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#### SPRING MEETING.

SATURDAY, THURSDAY  
(H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES' BIRTHDAY),  
SATURDAY,  
NOVEMBER 4TH, 9TH, AND 11TH, 1899.

President: L. D. Nathan, Esq. Vice-President: W. McLaughlin, Esq. Stewards: Messrs A. Buckland, D. W. Duthie, A. Hanna, Donald McLeod, A. J. Denniston, H. O. Nolan, F. Earl, Hon. E. Mitchellson, Col. Dawson. Committee: Messrs A. Buckland, Richard Duder, H. T. Gorrie, D. McLeod, J. P. A. Philson, T. Morrin, W. McLaughlin, N. A. Nathan, J. Russell, J. T. Armitage, H. Thompson, J. Kirkwood. Hon. Judge: Colonel Banks. Hon. Treasurer: Mr H. T. Gorrie. Starter: Mr Geo. Cutts. Clerk of Scales: Mr F. W. Marks. Clerk of Course: Mr A. Selby. Handicapper: Mr J. O. Evelt. Secretary: Mr William Percival.

#### FIRST DAY, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4.

First Race to Start at 1 o'Clock.

President's Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have not won 50 sovs at time of starting. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. One mile.

Great Northern Guineas of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies and geldings, 8st 5lb each. By subscription of 7 sovs each, payable at the post, unless forfeits are declared as follows:—If struck out by the first Friday in September, 1899, 3 sovs forfeit; if left in after this date, liable for the whole 7 sovs. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. One mile.

Welcome Stakes of 250 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Colts, 8st 5lb; fillies and geldings, 8st each. Entrance, 2 sovs, and 3 sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

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

Shorts Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Five furlongs.

City Handicap of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of the Guineas to carry not less than 7st 10lb. Entrance, 1 sov, acceptance, 2 sovs, and 3 sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. One mile and a quarter.

Pony Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For horses 14 hands 3 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Seven furlongs.

Flying Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any race, after the publication of the weights, to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

#### SECOND DAY, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9.

First Race to Start at 12 Noon.

Spring Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Seven furlongs.

Second Handicap Hurdle Race of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Two miles.

Musket Stakes, a handicap of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Four furlongs.

Prince of Wales' Handicap of 400 sovs; second horse to receive 40 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, acceptance, 3 sovs, and 3 sovs at the post, to go to the funds. Winner of any handicap, after the declaration of weights, to carry a penalty of 5lb. One mile and a half.

Handicap Steeplechase of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. About three miles.

Maiden Plate Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have not won 50 sovs at the time of starting. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. One mile and a quarter.

Pony Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For horses 14 hands 3 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

Ellerslie Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Winner of any handicap, after the declaration of weights, to carry 5lbs penalty. Six furlongs.

#### THIRD DAY, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11.

First Race to Start at 1 o'Clock.

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

the funds. For all horses that have never won a hurdle race of the value of 50 sovs at time of entry. Over seven flights of hurdles. One mile and three-quarters.

Ascot Handicap of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 3 sovs each, to go to the funds. One mile and a quarter.

Hunt Club Cup, a handicap steeplechase of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Minimum weight, 10st 7lb. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. For horses the bona fide property of members of any recognised Hunt Club. A Certificate from the Master—that the horse has been fairly hunted during the past season and qualified in terms of P.H.C. Rules—to be produced at the scales. About three miles and a half.

Nursery Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Four furlongs.

Hunt Club Handicap Hurdles of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Minimum weight, 10st. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Over eight flights of hurdles. For horses the bona fide property of members of any recognised Hunt Club. A Certificate from the Master—that the horse has been fairly hunted during the past season and qualified in terms of P.H.C. Rules—to be produced at the scales. Two miles.

Publicans' Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Winner of any handicap, after the declaration of weights, to carry 5lb penalty. Six furlongs.

Tally-ho Steeplechase, a handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight, 10st 7lb. Gentlemen qualified to ride in hunters' races allowed 7lb; those that have never ridden before allowed 7lb extra. About three miles, or twice round, starting over sod wall.

Farmers' Handicap Steeplechase of 30 sovs. Minimum weight, 10st. Entrance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. For horses that are the bona fide property of farmers, and that have never started for a steeplechase or hurdle race other than a hunters' or farmers' race, and that have been ridden by them or their sons at least seven times this season, and certified to by the Master. Once round the steeplechase course.

#### DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, &c., SPRING MEETING,

With amounts to be transmitted to Secretary A.R.C.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1899, BY 9 P.M.

#### NOMINATIONS.

Handicap Hurdles ... 1 sov Prince of Wales' Handicap ... 1 sov

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1899 (GENERAL ENTRY), BY 9 P.M.

#### ACCEPTANCES.

Handicap Hurdles ... 1 sov City Handicap ... 2 sovs

#### NOMINATIONS.

President's Handicap 1 sov Ellerslie Handicap ... 1 sov  
Welcome Stakes ... 2 sovs Maiden Hurdles ... 1 sov  
Shorts Handicap ... 1 sov Ascot Handicap ... 1 sov  
Pony Handicap ... 1 sov Hunt Club Cup ... 1 sov  
Flying Handicap ... 1 sov Nursery Handicap ... 1 sov  
Spring Handicap ... 1 sov Hunt Club Hurdles ... 1 sov  
Second Hurdles ... 1 sov Publicans' Handicap 1 sov  
Musket Stakes ... 1 sov Tally-ho Steeplechase 1 sov  
Handicap Steeplechase ... 1 sov Farmers' Handicap ... 1 sov  
Maiden Plate ... 1 sov Steeplechase ... 1 sov  
Pony Handicap ... 1 sov

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1899, BY 9 P.M.

#### ACCEPTANCES.]

President's Handicap 1 sov Flying Handicap ... 1 sov  
Shorts Handicap ... 1 sov Hunt Club Hurdles ... 1 sov  
Hunt Club Cup ... 1 sov Farmers' Steeplechase 1 sov  
Pony Handicap ... 1 sov

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1899, AT THE POST.

Welcome Stakes ... 3 sovs  
Auckland Guineas, subs ... 7 sovs  
City Handicap ... 3 sovs

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1899, BY 9 P.M.

#### ACCEPTANCES.

Spring Handicap ... 1 sov Handicap Steeple ... 1 sov  
Second Hurdles ... 1 sov Maiden Plate ... 1 sov  
Musket Stakes ... 2 sovs Pony Handicap ... 1 sov  
Prince of Wales' Handicap ... 1 sov Ellerslie Handicap ... 1 sov  
Handicap ... 2 sovs

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1899, AT THE POST.

Prince of Wales' Handicap ... 3 sovs  
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 10, 1899, BY 9 P.M.

#### ACCEPTANCES.

Maiden Hurdles ... 1 sov Nursery Handicap ... 1 sov  
Ascot Handicap ... 3 sovs Publicans' Handicap 1 sov  
Tally-ho Steeplechase 1 sov

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

ON OR ABOUT FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1899.

Handicap Hurdles ... City Handicap

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1899.

President's Handicap ... Flying Handicap  
Shorts Handicap ... Hunt Club Hurdles  
Hunt Club Cup Steeple ... Farmers' Steeplechase  
Pony Handicap

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1899, IN EVENING PAPER.

Spring Handicap ... Handicap Steeplechase  
Handicap Hurdles ... Maiden Handicap  
Musket Stakes ... Pony Handicap  
Prince of Wales' Handicap Ellerslie Handicap

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1899, IN MORNING PAPER.

Maiden Hurdles ... Nursery Handicap  
Ascot Handicap ... Publicans' Handicap  
Tally-ho Steeplechase

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

### AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

#### SUMMER MEETING.

BOXING DAY (TUESDAY) & THURSDAY,  
DECEMBER 26TH AND 28TH, 1899,

AND

MONDAY AND TUESDAY,  
JANUARY 1ST AND 2ND, 1900.

#### FIRST DAY,

BOXING DAY (TUESDAY), DECEMBER 26, 1899.

First Race to Start at 12 Noon.

Trial Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Seven furlongs.

The Great Northern Foal Stakes of 500 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and third horse 25 sovs out of the stake. Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies and geldings, 8st 5lb each. By subscription of 10 sovs each, payable at the post, unless forfeits are declared as follows:—If struck out by the first Friday in December, 1899, 3 sovs forfeit; if left in after that date, liable for the whole 10 sovs. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. Six furlongs.

The Auckland Cup, a handicap of 1000 sovs and a silver cup (value 100 guineas) presented by G. G. Stead, Esq.; second horse to receive 150 sovs, and third horse 50 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, acceptance, 3 sovs, and a final payment of 6 sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Two miles.

Handicap Hurdle Race of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 3 sovs each, to go to the funds. Over eight flights of hurdles. Two miles.

Railway Handicap of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, acceptance, 2 sovs, and 3 sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any handicap, after publication of weights, to carry 8lb penalty. Six furlongs.

Nursery Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Winner of the Great Northern Foal Stakes to carry 10lbs extra. Five furlongs.

Pony Cup, a handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs out of the stake. For horses 14 hands 3 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Seven furlongs.

Christmas Handicap of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any handicap, after publication of the weights, to carry 5lbs penalty. One mile.

#### SECOND DAY,

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1899.

First Race to Start at 12 Noon.

Alexandra Handicap of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Seven furlongs.

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

Criterion Handicap of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

Summer Cup, a handicap of 500 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and third horse 15 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, acceptance, 3 sovs, and 3 sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. Winner of any handicap, after declaration of weights, to carry a penalty of 5lb. One mile and a quarter.

Handicap Welter Race of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Lowest weight, 8st, One mile.

Waitemata Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have not won 50 sovs at the time of starting. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. One mile and a half.

Pony Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. For horses 14 hands 3 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

Visitors' Plate of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For two and three-year-olds that have not won 50 sovs at the time of starting. Entrance, 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Two-year-olds to carry 7st 6lb; three-year-olds, 9st. Five furlongs.

#### THIRD DAY,

NEW YEAR'S DAY (MONDAY), JANUARY 1, 1900.

First Race to Start at 12 Noon.

Glasgow Handicap of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Seven furlongs.

New Year's Handicap Hurdle Race of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Over eight flights of hurdles. Two miles.

Great Northern Derby of 500 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and third horse 25 sovs out of the stake. Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies and geldings, 8st 5lb. By subscription of 10 sovs each, payable at the post, unless forfeits are declared as follows:—If struck out by the first Friday in December, 1899, 3 sovs forfeit; if left in after that date, liable for the whole 10 sovs. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. Six furlongs.

by the first Friday in December, 1899, 3 sovs forfeit; if left in after this day, liable for the whole 10 sovs. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. One mile and a half.

Midsummer Handicap of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 3 sovs each, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

County Handicap of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 3 sovs each, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any race, after the declaration of weights, to carry 5lb penalty. Six furlongs.

Auckland Racing Club Handicap of 600 sovs; second horse to receive 60 sovs, and third horse 25 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, acceptance, 3 sovs, and a final payment of 4 sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. One mile and a half.

Pony Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs out of the stake. For horses 14 hands 3 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

Maiden Handicap of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. For horses that have not won 50 sovs at the time of starting. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. One mile and a quarter.

#### FOURTH DAY,

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1900.

First Race to Start at 12 Noon.

Ascot Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. One mile.

Sylvia Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

Grandstand Handicap of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 40 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 5 sovs each, to go to the funds. Winner of any race, after publication of the weights, to carry 5lb penalty. One mile and a quarter.

The Royal Stakes of 500 sovs; the owner of the second horse to receive 10 per cent., and the owner of the third horse 5 per cent out of the stake. For two and three-year-olds. Weight-for-age. Winners after August 1st, 1899, of any race or races collectively of the value of 250 sovs, 3lbs; of 500 sovs, 5lbs; of 750 sovs, 7lbs; of 1000 sovs, 10lbs extra. Maiden three-year-olds at time of starting allowed 10lbs; two-year-olds, 7lbs. By subscription of 10 sovs each, unless forfeits are declared and paid as follows:—Upon payment of 3 sovs by the first Friday in December, 1899; all horses remaining in after the first Friday in December, 1899, must pay their total subscription of 10 sovs by 12 noon the day before the race. Should there be any surplus arising from the subscriptions it will be given to the race. Six furlongs.

Auckland Steeplechase, a handicap of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, acceptance, 2 sovs, and a final payment of 3 sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. About three miles and a half.

Newmarket Handicap of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 4 sovs each, to go to the funds. Winner of any race, after publication of the weights, to carry 5lb penalty. Six furlongs.

Auckland Plate of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of the stake. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 2 sovs each at the post. Weight for-age. One mile and a half.

Pony Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance, 1 sov, and acceptance, 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, Etc.,  
SUMMER MEETING, 1899-1900.

With amounts to be transmitted to Secretary, A.R.C.

#### NOMINATIONS.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1899, BY 9 P.M.

Auckland Cup ... 1 sov Summer Cup ... 1 sov  
Auckland Racing Club ... Railway Handicap ... 1 sov  
Handicap ... 1 sov Auckland Steeple ... 1 sov

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1899, BY 9 P.M.

#### ACCEPTANCES.

Auckland Cup ... 3 sovs Auckland Steeple ... 2 sovs  
Railway Handicap ... 2 sovs

#### FORFEIT.

Royal Stakes of 1899-1900, for three-year-olds and two-year-olds ... 8 sovs  
Great Northern Derby ... 3 sovs  
Great Northern Foal Stakes ... 3 sovs

#### FIRST FORFEIT.

Champagne Stakes, 1900 ... 1 sov  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1899, BY 9 P.M.

#### NOMINATIONS.

Trial Handicap ... 1 sov New Year's Handicap ... 1 sov  
Handicap Hurdles ... 1 sov Hurdles ... 1 sov  
Nursery Handicap ... 1 sov Midsummer Handicap ... 1 sov  
Pony Cup ... 1 sov County Handicap ... 1 sov  
Christmas Handicap 1 sov Second Handicap ... 1 sov  
Alexandra Handicap 1 sov Maiden Handicap ... 1 sov  
Second Hurdles ... 1 sov Ascot Handicap ... 1 sov  
Criterion Handicap ... 1 sov Sylvia Handicap ... 1 sov  
Welter Handicap ... 1 sov Grandstand Handicap 1 sov  
Waitemata Handicap 1 sov Newmarket Handicap 1 sov  
Pony Handicap ... 1 sov Auckland Plate ... 1 sov  
Visitors' Plate ... 2 sovs Third Pony Handicap ... 1 sov

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1899, BY 9 P.M.  
**ACCEPTANCES.**  
 Trial Handicap ... 1 sov Nursery Handicap ... 1 sov  
 Handicap Hurdles ... 3 sovs Pony Cup ... 1 sov  
 Christmas Handicap 2 sovs

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1899, AT THE POST.  
 Great Northern Foal Auckland Cup ... 6 sovs  
 Stakes (sweep) ... 10 sovs Railway Handicap ... 3 sovs

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, BY 9 P.M.  
**ACCEPTANCES.**  
 Alexandra Handicap 2 sovs Welter Handicap ... 1 sov  
 Second Hurdles ... 1 sov Waitemata Handicap 1 sov  
 Criterion Handicap ... 2 sovs Pony Handicap ... 1 sov  
 Summer Cup ... 3 sovs

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, AT THE POST.  
 Summer Cup ... 3 sovs

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1899, BY 12 NOON.  
**ACCEPTANCES.**  
 Glasgow Handicap ... 2 sovs Auckland Racing  
 New Year's Hurdles 2 sovs Club Handicap ... 3 sovs  
 Midsummer Handicap 3 sovs Pony Handicap ... 1 sov  
 County Handicap ... 3 sovs Maiden Handicap ... 2 sovs

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 1900, AT THE POST.  
 Great Northern Auckland Racing  
 Derby (sweep) ... 10 sovs Club Handicap ... 4 sovs

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 1900, BY 10 P.M.  
**ACCEPTANCES.**  
 Ascot Handicap ... 1 sov Grandstand Handi-  
 Sylvia Handicap ... 1 sov cap ... 4 sovs  
 Pony Handicap ... 1 sov Newmarket Handicap 4 sovs

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1900, AT THE POST.  
 Auckland Steeple ... 3 sovs Royal Stakes ... 10 sovs  
 Auckland Plate ... 2 sovs

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 1900, BY 9 P.M.  
**NOMINATIONS.**  
 Great Northern Foal Stakes (for now foals), 1901-1902  
 Royal Stakes (for now foals), 1901-1902

**DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.**  
 SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1899.  
 Auckland Cup Auckland Steeplechase  
 Railway Handicap

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1899.  
 Trial Handicap Nursery Handicap  
 Hurdles Handicap Pony Handicap  
 Christmas Handicap

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1899, BY 12 NOON.  
 Alexandra Handicap Summer Cup  
 Second Handicap Hurdles Welter Handicap  
 Criterion Handicap Waitemata Handicap  
 Pony Handicap

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, IN THE "STAR."  
 New Year's Hurdles County Handicap  
 Glasgow Handicap Racing Club Handicap  
 Midsummer Handicap Handicap Pony Race  
 Maiden Handicap

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 1900, BY 9 P.M.  
 Ascot Handicap Grandstand Handicap  
 Sylvia Handicap Newmarket Handicap  
 Handicap Pony Race

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

**WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.**  
 SPRING MEETING,  
 TO BE HELD ON  
 THURSDAY AND FRIDAY,  
 OCTOBER 19TH AND 20TH, 1899.

President: Dr Earle. Vice-President: Mr H. N. Harrison.  
 Judge: Mr Alex. Higgle. Starter: Mr C. H. Chavannes.  
 Handicapper for Open Events: Mr J. O. Evett.  
 Handicapper for Hack Events: Mr George Morse.  
 Clerk of the Scales: Mr E. A. Campbell.  
 Clerk of the Course: Mr Donald MacDonald.  
 Timekeeper: Mr R. Higgle.  
 Hon. Surgeon: Dr T. P. Hon. Vet. Surgeon: Mr H. L. Marsack.  
 Stewards: President, Vice-President, Judge, Treasurer (ex officio), Dr Connolly, Messrs H. W. Hole, Alex. Hatfield, W. H. G. Foster, Allen Cameron, A. J. Parsons, R. Anderson.  
 Treasurer: Mr J. H. Nixon.

**PROGRAMME.**  
 FIRST DAY—THURSDAY, 19TH OCTOBER.  
 Spring Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. One mile and a distance. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov.—To start at 12 noon.  
 Trial Hack Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. One mile. Weights not less than 7st. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Vide Definition of a Hack.—To start at 12.45 p.m.  
 Wanganui Guineas of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs from the stake. One mile. Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies and geldings, 8st 5lb. Closed with thirty-four nominations. Acceptance, 4 sovs.—To start at 1.30 p.m.  
 First Handicap Hurdle Race of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. About two miles and a distance, over eight flights of hurdles 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov.—To start at 2.30 p.m.  
 First Handicap Hack Hurdle Race of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. About one mile and a half, over six flights of hurdles 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Vide Definition of a Hack.—To start at 3.15 p.m.  
 Handicap Hack Race of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. One mile and a distance. Weights not less than 7st. Winner of the Trial Hack Handicap to carry a penalty of 5lb. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Vide Definition of a Hack.—To start at 4 p.m.  
 Flying Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs. Winner of Spring Handicap or Guineas to carry a penalty of 5lb. not accumulative. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs.—To start at 4.45 p.m.

SECOND DAY—FRIDAY, 20TH OCTOBER.  
 Owen Stakes Handicap of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov.—To start at 12 noon.  
 Hack Flyin Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs. Minimum weight, 7lb. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Vide Definition of a Hack.—To start at 12.45 p.m.  
 Second Handicap Hurdle Race of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. About one mile and three-quarters, over seven flights of hurdles 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov.—To start at 1.30 p.m.  
 Second Handicap Hack Hurdle Race of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. About one mile and a half, over six flights of hurdles 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Vide Definition of a Hack.—To start at 2.30 p.m.  
 Wanganui Stakes Handicap of 225 sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half. Winner of Owen Stakes to carry a penalty of 5lb. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 3 sovs.—To start at 3.15 p.m.  
 Final Hack Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. One mile and a dis-

tance. Minimum weight, 7st. Winner of the Hack Flying Handicap to carry a penalty of 5lb. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Vide Definition of a Hack.—To start at 4 p.m.  
 Marangai Stakes Handicap of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. One mile. Winner of Owen Stakes to carry a penalty of 5lb; winner of Wanganui Stakes to carry a penalty of 7lb. not accumulative. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov.—To start at 4.45 p.m.  
 DEFINITION OF A HACK.—A hack is a horse that has never won an advertised race (hack and hunter races excepted), and that is not, at the time of entry, nominated for any race (hack and hunter races excepted), nor has won a race of the value of 80 sovs, or races of the collective value of 150 sovs, since 1st August, 1899.

**DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, ENTRIES AND ACCEPTANCES.**  
 And amounts to be forwarded to the Secretary, Wanganui Jockey Club.

SPRING MEETING, 19TH AND 20TH OCTOBER, 1899.  
 MONDAY, September 25th, 1899, at 9 p.m.—NOMINATIONS: Spring Handicap, First Handicap Hurdles, Flying Handicap, Owen Stakes, Second Handicap Hurdles, Wanganui Stakes, Marangai Stakes, Trial Hack Handicap, Handicap Hack Flat, Flying Hack Handicap, Final Hack Handicap, First Handicap Hack Hurdles, and Second Handicap Hack Hurdles—1 sov each.  
 FRIDAY, October 6th, 1899, on or about.—WEIGHTS for Spring, Flying, First Hurdles, First Hack Hurdles, Trial Hack Handicap, and Handicap Hack Flat.  
 FRIDAY, October 13, 1899, at 9 p.m.—ACCEPTANCES: Spring Handicap, 1 sov; Trial Hack Handicap, 1 sov; Wanganui Guineas, 4 sovs; First Hurdles, 1 sov; First Hack Hurdles, 1 sov; Handicap Hack Flat, 1 sov; Flying Handicap, 2 sovs.  
 THURSDAY, October 19, 1899, at or about 8 p.m.—WEIGHTS for Second Day's Handicaps.  
 THURSDAY, October 19, 1899, at 10 p.m.—ACCEPTANCES: Owen Stakes, 1 sov; Hack Flying, 1 sov; Second Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov; Second Handicap Hack Hurdles, 1 sov; Wanganui Stakes, 3 sovs; Final Hack Handicap, 1 sov; Marangai Stakes, 1 sov.

**GENERAL RULES.**  
 All entries, nominations, etc., will close at the Secretary's office, Wanganui, at 9 p.m., except when otherwise specified. All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, Wanganui Jockey Club, Wanganui, entrance money enclosed, with the name, age at the time of entry, name of owner, pedigree, colours of the rider, and in case of handicaps where horses have not previously started on the Wanganui Course, performances of the horse. Entrance moneys to go to the funds of the Club. Entries by telegram must give full particulars of the horse—in terms of new Rule 46—otherwise the entry will be invalid; and must be confirmed in writing at the earliest possible opportunity.  
 Owners, trainers, and others entering and accepting horses for the W.J.C. meetings are notified that no entries or acceptances will be received unless accompanied by the necessary amount in cash. This notification does not apply to owners and trainers who have a standing arrangement with the executive.  
 Stakes are paid in full.  
 All races to be run under the New Zealand Rules of Racing.  
 No entry will be received under any pretence whatever after the hour named.

F. MOFFATT,  
 Secretary.



**AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB**  
 UNDER THE RULES OF THE N.Z. TROTTING ASSOCIATION.

**SPRING MEETING,**  
 TO BE HELD ON  
 SATURDAY AND WEDNESDAY,  
 14TH AND 18TH OCTOBER, 1899.

President: F. Lawry, Esq., M.H.R. Vice-President: A. R. Harris, Esq., J.P. Stewards: F. Lawry, Esq., M.H.R.; A. R. Harris, Esq., J.P.; Messrs T. McEwin, C. Bailey, S. C. Caulton, A. Murehie, W. Adams, J. Hunter, J. Rowe, A. Coates. Judge: A. R. Harris, Esq., J.P.; Treasurer: S. C. Caulton, Esq. Handicapper: Mr W. Knight. Starter: Mr G. Cuts. Judges of Trotting: Messrs A. Coates, C. Bailey, A. R. Harris, J. Hunter. Pony Measurers: Messrs J. Hunter, W. Adams. Clerk of Course: Mr T. Brown. Clerk of Scales: Mr F. W. Marks. Auditors: Messrs Waymouth and Son.

**PROGRAMME**  
 (PASSED BY NORTH ISLAND TROTTING ASSOCIATION).  
 FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14.  
 Maiden Trot Handicap (saddle or harness) of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised trotting race exceeding 25 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. One mile.  
 Maiden Pony Handicap of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stake. For all ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under that have never won a race exceeding 15 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Five furlongs.  
 Spring Trot Handicap (saddle or harness) of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.55 or better to the mile. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a half.  
 October Handicap of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Six and a half furlongs.  
 Stewards' Handicap Trot (harness) of 45 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. The winner of the Spring Trot Handicap to receive a penalty of 7 seconds. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a half.  
 Hurdle Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. One mile and a quarter, over five flights of hurdles.  
 Flying Handicap of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. The winner of the October Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Five furlongs.  
 Electric Trot Handicap (saddle or harness) of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. The winner of the Spring Trot Handicap to receive a penalty of 5sec. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile.  
 SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18.  
 Trial Trot Handicap (saddle or harness) of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For horses that have never won an advertised trotting race exceeding 25 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. One mile and a half.  
 Junction Handicap of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Five and a half furlongs.  
 October Trot Handicap (saddle or harness) of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.55 or better to the mile. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Two miles.

Handicap Hurdles of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. One mile and a quarter, over five flights of hurdles.  
 Harness Trot Handicap of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. The winner of the October Handicap to receive a penalty of 5 seconds. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a half.  
 Shorts Handicap of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. The winner of the Junction Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Five furlongs.  
 Class Trot Handicap (saddle or harness) of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.50 or better. Winners may be re-handicapped. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile.

**NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS, ACCEPTANCES, &c.**  
 NOMINATIONS for all events close with the Secretary on FRIDAY, 22nd September, 1899, at 10 p.m.  
 HANDICAPS for the First Day to appear on FRIDAY, 29th September.  
 ACCEPTANCES for the First Day close on FRIDAY, 6th October, at 10 p.m.  
 HANDICAPS for the Second Day to appear MONDAY, 16th October.  
 ACCEPTANCES for the Second Day close on MONDAY, 16th October, at 10 p.m.  
 The order of running subject to alteration.  
 Stakes paid less 5 per cent. for expense of course.

**NOTICE.**  
 Special attention is drawn to the following RULE of the N.Z. Trotting Association:—  
 Every owner of trotting horses and ponies in New Zealand must register with the Association all horses in his possession, giving brands, age, pedigree, and general description of each horse. Any unregistered horse or pony starting at any Trotting Meeting held under these Rules shall be disqualified. The fee for registration to be 2s 6d.

C. F. MARK, Secretary.

**Stud.**  
  
**THE THOROUGHBRED STALLION,**  
**BEN GODFREY,**  
 Will Stand this Season at ROYAL OAK,  
 ONEHUNGA.

BAY HORSE BEN GODFREY FOALED 1893.	WELCOME KATIE, 3 Muskets, 3 Dundee's Kate	St. Leger, 5 Doncaster, 5 Atlantic (imp.)	Stockwell, 3	The Baron, 24	Irish Birdcatcher, 11
				Pocahontas	Glencoe, 1
				Teddington, 2	Orlando, 13
				Daughter of	Ratan, 9
				Windhound, 3	Pantaloons, 7
				Alice Hawthorne	Muley Moloch, 9
				Wild Dayrell	Ion, 4
				Hurricane	Midia
				Longbow, 21	Ithuriel, 2
				Toxophilite 3	Legerdemain
				Daught'rof	West Australian
	Brown Beas	Camel, 24			
	Lord of the Isle	Touchstone, 14			
	Dundee, 16	Marmalade			
	Melbourne, 1	H'mphrey Clinker, 8			
	Rambling Katie	Phyrne			
		Touchstone, 14			
		Decoy			

BEN GODFREY is a beautiful bay horse by St. Leger, dam Welcome Katie, by Musket; granddam, Dundee's Katie, by Dundee; great granddam, Rambling Katie.  
 BEN GODFREY is nine years old, perfectly sound, and proved himself one of the fastest horses on the turf. He comes from the stoutest blood possible.  
 TERMS: Single mare, £5 5s; two or more mares the property of the same owner, £4 4s.  
 Groomage Fee 5s.  
 For full particulars apply to  
 FRED. STENNING,  
 Royal Oak, Onehunga.

**TO STAND THIS SEASON,**  
 AT ELLERSLIE, AUCKLAND,  
 THE THOROUGHBRED HORSE  
**CYRENIAN,**  
 By St. Simon—Daisy Chain.

St. Simon is by Galopin from St. Angela, by King Tom from Adeline, and the most successful sire in England.  
 DAISY CHAIN is by Springfield (the most brilliant horse of his time in England) from Chatelaine, by Cambuscan, dam Fal-lal, by Pazzoletto, dam Fernia (dam of Pretender, Derby winner).  
 CYRENIAN, who is five years old, is a handsome, good quality bay horse, of medium size, and was a good performer, winning at two years the Hardwick Stakes and Granby Plate at Newmarket; at three years, the Belper Plate at Derby and Second Welter at Newmarket; at four years, the Johnston Plate at Stockbridge, third at Newmarket in the Waterbeach Welter (8st 11lb) to Forme (8st 7lb) and Phenomenon (7st 12lb), twelve others being behind him, including Chaleureux. He ran second in his last race (carrying 8st 10lb) to Tom Cringle (8st 2lb) in the Lowther Plate at the York August Meeting.

**Stud.**  
 FEE, £25. Grazing, 3s per week. Groomage fee, 5s—H. Phillips, groom.  
 All care taken; no responsibility.  
 Further particulars from,  
 J. B. WILLIAMSON,  
 (Harp Road, Ellerslie, Auckland,  
 For the owner, L. MARSHALL, Esq.

**THE IMPORTED THOROUGHBRED STALLION,**  
**SOULT,**  
 Will stand this season at  
**GLENORA PARK STUD; FARM,**  
 PAPAURA (NEAR AUCKLAND).

SOULT is one of two St. Simon stallion in New Zealand, and will serve a limited number of mares during the forthcoming season. His pedigree must impress owners of mares having the stout Musket blood in their veins. The celebrated English mare La Fleche, recently sold for 12,600 guineas, gives an example of the value of the St. Simon—Musket cross.

BAY HORSE SOULT, 1890.	Galopin	Vedette	Voltaire
			Mrs Ridgway
			Birdcatcher
			Nan Darrell
			Flying Dutchman
			Bay Middleton
			Merope
			Voltaire
			Velocipede's dam
			King Tom
			Harkaway
	Pocahontas		
	Glencoe		
	Marpessa		
	Adeline		
	Ion		
	Cain		
	Margaret		
	Little Fairy		
	Hornsea		
	Lacerta		
	Buccaneer		
	Wild Dayrell		
	Ion		
	Ellen Middleton		
	Daughter of		
	Little Red Rover		
	Eclat		
	Marjory Daw		
	Brocket		
	Melbourne		
	Miss Slick		
	Protection		
	Defence		
	Testatrix		
	Irish Birdcatcher		
	Sir Hercules		
	Whalebone		
	Peri		
	Guiccioli		
	Bob Booty		
	Flight		
	The Saddler		
	Waverley		
	Mare by Castrel		
	Executrix		
	Liverpool		
	Handmaiden		

SOULT, amongst numerous races, won the Lane Stakes of 500 sovs, Liverpool Stewards' Stakes of 500 sovs, Ovington Stakes of 250 sovs, The Match (at Newmarket) of 300 sovs, and Brighton Plate of 150 sovs. In these races he beat some of the best horses running in England, viz.—Wooster (City and Suburban Handicap), Sylvanus, Fatherless (winner of Great Metropolitan), Simony, Son of o' Gun, El Diablo, Perigora, Miss Butterwick (Oaks winner), Gang Awa (Goodwood Cup winner), Marcion, Portrush, and several others, and was a good performer at all distances.  
 St. Simon, the sire of Soult, is at the head of winning sires in England, and the few sons of St. Simon at the stud in England—St. Serf, Haut Baron, and Adieu—have proved themselves winner-producers. In fact, St. Serf, is second on the list of winning sires, his sire holding premier position. St. Simon, the champion of England, being the sire of Soult, must impress upon owners of thoroughbred mares the advisability of making an early application for this valuable young and fashionable stallion's services.  
 Beauharnais, dam of Soult, won seven races at Newmarket, and is also dam of Barbelles, Wild Beauty, The Beau, and Hortense, all winners. Her sire, See Saw, won twelve races, and her grand sire, Buccaneer, won fifteen races. Josephine, her granddam, was also a great winner. Inheritas, her great granddam, won forty-seven races, thus conclusively proving the great running strains on the sire and dam's side in Soult's pedigree.  
 Owners of Musket blood mares should secure the service of this horse, as Bobadil is by a St. Simon horse out of a Nordenfiedt mare, the result being the best two-year-old in Australia.  
 Terms—10 guineas single mare; 8 guineas two or more mares.  
 Grazing 2s 6d per week. Every care taken, but no responsibility.  
 For further particulars apply to  
 WM. WALPERS,  
 Glenora Park, Papakura.

**TO STAND AT ELLERSLIE**  
 The Standard-bred Trotter  
**WILMINGTON**  
 (Seal Brown Horse, foaled April 5th, 1883),  
 By Fallis—Flushing Belle.

WILMINGTON was bred by the late Senator Leland Stapford, and as a two-year-old showed a 2.35 gait—remarkably fast, for it was done in a high-wheeled sulky. He was then purchased for £400 or £500 but was not raced, but bred to a lot of mares and driven as a road horse. His stock are big, fine, saleable horses of his own color.  
 TERMS—One mare, £3 3s; two mares, £5 5s; three or more mares as per agreement with owner. Groomage fee, 2s 6d, to be paid at time of first service.  
 Grazing will be provided at 2s a week. All care, but no responsibility.  
 For further particulars apply to the owner,  
 A. R. HARRIS,  
 East Tamiki.  
 Or to the Stud Groom, WILLIAM TOZER,  
 Ellerslie.

**DUNBLANE DINING ROOMS**  
 QUEEN STREET, AUCKLAND  
 (Between Tooman's and Cochrane & Sons').  
 This is the Best Place in Auckland for a Good Square Meal, which is dispensed with cleanliness and civility. All Meals 6d and 9d.  
 HARRY CLIST - PROPRIETOR.

Stud.



SYLVIA PARK SIRES. THE UNDERMENTIONED THOROUGHBRED STALLIONS WILL STAND AT SYLVIA PARK THIS SEASON.

Table listing various stallions and their sires, including Stockwell, Edith, Plum Pudding, Judy Go, Lord of the Isles, Miss Ann, Thormanby, Woodbine, Newminster, The Slave, Orlando, Torment, Harkaway, Pocahontas, West Austr'n, and Maria.

This sire has made the most promising debut at the Stud of any horse ever imported from England. His progeny raced for the first time last season, and, although only represented by half-a-dozen, three of them turned out winners and placed the young English horse at the head of the list of the successful sires for two-year-olds.

PERFORMANCES OF SEATON DELAVAL'S PROGENY.

MISS DELAVAL.—Avondale Spring: Won Juvenile Stakes, four furlongs. Ellerslie: November 5, won Welcome Stakes, five furlongs; November 9, won Musket Stakes, 9st 2lb; December 26, third Great Northern Foal Stakes; April 9, won Champagne Stakes, six furlongs; November 8, won Criterion Handicap, six furlongs, 8st; beating Miss Emma 9st, Sylvia Park 9st 10lb, Red Lancer, and a host of good ones.

HASTINGS.—Avondale Spring: Third in Juvenile Stakes to Miss Delaval and Bacchus; won Nursery Handicap, 8st. Ellerslie: November 9, third in Musket Stakes, won by Miss Delaval; December 29, won Visitors' Plate, 7.9, five furlongs, and was placed in other races in Wanganui and Auckland.

ROSELLA.—Ellerslie: November 5, Third in Welcome Stakes; December 23, third in Great Northern Foal Stakes; December 29, second in Criterion Handicap 8st 9lb, won by Seahorse 8st 7lb; January 2, third in Mid-summer Handicap 8st 8lb, won by Nantes 7st 7lb; Wanganui: March 8, won Two-year-old Stakes, six furlongs; March 9, won Nursery Handicap, 9st 4lb, four furlongs. Hawke's Bay: March 16, won Nursery Handicap, five and a half furlongs, 8st 12lb; March 18, won Hawke's Bay Stakes, six and a half furlongs, 8st 12lb, beating Ideal, Altair, Tigress, Seahorse, and others.

TERMS.—30 guineas for single mare, or 25 guineas each for two or more mares belonging to the same owner.

SEATON DELAVAL'S LIST is limited and closing fast, so that early application is desirable.

Table listing stallions for Seaton Delaval's stud, including Stockwell, Marigold, Thormanby, Hurricane, Angler, Chrysolite, Fireworks, and Nightlight, with their respective sires.

TERMS.—10 guineas per mare. Grazing at Sylvia Park by agreement. All care taken, but no responsibility accepted. For particulars apply to L. D. NATHAN & Co

Stud.



SIRE'S OF THE SEASON. WELLINGTON PARK STUD.

THE UNDERMENTIONED THOROUGHBRED SIRE'S (Champions in the List of Winning Sires in New Zealand) WILL BE AT

THE SERVICE OF BREEDERS, AT WELLINGTON PARK, DURING THE PRESENT SEASON.

ST. LEGER (imp.), By DONCASTER (Derby winner) out of ATLANTIS, by Thormanby (Derby winner) out of Hurricane (One Thousand Guineas winner), by Wild Dayrell (Derby winner).

During the last nine years the progeny of ST. LEGER have won the great sum of £43,045 in stakes, as follows:—1891, £1994; 1892, £3457; 1893, £5250; 1894, £3336; 1895, £4559; 1896, £5091; 1897, £6981; 1898, £8283; 1899, £4084.

ST. LEGER is the sire of three of the greatest horses that have graced the colonial turf, viz., St. Hippo (winner of the New Zealand Cup, Auckland Cup, and Great Northern Derby), Waiuku (winner of the New Zealand Cup), and St. Paul (winner of the Auckland Guineas, C.J.C. Metropolitan Handicap, A.R.C. Handicap, and many other races). He also claims as his progeny—Impulse, winner of the New Zealand Cup; St. Crispin, winner of the Auckland Guineas and Great Northern Derby; Nestor, winner of the Auckland Cup and Great Northern Derby; Bluejacket, winner of the Great Northern Derby; Woodstock, winner of the Napier Park Cup; St. Simon, winner of the North New Zealand Grand National Hurdle Race; St. Kilda, St. Cyr, St. Clements, Doris, Glanranald, Hippomenes, St. Laura, St. Ursula, Rex, Sylvia Park, Acone, St. Andrew, Regal, Lady Anna, St. Regal, Hermosa, St. Gordon, St. Peter, St. Innis, and many others.

TERMS.—40 guineas for single mare; 30 guineas for two or more mares belonging to the same owner.

HOTCHKISS,

By MUSKET from PETROLEUSE (imp.), by Oxford from Hartshorn, by Mountain Deer from Arena, by Gladiator from Twilight, by Velocipede from Miss Garforth, by Walton.

During the past six seasons the progeny of HOTCHKISS have won in stakes £18,088, and it is agreed on all sides that he is the best Musket sire in Australasia.

HOTCHKISS is sire of that great horse Multiform, who annexed prize money in three seasons in New Zealand amounting to £8081, and who was subsequently sold to go to England at a big figure. He also claims Uniform, winner of the C.J.C. Derby, and Otago, Wellington Cups, and Lewes Handicap, England; Swordfish, winner of Wanganui Cup; True Blue, winner of Carrington Stakes and other good races; Screw Gun, winner of the Great Northern Foal Stakes, A.R.C. Royal Stakes, C.J.C. Champagne Stakes, and other races; Forma, Osculator, Waiorongomai, and numerous others.

TERMS.—40 guineas for single mare; 35 guineas for two or more mares belonging to the same owner.

CASTOR (imp.),

WHO HEADS THE LIST OF N.Z. SIRE'S THIS YEAR is by ZEALOT (son of the famous sire Hermit, winner of the Derby, 1867) out of LADY YARDLEY, by the great Sterling (sire of Is-nomy) from Leda, by Weatherbit.

CASTOR was a great performer at all weight and distances, winning 22 races out of 28 starts. He is half brother to Disraeli, winner of the Two Thousand Guineas.

Since 1894, in which year the first of CASTOR'S progeny raced, they have won in prize money £22,764.

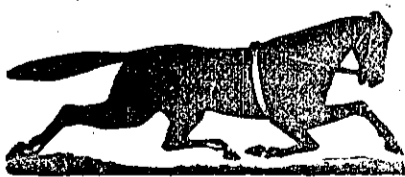
CASTOR is sire of Cravat, winner of the V.R.C. Place Handicap and A.J.C. Metropolitan Handicap; Castashore, winner of the Manawatu Cup, Taranaki Jockey Club Handicap, and a large number of other races; Antares, winner of the Auckland Cup; Coronet, winner of Summer Cup; Casket, winner of C.J.C. Great Easter Handicap and Dunedin Cup; Fulmen, winner of the Otago Cup; Armilla, winner of A.R.C. Musket Stakes, C.J.C. Oaks, and Wellington Exhibition Handicap; Daystar, winner of the Hawke's Bay Guineas and Hawke's Bay Cup; Altair, winner of the C.J.C. Champagne Stakes, C.J.C. Derby, and New Zealand St. Leger; Three Star, winner of the Great Northern Foal Stakes and A.R.C. Champagne Stakes. Amongst other winners he claims Tauhei, The Heavenly Twin, Eton, Record Reign, Collarette, Porangi Potae, Dayntree, Orion's Belt, St. Elmo, and others.

TERMS.—25 guineas for single mare; 20 guineas for two or more mares belonging to the same owner.

Grazing at 2s 6d per week. Every care taken, but no responsibility incurred.

Further particulars may be obtained from JERRY KENNELLY, Stud Groom, Wellington Park.

And at the STUD OFFICE, Durham Street, Auckland, N.Z.



THE STANDARD-BRED STALLION,

LA RUE (Registered No. 20,141). Will make the Season of 1899 at THE PAH FARM, ONEHUNGA.

DESCRIPTION. LA RUE, foaled in 1889, is a bright bay with black points, 16 hands high, both hind feet white, and small star on forehead. He is grand-looking, and resembles the Electioneers, being a grandson to that noted sire. His trotting action is first-class.

PEDIGREE. Sired by Campaign 9811, son of Electioneer 125, sire of 145 trotters in the 2.30 list, including Arion 2.73—Arion, 2.103, champion two-year-old record—Sunol, 2.84; Palo Alto, 2.83. First Dam Clara D., record 2.49 when with foal, is sister to Honesty, 2.253, and Mockingbird, two-year-old record 2.38. Clara D. is, also dam to Dewdrop (by Elect), that

Stud.

trotted a mile over the Sacramento track in 2.28, while owned by P. C. Hale, of Hale and Co.; Fram 1798, the sire of Clara D., is the sire of Frank M., 2.17; Honesty, 2.254; Harry M., 2.244, etc. Second Dam Western Girl, by Chiefton 721, sire of De-fiance, trotting 2.24, pacing 2.173; Crown, 2.26, and sire of the dams of Mt. Vernon, 2.13; Crown Prince 2.173; Tempest 2.19; Chief Thorn 2.20, etc. Western Girl is full sister to Western Boy 2.85; and the Lyle mare that could trot with mate in 2.30. Third dam, the J.H. Dodge mare, dam of Western Boy 2.38, by Jim Crow (Coburn's), said to be thoroughbred.

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Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, August 31, 1899.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the unsold Lots in the Townships of Alexandra East and Alexandra West, re-classified as Suburban Lands, will be submitted for Sale by Public Auction, at this Office, on FRIDAY, October 13, 1899, at 11 a.m.

The areas range from 2 roods up to 11 acres, and the upset prices £2 per acre.

Posters, with plan and schedule of lots, may be seen at the principal Post offices and Railway Stations throughout the district. Copies may also be obtained at this office on application.

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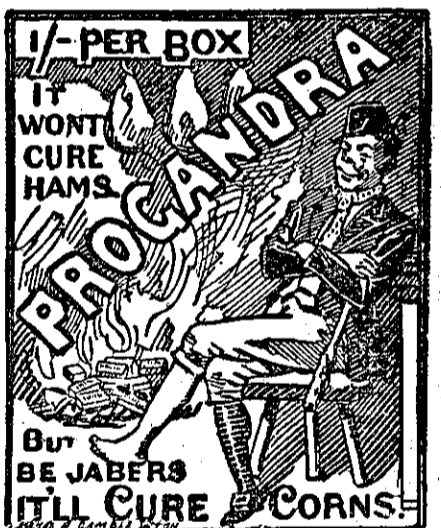
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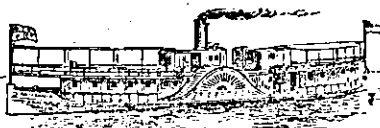
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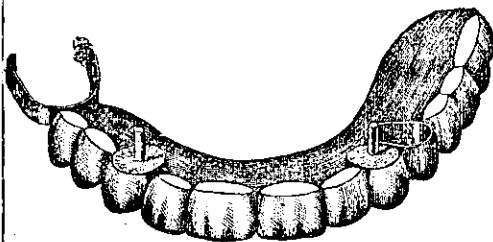
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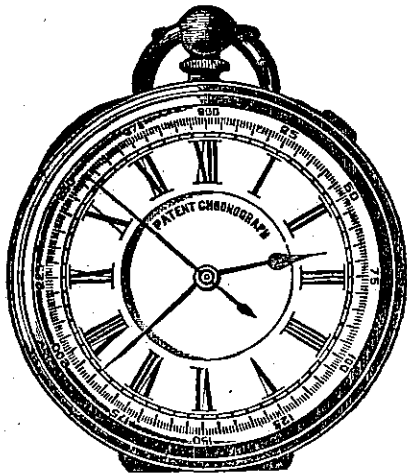
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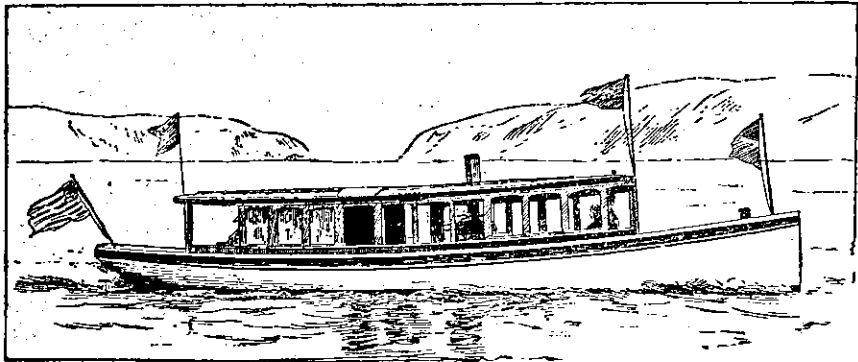
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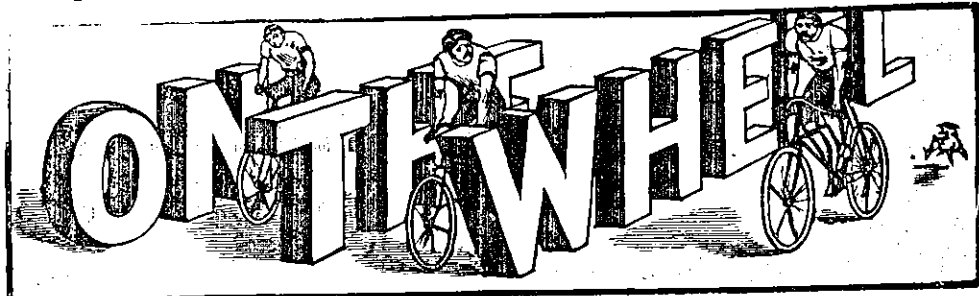
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By Cyclos.

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“The bicycle has finally found its way on to an American postage stamp,” says an English paper. “It will form the central figure of the United States’ design of the special delivery stamps for use in Cuba. In size, the stamp corresponds to that of the United States special delivery stamp, and the design has for a centre-piece a mounted bicycle messenger boy, with ‘Cuba’ at the top and palm branches and two ornamental tablets embracing the numeral ‘10’ on the side.”

“A marvellous motor record has just been done in France,” says the Irish Cyclist. “A distance of 3200 miles was accomplished in fifteen days by Joyeux, on a motor trike, unpaced, and without a breakdown. A portion of the journey was accomplished through storms and over roads in the worst of conditions. To keep up an average of 200 miles a day for fifteen days is something wonderful.”

Buffalo is the greatest cycle town in America, if not in the world, says an exchange. Every summer day on which there is no rain from 50,000 to 60,000 wheels are ridden. Every day on which the rain falls steadily from morning to evening the receipts of the street car lines are increased by from 800dol. to 1200dol. There is one bicycle to every eight men, women, and children, including the poorest. The wheel is the common means of locomotion for 100,000 persons. There are about 180 dealers in cycles and sundries, more than 100 repair shops, and nearly 100 small shops and stores in which bicycles are sold exclusively. There are more men dealing in bicycles than in drugs or bread; more men mending wheels than are shoeing horses and repairing waggons and other vehicles.

The League of N S W. Wheelmen have decided to hold a three days’ race meeting on October 7, 14, and 21 on the Agricultural Ground, instead of the four days’ meeting as originally proposed.

Zimmerman in a recent exhibition ride covered two miles in 3min 29.45sec. Tom Linton, the Welsh flyer, watched the performance, and at its conclusion he vowed that there was not a sprinter in Europe who could excel that performance.

In a match between Tom Linton, Harry Elkes (the American), and Burns Pierce (the Canadian) over a distance of 25 miles, the American won rather easily in 43min 22 3-5sec. This was early in August, and it is said that the competitors will meet again shortly.

A very promising amateur rider has lately been unearthed at Waltham, U.S.A., in Everett E. Ryan, and his four recent performances are as follow, according to *The Cyclist*. In a ten miles paced match against C. T. Earl, of Brooklyn, he won in the new amateur record time of 19min 59½sec. (English best, 20min 19 2-5sec, by Palmer). Then he beat Fred. Beauregard, of Fall River, in three middle distance matches twice at fifteen miles, the first time in 29min 35½sec, and the second time in 28min 42sec (English best, 30min 40 2-5sec, by A. G. Wright), his latest performance

being the covering of 31 miles 1066½ yards in the hour (English best, 29 miles 454 yards, by A. G. Wright).

The League of Queensland Wheelmen’s Winter Carnival was finished on August 24. The weather was pleasantly fine, and the sport was much more interesting and exciting than on the previous Saturday. The *piece de resistance* of the afternoon was the Five-mile Challenge Race between the two local cracks, Mick Healy and Freddy Shaw, who had a battle royal, the former winning by a narrow margin. Both had a large coterie of admirers, and the race, which was the concluding item of the programme, furnished considerable excitement, and sent the spectators home in the best of spirits, and keenly debating the capabilities of the men. The Brisbane Wheel Race, with a first prize of £50, was won by E. E. Eaton, who came with a rush at the finish and just beat Mutton on the line. Eaton’s time, with 30yds start, was 4.38 for the two miles. Bill Martin secured the third distance in the Cyclone Plate series of scratch contests as easily as he did the two events in this competition on the first day, thus annexing first prize. His time for the five miles was 11.57.

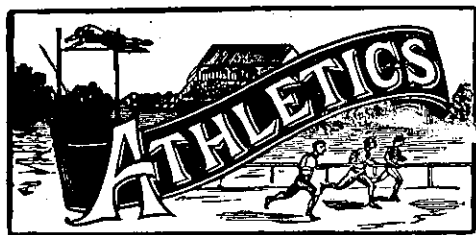
In New York a cyclist, when arrested by the police, may leave his bicycle as a pledge for his appearance at court. “In this country,” says the *Scottish Cyclist*, “some hotel-keepers won’t accept a bicycle as security for the price of bed and breakfast.”

The action of McDonald versus Melbourne Bicycle Club, arising out of the alteration of heats of the last Austral, has, it is reported, been settled out of court. A good many would like to know just what the settlement was and I suppose it will come to light directly.

The secretary of the St. Kilda C.C. charged £25 for his trouble and expenses in the Martin-Walker “match.” The “Pluggie” insisted upon examining the accounts, and when he came to this item he objected, and needless to say, gained his own way.

Our Wellington correspondent writes.—“The Wellington Cycling Club had bad luck last year, its affairs being rather upset by a fire which occurred in its rooms. By a deed lease for a term of five years the club is now in possession of suitable premises, comprising a billiard room, card room, reading room, and three offices, the latter have been let, and the rental therefrom is in a small measure, a set off against the heavy rental the club is under, viz., £170 a year. Two first-class billiard tables have been provided at a cost of £194, of this amount £147 7s 3d has been paid, and there remains two instalments of £23 3s 6d and £22 16 9d, falling due in November, 1899, and March, 1900, respectively. When these are paid the club will be practically free from debt. The furnishing of the rooms ran into £60 odd. The attraction of members to the rooms has, by reason of the large expenditure involved in reconstruction, been confined almost solely to billiards. Three tournaments were held during the winter, all of which were well supported, and the sum of £18 3s was given in prize money. Straited circumstances were responsible for the committee refusing to run the risk of probable loss in holding a sports meeting, after the refusal of the league to grant permission for it to be held on the day applied for, and in consequence no racing whatever was provided by the club for its members during the season. A permit for a meeting on the 11th November has been secured. The opening club run of the season was a success, though subsequent ones, in spite of repeated efforts by the committee, were anything but successful, owing to the lack of interest evinced by members. The only racing member present at the Championship Meeting was Mr G. Bell, and he succeeded in winning the Half-mile Amateur Championship. Under the reorganisation scheme adopted by the league, the colony has been divided into districts, each of which has its governing body. Wellington is the centre of a district which includes the Suburban and

Wairarapa Clubs, and the control of racing and other matters in this district will, in future, be governed by a committee of delegates from the various clubs attached to the district.



[BY VIGILANT.]

**AUCKLAND AMATEUR ATHLETIC AND CYCLE CLUB.**

The annual meeting of the Auckland Amateur Athletic and Cycle Club was held at the Amateur Sports Club on Friday evening, when Mr Seymour Thorne George presided in the unavoidable

sent the club at the sports meeting of the Canterbury Amateur Athletic Club, held at Christchurch on April 15 last. Cycling representatives were also sent to the Thames and Waikato to compete at the sports meetings conducted by the local clubs. At the spring carnival, which took place (after repeated postponements) on December 7, 1898, W. H. Madill, by his victories in the hammer-throwing, the half and one mile handicaps, and by securing second place in the 440yds handicap, won outright the magnificent cup presented by the vice-patron of the club, the late Mr J. F. Logan. Upon the programme of this meeting was placed a two-mile bicycle championship of Auckland, the first held under the auspices of the club for many years. This was won by H. Coates (Waikato A.A. and C.C.). The handsome lap prize presented by Mr Seymour Thorne George (vice-president) for competition in this race fell to E. H. Cucksey. D. Reid, by gaining first place in the two-mile and second in the five-mile bicycle handicaps, won the club's Victor Ludorum for cycling. At the autumn meeting, held on March 11 last, J. H. Keily secured the Victor Ludorum with first place in the half-mile and second in the mile flat, and G. Brierly won the president's beautiful trophy presented for competition in the 440yds handicap. At this

Speight, John Marshall, and A. H. Cotter; president, Mr S. T. George; vice-presidents, Messrs F. W. Edwards, G. Dunnett, and C. E. MacCormick; hon. sec., Mr F. J. Ohlson; hon. treasurer, Mr C. E. MacCormick; auditor, Mr W. R. Holmes; management committee (athletic) Messrs A. A. Davies, W. H. Toy, T. Davies, R. Dacre, W. J. Winks, S. W. Somerfield, J. Farquhar, W. H. Martin, Leo. Myers, O. Resketh; (cycling), H. Cook, C. E. Palmer, J. Miller.

At the Sports Ground, Catford, on July 31 Len Hurst, of Edmonton, the well-known long-distance runner, made an attempt to beat Geo. Crossland's time record for a twenty-mile run, viz, 1hr. 51min. 51sec, made at Stamford Bridge Ground on September 2, 1894. Hurst started well, and beat all times in the Crossland run up to the end of the sixth mile, dropped away afterwards, and eventually stopped after covering 13 miles 2½ laps, or one lap short of 14 miles, his time being 1hr. 15min 10½sec., as against Crossland's 1hr. 11min 27sec for the same distance. F. E. Bacon, Griffin, and E. and A. Perkins acted as pacemakers, and W. R. Watson was timekeeper and referee.

B. J. Wefers has, according to American files, announced his intention of returning to the run-

**THE OLYMPIAN GAMES AT PARIS IN 1900.**

The wonderful interest manifested in England over the International athletic meeting between the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge on the one hand and Harvard and Yale on the other makes one think of the possibilities and probabilities of the far more important and comprehensive International contests to take place in Paris (and also in England) in 1900 (says the *Sunday Times*.)

Before touching upon the coming Olympian Games, a few words about the late struggle at the Queen's Grounds, West Kensington, London, will not be out of place. Papers by the last mail contain graphic details of the exciting scenes witnessed when the rival Universities were fighting for supremacy at athletic games. The attendance included the Prince of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of York, and a large percentage of the rank and fashion of England, and extraordinary excitement was evidenced as the contest progressed, tremendous applause greeting the announcement of the final victory of Oxford and Cambridge. For weeks before, and for days afterwards, the papers were full of the doings and

**AUCKLAND RUGBY UNION REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL TEAM, 1899**

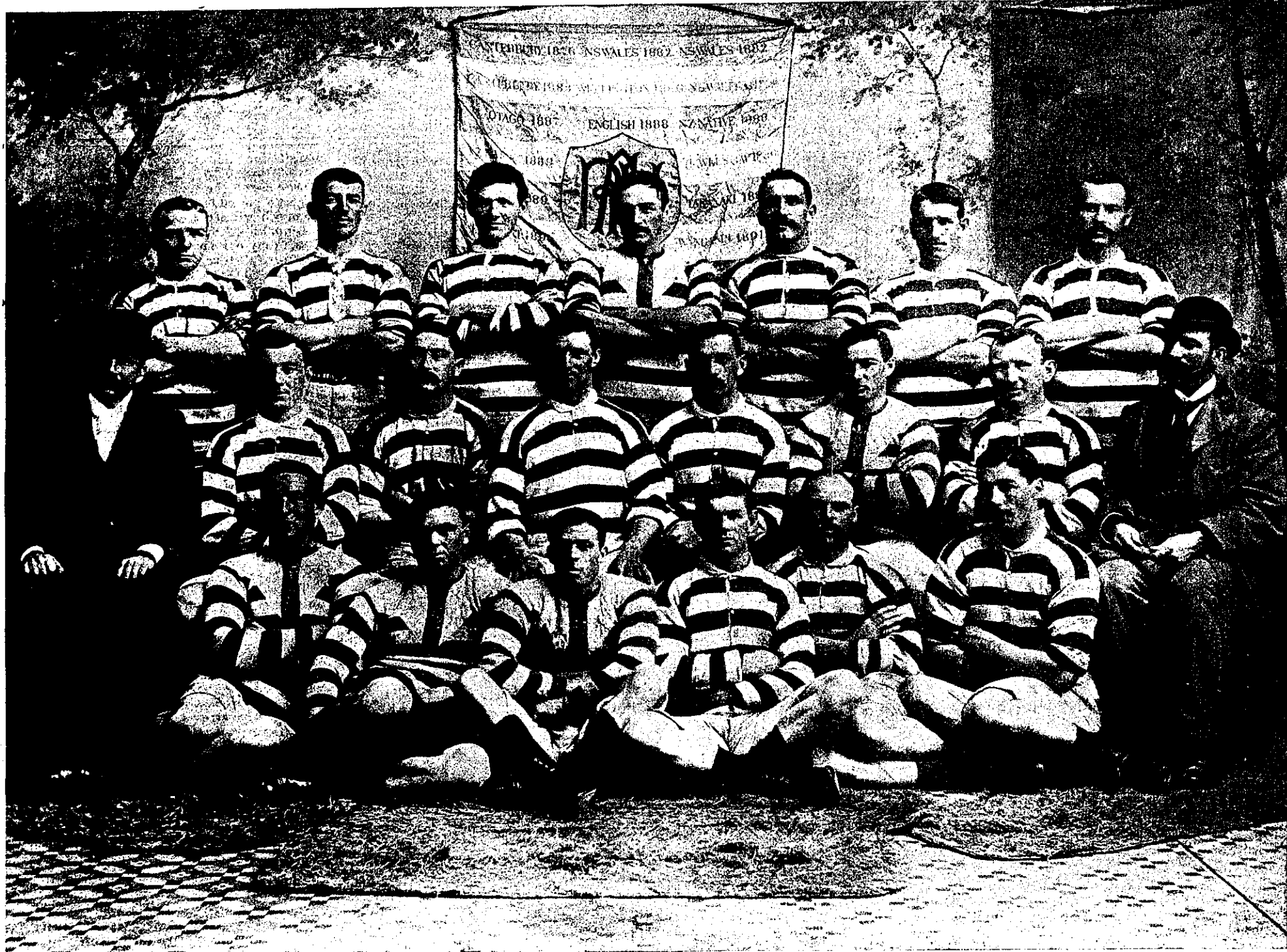


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BACK ROW—F. S. Murray, H. Phelan, H. Wilson, J. A. Gillett, C. McGregor, A. Wilson, D. Gallagher.  
SECOND ROW—J. Arneil (Selector), J. Tyler, C. Cunningham, H. G. Absolum, W. Harrison, R. McGregor, R. Irvine, G. Dixon (Hon Sec. A.R.U.).  
FRONT ROW—E. Scott, W. D. McPike, E. Young, Pillinger, J. Laing, G. Gillett.

absence of the president, Mr John Marshall. There was a very large attendance of members. The report, which was read by the secretary, Mr J. W. Browne, was as follows:—

The annual report of the committee congratulated the club on a successful year, and then went on to state that at the New Zealand Amateur Athletic Association's championship meeting, held at Dunedin in February last, the club was represented by Messrs Smith, Madill, Wilson, and Te Pas, and although not successful in retaining the championship banner, it has every reason to feel proud of the highly creditable performances of its representatives. The team, comparatively speaking, was small, but it scored collectively a greater number of points than any team of the size previously. George Smith won the 100yds flat, the 120yds hurdles, the 440yds hurdles, and was second in the 250yds flat; D. Wilson, the three-mile walk; James Te Pas the pole vault, while W. H. Madill won the hammer-throwing and was second in putting the shot. He threw the 16lb hammer a distance of 121ft 3in, thus establishing an Australasian record. Messrs Madill, Wilson, and Te Pas, by their performances, became entitled to standard badges. The Otago team won the banner with 52 points, the Auckland team of four members scoring 46. The team was under the management of Mr W. H. Toy. In order to help the cause of amateur cycling in the South, your committee sent Messrs Cucksey and Brook to repre-

meeting, owing to the large number of competitors in the cycling events, the one and two mile handicaps had to be run in heats, an innovation that proved highly successful. Acting on the suggestion of the members at the last annual meeting, our president (Mr John Marshall) called a meeting of amateur athletes, which was well attended, and the result is that successful institution now known as the Auckland Amateur Sports Club. In December last the Public Schools' Amateur Athletic Association, having for its object the promotion of pure amateur sport among the young of the province, was formed and affiliated to your club. The first meeting was held on March 17, and was in every possible manner a great success. Your committee considered this association a most important step, as affording a nursery for the parent body, and donated towards the funds the sum of ten guineas. The thanks of the club were due to Messrs W. Tonke, G. B. Ritohie, and J. Wood (its delegates to the N.Z. A.A. Association), and also to its delegates on the New Zealand Cyclists' Alliance.

The financial statement showed that the club was in a flourishing condition. The assets were set down at £409 4s 6d, including £258 10s cash in the hands of the trustees, against liabilities nil. The election of officers was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—Patron, His Excellency, Lord Ranfurly; vice-patrons, Messrs J. H. B. Coates and John Marshall; life members, Messrs J. H. B. Coates, B. J. Esam, W. C.

ning path. This is good news if it is true, for Wefers is one of the best sprint runners the world has ever seen. He holds the record for 220 yards, running that distance in 1896 in 21 3-5 sec, and in the autumn of the same year he ran 300 yards in 30 3-5 sec.

In Montana County there has been lately discovered a runner (by name Grinrod) who can travel 100 yards in 9 3-5 sec. These marvels always grow in America. However, several time-keepers have averred that Grinrod has handsomely beaten level time, and now a good many athletic people are waiting for confirmation.

Entries for the Australasian Championships, to be decided at Brisbane in November, close on October 21. The value of the trophies for the athletic events will amount to about £90.

I congratulate Mr F. J. Ohlson on his election to the position of secretary of the Auckland Athletic and Cycle Club.

Mr John Marshall, after a twenty years association with the A.A.A. and C. Club, and a three years term of office as president, has resigned his position. Many happy things were spoken by various members having reference to Mr Marshall's invaluable help to the club, and a motion making the late president a vice patron and life member was carried with enthusiasm.

Select the winners in the three races, coupon to be found on page 24.

savings of the English and American athletes, and there can be no doubt that, as in the case of the Test matches at cricket between England and Australia, all the English-speaking world was interested.

After the contest the Earl of Jersey presided at a banquet to the teams. At this the American Ambassador in London, Mr Choate, made what is described by the Press as an important speech. One writer says:—

"Mr Choate happily proposed 'International Sport,' in terms at once eulogistic and humorous. He spoke of the love of sport inherent in both England and America, and dwelt on the good that these meetings did to promote the best possible understanding between the two great nations. He was speaking to a body of young men in whose hands the guidance of their country's destinies might one day be placed, and he was sure that their athletic education, and the memories of such meetings as that in which they had that day engaged, would in no way militate against successful solution of any questions that might arise between the two great nations."

"With this we heartily agree (continues the *Sunday Times* writer). And if so much importance was attributed to this meeting, what may be anticipated of the Olympian Games in Paris and the English championships in London next year? Preparations on the most elaborate scale are now going on, so that the world's most famous athletes may meet at the gatherings in question.

From the United States will sally forth, it is said, almost an army of representative athletes, several of the Universities despatching teams, whilst the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, and also some of its largest affiliated clubs, will have contingents in the arena. Australasia, it is predicted, and confidently expected, will be represented, too. And assuredly it should be, for in any competition for the world's supremacy at sport, it is only fit and proper that Australia and New Zealand should take the field.

A few earnest workers are doing all they can in Sydney and Melbourne (and also in New Zealand) to further the prospect of despatching an Australasian team, but so far lack of funds hampers the movement. We believe that the importance of being represented in Paris and London next year has only to be thoroughly understood in the colonies for the monetary troubles to vanish as thin air. Anyway, the *Sunday Times* says it believes so, and the *Referee* is of the same way of thinking.



[BY STONEWALLER.]

The annual meeting of the Gordon Cricket Club was held at the Y.M.C.A. rooms on Thursday last. Mr E. B. Lusk was elected captain; Dr J. H. Neil, treasurer; Mr J. B. Kyd, secretary; Messrs Kiesel and Neil, delegates to the Cricket Association; and Messrs Lusk, Neil, and Kallender were appointed selectors. Teams will be entered for the senior and first junior competition. Several members spoke of the advantages of practice, and the hope was expressed that members would turn up more regularly for net practice. Votes of thanks to the chairman (Dr Egan) and the retiring officers brought the proceedings to a close.

At the annual meeting of the Wellington Cricket Association the chair was occupied by Mr O. Benbow. The report stated that two interprovincial matches were played during the season. The first, against Hawke's Bay, resulted in a draw; and the second, against Canterbury, resulted in a win for the Southerners by an innings and 127 runs. There was again much enthusiasm shown in the Senior Cup contest, which ended in a tie between the Midland and the Wellington Club's A team. The Junior Championship was keenly contested, the Midland Club proving the winners. The Karori Cricket Club won the Third-class Competition. No definite fixtures have been made for inter-provincial matches for the ensuing season, but visits may be expected from Canterbury and Otago. The committee regrets that it was found to be impracticable to get together a team to visit Auckland, but trusts the association will make a point of fulfilling this engagement this season. A visit to Hawke's Bay is also due. The thanks of the association were due to the Rev. Dr Watters, Messrs E. Pearce, C. A. Knapp, A. T. Bate, D. J. Nathan, and H. Mitchell for donations received; to the gentlemen who were umpires during the season; to Messrs Collins and Treweek, delegates to the N.Z.C.C.; and to H. Mitchell for repairs to the clock in the Basin Reserve. The bat presented by Messrs Feltham and Co. as a trophy for the highest batting average for all classes has been won by Mr K. H. Tucker with an average of 38. The balance-sheet showed that, despite the fact that a sum of £25 was paid to the N.Z.C.C. to provide for a team to visit Australia, the financial position was sound. The election of officers resulted as follows:—Patron, his Excellency the Governor; president, Mr H. D. Bell; vice-presidents, Messrs C. W. Benbow, J. Duthie, M.H.R., H. Gully, J. Lachman, D. J. Nathan, R. M. Simpson, Dr Collins, Rev Dr Watters; subscribers' delegates, Messrs C. A. Knapp and A. T. Bate; senior and junior championship committees, Messrs A. Ashbolt, C. A. Knapp, and G. Webb; third-class championship committee, Messrs W. E. Dasant, H. P. Haniff, and G. Warren; selection committee, Messrs A. Ashbolt, C. A. Knapp, and A. B. Williams; delegates to the N.Z. Cricket Council, Messrs J. U. Collins and C. Treweek; vice-president of the New Zealand Cricket Council, Mr H. D. Bell; hon secretary, Mr W. C. Levers; hon treasurer, Mr I. Hyams; hon auditors, Messrs G. Millward and E. Fitzsimons. All the officers were re-elected. A letter from the N.Z. Cricket Council stating that if the Australians did not visit New Zealand arrangements would be made with the Melbourne Club to send a team was referred to the new committee. Messrs C. W. Benbow and C. A. Knapp were elected life members. Mr J. Lachman promised to present a gold medal to the Wellington player making the highest score in inter-provincial matches next season. It was decided to have a conference with the Rugby Union with the object of framing a rule dealing with the suspension of players for misconduct. After some debate, it was decided to continue playing on the Basin Reserve instead of forsaking that ground for the Athletic Park.

Giles' College Cricket Club seems to be in a flourishing condition. For the coming season two teams are now in practice for the Junior Cup. Mr J. Corbett has been elected captain, and Mr J. Knott secretary.

There is some talk of making the senior games three day matches this season. If the Cricket Association make this desirable alteration I believe cricket in Auckland will thrive better than it has in the past.

The Ponsonby and Y.M.C.A. Clubs desire to enter senior teams this year. Should the Association accede to their wish there will be a bye in every round.

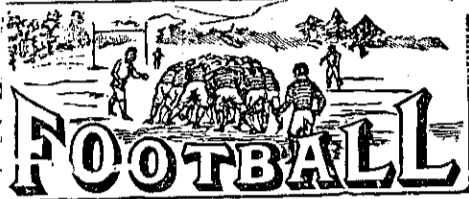
Several players took advantage of the fine weather on Saturday, and indulged in practice at the Domain.

C. L. Townsend, the Gloucester amateur, has had a wonderfully successful season with both bat and ball. He has made over two thousand runs, and has captured over one hundred wickets in first-class cricket.

The United Cricket Club (Canterbury) has assets of the value of £256 10s 4d and no liabilities. Mr C. R. Clark has been elected captain for the ensuing season.

The Lancaster Park Cricket Club's annual meeting showed the financial state of affairs to be in a healthy condition. The receipts during the past season were £124 18s 4d, and the expenditure amounted to £117 6s 2d.

Cricket here this season promises to eclipse all previous years, besides the old clubs, there are several others formed, one "The Union," which opened the season on Thursday last (our weekly half-holiday), having, up to the present, a membership of sixty. Afternoon tea was dispensed by the club, and there is no doubt the Union promises to be the most popular cricket club ever formed here. — (Gisborne correspondent.)



[BY VIGILANT.]

J. Coote, the Thames half-back, who is in the Postal Service, has been transferred to Auckland from Paeroa. He will be an acquisition to the club he decides to play for next season.

The Thames members of the Auckland football team that has just toured the colony returned to the Thames on Monday, and were met at the wharf by the Mayor (Mr H. J. Greenslade) and several of the officials of the local Rugby Union, who congratulated them upon the prominent part they had taken in the several matches played. The Mayor in his remarks expressed a hope that next season a team from the Thames and the surrounding districts would be sent to tour the colony, and promised a substantial donation in aid of a fund for such a purpose. It was also announced that the new banner ordered from England some time ago on behalf of the local Rugby Union had arrived, and would shortly be presented.

A team of Ponsonby District Football Club players leave by the ten minutes past five o'clock train on Friday evening to play the Aratapu Football Club. The following are the Ponsonby players:—A. Webber, R. Masefield, V. Masefield, R. Lendrum, S. Riley, P. Galloway, J. Rule, A. Braund, C. Stephenson, M. Rylance, A. Watson, T. Payne, F. Blomfield, R. Hemingway, D. Clare, J. Carder, and R. Carder. Mr J. J. Ohlson will accompany the team as referee.

The Auckland representative footballers returned home on Saturday morning after their victorious tour of the colony. Under the capable captaincy of Harrison our boys handsomely beat Otago, Wellington, and Taranaki, and drew with Canterbury after a sterling forward game. For three years Auckland has not been defeated in interprovincial football. Such a record is one to be proud of indeed, and to read the opinions of southern critics on the 1899 team makes one blush with pardonable pride.

A Dunedin writer, commenting on the Otago-Auckland match, in which the former played "wingers," points out that the way to meet wing-forward play is for the opposing forwards to screw the scrum. This, however, the Otago forwards did not do; they heeled out, and thus allowed Gallagher and 'aing to get round and smother their backs. Such a fine pack of fast, dashing forwards are a credit to any province, and they will probably carry the Auckland flag victoriously throughout their tour (says a Dunedin writer in commenting on the recent inter-provincial). They beat the local men badly in the scrum, and the way they dribbled and passed to each other with their feet was a treat to watch. The Auckland backs were fast—very fast. When McPike and Harrison got away, as they did several times, they showed a pace and an ability to pass that put the blues' efforts completely in the shade. With Absolum on the right wing instead of McGregor, they would be an unrivalled set of three-quarter backs.

A Wellington writer thinks George Gillett the prince of place-kickers, and doubts whether his superior is to be found in the colony.

## The Ring.

### DEATH OF TOM SPARKS.

One of the oldest "landmarks" of Australian pugilism passed away last Friday morning (reports the Sydney *Referee* Sept. 6) in the person of Tom Sparks, known in his day as the "Sprig o' Myrtle." Tom shone at a time when prize fighting boomed in England, America, and Australia, and fist-fighters flocked to the land of the Golden Fleece from all parts of the world.

He belonged to that school which, in the forties, developed Bill Sparkes (a brother of Tom's), who worked his passage to England, and gave Nat Langham the fight of his life. Sixty-seven rounds were fought, and the battle would undoubtedly have ended in the Australian's favour, but for the fact that at the end of the 62nd round, when Sparkes threw Nat, Bill's right arm got twisted under the Englishman's body, and the bone of the forearm was badly broken. Still, the Cook's River man fought on, though suffering intense pain, and

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crippled in such a manner that it was impossible for him to pull through. His seconds had literally to drag him away at the close of the 67th round. Bill Sparkes' exhibition of grit on that occasion was a revelation to the ringsiders, among whom the English aristocracy was largely represented.

Tom Sparks died at his home, Canterbury, of heart failure at the ripe age of 76, after being laid up for less than a fortnight, and was buried on Saturday afternoon. For years past his has been a familiar figure at the Leger entrance to Moorefield racecourse, and Tom had no more sterling friend and well-wisher than the popular proprietor of that favorite resort, Mr Peter Moore.

The following letter appeared in the Sydney *Referee* of September 6:—"While looking over the *Referee* of August 2 I read in the boxing columns a letter from Percy Lewis, stating that he challenged New Zealand from 8st to 9st. If that challenge was issued, it did not reach as far north as Auckland, or it would have been accepted either by my brother Fred or myself. I will most likely be in Sydney in a week or so, and if Lewis happens to be there then I will gladly meet him and make a match to box under the auspices of any of the athletic clubs. As boxing is wiped out all over New Zealand, there is no chance of bringing off a match over on this side. Hoping you will give this brief letter a little space,—I am, &c., ARTHUR G. PALTRIDGE, Claimant for 9st Championship Honors. Auckland, N.Z., August 26."



Our Napier correspondent, on Monday, wired—The golf tournament commences on Monday. Entries for the men's competitions, which closed on Saturday evening, are as follows: Men's championships, 23; 18 hole handicap, 49; driving and approaching, 33; men's 18 hole foursomes, 32; men's 18 hole bogey handicap, 46; mixed foursomes, 30. Entries for the ladies' events do not close until to-morrow. Included in the above are three entries from Auckland, four from Gisborne, five from Mohaka, and one each from Timaru and Manawatu. On Saturday the third of the series of matches for the vice-president's prize was won by Mr Mathias. The ladies held a handicap to wind up the season's matches, which resulted as follows: Mrs Jardine, 74 gross, 9 handicap, 65 nett; Miss Wood, 81, 7, 74; Miss Sutton, 94, 20, 74.

## Lacrosse.

[BY COVERPOINT.]

The lacrosse season closes here next Saturday, when an exhibition match will be played at Porter's Paddock. As this is the first season of lacrosse in Auckland it must be admitted, considering the opposition the association has had to put up with, the game has caught on very well, and if the district scheme is brought into force next year it will no doubt please the public more. The association has fixed September 30 as the night for the smoke concert, and the committee in whose hands the arrangements are being carried out are working hard to bring the function to a successful issue.

Pawnees met Dakotas in a friendly go last Saturday, but as Pawnees had four of their number away and Dakotas two, a fair test between the teams could not be expected. Pawnees played two substitutes, making both sides ten each. Dakotas had the best of it by 6 goals to 2. The game was not of the fast order, the heat which

prevailed no doubt having a lot to do with the play.

Some are of the opinion that if Pawnees are to meet a picked team from the rest of the clubs the match will be a one-sided affair. I think such would not be the case. Given their full team, in my opinion they would more than hold their own. I hear three of their best men are not available for the exhibition match; therefore, I expect the association will pick two teams from all the clubs.

## ROWING.

Our Gisborne correspondent writes:—Rowing is livening up here, a number of new members having been added to both clubs and we hope to again meet your oarsmen this Summer, and we hope, with better results than last. The choppy waters of the Auckland Harbor does not suit our boys, who are only used to river rowing, where it is always like the proverbial millpond. However, we will have another go, and "don't you forget it."

## BOWLING.

The Napier Bowling Club opened its season on Saturday, a number of members of the Bluff Hill and Hastings Clubs being among the visitors. The president, Mr E. Evans, performed the opening ceremony, delivering a speech in which he welcomed the representatives of the other clubs. He thanked the ladies for providing afternoon tea, making special reference to the services of Misses Newman and Faulkner in superintending. The croquet ground, he said, would be ready for play in a few week's time, and a tea pavilion would be erected for the use of the ladies. After expressing regret at the absence, through illness, of Mr T. A. Shirley, the president concluded by declaring the green open for the season. The opening game was a seven rink one between sides chosen by Mr Evans and the president of the Bluff Hill Club (Mr J. Hindmarsh, jun.), and resulted in a win for the latter by 158 to 146. Afternoon tea was provided by Mrs Evans.

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[BY ORPHEUS.]

"Orpheus" will be glad to hear from those managers of theatrical companies touring New Zealand who desire 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 addressed—"Orpheus," SPORTING AND DRAMATIC REVIEW, Vulcan Lane, Auckland.

HAYDN'S "Creation" seems doomed to suffer at the hands of typographers. Not long since "softly purling" was printed "softly pushing," and now *The Manawatu Times*, per an Auckland journal, says:—"Miss Lorrigan's reputation was fully sustained last evening, and the rendering of the portions of the work allotted to her left nothing to be desired. Undoubtedly her best effort was the delightful and popular solo, 'On Mighty Saul,' of which number the singer gave a most artistic rendering." Whether the "mighty pens" of the critics, or the mighty printers, are to blame for making Saul one of "The Creation" prophets does not appear, but that Miss Lorrigan's singing of "The Creation" music, and especially of "On Mighty Pens" is deserving of the highest praise no one who has heard her will deny.

THE MATINEE SOCIETY.—At St. Sepulchre's Parish Hall, on Wednesday in last week, the new enterprise was most successfully launched. The hall was crowded with an appreciative audience, and a well-selected programme faithfully and capably rendered. Miss Batger, to whom belongs the credit of promoting the matinee series, appropriately opened the concert with Chopin's "Fantasia Impromptu," in the execution of which she displayed high qualities of both technique and taste, deservedly meeting with an enthusiastic reception. Madame Chambers, in excellent voice, won great favor with Rubinstein's charming "Reveries" and Schubert's "The Inquirer" and "Faith in the Spring." Readers will doubtless remember Miss Evelyn Wyman's brilliant success at the Auckland Exhibition competitions, when she easily carried off the gold medal for piano-playing. Her contributions on this occasion were a selection from Beethoven's Sonata op. 2, No. 3, and two *morceaux* by Chopin, all of which were tastefully rendered and loudly applauded. A trio (by Lachner) for violin, piano, and viola was artistically played by Misses A. Stephenson, A. L. Colgrove, and Dr Cox. Miss Stephenson's violin solo, the *andante* from Beethoven's Sonata op. 2, No. 12, received artistic treatment and displayed an admirable technique. The society, after so brilliant an initial success, is assured of popularity and should do real service in cultivating public taste for high-class music. I should mention that encores are vetoed in order to keep the programme within bounds.

MISS AMY CASTLES.—Many of the world's greatest artists have striven and struggled for years ere they could measure their success with that of the young girl whose public musical career is but some three months old. A very capable Australian critic sums her up as follows:—"Of the young Victorian's voice as it is, only one opinion can be expressed—it is a great voice. Of its possibilities there may be many diverse opinions. Miss Castles was hailed in Melbourne as a dramatic soprano, for instance. Whatever the possibilities, she scarcely has the 'dramatic' quality as yet, so far as may be judged from the items selected by her for last night's performance. Her voice displays great power and delicious purity—every note is clear, full, and rich. She sings seemingly without the slightest effort, as a bird would. But these excellences do not constitute a dramatic soprano. She requires a temperament that embodies every note of human passion. Her voice must not merely soar with the lark or skim lightly over the *fin de siècle* sentimentalities that constitute the modern ballad. It must plunge into the maelstrom of passion—he whirled away in maddening eddies. One does not say that Miss Castles' voice is incapable of this, but, taking her chosen songs into consideration, it is hard to pronounce as to whether she is the true 'dramatic' soprano or not. Whatever European training may do there is the voice to commence with, and that is the great thing. Perhaps Miss Castles gave the most distinct hint of power in Tosti's 'Good-bye,' though the same evidence of surprising robustness was given in 'The First Love Song' (composed for her by G. S. de Chanest). Goring Thomas' ex-*visite* 'Wind in the Trees' and Cowen's 'Lovely Spring' gave ample illustration that her voice is delightfully flexible and under control. Hope Temple's 'When We Meet' confirmed that impression." In the same critique (*Bathurst National Advocate*, August 19) Miss Maud Hewson receives favorable notice: "The reception accorded to the contralto was a most gratifying one. She repeated Rindogger's 'Joyous Life' and, after that rippling little piece, gave a most artistic interpretation of Behrend's 'Daddy.' Miss Hewson selected for her second item Gluck's 'Ohe Faro,' and artistically met all the demands of that exacting aria. Her encore number was 'The Children's Home' (Cowen), sung with all the artistic effect with which Miss Hewson is able to treat ballad compositions." Mons. Henri Staell, the eminent violinist, assisted at the same concert and scored a signal success, so our New Zealand contralto is in good company and holding her own brilliantly.

THE HELLERS MAHATMA COMPANY has had a very successful tour in Queensland. After visiting Rockhampton, Mount Morgan, and Brisbane, the company leave for India and the East early next month.

### GREENROOM GOSSIP.

[BY PAUL PRY.]

The Flying Jordans commenced a season at Sydney, on Saturday last, in the Benevolent Society grounds.

McAdoo's Georgia Minstrels, at the conclusion of their Melbourne season, make a tour of Western Australia.

Miss Elizabeth Watson goes to the Old Country at the conclusion of the "For England" season at the Melbourne Royal.

The Payne Family Bellringers are having very good times in South Africa, according to Capetown journals forwarded to me.

Seymour Hicks and F. G. Latham have given the title of "With Flying Colours" to their breezy, stirring drama, produced at the London Adelphi last month.

Miss Ada Crossley has been engaged for several of the Royal Choral Society's concerts next season. The Australian contralto will have a long holiday in Scotland this autumn.

"Secret Service" has been drawing big houses to Sydney Her Majesty's, and The Firm's new "juvenile lead" (Mr Thomas Kingdon) has, as Captain Thorne, made a most favorable impression.

The Steele-Payne Bellringers have been having a good time in the country districts. Next week they journey down the east coast, playing at Gisborne, and then on to Napier and the South.

According to London files, Mrs Patrick Campbell and Mr Forbes Robertson were to open their season at the Prince of Wales on Saturday next with Mr C. B. Fernald's romantic Japanese play, "The Moonlight Blossom."

At the London Palace of Varieties the biograph shows Dreyfus at Rennes. Very great difficulty was experienced by the cameraman in getting his snapshots, for the prison authorities were quite extra careful. Hundreds flocked to the Palace to get even a glimpse of the "martyr of the age."

Arthur Shirley and G. R. Sims' new play, "In London Town," is well spoken of by London critics. It is a melodrama in Dagonet's best style. The plot is woven on an Essex farm and is unravelled through Park Lane, the Serpentine, a workhouse yard, and thence to Soho. Miss Clara Jucks, Miss Ina Goldsmith, Mr Frank Fisher, and Mr Christopher Walker all have congenial parts to play.

G. R. Sims has collaborated with Leonard Merrick in the farcical comedy "His Second Youth," which has lately been produced with success at the London Vaudeville. In the cast are Misses Ellis Jeffreys, Juliette Neville, Millie Legarde, Florence Wood, and Messrs George Giddens, Fred. Eastman, Frank Atherley, and George Arlias. "G.R." has also written the book of musical novelty (the music composed by Clarence Corri), in which Dan Leno cuts high jinks as a private enquiry agent.

The Sydney *Morning Herald*, in its report of the Tivoli Theatre fire, says:—"When Mr Rickards purchased the Tivoli Hotel and Theatre from the Mutual Life Association, about six months ago, the insurances then existing were taken over and were current at the time of the fire. The total amount on the buildings and fittings of the theatre is £8000, which is spread over several companies. The scenery and wardrobes, however, were uninsured. Nearly £3000 worth of pantomime appointments were lost, including the properties of 'Jack, the Giant Killer,' fully twenty sets of ballet costumes (each set averaging sixteen to twenty dresses), and fully twenty-six 'first-part' dresses. The last lot of

lease of the Palace Theatre, pending instructions from Mr Rickards as to what he should do. The company opened at the Palace last night (12th September), and met with a sympathetic reception."

Mr A. H. Whitehouse has been experiencing splendid business at Opotiki with his kinematographic exhibition. On Saturday he shows at Te Puke, and on Monday he is due at Tauranga.

I hear Miss Gertie Champion has returned to Australia. This clever young artiste has been on the temporary-retired list for some past in Wellington, owing to an accident she met with while acting. I am sure Miss Champion's many admirers will join me in wishing her better luck.

"The Georgia Magnet" has been attracting good houses at every place she has visited. At Waihi, on Tuesday and last night, the people rolled up in goodly numbers. To-night (Thursday) and to-morrow (Friday) Miss Abbott shows at Hamilton, and on Saturday and Monday she is at Cambridge.

On Saturday night the City Hall was packed very closely. The occasion was the last appearance of the Keziab Sisters and of Mr Manuel Woodson ("the silver streak of perpetual motion"). The greeting the clever lady acrobats received was most cordial, and Mr Woodson's reception was not in any way less hearty. On Monday night there was another very big house to welcome the new artists engaged by Mr P. R. Dix—the Misses Rose and Mabel Leslie and Mr D. H. Caston. The Leslie Sisters sang some capital songs and exhibited very excellent humor in their sketches, while their dancing was exceptionally clever. Their popularity was at once established, and during their visit to Auckland the City Hall is sure to be well patronised. Mr D. H. Caston, the other new-comer, sang some very taking character songs, and met with a tremendous



Photo by Barroni & Co., Melbourne.

An Australian artist—I won't mention his name—has been writing to a friend about the London music halls. He calls them poor shows, and thinks the drinking and smoking allowed in the auditorium most objectionable.

"Faust," at the Melbourne Alexandra, went very well after the first night. So well, indeed, that the management ran the opera for a second week, as it was found that, after all, grand opera was much appreciated by the public.

Miss Blanche Ferrar (sister of Miss Ada Ferrar of "The Sign of the Cross" Company) has been engaged for the autumn drama at Royal Drury Lane. Miss Blanche Ferrar was highly praised for her work in "The Manoeuvres of Jane."

The takings at the Sydney Theatre Royal during the first week of "The Gay Lord Quex" exceeded even the amount received during the first week of "The Second Mrs Tanqueray," when Robert Brough first produced Pinero's sensational drama.

"Peter Quince" in Melbourne *Punch*, speaking of Mdile. Trebelli, says—"Mdile. Trebelli comes to us in the fullness of her powers, and her song-recitals are not only a treat to old and young, but have a special educational value to all young aspirants for musical honors."

"El Capitan" is said to be a very amusing comic opera. It is by J. P. de Sousa, and kept the London Lyric well packed during the hot weather through July and in the beginning of August. "El Capitan" was to be followed by another musical play called "Wange," which met with a gratifying reception in America. When the lessee of the Lyric (Mr de Wolf-Hopper) gives up possession next month, a comic opera, entitled "Floradora," will be produced—the book is by Owen Hall and the music is composed by Leslie Stuart.

wardrobe used in 'Arcadia' was burnt; and the wardrobe mistress had in hand the whole of the silks and satins under preparation for the next 'first part.' A year of Mr Alfred Clint's work was destroyed, as well as the whole of Mr and Mrs Rickards' theatrical wardrobe. In fact, the entire stage furniture and plant have been lost, on which no insurance had been effected. The members of Mr Rickards' company were all more or less heavy losers. Mr and Mrs English, who only arrived in Sydney on Saturday, and had made their first appearance, lost everything with the exception of two cornets. Mrs English was doubly unfortunate. While playing in Melbourne she had her wardrobe burnt at the house she was staying. A new one was necessitated, and this was destroyed at the Tivoli. Messrs Spry and Austin lost their wardrobe, and scenery, and properties. Messrs G. W. Hunter and Paul Pelham were like sufferers, and lost a large amount of original music never published. This remark applies to all the company, as the music-room was destroyed. By a pure accident one ballet set was saved. Generally the ballet girls, on completing their business, take their wardrobe into the mistress' room, but, having a late turn in the programme the performance before the fire, they happened to leave their dresses in their own room, which luckily escaped fire. Mr G. C. Dean, Mr Charles Cogill, and little Alma Gray also lost their wardrobes and music. Mr Leete (Mr Rickards' manager), when questioned as to the occurrence, said that he was the last to leave the theatre with the exception of ex-Constable Murphy, who was then laying out the hose, as was customary every night in case of fire. When he arrived on the scene the whole of the back of the theatre was enveloped in flames. Yesterday he reported the matter by cable to Mr Rickards, and arranged with Mr F. Skinner for a temporary

reception. For "She's Gone" and "Why Did I Leave My Little Back-room" he was encored again and again, while his dancing gave the audience pleasurable enjoyment. Mr Caston is a decided humorist, and his clever work was appreciated immensely by the multitude of approving listeners. The Leslie Brothers, of course, scored as usual with "Beethoven Strung Up," while Messrs Karl Browne, Johnny Collins, Miss Miriam Lewis, Mr Shepherd, and Mr Fred Leslie, jun., helped to keep the entertainment up to its high standard of perfection. There is not a dull moment during the evening at the City Hall.

Our Christchurch dramatic correspondent writes:—"The Sydenham Working Men's Club Operatic Society put on 'Les Cloches de Corneville' at the Royal this week for four nights, and did good biz. Serpolette (Miss E. Haggie), Gaspard (Mr W. M. Watton), and Gobo (Master T. Sparks) were all good, especially the latter, who seems to be a born artist. The other members of the cast were only 'fair to medium.' I have to thank Mr Sparks, sen., for sending me (as the Christchurch dramatic correspondent of the REVIEW) a couple of complimentaries. By-the-way, I mustn't forget to mention that the choruses were surprisingly good. \* \* \* To-night (Saturday) the Pollards open at the Royal in 'The Belle of New York,' in which, by-the-way, saucy May Beatty plays leading biz. Alf. Stephens is also in the cast, so his 'rest' is not to prove such a long one as I was given to understand last week. \* \* \* Ben Fuller has struck oil with his Waxworks and Variety Show at the Oddfellows' Hall. He gives 'em a wonderful sixpence-worth. The hall has been crammed nightly since the season started—a week ago. As Ben's Dunedin show is running at the same time, and also doing splendid biz, he ought to be making his pile fast."

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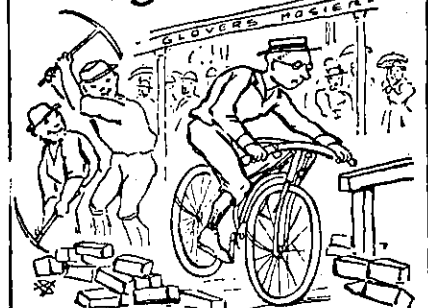
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October 4, Wed.—Melbourne Hunt Club's Spring  
October 7, Sat.—Victoria Racing Club's October  
October 14, Sat.; 18, Wed.; 21, Sat.—Victoria Amateur Turf Club's Spring  
October 21, Sat.—Australian Jockey Club  
November 4, Sat.; 7, Tues.; 9, Thurs.; 11, Sat.—Victoria Racing Club Spring  
November 25, Sat.—Victoria Amateur Turf Club  
November 26, Sat.—Australian Jockey Club  
December 23, Sat.; 28, Tues.—Australian Jockey Club  
December 25, Tues.—Victoria Amateur Turf Club  
December 30, Sat.; January 1, Mon.—Sydney Tattersall's Club

**NEW ZEALAND.**

**FIXTURES.**

October 3, Tues.; 4, Wed.—Hawke's Bay J.C. Spring  
October 4, Wed.; 7, Sat.—Dunedin J.C. Spring  
October 10, Tues.; 11, Wed.—Napier Park R.C. Spring  
October 12, Thurs.—Kurov J.C. Annual  
October 12, Thurs.—Ohoka and Eyreton J.C. Annual  
October 19, Thurs.; 20, Fri.—Wanganui J.C. Spring  
October 19, Thurs.; 20, Fri.—Poverty Bay T.C. Spring  
October 25, Wed.; 26, Thurs.—Gore R.C. Spring  
November 4, Sat.; 9, Thurs.; 11, Sat.—Auckland R.C. Spring  
November 7, Tues.; 9, Thurs.; 11, Sat.—Canterbury Metropolitan  
November 9, Thurs.; 10, Fri.—Taratahi-Carterton R.C. Annual  
November 22, Wed.; 24, Fri.—Wellington R.C. Spring  
November 23, Thurs.; 25, Sat.—Dunedin J.C. Summer  
December 2, Sat.; 9, Wed.—Takapuna J.C. Spring  
December 26, Tues.; 28, Thurs.; January 1, Mon.; 2, Tues.—Auckland R.C. Summer

**NOMINATIONS.**

September 22—A.R.C. Handicap Hurdles, City Handicap, and Prince of Wales' Handicap  
September 22—Auckland Cup, A.R.C. Handicap, Summer Cup, Railway Handicap, and Auckland Steeplechase  
September 22—Canterbury J.C. Metropolitan  
September 22—C.J.C. Middle Park and Champion Plates  
September 25—Wanganui J.C. Spring  
September 26—Hawke's Bay J.C. Spring  
September 29—Napier Park R.C. Spring  
September 30—Dunedin J.C. Spring  
October 18—Taratahi-Carterton R.C. Annual  
October 20—Auckland R.C. Spring, general entries  
October 20—Canterbury Metropolitan, general entries  
November 1—Wellington R.C. Spring  
November 1—W.R.C. North Island Challenge Stakes  
November 2—Canterbury J.C. Metropolitan  
November 17—Wellington R.C. Spring  
December 8—Auckland R.C. Summer, general entry night

**HANDICAPS.**

October 4—Napier Park R.C. Spring  
October 6—Wanganui J.C. Spring  
October 6 and 25—Canterbury Metropolitan  
October 13—A.R.C. Handicap Hurdles and City Handicap  
October 24—Auckland R.C. Spring  
October 25—Canterbury J.C. Metropolitan  
October 28—Taratahi-Carterton R.C. Annual  
November 10—Wellington R.C. Spring  
November 25—Auckland Cup, Railway Handicap, and Auckland Steeplechase  
December 12—Auckland R.C. Summer, minor events

**ACCEPTANCES.**

September 26—Hawke's Bay J.C. Spring  
September 30—Dunedin J.C. Spring  
October 7—Napier Park R.C. Spring  
October 13—Wanganui J.C. Spring  
October 20—A.R.C. Handicap Hurdles and City Handicap  
October 20—Canterbury J.C. Metropolitan  
October 27—Auckland R.C. Spring  
November 1—Taratahi Carterton R.C. Annual  
November 2—Canterbury J.C. Metropolitan  
November 17—Wellington R.C. Spring  
December 1—Auckland Cup, Railway Handicap, and Auckland Steeplechase  
December 15—Auckland R.C. Summer, minor events

**FIRST ACCEPTANCE.**

September 26—Hawke's Bay Guineas  
December 1—Auckland R.C. Champagne Stakes, 1900  
December 30—Taranaki J.C. Hack Guineas, 1900

**SECOND ACCEPTANCE.**

October 20—New Zealand Cup  
November 2—New Zealand Cup, C.J.C. Welcome Stakes, Derby Stakes, and Oaks Stakes  
November 8—C.J.C. Juvenile Plate  
December 1—Auckland R.C. Royal Stakes, Great Northern Derby, and Great Northern Foul Stakes

**FINAL PAYMENTS.**

November 2—New Zealand Cup, C.J.C. Welcome Stakes, Derby Stakes, and Oaks Stakes  
November 8—C.J.C. Juvenile Plate  
December 1—Auckland R.C. Royal Stakes, Great Northern Derby, and Great Northern Foul Stakes

**ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.**

C.J.S., Waiuku, asks which horse had the inside running at the time of finish of the A.R.C. Handicap won by St Paul; Waiuku second.—[Waiuku had the inside running—Ed. S.R.]

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1899.

**SPORTING TOPICS.**

There are a number of horses in work in Gisborne for the Spring Meeting month.

The A.J.C. Committee has notified jockeys that their costume must include a clean collar and a white tie.

A 14.2 pony (Minerva) carried 11st 5lbs to victory at Kensington on September 6, and out over the distance, four furlongs and one hundred yards, in 60 secs.

Tauhai left Gisborne for Napier last week to fulfill her engagements there. She was in rare buckle, and our correspondent think that she should annex some of the events at the meeting.

The way in which the Avondale Club is prospering is truly surprising. Last year we thought that the Club had done wonders when the sum passed the totalisator on the first day of the meeting registered £3436, or nearly twice as much as on the corresponding day in the previous year. That wonderful rate of progress was almost maintained on Saturday when the receipts amounted to £6023. The full total for the two days last year was £7152. This makes it evident that the size of the totalisator house was not increased too soon.

Mr W. Armstrong has been appointed handicapper to the Wairarapa Racing Club for the ensuing season.

Tommy Hodson was celebrating his forty-seventh birthday on Saturday. "Seven's the main" was his warcry. He was forty-seven years old, he rode Forty seven to victory in the Hack Handicap weighing 7.7, and his mount paid a dividend of £17 7s!

Great was the triumph of the Avondale Jockey Club on Saturday. Splendid weather, a big attendance, and excellent racing all combined to make the day's gathering a big success. But there was one drawback to the complete enjoyment, for flaunting gaily in the summery breeze, above the judge's box, was the French flag. Punters who lost their money, and there were a good many of them, felt disposed to haul down the obnoxious tricolour.

Lady Avon, the winner of the First Avondale Stakes, is the first two-year-old winner of the season. She is by Mr Walters' imported St. Simon stallion, Soult, out of First Love. First Love was got by Nordenfeldt out of Fishgirl (the dam of Swordfish II.), and was bred at the Glenora Stud Farm. She was bought at the annual yearling sale at Glenora in 1892 by the late Mr J. McNicol, of the Waikato. She was raced for a season or two by Mr Jack Booth, who subsequently took her over to Australia. When Mr Booth brought First Love back to Auckland Mr Walters persuaded the Ellerslie trainer to send the mare on a visit to Soult, and the result of the union is that sturdy little piece of goods Lady Avon.

Amongst Mr J. O. Evett's many Avondale "triumphs" there was one bit of handicapping hardly up to the level expected of such a master in the art of weight adjustment. In the Avondale Stakes on Saturday a filly named Miscalculation did not like starting, and did not run at all prominently. St. Olga, however, led the forlorn hope when the field chased Lady Avon, and the St. Leger—Satanella filly was in second place for more than three furlongs. In the Juvenile Stakes, run yesterday, Miscalculation was allotted 7.0, and St Olga was given 6.11. Obviously the name of the St. Hippo—Liquidation filly caused Mr Evett to make Miscalculation give St. Olga 3lb.

The best betting race at Avondale on Saturday was the Cup on which £1210 was invested, and then followed the Flying Stakes with £871. It will surprise those who frown on the ponies to know that the event for the little 'uns was the third most popular race of the day as £335 was invested, or just £150 more than was speculated on the more classic event the Avondale Stakes which was subsidised with 150 sovs, while the ponies had to be content with 30 sovs. From this it would appear that it is not always the classic events that attract most interest or let us say speculation. Maiden plate handicaps, on which the handicapper is asked to do the impossible, that is to fairly handicap unknown horses, according to the Avondale figures, do not attract interest as there were only 371 investors on the first race although there were a dozen starters.

There was not very much work done at Ellerslie on Tuesday. The New Zealand Cup candidate, Explosion, sprinted over four furlongs with Kettle drum, the gelding having the best of the deal. Rosella went twice round on the tan, the first round at a steady pace and the second at three-quarter pace. The filly galloped resolutely, and has evidently quite recovered from her recent accident. Waiorongomai did some useful work, and St. Paul also worked steadily at half to three-quarter pace. Blue-jacket and St. Elmo worked together once round the course, Bluejacket having all the best of matters. Several other horses were out, but in view of the Avondale engagements very little hard work was indulged in.

"We live in such rapid days," says the "Special Commissioner" in the London Sportsman, "that trainers and owners are apt to condemn two-year-olds too soon just because they do not show speed at once. I have heard of one or two of the Carabines declared to be slow, and not worth keeping in training. It will be well, however, not to condemn any such prematurely. A friend writing to me from Australia on this subject says: 'It is a great mistake to turn any Carabines out of training without persevering further. Here Carnage as a two-year old was the slowest colt they ever had at St. Albans. Lee-Metford (by Carbine), now a really good horse, as you know, was so bad that Jas. Wilson, jun., who trains him, wanted his owner to take him away, but he said, 'Give him two or three months more and try him further.' There are a lot of others just the same, so it is not wise to throw them out too soon."

The suspension of Tod Sloan and two other jockeys for disobedience at the post is thus referred to by an English correspondent:—"People may think that the sentence are severe, for the pecuniary loss to the jockeys will be considerable; but it must be remembered that it is the duty of a jockey to obey the starter, and he knows the penalty for disobedience. As a rule delays at the starting-post are put down to the vagaries of the horses, thanks to what the Prince of Wales has termed 'Mr Coventry's good nature.' But good nature has its limits, and the stewards of the Jockey Club have only done their duty in passing a severe sentence upon the offenders. The only excuse that has been urged on their behalf is that many other jockeys have been disobedient and have not been reported. A starter does not like to report a jockey, but an impudent disregard for orders on the part of certain pampered mannikins must be punished, not only in justice to the public, but in justice to other jockeys who know how to behave themselves both in and out of the pigskin. The severity of the sentence should act as a warning, and cause them to understand that because a few owners choose to pet them they are not the people's heroes which they fancy themselves to be."

The appropriate name of Downpour has been bestowed upon Mutiny's half-brother, the colt being by Waterfall.

There are twenty-three Americans nominated for the English Derby of 1901, while there are thirteen fillies from the Land of the Stars and Stripes in the Oaks.

Mr J. Cress has purchased Mr C. R. Bidwill's Flinlock—Medora gelding, Ngapuke, engaged in the next Wairarapa Guineas, to be run at the Taratahi meeting on 9th November.

The Sandringham Plate (Victoria) was recently won by Ideal (by St. Leger—Bianca). Ideal was bought at the Wellington Park sale two years ago for 155 guineas.

Robin won a Farmers' Hunt Steeplechase near Wanganui the other day. He carried his owner, and the gallant bee toiled with 16st 12lb to victory!

Another addition to the sires of the Gisborne district is the Bedenburg carriage stallion, Belphin, who was bred at the celebrated Bedenburg Stud, Germany, he is a fine upstanding horse, good bone, and very docile and is the class of horse badly needed in Gisborne.

At a meeting of the stewards of the Lower Valley Jockey Club, Mr John Martin was elected chairman of stewards. Messrs J. Martin, D. H. Johnson, A. G. Stewart, A. Sharp, J. Orr, F. Wall, A. O. Considine, and T. Kennedy were appointed a Works Committee and Mr J. S. Cundy, starter, the appointment of handicapper being left over in the meantime.

In England, where racecourse management, in the majority of cases, is admitted to be behind that on the best colonial courses, they are up to date in the ambulance business for both man and horse, as the following from a London paper will show:—"Most racecourse managements worthy of the name have gone in for accident rooms and ambulances, but Huret Park is the first, we think, to come out with an appliance for bringing an injured horse into the veterinary box."

"Pakeha," in *The Yeoman*, says:—"J. Belcher's New Zealand Cup candidate, Rose Plot, is one of the handsomest horses on the track. With a bit of strong work, he should annex one or two races before he leaves for Christchurch. Sedgbrook, another inmate of the stable, is engaged at Bulls. The chestnut is very much on the big side, and I think it is a pity to hurry him in his work. Belcher has also Matarawa, who does not seem to improve much, and Punui, who does not show pace at present."

The odds of 100 to 1 was on offer against Gold Medallist in the Stewards Handicap at Goodwood. Yet this horse once beat Multiform. The *Sportsman* describes Gold Medallist "a powerful, lengthy chestnut, rather slack of loin." It is scarcely correct, however, to describe a horse as powerful that is "slack of loin." Slackness of loin is generally regarded as an evidence of weakness, but that is a defect we do not remember noticing in Gold Medallist when he was here as a two or three-year-old.

Five Derby candidates were seen out at Caulfield on Sept. 2. Merriwee being the only one of the number to get a place. The St. Albans representative Revenue started second favorite for the Heatherlie Handicap, but though he was one of the first into the straight, he was badly beaten at the finish. Tremarden, who was well backed at 100 to 12 and 15 for the Derby before going to the post for the Memie Stakes, only ran moderately in the last-mentioned race, in which Diffidence's half-brother, Merriwee, filled third place. Merriwee is spoken of as a very promising colt.

An American paper says that at the St. Louis, Mo., meeting a horse named Verify, owned by A. Cahn, was made a red-hot favorite for a race, but it could only get third to Fausturo, owned by J. C. Cahn, and there was a demonstration in consequence. The stewards examined the bookmakers' sheets, but could find no evidence of fraud. However, in view of the inconsistency of Verify, it was announced that his entry would not again be accepted, and it was further decreed that in future, where one of the two Cahn brothers had a horse in a race, the other would not be permitted to start a horse in the same race.

The prospects of the Northern Wairoa R.C. appear to be very satisfactory. At a meeting of the club held last week the statement of accounts showed the club to be in a healthy financial position, notwithstanding the heavy outgoings in improvements and preparation of the steeplechase course. A programme for the Summer Meeting was adopted, the total amount of prize money being £404. It was stated that with the totalisator the club could expend at least £800 in December and about £400 in March, but the meeting was unanimous in its determination to adhere to the North Auckland Racing Association until the system of election by all racing clubs in the district should be applied to metropolitan committees.

The well-known Australian racehorse, Paris, who has helped to build up the fame of the colonial thoroughbred in England has returned to Australia. Paris was by Grandmaster out of Enone, and as he is twelve years of age, and is a gelding his racing career, may be regarded as over, and he will probably spend the remainder of his days on the greenfields of "Hairlah." Mr H. C. White is very fond of his "big little" horse, and that is pleasantly evinced by bringing him all the way from England to peacefully end his days in the luxuriant paddocks in which he first saw the light. This is not always the fate of the racehorse. For instance, Nimblefoot, the winner the Melbourne Cup in 1870, found his way to the shafts of a Melbourne cab, and was a tottering wreck when his breeder fortunately got into the cab that the old Paris gelding was tugging along the street. The breeder rescued him forthwith and sent him away from the scene of his misery to Tasmania where he died. Included in Paris' list of victories are the Caulfield Cups of 1892 and 1894.

The operatic horse, Djin-Djin, has quite got over his attack of fever in the feet, and he is now hitting out very freely in his work.

It is extremely probable that Cranberry will go to England, and in consequence of that impression he has dropped out of the betting quotations on Victorian spring events.

Will-o'-the-Wisp, the Hawke's Bay gelding (by Mystical out of Ripple), trained by Robinson, is in excellent fettle for spring engagements.

Hermosa, St. Elwyn's elder sister, is showing much improved form on the Riccarton training track, and Murray Hobbs has high hopes that she will show some of her two-year-old brilliance this spring.

At the settling over the A.J.C. meeting, on Tuesday, Mora, by Malua—White Star, was heavily backed for the Melbourne Cup. Altogether £23,000 was secured at from 100's to 3 to 5.

Gipsy Grand is standing this season at Elderslie Mr J. F. Reid's stud farm at Jamaru. As several breeders have asked Mr Reid to reduce the fee the son of Grandmaster will this season be at the service of owners at a fee of ten guineas.

Sir George Clifford's colt Glenogle has developed into a grand looking customer. He is moving along nicely at Riccarton, and should be seen to advantage at the Spring Meeting of the C.J.C.

The stallion Iroquois, who won the Epsom Derby and Doncaster St. Leger of 1881 for the American sportsman Pierre Lorillard, died recently at Illinois. Iroquois was sired by Leamington.

Fairymaid, the dam of Tolstoi, has this season produced a black colt to Stepniak. Several others of the Elderslie mares have already foaled. Pibroch, by Lochiel—Fallacy, has given birth to a chestnut filly by Stepniak.

Though bookmakers were allowed to bet at the South Canterbury Jockey Club's recent meeting, some of them found that the punters were having a bit the best of the game, and wisely retired long before the last race was run.

Despite the paddock talk that Record Reign was too big and short of a gallop or two he proved himself quite a match for the opposition in the Avondale Cup. The race was run in fairly good time, but the course was in grand going order.

Bluejacket is evidently returning to his true form. He ran a good race on Saturday, even though it be alleged that Miss Delaval could have occupied second place had she been pushed. Bluejacket was not thoroughly wound up, but he ran an honest game colt.

Voltigeur II. proved his gameness by making all the running in the Hurdle Race on Saturday and winning under punishment from Volcano. The latter seemed a bit bothered at the last jump or he must assuredly have outpaced the grey in the run home.

The defeat of St. Peter in the Flying Handicap on Saturday was a great blow to backers. The colt looked in splendid trim, and in his preliminary he went with any amount of dash, but in the race, after being upsides with wirefly for nearly four-fifths of the journey he died away to nothing.

Miss Delaval and St. Peter did not bear out their best two-year-old form in their first essays as three-year-olds. However, the former was not looking by any means at her best, and St. Peter may not be a sprinter—so it will not do to accept the Avondale form as strictly reliable. Hawke's Bay running may throw some light on the subject of the best three-year-olds in Auckland. At present Miss Delaval has come down from her pinnacle of supremacy.

Referring to the prospects of New Zealand Cup candidates "Mazepa" writes:—"Fulmen is doing all, and whatever part he may play in the race, it never can be alleged as an excuse for failure, if he does fail, that he has not had a careful preparation. M'Guinness has him in nice forward condition. Defiance, hurdler though he is, will probably be paid up for, and some think he will be the stable representative. This is a point, however, on which I have my doubts. Djin-Djin wants showing along, but if he can be kept going he should be ready by the day. St. Lucia is, of course, knocked out, and this has caused backers to inquire more about her stable companion, Skobeloff, concerning whose chances I know little or nothing. My fancy is still Castashore or Djin-Djin, with Tire next best, if his heels are all right, and of the three I much prefer Castashore.

English files to hand confirm the cabled news of Newhaven's breakdown, and, in referring to it, "Vigilant," of the London *Sportsman*, says:—"I am sorry to learn that Newhaven II. has broken down in the near foreleg, and may never run again. I believe that the mishap occurred fully a mile from home in the Goodwood Cup, though he seemed to walk away soundly enough after the race, and the mischief was not discovered until the evening. The story now is that he overpowered Blackwell in that curious gallop on Wednesday morning, and his defeat by Merman is now fully explained, a defeat that was altogether unaccountable if the City and Suburban winner had been anything like himself. In some respects Merman has been a wonderfully lucky horse. Sharples fairly outrode Wood in the Cesarewitch of 1897. The Rush had done no work when Merman defeated him in the Jockey Club Cup last back-end; and now a break down on the part of his only dangerous opponent has given him the Goodwood Cup."

It was whispered at Avondale on Wednesday that George Wright had put down a deposit to purchase Bluejacket, and rumor set down the price to be paid for the St. Leger—Antelope horse as 400gs. George Wright has long been sweet on Bluejacket, just as he has a veneration for his dam, for "Scotty" declares that Antelope showed him the fastest six furlongs he has ever seen during his career.

Strathnairn has been suffering from paralysis, but is now on the road to recovery.

Rosella and Explosion have been nominated for the Racing Club Handicap and the Park Stakes to be run at the Napier Park Facing Club's Spring Meeting.

Seven New Zealand Cup candidates are nominated for the Napier Park Spring Handicap, while for the Park Stakes ten horses still in the Cup are entered.

We have to thank Mr A. E. Danvers, the secretary of the Napier Park Racing Club, for a copy of the tastefully got up book of the season's programmes.

The Hon. H. Mosman's three-year-old gelding Dutchman, by Regal, has been sold to an up-country sportsman.

On Tuesday, Explosion, Rosella, Stepfast, and Hastings, Wright's quartette had a go with the colors up. The Cup horse moved along in good style, while both Rosella and the two-year-old pleased the onlookers with their resolute style of galloping.

The Wanganui trained Cup horses, Rubin and Roseplot, are doing good work on the tracks. Roseplot is working steadily, but the Tasman gelding is putting in some really excellent gallops.

Harry Goodman has not entered Pitch and Toss for the Dunedin meeting. As he intends taking Motto and another to Riccarton shortly, and staying there for the Cup meeting, he is evidently going to give the Medallion mare every chance to win the big race.

The English Jockey Club at a recent meeting passed the following new rule:—"That upon all racecourses having four or more days racing during the year—except those having only one fixture—there shall be at least one race confined to apprentices."

Sportsmen, as a rule, are charitable, and a pleasant evidence of that is afforded by the fact that a subscription list, instituted in Hawke's Bay and Christchurch by Messrs Gooseman and Stewart Waddell, for the benefit of the widow of J. Keane, has been liberally subscribed to. In Hawke's Bay Mr Gooseman was especially successful, and during the week he forwarded a substantial sum to the widow.

Doncaster, says the *Daily Telegraph*, in the course of an interesting article on racecourse riots, has been the scene of more than one serious disturbance which might have produced most disastrous consequences. In the year 1854 the then Lord Derby started three colts, Boiardo, Acrobat, and Dervish, for the St. Leger, but none of them secured a place, although Boiardo started favourite. Acrobat, ridden by Sim Templeman, finished fifth, the winner being Knight of St George, who defeated Lord Zetland's Ivan by a head. Two days later, in the Doncaster Stakes, Acrobat beat Ivan by a length, whereupon a most disgraceful scene occurred. Templeman was almost torn from the saddle, and escaped with his life only through the police rallying round him. John Scott, the trainer, who had watched the race from the rails overhanging the course, was seized by a lot of Burnsley and Sheffield roughs as he was returning to the weighing room. From the stewards' stand Lord Derby looked down heloless upon the row, and in a few minutes John Scott might have lost his life or have been seriously maimed. Fortunately Harry Broome, the pugilist, was at hand to render assistance, and he knocked the rioters about like so many ninepins. Lord Derby had backed Boiardo for £1000 in the Leger, and had not a penny on Acrobat for either race. His reputation was above suspicion, but the effect of this day's work was never eradicated, and finally led to the noble owner's abandonment of the turf. In the Leger of 1857 Blink Bonny, the winner of Derby and Oaks, started an even money favourite, and could only finish fourth. On the last day of the meeting, with odds of 4 to 1 on her, she won the Park Hill Stakes in a canter from two opponents. When Charlton, the jockey, returned to the enclosure, he was violently hooted and bus led, and had to be protected by some of the bystanders. The weighing stand was, however, invaded by a clamorous mob, which the police were almost powerless to restrain. Anson, the owner of Blink Bonny, sustained very rough treatment, and it was through the exertions of Tom Sayers and a few other sturdy spirits that serious mischief was averted. Anson offered to run Blink Bonny for the Cup the same afternoon, allowing the stewards to select their own jockey, but it was not necessary to entertain this proposition. Some 10 years ago there was another row at Doncaster, for which the running of Noble Chieftain was supposed to supply the excuse.

JOCKEYS IN TRAINING.

People who see a popular jockey at the post, skin like velvet, muscles like steel, and weighing scarcely more than a good-sized doll, hardly ever pause to reflect on what has to be gone through to attain this result. Cases have been known, says an English writer, where a jockey, anxious to ride a favourite horse for a particular race, has accomplished a reduction of half a stone within twenty-four hours. Such "wasting" as this is, of course, simply playing with death, and persistence in it has consigned many a clever rider to a premature grave. Fred Archer, by a too severe system of wasting, hastened his death in this way. That is to say, the fever which induced the delirium in which he shot himself was directly traceable to the privations he had voluntarily subjected himself to in order to ride St. Mirin for the Cambridgeshire at 8.7. Different jockeys adopt various methods of wasting. Fred Archer used to spend entire days in his private Turkish bath, eating nothing meanwhile but a little dry toast, and drinking, every half hour or so, a steaming glass of hot water flavoured with

gin, in order to increase the perspiration. Even more heroic methods have often to be adopted. A Yorkshire jockey named Jacques once clothed himself in close upon three-quarters of a hundred-weight of horse-cloths, and walked as hard as he could go from the grand stand at Newcastle to Gosforth Hall and back again, a distance of six miles. This feat he repeated three times within the twenty-four hours, making eighteen miles in all, and during that period he ate nothing whatever. On being weighed he was found to have lost no less than 17lb. John Osborne relieved himself of 7lb of flesh in a single walk, but the walk in question covered forty miles and lasted nine hours. His diet on this occasion was a hard biscuit purchased at a roadside public-house, and a poached egg served in vinegar. John Arnall, again, once ate nothing but an occasional apple for eight consecutive days, in order to reduce himself to ride a particular horse for the Prince of Wales. Benjamin Smith, one of the gamest jockeys on record, who rode and won a race with a broken leg, used to live for days in front of an enormous open fire, eating practically nothing, and drinking huge quantities of senna tea. The only relaxation he permitted himself was in scraping off the perspiration.

THE BETTING MARKET.

Mr Dan McLeod, Auckland, reports the following business:—

NEW ZEALAND CUP.

100 to 7 Sir Launcelot	200 to 14 Battleaxe
100 to 5 Seahorse	100 to 10 Explosion
500 to 20 Uhlán	100 to 4 Malatua
100 to 3 Double Event	100 to 1 Sequin
200 to 16 Douglas	100 to 4 Boreas
100 to 2 Clack-na-Cuddin	

CAULFIELD AND MELBOURNE CUPS.

1000 to 3 Town Clock and Gauldon
400 to 1 Le Var and Lancaster
300 to 1 Le Var and Wait-a-Bit
800 to 1 Le Var and War God
500 to 2½ Cranberry and Le Var

N.Z. AND MELBOURNE CUPS.

200 to 1 Fulmen and Fleet Admiral
200 to 1 Fulmen and War God
200 to 1 Castashore and Wait-a-Bit
250 to 1 Tire and Wait-a-Bit
200 to 1 Battleaxe and Pitius
200 to 1 Battleaxe and Coocoo

Messrs Barnett and Grant report the following business for the week:—

NEW ZEALAND CUP.

700 to 43 Fulmen	200 to 15 Castashore
250 to 7½ Rubín	200 to 8 Defiance
200 to 18 Jupiter	200 to 8 Coronet

NEW ZEALAND CUP AND STEWARDS' HANDICAP.

500 to 7½ Battleaxe and Blazer
500 to 7½ Jupiter and Blazer
500 to 7½ Explosion and Hermosa

MELBOURNE AND NEW ZEALAND CUPS.

500 to 2½ Wait-a-Bit and Jupiter
500 to 2½ The Chief and Fulmen
500 to 2 Plutus and Jupiter
500 to 2½ Wait-a-Bit and Coronet
500 to 2½ War God and Coronet
500 to 2 Le Var and Fulmen
500 to 2 Cranberry and Castashore
250 to 1 Cranberry and Sir Launcelot
250 to 1½ Le Var and Jupiter
250 to 1 Hymettus and Sir Launcelot
250 to 1 Frisco and Castashore
250 to 1 Wait-a-Bit and Bush Rose
250 to 1½ Le Var and Jupiter
250 to 1 The Chief and Piton and Toss
200 to 1 War God and Malatua
200 to 1 The Chief and Sir Launcelot

Mr W. Ryan reports the following business on the

NEW ZEALAND CUP.

200 to 6 Tauhei	200 to 2 Roseplot
100 to 3 Laborer	100 to 2½ Okoari
300 to 15 Tire	100 to 1 Chack-na-Cuddin
100 to 6 Boreas	100 to 5 Miss Delaval
500 to 15 Rubín	100 to 7 Castashore
100 to 8 Jupiter	500 to 27 Sir Launcelot
200 to 6 Defiance	500 to 3 El Draque
100 to 2 Double Event	100 to 4 Seahorse
100 to 4 Pitch and Toss	

Messrs Cohen and Lyons, Victorian Club, Melbourne, report having transacted the following business during the week ending September 11:—

CAULFIELD AND MELBOURNE CUPS.

2500 to 5 Newport and Auric
2500 to 5 Newport and Wait-a-Bit
5000 to 10 Newport and Gaulus
2000 to 4 Dirk Hammerhand and Wait-a-Bit
2000 to 4 Ballistite and War God
2000 to 4 Ballistite and Auric
5000 to 10 Ballistite and Wait-a-Bit
2000 to 4 Kobold and War God
2500 to 5 Egypt and War God
2500 to 5 Egypt and Wait-a-Bit
5000 to 10 Egypt and Auric
2000 to 4 Dirk Hammerhand and Auric
2000 to 4 The Chief and Bobadil

V.R.C. DERBY AND CUP.

1000 to 20 Auric and Auric
1000 to 10 Auric and Fleet Admiral
1000 to 10 Reviver and Promontory
2000 to 20 Cranberry and War God
5000 to 50 Cranberry and Wait-a-Bit
1000 to 10 Scorn and Lee-Metford

CAULFIELD CUP.

1000 to 40 Egypt	1000 to 30 Ballistite
1000 to 40 Lochaber	1000 to 40 Kobold

Messrs Cohen and Lyons, of the Victorian Club, Melbourne, report the following as the ruling prices on forthcoming events on the 2nd September:—

CAULFIELD CUP.  
1000 to 50 on the field.

MELBOURNE CUP.  
1000 to 60 on the field.

V.R.C. DERBY.  
5 to 1 on the field.

£100 SKILL COMPETITION.

J.F.H.—Coupon received all in order.  
E.A.E.—One coupon informal. Please read condition 4.  
J.L.—Two coupons informal. Please read condition 4.  
F.F.R.—Coupon received all in order.

## Inter-Provincial.

[OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

### CANTERBURY.

**Cup candidates in public—Daphne—South Canterbury gleaming—Umslopogaas gone off—Murray Hobbs' team—Maxim's stock—Rival jockeys—First Blood—The Canterbury Trotting Club's Summer Programme—£1850 in stakes—Dundas scratched for the Cup—Rochester—Strathnairn—Dundonald—Pitch and Toss—Miss Delaval and the Avondale Cup—Tigress—Tote-odds cases.**

CHRISTCHURCH, September 14.

Three out of seven New Zealand Cup horses competing at the South Canterbury meeting were successful in winning. The seven Cup candidates were Dundas, Huku, First Blood, Sequin, Jupiter, Daphne, Double Event, the winners being Jupiter, First Blood, Double Event. Jupiter, who won the Cup, showed the best form, and is evidently a much improved horse. To beat a horse like Dundas with 9lbs best of weights is not at all a bad performance. What chance can Dundas have of beating Jupiter in the New Zealand Cup when the former will have to give the son of St. Clair a full stone and 3lbs? Messrs Ellis Bros. horse must, on his Timaru running, hold Sequin, Huku, First Blood, and Daphne safe in the New Zealand Cup. Jupiter gave these four Cup candidates a sound beating in the Timaru Cup when meeting them on worse terms than he will in the Cup. If the winner of the New Zealand Cup is going to come from anyone of the field that started in the Timaru Cup—which I very much doubt—it will be Jupiter.

Double Event, who has not done any racing since autumn, was started twice at Timaru, and won the Flying Handicap with 9st—a very creditable performance seeing that he beat Benzoin (8.4), Jupiter (8.13), and Ben Farley (8.4) three horses that have raced a lot lately and with a fair amount of success. Ashburtonites are very sweet on Double Event's New Zealand Cup chance. The horse is looking in robust health and may be regarded as a certain starter in the Cup.

First Blood, who has started seven or eight times without scoring, managed to win a race at Timaru—a welter handicap over seven furlongs. The North Islander did not have anything like a strong field to beat, and will need to improve a lot to have any chance of being among the placed horses in the Cup.

The Hawke's Bay mare Daphne, although only carrying light weights, has failed to score a winning bracket since her owner brought her to Canterbury. The aged daughter of Forerunner ran one good race at Timaru being just beaten in the Rhodes Memorial Stakes by the Spinner after a hard tussle.

The hurdler Windermere was too good for the horses he had to meet at the South Canterbury meeting, and won both races beating Glenore, Schnapps, Lord Stansbury, and Pensioner.

Schnapps was sent through as a real good tip for the hurdle race on the first day at Timaru, but he could get no nearer than third.

Umslopogaas has gone right off, and broke down badly in the second hurdles, for which he started favorite, at Timaru.

Murray Hobbs has not had the best of luck with his team lately. Benzoin has had to make up for non-successes of Dundas, Hermosa, and other inmates of the Racecourse stables. Bristol is fast over six furlongs, and will win if not too highly placed.

Very few of Maxim's stock are running in New Zealand now. Maximus, who is by the Musket stallion (dam, Miss Kate), was given another chance to win a race last week, but only added another unplaced performance to his already long list.

The South Canterbury Club allowed bookmakers to do business at the late meeting, and notwithstanding their presence the receipts from the totalisator exceeded last year's takings by £252.

During the race for the Welter Handicap on the first day at Timaru, Cochran, rider of Vandyke, complained that McCombe, on Abercrombie, interfered with Vandyke. The stewards considered Cochran's complaint, and decided not to allow McCombe to ride again at the meeting.

Tommy Sheehan's favorite, Ben Farley, scored a popular win in the Shorts at Timaru. The finish between Ben Farley (8.9) and Rochester (8.13) was the most exciting at the meeting, the former just getting home by a head. Bob Derrett was up on Ben Farley, and Billy Brown rode Rochester. There is great rivalry between these two riders.

September 19.

First Blood was sent to his home in the North by Wednesday's boat. Since the son of Vanguard came to Riccarton—just before the National Meeting—he has started several times, but won only one race at Timaru.

The committee of the Canterbury Trotting Club met on Tuesday evening and drew up the programme for the Summer Meeting. No less a sum than £1850 will be given away in stakes—an amount very considerably more than ever pre-

viously devoted to a trotting gathering in the colonies. The Cup (a harness event at two miles) will be endowed with £300, and there will be a couple of stakes of £200 and one of £150.

Dundas was scratched for the New Zealand Cup at 9.45 last Thursday morning. I have repeatedly expressed opinion that Douglas is not a stayer, and evidently his owner (Mr Murray Hobbs) is now of the same opinion. Mr Hobbs has had very bad luck with both Starshot and Dundas lately. He has now withdrawn both from the Cup.

A lot of money was invested on Rochester for the race he won on the second day at Oamaru. The horse ran nowhere on the first day, but went out second favorite in the President's Handicap. His dividend was £3 14s, and was, I believe, participated in by his connections.

Another New Zealand Cup candidate, Strathnairn, has been suffering from paralysis, but is now much better. St. Lucia was similarly affected a few months ago, and has not yet recovered.

Dundonald, who has justly earned the title of champion hunter, was shipped for the North on Saturday. His owner (Mr H. G. Pitt) accompanied him. Dundonald has engagements at the Rangitikei meeting.

Daphne was also sent North on Saturday. The mare showed improved form at Oamaru, and won the principal race.

Although Goodman paid the acceptance fees for Pitch and Toss in the North Otago Handicap he decided not to take the mare down. Pitch and Toss has not raced since the Timaru Autumn Meeting, and she is still looking on the big side, but Goodman expects to get her fit for the N.Z. Cup.

Miss Delaval was heavily backed for the Avondale Cup on Saturday, and money came pouring in at a rate that compelled, at least, two prominent pencilers to cry enough. Dan McLeod's mare receded in favor for the New Zealand Cup when her defeat at Avondale became known.

Tigress was scratched for the New Zealand Cup at 11.20 a.m. on Monday. The Hawke's Bay mare was not backed for much here.

During the week Sir Launcelot, Explosion, and Jupiter have been nibbled at for the Cup.

At a general meeting of members of the Amberley Steeplechase Club on Monday, the balance-sheet of the late race meeting showed the receipts to be £298; after paying stakes (£171) and other expenses the balance in hand amounted to £55; a sum of £25 was voted to the Brackenfield Hunt Club, and £17 10s to the secretary as a bonus.

At the Christchurch Magistrates Court to day, two cases of laying totalisator odds were heard before Mr B. Beeham. The charge against M. Livingstone was dismissed. Another charge of having carried on the business of a betting man in a public place—to wit, High Street—was taken against Livingstone, which was adjourned till Friday. William Bright was charged with having laid totalisator odds on September 8. The evidence of George Kison (private detective) showed that he put 2s 6d on Bristol in the Seadown Handicap, run at Timaru. The horse won and next day witness received 11s 6d from Bright. The magistrate, after hearing the defence, held that the case had been proved right up to the hilt, and it was lucky for Bright he had not been previously convicted. A fine of £20 was inflicted.

### HAWKES BAY.

**Daphne's return—Foalings—Bush Rose and Crown Prince—St. Conon destroyed—Daring—Rhino—Change of quarters—Moonraker re-appears—A comely filly—Jadoo—Pistol Grip—First Blood—Back from England—Horace Reeves—Speculation on the Avondale Meeting.**

NAPIER, September 19.

Daphne returned from the South to-day. At Karamu, Mount Ida (Apremont—Idulia) a bay colt to Flintlock, and Fawn (Dreadnought—Dryad) a brown colt to Spinfeldt, are the additional foalings to hand in this district since my last report.

Bush Rose and Crown Prince, in charge of their trainer, I. Jones, left yesterday morning to take up their engagements at the Rangitikei fixture. The brace are in good condition, the New Zealand Cup horse being particularly well. J. Wright accompanied them, and he will pilot both of them in their races.

Captain Russell's bad luck in matters connected with the Turf seems to be still with him, for on Friday last St. Conon, who had been leased by him from Mr T. H. Lowry for stud work with his brood mares this season, got his leg broken, and had to be destroyed. Mr Lowry and the gallant captain are both to be sympathized with in losing such a valuable, well-bred horse.

Daring, who has been doing good sterling work on the track at Napier Park for months past, has gone out, and will accordingly be given a cessation from toil. It must be provoking to his owner, Mr Richardson, as with the number of race meetings that are shortly coming up for decision it was only reasonable to expect that he would assert himself, for he had a power of condition on him, and his pace was of a good calibre.

Mr P. Tutaki has leased Rhino for another year to T. Jones, the period of tenure expiring on September 1, 1900. It is to be hoped that the gelding will prove more remunerative to Jones this season than he did last, for it will be remembered that he never won a race for his lessee during the just concluded racing term.

Ben Nicholl's old training lodge at Hastings is now tenanted by J. Atkins, who was unable to secure the stables he used to train from, and was performance compelled to look for other accommodation.

Moonraker has started going again, and, judging by appearances, his spell has benefited him greatly.

Some time back I wrote and criticised the ungainly appearance in front of Rangitia's full sister, Himoe (Somnus—Wairuareka), but when I saw her again the other day I was surprised to see how her conformation had altered. She has filled out greatly, and her deformity, if such it might be called, is not near so apparent now as it was when she first had the gear on her. She is a comely little filly, with a sweet affable way about her, and, though she has not been extended as yet, gives promise of being speedy.

Jadoo has been skipping along in a taking style on the Park tracks lately, and so has Pistol Grip.

First Blood, looking well after all his campaigning, arrived by the boat from the South on Friday.

Jack Page, who used to control Gold Reef, one of Mr Donnelly's stallions, and who returned from a trip to England last month, is now in charge of Missfire, who is travelling in the Waipukurau district after a spell of idleness occasioned through a bad attack of pleurisy.

Horace Reeves is again going well and strong. But little speculation was indulged in here on Saturday over the Avondale meeting. Resident punters, as a whole, do not take much interest in outside meetings unless district equines are engaged, and as none of our Hawke's Bay horses were contesting at Avondale on Saturday they were not trying to pick winners of events.

### WELLINGTON.

**The Wairarapa training track—The Horowhenua meeting—Advance and Ostiak—The Wairarapa handicapper—The Ethel case—The Masterton Trotting Club—Where is Ethel—The Otaki meeting—Mr Coyle's funeral—The Lower Valley Jockey Club—The Sandon meeting—Ngapuke—W. Homes—The Woodville Jockey Club—The Masterton Club Stakes—The late J. J. Coyle—Wagering over the Avondale Meeting—The Wairarapa Trotting Club.**

WELLINGTON, September 16

The Wairarapa Racing Club has decided to widen its training track by a couple of feet, representations having been made by trainers that such was necessary on account of some narrow escapes from accidents lately.

The Horowhenua Club has fixed on January 1 as the date of its next race meeting, and the Wairarapa Club has decided to enter a protest with a view to the day being altered.

The local horses Advance and Ostiak have been nominated for the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's Meeting, and will possibly go up. Ostiak has been rather too well looked after at Rangitikei.

Mr W. Armstrong has been appointed handicapper to the Wairarapa Racing Club. Mr Henry acted previously, but intended resigning.

After three trials the Crown prosecutor, Mr Gully, decided not to further proceed. R. S. Henry and J. A. Coogan, charged with conspiracy in connection with the Ethel "ringing in" case. In discharging the accused, the Judge said they could congratulate themselves that there were men on the juries who apparently had some doubt as to their guilt.

Licenses have been issued to C. Popham (trainer), W. Hercock (jockey), and C. Walsh (apprentice).

The Masterton Trotting Club has appointed Mr H. Brinkman, handicapper, and Mr J. Ames to take the totalisator on the same terms as last year. The track is to be put in order by Mr Connell at a cost of £10, and the A. and P. Association is to be asked to grant a five years lease of the ground on the same terms as at present. Owners using the track for training purposes are to pay 10s for first horse, and 5s for others.

A Palmerston man wrote to the secretary of the Masterton Racing Club last week asking if it was a fact that the club had appropriated the notorious mare Ethel, and if so, did they want to sell? He wanted a good polo pony, and he had an idea that she would suit admirably.

The whereabouts of Ethel was discussed at every trial of the conspiracy case. She wasn't forthcoming. I don't think she is far away from Wellington. At present she, the much talked about mare, is experiencing an easy time of it.

A Wellington bookie telegraphed to the secretary of the Marton Club on race day, stating that he believed Ethel was in one of the races, and that he would do well to keep a sharp look out for her. He did, but without result. Whether the wire was intended as a joke or otherwise, I cannot say.

Mr Bidwell has been appointed chairman of the Wairarapa R.C. stewards.

The Otaki R.C. Club officials expect record nominations for their forthcoming race meeting. J. Cress has about eleven horses in his establishment at Tauherikakau, including Ruamahunga, Volley, Aide de-Camp, Doreen, Goulburn, and Cavalry.

There was a numerous body of mourners at the late Mr J. Coyle's funeral. The body was taken from the Shepherd's Arms Hotel to the Catholic Church, Guildford Street, and from thence to Kairori cemetery. The chief mourners were the deceased's four sons, his brother (Mr B. Coyle), and his nephews (Messrs W. F. and H. J. Larkin). The Rev. Father Holly conducted the service in the church and at the graveside. The wreaths sent, included a beautiful one from the General Post Office staff. Forty-five telegrams of condolence were received from various parts of the colony.

The following have been appointed course committee for the Wairarapa Racing Club:

Messrs C. R. Bidwell, W. J. Nix, W. O. William, J. Donald, and L. C. Pharazyn. Mr S. Cundy is to act as starter and J. Wishaw clerk of the course.

It has been decided by the Wairarapa R.C. to adopt the following definition for hacks in connection with its Summer Meeting: "For horses that have not won a stake of £80, or races of the collective value of £150" Messrs N. G. Grace and W. R. Bidwell have been nominated for seats on Metropolitan committee.

September 18.

At a meeting of the Masterton Agricultural and Pastoral Association to day there was a heated discussion on the application of the trotting club for a five years' lease of the ground. A number of members opposed on account of their antipathy to the totalisator. Eventually, however, the lease was granted by a small majority.

A sweepstake race meeting was held at Sandon last week, when there was a good attendance. A number of cash fielders were present, but did not do very well. F. Connolly's mare, Annie, was in great form, and carried off the treble. She beat five in the Flying, leading from end to end. She had an easy victory in the Rongotea Cup, one mile and a quarter, beating three others, but Avondale had a close call on her. In the Hurry scurry, for which nine started, some thought Avondale had won the race by a neck, but the stewards met and decided not to alter the judge's decision. Mr J. Hirst's Memo ran second in two events, and won the Consolation.

A protest for jostling against Rainbow was dismissed. The Hurdle Race was annexed by Mr W. Sexton's Junior, the Local Race was won by Mr P. Carter's Waikuri, and the Pony Race by T-Winkled.

The gelding Ngapuke, by Flintlock—Medora, has been purchased from Mr C. R. Bidwell by Mr J. Cress. The horse is engaged in the next Wairarapa Guineas.

The Bulls trainer, W. Homes, has appealed against the stake won by Menaderva in the Hack Steeple at Marton being paid over to C. Leicester, on the grounds that Mr Taylor, her rider, was not eligible, he having ridden at the Ashurst and Sandon unregistered meetings.

Seven new members were elected at the last meeting of the Lower Valley Jockey Club. J. C. A. McKay was granted a jockey's license, and J. E. Pilbrow a trainer's license.

The stewards of the Woodville Jockey Club recently discussed whether the donations of Messrs Cotter and Bolton should be devoted to the Bracelet, the Guineas, Sires' Produce Stakes, or Derby. Mr Cotter, who was present, was perfectly indifferent as to what the race was to be called, but he thought it would be to the advantage of the club if a classic race was on the programme. It was decided to call the race the Bolton and Cotter Bracelet. The first prize will be a gold bracelet valued at £30, second and third bracelets valued at £10 and £5, and a gold-mounted whip to the rider of the winning horse; for hacks only, gentlemen riders. The programme for the next meeting was drawn up. The Woodville Handicap will be worth 125 sovs, distance a mile and a quarter. The big handicap on the second day will be worth 100 sovs.

A letter was read from Sir George Clifford in connection with a statement made by Mr Pownall that the new rule as to hack racing was informally carried by the Racing Conference, was brought up at the last meeting of the stewards of the Masterton Racing Club. It was decided to bring the matter up again at the next Conference. The stewards enquired into a charge laid by Mr Hill to the effect that J. Worner, after making disparaging remarks against the Masterton Racing Club and the officials thereof, referred to the hurdle race which took place at Masterton about two years ago, in which Persimmon, Master Jack, and Tricky Jack were placed first, second, and third. Mr Hill's letter stated that Worner said that although the stewards were well aware that Master Jack had run off at one of the jumps they took no action, and that unless he, the owner of the third horse, had protested they would not have taken action. Worner was called in, and adhered to his statements, but denied that he had mentioned any horse's name to Mr Hill. The latter averred that he did. After a lengthy discussion Worner withdrew his reflections on the stewards as a body, and this was accepted, but was decided to inform him that if on any occasion he repeats or makes similar assertions the stewards will deal severely with him.

The Eketahuna Club wound up last season with a small credit balance. The next meeting will be held on Boxing Day. Mr F. D. Pelling, the secretary, was accorded a vote of thanks for his services during the past year.

The Masterton Club will give £885 in stakes for the December meeting.

September 20.

The jumper Dundonald arrived here on Sunday, on his way to the Bulls meeting.

Mr J. S. Henry and Mr H. W. Lyon, acting on behalf of the promoters, have issued a circular in reference to the late Mr J. J. Coyle. They say it has been thought that his many friends would be glad of the opportunity of showing their appreciation of deceased, and it is suggested that the manner of so doing might be the provision of a suitable headstone and railing for his grave, and a contribution towards the very heavy expenses of his final illness. The gentlemen interested themselves in this movement have asked Messrs Henry and Lyon to take the initiative in laying the matter before those who have some feeling for deceased that animates them, and they will be glad to receive donations. The promoters will form themselves into a committee to see to the administration of the fund, and particulars will be forwarded to each subscriber in due time.

There was considerable interest manifested here over the Avondale races on Saturday, and a good deal of wagering was done, but the books got the best of the deal, backers not being in a winning vein. The majority missed Record Reign, Miss Delaval being the prime pick; but Jim Keane and Riot were well supported.

With reference to race number seven, got off

Then some called out, "He's getting old,"  
An orator he claimed to be,  
A thin and ready voice had he,  
When on the platform he appeared,  
And started coughing people jeered,  
With lusty voice said he, "Your sold,"  
He'd taken something strong and pure,  
Wm. E. Woods' Great Peppermint Cure [ADVT]

at the Wairarapa South Trotting Club's meeting, over which there was a little trouble, the committee has rescinded the resolution passed previously in respect to the total sator tickets, and have decided to devote all money in hand to the hospital; persons holding tickets on the winner being given until the 30th inst. in which to apply for payment. After that date it will be given to the institution named.

### Notes for Owners and Trainers

To-morrow (Friday) owners and trainers must give attention to the spring programme of the Auckland Racing Club. Entries then close for the following races:—Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov; City Handicap, 1 sov, and Prince of Wales Handicap, 1 sov.

Nominations will be received to-morrow (Friday) by Mr Percival, the secretary of the Auckland Racing Club, for the following races to be decided at the summer meeting:—Auckland Cup, 1 sov; Auckland Racing Club Handicap, 1 sov; Summer Cup, 1 sov; Railway Handicap, 1 sov; and Summer Steeplechase, 1 sov.

To-morrow (Friday) nominations close for the following events to be run at the Canterbury Jockey Club's Metropolitan Meeting:—Stewards' Handicap, 1 sov; Juvenile Plate, 1 sov; Metropolitan Handicap, 1 sov, and Jockey Club Handicap, 1 sov. On the same date owners and breeders should remember that nominations close for the Middle Park Plate and Champion Plate decided at the summer meeting of the C.J.C.

On Monday next, September 25, nominations close for the Wanganui Jockey Club's Spring Meeting. The races needing attention are Spring Handicap, 1 sov; First Hurdle Race, 1 sov; Second Hurdle Race, 1 sov; First Hack Race, 1 sov; Second Hack Race 1 sov; Flying Handicap, 1 sov; Owen Stakes Handicap, 1 sov; Wanganui Stakes Handicap, 1 sov; Marangai Stakes Handicap, 1 sov; Trial Hack Handicap, 1 sov; Handicap Hack Race, 1 sov; Flying Hack Handicap, 1 sov; and Final Hack Handicap, 1 sov.

Acceptances for the first day's races at the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's Spring Meeting are due on Tuesday next the 26 instant.

Nominations for the following races at the Hawke's Bay J.C. Spring Meeting should be sent in on Tuesday next:—Maiden Plate, 1 sov; Welcome Stakes, 2 sovs; Trial Handicap, 1 sov; Nursery Handicap, 1 sov; Second Hack Handicap, 1 sov; Second Hurdle Race, 1 sov; Maiden Hurdle Race, 1 sov; Welter Handicap, 1 sov; and Final Handicap, 1 sov.

The first acceptance for the Hawke's Bay Guineas, 10 guineas, is due on Tuesday next the 26th September.

### After the Races.

#### THE AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

[BY ATLAS.]

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16.

The Avondale Jockey Club inaugurated the racing season on Saturday, under very favorable circumstances. The large entry for the various events was almost sufficient to ensure the success of the gathering, and when Saturday turned out a beautifully fine spring day success was certain, and the lively appearance of the Avondale road indicated a record day, and at an early hour the saddling paddock was well filled, a large proportion of those present being ladies. Although, of course, the Avondale Stakes and the Avondale Cup were the chief items on the day's programme, it was quite evident by the presence of a large number of the members of the Pakuranga Hunt Club and their lady friends that the jumping events had taken on with them. Those who speculated in the privileges certainly did well, and I am sure that the gentleman who secured the gates did not regret his bargain, as there must have been more than four thousand people within the enclosure during the afternoon; and then, again, Mr Donovan's staff was kept so busy in the refreshment booths that towards the finish there became a danger that the liquid revivers would not hold out as long as the public. Mr Stillwell provided a capital luncheon, and an excellent programme of music, played by Mr A. R. Hunter's brass band, was much appreciated. The improvements in the saddling paddock were very favourably commented on, and it was well that the new and commodious tote house had been erected, as the speculation was so brisk that £6023 was passed through the machine during the afternoon, and notwithstanding the great increase of business, backers never experienced either inconvenience or delay. The totalisator staff were under the supervision of Mr J. Cook, and one and all seemed to work with clock-like regularity. Mr Bollard was of course absent attending to his Parliamentary duties, so Mr M. Foley occupied the judge's box. The genial chairman of the club's committee has worked hard for the Avondale Club, and the large attendance and good sport must have been particularly gratifying to him, as well as to the secretary (Mr Harry Hayr), who is now ensconced in a new office connected with the tote house, where he can hear the constant jingling of the coin. Pleasant music this, no doubt. Mr J. O. Evett, the handicapper, was evidently in a happy frame of mind, and he had very good reason, too, because but one favourite got home during the afternoon—and of course a handicapper has a right to feel pleased when he can bid the winners so well as Mr Joseph did on this occasion. Mr Cutts was in good form as starter. He had some big fields to dispatch, but he handled them all with a master's hand.

The business of the day was started with the Maiden Plate Handicap. A race of this sort is

just one of those races I look upon as a dark event, because the handicapper is presented with the difficult task of putting together a lot of comparatively unknown quantities, and if he succeeds in doing so it is more by good luck than good management. This time Mr Evett did succeed in a measure, because the race was a real good one. It was started probably a little too early for the general public, and it proved the poorest betting race of the day, for, although there were twelve starters, only £371 was invested on the machine. Mr Cutts commenced operations by effecting a good start. The Owl was quickest on his legs, and drew away a length, his nearest attendant being Swiftfoot and St. Aida. When once in the straight a good race was witnessed, and at the distance Swiftfoot, who had headed The Owl, looked like a winner, but at the distance Jim Keane, well handled by Joe Duff, came with a rattle and beat Major George's gelding home by a long neck. St. Aida was a good third, but she was either badly handled or had a bad run, otherwise she would have been nearer the front. Perhaps she will do better later on.

It must have been pleasant for the handicapper to note the fact that there was not a single scratching in the Handicap Hurdle Race. The popular fancy was Volcano, in Mr Frank Macmanemin's stable, Dentist, who had the services of the old veteran, Jack Rae, being next in demand. Foudroyant was the first away, but he had not gone far before Voltigeur II. began to show the way. The son of Lionel was not running in his proper colours, and this led some to confuse him with the other grey (Idris), who was toiling hopelessly in the rear. The race does not require much description, as Voltigeur II. led throughout. Over the first hurdle he was followed by Tip, Dentist, Volcano, and The Needle. There was very little alteration all round, and Voltigeur II. held command into the straight, with Volcano closing up, and the pair were together at the last jump, which Volcano seemed to funk, and Berry, riding Voltigeur II. resolutely, got home by three parts of a length. I think Volcano should have won, but nevertheless the race was a good one. Cannongate was third, and the East Coast horse, Rollo, fourth; then came Tip, Dentist, Dingo, The Needle, and Hylas.

The defections in the Avondale Stakes were the Castor—Sunrise colt, the St. Leger—Ladybird colt, Minerne, Zealous, Evert, Yvonne, Captain Jack, Brockland, the Soult—Swiftsure gelding, and Golden Rose. A lot of interest was evinced in the race, and there were all sorts of stories going about concerning the doings of the youngsters, and some of them were doubtless wide of the mark. Mr Dan McLeod had planked down in favor of his filly, St. Elwyn, while Lady Avon, on the strength of her gallop on Thursday morning, was next in demand, but she is so small in stature that there were few outside of the stable who cared to back her. St. Olga is a handsome filly, and in many respects she is like St. Paul. It was reported that she had done the four furlongs, with 8.5 up and shoes on, in 52sec; but there were similar fairy tales in circulation about some of the others. Val Rosa, for instance, it was rumored had knocked the stuffing out of Miss Delaval, while Kissmary had been catching swallows or something equally as fast down at Kohimaramara. The Mangere youngster certainly looks smart, but Kissmary, although a fine big filly, presented rather a jaded appearance, and it may be that she has been asked to catch too many Kohimaramaraswallows. Both Beddington and Aleger looked really well, and I am inclined to think that they will have more to say later on. They were not bucked on Saturday in a style to cause one to think that their following had a lot of confidence in them, but for all that their position in the race showed that they knew how to gallop. St. Elwyn's display was disappointing, and she will need to do something better than she did on Saturday before she will start a first favorite again. There was not much in the appearance of any of the others to call for special mention, save that in the preliminaries nothing seemed to gallop with such vim as the little Soult filly. Her trainer, Mr Jack Booth, was hopeful, but not too confident. The reports of the deeds of others was not calculated to create unbounded confidence in anything. The youngsters behaved well, and Mr Cutts got them away to a splendid start. Joe Scates, on Lady Avon, was the first to take the lead, St. Olga and one of Wright's being next. The little filly, going on with great dash, was soon several lengths to the good, and never once during the race did any of others trouble her, and she won at the finish by about four lengths, to the good of George Wright's next, with St. Olga fourth, and the favorite among the ruck. The time, 51½sec, although not fast, is a second and a half faster than that of Miss Delaval in the Juvenile Stakes last year. The course, however, was heavier going last year than this. Lady Avon was bred by Mr J. G. Ralph, and is by the English-bred horse Soult out of First Love, a Nordenfeldt mare. The success of this union will probably cause more Musket mares to visit the St. Simon horse. The head lines of Lady Avon's pedigree are:—

#### LADY AVON.

SOULT		FIRST LOVE	
St Simon	Beauharnais	Nordenfeldt	Fish Gill

The event of the day was the Avondale Cup, and when the numbers went up, it was pleasant to see that there was not a single absentee. The New Zealand Cup candidate, Miss Delaval was in great demand, and George Absolom had her looking fairly well. One of the most improved

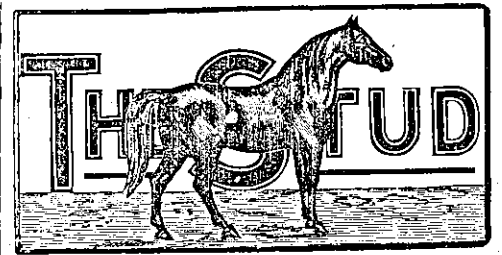
looking horses in the paddock was Bluejacket, and he was brimful of spirit. St. Ursula's friends had every reason to be pleased with her appearance, and Record Reign, on the course, made a lot of friends. Mr Roulston's gelding had been trained at Pukekohe until a week before the races, when he was taken to Avondale, and Castor's son certainly looked as if he had done a good preparation, while Auld Reekie and Porangi Potae were in good trim. Mr Cutts again effected a good start, and after Auld Reekie, for a brief period, had been indulged with the lead, Regalia II. took up the running, attended by Bluejacket, Record Reign, St. Ursula, and Miss Delaval. Going round the back Record Reign improved his position, and Regalia, as the straight was entered, was done with, and Miss Delaval closely attended by Bluejacket was in pursuit of Record Reign, but the latter was going strong, and Taylor throwing no chances away landed Record Reign a tolerably easy winner by a couple of lengths. Both Bluejacket and Auld Reekie passed the favorite in the straight and finished second and third, with Miss Delaval fourth. The defeat of Miss Delaval was a big disappointment to those who had backed her, not only for this race but for the New Zealand Cup. After the races we always hear excuses, and some advanced the story that the mare has been hurried on in her preparation. That may be so, but, all the same, she will have to improve immensely between this and the early part of November, to have a show in the big two mile handicap. I have a fancy that if Lindsay had been severe on her, Miss Delaval could have been second or third, but she even had not "Buckley's show" to catch Record Reign. Castor, the sire of Record Reign, was at the head of winning sires last season, and Record Reign has commenced well this season by annexing the first important race of the year. Last year Record Reign started four times and won once. That was in the Spring Handicap at Ellerslie, when he was steered, as on Saturday, by Tommy Taylor, and carried 8st 6lb over seven furlongs, in 1min 31sec. St. Paul won the Cup last year, carrying 10st 8lb, the time being 2min 18½sec. Record Reign has beaten that time by six seconds, but last year the going was heavy. It will probably be a long time before St. Paul's record in point of merit will be wiped out.

The Hack Handicap brought out a field of twenty, and a whisper about Bellbird caused him to be in most demand. The hacks are, however, an unknown quantity to the ordinary run of sportsmen, and most of the punters were plunging in the dark, while the fact that in consequence of the large field a number of the horses had to be bracketed on the machine, robbed the race of a lot of its interest from a punter's point of view. Kettledrum commenced with a rattle and was the first to show in front followed by Bellbird. In this way they ran to the bend where Kettledrum began to stop, and Bellbird and Wellington took command with half a dozen others in close pursuit. At the half distance Bellbird appeared to be winning, but here Forty seven, driven along by Tommy Hodson, came with a well timed finish and gained a well earned victory by half a length. The winner, although coupled with Castroline, paid the very nice dividend of £177s.

Ten came out for the Hunt Club Steeplechase, and the members of the Pakuranga Hunt Club became as busy as bees, but even they who are supposed to know more than the gentle public concerning the prowess of the horses engaged seemed to be divided in opinion. The result was a fairly good betting race, Dan McLeod, for the third time during the day, and in the three principal events, supplying the favourite Crusado. The best backed of the others were Tommy and Riot. The first pilot was Villars over the first jump where Mangere balked. Riot was the nearest attendant of Villars at the double, Glenarm and Tommy following. Riot closed up in the run round the back, and was on terms with Villars at the double the second time round, there being a long gap between this pair and the rest of the field. Villars rapped the second fence of the double hard, but Mr Harding made a good recovery, and followed in Riot's wake. At the gorse fence, however, Villars struck and came down heavily, Crusado, who was close to him, also falling. The first jump at the double proved fatal to Taffy, who apparently broke his neck, never moving after he fell. These accidents considerably diverted attention from the race. Riot went on with a strong lead, Bonovoree and Tommy following, while Mozel, who was a long way behind, broke down. There was but little alteration after this, but Mr Gordon on Tommy made a game effort to decrease the lead of Riot. He could make but little impression, however, on Riot, who won very easily. None of the riders on the horses that fell were injured.

Seventeen ponies faced the barrier in the Pony Handicap, and Ranguru, Edison, and Nora were the most fancied. The running was carried on by Stella and Lady until the home turn was reached, and here Pipiharaurua put in his challenge, and Satman, riding a vigorous finish, won by two lengths from Miss Lane (who was a rank outsider) and Botfly.

The Flying Handicap brought the day's sport to a close, and out of the field of fourteen which started St. Peter, by the force of money, was put in the position of favourite, the next best backed being Red Lancer, and Lillie. The leading division from the start and along the back stretch were Firefly, Lillie, St. Peter, and St. Elmo. Firefly made the pace round the bend, where St. Peter challenged her, but he was soon beaten off. Firefly continued in the lead right up the straight, and won pretty comfortably from Cavalier and Lillie.



#### MR S. H. GOLLAN'S BREEDING ESTABLISHMENT AT MANGATA-RATA.

[BY OUR NAPIER CORRESPONDENT.]

NAPIER, September 15.

It was with pleasant recollections of a previous visit to the birthplace of the last New Zealand Cup winner (Tirant d'Eau) and heaps of other well bred and good performers at the racing business that I the other day betook myself again to the picturesque locality of Mangatarata. That old campaigner, George Smith, was in attendance at the Waipukurau Railway Station with a nice conveyance, between the shafts of which was a good-looking, nice stepping son of Wilkin—one of those sort who run up in the collar and take hold of the bit as if the only object he had in his life was to successfully demonstrate that, as a trotter and trier, the descendants of the American trotting stallion comfortably uphold their own and give away a bit when compared to those who are not to the manner born. My pilot proved conclusively by the manipulation of his charge that age has not withered nor deteriorated his power and talent in the handling of the ribbons. As the sons of Scotia say in the South Island, Smith has been a wheen of years amongst ponies; for he was going well and strong in the line when I was a boy—and, alas! that is a day or two ago. His experience of racing and all connected with the pastime in the sixties are of a most interesting and instructive nature, and I only wish I had the space at my disposal to fully dilate upon the deeds and doings of this old timer—one of a class who, unluckily, are fast becoming relics of a great and bygone past. Unfortunately, Mr Gollan was away enjoying the exhilarating influences of golf, but Fountain Lunn, who may be described without being accused of fulsome adulation as "one of the best," took me under his wing, and his obliging, courteous attention to me made my all to short stay a most enjoyable one.

Jet d'Eau, Captain Webb, and Bonnie Scotland are the Lords of the harem, and the trio looked in the perfection of health. The former is without doubt one of the finest stallions I have seen for a very long time, and with the exception of being just a trifle mean in the gaskin, is as near the acme of perfect development as it would be possible to get in a living representative of the genus racehorse; besides being so well bestowed with good looks he proved that he could gallop, and this important and desirable feature he has been able to transmit to his progeny in a very strong and marked degree, for his son, Tirant d'Eau, though of no size, showed by his capture of the New Zealand Cup that he had both pace and stamina, and one of his daughters, Jadoo, has over and over again clearly given evidence that her heart is in the right place, and her feet are no strangers to the art of galloping fast and well. The deeds of these two alone should most certainly maintain the prestige of the handsome good tempered Jet d'Eau.

Captain Webb, the Natator—Fame stallion, has appearance, breeding, and pace to recommend him, and no one can wonder at this when you analyse his pedigree which comprises the Traducer—Camden, King Tom, Flying Dutchman, Painter, and Antidote bloods. This strain should most assuredly be productive of something extra good, and you have it in Captain Webb. Like his half brother Jet d'Eau he is the personification of amiability, and this is a worthy and much sought after credential in a blood sire.

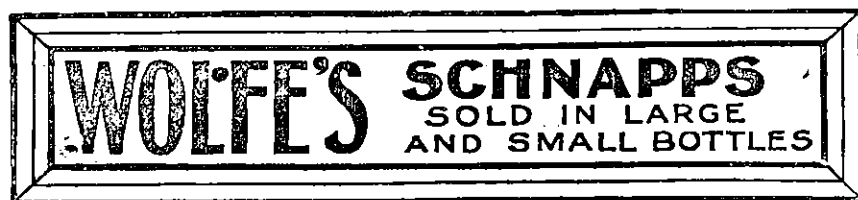
Bonnie Scotland, the remaining member of the triumvirate, is a rare compact, well balanced parcel, and as his breeding is undeniable—being by St. George (full brother to the great Chester)—Fair Nell (Apremont—Idalia), a full sister to Ravenswing, Acid, and Mount Ida (Ravensplume, by Carbine from Ravenswing)—was a good winner in the other colonies, and is now a resident in the Mother Land. The speedy Ideal, by Dreadnought from Mount—Ida, also claims relationship to Bonnie Scotland, and his full brothers, Loyalty and Saracen, were no dunces in the possession of pace. Coupled with his own talents and his connections' form, his progeny should be endowed with abilities in the racing industry of no mean order, that is to say if successful and well-bred ancestors are any key or guide to go upon. Fred's, Maxim's daughter from Fair Nell, and consequently half sister to Bonnie Scotland, was a great mare, and if Musket mares are associated with Bonnie Scotland, I am sure they would produce something removed from the ordinary.

The yearling contingent consists of fourteen members, and taking into consideration the very severe wet winter that they have had to battle with show out attractively.

Bonnie Scotland's bay daughter, from Lady Hamilton (Nelson's full sister), is greatly in the rough. She has not long been weaned which makes her look as if she was missing the maternal solicitude that is so essential to the well being of the juvenile racer, but I have no doubt that her guardian, Lunn, will soon, by his careful attention, make her feel her loss less keenly.

Only a pony in build and stature is the dark brown colt by Bonnie Scotland from Iphimede (Nordenfeldt—Iphigenia), but he has got nice drooping quarters, well set shoulders, and a comely well proportioned outlook. I like the Yattendon-Musket strain, and look for good results from this offspring of the above pair.

Forlorn Hope's (by St. George or Artillery from Escalade, by Apremont—En Avant) dark brown daughter with two white hind feet by Captain Webb has a taking attractive appearance.



Those massive, though not carty, hind-quarters of her sire are her chief features, but though this part of her structure is predominant, she has several other taking points, and is withal a good framed, well set up, good to follow young lady.

A dark brown filly claiming Captain Webb and Kie-Kie (Lord of the Isles—Tot) as her sire and dam, is a good even cut of a juvenile, with nice legs and feet. The Traducer, Painter, Yattendon (two strains, through Lord of the Isles and Sir Hercules, sire on the maternal side), and Diomedes blood that permeates her system must be looked for to assert its superiority when the time arrives for this youngster to don silk. She is got the right way, and can be looked for to show pace and stamina.

A good framed sort is Captain Webb's dark brown daughter from Leonie (Leolinus—Amohia) but she was not looking as gay as some of her comrades, and was thereby unfavorably handicapped when compared to several of them. She is well come by, for her dam is a full sister to Tigredia, dam of Tigress and Impregnable, and the Traducer, Painter, and Antidote nick, weaved into the Touton, Leolinus, and Ravensworth blood, must, if accented running strains be worth following and mixing, be the embodiment of all that is desirable.

One who shows her breeding is the chestnut filly by St. Leger from Freda. If anything, a bit on the leg, but her appearance suggests that she will grow down, and then the daylight under her will not be so apparent. A well-balanced shoulder, good neck and rein, aristocratic head, heaps of liberty, sweeping quarters with fine pins, are the principal attributes that strike the eye in this high-lineaged young lady.

Captain Webb's and Bonnie Idee's (Nordenfeldt—My Idea) white-marked chestnut daughter has great back and hind-quarters, deep girth, a fine intelligent head, well set on to a racy-looking neck, and nice sloping shoulders. Her movements are of the machine-like style, for she was good and complaisant enough to favor me with a sample of her proficiency in this line, and if her efforts are to be taken as a criterion of her future abilities she will prove a troublesome customer to take on when the period arrives for her to take her position under the starter's direction.

A black colt, by Captain Webb from Seraph, soon won me over to his side, for there is no doubt he is the makings of a good one. Angle him as you like, the verdict was always the same—a real good one. His back is like a board, well sprung ribs, plenty of heart room, shoulders of the best, hind-quarters like a Clydesdale, but with no sign of coarseness, and the whole surmounted by a bold determined head. That double strain of the Traducer blood works out well in him, for it is widespread, and its transference with the Thormanby and Painter blood has all to do with his fine appearance.

Lochiel's half sister, by Leolinus—Princess Helen, has a representative in this enclosure, a chestnut filly by Captain Webb, one of the great quartered, well bodied sort, neck nicely placed on good shoulders, and bloodlike head. She is a bit light below the knee, but horses have often before performed well even when their anatomy has been deficient at this point. The stout strains which flow through her should tend to offset this failing, for pluck oftentimes overcomes many so-called shortcomings.

A good-looking chap is the dark brown colt by Captain Webb from Namao (Nordenfeldt—Tres Deuce). He is a rare developed customer, with good bone and fine open feet, and his disposition is of the kindest nature. The double Traducer notch that is to be found in him, allied with the Musket, Painter, and Yattendon blood, is sure to prove a happy combination, for without doubt his ancestors were of the strongest running strains.

The brown, white faced colt by Captain Webb from Lady Florin (Musket—Florin, by Traducer—Rupee) is of the kind that will improve with age, endowed as he is with a great loose frame. This sort of youngster, as is well known, always requires time, and it is any odds that he will not be hurried along, for the controlling powers at Mangatarata are thoroughly conversant with all the precepts and practices that are required in the successful manipulation of all kinds and conditions of horses. Half-brothers of this youngster, in Wanklyn and Ballinger (by Dreadnought) were good stamps of horses. Like the previous number, he has the two Traducer strains running through his composition.

A beautifully tinted parcel next lines up for inspection. This is Bessie McCarthy's daughter, by Apremont, in color a bay with white face. An exceptionally fine filly throughout, well set up, nicely proportioned hind-quarters, showing great power of leverage, grandly moulded fore end, strong, well-set back, and deep girth. Like all the French-bred stallion's get, her legs present a tough, hard-wearing appearance.

The chestnut son of Captain Webb and Tireuse is a well favored lot, though he has a head that would look more in place on one of the gentler sex. In appearance he greatly favors Tire, being a compact, evenly-built sample.

The last of the yearling fraternity is a bay white-faced half sister to Daphne and Jadoo (Captain Webb—Violet), one of the large massive sort, who moved along in a very pleasing style. Her dam, Violet, is one of the Primrose tribe, and that mare has never yet thrown a bad one, no matter what sire she was mated with, and, as regards consistency, it would be a difficult matter to pick a pair who could head off Jadoo and Daphne in the possession of that qualification; and, judging by appearances, it is quite reasonable to expect that Captain Webb's daughter will prove as tough material as her two game and plucky relatives.

Half-a-dozen two-year-olds were scattered about the place, and my guide soon had me making their acquaintances. Two of this number were bred at Mr Douglas' 'Je Mahanga stud farm, the remainder being home productions.

The filly by Quilt from Vista is a well-developed mare, brimful of quality, and a good advertisement for her sire. Quilt has also another of his offspring here—a dark brown gelding from

Aio. He looks none to well, and is but a pony in height.

A brown gelding, with a well defined white star (by Captain Webb from Lady Florin), is of the strong active breed, with good legs, strong back, and well coupled.

The brown gelded half brother to Jadoo and Daphne has a most prepossessing appearance, with his fine lithesome quarters, well set legs, good ribs, and courageous head, prettily marked with a white face.

A great strong chestnut gelding, with two white hind feet and white face, claims for his parents Captain Webb and the Nordenfeldt mare Cartouche. A great barrelled, well let down, drooping quartered fellow he is, with one of those backy suggestions of strength and ability to carry a tidy weight, and not feel the effect in the least. A nice, kind looking head, nicely set on a perfectly modelled neck, makes him a pretty picture, truly. He is good to come at, as he is to follow, and if his galloping is on a par with his appearance he will prove a hard knot to overcome when the time arrives for him to take his part in the argument that ensues re the distribution of stake money.

Princess Helen's dark gelded son, by Captain Webb, has his sire's massive quarters, back, and ribs. His legs are well and truly set, and his appearance throughout is one of a most captivating sort.

Not a big one by any means is the three-year-old unsexed son of Lady Hamilton (Nelson's full sister) and Mousquetaire (Nordenfeldt—Frailty), but he has a skin full of good points. He has just been handled, and I was told that he takes to his education amenably.

Mangatarata (a four-year-old son of Mousquetaire and Princess Helen), Riverdale (Cap-a-pie from a Dundee mare), winner of the Ladies' Necklet at the H.B.J.C. Winter Meeting of '98, and Wanklyn (Dreadnought—Lady Florin) do service as station hacks, and the well-bred lot get through their tasks creditably. The first-named was my mount during the day, and the pleasant ride he gave me made me wish that the time of my stay was longer, so that I could better enjoy his company. There is no getting away from the fact that these well-bred hacks give you the sort of a feel and grip that the common or wayside contingent are not capable of transmitting to one.

I had almost forgotten to mention that old Silence (Mute—Marie Antonette) is still in the land of the living, and he is sometimes pressed into doing duty in the hack line.

A couple of horses that last season were running on the estate, Satyr and Armourer, have passed over to the majority, and so has the Puriri mare, dam of Tally-ho (the 'chaser).

That racing disappointment, Scotia, was enjoying the company of the yearlings, and seems to thrive well in her idleness.

In a paddock by themselves were a couple of geldings which had just been emasculated. One is a yearling by Captain Webb from Fair Nell, a nice racy looking parcel, with good quarters, fine limbs, and evenly-proportioned frame. His companion is a two-year-old brown, by Jet d'Eau from Bonnie Idee, and a nice fellow he is, with a good, hardy, wear-and-tear appearance, and those good substantial pins that his sire gives to his offspring.

The brood mares are nineteen in number, and consist of the following:—Fair Nell (in foal to Captain Webb), Tireuse (with foal at foot by Jet d'Eau), Princess Helen (not bred from last season), Lady Hamilton and Iphimede (in foal to Bonnie Scotland), Fair Nell, Leonie, Castonet, Bonnie Idee, Violet, Lady Florin, Kiekie, Overture, Escalade, Miss Dargon, brown mare by Carlyon from Namao (all in foal to Captain Webb), Folorn Hope, Seraph, Lady Tim—dam of The Frenchman—in foal to Jet d'Eau). Namao mised to Captain Webb. Each and every one of this number looked in the enjoyment of perfect health, and show conclusively that they are well cared for. For their attention to me, I have to sincerely tender my thanks to Messrs Smith and Lunn; and it is no figure of speech to say that my trip to Mangatarata was a most enjoyable and pleasant outing, and I hope to be able for many a year to have to chronicle many such reviews and criticisms as I have got away with on the present occasion regarding the blood stock on Mr Gollan's estate.

### Racing Results.

#### AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

The weather was a bit variable for the second day of the Avondale meeting, but between the showers the sun shone, and the scene was very bright. There was a very good attendance, and throughout the day speculation was brisk. Cannongate, the winner of the Hunt Club Hurdles, was the only first favourite to get home. The racing was good, and in some cases there were exciting finishes. The following are the results:—

##### HANDICAP HURDLES.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Dentist ... 1, Crusado ... 2, Volcano ... 3. All started. Won by a neck. Dividend, £4 1s.

##### ELECTRIC HANDICAP.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Blairina ... 1, Kettledrum ... 2, St. Peter ... 3. All started. Won by half a length. Dividend, £9 9s.

##### NURSERY HANDICAP.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Val Rosa ... 1, St. Olga ... 2, Landlock ... 3. All started. Won by half a length. Dividend, £5.

##### PONY HANDICAP.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Clanman ... 1, Trooper ... 2, Texas ... 3. Little Wonder failed to pass the standard. All the others started. Won by six lengths. Dividend, £9 13s.

##### PLUMPTON HANDICAP.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. St. Ursula ... 1, Record Reign ... 2, St. Elmo ... 3. Scratched—St. Crispin, Picklock, and St. Aida. Won by half a head. Dividend, £11 19s.

##### HACK HANDICAP.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Castroline ... 1, Bellbird ... 2, La Gloria ... 3. Scratched—Kettledrum and Wellington. Won easily. Dividend, £18 15s.

##### HUNT CLUB HURDLES.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Cannongate ... 1, Glenarn ... 2, Riot ... 3. Scratched—Crusado, Waitress, Teaniwaitra Villars, and Motor. Won easily by four lengths. Dividend, £2 13s.

##### MOUNT ALBERT HANDICAP.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Moment ... 1, Blairina ... 2, St. Peter ... 3. Scratched—Cavalier, Picklock, The Sharper. Won very easily by two lengths. Dividend, £16 10s.

#### NORTH OTAGO JOCKEY CLUB'S MEETING.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.

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

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Glenore, 11.2 ... 1, Schnapps, 9.0 ... 2, Windermere, 12.7 ... 3. Won by a length. Time, 3min 25 2-5sec. Dividend, £1 10s.

##### SEPTEMBER HANDICAP, six furlongs.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Fireside, 8.10 ... 1, Galileo, 8.0 ... 2. Won easily. Time, 1min 19 1-5sec. Dividend, £1 4s.

##### NORTH OTAGO HANDICAP, one mile and 500yds.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Daphne, 6.7 ... 1, Maremma, 8.5 ... 2, Vandyke, 7.3 ... 3. Won by a head. Time, 2min 17sec. Dividend, £3 12s.

##### NOVEL HANDICAP, five furlongs.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Tufto, 8.3 ... 1, Confidence, 8.13 ... 2, Criterion, 7.8 ... 3. Won by half a length. Time, 1min 5 1-5sec. Dividend, £3 6s.

##### ELDERSLIE TROT, two miles.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. General Shafter, 34sec ... 1, Lynette, 32sec ... 2, Vascoe, 14sec ... 3. Time, 5min 40sec. Dividend, £4 9s.

##### FLYING HANDICAP, five furlongs.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. The Orphan, 8.5 ... 1, Abercrombie, 8.6 ... 2, Nantes, 8.8 ... 3. Time, 1min 3 3 5sec. Dividend, £12 3s.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14.

The weather was fine, and the attendance good. The sum of £2152 was passed through the machine in the two days, as against £1191 last year. Results:—

##### HURDLES, one mile and a half.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Glenore, 12.7 ... 1, Master Sockburn, 9.3 ... 2, Schnapps, 9.7 ... 3. Won by a length. Time, 2min 58sec. Dividend, £1 16s.

##### REDCASTLE WELTER, six furlongs.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Wedlock, 10.5 ... 1, Stimulant, 8.6 ... 2, Mount Clair, 9.2 ... 3. Won by a long head. Time, 1min 18sec. Dividend, £2 3s.

##### PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP, seven furlongs.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Rochester, 7.12 ... 1, Jupiter, 8.12 ... 2, Maremma, 8.8 ... 3. Won by half a length. Time, 1min 30 2-5sec. Dividend, £3 14s.

##### WAIKAURA TROT, one mile and a half.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Fisherman, 29sec ... 1, Bella, 23sec ... 2, Harold, 2sec ... 3.

##### HACK SELLING RACE.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. Battery ... 1.

##### WAITAKI PLATE, five furlongs.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Odds. The Orphan, 9.8 ... 1, Nantes, 9.5 ... 2, Daphne, 9.10 ... 3. Won easily. Time, 1min 4sec. Dividend, £3 3s.

##### RANGITIKEI RACES.

The Rangitikei races took place yesterday. The weather was fine, and there was a fair attendance. The following are the results to hand:—

FLYING HANDICAP.—Toa, 1; The Hempie, 2; Miller, 3. Aquatic also started. Time, 1min 20 1-5 sec. Dividend, £3 1s.

HURDLES.—Water Shot, 1; Hinau, 2; Nea, 3. Trush, Vanetta, Pistol Shot, and Huka were scratched. Time, 3min 2 2-5 sec. Dividend, £7 12s.

HACK FLYING.—Discount and Tirade a dead heat; Will-o'-the-Wisp, 3. Outcast was scratched. Time, 1min 21sec. Dividends—Discount, £3 16s; Tirade, £6 18s.

#### FRYINGPAN'S DOUBLE.

When in 1884 the Hon. W. Pearson won a double with the famous little Fryingpan, the Victorian bookmakers had a very disastrous afternoon's experience, which is referred to by "Rhoderick" in the Melbourne Sportsman. The owner had a good win early in the day over Fryingpan, who, carrying 8.9, won his Victorian Club Cup from such cracks as Guesswork, Coriolanus (a Champion winner), Archie, and Chuckster, among a good field of others. Being, apparently, unaware of the fact that his colt had incurred a penalty for winning the mile and a half race, Mr Pearson made up his mind to pull him out a second time that afternoon, and have a go at the mile event. He was then reminded of the penalty, and hastened to scratch him. But time was up. 'Twas too late, and, very much against his owner's will, the little four-year old, with his 10.0 odd on top of him, was saddled up again. Then Joe Thompson approached the owner, and, in the expectation of getting some of his losses back over Fryingpan's first race, mildly chaffed the owner as to the colt's chance that trip. "Don't heckle me, Thompson; I don't desire to back him," was Mr Pearson's somewhat irritable remark. "I'll lay you 10 to 1 that he can't win this time, anyhow." "You're forcing my hand; but book me 2000 to 200, if you will have it!" And Thompson did. And very useful did the Leviathan of the Ring look later. For the flag fell a moment or two afterwards, the horses were off, and there was no time or opportunity to cover, and Joseph had to "stand the lot." Fryingpan (Power up) romped home again. Those were the days of big betting, even at comparatively small meetings. The mighty Malua, who subsequently won the Adelaide, Melbourne, and Australian Cups, started in this same race, but with 8.5 on his back, he could get no nearer than third to Fryingpan. A great little horse this! One of the best milers I ever saw in Australia. A concession of four-and-twenty pounds to the horse which a few months later on that season ran away with the Newmarket Handicap and Adelaide Cup was, to my thinking, one of the most brilliant performances I ever witnessed out here.

### NOMINATIONS.

#### NAPIER PARK RACING CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

OCTOBER 10 AND 11.

##### RACING CLUB HANDICAP.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Odds, Name. Dauntless Ideal Reliance, Temeraire First Blood Tirado, Lady Helen Rosella Tauhei, Korematuku El Draque Pistol Grip, Jadoo Tire Clack-na-Cudden, Waterstone Rubin Daphne.

##### PARK STAKES.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Odds, Name. Daunt Ideal Sir Launcelot, Reliance First Blood Tirado, Lady Helen Explosion Rosella, Tauhei Korematuku Oingo, El Draque Bush Rose Clack-na-Cudden, Jadoo Tire Clack-na-Cudden, Rubin Daphne Waterstone.

#### HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

OCTOBER 3 AND 4.

##### SPRING HANDICAP, one mile and a half.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Odds, Name. Tauhei Explosion First Blood, Rubin Coronet Sir Launcelot, Ideal Reliance Bush Rose, Temeraire Korematuku Oingo, Tire Seahorse Clack-na-Cudden, Tigris Waterstone Jadoo.

#### DUNEDIN JOCKEY CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

OCTOBER 4.

##### MOSGIEL HANDICAP, one mile and a quarter.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Odds, Name. Brisa Paladin Jupiter, Maremma Abercrombie.

##### ELECTRIC HANDICAP, five furlongs.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Odds, Name. Brisa Blazer Vanilla, Gittanello Eidolweiss Quicksot II, Rochester Tigerlily Gold Spur, Abercrombie Grandshot.

#### CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB'S METROPOLITAN MEETING.

NOVEMBER 7, 9, AND 11.

##### CANTERBURY CUP, two miles and a quarter.

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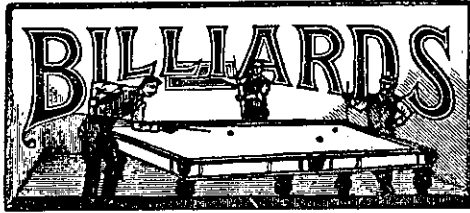
**THE REARING AND TREATMENT OF HORSES.**

Writing on the subject of the rearing and treatment of horses, the well-known English authority, Mr Allison, remarks:—"That we in England have better grass than any to be found in California is certain, but, on the other hand, how many of our yearlings have had the free scope for exercise and fresh air that falls to the lot of those bred at the Rancho del Paso and other American studs? Certainly Mr Haggin's youngsters as a lot beats ours for legs and feet, and I do not think many of ours would have stood such a journey and landed in anything like such shape. Take the pick of the Doncaster sale yearlings and send them to California—what would they be like when they got there? It is very clear that the method of rearing stock has far more to do with the general welfare of the breed than has the method of training and racing them. We are apt here to imagine that early racing and short distances are at the root of all evils in our horseflesh, but we see these robust, hardy yearlings from America, and have to face at the same time the fact that there is considerably less long-distance racing in America than there is here, while yearlings are regularly tried in the summer, and even in the spring, and it is common practice to run horses very much more frequently than we do here. Often enough they run horses 40 or 50 times a year and even their highest class ones, such as Hanover was, are taxed in a manner we should hardly dream of. Hanover in his three-year-old season, when I saw him, ran 27 times, winning 20 races. It seems clear, then, that as the Americans have maintained constitution, limbs, and soundness in the face of this sort of treatment, it is in the rearing of their stock that they can teach us something, while we, on our part, will not make our horses better by running them over long distances, unless we rear them in such a manner as to fit them for this or any other trial."

**THE MAKING OF JOCKEYS.**

In a country where it is possible for a youngster without any skilled training whatever to get on a horse and fluke a race at any time, and thereby become a full-fledged jockey in one stroke, it is useless to expect a high order of proficiency in the ranks of the race-riding profession. There is a deplorable lack of supervision in the licensing of both jockeys and trainers in Australia, and more especially in this particular colony. Anybody in either line seems to be good enough for the V.B.C. to take into their fold (writes the Melbourne Sportsman). Questions are rarely asked, and the consequences of these easy-going methods are not difficult to surmise. But for the time being we will leave the matter, in so far as it applies, to the trainers alone. Our chief concern in this article is with the riders. In dealing with this subject the first thing to be said is that the present system leaves room for improvement, and the next is that no pains should be spared to bring this improvement about. Undoubtedly one of the great blots is the absence of a proper apprenticeship rule. It is by no means right that a boy—no matter how apt he may be for the work—should be allowed to appear in a field of horses until he has gone through a certain term of expert tuition. As it is now, youngsters are sometimes seen taking part in a race who are, from sheer want of knowledge of their business, an absolute danger to themselves and the rest of the riders alike. It is not hard to imagine the risk attending the erratic course likely to be steered by a poor manikin, who really knows no better. He has little idea of the management of his horse. He just takes his chance, and the miracle is that there is not more trouble. Racing accidents are much too frequent, and some of them can surely be ascribed to the riding of inexperienced youngsters. Of course, the boys must learn how to ride, but that is no reason why they should be

allowed to make a start before they have some idea of doing the thing properly at home. A lot of the difficulty can be overcome by the enforcement of an apprenticeship rule, a reform we have advocated for years. No boy should be allowed to begin riding in public until he has served at least a couple of years under the guidance of a recognised trainer. This would at once do away with the evil of youngsters donning a racing jacket before they have even a fair notion of how to sit. There was talk some time ago of an age limit, but there is, so far as we can make out, no great necessity for such a thing. Our experience is that properly taught youngsters ride as well and as intelligently in their early days in the saddle as ever they do afterwards. A sharp witted little boy, with average juvenile strength, providing he has had the necessary tuition, is generally just as capable of taking care of himself as older heads. Nor would, in our idea, the increasing of the minimum weight be of much benefit. The apprenticeship rule, however, spells success on the face of it, and surely it would not cost the V.R.C. much trouble to have it adopted without unnecessary delay. Such a rule is calculated to promote a higher rate of ability amongst our jockeys, and also it would assist to make better men of them.



[By Our]

**THE CENTRAL HOTEL TOURNAMENT.**

Since our last report concerning this tournament the progress has been slow, from unavoidable causes. Mr R. Blaikie returned to town to play the final heat in the third round with J. Thompson. The popular veteran (there is no doubt that he is popular) on this occasion ran against a snag, as he caught his younger opponent at his best, and one of the most rapid games of the tournament was the result, Thompson winning by 81 points. This was not a bad performance, as the evergreen representative of Green Lane is not a bad general, but then, of course, the old story so eloquently told about Roberts and Dawson comes in—"Youth must prevail." In the fourth round nine players were left in, and the valiant Mendelssohn, eager for the fray, at once met Madigan. Mendelssohn at the start did not play with his usual vim, while his opponent was going along at top. It looked as if Madigan was going to have an easy win, but Ikey towards the finish played with more confidence, and the game was finally called—Madigan, 198; Mendelssohn, 197. It was the latter's shot, with his opponent's ball over the end pocket, and it looked a moral that "uncle" would score four, but he failed to follow up properly, and only succeeded in holing the white. He failed to score off the red, and left an easy cannon. Thus Madigan won the heat, and became a member of the fifth round. In the fourth round Thompson defeated Hall by 8 points. After his victory over Blaikie good things were expected of Thompson, but both players seemed to "drop their bundle." Thompson found his bundle first, and after an excruciatingly exciting finish he won by 8 points, and the pent-up feelings of the spectators found relief in the adjacent bar, so mercifully provided by Mr Rolleston. J. Harris defeated J. Kiley rather easily. Kiley commenced well, but the balls broke badly afterwards, and his younger opponents won by 31 points. Rhodes beat C. Ryan by 63 points, and became a pronounced



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favorite for the final. The next round was commenced by McWhirter running away from Madigan, the handicap man scoring much faster than the back-mark man, and winning by 126 points. Joe Thompson played a sound game with young Harris, and won by 36 points. In the semi-final McWhirter caused a mild surprise by beating the favorite, Rhodes, by 31 points. Rhodes caught the winner before he had scored, but McWhirter beat him home. In the final McWhirter, favored by all the luck and a lenient handicap, won. The following are the detailed results of the play:—

**THIRD ROUND (continued).**

J. Thompson (receives 80) beat R. Blaikie (receives 80) by 81.

**FOURTH ROUND (continued).**

J. Madigan (receives 20) beat I. Mendelssohn (receives 85) by 1.

J. Thompson (receives 80) beat J. Hall (receives 55) by 8.

J. Harris (receives 70) beat J. Kiley (receives 75) by 31.

A. Rhodes (receives 55) beat C. Ryan (50 behind) by 63 points.

**FIFTH ROUND.**

J. McWhirter (receives 100) beat J. Madigan (receives 20) by 126.

J. Thompson (receives 80) beat J. Harris (receives 70) by 36.

**FINAL.**

J. McWhirter (receives 100) beat J. Thompson (receives 80) by 28.

**Our Illustrations.**

The group picture of the Auckland representative football team with which we present our readers this week is sure to be appreciated far and wide. The Aucklanders beat Otago, draw with Canterbury, beat Wellington, and gave Taranaki a very handsome whipping. By their victories this season Auckland can claim an unbeaten certificate for three years. Certainly, Auckland has been beaten by the Thames men for three years in succession, but it must be pointed out that "our boys" never seem to play so well at home as they do when they are battling against another province. Besides the nineteen players who went south the picture contains portraits of Mr Jack Arneil, the selector of the team, and Mr George Dixon, the popular secretary of the Auckland Rugby Union. On the theatrical pages there is a many-sided picture of Mr D. H. Caston, the accomplished comedian, vocalist and dancer, now delighting the City Hall audiences. Mr Caston comes from Sydney with a big reputation, and everything good that has been said of him has been quite borne out by his initial performances in Auckland. The new Totalisator House at Avondale is a worthy subject of illustration in our columns. It is an excellent structure from every point of view, and thoroughly meets the requirements of the speculating public at the Avondale racecourse. The remaining pictures are of incidents in the Hunt Club Steeplechase run at the Avondale meeting.

**Meetings.**

At the last monthly meeting of the committee of the Canterbury Jockey Club licenses were granted as follows:—Trainers': G. Murray-Aynsley, S. Alexander, F. P. Claridge, Thomas Clark, E. Cutts, R. Derrett, W. F. Gillett, M. Goodger, J. Harris, M. Hobbs, F. Holmes, J. J. Lewis, R. Longley, H. Lunn, R. J. Mason, J. Y. McOracken, D. Price, D. Roberts, H. Telford, H. Thomson, D. Wilkinson. Riders': G. Murray-Aynsley, A. Ayers, W. Brown, J. Bridges, N. Carmichael, F. P. Claridge, T. Clarke, W. C. Clarke, T. W. Cotton, jun., I. W. Cotton, R. Derrett, H. Forward,

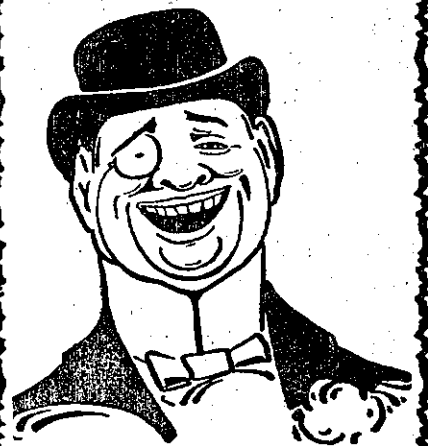
J. Franks, J. Graham, W. F. Gillett, F. Holmes, W. Holmes, P. A. Johnston, R. Kesfer, L. D. King, G. Matthews, J. McCluskey, R. Mitchell, M. Murray, T. O'Brien, W. Purdon, W. Ratcliff, A. Rainbow, R. H. Reay, W. Reay, D. Roberts, R. Budings, W. Shaw, H. A. Telford, J. Walls, A. Wilson, R. Wilson, D. Wilkinson. Apprentices': J. O. Bath, T. Cahill, T. Claxton, E. Cox, A. McCann, E. McMullan, G. Murray, J. Nicholls, W. Prettyjohn, O. W. Ratcliffe, J. Raxworthy, J. Rickaby, J. Scouler, James Smithel, W. Twomey. Riders' licenses were refused to Sydney Johns, W. F. Jackson, and H. Murfit. Transfers were registered of Bobaparte from E. Gates to F. P. Claridge, and the Ruby—Miss Betty colt from F. White to J. Stephenson.

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RIOT WINNING EASILY—THE HUNT CLUB STEEPLECHASE AT AVONDALE J.C. SPRING MEETING.

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# Australian Racing.

## THE A.J.C. SPRING MEETING.

THIRD DAY—THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.

The weather continued fine for the third day of the meeting of the Australian Jockey Club at Randwick, and there was a good attendance. The racing was interesting, but the punters had the best of the deal with the bookmakers, as four out of the six races on the card were won by favorites.

In the field of ten which started for the Second Hurdle Race Orlando was made favorite, and he justified the confidence reposed in him by winning comfortably at the finish by two lengths from Gladstone and Havelock. Most of the running in the race was made by Her Highness.

The Craven Plate brought out a field of seven—including the old New Zealander, Whakawatea, and the Epsom Handicap winner, Djin-Djin. Cocos was elected an even-money favorite. After Hopscotch had, in his usual style, led for three-parts of the journey, the favorite took command, opposite the Leger Stand Le Var went to the front and, after a good finish, won by a couple of lengths. Le Var's time in this race (2min 9sec) has only been beaten once, viz., by Carbine (2min 7sec) in 1890. Although Le Var was not favorite, he was backed to win almost as much money as the favorite, Cocos.

A splendid field of twenty-nine saddled up for the Suburban Handicap, and the race went to Parapet (another of Lochiel's progeny), who started at the remunerative figure of 20 to 1. The winner ran to the front at the distance and squeezed home by three-parts of a length. This was the first and only good turn the bookmakers had during the day.

Only four lined up for the Wycombe Stakes, and as much as 3 to 1 on was laid about the chance of the Derby winner, Cranberry. The favorite was kept with his field to the home stretch, when he got to the front and, stalling off challenges from Mazzatina and Flodden, won by half a length.

The Sydney Handicap, in which eleven horses were engaged, resulted in a good race, Mr Dick Wooton's gelding Plutus just getting home by half a length.

The following are the results:—

**THE SECOND HURDLE RACE**, a handicap sweepstake of 5 sovs each, with 250 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. About three miles.

Mr R. K. Dempster's oh g Orlando, by Broker—Rowena, 6yrs, 10.12 ... 1  
Mr T. Lamond's b g Gladstone, aged, 10.2 ... 2  
Mr D. Matheson's br g Havelock, aged, 10.6 ... 3  
Seven other starters.  
Betting—5 to 2 agst Orlando.  
Won by two lengths. Time, 5min 58½sec.

**THE CRAVEN PLATE**, a sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 400 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. One mile and a quarter.

Mr P. Bolger's br h Le Var, by Lochiel—Valette, 6yrs, 9.4 ... 1  
Mr W. Bailey's ch h Cocos, 4yrs, 9.0 ... 2  
Mr L. A. Cooper's b m Watercolor, 6yrs, 8.13 ... 3  
Other starters—Voyou, Hopscotch, Whakawatea, and Djin-Djin.  
Betting—Even money on Cocos, 4 to 1 Le Var, 6 to 1 Hopscotch, 7 to 1 Watercolor.  
Won by a length. Time, 2min 9sec.

**THE SUBURBAN HANDICAP**, a sweepstake of 5 sovs each, with 200 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. Seven furlongs.

Messrs H. E. A. and V. White's br m Parapet, by Lochiel—Paraphrase, 4yrs, 7.7 ... 1  
Mr A. Syme's ch g Bobbie Burns, 6yrs, 8.7 ... 2  
Mr J. Hardcastle's br m Cyanide, 5yrs, 7.12 ... 3  
Twenty-six other starters.  
Betting—2 to 1 agst Cordon, 20 to 1 Parapet.  
Won by three-quarters of a length. Time, 1min 28½sec.

**THE DUFF MEMORIAL STAKES**, a sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 300 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds. Special weights, with penalties. One mile.

Mr J. Mayo's b c Sequence, by Far Niente—Consequence ... 1  
Mr C. M. Lloyd's b c Promontory ... 2  
Mr T. Payten's ch c Dewey ... 3  
Five other starters.  
Betting—Even money on Sequence, 7 to 1 Dewey, 10 to 1 Promontory.  
Won easily by a length; Dewey carried a 10lb penalty. Time, 1min 41½sec.

**THE WYCOMBE STAKES**, a sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 300 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. Special weights, with penalties. One mile and three furlongs.

Mr F. Fielder's ch c Cranberry, by Cranbrook—Tiwoona, 3yrs, 8.5 ... 1  
Mr T. Payten's ch c Mazzatina, 3yrs, 7.2 ... 2  
Mr J. Northern's br h Flodden, 5yrs, 9.4 ... 3  
Other starter—April Fool.  
Betting—3 to 1 on Cranberry, 5 to 1 against Mazzatina.  
Won by half a length. Time, 2min 43½sec.

**THE SYDNEY HANDICAP**, a sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 400 sovs added; second horse 75 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half.

Mr B. Wooton's br g Plutus, by Gozo—Johanna, 6yrs, 7.11 ... 1  
Mr E. Keys' blk m Kallatins, aged, 7.0 ... 2  
Mr J. Mayo's b m Carberra, 5yrs, 7.9 ... 3  
Eight other starters.  
Won by half a length. Time, 2min 37½sec.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16.

The Australian Jockey Club's Spring Meeting was brought to a close on Saturday, when the weather was fine and hot. There was a large attendance, and again the sport was interesting. Seventeen saddled up for the High Weight Handicap, and Bobby Burns was favorite, but Dandy, who has been pacemaker in several of the important races, demonstrated that six fur-

longe was within his distance, and won from Platinum and High Tide, who filled the places. Australian Star scored another victory in the Members' Handicap, for which ten started, with Reviver favorite. Australian Star, however, was almost as well backed as Reviver, who did not get a place, Melodian finishing second to Australian Star, and Ruskin third. Eight started for the Second Steeplechase, old Gladstone being favorite, and at one time he looked as if he were going to win, as he was with Honeydew at the last fence, but here he fell, and Honeydew won easily from Euro by two lengths. Ditto was third and Gladstone (who was remounted) fourth. Twelve went out for the Waverley Handicap, Blue Metal being the punters' choice. When once in the straight Charge shot out and won rather easily from Cremona. There were only three in the Randwick Plate, and odds of 10 to 9 were laid on Le Var. After Acetine had made the running, Le Var ran to the front and won very easily by half a dozen lengths. The following are the results:—

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

Mr W. Kelso's b g Dandy, by Martini-Henry—Vain Glory, 4yrs, 9.9 ... 1  
Mr J. Samuel's blk g Platinum, 5yrs, 8.12 ... 2  
Mr J. Laffin's b g High Tide, 5yrs ... 2  
Seventeen started.  
Betting—7 to 2 against Bobby Burns, 10 to 1 Dandy.  
Won by half a length. Time, 1min 16½sec.

**THE MEMBERS' HANDICAP**, a sweepstake of 5 sovs each, with 250 sovs added; second horse 50 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds. One mile and a furlong.

Mr A. Gollan's blk c Australian Star, by Australian Peer—Colors, 8.13 ... 1

Mr W. Bailey's ch h Cocos, 4yrs ... 2  
Mr W. Duggan's gr g Acetine ... 3  
Betting—10 to 9 Le Var, even money Cocos.  
Won by six lengths.

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

Mr W. T. Nowlan's ch g Glenroy, by Titus, aged, 6.8 ... 1  
Messrs H. E. A. and V. White's b m Parapet, 4yrs, 7.2 ... 2  
Mr J. Alsopp's b g Severity, aged, 8.9 ... 3  
Eleven started.  
Won by a neck. Time, 2min 19sec.

## Turf Records.

### AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16.

The weather was fine and the attendance large. The sum of £8023 was passed through the machine. Results:—

**MAIDEN PLATE**, a handicap of 30 sovs. Six furlongs.  
116 Mr J. E. Thorpe's ch g Jim Kean, by Seaton Delaval—Lottie, 3yrs, 7.12, Duff ... 1  
82 Major F. Nelson George's b g Swiftfoot, 4yrs, 7.7, late ... 2

24 Mr W. Abbott's ch m St. Aida, 6yrs, 6.7, E. Abbott ... 3  
Other starters—6 Perseverance, 8.5; 4 Monsoon, 8.0; 28 Toros, 7.8; 14 The Owl, 7.7; 22 Castrolina, 7.6; 8 Alf, 7.4; 47 Castaside, 7.0; 20 Lieutenant, 6.10; 8 Shamrock, 6.8.  
Won by a long neck; half a length between second and third; The Owl a good fourth. Time, 1min 20sec. Dividend, £2 18s.

**HANDICAP HURDLES** of 60 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and three-quarters.

70 Mr F. Ross' gr g Voltigeur II., by Lionel, aged, 9.12, Berry ... 1

carrig, 7.8, bracketed with Bellbird; 6 Telegraph, 6.10; 55 La Gloria, 7.6, and Ruru, 7.0; 26 Bar-the-Door, 7.0; Corsican, 7.0, bracketed with Wellington; 12 Jess, 7.5, and Panacea, 8.10; 21 Pohutukawa, 7.4.

On account of an unusually large field the horses were drawn together in pairs, and the totalisator paid out to holders of tickets on both the winning horse and the horse with which the winner was coupled.  
Won by half a length; a similar distance between second and third. Time, 1min 7½sec. Dividend, £17 7s.

**HUNT CLUB CUP HANDICAP STEEPLCHASE** of 30 sovs About three miles.

101 Mr J. B. Williamson's b g Riot, by Huntsman or Cap a-pie, aged, 11.2, Mr W. Austin ... 1  
113 Mr F. Rhodes' ch g Tommy, aged, 11.0, Mr Gordon ... 2  
9 Mr T. Austin's ch g Bonovoree, aged, 11.0, owner ... 3

Other starters—83 Mezel, 11.12, fell; 41 Mangere, 11.10; 130 Crusado, 11.10, fell; 66 Taffy, 10.10, fell and broke his neck; 19 Villars, 10.7, fell; 31 Ika Vaka, 10.8, fell; 86 Glenarm, 10.7.  
Won by eight lengths; Bonovoree an indifferent third. Time, 6min. Dividend, £5 11s.

**PONY HANDICAP** of 30 sovs; second horse 5 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs.

60 Mr H. Tooman's br g Ipiwharauora, by Der-ringer—Waipu, aged, 7.0, Satman ... 1  
7 Mr F. B. Kitson's ch m Miss Lane, 6yrs, 6.10, Neville ... 2

84 Mr S. Bradley's br m Botfly, aged, 7.0, Julian ... 3  
Other starters—35 Lena, 9.0; 102 Nora, 8.10; 6 Nannie, 8.8; 135 Rangium, 8.8; 110 Edison, 7.12; 5 Stella, 7.11; 18 La Rose, 7.9; 61 Certain, 7.4; 78 Frances, 7.0; 84 Trooper 7.0; 3 Venus, 6.10; 49 Claasman, 6.9; 45 Lady, 6.7; 5 Morocco, 6.7.  
Won by two lengths, with Botfly close up third. Time, 1min 20sec. Dividend, £12 10s.

**FLYING STAKES**, a handicap of 70 sovs; second horse 10 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs.

67 Mr A. Robertson's b m Firefly, by Artillery—Fairy Maid, 6yrs, 8.7, S. Lindsey ... 1  
52 Mr L. Harris' br g Cavalier, 6yrs, 8.5, Creamer ... 2  
103 Mr J. E. Thorpe's b m Lillie, aged, 8.3, Gallagher ... 3  
Other starters—116 Red Lancer, 8.12; 84 St Elmo, 8.6; 24 Admiral Hawke, 7.12; 285 St Peter, 7.9; 8 The Afghan, 7.7; 16 Porangi Potae, 7.5; 46 Bellbird, 7.5; 28 Moment, 7.2; 7 Knight of Athol, 7.2; 19 Guardfish, 7.2; 20 St Innis, 6.8.  
Won by half a length; a length between second and third; Bellbird was fourth. Time, 1min 18½sec. Dividend, £11 14s.



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THE NEW TOTALISATOR HOUSE AT AVONDALE J.C. SPRING MEETING.

Mr H. Rayner's br c Melodian, 7.6 ... 2  
Mr T. McCarthy's ch c Ruskin, 7.13 ... 3  
Ten started.  
Betting—5 to 2 against Reviver, 3 to 1 Australian Star.  
Won by a length. Time, 1min 56½sec.

**THE SECOND STEEPLCHASE** a handicap sweepstake of 6 sovs each, with 300 sovs added; second horse 75 sovs, and third horse 25 sovs from the stake. About three miles.

Mr A. Cohen's b g Honeydew, 11.7 ... 1  
Messrs Humphrey's and Jenkins' br g Euro, 11.4 ... 2  
Mr P. Nolan's b g Ditto, 11.6 ... 3  
Eight started.  
Betting—2 to 1 against Gladstone, 5 to 1 Honeydew.  
Won by two lengths. Time, 7min 2sec.

**THE WAVERLEY HANDICAP**, a sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 400 sovs added; second horse 75 sovs from the stake. One mile and three-quarters.

Messrs H. E. and A. V. White's br c Charge, by Carbine—Forest Queen, 5yrs, 7.4 ... 1  
Messrs J. and J. McMaster's b m Cremona, 5yrs, 8.11 ... 2  
Mr T. Wood's ch g Bombshell, 4yrs, 6.7 ... 3  
Twelve started.  
Betting—3 to 1 against Blue Metal, 10 to 1 Charge 12 to 1 Cremona.  
Won by three lengths. Time, 3min 6sec.

**THE RANDWICK PLATE**, a sweepstake of 10 sovs, with 400 sovs added; second horse 75 sovs, and third horse 25 sovs from the stake. Weight-for-age. Two miles and a quarter.

Mr P. Bolger's br h Le Var, by Lochiel—La Valette, 5yrs ... 1

179 Mr F. J. Macmanemlin's br g Volcano, 5yrs, 9.11, Fergus ... 2  
42 Mr J. Marshall's br g Cannongate, 4yrs, 9.10, A. Williams ... 3  
Other starters—20 Dingo, 10.8; 103 Dentist, 10.7; 69 Rollo, 10.4; 58 Tip, 9.10; 29 Hylas, 9.5; 25 Idris, 9.5; 13 Pondroyant, 9.0; 12 Kempt, 9.0; 8 The Need e, 9.0.  
Won by three-parts of a length; four lengths between second and third; Rollo was fourth, and then came Dentist, Tip, Dingo, The Needle, and Hylas. Time, 3min 28½sec. Dividend, £7 18s.

**AVONDALE STAKES** of 150 sovs; second horse 10 sovs, and 5 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Four furlongs.

140 Mr J. G. Ralph's br f Lacy Avon, by Soult—First Love, 7.9, Scates ... 1  
42 Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's b g Beddington, by Seaton Delaval—Miss Letty, 7.9, Gallagher ... 2  
23 Mr G. Wright's b f Aleger, by St Leger—Brown Alice, 7.9, Buchanan ... 3  
Other starters—108 Val Rosa, 8.0; 24 Landlock, 8.0; 12 Kissmary, 7.9; 7 Albuera, 7.9; 53 St Olga, 7.9; 24 St Elyb, 7.8; 6 Rosiphele, 7.9; 5 Miscalculation, 7.9; 26 Steptast, 7.8.  
Lady Avon, leading from start to finish, won by four lengths; the stable companions Beddington and A-leger, being close together. Time, 6¼ sec. Dividend, £4 8s.

**AVONDALE CUP** of 150 sovs; second horse 10 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from the stake. One mile and a quarter.

184 Mr James Roulston's b h Record Reign, by Castor—Winnie, 6yrs, 8.2, Taylor ... 1  
191 Mr P. Chaate's br h Bluejacket, by St Leger—Antelope, 4yrs, 7.11, Gallagher ... 2  
53 Mr John Marshall's b m Auli Reekie, by Cuirassier—Coalcuttle, 4yrs, 7.0, Satman ... 3  
Other starters—13 St Crispin, 8.2; 177 St Ursula, 7.12; 407 Miss Delaval, 7.6; 68 Doctor, 7.5; 41 Porangi Potae, 7.2; 47 Regalia II., 7.9; 43 Rusade, 7.0; 6 Lieutenant, 6.7.  
Won by two lengths; a similar distance between second and third. Time, 2min 12½sec. Dividend, £6 12s.

**HACK HANDICAP** of 30 sovs. Five furlongs.

36 Mr A. E. Watkins' oh g Forty-seven, by Soult-wester—Black Ella, aged, 7.0, Hodson ... 1  
232 Mr J. Roulston's b m Bellbird 4yrs, 8.10, Satman ... 2  
100 Mr W. Howard's b g Wellington, 6yrs, 7.8, Neville ... 3  
Other starters—75 Kettle drum, 9.6, and Ida II., 6.10; 62 Favo, 8.9; 55 Quitted, 8.4, and Oylone, 7.0; Castrolina, 7.11, bracketed with Forty seven; 10 St L. ule, 7.10, and Kaitiri, 6.7; 3 br g by Tasman—Lady Mota, 7.8; Blair-

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Affiliated Clubs to the North Island Trotting Association.

Table listing affiliated clubs, their secretaries, and total permits. Includes Auckland T.C., Hawke's Bay T.C., Palmerston North T.C., etc.

Includes pony racing. C. C. MILES, Secretary, Palmerston North.

[BY PETRONEL.]

TROTTING CALENDAR.

FIXTURES.

October 6, Fri; 11, Wed—Tahuna Park T.C. Spring
October 14, Sat; 18, Wed—Auckland T.C. Spring
October 14, Sat; 19, Thurs—New Brighton T.C. Spring

NOMINATIONS.

September 22—Auckland T.C. Spring
September 30—New Brighton T.C. Spring
October 16—Plumpton Park T.C. Spring

HANDICAPS.

September 29—Auckland T.C. Spring
October 6 and 16—New Brighton T.C. Spring
October 24—Plumpton Park T.C. Spring

ACCEPTANCES.

September 29—Tahuna Park T.C. Spring
October 6—Auckland T.C. Spring
October 10 and 17—New Brighton T.C. Spring

NOTES.

At the adjourned enquiry held by the Tahuna Park Trotting Club into the bona fides of the trotter Kelt, owned by G. Wallace. Mr Solomon, Wallace's counsel, said he desired to withdraw the defence and also the evidence given on behalf of Wallace at the previous meeting.

I have received from Mr Rollitt, the secretary of the New Zealand Trotting Association a copy of the Rules of Trotting adopted at the annual Conference held during July at Wellington.

Rule 3 of the totalisator rules to be observed at all trotting meetings in New Zealand, says, "It is optional with clubs to pay dividends on both the first and second horses, three-fourths of the investments to be divided among the backers of first horse, and one-fourth to be divided amongst the backers of the second horse."

Rule 26 of the Trotting Association totalisator rules, says, "When an owner or owners run two or more horses in one race the names of the horses in one race the names of the horses shall be bracketed together on the machine."

The first meeting of the Auckland trotting reason is rapidly approaching, and owners and trainers have been taking every advantage of the late fine weather in working their horses.

While driving the bay mare Kappa in the Free-for-All trot at Livingstone, Montana, and just as he was rounding the turn into the straight, a driver named George Davidson was seen to fall back in the sulky, and then fall out.

Cloud Pointer, a brother to the champion Star Pointer, has been returned by his trainer to his owner. At one time very great deeds were expected from this horse.

So far this season Hal B., by Hal Dillard out of Ellen M., has paced the fastest mile in America. He has done 2min 3 3/4 sec at Cleveland. He won the 2.9 pacing event in straight heats, his other times being 2.6 1/2 and 2.4 1/2.

At the Cleveland (Ohio) meeting, in the last week in July, a horse called The Abbot won the 2.8 trotting class event, three out of five heats straight. His times were 2.8 1/2, 2.8 1/4, and 2.8 1/4.

From a glance at the American papers it would seem that the list of 2.10 pacers and 2.15 trotters for 1899 will be a long one. Horses going these gaits are added to the list week after week, and according to report they will not stop coming yet awhile.

Nominations for all events to be decided at the Spring Meeting of the Auckland Trotting Club close with the secretary, Mr C. F. Mark, tomorrow (Friday), September 22. Owners and trainers should bear in mind that the club has provided a very attractive programme for the opening of the trotting season in Auckland, and that the nomination and acceptance fees are not in any way prohibitive.

On the first day of the New Brighton Trotting Club's Spring Meeting, the principal events are the Burwood Handicap, two miles, in saddle, and the Brighton Handicap, two miles, in harness. Both these races have stake money amounting to £70. On the second day the races of chief importance are the Spring Handicap, two miles, in harness, and the Avon Handicap, two miles, in saddle; the prize money in each case being £70.

The Masterton Trotting Club will hold a meeting at the Agricultural Show Grounds on Thursday, October 26th. Stake money to the value of £210 is provided for the seven races on the programme. Entries close with the secretary, Mr Thomas Duncan, on Saturday, October 7.

The Hawke's Bay Trotting Club will hold its Summer Meeting on Tuesday, December 26.

The New Zealand Trotting Association Board will meet on the first Wednesday of every month.

The Ashburton Trotting Club holds its Spring Meeting on October 28. Stake money to the amount of £185 is provided for the seven races upon the programme. Nominations close with the secretary, Mr W. Simpson, on Tuesday, October 19.

The Spring Meeting of the Plumpton Park Trotting Club takes place on November 2 and 8. On the first day there are two races with an £80 stake—the Sockburn Handicap, two miles, in saddle, for horses that can do 5.25 or better, and the Plumpton Handicap, two miles, in harness, for horses that can get over the distance in 5.25 or under.

ACCEPTANCES.

V.A.T.C. SPRING MEETING.

Table for V.A.T.C. Spring Meeting, Caulfield Cup, one mile and a half. Lists horses like Bobadil, The Chief, Cocos, Hymettus, etc., with their st and lb.

At first its wind and then its rain, Its cold, then hot, then cold again, Such trying climate brings on chills, And must increase the doctors' bills;

V.R.C. SPRING MEETING.

Table for V.R.C. Spring Meeting, Melbourne Cup, two miles. Lists horses like Bobadil, Cocos, Gaulus, etc., with their st and lb.

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## THE ROYAL COMMISSION AND TIED HOUSES.

THE report of the Royal Commissioners on the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors, in dealing with the tied house question, goes thoroughly and exhaustively into the subject. There is not the slightest doubt that during the last twenty years the system of tied houses has developed rapidly in the Old Country. Whether the system has done good or evil to the Trade generally is a much debated point. At the present time probably three-fourths of the licensed houses in England are more or less tied. That is one of the conclusions the Commissioners have come to after hearing evidence all over the country. What are the causes leading to this tying? Firstly, it is no doubt due—in a great many cases—to severe competition, and then to the desire of brewing firms to secure their existing business with houses they have more or less owned or financed. Now, there is nothing morally wrong in this system, for it is practised by millers, grocers, and butchers quite as much as it is by brewers. Numbers of bakers shops are owned and run by millers who put in managers in the same way that brewers put in suitable men to manage their public houses. Provided manager and owner are both satisfied, and that the business is conducted with due regard to the law of the land why should busy-bodies, who have not the slightest interest beyond curiosity, be allowed to interfere? The argument has been used that the tied house system leads to increased drinking because the manager has an interest in the quantity consumed. The hotelkeeper who runs a free house has just as great an inducement, for what profit he makes is his own, therefore it is quite absurd to say that a tied house is more of a drinking house than a free hotel. The remedies suggested to the Royal Commissioners to meet the tied house question were:—(1) The abolition of the system, (2) dual licenses, i.e., one license to the owner of the house and another to the hotelkeeper, and (3) that the brewer or owner shall be the licensee. The Commissioners in their report decided that the first suggestion was quite impracticable, for when it was considered that the obligation might take many forms and that the tie might exist without any written contract the abolition would be inexpedient and mischievous. In regard to the second suggestion the Commissioners found that it would limit the direct responsibility of the tenant, and also might lessen the control of the licensing authority. The Commissioners accepted the third suggestion that the brewer or owner should be the licensee in the case of managed houses. In their recommendation the Commissioners think that agreements should always be produced when applications for transfers are made and before a new license is granted, and that it should be left to the licensing authority to state whether the terms are

such as to warrant refusal of the transfer or of the granting of the new license. Where a house is conducted by a manager the Commissioners recommend that the license should be held by the employer who must be the ostensible and responsible person, and it is also suggested that the names of all managers should be registered on appointment in any manner the licensing authority may desire. In conclusion the Commissioners say that a duplicate copy of every agreement should be lodged with the clerk of the licensing authority if required. There is plenty of food for thought in the foregoing suggestions of the Royal Commissioners, and though possibly they will not all become law the ventilation the subject has received may prove beneficial to both brewer and publican.

## CANADIAN WINES.

Mr Lawrence D. Warner, of Brantford, Ontario, writing to the *Pall Mall Gazette*, says: A few months ago there was a considerable amount of correspondence in a few of the leading English papers on the subject of Canadian productions, wine in particular. It is on the latter subject that I would like to say a few words, thereby adding my views as a Canadian to those already expressed. The manufacture of wine has been carried on in this country for many years, and connoisseurs have from time to time expressed themselves in very favourable terms as to the quality. The climate of Southern Ontario is such that the grapes grown there are possessed of superior excellence as regards flavour, ripening as they do to perfection. The wine produced from these grapes is not confined to the Canadian market, as a considerable quantity is annually consumed in the West Indies. The peculiar medicinal properties of our port wines are recognised by the medical faculty both here and there, and in consequence these are in great demand by those in delicate health, taking the place of the more expensive imported wines for that purpose to a great extent. The flavour of wines produced from dried grapes cannot begin to compare with that made from the fresh and natural fruit, and for that reason Canadian port has superseded imported wines here for sacramental use, the bishops and clergy fully recognising the superiority of a wine possessing the original flavour of the grape over the foreign article. I can see no satisfactory reason why this industry should not receive more attention from the Motherland, and why English people should not place our wines on their dinner tables in preference to much that is inferior, for I can assure them that for purity and flavour they have few superiors. Why should we not receive an equal amount of patronage with Australia? I firmly believe that Canada produces wine that will equal anything that colony can put out. Australia sends her brandy to the old land. Canada also prides herself on the superiority of her brandy, manufactured on Pelee Island from the Catawba grape. I have yet to hear of Australian champagne. We can add champagne to our list of productions, and are only waiting for our English brothers to recognize the fact, which they would readily do, I think, were the opportunity granted them.

## A TEMPERANCE TRAGEDY.

Scene—Toorak by night. Three hundred hotels blazing with light. Swing doors opening and shutting. Women, bearing infants in arms, wander about in rags and a high state of intoxication. Several tiny toddlers, unable to walk, stagger backwards and forwards with bottles of supper beer, which, by a curious coincidence, due to inebriety of their parents, they are unable to break. Eighteen policemen drunk in the gutter—eighteen others receiving bribes from publicans in foreground. Pawnshops on both wings, and all the other concomitants of an Australian (temperance) landscape. Enter Temperance Advocate.

T.A.—My head aches, and a drowsy numbness steals  
My sense as though of hemlock I had drunk,  
Or in the horrid depths of some back bar  
Had steeped my soul in venom. Ha, what's  
here?  
Hath Hades belched one more crew, or is it  
But Melbourne as she oft hath been described  
By those that know her best? Ha, ha! I know it.  
'Tis Toorak as it oft hath been described  
By temperance orators. (Enter little girl.) Ho,  
who is this?  
Thy name and object, prattler—  
L.G.—Please, sir, Jane,  
Likewise Eliza; please not to disturb me,  
Because I've been to get the supper jug,  
And if I'm late, my father'll surely whale me.  
T.A.—The supper jug, but soft—  
L.G.—Nay, sir, not soft.  
Father don't like soft drinks, but, like you,  
An humble pint of beer.  
T.A.—Of beer, great heavens!  
What dost thou say?  
L.G.—Why beer, sir, only beer.  
T.A.—I'll not believe thee.

L.G.—Then, pray, good sir, taste it.  
T.A.—Taste it! Oh, horror! Infant, wouldst  
thou tempt me?  
Me who, from the day my infant lips forsook  
Their natural fount, have lived on temperance  
streams;  
And, to be brief, was weaned on ginger ale.  
Beer, sayest thou?  
And yet, why not, 'twere surely ignorance  
Still to denounce the evil that we know not.  
I—I will be a martyr—oh, ye blessed,  
Safeguarding, and non-alcoholic spirits,  
Come to my (lemon) aid. (Drinks.)  
Thus, thus I'll brave ye. (Drinks.)  
L.G.—Cruel man, you've drunk up all my beer.  
T.A.—Heaven, heaven forgive me.  
(Drops dead. Tableau. Soft music.)  
Melbourne Sportsman.

## TRADE TOPICS.

On Monday a prohibition order was granted against William Dalziel.

The secretary of the Licensed Victuallers' Association of New South Wales gets a salary of £300 per annum, which is provided by the Sydney brewers, Messrs Tooth and Co., J. T. and J. Tooney, the Australian Brewery Coy., Marshall's Brewery Co., and Reade's Brewery Coy.

The Rev. R. Wilson, a former resident of Clutha, was a speaker at the Wharf meeting on Sunday. He gave some personal reminiscences which must have been pleasing to the prohibitionists only, for they were dull and uninteresting to the general public.

Mr Robert French, on Sunday night at the Firebell meeting of the prohibitionists, went in for a vehement attack upon Mr Thomas Hutchison, S.M., who he declared thwarted rather than helped the police in carrying out their duties.

At the quarterly meeting of the New South Wales Licensed Victuallers' Association, held last month, resolutions to the effect that strong efforts should be made to bring about a reduction in the duty on spirits and the introduction of a measure having for its object limited Sunday trading.

Mr J. J. Donovan had a very busy time of it at Avondale on Saturday. There was a very big attendance, and the weather was thirst-creating, so it is not surprising to know that Mr Donovan's supply of liquid refreshment ran short towards the end of the day. On Wednesday nearly the same state of things prevailed, though the attendance was not quite so large.

At the teetotal slanging meeting on Sunday evening the following resolution was, according to Richardson, carried unanimously:—"That in view of the increasing interest in the forthcoming local option poll and the unsatisfactory state of the city electoral roll this meeting respectfully requests His Worship the Mayor to call a public meeting to enable the citizens and electors to call the attention of the authorities and the Government to the necessity of making immediate provision to ensure the enrolment of all duly qualified electors, and that the Executive of the Prohibition League be asked to invite the co-operation of other public bodies to provide speakers."

Many of the publicans tell us (Australian *Brewer's Journal*) that times are confoundingly "so-so," and if anything, getting worse in Melbourne. Someone, however, must be making money or have a surprising amount of confidence in the country, or have good landlords and generous brewers—any one of the reasons will suffice—because in every direction, in city and suburbs, hotels are being re-built and adorned, as the drapers say regardless of expense. The pubs. have made up their minds that when the Federal Parliament meets in Bourke Street it will have in its individual capacity nothing less than palaces in which to drain the quiet nobbler or neoterious long-sleever.

The local correspondent of the *Age* states that Messrs Anderson, Dwyer, and Green, P.M.'s, held a special meeting of the Kyneton Licensing Court on Saturday, September 9, to deal with an application by George Moody, licensee of the Macedon Family Hotel, Macedon, for an order cancelling the license of the Victorian Alps Hotel, Macedon, on the ground that the certificate for the issue of the renewed license was void, as the licensing fee of £15 had not been paid into the Treasury within the prescribed time. Mrs Fletcher, licensee of the Victorian Alps Hotel, stated that she had forgotten to pay the fee within the allotted time. Two or three days afterwards she gave her husband the £15, and he went to Melbourne, paid the money into the Treasury, and brought back the license. The application was dismissed, with £3 3s costs against the applicant.

The prohibition campaign is being carried on at Waimate, but not with very much success. The Rev. F. W. Isitt has been addressing the people there, and his and other people's statements led to counter meetings at which the following resolutions were carried:—"That in the opinion of this meeting, ministers of religion who devote their time lecturing the people to vote 'no-license' would be acting more in accord with their holy calling were they to pay more attention to the spiritual training of the rising generation." "That the time has arrived when the people of the colony should demand from the Government a settlement of the drink question, and that this meeting considers the position of the licensed victuallers of the colony in regard to the present licensing law as unbearable and chaotic, and if permitted to continue will create a hatred amongst the people more intense than that which obtained in England at the religious reformation of the fifteenth and following centuries."

Mr, Mrs, and Miss Moss-Davis returned from Sydney by the Zealandia on Sunday.

The N.S.W. Minister for Justice was waited upon a week or so ago by a deputation composed principally of reverend gentlemen, who directed their attention chiefly to impressing upon Mr Hughes the necessity of making the Sunday Closing provisions of the Licensing Act more effective, and of ensuring the full measure of local option which had been so seriously restricted by the recent decision in the Mosman case. The deputation assumed an air of pained surprise over the Mosman case, which was really comical in some of its aspects, and they were delightfully ingenuous in the convenient construction they placed upon the promise which they allege had been given by Mr Lee, the former Minister, regarding the introduction of a Sunday Closing Bill. They represented that Mr Lee had promised a previous deputation that if Mr Copeland's Sunday Trading Bill were rejected he would recommend the Government to introduce a more effective Sunday Closing Bill. It had been an impression for years past that the residents of a locality had the right to object to the opening of a publichouse of any size in their midst, and the right of objection applied with equal force to the granting of conditional licenses as well as ordinary licenses. Mr Hughes heard all the deputation had to say, and then very courteously spoke a few words of wisdom and farewell.

On Monday at the Auckland Police Court, before Mr H. W. Brabant, S.M., John Bogue, licensee of the Lake Hotel, Takapuna, was charged with selling liquor on Sunday, September 3, to one William Smith, who was not a bona-fide traveller. Smith, with others, was served with drink on the date in question. Smith had slept the night before at a house within the three mile limit, while the others were all travellers within the meaning of the Act. His Worship, in giving judgment, said it was admitted that the liquor was sold to Wm. Smith on the date mentioned in the charge. The defence was that the said Wm. Smith represented himself to be a traveller. The learned gentleman, who appeared for the defence, had pointed out section 157 of the Act of 1881, but there was a further provision amending that Act, at section 22 of the Alcoholic Liquors Sale Control Act, 1895. From that section it was clear that the burden of proof was on the defendant, and not on the prosecution. The defendant's wife, who served the liquor, said that she had asked the men if they were travellers, that one of them said he had come from Northcote, that the other had said something that she did not hear, but which she took to be the same reply. Another witness, Charles Dilly, had said he heard the men asked if they were travellers, and where they came from. His Worship did not think he could accept the evidence of the witness Clayton, because it had been shown that that witness was not sober at the time. The evidence for the police seemed to be perfectly straightforward. The constables had given their evidence in a plain and straightforward manner. But even if the evidence of the defendant's wife was correct, which His Worship did not think could be the case from the evidence, she did not seem to have taken sufficient precautions, according to her own account, to ascertain if the men were travellers. It was quite clear, therefore, that the defendant must be convicted of the offence. Mr Baume, for the defendant, asked that the fine be made more than £5, so that the Magistrate's decision could be appealed against. As Sub-Inspector Wilson had no objection to offer, Mr Brabant made the fine £6 and costs.

On Monday Thomas Meehan, licensee of the Rising Sun Hotel, Karangahape Road, was charged before Mr H. W. Brabant, S.M., with selling liquor to one Margaret Wilkie while she was in a state of intoxication. One of the witnesses was William Richardson, the self-styled prohibition lecturer, who said that he saw a drunken woman in Newton on Friday, September 8. It was about the middle of the day. He saw a man and woman there, the latter was very drunk. Attracted by the condition of these people, he stopped and watched them. They went into the Rising Sun Hotel. Witness continued to watch outside the hotel, others joining him. Witness subsequently saw a constable, and made a complaint to him. The constable went into the hotel, and returned, carrying the woman out. The woman was in the hotel fully five minutes. There was not the least doubt that the woman was drunk. In cross-examination the witness swore that the woman was in the hotel five minutes at the very least. She walked into the hotel without support, but was only "just able to stand." When the constable came out of the hotel he laid the woman down "like a bag." Mr Morton the photographer, constable Waterman, and Sergeant Walker also gave evidence for the prosecution. For the defence Mr Baume said that the defendant was charged with "selling" liquor to a drunken person. There was not the slightest evidence that any transaction of the nature of a sale took place, and counsel therefore contended that there was no evidence against his client. Mr Brabant reserved his decision on the point raised by Mr Baume until Tuesday afternoon, when in giving judgment, the Stipendiary Magistrate said he would deliver his decision on the point raised by Mr Baume as to there being no evidence of sale until he had heard the evidence for the defence. The defendant deposed that he saw two men in the bar, and supplied two glasses of beer, for which one of the men paid. As witness was picking up the change he saw the woman Wilkie. Just then the constable walked in. Witness did not serve the woman; it was a fact that he had not seen her until that moment. He would not have served the woman in the condition she was in for £100. Mr Brabant said he would give his decision in the case on Saturday morning.

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Prohibited persons seem to be a bit of a nuisance down Napier way. The other day no less than five came before the local Stipendiary Magistrate.

Mr J. B. Langley's attempt to catch the female vote in the Grafton Ward was not successful. "Beauty" studied the question and voted for Patterson.

At the inquest held on Mr Robert Marshall, late of the Towai Hotel, the medical evidence showed that the deceased died from heart disease, and the jury brought in a verdict to that effect.

John Usher, senior partner in the firm of Andrew Usher and Co., the whisky distillers, of Edinburgh, has been offered, and has accepted, a Baronetcy.

Mr Julian has not been returned for the City Council. Mr William Richardson will reckon that much of the credit attached to the defeat is due to him.

Mr Arthur Myers returned from Sydney by the Zealandia. He is in good health and spirits, and has benefited considerably by his trip across the water.

The English Inebriates Act, which provides for the detention of habitual drunkards in reformatories, does not work so well as it ought to, on account of the lack of accommodation in many districts.

Some people believe that Beer and the Bible have had something to do with England's progress. Byron evidently had some such idea, for did he not write in "Don Juan"—

There's naught no doubt so much the spirit calms  
As rum and true religion.

The Society for the Protection of Women and Children would like Mr Richardson to be fined once more. I see he is busy collecting again, and that his meetings are conducted with the utmost "enthusiasm."

Both the *Australasian* and the *Sydney Mail* contain photos. of the Moss-Moss Davis wedding party. The happy pair look quite happy, and the cake, "all the way from Auckland," was evidently approved of.

When all the alterations and additions to the Commercial are completed, Host Alfred Kidd will be pleased, and I should say his customers will be delighted too. Prohibition will not be carried just yet awhile.

I caught sight of Mr Tommy Buxton in earnest confab with Mr Jack Mowbray the other day. I hope it means business, and that we shall soon see the late proprietor of the Criterion in harness again.

It is rumoured that Mr Tommy Taylor intends to introduce into the House of Representatives a Bill providing old-age pensions for publicans who have held a license for twelve months or longer. He evidently believes that the poor hotel-keeper has some worry and trouble.

The Prohibitionists scored at the Council election on Thursday. Mr R. Tudhope, Mr C. J. Parr, and Mr J. H. Hannan are keen on the blue ribbon, and will, with Mayor Goldie, make a very cheerful quartette when singing the praises of cold water.

Poor Mrs Winter, of the Junction Hotel, Epsom, suffers for doing what a lot of people before her have done. She provided the hungry and the thirsty at the Remuera Saleyards with solid and liquid refreshment, but she did so against the law, and has to pay the penalty. Others did it without let or hindrance, but that was in the "piping times of peace," when Auckland lacked a Cullen and a Treanor, and knew not Richardson.

At a meeting of creditors in an assigned estate, recently held in Melbourne, the debtor was asked by one of the creditors "how long he had been unable to pay his way?" "About two years," was the reply. "Had you no scruples about opening fresh accounts during that time?" was the next question. "Scruples be d—," replied the debtor; "your traveller kept barracking me so for orders that I gave him a line to get rid of him; if I had ordered to the extent he wanted I should have had my shelves crowded with your stuff." There was peace in the camp afterwards.

The Council of Los Angeles, California, has, after a very hard fight, passed a liquor ordinance. It has been decided that the maximum number of saloons allowed within the corporate limits of the city shall be restricted to two hundred. A saloon district is established, which will serve to keep saloons out of the residence sections of the city. The time for the closing of saloons at night is extended one hour—from midnight to 1 a.m.—and the Sunday-closing feature of the old law is retained, except as to this extra hour. Restaurants are permitted to serve wines and liquors in "original packages" with meals, on payment of a license fee of 18 dollars per month in addition to the regular restaurant license. The rate for wholesale liquor license is fixed at 20 dollars per month, and that for retail licenses at 50 dollars per month. Power is given to the police board to establish and enforce rules regarding side entrances, character of meals in restaurants, the use of screens, etc. The police board is required to revoke any license held by a person convicted of violating the law immediately upon the conviction of such person, and the city clerk is not permitted to issue a new license except on a permit granted by the board. For violation of the ordinance a man may be fined 200 dollars, or may be sentenced to ninety days' imprisonment, or he may be fined and imprisoned for the same offence.

The other day when I came across a couple of young fellows in suspicious-looking blue trousers I thought they were embryo "bobbies." I recognised one as a prominent wrestler, and I guessed they were imported for the purpose of entrapping an unwary bookmaker or wrongdoing sly grog seller. Vulcan Lane proved a barren hunting-ground, but the recruits have run to earth a sly grog seller, judging from the Police Court reports. What I want to point out to the authorities is that the thing was too patent. Here were too young fellows collarless and trying to look countrified, but the Government stamp was too plainly apparent to deceive any one with an ounce of observation about him. Miners up for a holiday in regulation pants will not go down in Vulcan Lane



An action has been proceeding in the Sydney Equity Court, and judgment has been reserved after hearing argument, in which Tooth and Co., Ltd., the well-known Sydney brewers, are seeking to restrain Samuel Parkes, the licensee of the Stepney Hotel, Raglan and Phillip Streets, Alexandria, from dealing with any other brewers for malt liquors, and to obtain a declaration that the covenant entered into between the Company and the former lessee of the premises is binding upon the defendant and all successive occupiers of the hotel. The circumstances were somewhat complicated, in-so-far as they related to the lease of the site of the hotel in 1862 for a term of ninety years, and the subsequent assigning of the lease to a man named Brierly, who purchased the lease and the hotel with money advanced by Tooth and Co., who in turn took a mortgage over the property, and secured a covenant that Brierly and all successive occupiers of the hotel would deal exclusively with the Company for all beer and other malt liquors to be used at the hotel, so long as it should be licensed as an hotel. In 1888 Benjamin Lafura desired to purchase the hotel, and Tooth and Co. advanced to him the whole of the purchase money on his entering into a mortgage and covenant similar to that given by Brierly. Lafura died in 1897, and his will carried on the business till May last, when defendant took the business over, and obtained his liquors from other persons. The defence consisted in a plea that the plaintiffs had declined to discharge the mortgage on payment of the moneys due, except on condition that they retained the benefit of the covenant as to exclusive dealing; that the covenant was not binding on defendant, as it was contained in the assignment of the lease by way of mortgage only, or, if binding, was only binding during the continuance of the mortgage and not after the moneys due had been paid or tendered; that the insertion of the covenant was void, in that its effect was to make the mortgage irredeemable. The case resolved itself into one of argument on technical law points, and after hearing argument, His Honor, Mr Justice Walker, reserved judgment.

At the Police Court on Friday Eunice Winter, licensee of the Junction Hotel, Epsom, was charged before Mr T. Hutchison, S.M., with selling liquor on August 24th to Walter Henry Williams, at Buckland's saleyards. Remuera, a place at which she was not authorised by license to sell liquor. A second information charged the defendant with selling liquor at the same time and place to Henry Lomax. Mr Campbell appeared for the defendant and pleaded guilty. He said it had been the practice for a great many years past for the licensee of the Junction Hotel to provide lunch at the saleyards, and to supply liquor with the lunch. This was the first time the practice had ever been challenged. There had been nothing clandestine or secret about it. The sale of liquor had gone on openly for years, and the defendant was only following the practice of previous licensees. It had been done entirely under a misapprehension. Sub-Inspector Wilson said the facts stated by the defendant's counsel were correct so far as they went. Liquor was certainly supplied with meals, but there was also a bar erected in the yard where liquor was sold to whoever came along. Two plain clothes constables had been served with drink at the bar. His Worship said it was a question whether the facts stated by Mr Campbell were not an aggravation of the offence. In any case he thought a nominal penalty would not be sufficient. Looking as the gains that he imagined Mrs Winter had made, he considered there ought to be a substantial penalty. The defendant would be convicted on the first charge and fined £5, the liquor found in the saleyard to be confiscated. The second charge would be dismissed.

On Friday a woman named Mary Douley was charged with selling liquor, to wit, beer, without having a license to do so. Mr Reed appeared on behalf of the defendant, and pleaded not guilty. It appeared from the evidence for the prosecution that on the day in question constables Skinner and Campbell were passing defendant's house in Wakefield Street, when she invited the constables into her house. Both constables were off duty, and dressed in plain clothes. The defendant proposed that they should have a game of euchre, and it was arranged that the losing constable should "shout." Constable Skinner had the defendant for a partner, while his brother constable had a young woman named Mary Walsh for his partner. Constable Skinner and the defendant lost, the former thereupon called for "drinks," and the latter produced a large bottle of beer, for which Constable Skinner paid 5s. Sergt. Treanor deposed that the constables acted under his instructions, viz., to go to the defendant's house to see if she sold liquor. The defendant, the sergeant stated, had been convicted twice before, on the first occasion being fined £5, and on the latter £10. The defence was that the constables were supplied with "hop" beer, the bottle being manipulated in such a way that it had the appearance of an ordinary bottle of beer. A bottle

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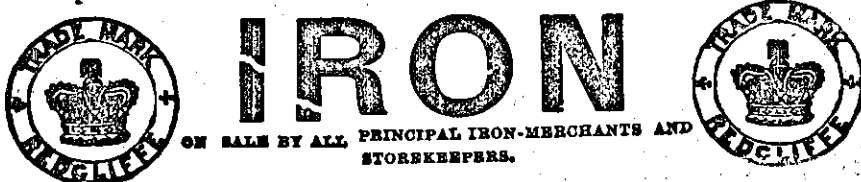
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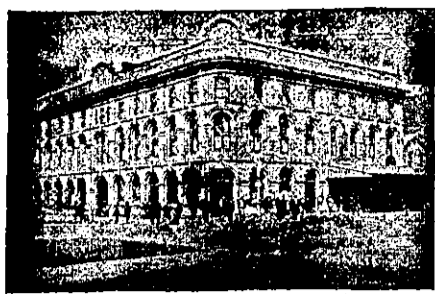
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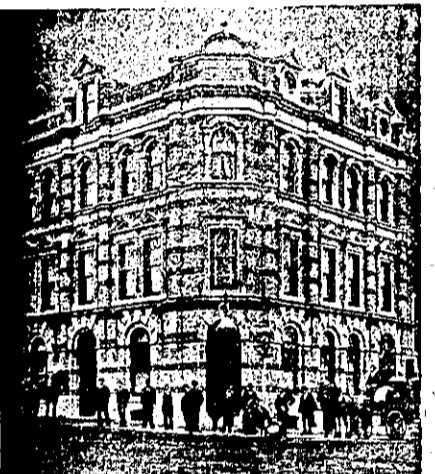
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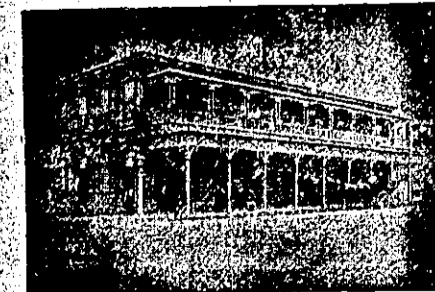
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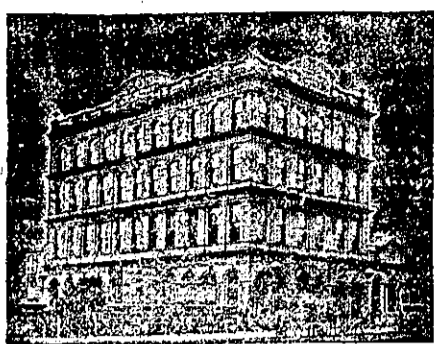
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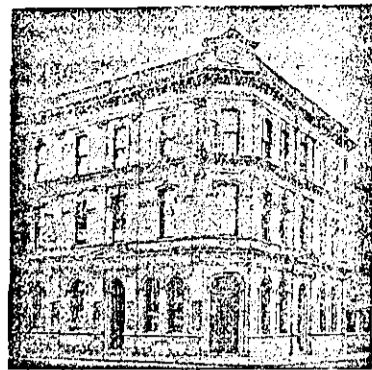
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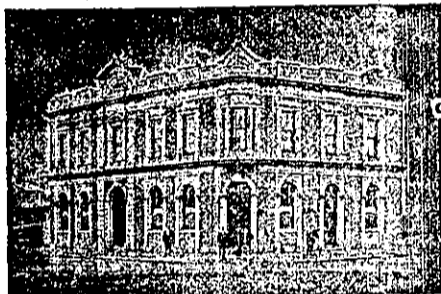
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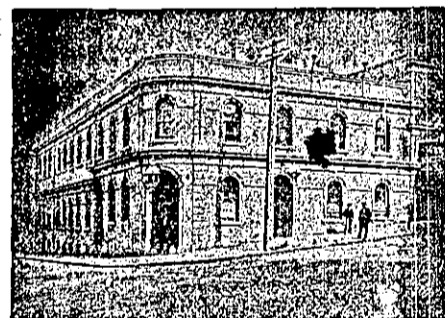
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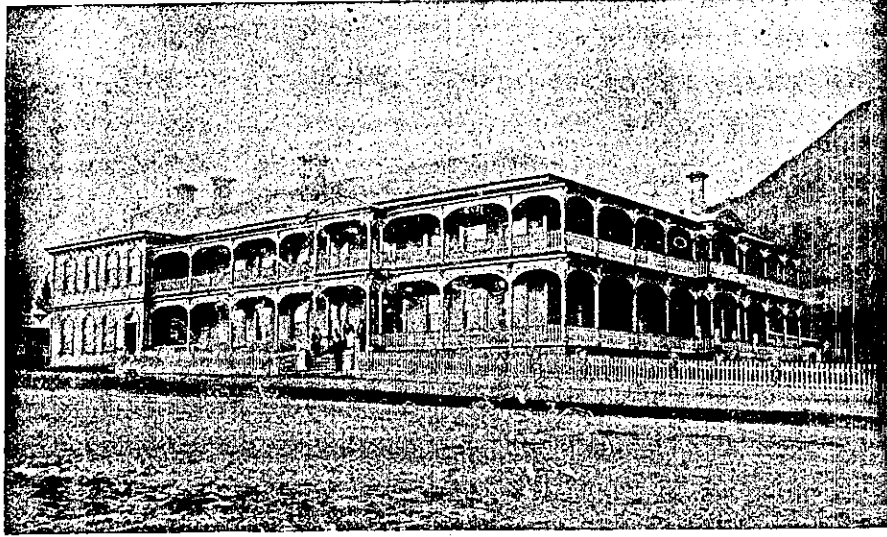
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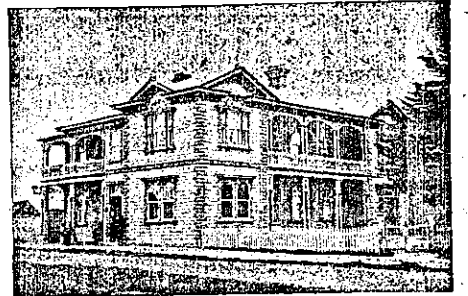
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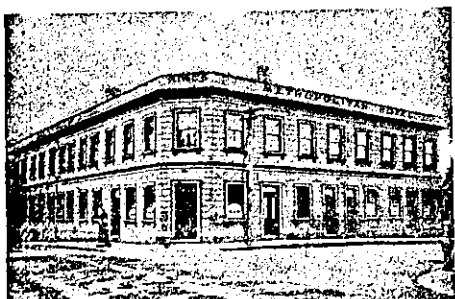
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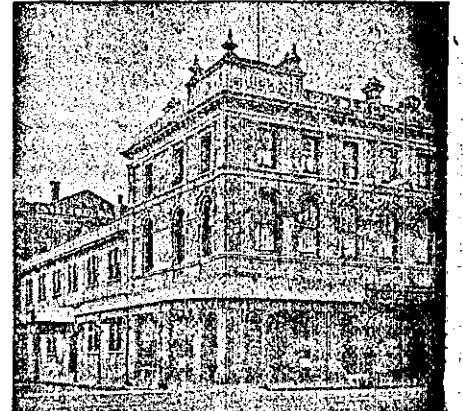
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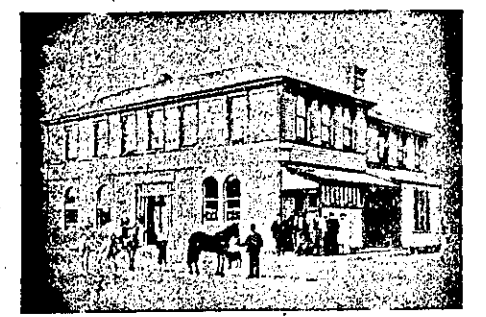
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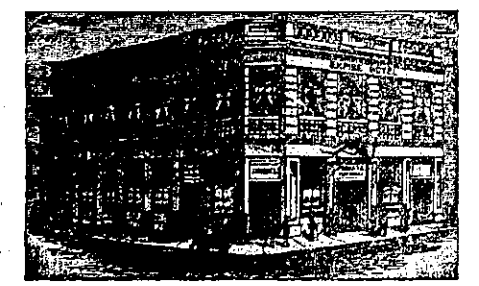
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 Yours faithfully,  
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