyed detective who dwells in police fiction, nevertheless the printing is clear and delicate, and it is wonderful that a complete "Messiah" can be bought at the price.

THE long and successful run of "Lady Ursula" at the Duke of York's Theatre, London, still continues, but in order to give Miss Evelyn Millard a brief spell—she has played the arduous title role during 200 consecutive nights, bar Sundays the management decided to close the house from March 30th to April 3rd (Easter Monday), when the run was to be resumed. Mr Charles Frohman is to be commended for consideration, which is not often extended to hard-working actors.

. DEATH OF MRS KEELEY .- This famous and much loved old actrees passed away at her London residence in March last in her ninety third year. Her memory will be affectionately cherished as one of the brightest ornaments of the English stage, owing to her gifts of pathos and drollery, for she could as readily win the tears of her audience as she could evoke shouts of laughter, and in private life her kindness of heart and geniality made her the idol of a large circle. Mrs Keeley's maiden name was Goward, and she was a native of Ipswich. Her early career was that of a vocalist, and her *debut* was made at the Lyceum Theatre in 1825 in the operetta "Rosina." In 1826 she appeared in Weber's opera, "Oberon," receiving warm compliments from the famous composer for her singing of "The Mermaid's Song." Having a woodsous off Having a wondrous gift for comic acting Song. Song." Having a wondrous gift for comic acting Mrs Keeley frequently appeared in humorous plays, and was engaged at Covent Garden in 1832. In 1835 she was engaged at the Adelphi, gaining much popularity in "Jack Sheppard." Her Smike in "Nicholas Nickleby" was another tremendous hit. In 1842 she played Shakspearian parts at Drury Lane, under Macready's management, her Audrey in "As You Like It" being a splendid performance. In 1844, with her husband—also a distinguished actor—she managed the Lyceum with brilliant success. Dickens' plays, "The Oricket on the Hearth" and "The Battle of Life," proving memorable performances In the latter play her Clemency Newsome was pronounced one of her finest achievements. What may be called of her finest achievements. What may be called her last appearance was at the benefit of Mrs Alfred Mellon (Miss Woolgar), at Drury Lane, in May, 1878. Mr and Mrs Keeley appeared together so often and for so long a period that it became customary to speak of the genial and affectionate couple as "The Keeleys." Mr Keeley died in 1869 at the age of 75.

A NKW OFERA.—" Messaline" (by Isidore de Lara) was successfully produced at the Casino Theatre, Monte Carlo, on the 23rd March last. M. de lara will be remembered as the composer of "The Garden of Sleep" and other beautiful songs, but this is his first essay at a sustained work, the result of which is highly praised by critics. The authors of the libretto (M. M. Armand Sylvestre and Eugene Morand) have drawn their plot from Roman history, t e licen-tious amours of the wife of the Emperor Claudius providing pungent material for dramatic treat-ment. The book is well constructed and powerfully written. The music is intense, and full of melody and imagination. In manner M. de Lara is neither Teuton nor Gaul, Italian nor Sclav. He makes fine use of the *leit motif*, while he appreciates the full dramatic value of scenes specially adapted for vocal display. His orches-tration commends itself to the audience without any effort on their part to identify themselves with the subtler phases of musical expression. The Empress (a naughty wanton) carries on with street minstrels, gladiators, etc., etc. Hares, the singer who composes lampoons at her expense, is won over by an interview in which her fascinations When tired of Hares, the fickle wanton triumph. trumps. When creat of Harses, one field wantom assails his brother Helion, a gladiator. Harses intruding is seized by the Empress' guards and flung into the Tiber. He is rescued and swears to kill her on the morrow. The third act is one of terrible tragedy. Helion is with the Empress in her box at the Colosseum; Hares is waiting outside to slay her; news is brought to the Empress of this; she tells Helion that a murderer lurks outside, and orders Hares to enter ; Helion at once slays him, and, as he dies, recognises his brother ; Helion, horror-stricken, flings himself to the lions in the arena, and a terrible dramatic touch is the Empress' discovery that her robe is held in the tenacious grasp of death by the murdered Hares; she shudders and exclaims, "The hands of death are upon me. . . I amterrified!" An excellent cast included Madame lfeglon, who displayed marvellous power as Hegion, who displayed marvellous power as Messaline, singing and acting with great dramatic effect and charm. M. Bouvet made a finished performance of Hares. Tamagno's magnificent tenor voice told splendidly in the Gladiator's role. M. Jules Vinche possesses a sonorous bass voice, and Mdlle. Lectered's sweet seprano made a

charming impression. M. Jehin conducted a fine orchestra, which contained a new instrument in the shape of a double-bass clarionet, admirably played by M. Saint-Marie. Will not some woodwind enthusiast import one into Auckland?

ME JOHN PROUSE, accompanied by his daughter (Miss Florence Prouse), will shortly leave Wellington for Auckland to meet Madame Trebelli, who is about to tour New Zealand with a concert company. Mr Prouse's splendid singing is always a tower of strength to any company, and Miss Prouse, at the Auckland Exhibition, proved herself an unrivalled accompanist.

WITH reference to Mr Ernest Toy's violin, I notice a statement in a contemporary that the instrument is one of Lupo's (an Italian maker of the last century). This, I think, must be a mistake. I do not remember any Italian maker of the name of Lupo. Probably the instrument is by Lupot, an eminent French maker who flourished early in the present century and whose instruments were given as prizes by the Paris Conservatoire. Lupot's instruments are at the present time very valuable indeed.

GREENROOM GOSSIP.

[BY PAUL PBY.]

According to present arrangements the Broughs will be in New Zealand some time next September.

Sara Bernhardt's Hamlet is said to be a wonderful achievement. A Paris cablegram says that her conception of the character made the Prince of Denmark a frail mystic.

John Fuller's Waxworks and Variety Company has been doing exceptionally well at Dunedin, so well that Ben Fuller informs me that he has booked the Albambra Theatre for another three months. He also tells me that he is off to Melbourne very shortly in search of new artists and wax figure novelties. The tableaux of the Gatton murder are now on the way to Dunedin.

The Moore-Roberts Company brought their three nights' season at Hastings to a close on Saturday night, when they played "Struck Oil" to a good audience. "The Prodigal Father" was the bill for the opening night, "David Garrick" and "The Chinese Question" being produced on Friday. Fair average houses were the rule during their stay at Hastings. On Sunday evening Miss Moore sang Signor Luzzi's "Ave Maria" at the Catholic Church. --Napier correspondent.

The Jubilee Singers, after a very successful season through New Zealand, will soon be returning to Auckland for a short season prior to their departure to Auetralia. The success of this company throughout New Zealand has been phenomenal, and, notwithstanding the recent diagree able weather, crowds had to be turned away nightly in such places as Duledin, Invercargill, Gore, Ashburton, and nearly all the towns they have visited. The general request is that the McAdoo's come again. The company is now on its way to the West Coast, returning early in June.



MISS BILLIE HOWARDE, OF THE HENRY DRAMATIC COMPANY.

Mr Tom Pollard has secured the New Zealand rights of "The Belle of New York" from Messrs Williamson and Musgrove. Fuller's Myriorame Company opened in Christ-

The late Mrs Keeley was the oldest English actress, and her death provoked enquiry as to who was the oldest living actor. He is Mr James Doel, who on March 14th celebrated his 95th birthday. Mr Doel acted with Kean, Macready, Phelps, G. V. Brooke, Fanny Kemble, and many other celebrities. When I last saw him—about four years ago—he was hale and hearty, brimful of humor, and never tired of telling of the glories of the past. Mr Doel's last appearance was on November 22, 1895, at the London Lyceum, the occasion being the late Mrs Keeley's farewell. That day was Mrs Keeley's 90th birthday. At the City Hall, on Monday night, there was another change of programme. Two new artists made their appearance, consequently there was a big house to welcome the newcomers. Messre Carleton and Sutton, who only arrived from Sydney by the Tarawera, proved a great attrac-tion and their first item (a song called "Irene," with which they gave a very neat dance) was Messre Carleton and Sutton proved their versatility and amused the spectators with some very olever knock-about business. These latest addi-tions to Mr Dix's company are bound to become popular. Mr Charles Faning, a popular favorite now, caused any amount of fun with his comical sayings and doings, and, in company with Miss Devoe in "Scraps," caused roars of laughter all the time he was on the stage Miss Nellie Finley and Mr Charles Hill also proved very entertaining in their character stotch, while the Howard Sisters have danced themselves into the hearts of Aucklanders. The Gaiety Minstrels, with Messrs Faning, Edwards, Sutton, and Carleton as end-

men, give very much amusement to the audience, though some of their jokes are not as fresh as the milk that comes in the morning. Last night there was another change of programme, and a specially attractive bill was put before the holiday folk.

On Thursday night the Ernest Toy Concert Company gave the farewell concert prior to their departure for Gisborne and Napier. A larger house than before showed that there were some music-lovers in Auckland at any rate. Throughout the evening the audience testified their approval in a hearty manner, and almost every item on the programme was encored. Whether all the enthusiasm arose from pure appreciation, or whether it was coupled with a desire to get as much as possible for the money, I am not prepared to say, but I prefer to think that the plaudits which greeted Miss Benee Lees, Miss Dalrymple, and Mr Ernest Toy were spontaneous expressions of delight. Miss Renee Lees played Liszt's arrangement of Mendelssohn's "Wedding March," Moskowski's "Valse, E Major," and, with Mr Toy, Beethoven's "Sonata, No. 1." The young lady was at her best, and charmed the audience with her graceful playing. Mr Ernest audience with her graceful playing. Mr Ernest Toy had a great reception for his playing of "Souvenir de Moscow," and this was renewed after his admirable playing of Vieuxtemps' "Reverie" and "Faust" by Gounod-Sarasate. Miss Maud Dalrymple sang "Out on the Rocks," "The Lost Chord," and "Crossing the Bar," giving as encores "The Masquerade" and "Husheen." The contralto was in splendid voice, and charmed everyone with her tasteful delivery. Miss Alice Simmons was heard to delivery. Miss Alice Simmons was heard to great advantage in "Poor Wandering One," "Houpla Carina," and "Sing, Sweet Bird." The company departed for Gisborne on Saturday, where performances were given on Monday and Tuesday. Last night the company was at Napier, where they give another concert to night.

At the Opera House, on Tuesday in last week, the Auckland Banjo, Guitar, and Mandolin Olub gave Mr Arthur Towsey a complimentary benefit. A big attendance assembled to do honor to a gentleman who has rendered the club much good service, and had the pleasure of listening to a generally attractive programme. Miss Beatrice Eamond was the star of the evening. She first sang "Look in Mine Eyes" (by Dr. de Olive Lowe). The song is of the ultra sentimental order and not very melodious, though the singer invested it with a certain amount of artistic merit. As an encore Miss Esmond gave a very finished rendering of Lord Edward Somerset's "Hush Me, Oh Sorrow." Mr Hamilton Hodge's sang Chadwick's "Bedouin Love Yong," and, being recalled, gave a most expressive and artistic interpretation of Florence Aylward's "Beioved, It Is Morn." Miss Ethel McIntyre sang very nicely "Sweet and Low" and Blumenthal's "Sunshine and Rain," and Miss May Towsey met with a good reception for her singing of Moir's "We Must Not Part" and Gumbert's "O Bitt Ench Liebe Vogelein." The club played four items— "Top Notch," a gallop by Leavitt; "Fortuns," a waltz by Armstrong; Vernet's "Martaneaux"; and Armstrong's patrol, "The Yellow Kids." The playing was of high quality, the time and intonation being admirable all through. Mr'J. Lawrence made his first appearance as a banjo soloist, and was warmly w loomed. Other artists who assisted during the evening were Messra Arthur Ford, Wynyard Joss, A and G. Kowe, Dr. de Clive Lowe, C. McFarlane, and A. L. Edwards, who gained quite an ovation for his singing of "Once."

At the Opera House, on Saturday night, the Henry Dramatic Company commenced a sevennight season before their departure for Australia The opening play was the romunic drama, "Shamrock and Thistle," which has met with very great success during the Southern tour. The drama has a plot full of sensational incident --just the sort of thing to attract good houses. Lord Fitzgereld (a wealthy Irish peer), in his young days, had an "affair" with a peasant girl, whom he afterwards cast aside. A son from this union (Justin Dillon) is living on the estate knowing nothing of his parentage. He and the lord's niece (Lady Elsie) are firm friends, and their amicble relations provoke the enmity of Lord Fitzgerald's brother and nephew, who are scheming to get the rightful heir put on one side, so that the title and estate may fall into their avaricious hands. In their efforts they are aided by a bibulous priest and a rascally attorney. Happily, Lord Fitzgerald has a trusty servant in his butler (Lindeay), a shrewd Scotsman. Justin's mother, who is supposed to be dead, returns, and eventually things are righted and virtue meets with its due reward. This does not come about until the villains have made strong efforts to do away with Dors Dillon and until Patrick Walsh, overcome by remorse, acknowledges his share in the marriage ceremony between Lord Fitzgerald and Dora Dillon. Miss Billie Howarde, as Lady Blaie, acted with much vivacity in the lighter portions of the play, and in the more serious situations played with a becoming air of protection. situations played with a becoming air of protection. Miss Kathleen Raleigh interpreted the part of Dora Dillon very effectively, her acting in the churchyard scene with Justin and Lindsay being especially good. Mr Robert Henry, scored a great success as Lindsay, the faithful servant whose caustic tongue never lets the conscience of Lord Fitzgerald rest. His Scotch ac ent was excellent, and altogether his conception of the part was a splendid piece of character acting. Mr J. R. Goodall was effective as the injured hero (Justin), and Mr H. N. Douglas gave an admir-able delineation of Patrick Walsh, from whom drink has not driven all the instincts of a gentleman. The villsins of the piece-Robert Cutcliffe, sen., Robert Cutcliffe, jun., and Quinlan, the attorney-were ably represented by Messrs F. Birkett, A. S. Hodge, and E. Humphries On Monday night "Shamrock and Thistle" was re-peated, and on Tuesday an adaptation of Ouida's romantic story, "Under Two Flags," was played. Last night the company staged "Bind Justice," which will be again produced this evening. For the concluding nights of the season (to-morrow and Saturday) the company will play "True Metal," a realistic drama depicting modern London life.

church last week, after a record season all along the west coast of the South Island Mr Seymour Hicks' play, "The Seven Ages,"

Mr Seymour Hicks' play, "The Seven Ages," which should have been produced at London Daly's, is spoken highly of. The piece is now touring in the provinces.

Miss. Minnie Madden Fiske is the name of a young actress who has made her mark as the heroine in the adaptation of Thomas Hardy's "Tess of the D'Urbervilles."

"The Moonlight Blossom" is the title of a new play in which Mrs Patrick Cambell has the part of the heroine. The play is Japancsey, and has some extremely pretty stage effects.

The Auckland Ohoral Society, on Tuesday evening last, gave a performance of Hoffmann's "Melusina." The soloists were Madame Chambers, Miss Minnie Lye, and Messers G. Reid and W. Musker.

The Pollards are due to open at the Opera House on Saturday, June 3. Mr Fred Duval arrived in town on Wednesday. With "The Geisha" in rehearsal we may expect that this will be one of the opening pieces.

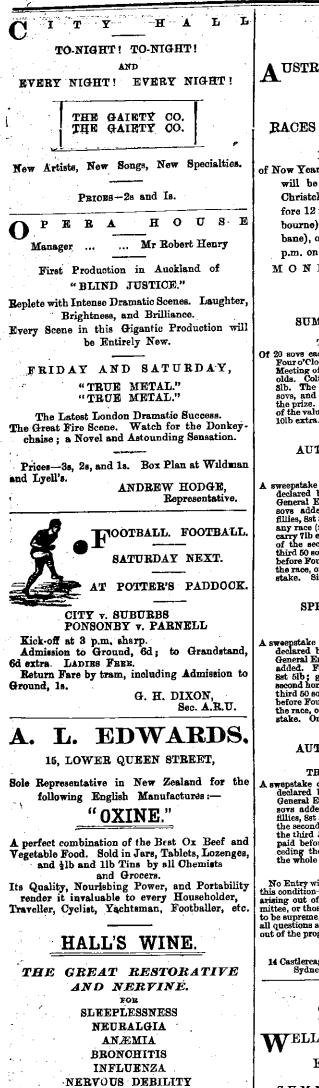
I regret to chronicle the death of Miss Georgie Smithson, the well known actress. It is reported that just as Miss Smitheon was preparing to make her appearance before the footlights at Maitland, N.S.W., she was suddenly seized with a fit, and, despite all immediate medical skill, expired soon afterwards.

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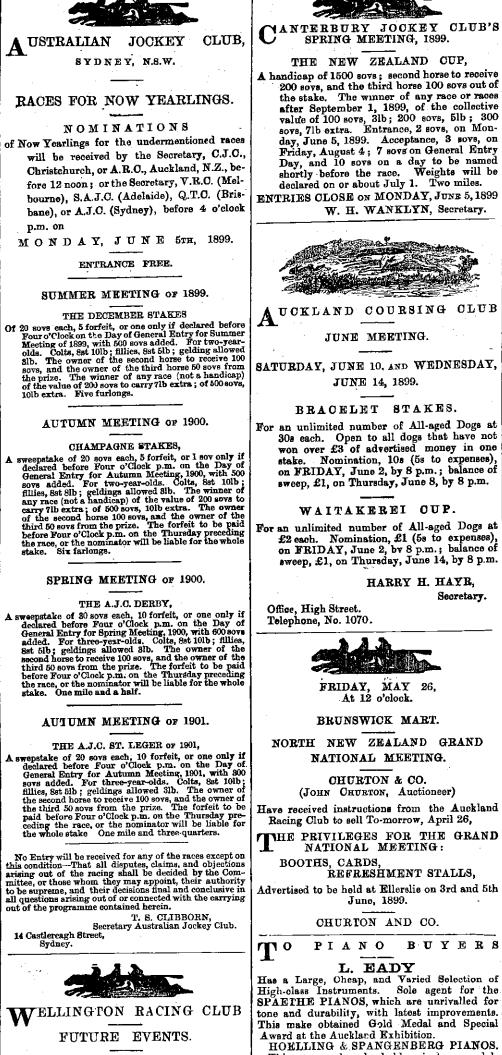
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THUESDAY, MAY 25, 1899.

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WITH WHICH IS INCOSPOSATED THE WEEKLY STANDARD.

A jockey named Neville won three races at Rosebery Park (Sydney), and repeated the performance by winning three races at Kensington next day.

Mr W. O. Rutherford was the most successful owner at the Christchurch meeting, winning three races, two with Lapidary and one with Camel.

Osculator's foals are highly spoken of in Aus-tralia. A fine colt by the New Zealand-bred size out of My Change was killed recently by a kick.

The Australian jockey, W. Delaney, had a mount on an unknown gelding by Derringer in a selling race at Alexander last month, but finished out of a place.

An exchange remarks that "Fortunatus has at last won a race in India." If the records are looked up it will be found that Fryingpan's son. has won a number of races in India.

Starshot is coming on when flat racing is nearly over, but Murray Hobbs should win a race with her at Dunedin. He has had a trying time with Starshot, all through the season, and neither Hermosa, Bizarre, Bloomer, or Lady Dundas-have returned him much during the season just closing. Dundas has been the only horse in the stable that has won a really good stake. $z \in \{x,y\}$

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GEO FOWLDS is slaughtering

The D.J.C. has been served with a writ of summons over its tenancy of the Forbury, in which there is a claim for putting the buildings, etc., in proper order.

The weights for the following races to be run at Ellerslie on Saturday, June 3, are due to-day; Winter Welter, Maiden Steeplechase, Pony Hurdles, and Maiden Hurdles.

Mr Dan O'Brien was again among the unlucky owners at the Christchurch meeting. Malatua, who had been showing really good form in his training, failed to run up to expectations in the principal race. Peerage performed a little better in his race, and got second.

A well-bred Australian horse, The Faithful, by Niagara—Faith, was sold in Sydney recently for £4 05s. During the seasou, three years ago, he won six races out of seventeen starts, and in one event at Canterbury Park he cut out the six furlongs in 1min 155sec, yet now he is valued at less than a fiver.

It is likely that a proposition will be made to extend the North New Zealand Grand National Meeting to three days next year. An argument that will be used in favor of that proposition is that a three days' programme is likely to attract more horses from the South than a two days' programme.

The filly Valedictory, by Cuirassier—Valentine, and the filly by St. Hippo—Liquidation, both in the charge of Mr J. Rae, have been suffering from influenza, a prevailing epidemic at Ellerslie, but both recovered under the care of their trainer without quite going off their feed. Both youngsters are now doing very well.

Lapidary ran twice at the North Canterbury Meeting on May 4, and got second to Female Franchise in the Winter Oats, one mile. Female Franchise carried 8.12 and Lapidary 7.9. He was unplaced in the Flying, five furlongs, with 7.6. It is strange how a horse can improve so much in a fortnight, and at the end of that period come out and beat better horses.

An old-time jockey and trainer, in the person of W. Lang, died suddenly in Melbourne recently. He was a very old colouist, coming over from Tasmania in 1834. He trained Nimblefoot, winner of the Melbourne and Australian Cup's, He won the Derby in 1863 with Oriflamme. The only horse of note Mr Lang has had of late years is Rosella.

Mr W. Knight, the well-known handicapper, was a sufferer from a nasty accident last week. He was crossing Queen Street with the intention of going to be photographed at Mr F. W. Edwards' studio for the SPORTING REVIEW, when his toe caught in the tram line, and he fell heavily to the ground. Mr Knight was severely shaken, and much bruised, but happily he was well enough to be about town on Friday, and on Saturday he was enjoying the racing at Takapuna.

We learn from an exchange that the Lower Valley Jockey Club intend making further improvements to their course property. At a meeting of stewards the other day it was resolved to borrow £600 for the purpose of paying off the balance of purchase money (£456) and fence in the inside of the course, and lay off a grass training track. The number of horses now being trained at Martinborough has been the cause of the club deciding to make proper provision for them, and the new grass track will be greatly appreciated.

The English-bred colt, Benzoin, by Friars Balsam out of a Bendigo mare, imported by Mr G. G. Stead, came out and won his first race, the Maiden Handicap, at the Christchurch meeting. Benzoin is a fashionable looking animal, and after his racing career is over he should meet with some success at the stud. He is now the property of Murray Hobbs, but will be offered for sale along with several of Hobbs' team shortly.

Lapidary, who won two races at the Christchurch Racing Club's meeting, and paid dividends of £42 6s and £10 4s, is a five-year old gelding by Ahus.— Irinket. He is the property of Mr W. O. Rutherford, who, with Mr D. Rutherford, owns some large sheep stations in the Amuri County. All the horses belonging to the Rutherfords are trained at Amuri, and most of them are by that once brilliant steeplechaser, Ahua. Social Pest, Female Franchise, Lapidary, Mr Haselden, the S.M. who heard the charge against the Wellington police officers, said he thought the most efficacious way of stopping tote betting would be to limit the profits of the totalisator to five per cent.

On Wednesday next, May 31, acceptances are due for the following races to be run at the North New Zealand Grand National Steeplechase Meeting: Maiden Steeplechase, 2 sovs: Winter Welter Handicap, 2 sovs; Maiden Hurdles, 2 sovs; and the Pony Hurdles, 1 sov.

Particulars of the Wellesley Stakes and the Wellington Stakes to be run at the summer meet ing of the Wellington Racing Club in 1901 appear in our advertising columns. The added money in both races is 300 sovs, and entries close on Monday, January 26. No money is required at the time of entry.

Splinter did not get off scot free in his tumble on Saturday. He cut one of his knees slightly, and on Sunday was very stiff. His stiffness is not to be wondered at, for he came an awful purler. The gelding has been receiving careful attention, and it is to be hoped that he will be fit and well for the Grand National Meeting.

To-morrow (Friday), May 26, Messrs Churton and Co. will offer by public auction the privileges in connection with the North New Zealand Grand National Meeting of the Auckland Racing Club. There is always a big attendance at the last meeting of the season at Ellerslie, so Messrs Churton and Co. should have no difficulty in disposing of the various rights with very satisfactory results to the Club and the purchasers.

There has been very little training work at Ellerslie this week in the way of jumping. Most of the horses have been doing steady work, but nothing of a serious nature has been attempted. The New Plymouth jumper, Kaitoa, has been over the jumps, and he pleased lookers-on very well, for he fenced in taking style, and showed a bit of pace, too. Splinter has been resting in Frank Macomanemic's paddock On Saturday afternoon there will be some jumping work done, and on Monday we may expect serious work to be commenced.

The inside and outside dividends at Takapuna on Saturday did not show a unanimity of opinion in every race. Take the case of St. Uraula. Inside, St. Paul's sister returned her backers £20 17s, but punters on the outside only received £9 4s. Somebody must have whipped the cat when the dividends in this race were deelared. In the Maiden Hurdles the inside division rallied on Verdi much more than did his outside supporters, while in the Maiden Steeplechase the inside tote paid Crusado's backers £3 13s more than his outside adherents received.

We are in receipt of the annual report of the committee of the Canterbury Jockey Club for the year ending April 30. The report is of a satisfactory nature, notwith-tanding the fact that the expenditure exceeds the receipts by £1093 153 4d. This deficit, however, is satisfactorily accounted for by the item of £1,384 193 11d, the cost of permanent improvements to the grand stand and course. The committee explains that under ordinary circumstances the revenue would have been sufficiently elastic to have cut this expenditure out of current receipts, but the torrents of rain on the last day of the November meeting had the effect of causing the receipts to fail £1000 below expectations. Notwithstanding this loss the receipts were practically equal to those of the previous year and the season, if it had been favoured by fine weather, would have been a record one. The report will be submitted to the annual meeting of the Club to be held to-day.

Our readers will be interested to note in our business columns an advertisement from the secretary of the Australian Jockey Club, setting forth the conditions of four important races to be run at Randwick, and the owners of now year-ings would do well to read Mr Clibborn's notification By advertising in Auckland, Mr Clibborn shows that, as secretary of one of the most important clubs in Australia, that he has recognised the fact that this Province is a nursery for thoroughbreds of first-class calibre. This season's now yearlings are probably the best we have seen for some time, and we shall feel surprised if Mr Olibborn's invitation is not responded to by the Hon. H. Mossman, Mr Dan McLeod, Mr G. G. Stead, and possibly others. The events requiring attention are the December Stakes, to be run at the Summer Meeting of 1899; - the Champagne Stakes, to be run at the Autumn Meeting of 1900; the A.J.O. Derby, to be run at the Spring Meet-ing of 1900, and the St. Leger of 1901. Nominations for these events may be sent to the secretary of the C.J.O., Christchurch, A.B.C., V.B.C., Melbourne, S.A Auckien and A.J.C., Sydney. Owners should take par-ticular notice of the fact that entries should be in the hands of the officials mentioned on June 5. The New Zealand entries should be in the hands of the secretaries of the Ohristchurch or Auckland Clubs by noon, and the final hour of closing in Sydney is 4 o'clock. Writing from San Francisco to a Sydney friend, the well-known trainer, W. J. Miller, has something to say about the racing he has seen there. He saw the California Derby run, and was not greatly impressed, the field being a poor one. He adds that the racing is not nearly up to Australian standard, and was especially struck by the number of bad riders, "the worst he ever saw." To quote his own words: "I saw about two that could ride decently. All ride a la Tod Sloan. and they run their races from end to end. They don't forget to use the whip, and some of them nearly fall off when it comes to a finish. People here who know the game say they have good riders and horses, but they have gone East, which is no doubt correct. The track they are racing on at Oaklands resembles the Flemington sand track, but is faster. Gray's machine is in use, but they do not work it as we do, the horses being on the move all the time, and sometimes the starts are very bad. The jockeys have not the same latitude here as in Australia, being kept to themselves after they go to get ready."

A match is talked of in England between the Liverpool Grand National Steeplechase winner Manifesto and Gentle Ida, for £2,000 a-side, four miles of country, at Sandown park.

The Prince of Wales was represented in the last Liverpool Grand National by a horse bearing the name of Ambush, who finished seventh. Just fancy Ambush representing Royalty.

Mr C. Gilbert, owner (or late owner?) of Merloolas, states that he never was in communication with Mr T. Uphill for the purchase of the gelding, who is as sound as ever he was, and has not been examined by a vet on behalf of Mr Uphill, or any one else (asys the *Evening News* of Sydney). The question is, who's the liat?

The Australian-bred colt Essex, who is in the same stable as Survivor, ran in the Hampton Mid. weight Handicap, at Warwick, last month There was a field of a dozen, and he finished fourth, carrying 7st. 6lb., to 8st. carried by Lady Flash, the winner.

At Newmarket. in order to assist the public identifying the horses running at the meeting, the stewards have given instructions for the distribution of badges bearing numbers corresponding with those on the card, such badges to be strapped to the arm of the lad riding or leading the horse about the paddock.

Mr Dan. McLeod very soon got back the £50 he paid for Crusado at the Bell Block meeting. The Cruier gelding jumped his fences on aturday very kindly, and after getting over the water jump the second time he spurted away and got too big a lead. Voltigeur II. made a game effort to catch him, but he was not quite ready for a severe race yesterday. Crusado again won at Takapuna.

Thus the "Special Commissioner" of the Sportsman:—"The surprise occasioned by the victory of Breemount's Pride in the big steepleohase at Manchester would not have been so great had it been known that the mare had a pipe put in her throat about a fortnight previously, with the result that her roaring infirmity, bad though it was, was almost entirely relieved. The operation is not a dangerous one, and in this instance enabled the mare to score a victory which greatly enhance her value for stud purposes."

The close of the jumping season in England does not seen to have been regretted. One scribe says:—"Roping—open, obvious, and frequently inartistic roping—has become quite a recognised part of the game. No one is surprised. No one takes offical notice. No one thinks that one rider or one owner or one stable is worse than another. Sometimes a horse is out, sometimes it is not; those who are on when it is out, and win, consider themselves clever. Those who are on when it is not out, and they have betted at the wrong time and lost their money, howl a bit about dishonesty, forgetting to balance up affairs."

Robert Peck, at one time a famous English trainer, in his autobiography, says :--- " When a boy it was my great delight to go out on the wold and watch the cracks of the day go through their morning tasks. One of the horses that first took my fancy was Songetrees, who won the Oaks in That same year I used to watch West 1852. Australian doing his gallops, and I was wonder-fully taken with him. One morning, when John Scott (the 'Wizard of the North') came out to s ie the horses at ex reise, he was accompanied by a quiet looking gentleman. John Scott saw me, and called me to him. The gentleman smiled at me and said : 'Well, and what is g ing to win the Derby ?' 'West Australian, sir,' I answered, without a moment's hesitation. 'The youngster is not a bad judge!' said John Scott After-' The youngster wards I found that the quiet-looking gentleman was none other than the great Lord Derby."

Horses whose right to be considered thoroughbreds is questioned by sticklers for blue blood seem to be having a good time of it lately. Forest, winner of the V.R.O. Newmarket Handicap, is objected to as a descendant from a mare of doubtful pedigree; Amoureux, winner of the Thompson Handicap at Wellington, has to manage without a number; Newhaven, winner of the City and Suburban, is in similar disgrace ; and new we hear that the Brocklesby Stakes, the first two-year-old race of importance in the English season, was won by Hulcot, a son of Crafton and Queen of the Riding, the latter being a halfbred mare, and consquently not figuring in the Stud Book. The special commissioner of the London Sportsman says: "In Hulcot we now find a Brocklesby winner whose pedigree will be vainly sought for in the Stud Book. Surely M sers Weatherby should do something forthwith to redress the anomaly which permits the stock of e edmi histh ad stains in the Stud Book, while refusing admission to such as Hulcot, Clorane, and many others bred in England or Ireland against whom it can only be alleged that a link in their pedigree is missing. The obviously sensible course is to follow on the lines suggested in the preface to Vol. 18, and relegate all animals of questionable pedigree to an appendix, if only to preserve the record; but Messrs Weatherby, so far as I understand them, do not propose in future to go on with any such idea, and, by way of a change, American animals with pedigrees, certified by the New York Jockey have already in certain instances been Club. refused admission to the Stud Book or its appendix, notwithstanding the preface to Vol. 18, which, Messre Weatherby now states, does not apply to the future ! Thus, what with all the Lexington, Foxhall, and other American blood already admitted on one hand, and the exclusion of our Cloranes, Hespers, Galloping Queens, etc., on the other, topped up by a sudden change of front to the Americans, Messre Weatherby appear to have got themselves into the position of the gentleman in the song who 'dunno where he are.'" I understand that the matter is alreedy are." exercising the serious attention of the New York Jockey Club, for the sale value of American bloodstock in England or Europe is cut down by at least 50 per cent. if the Stud Book is to be closed to it.

Irish Twist has been tried over fences and it is said will be taken to Hastings.

The stallion Phæton was recently sold privately by Mr Gates, of Tinwald, Ashburton, for a very satisfactory figure.

£5000 is said to be the sum Mr G. G. Stead received for Multiform, whose new owner is Sir Edgar Vincent.

Mr G. G. Fitzgerald, the owner of Jib, who won at the Christchurch Autumn Meeting, bought the horse for £14.

The Forbury Park Company is proceeding against the Dunedin Jockey Club, claiming $\pounds 1500$ damages from that body for not keeping the Forbury course in a proper state of repair.

The grandstand on the Feilding Bacecourse was destroyed by fire on Monday night. No one seems to know how the fire originated. Luckily for the club the stand was insured for £500.

One of the pregeny of the Australian-bred sire Kirkham has at last won a race in England, Sea Fog, who is by Kirkham, having won the Second Welter Handicap at the Newmarket Craven meeting

Cuirine fairly revelled in the mud on Saturday. She went to the front very soon after the start, and got such a break on the others that they had no possible chance of catching her, though Lena ran a very good race considering her heavy impost.

Mr Dick Hannon, the owner of Bellman, was present at the North Shore on Saturday looking as if te had just come out of hospital. On enquiry, he told us that he had a bit of a smash up when riding a young horse.

Miss Emmy has been relegated to the stud. Messre Nathan tried the mare over hurdles, and it will be remembered she gave Jack Rae a very nasty fall a few weeks past. Miss Emmy is a very handsome mare, and should prove a valuable addition to the Sylvia Park breeding establishment.

Altair very soon follows his stable companion, Multiform, to the Old Country. The Castor-Cissy colt leaves New Zealand on Friday next by the s.s. Wakanui. Altair will thus reach England within a fortnight of Multiform's arrival. The new owner's name has not yet been published nor has the price realised been divulged.

Though the Bellman people pretended to have no fear of the result of the Hurdle Bace on Saturday, we fancy that Splinter was just a little bit dreaded. Had the latter stood up a fine race would have been seen, for both he and Nor'-West were, like the winner, in rare good trim. Nor'-West lost a lot of ground by the smash, and was probably a bit upset into the bargain.

Partan Jeannie's win in the Royal Handicap would naturally lead one to suppose that the owners' fellow countrymen had backed the mare. Coming from the course to the wharf the question was put by a gentleman, who received the answer, "No good back Plartan Jeannie, she only win one lace a year." The Celestials evidently follow form very closely.

Auld Reekie was a trifle lucky to win the Maiden Plate at Takapuna on Saturday. Snider had the inside running going along the back, but her rider did not keep to the rails, and coneequently Jack Ohasfe ran up on the inside, and his mount lasted long enough to get home by the best part of a length. Snider was coming very fast at the finish, and with the inside berth she must have won.

The "man in the bor" had a couple of very close finishes to decide at Takapuna on Saturday. The first was when Dcotor and St. Ursula ran home for the Birthday Handicap very nearly level, and the second was the splendid finish between Partan Jeannie, St. Elmo, and Red Lancer for the Royal Handicap. Some people were of opinion that Doctor was first home in the Birthday Handicap, and did not hesitate to say so, but the judge is the only man able to give a certain decision, and most racegoers were satisfied with the decision in either race.

Hawfinch, who won the London Cup of £1000 for Mr Horatio Bottomley, is a four-year-old by Goldfinch—Ohalk Hill Blue. Mr Bottomley paid a big price for the colt last year, and expected to win the Derby with him. He was bad y trained, however, and never did anything much in his three-year-old days. He was well backed for the Lincolnshire Handicap in March last, but ran badly as the betting on the day implied he would. His win at the resuscitated Alexandra Park meeting must have been very welcome to his owner.

This is how the troubles of a disputed or unsatisfactory start is dealt with by New South Wales stewards :- Feu de-Joie and Kalingo, who were well backed for the Flying Handicap at Warwick Farm on May 13, got left at the post (writes the Sydney Evening News). There some dispute when the horses returned to the weighing enclosure as to whether the starter had flag was delayed. Mr Hegarty, the starter, however, stated that he sent the horses off in the usual way, and backers of the favorite were placed out of their suspense. It is an unusual occurence now-a-days for "triers" to get left. At the Christchurch Racing Club's Autumn Meeting a well known jockey (C. Stratford) got himself into rather serious trouble. He presented himself to weigh out to ride Speculator in one of the races, but the clerk of the scales expressed the opinion that he was not in a fit condition to ride, and it certainly appears that the official was quite right, as Stratford indulged in language of an unsavory description and as a consequence he was disqualified for two years. The punishment certainly appears to be severe, but the clerk of the scales and the stewards are to be commanded for the action taken. If Stratford was in an unfit condition to ride, then his presence in a race was a menace to the lives of sober jockeys as well as his own. Let us hope that the lesson will benefit jockeys generally.

Ahua. Social Pest, Female Franchise, Lapidary, Jib, Jewel, and Pensioner all claim Ahua as their sire.

At the North Canterbury meeting, on May 4, Paladin (7.10) won the big handicap, one mile and a quarter, followed home by Rangefinder (6.10), and Starshot (8.13); Skirmisher (8.12) was fourth, and Huku (7.4) last. At the Christchurch meeting, on May 17, Huku (7.3) won the big handicap, one mile and a quarter, easily, and beat Starshot (8.9), Skirmisher (8.12), Paladin (8.8), and Bangefinder (6.10). Our Canterbury correspondent refrains from passing any comment, but adds: "Perhaps some of your readers can solve this rather intricate puzzle; I can't."

The conditions of the next New Zealand Cup appear in our advertising columns. The added money is 1500 sors, second horse to receive 200 sors, and the third horse 100 sovs from the stake. The entrance fee is 2 sors, and the weights are due on or about July 1, and those owners satisfied with the adjustment will be required to pay 3 sors for first acceptance on August 4, 7 sors on general entry day, and 10 sors on a day to be named shortly before the race, the cost of going tot he post in all being 22 sors. The date of entry is June 5. There are no Multiforms to be frightened of this year, and it is probable that the entry will be a big one.

Umbrallas and Macintosh Coats

Tod Bloan, the now famous American jockey is only 26 years of age.

A yearling sister of The Grafter and Gaulus is being educated by Ike Earnshaw, of Randwick. Messrs Rutherford and Chapman, two well-

known Christchurch sportsmen, were present at Takapuna yesterday.

The officials of the Auckland Racing Club yesterday received an intimation from Lord Ranfurly that he would avail himself of the opportunity of being present at the June meeting.

Holacauste, the French colt that has been in such favor for the English Derby, run next Wednesday, was beaten in a race at Paris last month. The race was for three year olds, and his defeat has caused Holacauste to decline in favor.

At the Takapuna meeting yesterday Recon-struction broke down badly, having jarred or partially dislocated the elbow of the near fore-leg. The injury was evidently a bad one, as the holes could not be removed from the course with-out difficulty out difficulty

The Napier people are having a series of steeple-chase obstacles erected inside their plough gallop. They will in no way interfere with training oper ations for other classes of horses, and it is intended that they shall occupy a permanent position on the club grounds.

The Sydney jockey, W. Delaney, now in England, did not make a promising start in the Old Country. His first n ount was in the Anchor Stakes, on April 1 at Alexandra Park, on an un-named horse by Derringer from Frivoli. The horse finished nearly last.

Fata-Morgana (Cranbrook-Sierra), Mr H. C. White's two-year old foaled to English time, had a run in the Flying Handicap at Warwick Farm on May 13 (states the Sydney Referee). She showed a fair turn of speed for a few furlongs, but, as was only to be expected, died away at the finish. Whether she will prove any good is, of course, problematical, but, for the sake of the owner's experiment, it is to be hoped she docs, as in such case, she will be given a chance on the English turf.

The Chaafe stable had a fine innings at the Takapuna Meeting. On the first day Auld Reckie, St. Ursula, and Fartan Jeannie held up the honor of the stable, and yesterday St. Elmo and Nor'-West completed the tale of victory. Cannongate ran an excellent race in the Welter Handicap, and some lookers on thought he was ming to edd enther withory to the credit of the going to add another victory to the credit of the veteran trainer.

Drum Major ran a really good race yesterday at Takapuna. The youngster, in the hands of Burns, won as he liked, and though we cannot approve of the owners' policy in racing a young horse so frequently, we recognise that Drum Major is a sterling horse, and that at five years old he will be able to hold his own with the best imminish horse in Australesia jumping horses in Australasia.

Regalia paid a thumping dividend yesterday-£58 26 inside and £68 9s outside her supporters received. Merry Maid was a runner in the same race. One was nominated by Mr Handley and the other by Mrs Handley. Surely this was a case for bracketing on the machine. We quite believe bracketing on the machine. We quite believe that the horses ran on their merits, but it is only fair to the public that the horses so plainly in one ownership should be bracketed.

The Splinter people had bad luck on Saturday The gelding jumped the first and second hurdles in great style and appeared to be going well. At the third jump Bellman just touched the hurdle, Drum Major knocked it a bit harder, and as it came back Splinter struck it hard and came a regular purler. He slid right in the track of Nor'-West, whose first stride over the jump landed him amongst Splinter's legs. It appeared as if a terrible mix up would happen, but the Sou'wester gelding kept his feet in a marvellous manner and ran a respectable second to the sterling Bellman.

The charges brought against the Wellington police officer in connection with the recent tote betting cases was heard on Monday, and after legal argument the S.M. postponed delivering his judgment on the case. On Tuesday Mr Haselden gave judgment in the case. In dismissing the charge against the defendants the S.M. said they acted under orders. The object they were employed upon was for the public good, and what they had done was done in the performance of their duty. The defendants were not mere informers in any legal sense of the word, and they ought to be protected in the performance of their duty.

An interesting statement has just been issued y "Tattersall" Adams, showing what has hapb⊽ pened in connection with his sweeps during the nine months prior to March last. New South Wales has taken nearly £80,000 of the "place" prizes; Victoria, £35,000; New Zealand £20,000; Queensland, £17,000; South Australia, £5193; Tasmania, £2600; Western Australia, £1692; and Ohina, £1125. There were 29 consultations held of 15 for the City of t held, only 12 of which filled, and the aggregate amount of the "place" prizes paid away was £184,932. Then, of course, a great deal was given in cash prizes. Four of the five "specials," drawn on the day of the race, filled.

Tangahoe was struck out of the Auckland R.C. Hurdles (states The Mail), he having been nominated without the consent of his owner. Such being the case the Wanganui Club, for whose hack hurdles the horse was nominated, decided to allow the horse to start. Their regulation stipulated that a horse could not be nominated if he had been nominated for an open handicap elsewhere within three months previously.

THE NORTH NEW ZEALAND GRAND NATIONAL MEETING.

[BY PETRONEL.]

The Auckland Racing Club may be congratulated up in the general entries for the forthcoming cross-country meeting, for though the nomina-tions might have been more numerous the class of jumping horses competing is undeniably good. In the minor events the entries altogether total 197, which, with the 22 nominated for the Grand National Hurdles and the 25 entered for the Great Northern Steeplechase, makes a grand total 244 nominations received by Mr Percival. of On Friday last the acceptances for the big races came in, and it was found that only six horses had dropped out of the Grand National Hurdles, while sixteen out of the original twenty-five en tered for the Great Northern Steeplechase had oried content. The withdrawals from the Na-tional are St. Kilda, Cairo, Little Billee, Anita, Kapai, and Pyroxylin. The defection of St. Kilda, Kapai, Little Billee, and Anita was to be expected, but Pyroxylin had been doing good work over the sticks, and some people expected to see him perform well with his light burden. He, however, is engaged in the Maiden Hurdles He, however, is engaged in the Maiden Hurdles on the second day, so perhaps it has been found that the mile and three-quarters will suit him better than the two mile course. Cairo is out because of an accident. He slipped up the other day in soft going, and strained some muscles. This is a pity, for the Gipay King gelding had a very favorable weight, and would undoubtediy have run a good race. I am under the impres-sion that we did not see quite the best of Cairo sion that we did not see quite the best of Cairo at the Ellerslie Autumn Meeting, and had he remained fit and well I should have taken Mr Peachey's gelding as one of the likely ones. Dummy, with all his weight—and he has plenty to carry with 11st 10lb up—is still in the race, and probably he will be running on when a good few of the light-weight division have had enough. The Mute's son would have been nominated for the Wanganui meeting, but it was found that he could not be prepared in time, owing to his en forced absence from the training track. His mishap cannot have affected him very seriously, however, or he would not have been left in the National aud in the Great Northern Steeplechare. The Takapuna running showed Bellman to be in rattling good form, but I think the Tetford gelding can be made just a trifle better by the time the big hurdle race comes along. After Splinter fell Bellman had matters all his own way, and he proved decisively that the rumours as to his in-ability to gallop in the mud were all wrong. Saturday was a beavy day with a vengeance, and Mr Hannon's chestnut was not in the least troubled by the holding state of the track Bell-man met Nor' West with a stone the b st of it at Takapuna, at Ellerslie Bellman has 31bs less to carry, and Nor'-West has 71bs taken off. There is still a difference of 101bs between the pair, and at that I believe Bellman holds Nor'-West in perfect safety. Splinter's fall causes a feeling of distrus. The Natator ge'ding may go over again for as he flies his hurdles the slightest touch is liable to topple him over. Then again Splinter has not got through such a tremendous lot of work over hurdles, and though a fast horse on the flat he has before now had to be stopped in his work when in preparation for a jumping race. He certainly looks as fit as a fiddle, and with the careful attention he is receiving at Frank Mac-manemin's hands, he will probably go to the post in spiendid fettle, and he well be a well backed horse too. Good accounts of Whangaroa, Kanaka, Marina, and Hangfire have been received and I believe some of the superstitious order of backers have picked on Whangaroa, as a ship beari g that name was the first to bring news of the missing steamer Perthshire! The Wanganui running shows that Marina is entitled to the very greatest respect for the Grand National Hurdles. I have a liking for Shylock, for the Wapiti gelding battles all the way through his races, and he has a very nice turn of speed. Mayday is a mare that will run a very good race. I suppose it is a question as to which is the better, Kanaka or Mayday, but I shall not be surprised if the mare is started in the Hurdles and Kanaka reserved for the Steeplechase. At the present time I like the chances of BELLMAN, KANAKA, MAY-DAY, MABINA, and NOB'-WEST.

horses we know. Splinter has nothing to carry, but he has yet to earn brackets over country; while Dingo, who is always said to be going to astonish the racing world, has not yet done anything to recommend him for such a race as the Great Northern Steeplechase. Muscatel had 6lb Great Northern Steeplechase. Muscatel had ob-more to carry this year than she won with at the last A.R.C. National Meeting, and as she is accom-plishing good work it is evident that she must command great respect. Probably this year's field is of superior quality to the runners engaged in the '98 Steeplechase, but I think Muscatel will be very close up at the finish of the race. She is a pratty jumper, and can race on the flat.

a pretty jumper, and can race on the flat. By her win at Wanganui she incurs a 51b penalty, but even this does not put her out of court. Amongst the light-weights Kaitoa is performing excellent work at Ellerslie, and Crusado has done very creditably in public. Riot has very little to recommend him, and the "foreigners" I want to know more about before taking them on my side. So far I think the winner will come from KANAKA, MUSCATEL, DUMMY, and CEUSADO.

Racing Results.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

SECOND DAY-WEDNESDAY, MAY 24. The second day of the Takapuna Jockey Club was not favored with Queen's weather, the sky be-ing overcast and the going heavy. The attending overcast and the going heavy. Thance, however, was good. Results :----

HACE HANDICAP.

SECOND HANDICAP HURDLE RACE, one mile and three quarters.

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Shylock, 10.2, Phillips			2	
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Tim, 10.8, Fergus	• •	••	3 · ·	
Other starter-Straybird.				
Drum Major made the	runn	ing .	all th	е

way and won by two lengths, five lengths between second and third. Time, 3min 33sec. Dividends-Inside, £4 19s; outside, £3 18s.

BRITANNIA HANDICAP, Crusade, 6.12, Satman ... Cuirasette, 8.2, Buchanan 2 Auld Reekie, 7.7, Chaafe 3 Other starters—Red Lancer, Firefly, Porangi Potae, and Brilliant. Won by two lengths, a length between second and third. Time, 1min 52sec. Dividends—In-side, £8: outside, £8 10s. SECOND PONY HANDICAP, five furlongs. Edison, 7.7, Tate Rangiuru, 8.0, Gillespie Trooper, 6.12, Stewart Other starters-Lena, Nithmount, • • 3

Cuisine, Won by a neck. Time, 1min 10 3-5sec. Divi-dends—Inside, £22 12s; outside, £13 18s.

VICTORIA HANDICAP, BIX IURIONDS.
St. Elmo, 8.10, Duff 1 Lillie, 8.6, Gallagher 2 Cuirasette, 8.12, Buchanan
HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE, about three miles and a half.
Nor'-West, 12.8, Hall 1

Crusado finished first, but protest was entered against him on the ground of a cross in the straight. After a lengthy investigation the stewards disqualified Crusado, and awarded the race to Nor'-West. Time, 8min 8 4-5sec. Divi-dends-Inside, £5 68; outside, £5 7s.

WELFER HANDICAP

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TRADESMEN'S HANDICAP. Brisa •• Vanilla 2 • • •• Eidelweiss ... 3 Scratched-Maremma, Ben Farley, and Abercrombie. Dividend, £2 8s.

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THE WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

Wet weather was experienced the night before and on the morning of the races, but it broke fine about noon. The track was wet but not extra heavy. The attendance was good. £6906 went through the machine, which was an increase of £1842 on same day last year. Results ;---

FLYING.

Leda, W. Holmes ... 1 Female Franchise, Murray ... 2

WANGANUI STEEPLECHASE.

Muscatel, Johnson 1

II. and Barbarossa fell at the water jump. Ka-naka and Tally-Ho fell at the second to last jump Won by two lengths. Time, 6min 29 4-6sec. Divivend, £6 7s.

HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE.

Stilts, Christie . . . 1 Robin Hood, Vallance . . . 2 The Clown, Gordon . . . 3 Also started—Electro. Good finish. Time, 7min 10sec, Dividend, £3 1s.

HANDICAP HUBDLES.

Marina, Arnott... 1 Nipapu, Higgins 2 Nayborn ... 3 All started. Won easily. Time, 4min 8 1-5sec.

Dividend, £2 17s.

HACK HURDLES. Derry, Peters ... 1 ... 2 Woolloomooloo... •••

Frost 3 Won by half a neck. Time, 2min 59sec. 3 Dividend, £3 8s.

SUBURBAN STREPLES.

... 1 The Friar, Johnson 2 Venture ... ••• ... 3 Highlander ... Highlander ... 3 Kanaka, Barbarossa, and Bradshaw were scratched Won by two lengths. Time, 5min 43 1.5sec. Dividend, £3 58.

HACK FLAT.

Dartmoor, Holmes		 1 ⁷ .
Southerly Buster	·	 2
Coralinn	Won	 3 a length.

by a length Time, 2min 7sec. Dividend, £2 18s.

After the Races.

THE TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

[BY ATLAS.]

THERE is no doubt that the Takapuna Jockey Club is one of the most important of the country clubs in New Zealand, and when anything happens to mar the success of its gatherings the in-terests of the sport suffer, and the sporting community are disappointed. They vere a little more than disappointed on the first day of the Talapuna Club's Winter Meeting, for, speaking personally, the feeling of disappointment merged into disgust when pitiless rain fell heavily just as the first race was being run, and revisited us at intervals during the afternoon. Wet coats, Takapuna mnd, and a stiff cold breeze are not pleasant conditions under which to hold a race meeting. and would knock the enthusiasm out of even a Salvation Army man, but somehow the love of the sport is too strong for wind and weather, and fully 2000 people braved the elements and witnessed the racing. The course, which up to Friday had been in splendid condition, became sloppy, but that did not prevent some of the races being well contested, and some exciting finishes were witnessed, while the only mishap to note was the fall of Splinter in the Hurdle Race. It looked an ugly fall, but the horse and rider escaped, and Splinter's backers mourned. Mr R. Wynyard's arrangements were complete, and the programme was carried out with precision and correctness. Mr Frank Lawry, M.H.R., occupied the judge's box in the absence of the Hon. E. Mitchelson, and had two close finishes to decide, and under the exciting circumstances it is not surprising that some criticised

The victory of Contrast over Le Var, Gnullo, Paul Pry, Forest, Vigorous, and Diffidence in the South Australian Jockey Club's Elder Stakes, a weight for age event, is described as the surprise of the season in Australia. Contrast is a five-year-old and is by that once famous horse Commotion, and is owned by Mr J. B. Pearson. She paid a dividend of £3612s, and on the second day of the meeting she demonstrated that her Elder Stakes victory had been no fluke, as she won the Adelaide Cup of 1500 sovs, beating fourteen opponents. On this occasion, however, she was much better supported, as out of £5576 15s on the machine, £1350 10s had been invested in her Her dividend, therefore, amounted to favor. only £3 16s, a very small one indeed considering the quality and size of the field. She carried 7st. the top weight being Le Var with 9st 2lb.

As was expected, Rhino did not accept for the As was expected, Khino did not accept for the Great Northern Steeplechase, and others who have fallen out are Cairo, Claymore, Perform, Kapai, Ned Kelly, En Avant, Conscript, and Hirstland. These withdrawals leave sixteen acceptors, exactly the same as the National Hurdle Race has. Dummy, with 11st 11b, has 12b more than he carried to victory in the New Zachard Grand Mational het rear and if he can Zealand Grand National last year, and if he can carry the weight to victory over the trying Ellerslie course he will add glory to his already distinguished reputation. Of the tried performers his most dangerous antagonist, Rhino, is out of the way. The old hands remaining in are Nor'-West, Miss Nelson, Magpie, and Mus-catel. All these know the Ellershie steeplechase course, and may be relied upon to negotiate its difficulties in safety. Old Mangere would probably have done better to have stayed on the other side, but he is another who should have no trouble in getting over the jumps and climbing the hill. Kanaka and Muscatel are very fairly treated indeed. The first-named is a beautiful 'chaser, and I expect him to handsomely beat all the Auckland horses, On their Takapuns run-ning he should hold Nor'-West easily, and Nor'-West I take to be the best of the Auckland der

-Inside, £58 2s; A close finish. Dividendsoutside, £68 9s.

DUNEDIN JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

FIRST DAY, MAY 24. The weather was wet, but the attendance good. The following are the results :---

HACK HANDICAP.

Witchceaft				1
Silver Crest				2
Vulcan				3
Scratched-Hippo	nus.	Divider	ıd, £4	10.

HURDLES.

Waikaia				1	
St Hiko				2	
Scratched—Pioneer	. 0	nly two	finish	ed.	Divi
dend, £4 1s.					

BIRTHDAY HANDICAP.

Starshot				1	
Skirmisher				2	
Malatua			•••	3	
Scratched-Jupiter.	\mathbf{Tim}	ie, 2mir	i 54s	ec.	Divi
nd, £3 10s.		-			

GEO. FOWLDS is slaughtering

In the Birthday Handicap I have but little doubt that the judge was correct. From the Press box St. Ursula certainly appeared to have just won. St. Ursula certainly appeared to have just won, but there were many in the grandstand 'who thought otherwise. However, Mr Lawry was in the best position to judge. The finish in the Royal Handicap was equally as exciting, and Mr Lawry's duty equally as difficult as in the Birth-day, and spectators generally were in doubt as to what had won until the numbers went up. The totalizator arrangements under Mr Blowfold totalisator arrangements, under Mr Blomfield, were good, and the fact that £4651 was passed through the machine shows that, the wet weather notwithstanding, a lively interest was taken in the sport. Impey's band discoursed sweet music, although it was not musical weather, but it was a day that favored the comforts of this life to which the prohibitionists are strangers, and the booth in the grandstand presided over by Mr A. R. Dunn, and that on the hill, managed by Mr Donovan, were well patronised. The booth on the hill proved a blessing to the patrons of that part of the course, for not only was the liquor good, but the commodious booth itself afforded helter when the rain at intervals was intolerable. The catering was in the hands of Mr A. F. Stillwell, of Parnell, who has to be complimented for the way in which he carried out his end of the contract.

Proceedings were opened with the Handicap Maiden Hurdles. There were only two scratch-ingi, Boadices and Ruru, and nine thus were left to go to the post, but it is very possible that there would have been more absentees had it been known that the event would be run in a heavy downpour of rain. Stray bird, a fine, upstanding son of Wanderer out of Fleetwing, was made favorite, but the Sou'-Wester gelding, Verdi, who has not been very long in Frank Macmanemin's hands, had a good following. The others were not well backed. Just as the field was ranged up in line down came the rain, and Mr Cutts mercifully lost no time in letting them away. Dorothy and Try-Me led over the first hurdle, which Regu-lus and Puriri very considerably damaged. Try-Me and Dorothy in turn led, with Verdi and Straybird always handy, but in the last round. Straybird was in front at the home bend, with Verdi next. Straybird led over the last hurdle, but Vardi had was a maning in his and dischard but Verdi had more running in him, and finishing much better than his opponent, won by a length and a half. Tiki was three lengths behind Stray-bird, and then followed Wally. The investors on the outside machine got a much better dividend than those inside.

In the Handicap Maiden Plate the pen was run through the names of Moment, Solo, Begulus, Favona, Reconstruction, Tiki, and Brigham Young, the field being just the same in number as in the Handicap Maiden Hurdles. Auld Reckie was favorite, and Quilted was next best backed. The favorite was the first to move, attended by Lieutenant and Thelma, but Quilted was left at the post, and the field was a furlong in front of him when he moved away. Puhia quickly took up the running, and led out of the straight, followed by Lieutenant, Leo, and Snider, with Auld Reekie fifth. In this order they raced round the back stretch, where Snider and Auld round the wack stretch, where Shider and Auld Reekie began to move up, and it was evident that the leaders were tiring. Shider led into the straight, and swung out a bit. This gave Jack Ohaafe, on Auld Reekie, a good chance and comitg on with a well-timed run Mr Marshall's mare won by a length and a half. Shylock finished third, while it was noticed that Quilted had made up a let of her around and was not for a work up a lot of lost ground, and was not far away. If this son of Quilt can only be made to face the barrier properly he should be well worth watch ing in future.

Nine out of the eleven on the card faced the starter for the event of the day, the Birthday Handicap, the absentees being St. Kilda and Regulus, who had competed in the earlier events. Auld Reekie, who had won the Maiden Handi-cap, was asked to race again—a difficult task on such a heavy course, but the mare did not dis-grace herself, and demonstrated that it she had been reserved for this event she would have been more handy than she was. There was not a great deal of speculation; indeed, more money was invested on the Pony Race, for which the stakes were worth only a third of those offered for the big handicap. The Doctor was made a slightly were worth only a third of these onlevel for the big handicap. The Doctor was made a slightly better favorite than Grusade, who was a pretty strong eleventh-hour tip, and the outsider of the field was Auld Reekie. It was an excellent start, and Coronet, Lillie, and The Doctor raced for the lead, and in that way they ran along the straight, Grusade, Auld Reekie, St. Ursula, and Firadly being in a bunch close up and Admiral Firefly being in a bunch close up, and Admiral Hawke last. Turning out of the straight, Doctor, running wide on the outside, raced to the straight, Doctor, followed by Auld Reekie, while Coronet thus early showed that he was not in a galloping humor, and he began to drop back. Along the back stretch Doctor and Auld Reekie battled for the lead, while St. Ursula and Firefly were clear of the others. of the others. At the home turn Doctor had shaken Auld Reckie off, and he looked like the winner, as he had a substantial lead as he entered the straight. Pope took him out wide, possibly thinking the going was better there, while Chaafe, on St. Ursula, cut up on the inside A ding-dong finish home resulted in favor of St. Ursula, who, according to the fiat of the judge, had won by half a bead. The way in which St. Ursula finished showed that she is very game, and Auld Reckie was a very creditable third. Such a close finish of course caused a lot of excitement, and there was a mild demonstration in favor of Doctor, and a counter demonstration in favor of St Ūreula, The track by this time was not in a tempting condition for hurdle racing, and it was not surprising to find that the scratching pen was bueily used in the First Handicap Hurdle Bace, those to go out being Miss Nelson, Sbylock, Anita, Boadicea, and Regulus. This left four in the field and although the Auckland public has not seen him out before they made the Natator gelding, Splinter, an even money favourite. Splinter is a fine looking horse, and flies his jumps in dashing style, but that does not make him a safe carriage on a wet day with a slippery take off. When the

quartette were sent on their journey Bellman went to the front attended by Drum Major, with Splinter third, and Nor'-West last. At the third jump, nearly opposite the Press stand, Bellman rapped, Drum Major rapped harder, while Splinter in his wake came a cropper, Nor'-West narrowly escaping a fall over him. Meantime Bellman continued in the lead going along in great style, and was half a dozen lengths in front of Drum Major at the back. There was no change in the order of procession until approaching home when Nor'-West ran past Drum Major, but his show was what would be vulgarly described as Buckley's show. Bellman won easing up by three lengths from Nor'West, while Drum Major was half a dozen lengths further away. In this event Bell-man showed great form, and even if Splinter had stood up I have my doubts, in such going as that on Saturday, as to his ability to beat the winner. On firm going, however, the result might be very different.

People would have liked to have seen the East Coast horse, Rifle, out in the Handicap Maiden Steeplechase, but they were doomed to disap-pointment, as his number was missing from the board. This was the only scratching, and eight went out to do battle for the 80 sovs. Riot was a strong order on the machine, but he quite disappointed his supporters. The two greys, Nellie and Voltigeur, were the first to act as pilots, and led in turns for a round. Over the water jump the second time the order was Voltigeur, Nellie, Libeller, Reporter, Crusado, and Riot. Once over the jump Crusado ran rapidly to the front, and at the home turn Dan McLeod's new purchase had everything else beaten and at his mercy. Burns rode Voltigeur II. vigorously, but although the grey responded gamely he could make no impression on the leader, who won easily, while Nellie, who, I understand, has not been long in work, was a creditable third. Re-porter, who is one of the improving sort and should be heard of during the winter, was fourth, Riot fifth, and Libeller sixth.

The Royal Handicap brought out a field of twelve, and was the best batting race of the day. Partan Jeannie and Manutake were almost equal favorites, while Picklock and Cuirasette were also well backod. The starter had a lot of trouble, and when the barrier did go away the start was a straggling one, and Cuirasette, as is too often the case with this handsome-looking mare, was left at the post. St. Kilds was the smartest on his legs, with The Archer close up, and then St, Elmo, who soon afterwards shot to the front. pursued by Red Lancer and Partan Jeannie. These formed the leading division all the way, and a splendid struggle up the straight terminated in favor of Partan Jeannie by the shortest of heads, St. Elmo being third, only a nose behind Red Lancer, Manutake was fourth, Porangi Potas fifth, St. Kilda sixth, and Bluecap seventh.

THE CHRISTCHURCH RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

[BY CUE CANTERBURY CORRESPONDENT.]

The Christchurch Racing Club, after having postpone, its autumn meeting twice last week account of bad weather, had better luck on on May 17, when the weather turned out fine. The meeting was held on the New Brighton course, and as several of the horses having engagements at Dunedin were running additional interest was takin in the pacing. There were several striking reversals of form, and horses that failed even to get places in the races at the North Canterbury Meeting a for night ago came out and won in meeting a for hight ago came out and won in even better company. As a result, there were three big dividends, the largest being £42 6s in t e Flying Handicap, won by Lapidary In the principal race, the Christchurch Racing Handi-cap, Huku won very comfortably. The stewards at once held a meeting to consider the horse's running as compared with his form at North Capterbury, but as the average mede an evaluate Canterbury, but as the owner made an explanation that was accepted as satisfactory by the stewards the stakes went to the winner, and the twenty-seven ticket-holders got their £14 divi-An unpleasant incident occurred just bedenp. fore the Welter Handicap. O. Stratford, the well-known rider, who had previously steered Jib to victory in the Hurdle Race, went to weigh out for his mount on Speculator, but the clerk of the scales considered that he was not in a fit state to ride, and Stratford at once made use of language which he is now, no doubt, sorry for. as the stewards disqualified him for two years for improper conduct.

The racing commenced with the Hurdles Han-dicap, one mile and a half, the Ahua mare Jib being installed favorite, and with Rhoderick Dhu cut out the running for half a mile. Jib nearly came down at the next fence, but soon got going again, and taking the lead in the last halfmile, went on and won easily by four lengths from Mainstay, with Rhoderick Dhu some disttance away third. Clarence was outpaced. The Maiden Handicap was contested by six horses, among them being the English-bred colt, Benzoin. Vulcan was made favorite, but he had no chance with Benzoin, who won by a couple of lengths. Crusader was a length behind VulcanA field of seven, consisting of the following, went out for the Christchurch Bacing Club Handicap, one mile and a quarter :--Skirmisher, 8.12; Starsbot, 8.9; Paladin, 8.8; Malatua, 7.7; Huku, 7.3; Strathnairn, 7.2; and Range-finder, 6.10. Starshot and Paladin were about equal favorites, the totalisator figures being 115 Starsbot and 112 Paladin. Paladin, Rangefinder, and Huku were the outsiders of the party. From an even start Huku was the first to draw out, and passing the mile post he was a length in front of Strathnairn; who was closely followed by Malatus and Paladin. A quarter of a mile fur-ther on Strathnairn and Paladin headed Huku. These three carried on the running along the back stretch. At the half-mile post Huku and Starshot both passed Strathnairn. The firstnamed always held Hobb's mare safe, and beat her by a length. btrathnairn was two lengths behind Starshot, Malatua fourth, and Paladin fifth.

Backers were a long time making a favorite for the Flying Handicap, five furlongs, but The Orphan (8.3) eventually was elected. Belligerent (7.6), who has not won a race for a long time, carried more money than the others. The race was an interesting one to watch. First Cannonshot led, but after going a furlong The Orphan passed him, Peerage (8.11) and Lapidary (7.0) being just behind. The Orphan looked like winning until the distance post was reached, when Peerage passed her, but O'Brien's colt soon gave way to Lapidary, who won by a couple of lengths. Speculator (7.7) was a similar distance behind Peerage, and then came The Orphan. The winner was the outsider in a field of eleven, there being only six tickets on him. Rochester (9.5), The Spinner (8.6), Ben Farley (8.8), and Bloomer (7.13) were among the unplaced division. dividend was £42 6s. The

Shekel was withdrawn from the Selling Hack Race, of four furlongs. Camel (8.7) won some-what easily from Nor'-Wester (8.2) and Bogen-

gang (8.10). The Welter Handicap, one mile, was considered to be well within the reach of Bizarre, but noth-ing had a show with 1 apidary (9.2). The son ing had a show with 1 apidary (9.2). Ahua simply cantered away from the others at the distance post, and won by four lengths from Wedlock (8.9), iRangefinder (9.2) half a length further away third. Banner (9.3), Me-dallius (8.7), and Hickory (8.2) were the other starters. Lapidary returned his 29½ supporters a dividend of £10 4s.

Two trots were included in the programme. The Brighton Handicap, of one mile, in harness, was won somewhat easily by Mace's colt, Roths-child Boy (21sec), who best Oakwood Abdallah (12sec) by six lengths. Time, 2min 55½sec. Dividend, £2 8s.

The Burwood Trot, one mile, was annexed by Satan (17sec), who beat Young Burlington (5sec) by seven lengths, Pride of Kilkenny (19sec) being third. Nine others started. Time, 2min 52sec. Dividend, £2 8s.

Inter-Provincial.

[OWN COBRESPONDENTS.]

CANTERBURY.

Speculatian over the Takapuna meeting-North Olago Jockey Club -The Christchurch Hunt Club-Some alleged bookmakers-Altair -C. Stratford-The Lancaster Park Trotting Club's new ground.

Trotting Citury new ground. OHEISTCHUBCH, May 23. There was some brisk speculation in Ohrist-church over the Takapuns meeting, but backers, taking it all through, went down badly. Straybird came here as a moral for the Maiden Hurdles, and on top of a private wire came a big commission to back the son of Wanderer. A sum of over £200 altogether came from North for Straybird, but even the best of good things go down sometimes, for which pencillers are thankful. The few local sports who follow Chaafe's stables had a good win over St. Ursula, while another small party who plank their dollars on the Saints in every race they start also came out with a credit balance.

Sportsmen throughout the colony, particularly in Canterbury and Otago, will be pleased to see that the North Otago Jockey Club is again estab. lished, and that owners have come out with strong support fo the forthcoming meeting Among local horses I see that Skirmisher, Djin.Djin, Starshot, Double Event, Strathnairn, Wedlock, Jib, Benzoin, The Orphan, Hypnotist, Orusader, and Ben Farley have been nominated for various events.

The Christchurch Hunt Club held a race on Saturday open to horses the *bona fide* property of farmers whose country is at the disposal of the farmers club. The course was over two miles of hunting country, with a first prize of 25 sovs, the winner to be sold for 25 sovs; any surplus to go to the fund. There were seven starters, and after a good contest A. Bayley's Sultan (£25), 13.0, won by three length from P. Muirhead's Victor, 13.0. The winner was ridden by his owner, who out his horse heads at the antared price. The water got his horse back at the entered price. The race created a considerable amount of interest, and was witnessed by over two hundred people.

Another batch of alleged bookmakers appeared at the Rangiora Court on Tuesday last to answer a charge of having trespassed on the North Can-terbury Jockey Olub's racecourse. F. Franklin, H. Mooney, W. Draper, and R. Chamberlain were each fined £3, T. Butler and T. Watson each £20. The four first-named had previous convictions against them.

WELLINGTON.

Violence—The St. Leger—Sunbeam gelding - Local horses - Hutl Jockeys - Dromedary - Saracen-Nevermore.

WELLINGTON, May 22.

Violence will be sent to Napier for the Hawke's Bay Steeplechase in charge of Bob Kingan who is training her at the Hutt.

A yearling gelding, by St. Leger-Sunbeam (Ingomar-Amohia), arrived here from Auckland last week, but I have not heard who is to be his future mentor. He was consigned to J. J. Smith a local cabman and owner of the trotter Fragment and the pony Recoil. The youngster was bred by Mr D. B. Nolan, and is entered for the Marl-borough Fourth Challenge Stakes (1901) in Mr D. Burns' name.

Upon good authority I learn that the Colonial Secretary is favourable to one Trotting Association

for both islands instead of two as at present. Mr W. Lemon, of Woodville, owner of Bush Rose, has bred a couple of fillies from his mare Repose (Somnus—Polly), and has had them placed in the hands of Penman at Woodville. They are sired by Master Agnes and Kempenfeldt, and have engagements in the Wairarapa and Ashurst Hack Guineas. The Kempenfeldt filly is a brown named Calm.

Bob Campbell submitted a five-year-old geldieg by Derringer-Ngaima, in the yards on Saturday, but failing to reach the resorve (£20) he was taken home again. He is a fine upstanding bay, up to a good weight, who ought to make a first-class hunter or useful steeplechase horse. There no opportunity to qualify hunters in this district.

The jockeys Barlow, Fowler, and V. O'Neill e employed by A. Peters at the Hutt. The latter expects to get a license when he next applies. Mr Walter Armstrong, the Wairarapa handi-capper, informs me that Dromedary is in foal to Saracen.

While at Greytown North recently I saw the thoroughbred horse Saracen (St. George Idalia). It is just twelve months since Mr J.O. Hayward brought him up from the South. He has filled

out into a fine specime of a stallion. Nevermore (St. Andrew-Lenore) is at present an inmate of A. Peters' stable at the Hutt. The local owned Harkaway was well supported

for the Maiden Trot at Christchurch, bu could not foot it with the well bred Dellaroo (Del Paso, imp.-Wanderoo).

OTAGO.

Visitors for the May meeting-The The D.J.C. and totalisator investments—Motion for the Racing Conference—The Oamaru entries.

DUNEDIN, May 22.

There is a fair number of visitors in town for the races, commencing to-morrow, and there is every promise of good fields, but the weather un-fortunately is threatening, and the course is very

heavy. Mr Solomon has altered the name of his colt by St. Clair—Vaultress, from Volt to Banquo. The D.J.C. intend taking money in town for

investment at Wingatui, as they passed the fol-lowing resolution at the monthly meeting "That the secretary be authorised to appoint an agent to take charge of the town office, and receive money for investment on the totalisator at the May meeting next week." It was resolved to give notice of motion for the Racing Conference to add to the value the following will it it has to add to the rules the following :--- "If it be proved to the satisfaction of the stewards of a race meeting that a jockey has broken his engagement to ride without due cause, it shall be in their

power to punish him by fine, suspension, or dis-qualification as they think fit." The Osmaru Club have received exceptionally good entries for their two days' racing to be run next week.

HAWKES BAY.

Whitirea being schooled—Qualification of hunters-Hilda II.-The **Hawke's Bay Jockey Club entries** -En Avanl.

NAPIEE, May 19.

Whitirea did his initial education over a quar-Whitree did his initial education over a duar-tette of little sticks the other morning at Napier Park. The black gelding got through his task in a workmanlike style, and should, with the pace he possesses, be a tough row to hee when he gets

Another of Mr Stead's horses has been sold to go to England. It was announced yesterday that Altair, the winner of the last Canterbury Derby, will leave for England by Wakanui leaving Lyttelton about Saturday next.

At a meeting of the stewards of the Christ-church Racing Club yesterday a letter was read from C. Stratford, who was disqualified for two years for improper conduct to the president and the clerk of the scales at the autumn meeting of the elub at New Brighton on Wednesday last, apologising for his conduct. Stratford attended the meeting personally, and expressed his, regret. After a long discussion, the stewards decided to revise their previous decision, and to disqualify Stratford during the pleasure of the club.

On Saturday the Lancaster Park Trotting Club secured a lease for twenty-one years of thirtyfive acres of the Twigger estate, adjoining the show grounds at Addington. The land is most suitable for a racecourse, being nearly square and perfectly level. It is understood that the lessees intend to approach the Casterbury Trotting Olub with a view to getting all the principal trotting meetings held there. Steps will at once be taken to lay out the track and erect a grandstand. The rental is £4 per acre per annum. The club will take possession on June 1.

Tennis and Regatta shirts.

seasoned at the game. He left his late quarters at Greenmeadows yesterday morning for Hastings, where Docherty will locate him for the future

The Napier Park committee have decided to make all contestants for the Hunters' Flat Face qualify for starting in that event by jumping the gorse double in front of the stand.

Hilda II., the locally-owned mare, is showing reat form over the steeplechase course at Hastings, and her connections are sanguine of her chance in the Wanganui Steeplechase.

The Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's entries for the Hurdles and Steeplechase attracted forty-four entries for the two races, which is exactly the same number as were found in the entry last year upon this occasion. Twenty-two for each race have been nominated, whereas last season twenty-three were found in the hurdle race and twenty-one in the cross country event. As several of those engaged at Hastings will be seen out at Wanganni and Auckland, Mr Henry ought to be able to produce something attractive in the way of a weight manifesto.

The owner of En Avant informed me during this week that he does not think he will journey to Auckland with Forerunner's son.

PROMINENT SPORTING MEN.

MR JOHN MARSHALL.

[BY ATLAS.]

The subject of our sketch this week is Mr John Marshall, a gentleman who has enjoyed a long and honourable career both as a sportsman and a business man in our midst. Mr Marshall is purely an Aucklander, for he was born in Auckland. His boyhood days were spent here, and the only occasion on which he has been absent from New Zealand, has been when he has paid visits for pleasure to Australia, England, and America. Mr Marshall 16 in the prime of life, but lately has not been absent so much from his home as in his younger days, when he took a delight in visiting Melbourne to participate in the excitement of witnessing contests for the Melbourne Cup on famed Flemington, and on still more famed Epsom in 1877 he had the pleasure of seeing Lord Falmouth's Blair Athol colt Silvio winthe Blue Riband of the English turf, the most coveted classic trophy of the year. It was not, however, until the season 1883 that we found Mr Marshall taking an active part on the turf as an owner, and his debut in that season was of such a successful nature that the head of a less level minded man would have been turned, and bear in mind he was then only a young man. His early successes as well as his reverses were borne with that quiet unassuming demeanour that has characterised him through life, and has with his other sterling qualities made him so generally esteemed by a circle of friends not confined to New Zealand. It

was with that grand mare Necklace that he made his debut in 1883. Necklace, as most of our nis acout in 1883. Necklace, as most of our readers know, was bred by the New Zealand Stud Company in 1881, and is by Musket out of Locket. Considering the great breeding of this mare it is no wonder that she could race. We all know what Musket was, and on the dam's side she inherited the Stockwell blood from her size Thundwholt himself a great English mercanic Thunderbolt, himself a great English performer. Nowadays Necklace would have cost Mr Marshall more than the 150 guineas he paid for her as a two-year-old. In the A.R.C. Nursery Stakes she was opposed by those undoubtedly great horses Krupp, Fusilier, Trenton, and four others, and this we think was the first time—at any rate it was amongst the first times - that the all black of Was another the set of the turf. They were in the van on the back o! Necklace that day, just as they were in the van on the back of Auld Reekie at Takapuna on Saturday last, while they have been carried many times to victories honourably won since 1883 in both Australia and New Zealand. Necklace's victory in the Nursery Stakes was a big surprise to the general public, the good thing being participated in only by Mr John Marshell and a start of the star Marshall and a few of his cronies, who drew the three or four hundred pounds invested on the machine, wrapped it in a handkerchief, and divided it under the shades of an adjacent tree in Maori fashion. Those were merry merry days when our notions were perhaps happier than now. Necklace's success was continued at the autumn meeting when she won the Mares' Produce Stakes beating Krupp, Carbineer and others by three lengths. She ran the six furiongs in 1min 17% see, but the going was not so fast then as now, and the fact that she had show Mr Marshall lmin 16sec in a trial before the race is an indication that she could have done much better if she had been wanted. That the public had experienced an eye opener in the Nursery Handicap is shown by the fact that in the Marce' Produce Stakes the dividend was only £3 8s, and Mr Marshall and invinent was only to os, and hir marshall and his friends did not require a handkerchief as in the first race to carry away their gains. Another great performance which Mr Marshall remembers with pleasure and pride is when, at the same meeting, Necklace ran a dead heat with Krupp beating Woodnymph and four others in the Ellershie Plate. On that occasion the filly carried Pate. On that occasion the may carried 9st 4lbs while her colt opponent had 8lbs less. The pair did not run the race off, but divided. Without fol-lowing the history of Mr Marshall's mare too closely, it will probably suffice to give a summary of her subsequent performances. As a three-rear old she was second in the Augkland Derby. of her subsequent performances. As a three-year old she ran second in the Auckland Derby; won the Tradesman's Plate and the Publican's Purse at the A.B.C. Autumn Meeting. As a four-year-old she won the Newmarket Handicap at the A.R.C. Summer Meeting, cutting out the six furlongs in 1min 143eec; the Dunedin J.C. Handicap; the Forbury Handicap; second in Dunedin Cup; won Dunedin Railway Stakes; as well as several other evonts at Hawke's Bay and elsewhere. Bather a funny story is told of one of Necklace's defeats. She was engaged in a Shorts Handicap, won by Koala, and it is stated that the horse himself started the race, as he that the horse himself started the race, as he kicked the starter, who dropped the flag, and the field went off without Necklace. Necklace is now one of the dams at Wellington Park, she having become the property of Mr Morrin, and has given to the turf such hors is as Swordbelt, Miss Letty, Collarette, and Cravat. During Necklace's career the "all black" of Mr Marshall was successfully the " carried by such horses as Derringer, Thunder-bolt, and Turquoise. Thunderbolt is a younger brother of Necklace, and was bought for 300 guineas by Mr Marshall out of a number of guineas by Mr Marshall out of a number of youngsters that the Stud Company had selected to send to Australia for sale. This was a lucra-tive venture, and Thunderbolt's early success shows that Mr Marshall is not a bad judge, as his two-year-old career was one of unbroken success. He was sold for £1750 to go to Australis to be prepared for the classic three year-old events, but things did not go right with him. He is now doing stud duty in South Australia, and gives promise of achieving great distinction as a sire. During his two year-old career he beat Foulshot every time he met him, and Mr Mar-shall won the other two year-old races with Derringer. At the Autumn Meeting of 1884 the "all black" was conspicuously successful, as with the aid of Necklace, Thunderbolt, and Derringer Mr Marshall annexed no less than seven races. About this time Mr Marshall had bought Tur-quoise from the well known bookmaker, Mr

Vallance, who has since been drowned. Vallance thought that Turquoise was a good horse, but he went a little wrong in his preparation for a big Ellerslie event. Vallance's loss was Mr Marshall's gain, as he afterwards won several good races. After winning some big races in the North, Mr Marshall took Turquoise as far South as Dunedin with Necklace, and the handicapper thought so much of him that in the Stewards Handicap he was asked to carry 10st. Little Adam Byers was his jockey then, and as the modest little chap in those days only weighed 6st 7lb he had to be loaded up with lead. Necklace and Lochiel were in the race, and Mr Marshall did not give Turquoise a hope. Necklace was his fancy, and he gave the stable commis-sioner £25 to put on the mare. The commissioner strongly advised a division of the money, £20 on Necklace and £5 on Turquoise, but our friend was obdurate, and thought that dead-weight lead was just as much as Turquoise and his tiny jockey were entitled to carry. Therefore all the £25 went on Necklace, and the only instructions the little Adam of those days got was to "get away with Lochiel and win if you can." Good instructions these, although open, but it is certain that the level headed owner thought that the brilliant Necklace would cut the pair down at the finish. For once he had reckoned without taking into consideration what might happen at the post. In those days the starting was by flag, and the horses were kept prancing round the starter for upwards of an hour, by which time Necklace was in a lather of foam, and when the flag fell it was found that little Adam had got away as well as Lochiel. The innocent youth was probably in better condition in those days than he is now. Be that as it may he rode a great race for a youngster and won the stake for his owner, who had not backed his horse for a dollar. All the same Mr Marshall was proud of the win, and to

while the performances of Pearl Shell stamped her as a perfect pearl. True she was defeated in the V.R.C. Derby—that famous Derby in which the Hon. James White's Ensign beat New Zealand's pride, Carbine, through the superior horse-manship of the best jockey that Australia has produced, Tommy Hales. When the serious end of the journey came, Pearl Shell was going so well that the watchful public proclaimed her vic-tory, but the brilliant Carbine cut her down, and Mick O'Brien, with the filly's Oaks prospects in his eye, did not persevere. It was just then that Hales came with that famous rush on Ensign, which ended in Carbine's defeat and Melos getting third place, a position which Mick O'Brien afterwards stated would have been Pearl Shell's if he had chosen to persevere. Mick O'Brien was a splendid judge as well as jockey, and he after-wards had the satisfaction of riding the beautiful New Zealand filly to victory in the V.R.O. and A.J.C. Oaks. These are classic victories that any owner, even if he hailed from England or America, These are classic victories that any would be proud of, and it is not surprising to find that our own Auckland sportsman, in his quiet way, was proud of the achievement, and by way of showing his appreciation of the services of Mick O'Brien, who had ridden both Pearl Shell and Necklet in their engagements, he not only liberally subsidised the honest and talented jockey, but presented him with Braemar. It was after this that O'Brien formed one of the syndicate that paid the big price for the disappointing Tradition, sold at the same time that Mr Dan. O'Brien parted with Carbine at a smaller figure to Mr Donald Wallace. Heigh, ho! These recollections are both pleasant and sad. Sad because poor Mick has long since passed away. As good a jockey and as honest a lad as ever lived. After Pearl Shell's time Mr Marshall visited America for pleasure, and on his return still interested himself in sport and has bred several racehorses. the present day speaks in the most kindly terms But we are getting into space. Suffice it to say of little Adam because he was "such a modest that at the present time he owns Auld Reekie,



Photo by F. W. Edwards, Anckland. MR JOHN MARSHALL.

youngster." Mr G. G. Stead was nonplussed by his defeat, and little Adam was as proud as his employer, and, it is said, paraphrased the Scottish bard by repeating "Lochiel, Lochiel, beware of the day when Turquoise shall meet thee in battle array." Lochiel however since then has done Lochiel, however, since then has done array. mightier things than Turquoise, and the name of the bonnie son of Prince Charlie is very properly a household word in Australia. Mr Marshall is identified with Pearl Shell, one of the most beautiful mares that New Zealand has produced. She was by Musket out of Pearl Ash, and, therefore, full sister to Industry, who has produced such giants of the turf as Gaulus and The Grafter, two Melbourne Cup winners. Pearl Shell carried the Marshall "all black" to victory here, and was then taken to Victoria, and the writer well re-members the sensation she created there. She was a symmetrical mare, with one of the most luxuriant tails that a horse could hope to be blessed with, especially in a fly-infested country. What a boon would such a tail prove to the cattle drovers' horses on the Barcoo. In the rich Ascot Vale Stakes she just suffered defeat at the hands of the Hon. James White's speedy Volley, but she was carrying a 14lb penalty, otherwise the result might have been different. The severe task set her in that race seemed to knock her out for the time, and she finished out of a place in the Sires' Produce Stakes, which most people expected to see her win. Mr Marshall was not discouraged with these defeats, but left her with Tom Lamond -now Alderman Tom Lamond, of Waterloo, Sydney-to be trained for her three-year old career, and returning to Auckland Mr Marshall paid a good price for Necklet (the full sister to Necklace and Thunderbolt) and took her over with Braemar to Australia. The turf records show how eminently successful our Auskland sportsman was in his invasion of Australia. He won the rich Maribyrnong Plate with Necklet,

who won at Takapuna, as well as Coalscuttle, her dam. Auld Reekie was Coalscuttle's first foal. This year Mr Jack Chaste has a promising year-ling filly out of the same dam by St. Leger in charge, and if she carries the "all black" to vic-tory as others have done in the past the public will not regret it, as Mr Marshall's representatives are always out to win. Cannongate is another of Mr Marshall's property, and at the last Sylvia Park sales he bought a fine-looking colt by Seaton Delaval out of Leocante. This colt brought the top price of the sale and has since been added to the list, a process that was rendered necessary by his precocious nature. He is now in the hands of Mr Marshall's trainer (the veteran Jack Chaafe) and is full of promise. The turf has received substantial support from Mr Marshall outside his position as an owner. He was an active officer of the club that ran at Henderson's Mill, and for several years was a committeeman of the Auck-land Olub, and for one year was the treasurer of that important institution. For three years Mr Marshall has been president of the Auckland Athletic Club and has also been president of the Auckland Regatta Committee, the Northern Row-ing Association, and Auckland Rowing Club; patron of the Auckland Swimming Club, as well as vice president of a number of other athletic badies. It will thus he seen that the domain of bodies. It will thus be seen that the domain of sport owes much to our respected citizen, Mr John Marshall. The smart boy-we all hear of him. But the duller plodding boy will beat him in the long run. Why? Because the latter has the gift of application. Note this fact, parents and boys, it's worth storing in your know-ledge-box. Similarly, Woobs' GREAT PERPENANT CUBE is a brilliant discovery, but its efficacy lies in its applica-tion. No cold, catarrh, or kidney complaint can stay when it arrives. Mark this: 18 6d and 28 6d a bottle at at all chemists.--[ADVT.]

Our Illustrations.

The illustrations which ornament our pages this week should be of widespread interest. stage is well represented with reproductions of photographs of Miss Billie Howarde, Miss Georgie Devoe, Mr Robert Henry, and Mr Chas. Faning. Miss Billie Howarde has, since her last visit to Auckland in October last, created a most favorable impression during the southern tour of the Henry Dramatic Company. In the cities and big towns of the colony her acting has been characterised as bright, sparkling, and vivacious by the critics, and the public have shown their appreciation by thronging the theatres at every perform. ance. Mr Robert Henry is so well-known that there is no need to extol his merits here. Auck landers have this week had the opportunity of witnessing his excellent work in "Shamrock and Thistle" and "Under Two Flags." The capital photographs of Miss Billie Howarde and Mr Robt. Henry, from which our illustrations are repro-duced, were taken by Mr Squire, of Hawera. The pictures of Miss Georgie Devoe and Mr Charles Faning, who are now starting with the Gaiety Company at the City Hall, are admirable portraits of these mirth-provoking comedians, and must be appreciated by our readers. The Fanings are great favorites here, and their popularity will no doubt extend throughout the colony.

It was only a few weeks ago that we referred in terms of praise to Mr R. G. Bauchope, the popular and energetic secretary of the Taranaki Jockey Club. Now it is our sad duty to chronicle his sudden demise from heart disease on Sunday night. Mr Bauchope was for ten years the secretary of the Taranaki Jockey Club, and during his tenure of of ce the club has prospered exceedingly. His painfully sudden death comes as a blow to all his friends, to whom we tender our sincere condolences.

We also reproduce pictures of Mr A. A. Ambridge, the well-known secretary of the Bell Block Racing Club; of Mr Stan Humphries, who Block Racing Club; of Mr Stan Humphries, who has recently been elected secretary of the Taranaki Rugby Football Union; of Mr J. C. Booth's-three-year old St. Jack, by St. Leger—Balista; and a picture of the Takapuna totalisator house. Mr John Marshall's portrait is also given in this issue, and full particulars of this genial sportsman's career will be found in another part of the name.

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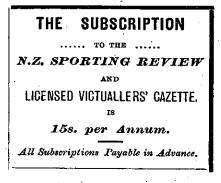
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[BY PETRONEL.]

TROTTING CALENDAR. FIXTURES.

May 26, Fri; 27, Sat-Tahuna Park T.C Winter

NOTES.

Lynbrook, who won the first heat of the Juvenile Stakes at the Christchurch Trotting Club's meeting, was bred at the Hutt by Mr James Pettie, his owner. His sire (Brooklyn) and dam (F.B.) have been successful performers in Christchurch. Both are by Blackwood Abdallab.

The Comet who trotted at the North Canterbury and Christchurch R.C. meetings is not the local horse (Andrews') who is said to be a full brother to Monte Carlo. Mr Andrews informed the secretary of the Greytown meeting so on entering for Queen's Birthday.

The stewards of the Hawke's Bay Trotting Club met on Tuesday night at Caulton's Hotel, Hastings. Mr W. Y. Dennett occupied the chair. The principal business was to consider the ques-tion of the disputed identity of the pony Patron. held over from the last races at Hastings. The stewards decided to hand over the stakes to the owner of Patron, the evidence obtainable being insufficient to justify them in withholding the money.



ABOUND THE TOTALISATOR AT TAKAPUNA.

Now that the South Wairarapa Hospital Trot' ting Club has obtained a permit, we understand that next season it will be made into a racing club, and pressure will be brought to bear to get the programme passed.

The best treated horse in the handicaps at the South Wairarapa meeting, on performances, is Comet, and the worst Montreal. The latter has won in Australia, but his time is not given, consequently he has been taken care of. Several of the entries are regarded with suspicion and should any of these prevail their owners will be asked to have their horses photographed and themselves sign a declaration. There are at least half a-dozen engaged who should be photographed for future reference whether they win or not.

The Tahuna Park Trotting Club's Winter Meeting takes place on May 26 and 27.

CANTERBURY TROTTING CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

[BY OUR CANTERBURY CORRESPONDENT.]

What promises to be one of the biggest trotting meetings ever held in New Zealand com-menced on Thursday, under the auspices of the Canterbury Trotting Club, which has assisted in no small degree to promote this particular branch of sport. Its meetings have always been admirably conducted, and the public shows its appreciation by bestowing most liberal patronage. This year the winter gathering pro-mises to be quite as successful as its predecessor. Thursday turned out beautifully fine, and the public rolled up in thousands. The sport from first to last was of a kind that should satisfy the most fastidious lover of horse racing. It is seldom that three horses finish within a few lengths of each other in a two mile trot, but such was the case in the Addington Handicap, the Australianbred pony, Cling, beating Vickery by a length, while Mr Mace's beautiful mare, Jessie Palm, was only a couple of lengths behind the second horse, As I have previously said, the trotting throughout was first-class, and some splendid performances were put up. Valiant, the full-brother to Mr J. A. Buckland's celebrated champion, Fritz, promises to develope into another champion. Mr Buckland may well feel proud of his wo-year-old son of Vancleve and Swallow. Valiant simply romped away from his three opporents in the second heat of the Juvenile Stakes, and won by nearly the length of the straight in the remarkably fast time of 2min 35sec. This performance will not, I think, be beaten by a two-year-old for some time, unless Valiant reduces it himself.

The Maiden Handicap, two miles in saddle, produced a capital race, Dellaroo (14sec), by Del Paso-Wanderoo, just beating Bonnie (19sec) by a couple of lengths. The winner comes from Dunedin, and thus early in the meeting ,a visiting owner secured a win and the substantial dividend of £12. B. Grossen, a well-known Dunedin rider and driver, rode the winner. St. Julian (ser), the property of Mr Buckland, was distanced.

The Pony Handicap, two miles in harness, brought out ten starters. Again the majority of backers failed to spot the winner, Amelia, a five-year old mare by Berlin Abdal ah, on the 15see mark.- She took the lead at the end of a mile,

including Mr Buckland's Sunshine (11sec), Monte Carlo (scr), and Bellman (13sec). Can-didate (15sec), now the property of Mr W. Scott, of Dunedin, was made favorite, and although he trotted very unsteadily at times he just managed to win by half a length from The Joker (13sec), with Au Revoir third, seven lengths away. Time, 5min 11sec. Dividend, £1 16s.

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Next came the Lincoln Handicap, two miles in harness. Mr Buckland's Val (4sec) was made a strong favorite, but failed to get near the limit horses. The winner turned up in Mr B. Edwards' Johnny III. (44sec), by Lincoln Yet, on whom there were only five and a half tickets. Johnny III. won by half a length from Wandering Willie (14sec), and paid his supporters the fine dividend of £81 14s for each £1 invested. Time, 5min 27sec.

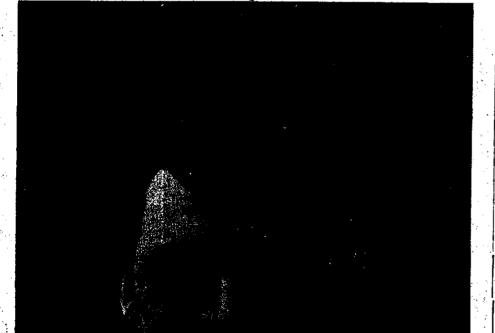
The Electric Handicap was won by The Joker, by Texas—Lady Mary, who had 12sec start. Bradlaugh (8sec) was second, three lengths behind the winner, Shylock (14sec) third, and Ascot (14sec) fourth. The Auckland owned mare, Judah, was not allowed to start, owing to the necessary certificates not coming to hand. The Joker cut out the mile in 2min 35sec, and paid a £7 dividend.

The Dash Handicap, one mile and a half, for pacers only, saw the red-hot favorite Almont (19sec), by Rothschild—Spot mare, 3yyrs, win by three lengths from Honest Jack (20sec), and oung Burlington (12sec). Time, 4min 2sec. Dividend, £1 10s.

During the day the sum of £4103 10s passed through the machines. The results were :---

MAIDEN HANDICAP (saddle) of 55 sovs.

Two miles. Dellaroo, 14sec 1 Bonnie, 19sec 2 Fourteen started. Time, 5min 29 2-5sec. Dividend, £12. PONY HANDICAP (harness) of 45 sovs. Two miles. Amelia, 15sec Rimu, 27sec 1 ¹Lassie, 15sec Time, 5min 46.ec. Dividend, £6 4s. JUVENILE STAKES (harness) of 260 sovs. One mile. First Heat:



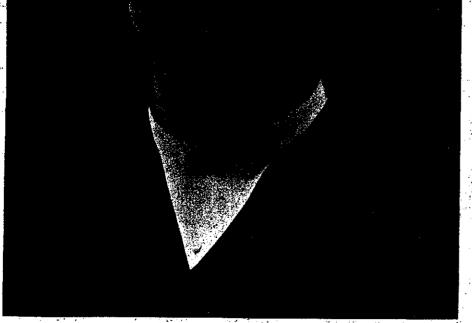


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and although hard pressed at times by Rimu (27sec), won by four lengths, paying a dividend of £6 4a

Then followed the heats of the Juvenile Stakes Then followed the heats of the dynamic States of 260 sovs, one mile in harness, open to two-year-olds. Lynbrook, by Brooklyn-F.B.; won the first heat by over forty yards from Royal Wood, by Wildwood - Nellie M. W(ary and Young Wildwood also started. Time, 3min 01-5sec. In the second heat Valiant won anyhow from Bangle, Susie Wild, and Fleetwood. Mr. Mace's colt, Rothschild Boy, injured himself in his race at New Brighton, and did not start.

The Addington Handicap, two miles in harnes The Addington Handicap, two mires in narress, proved the most exciting race of the day. Col-lector (16sec) was favorite, and Harold B. (10sec), Laderdale (13sec), Jessie Palm (10sec), and Motuiti (13sec) were all well backed. Collector led for nearly a mile and a quarter, when La-derdale passet him, while Jessie Palm, Cling; Vickery, and Sam Slick were all close up. Jessie Palm teak command gains down the back stratch Palm took command going down the back stretch for the last time, but gave way to Cling and Vickery at the entrance to the straight. A great race home ensued between Vickery and the Face nome ensued between vickery and the Dunedin-owned pony, the latter gaining first place by a length, with Jessie Palm two lengths further away third, Latderdale fourth; Harild B. fifth, and Sam Sick sixth. Time, 5min 10sec. Dividend, £15 10s.

Another fine race was witnessed in the Winter Handicap, two miles in saddle. Thirteen started, | dend, £81 148.

Lynbrook Royalwood Four started. Won easily. Time, 3min 1 1 5sec. Dividend, £4 10s.

Second Heat:

Valiant .

Four started, the other three being distanced. Time, 2min 35sec. Dividend, £1 16s. ADDINGTON HANDICAP (harness) of 120 sovs.

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Two miles.

Cling, 12sec 1 Vickery, 6see Jessie Palm, 10sec Ten started. Time, 5min 10sec. Dividend, £15 10s.

WINTER HANDICAP (saddle) of 100 sovs. Two miles.

Candidate, 15sec 14447 The Joker, 13sec Au Revoir, 22sec 2 -3 Thirteen started. Time, 5min 11sec. Dividend, £1 16sec.

LINCOLN HANDICAP (harness) of 100 sovs. Two miles.

Johnnie III., 14sec Wandering Willie, 14sec Honest Jack, 14sec • • • 8 Thirteen started. Time, 5min 27sec. Divi-

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ELECTRIC HANDICAP (saddle) of 80 BOYS. One mile. The Joker, 12sec 1 ... 2 Bradlaugh, Ssec ... Shylock, 14seo ... 3 ... Sixteen started. |Time, 2min 35sec. Dividend. £7. DASH HANDICAP (harness) of 80 sovs, for pacers only. One mile and a half. Almont, 19sec Honest Jack, 20sec 2 ... Young Burlington, 12sec ... 3 Eight started. Time, 4min 2sec. Dividend, Young Burlington, 12sec . 3

£1 10s.

Casual Jottings.

[BY TAIHOA.]

NEW PLYMOUTH, May 16.

E. Williams passed through here to day on his way to Auckland with the jumpers Kaitos and Conscript. He was accompanied by a half-caste jockey. Williams informed me that all going well he would start Kaitoa in the Great Northern Steeple, and Conscript in the Tally-Ho Steeple.

I understand that Pyroxylin has taken pretty kindly to jumping, and providing nothing unfor-

many to jumping, and plotting being and start at seen occurs the big chap will be a contestant at the Northern National Meeting. Marina is talked of as possessing a chance of annexing the Northern National Hurdles. Her running at Wanganui should be an index to her chance

Mr H. B. Curtis, of Stratford, owns the dam of that good hack racer Dr. Bill (by Vanguard). I believe he intends to mate her with Sylvia Park

this year. Stallions are not in great demand in the Tara-naki district. I was talking to the owner of Lebel the other day, and he was fairly disgusted at the patronage given the compact son of Nordenfeldt and Pulohra, so much so in fact that he intends for the future to use Lebel only for his own thoroughbred mares, of which he has a number. He added that in this way he hoped to prove the worth of Lebel as a producer of racing stock. The gentleman in question has places at Awakino and Waitana, where he will run the mares. Mr J. J. Russell has a half-brother to Muscatel

in hand, being by Vanguard.

Dummy is in work again after his enforced spell. I understand the son of The Mute was considered to be too backward to contest at Wanganui.

The prospects of several probable candidates for the next New Zealand Cup are being freely discussed along the coast, and many persons seem to be only awaiting the production of the nomi-nations to take a long shot about their fancies.

The jumper Muscatel was enquired after by an Auckland layer before the Wanganui acceptances closed, but no deal resulted. Mr Dover, I hear, was asking a very reasonable price for the mare.

WANGANUI, May 23.

Mr B. G. Bauchope, secretary of the Taranaki Jockey Club, died suddenly on Sunday night from heart failure. Death came as a shock to his friends, Mr Bauchope has been the scoretary of the Taranaki Club some ten years, and was sixtytwo years of age

The Wanganui Jockey Club for the first time have notified b okmakers and their clerks that they will not be admitted to the Winter Meeting.

The Wanganui | lub will institute an innovation at the Winter Meeting, in the shape of a stard on wheels which can be taken to any part of the course, and from which the stewards told off will watch races to detect stiff running and foul riding. Mayday, Barbarian, and Remus are in work at

Hawers for the Auckland meeting. Cairo has broken down badly through slipping

when doing slow work at home. Pokomoko has recovered from his mishap, and is in slow work again.

Turf Records.

TAKAPUNA J.C. WINTER MEETING.

FIRST DAY-FATURDAY, MAY 30.

The weather was very unfavorable for the first day of ne multing, and the track was in a sloppy condition. It sattendance under the circumstances was good, and ne sum of £4551 was passed through the machine. the sum Results :-

HANDICAP MAIDEN HURDLES of 66 sove ; second horse 5 sove from the stakes. One mile and a haif and 5 sovs from the stakes.

185 Mr A. W. Phillip's br m Leons, aged, 89, Wilson 8 Other starters-32 Lenn, 95; 157 The Slave, 8.7; 68 Evison, 7.8; 118 Physheratures, 7.4; 15 Trooper, 7.2; 21 Clansman, 6.10; 42 Botfly, 6.7; 39 Lady, 6.7; 43 Tempta-tors 5.7 tion, 6.7. Woll B

Wou casily by five lengths, with Leona thir 1. Time, Imin 27 2-5sec. Dividends, inside, £48s; outside, £98s.

Pops 20 Mr J. Marshall's b m Auld Reekie, 3yrs. 70, W. Stewart Other starters-64 Firefly, 9.0; 87 Coronet, 8.11; 62 Admirs' Hawke, 82; 63 Lill's, 7.6; 113 Crusade, 6.12; 64 > t Lawrence, 7.1. Won by half a head, with Auld Reekis, well up. third, and Firefly, three lengths away fourth. Time, 2min 27 4 5 sec. Dividends, inside, £20 14s; outside, £9 4s.

FIRST HANDICAP HURDLE RAOS of 100 sovs; second borse iC sovs from the stake. Two miles.

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152 Mr R. Hannon's ch g Bellman, b Tettord-Orphan, 6yrs 10.12, Barry 87 Mr P. Chaafe's b g Nor' West, 6yrs, 11,12, R. Ha

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HANDICAP MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE of 80 sovs : second horse 10 sovs from the stake. Alout two miss.

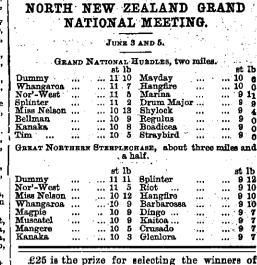
Mr Dan McLeod's bik g trusado, by Croiser -Prudence, 8.1 . rerga

WINTER WELTER HANDICAP, one mile.—Coronet, Red Lancer, Firefly, Snider, Regulus, St Kilda, Acone, Auld Reekie, Orusade. Cannongate, St Ursula, The Archer, St Gordon, Brilliant, Favona. Wellington, Pyroxylin, Cavalier, Lieutenant, Indian Shot, Admiral Hawke, Cuirasette, Doctor, Cornish Boy. SELING STEFLEGHASF, about three miles.—Bradshaw mil, Magpie nil. Opou 220, Weodcock nil, Natation 220, Kine-ora nil, Riffe 240, Dorothy II. nil, Conscript 220, Hirstland nil, Dingo 520, Bonovoree nil. Marden Nil, Dingo 520, Bonovoree nil. Marden Verdi, Try Me, Tiki, Kangaack, Hylas, Kaitoa, Barbarossa, Straybird, Waitress, Voltgeur II., Puriri. Pony Hurdles, one mile and a three-quarters.—Dodo, Deatist, Verdi, Try Me, Tiki, Kangaack, Hylas, Kaitoa, Barbarossa, Straybird, Waitress, Voltgeur II., Puriri. Pony Hurdles, one mile and a half.—Nellie, Leona, Paikarari, Trooper, Nithmount, Temptation, Morceau, Pipiwharauroa, Recruit, Edison. LADIES BRACCLET, one mile and a half.—Shylock, The Needle, Volcano, Snider, Regulus, St Jack, Auld Reekie, St Innis, St Aida: Waitress, Brigham Young.

SRCOND MAIDEN HUBDLES, one mile and three-quarters. --Nellie, Dentist, Dodo, Verdi, Tiki, Regulus, Knapsack, Reporter, Hylas, Thelma, Barbarian, Straybird, Waitress, Pyroxylin, Voltigeur II. Boadicea, Puriri, Cornish Boy. PONY HURDLES, one mile and a half.-Nellie, Leona, Paikarari, Trooper, Nithmount, Temptation, Morceau, Pipiwharaurca, Reeruit, Edison.

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 HANDICAP HURDLES, two miles.— Shylook. Whangaroa, Tim, Libeller. Try Me, Bellman. Regulus, Mayday. Drum Major, Straybird, Marina, Splinter, Boadicea, Puriri.
 TALLY-HO STEEFLECHASE, about three miles.— Dentist, Magpie. Riot, Mangere, Woodcock, Barbarossa, Kia-ora, Libeller, Rifle, Musscatel, Miss Nelson, Glenlora, Kanaka, Reporter, Conscript, Crusado, Remus, Hirstland, Dingo, Voligeur II.

SECOND WELTER HANDICAP, seven furlongs.-Coronet, Knight of Athol, Merry M.id, The Needle, Red Lancer, Firefly, Solo, Quilted, B-llman, Snider, St Kilda, Acone, Crusade, St Jack, Auld Reekie, Cannongate, St Ursula, The Archer, Brilliant, Favona, Wellington, Pyroxylin,



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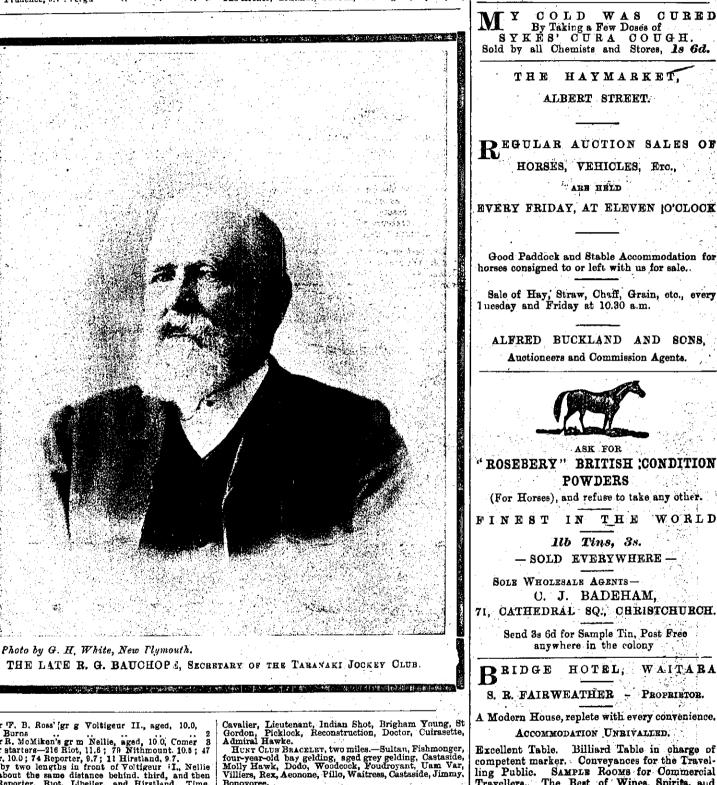
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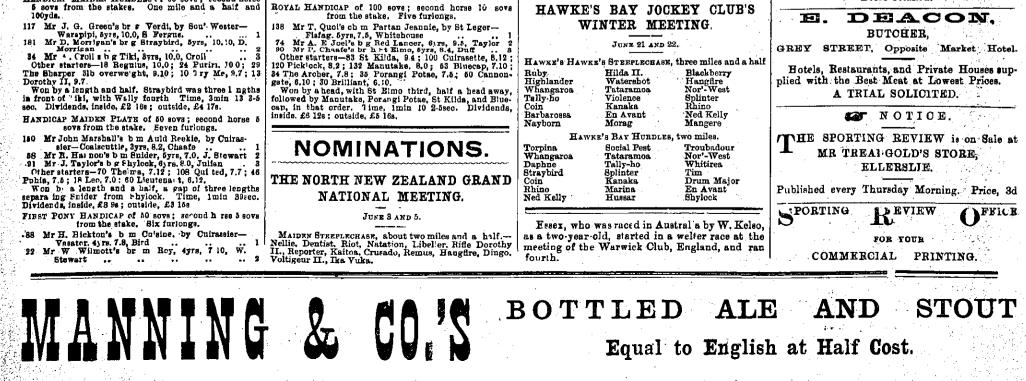
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THE "TIGER'S EYE."

[BY MABLE MADISON.]

CHAPTER IV--CONCLUDED.

Three weeks of my month's probation passed. There was a garden party at longwood and I had been invited to attend. It was en masque, but I donned only a single domino. In a short time I penetrated almost every disguise.

time 1 penetrated almost every disguise. My sister made a magnificent Diana. Adele Beaufort was a Dresden shepherdess, Lionel Ware a toreador, Lenore de Lorme a gorgeous Oleopatra. Mephisto alone puzzled me. There was something familiar in bis mien, yet I could not place him. Like a shadow he kept in the train of Checarte. train of Cleopatra.

Lionel Ware soon discovered Lenore and made himself known to her. I saw them stroll away himself known to her. I have been shadow-through the grounds, followed by their shadow-Mephisto. They entered a Summer house, and in the shadow near them Mephisto hid. I, still at a distance, watched them all. In a short time Lionel hurried away to the house, returning shortly with a shawl. In the meantime Mephisto entered the Summer house, and, urged by some strange presentiment, I drew near enough to hear what he might say I did not wish to play the eavesdropper, but it was an unequal fight for friend's honor and my life, and I felt I was my justified.

By the light of a Moorish lamp I saw Me-phisto's face, for his mask lay on the floor. It was Col. Romaine.

"You are a fool, like all women," he was sying, "You count of the cost nothing, but you saying, "You count of the c must do as I command you."

Lenore laughed. Oh! I had heard that laugh before and knew its meaning. The tigress

was not to be tamed ! "I can deny every word you utter, and no one will believe you," she said. "You cannot. I have one card which I shall

not play until the end, but it will win, and you will lose everything you barter in this game." "It is needless to talk with me. I am de-

termined."

" Determined to ruin this man !"

Love cannot ruin him.

"You are incapable of love."

"Well, then, my beauty must answer for all." "Your beauty is the beauty of Circe. You

will lead him only to misery."

"You do not know me."

"I know you better than you know yourself. I have given you your last moment's grace. When he returns you know what you must do." And if I should refuse ?

I still hold the final card. But, first, I will tell him the story of Paul Romaine and the woman who swore at the altar to love and honor him. I will tell him you are my wife, the mother of my child, who, deserted by its unnatural parent, perished for want of care, while you fied with your miserable lover."

"That is not true. The child was killed ac-cidentally. I took her with me because, bad as I was, my maternal love was the strongest part of my nature. Even to day the thought of that little child moves me as nothing else in the world can move me. It comes to me in the night and darkness of my life, like a ray from Paradise, down which the truth of a spiritual hereafter comes and fills my soul with a vague hope for eternity. Ob, Paul, I was not bad. The first misstep was an error, but it has taken a mountain of sins to cover that error, and under that my soul lies buried."

" Is it possible there is some good in you, after all ?"

"Love can bring back all the good in my ature. Go away. Let me be happy, and I nature. Go away. Let me be happy, and I evear to you I will be as good, as true, as noble as any woman on earth can be." "What you ask me is criminal. You are still

my wife." "You, of all the world, know this."

"How can you speak of redemption and crime in one breath! He is returning. Remember, I am near and ready to play the last card." He glided like a shadow to a spot very near my place of concealment just as Lionel Ware re-

turned.

Ware instantly noticed a change in Lenore. She looked as she did that morning after swoon-

ing, and strangely I began to pity her. "You are cold—ill!" said Ware, anxiously. "No, only tired," she replied. "Tired! Do you wish—"" "I wish nothing."

"How strangely you speak."

I saw her lean forward and, with her hand on his arm, whispered rapidly something which seemed to startle him. Neither Romaine nor I could hear her words, but her manner was full of anner was full of

Lionel never spoke. I had turned on her with burning words of rage. His silence was worse than my threats. Without a look he turned and left her. I hurried after him, determined that no desperate act should end his life. I wanted to speak to him-to console him-but something hel be back

He hastened away from the scene of festivity, and reaching his own home, threw himself despairingly upon the steps leading to the verandah, where three short weeks before he had demanded my life for telling him the truth about this woman.

One word of mine could have restored his confidence in her love for him, at last. I had but to tell him of the conversation I had everheard between her and Col. Romaine. But could I do this? Could I lead him into so shadowy a happiness? Then another motive stayed me. In Adele Beaufort's eyes I had read a love far more sincere than Lenore's; a love disregarded, if not unknown—pure—sweet—the first love of an in-nocent girl, and I was determined to foster an answering passion in his heart, if I could.

I knew I must act with caution, but frankness. I went forward and placed my hand on his

shoulder. "What are you doing here?" he cried, bitterly.

"I did not like the look on your face, so I a part similar to my own in Lenore de Lorme's game of hearts, and I was determined to be near you if you became as mad as I."

"It was your hand that threw the dagger." "No, I swear it. No!"

"Do you know who it was?"

"Yes."

"Then tell me ; I have a right to know." "Only another victim of Lenore de Lorme's."

"Here, in this place ?"

" Even here."

All night I sat and talked with him. I was careful not to speak of Adele Beaufort then. I felt such a matter required delicate treatment, so Ι waited till the wound began to heal.

It was exceeding bad taste for Lenore to remain at Leroymond after what had happened, but with the grace of a diplomat she laughed it

off, and remained on good terms with everybody. I never quite knew how I accomplished it, but I finally awakened in him an interest for Adele Beaufort. With such devotion shining from her frank, truthful eyes, this was not so difficult. With interest came liking, and I soon began to believe the little flower of love was taking root there.

I well knew Lionel had never really loved Lenore. It was a madness such as only she could inspire, and, after all, true love is the best remedy for such insanity. Had I found such a love when I first left her I would not have borne the scars of my self-inflicted heart wounds all my

CHAPTER V.

Summer passed—Autumn came.

life.

Autumn in Louisiana is beautiful. We did not dream of quitting the hillside for town, so Leroymond was never gayer. People came and went as do the characters in a drama, and Madame Beaufort's resources seemed inexhaustible.

Near Leroymond was an old ruin known as Klepthold. It had been the homestead of Leroymond during the war. Shell and fire had left it only an interesting relic of history, and Virginia creepers and honeysuckle had covered all unsightly angles with beauty.

This was a favorite spot for our afternoon picnics.

On a moss-covered stone floor our table-cloth was spread, and we dined and wined happily.

It was at one of these merry gatherings that I saw Lenore slip a bit of paper into Lionel Ware's hand. Half an hour afterwards he came to me, saying

Devereaux, do you know I am a weak fool? I know that woman is dangerous, yet I am almost ready to place myself in her web again. Read this.

He placed the missive in my hand. It read "Return here after the others are gone. I must speak with you alone. I have something to tell you which may bring you great happiness. At

you which may bring you great happiness. At least, in justice to me, grant this request. It is the last I shall ever ask of you." "And you will see her?" I questioned. "Yes. To tell her that I am learning to love another. That I am going to ask Adele Beaufort to be my wife."

"Have you the courage?" "Yes."

A soft, moist wind began to blow from the

love grew cold; how soon another awoke new dreams-new passions. Adele Beaufort! Are you going to marry her?"

y what right do you question me? "By the right of your love for me !"

"I never loved you !"

"Then all your vows were lies." You were the first to break them."

"All your love play-acting!" "Have you never played the same part?" "Were you deceiving me?"

"I believe I was'

" I believe you lie!" "Madame !"

"Not choice words, truly, but wait. Before you speak, let we tell you that I was testing your love that night when I laughed at you. Lionel, I love you. No other women will ever Death Angel's visit and his mysterious going. But it lay silent on Lenore's cold breast, even as it had on the beautiful Egyptian's two thousand love you so !" "It has been a long test."

"There was something else. You thought I knew nothing of it. You were to fight Jean Devereaux in my defence. He had planned to kill you. The bullets with which his revolver was loaded were poisoned, and the slightest wound would have meant your death. Now do you understand?" Lioned were bits to the line

Lionel was white to the lips. "Fully," he replied, savagely. "I understand you now as I never did before. You would even stoop to lie to revenge yourself on him'

"Before Heaven I swear I speak the truth," declared the woman, solemnly.

A sharp flash of lightning and a terrific crash of thunder almost drowned her words, but she never flinched. With such blasphemy on her lips she defield God Himself.

Lionel was half convinced. Lenore saw the point she had gained and hast-

ened to take advantage of it. "Come, Lionel. come away with me," she urged. "The world is wide, and I will love you as no woman ever loved a man before. See-see to you. I belong to you. My soul's salvation is yours. Come away with me now-forever." I thought he would succumb, but suddenly a

look of scorn passed over his face, and he turned

and left her kneeling there upon the wet ground. For a moment her humiliation was pitiful, then sudden rage shook her as she arose slowly to her

feet. "I will kill him," she muttered. "I will kill them both."

"And spend the rest of your life where you deserve to be---in prison," said a voice very near where I was hiding, as Col. Romaine stepped forth from behind the wall, where he had been concealed.

The storm broke with dreadful fury and drowned whatever words they spoke. Suddenly, from the folds of her dress, Lenore drew forth the poignard he had so skilfully thrown at her feet the night of the masque. She sprang towards him. Rooted to the spot with horror, I saw him stagger backwards and fall over the precipice into the stream, which the storm had swollen to a flood. I leaped forward, just as Lenore fell senseless, and sprang into the stream to save him.

CHAPTER VI.

I took Romaine to Captain Browne. He was not injured, save by the wetting, which caused a

cold from which he did not readily recover. His experience seemed to arouse the lion in his nature, and I knew something would come of it

not very pleasant for Lenore. The next morning after the storm we went to Leroymond. What that night had been to Lenore I did not know—I never knew.

As soon as I had placed Romaine under the care of Captain Browne I had returned to seek

her, but she was gone. As we entered the drawing-room of Madame Beaufort's home I saw Lenore leaning over Adele Beaufort, who had fallen asleep on the sofa. She still held in her hand a book she had been reading, but over her face lay a handkerchief, and Lenore seemed listening to her d ep, calm breathing, which grew slower and more irregular as we watched them.

Romaine entered the room. Lenore saw him in the mirror, and with a shriek of terror turned did not awaken, and, with a foreboding of evil, lifted the handkerchief from her face.

In the meantime Romaine, seizing Lenore's wrist, held her securely while he rang the bell for a servant, whom he sent to summon Madame Beaufort and her guests.

"I have come for that final play," he said savagely, "and it shall by before them all."

"Paul, what does this mean?" exclaimed Madame Beaufort, entering the room, followed

Yes; thanks to my unconsciously removing the handkerchief from before her nostrils, Adele still lived.

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By evening she had fully recovered, but no one told her what had happened. No one had seen Lenore since, in the confusion of trying to restore Adele, she had quietly left

Evening came, and she was still absent. "She must have gone away," said Madame Beaufort. "Poor woman, her heart is broken. I will see if she is in her room. Now, of all

times, she needs human sympathy, and it may

Ah, no more need for human sympathy. Again the "tiger's eye" might have told of the

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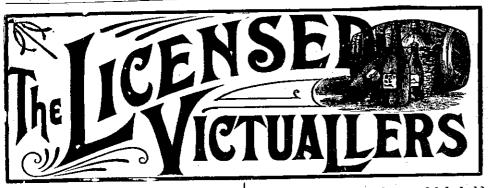
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 could hear her words, but her manner was full of entreaty, tears, and pleading. I heard a movement in the shrubbery near me. Mephisto's arm was raised and something flew through the air. It fell at the feet of the lovers. I saw it quivering to and fro, and soon realised it was a poignard, its points buried in the floor, its message buried in Lenore's heart. At first she was etartled, then, bursting into a laugh, she plucked it from the floor and held it up. "The signal," she cr ed, wildly. "From whom ?" " My other lover?" " One to whom I have sworn my soul. Why, boy, you are foolish. I have been amusing my-solf with you. You are my plaything—my pastime. Let us have done with this nonsense and 	behind, concealed in a large fireplace which still stood intact, its chimney rearing like an obelisk skyward. I had not forgotten her words when she told me of her love for him, and I felt she	by the others. "It means that this wretch must be unmasked," said Romaine. "Helen you know the history of my wife, who fled from me to live a life of shame with another, leaving her infant to the care of strangers. Since then her career has been of deceit, scheming and depravity. Ask Devereaux for a chapter of it! And this woman, who moved among you as an honored guest, is she the wretch who has ruined so many lives. And yesterday she sought to murder me. I call Jean Devereaux to witness." "And is this your last card ?" laughed Lenore, defiantly. "No; the last card is your child. Little Adelaide is not deadbut lives-is here, under this roof!" "Wherewho?" 'Madame Beautort's adopted daughter	THEY ARE DELICIOUS. THE SUBSCRIPTION
with the same abandon—the same cold smile. Yes, they were the sime death sentence of my love projounced by her three years ago, but now, I felt they spoke the requirem for her happings as they had for mine. "There are other women far more worthy of your love than I," Lenore continued. "You re comber the story Jean Deversux told you? Every word was true. Am I worthy of your love?"	calm and cold. "You have come," the exclaimed, advancing towards him. "You were folish to brave this storm," he said, avoiding her touch. "That is nothing to the storm which rages here in my heart," she cried. "How soon your	saw that woman's neart oreak—It ever a heart broke on this earth. "What do you mean?" ga-ped Romaine. "That haudk rehief—poison—see!" but with a wild laugh she threw herself down at Adele's side, crying, "No, no, she is not dead—she lives, she lives."	15s. per Annum. All Subscriptions Payable in Advance.
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BISHOPS AND PROHIBITION.

THE Rev. Dr Lyman Abbott, the Editor of The Outlook, recently wrote to Bishop Henry C. Potter, of New York, asking him for his views on the saloon, or bar, evil. The Bishop has aroused the fury of the prohibitionists by calling them hypocrites, and by likening them to the Scribes and Pharisees. Mr Tommy Tay-lor, M.H.R., boasted on Saturday night of having "bagged" a bishop. The junior member for Christchurch alluded to the statements made by Bishop Julius in a recent address that he would vote "no license,' that he would advise his clergy to do the same, and that he had requested his clergy to ask their people to vote the same way. We are not so sure that Mr Taylor and his prohibitionist friends have "bagged" the Bishop. Bishop Julius has bitherts arroad to Bishop Julius has hitherto appeared to us to be a strong-minded man, and the writer only a few months ago had the opportunity of hearing exactly what the Bishop thought of the prohibitionist fa-natics. It can hardly be possible that such a marvellous change can have come over the head of the Canterbury Church as that intimated by the junior member for Christchurch, when he used the expression, "they had bagged a bishop." No doubt any declaration of sympathy from such an august personage would be valuable to Mr Taylor's sadly-wounded spirit, but time will show whether Bishop Julius openly stultified all his previous utterances on the question, or whether he left to the discretion of his clergy the sub-ject of voting "no license." For the present that is sufficient. In a very short time we shall know exactly what the Bishop meant, and until then the matter can rest with Mr Taylor firmly of the opinion that he has the Bishop of Canter-bury "in the bag." Bishop Potter, of New York, has been not at all indefinite in his reply to Dr Lyman Abbott. His letter reads as the reply of a thinking man who has given the subject very considerable attention. There is no hesitation about Bishop Potter. He tells the prohibitionists exactly what he thinks about them; there is no beating about the bush, nor is there any attempt at glossing over the faults of the prohibi-tionists. The Bishop hits out fairly and squarely, and he hits hard. It were well if, now that Mr Taylor thinks he has "bagged" one bishop, the member for Christchurch should read what the American Bishop wrote on the subject of prohibition. Members of the Trade throughout the colony should know also, and therefore we print the subjoined extracts from Bishop Potter's reply to the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott. The Bishop says :-" It is the old situation-as old as the religion of Jesus Christ-with the Scribes and Pharisees on the one hand, the Sadducees on the other, and, over against them, the truth. No more perfect reproduction of the first named has appeared in our day than the prohibitionists, et id omne genus, arrogant, denunciatory, igno-

rant, unscrupulous, and untruthful ; holding one meagre fragment of the truth to their eyes, and denying great and fundamental facts in human nature, in their foolish and futile endeavor to remedy the perversion of human instincts by extirpating them ; true children of the mediaeval systems of monastic ascetism, which they would fain substitute for the freedom of a regenerated manhood. The grotesque hypocrisy of the prohibition system, from Maine to Kansas, is a sufficient commentary upon their theories. Meantime the endeavors of the wiser men and women do better the condition—the homes, the domestic life, the recreations of their less favored brethren go untouched of these, fit successors to those to whom Jesus said, 'Woe unto you, Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites, for ye bind heavy burdens upon men's shoulders, and grievous to be borne, and ye yourselves will not touch them with the tips of your fingers !' And over against them, of old, are the modern Sadducees, critical, indifferent, apathetic. The dissensions of those who are not agreed to the problems of intemperance and its cure are entertaining and amusing to these-and no more. Yet let me not do them injustice. What I have said has its considerable and inspiring qualifications, and men of wealth and intelligence who had originally dismissed the 'saloon' question and all that it involves as equally hopeless and insoluble have in recent years, and in some conspicuous instances, which I need not recall, grappled with the larger problems of the housing and bettering of wage-earners in all the various aspects in which these various problems present themselves; and have done noble and generous things along the line of a wiser and more brotherly con-sideration for their fellow-men. But the whole movement is as yet in its infancy, and waits for guidance, enlightenment, and, above all, co-ordination. As yet we have been but fumbling with social problems, whether in this country or elsewhere, unable or unwilling, apparently, to recognise that the radical changes in our industrial and social conditions which have come to pass during this century have brought with them demands upon wealth, experience, scientific sympathy, and selfsacrifice which the favored classes are as yet but slow to recognise. The permanence, however, of our present social structure will depend upon their recognition, and of the appreciation of this fact I am glad to see that there is daily increasing evidence. Of course, in this larger object of a vast question, the saloon is a mere incident Its causes, its phases, its relation to the home life, as well as the individual life of communities; the evils that feed it, the miseries that support it—a whole host of questions such as these, wait for a consideration which as yet they have hardly had. Meantime, it may be well to relieve the minds of fanatical and hysterical people by saying that there is no one cure for so vast a mischief as the saloon stands for, and, generally, that, in dealrequisition showed plainly the opinion of the voters as to Mr Witheford's qualifications for the position of member for Auckland. The requisition was as follows:

To J. H. Witheford.—Dear Sir,—We the undersigned electors of the City of Auckland, beg respectfully to invite you to be nominated as a candidate for Parliament at the coming election. We are induced to do so, being firmly convinced in our minds that the interests of Auckland, as well as New Zealand at large, would be safe in your hands. We recognise that the tact and ability displayed by you in your negotiations with the Home Government in connection with the Calliope Dock, together with your large experience and untiring energy put your abilities to represent us beyond question; and it is in the firm belief that your presence in our House of Representatives would do credit to us as a constituency that we ask your kind consideration of this requisition.

In replying to the deputation Mr Witheford said he was very grateful for the honour done him in asking him to become a candidate. After referring to Mr Seddon's friendly aspect towards Auckland, Mr Witheford said, I have thus far to regard Mr Seddon as a friend of Auckland, and you will therefore understand that whether in all political matters we agree or not, I greatly appreciate his support in the matter I have referred to. If, however, Mr Seddon were to oppose the continuance of the San Francisco mail service I should have to oppose Mr Seddon, or any one else who did so. I note the Wellington *Post*, in referring to the action I took in Sydney recently to have the pacific mail service put upon a permanent basis, and subsidised by the Australian and New Zealand Governments, was not aware of the broad Colonial grounds upon which I approached the Postmaster-General of New South Wales. I laid my proposition before Mr Ward, the late Postmaster-General of New Zealand, who arrived in Sydney just at that time, previous to sending it in, and he expressed entire approval of my action, and said he would do anything he could to secure the establishment of an improved service for a fixed period. Should I decide to stand for the City it would be with the intention, if returned, to spare neither time, previous to stand for the City it would be with the intention, if returned, to spare neither time pendently of any party. In giving my reply I shall endeavour to state clearly the political platform upon which I should stand. Mr Gee, Mr McLachlan, and Mr McKay also

Mr Gee, Mr McLachlan, and Mr McKay also spoke a few words adding their personal request that Mr Witheford would consent to the earnest desire of those who had signed the petition. After a vote of thanks to Mr E. W. Page, for his efforts in getting the requisition signed which Mr Page said was very easy work, the proceedings were brought to a conclusion. It is to be hoped that Mr Witheford will give his consent and allow himself to be nominated. He will make one of the best members Auckland has had for a very long time. Mr Witheford will call a meeting so that he can make known his intentions as soon as he has made up his mind. There is one thing certain, that is that if Mr Witheford is elected—and if he stands he will be at the top of the poll—the Trade will have a strong friend in the new member.



The prohibitionists in the Taranaki districts are displaying a great deal of activity, and it is reported that endeavours are being made to run a prohibition candidate for each electorate. Evidently all political questions must be subordinated to this fad.

The Prohibition League in Palmerston North recently issued a quantity of envelopes with printed matter on them, but minus the necessary trade imprint. Counsel for the League argued that such envelopes were circulated every day and that the law was appealed to only against a prohibitionist. The Magistrate, Mr Greenfield, said that a breach of the law had been committed and that the theory that the League was proceeded against because of its news was nonsense. A fine of £2 was inflicted, but the costs only amounted to eight shillings.

The following yarn is from the Christchurch nectator : --- "That two female prohibitionist nees recently visited a leading Auckland hotel, Spectator : and tried to trap the landlady into supplying them with whisky and seltzer, as they were 'very ill.' The landlord, being applied to by his wife, said : 'Let the ladies bring me a doctor's cer ficate and I'll let them have what they want. Whereupon the disappointed charmers vanished That's the sort of thing publicans have to put up with at the hands of the Pump people. Cold water saints think 'trapping' justifiable. Ordinary sinners think its mean. Ward and Co., Limited, brewers, Christchurch, have set a lead which is deserving of the greatest praise (says The Spectator). One of their senior carters, George Hamilton, has been serving them in that capacity for over twenty-four years. Meanwhile, age has crept on with its attendant sciatic and rheumatic troubles, so Hamilton de-cided to retire from the work of hauling hogsheads of beer. The co., however, recognising that they were about to lose a faithful servant, at their last director's meeting, accepted the old chap's resig-nation with regret, passed a highly eulogistic resolution anent his services, and voted him a pension of one pound a week for life. Such recognition of fidelity and long service is un-Such happily not common in mercantile firms in Maoriland, and The Spectator records the above facts with pleasure It is also a practical reply to the howls so often raised as to the sordidness of those engaged in the liquor trade. This paper hopes that George Hamilton will long live to enjoy his pension.

Tim O'Connor had a very unpleasant occurrence at the Victoria Hotel on Monday. A settler named Sherbourne Dutton shot himself through the head with a revolver early in the morning and died at nine o'clock. No reason can be assigned for the deed.

Bishop Julius has lately made two very dissimilar statements on the prohibition question. This is the first :—"There were two ways of dealing with the evil, the legal, which he would not touch upon, and the moral. In the work of the Society, the moral side of temperance reform was emphasised, for on that side they were on certain, but on the other on debatable ground. The Bishop spoke of the necessity of influencing the younger and the value of an example of total abstinence. When he came to Ballarat from London he found that he was called on to make a great jump. He was faced with the question of local option, which had never occurred to him in England, but'he had after a time seen his way to make a jump, and had assisted to close hotels there, as he had done in Christchurch, and would do again. But when he came to New Zealand, where, if one was not a prohibitionist one was nothing, he found that he had to jump a terrific chasm, and he was getting too old and §'rheumaticky' to dc it. He was not a prohibitionist, but he was a total abstainer, and he believed he was as earnest as any prohibitionist, but he could not work their way. He could, however, say 'God bless prohibitionist, and if they would only occasionally say 'God bloss the Bishop,' he thought it would be better than giving him hard words. He would urge them not to lose sight of the moral aspect of the question, because they might drive out all drunkenness and yet have worse sins left."

Here is the second :—There were three courses open to them at the coming triennial poll: They might vote for continuance. Few would be found to do this; for ' the Trade' had not taken warning by the past, and was as objectionable as over. Then there was the vote for reduction. He had always voted reduction, and would continue to do so. Then there remained the no license vote. He would urge the clergy to vote no-license themselves, and to advise their people to take the same course. He pointed out that the effect of 'no license' would be to shut up the wholesale as well as the retail trade, and expressed the wish that it were not so, as he would much prefer to vote for the closing of the open bars, but until that were possible, he would vote no license.

Last November Bishop Julius, when preaching at Ashburton, spoke very strongly against prohibition and the methods of its advocates. Did he not say that drink was not the evil New Zealand would have to contend against in the future? And did he not say that the juvenile depravity was a subject that needed the most steadfast attention, for in the demoralisation of the youths and maidens of the colony lay New Zealand's greatest danger. By asking the clergy to vote "no license," and requesting them to influence the people to vote that way, Bishop Julius appears to have nearly got across that chasm.

The Liberty League thus refers to Bishop Julius in connection with the "no license" movement in Christchurch :—" This league regrets that Bishop Julius should have departed from the logical position of the Protestant Church, which teaches morality by moral sussion and example, and that he has joined the ranks of those extremists who seek to enforce their opinions by coercion and persecution, and the sacrifice of the hardly-won personal liberties of the people."

The following order has been posted in the orderly rooms at the Timaru Drill Shed by the officers commanding companies, "That in the future no intoxicating liquor be brought into tha orderly rooms at the Drill Shed, and any volunteer disobeying this order shall be reported to the officer commanding the district with a recommendation for his dismissal from the force." Future volunteer socials at Timaru will have to be conducted on strictly teetotal lines.

In this impression appears a card of the Bridge Hotel. Waitara, the property of Mr S. R. Fairweather, formerly of Raglan. Since the proprietor has settled in Waitara he has made a large circle of friends, and has filled many public positions. At present he is the chairman of the Harbour Board, a position which he most capably fills, and also is president of several of the local clubs. The Bridge Hotel is replete with all conveniences, and so much has the trade increased that Mr Fairweather intends to put on an addition to the house. A first-class billiard table is kept on the premises, being in charge of Mr Sid Pell, an experienced marker; and sample rooms for travellers are always available. Conveyances can also be obtained, as there are stables run in conjunction with the house.

The many friends of Mr Ryan, of Ryan's Hotel, Karangahake, will be rieved to hear of the sad death of his brother Mr Patrick Ryan. The young man was in the habit of taking laudanum as a cure for sleeplessness, and it is supposed that he took an overdose of the sedative on Sunday night. He was found by his brother in an insensible condition, and though medical assistance was called in and everything possible done to get rid of the effects of the drug, young Ryan died at eleven o'clock on Monday morning. The members of the family have received many expressions of sympathy in their bereavement Young Ryan took a great interest in matters athletic, and was a prominent member of the Ohinemuri Football Club. He represented his Slub against Auckland last year. The following are among the reforms suggested by an advocate of a change in the Viotorian licensing law : -1. A reduction of spirit duries to 7s per gallon. 2. Beer duty removed. 3. Rateable value of hotels to be the legal rent. 4. Re-able value of hotels to be the legal rent. 4. Re-covery of debt for refreshments by law. 5. Bar door clause removed. 6. Light in bar clause re-moved. 7. Certain hotels to have all night licenses to supply public. 8. Knocking at an hotel door, otherwise than boarders, or in case of rickness to be presented by a heavy penalty or sickness, to be prevented by a heavy penalty or police intervention. 9. Limited Sunday trading

ing with humanity and its perverted instincts and appetites, the divinest Teacher that the world has had would seem to have taught us a law of transformation, as that for the regeneration, whether of society or of the evil instincts of individuals—not extirpation."

MR J. H. WITHEFORD.

On Friday afternoon several citizens waited upon Mr Joseph Howard Witheford at the Star Hotel. and presented him with a requisition signed by 3,125 voters of Auckland City, asking him to consent to be a candidate at the next General Election. There were present Dr. Mc-Arthur. Dr. Wilkins, J. McLachlan, J. J. Holland, M.H.R., F. J. Bennett, Thomas Gee, Juseph Barber, B. C. Roberts, E. D. Halstead, P. M. Mackay, J. Callinan, A. T. Rose, E. W. Page, T. Harle Giles, T. Harbutt, G. A. Cole, and H. Gilfillan. Dr. McArthur made a neat little speech in presenting the requisition, and Dr Wilkins, who spoke in support of the petition, testified to the sterling qualities of Mr Witheford and said the number of people signing the

Tennis and regatty snirts.



One of the Stratford hotels, it is reported, is likely to change hands.

The Kapanga Hotel, Taranaki, has changed hands, Mr Farquhar having sold his interest to Mr Avery.

Mr Charley McLean is shortly retiring from the Occidental Hotel, Napier. The new proprietor is Mr J. C. Mason.

Mr George Glassford will apply, at the next meeting of the Napier Liceusing Committee, for a license to sell New Zealand wines.

Mr Benjamin Burland, late of Coker's Hotel, Christchurch, has taken over the Grange Hotel, Akaroa

The Papanui Hotel is in the hands of Mr W. A. Lawrence, who spares no effort to make visitors feel at home.

The Glen Var Wine Company will, at the next meeting of the Licensing Committee, apply for a license to sell New Zealand wines at the Glen Var Bodega, Queen Street.

The license of the Port Ahuriri Hotel, Napier, will shortly be transferred from Mr Alexander Keen to Mr Charles Martin Chamberlyne Mc-Cabe.

The sale of privileges for the Tahuna Park Trotting Club's meeting resulted in fair prices being secured. For the right to sell liquor Mr J. Laffey paid £31.

George Hamilton, who has just retired from Ward and Co.'s employ after twenty-five years service as a carter, will receive £1 a week for life from the firm.

Mr Tommy Taylor. M.H.R., says that Tara-naki is "absolutely the most prosperous province in New Zealand." I wonder what he thinks of the chances of carrying prohibition in the dairying district !

At the sale of privileges in connection with the Dunedin Jockey Club's May Meeting, Mr A. Owen purchased the grandstand booth for the sum of £35. The outside booth was withdrawn, as the sum offered did not come up to the club's

Mr Audus Raynes, proprietor of the Terminus Hotel, New Plymouth, has a replace advertise-ment in this issue. This popular house has been considerably extended and renovated during the past twelve months, and now offers unrivalled accommodation for the travelling public. Mr Raynes is the chairman of the Taranaki Licensed Victuallers' Association.

Mr Nicholson, the landlord of the Okaiawa Mr Nicholson, the landiou of the Okalawa Hotel, Okolawa, near Hawera, had rather a lively time of it recently. A party of about thirty Maoris visited the hotel, and after having had their tea, declined to part when asked for pay-ment. Mr Nicholson was thrown on to the kitchen fire, but luckily managed to escape injury. Still, he was considerably knocked about by the tume the police came on the scene and ejected the marauders

Mr H. J. Julian, proprietor of the Inglewood Hotel, has a replace advertisement in this im-pression of the REVIEW. This house has a large share of the trade of the thriving Taranaki town in which it is located, and the trade has increased so much of late that Mr Julian is compelled to make additional improvements to keep pace with the times.

Mr Tommy Taylor arrived at Onehunga by Mr Tommy Taylor arrived at Onehunga by the Rotoiti on Saturday morning, and in the eve-ning he addressed a large gathering at the One-hunga Public Hall. As usual, Mr Taylor was yery reckless in his statements. He attacked everybody having any connection with the Trade, and generally pleased his listeners, who, of course ware largely adherents of the work-Trade, and generally pleased in instances, why, of course, were largely adherents of the prohi-bitionist crusade. Mr J. E. Taylor, of Man gere, was in the chair, and he took advantage of the occasion to make a gross attack on Mr H. S. Wardell, who has lately been acting as S.M. in Auckland.

Mr Tommy Taylor, M.H.R., who spoke at Onchunga on Saturday uight, said some things that will meet with a vigorous reply. Here are two or three statements: He said that in Clutha they had reached a point six years ago, when they decided that they would no longer allow a particular set of men to carry on a particular business, and they closed it. Mr Taylor referred with feelings of satisfaction to the fact that they had "bagged" a bishop in Christohurch. It was a distinct gain to the movement for an Anglican bishop to say straight and plan that he was going for "no license." The brewing trade was always spoken of as "the" trade. It certainly was an unique trade. On the Sabbath other trades shut up in deference to the voice of the people that the seventh day should be kept holy, but, said Mr Taylor, "to-morrow the Trade will be defiant of public morality from Auckland to the Bluff almost without exception." At a prohibition meeting, held on Sunday at Queen Street Wharf, Mr R. French moved the following resolution: — "That the recent de-cisions of Stipendiary Magistrate Wardell evidence bias towards the liquor traffic, and are inimical to the best interests of the law-abiding citizens of Auckland, as well at being very dis-couraging to the police in their efforts to honestly administer the licensing laws of the country. That the chairman of the Prohibition League That the charman of the Production League-forward the newspaper extracts referred to, to-gether with the resolution, to the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, the Premier, requesting him to institute an inquiry into the matter." Poor Mr institute an inquiry into the matter." Wardell seems to be catching it all round, i ut after all I don't suppose he minds much. He has done his duty, and Mr French and his friends on the Wharf must pass some resolution or other.



At the Gore S.M. Court recently C. J. Moloney was charged with keeping a common gaming house by permitting the use of a poker machine on his premises. Detective McGrath appeared for the police, and Mr W. F. Inder represented the defendant. Mr R. S. Hawkins, the magis-trate who heard the case, delivered the following judgment :—"I have first to consider whether this meching constituted an unlawful series" this machine constituted an 'unlawful game." It appears from the evidence, and from the practical working of the machine as it was displayed before me, that there is within it a kind of jointed cylinder of rows of cards representing playing cards, arranged in lines of five, differing playing cards, arranged in lines of nve, differing in value. The person using the machine puts a threepenny piece in the slot and presses down a perpendicular rod having a strong spring at its base and standing up out of the front part of the machine. In proportion to the sharpness and strength of the pressure on this rod is the number of rows in the cylinder of cards which are turned over until one row rests and appears behind the glass at the top and m front of the machine. Apparently a practiced operator might, by slight and steady pressure on the rod, make every row of cards on the cylinder appear in succession. A list of the values of different rows of cards is printed above the glass show front. I conclude that this list is intended to be filled in at the will of the owner of the machine. In this instance it of the owner of the machine. In this instance it was used by a tobacconist, and he put in various articles of his trade—a cigarette, a cigar, etc. It may be filled in by any trader with the names of articles in his trade, or it may be filled in with the values of money. It is, to the customer or operator, a machine of pure chance. He may get a cigarette worth $\frac{1}{2}d$, or a cigar alleged to be worth 6d. Whether it is a fair machine; whether the chances are equal to all, and whether they are or are not in favour to a great or any extent of the owner there is no evidence to show. We may fairly assume that the owner is not intended to lose. This machine stood on defendant's counter, loss. This machine stood on derendant's counter, and any customers who went in and thought fit, put in their threepenny bit and operated the machine instead of buying the goods they re-quired in the usual way. There was no doubt the machine was there, and was kept there as an attraction to that very large class of thoughtless persons in the colonies who delight in anything savoring of a chance of getting a prize, and who have not the least conception of the enormous odds that are against them getting anything at have not the least conception of the enormous odds that are against them getting anything at all for their hazard. There are quite enough tricks of this sort in trade already, and it is most desirable, if it be possible, to check such a development as this. It is pandering to an in-herent folly or vice in the young, and is a mischievous departure from good honest trading. It is clear that if a man were to set up this machine on a racecourse, with money values on the list, it would be held that he was carrying on a game, and I do not see that the substitution of goods for money makes it the less a game. The nearest approach to it is the practice of some licensed publicans of keeping dice in a dice box to en-courage their customers to play 'shilling in' for drinks for the ultimate benefit of his till. I have to consider next whether it it is an 'unlawful' game. In the case of Jenks and others v. Turpin (53, Law Journal, 161, 1884), to which I was re-ferred by Detective McGrath, Mr Justice Hawkins, after a most elaborate review of the Hawkins, after a most elaborate review of the laws against gaming, and after giving a list of the 'unlawful games,' among which is roulette, adds " and I incline to think any other game of mere chance"; and, after holding baccarat to be an unlawful game, he says: "It is said that it is a game of modern invention. That may be, and, assuming it to be so, it is just what the logislatures intended to include in the phrescellogy. islature intended to include in the phraseology of the 11th section of 33 H. M. VIII., c. 9, as "a new unlawful game thereafter to be invented," I decide, therefore, that this is an unlawful game. I must here refer to a statement made by the solicitor for the defence quoting from Roscoe's Criminal Evidence, and which was much to my surprise, to the effect that Mr Justice Hawkins had said that the magnitude of the stakes involved would make a lawful game unlawful. I am glad to find that Mr Justice Hewkins is not responsible for so heterodox a dictum. He says at p. 171 : "I do not think excessive gaming on any game would in itself make a game unlawful, for excessive gaming is not per se any longer a legal offence. It is not one at common law, and there now exists no statute against it." What

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proof that it was largely resorted to for the p pose of using the machine. I may say that have considered the other cases to which I referred, but do not find they assist me. But procedure in this case 1s based on section 3 of procedure in this case is based on section 3 of i Gaming and Lotteries Act, 1881, by which search warrant may be granted on compla before a justice that there is reason to susp that any house, room, premises, or place is 'ke or used' as a common gaming houe, and th it is commonly reported and believed by the of ponent to be so, and by section 4, the owner keeper of the said gaming house is made lia to a penalty. Had the Act rested here I show have undoubtedly dismissed the information, h by section 5 it is made 'sufficient in support his information that any house, room, premis by section 5 it is made 'sufficient in support his information that any house, room, premis or place is a common gaming house or pla for gaming to prove that such house, roo premises, or place is kept or used for playi therein at any unlawful game.' I may note th the words 'place or gaming' in this section a not used in section 3 or 4. This Act, like me New Zealand Acts, is full of contradictions a anomalies, but it is clear that the words 'pla for gaming' in this section must be treated surplusage. This section is a very strong ou By it is sufficient to prove that such house, roo defendant did use his shop for playing therein an unlawful game, and I convict him of the offence. I shall inflict only a nominal penalty offence. I shall inflict only a nominal penalty under the circumstances—10s, and costs 9s; 13s 3d., money found in the box, to be confiscated; machine to be destroyed forthwith. Mr Inder said what he had quoted regarding Mr Justice Hawkins' decision was from "Roscoe's Criminal Evidence," page 580, wherein an extract from one of Mr Justice Hawkins' decisions was ren-dered as follows: "Where the playing is from the magnitude of the stake, excessive, and such is now commonly understood by the term term is an original state on the law as an ofthe magnitude of the state, excessive, and such is now commonly understood by the term 'gaming,' it is considered by the law as an of-fence." Mr Hawkins: You are quoting from a text book, Mr Inder. A text book is always a most dangerous thing to quote from. In reply to the Bench, Mr Inder said he was considering the matter of an appeal. His client intended taking action against the vendors of the machine for misrepresentation, they having stated that cases against users of poker machines had been tried in Christchurch, but fell through, the machines having been returned to the owners. Probably his client would take that course instead of appealing.

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Mr Justice Hawkins did say was that it might be cogent evidence for a jury as so whether a to consider whether the use of this machine, an to consider whether the use of this machine, an unlawful game, in the defendant's shop consti-tuted it a common gaming house. Mr Justice Hawkins makes the test of what is a common gaming house its indictability of common law. He says (at page 166 : "I have come to the conclusion that in all its essential characteristics this is a common gaming house and as such the keeper of it might have been indicted as for a nuisance at common law,' and it must be remembered that he used this test in deciding on an appeal under the statute 17 and 18 Vio. c. 38, section 7, 'Any person who having the use of any house, room, or place, or shall open, keep, or use the same for the purpose of unlawful gambling being carried on therein,' and to deal completely with the offence in the statute he puts a second question: 'Was it a gaming house heat for the purpose of unlawful gambling house kept for the purpose of unlawful gambling in the sense of playing at unlawful games?— and this he answers in the affirmative. But that code was widely different from this. There it was clear that though there was a club for ordinary club purposes, a most important feature of the club was the gambling table in rooms allotted solely to gambling and frequented nightly by gamblers. Here there is no approximation to such a state of things. There is not even

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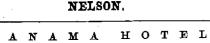
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