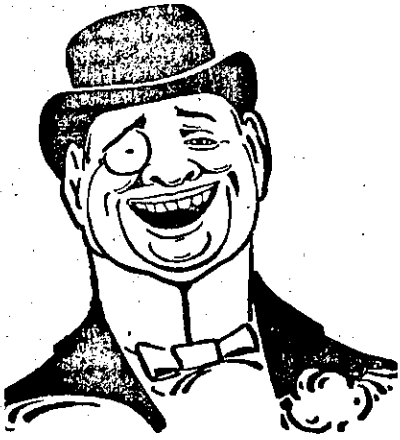


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Waipuki and Grey Gown may prove to be best while Aide-de-Camp shouldn't have much difficulty in annexing the December Hack.

The usual monthly meeting of the stewards of the Wellington Racing Club was held this afternoon, T. G. MacCarthy occupying the chair. The statement of accounts in connection with the recent Spring Meeting was laid before the stewards, and satisfaction was expressed at the profit made, considering that the stakes had been materially increased, and that several races were poorly patronised.

After the Races.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

[BY PERONEL.]

The first Spring Meeting held by the Takapuna Jockey Club was commenced on Saturday last. Taken all round, the gathering could hardly have been improved upon, for the management was very capable, the racing was interesting, the attendance was large (there must have been nearly 4000 people present), and speculation was brisk.

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Mr A. B. Harris filled the position of judge, in the absence of the Hon. E. Mitchelson, and he gave his decisions accurately and promptly. Mr George Cutts was still laid up, so that the duties of starter devolved upon Mr William Gray, who may be said to have come fairly well out of a trying ordeal.

Racing commenced with the Trial Handicap, from which Solo, Belfast, Regulus, Toron, and Tiki were withdrawn. The public made The Afghan a good favorite, and then gave most support to Shylock. From a fair start Bar-the-Door got quickly on the move, and at the turn into the straight he headed the field by a couple of lengths.

THE FAVORITE FELL

at the turn out of the straight. He was bumped when trying to improve his position, and lost his feet. At first it was thought that Gainsford was seriously hurt, but he soon recovered sufficiently to be able to walk back to the enclosure. He received some nasty bruises about the legs and body, but happily no bones were broken.

Messrs Duder's colt, Takapuna, was the only non content for the Cambria Handicap, for which four of the five runners were well backed. Lady Avon was the absolute favorite, with Balbirnie close up, and Zealous and Rosiphele not very far behind.

The Duder Brothers kept Halberdier in preference to Doctor in the St. Andrew's Handicap for which Porangi Potae and Regulus was also scratched. Of the runners Bluejacket was made a strong favourite despite the fact that the long-striding colt was not best suited by the sharp turns of the Takapuna course.

PUNCHED ALONG FROM START TO FINISH,

kept the lead to the end and got home first by nearly half a length. The success of the favorite was well received, and Hall came in for a share of the cheers. Ryan's ill-considered protest was quickly dismissed when the evidence had been heard, and again there was loud cheering when the decision of the stewards was declared.

Dauntless II. and Korowai going out of the Maiden Hurdles reduced the field to nine. Snider was made first choice with Dingo and Miss Drury next. Thelma made a lot of the running, and when she had had enough Dingo, who had been running second, had no difficulty in beating the favorite home by a couple of lengths.

Six of the twenty acceptors declined to contest the Hack Handicap. Backers selected Hohoro, a three-year-old gelding by Tasman out of Lady Moth, and Swiftfoot as a likely pair. Hohoro had a big following on account of a wonderful go he had accomplished earlier in the week and at the finish of the betting he led Swiftfoot for favoritism. Khama's green jacket was the first to be seen when the starter sent the fourteen runners on their way, and with dismay it was seen that the favorite was left fully half a dozen lengths.

FIELD AS IF STANDING STILL,

and romped home an easy winner from Khama and Swiftfoot. The latter got blocked twice when trying to come through on the inside, an impossible task for his rider to have essayed. For the Pony Race, Kitty Flynn was made a better favorite than Blue Paul, Lena and Nora being equally supported a long way behind the other two.

Opou and Thelma being scratched, left five runners for the Handicap Hurdles. That base

deceiver Verdi was again entrusted with a lot of money, Evening Wonder starting second favorite. Atalanta led until the second hurdle, and there came down, leaving Evening Wonder in front, with Snider and Verdi in close attendance. Going along the back Volcano ran into the lead, and quickly having everything beaten, had

NO DIFFICULTY IN WINNING EASILY from Snider, who beat the Gisborne gelding on the post for second honours. Verdi disgraced himself, and finished a bad last.

For the concluding event of the day a number of horses were well backed, St. Elmo occupying the pride of place. After the pretty little Castor horse, Picklock, Daytree, Sultan, and Cuirassette were most fancied. There was some delay at the post, and when Mr Gray pressed the lever Daytree was on the move, and he soon put daylight between himself and the others.

FINISHED A NECK IN FRONT

of the grey, with St. Elmo a fair third. Of course there was a protest, or rather two—one on the ground of a cross and the other for inconsistent form. At the enquiry Quinton, the rider of Kettldrum, admitted pulling in on the rails when he saw Daytree coming up on the inside. The stewards, on the evidence of their own eyes, and this admission, awarded the race and dividend to Daytree. The protest for inconsistency was dismissed.

NOMINATIONS.

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.

AVONDALE STAKES, 1900.

- Mr Thomas Morrin's ch c by St Leger—Valentia
Mr Thomas Morrin's br c by Hotchkiss—Ouida
Mr Thomas Morrin's gr c by Castor—Vivandiere
Mr Thomas Morrin's b c by St Leger—Janet
Mr Thomas Morrin's b f by Castor—Lady Wellington
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GISBORNE RACING CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

DECEMBER 26 AND 27.

- FLYING HANDICAP, six furlongs.—H.M.S. Pinafore, Dreyfus, Matiroa, Hinepare, Unique, Huna, Manutake, Argyll, Lulu.
FIRST HURDLES, one mile and a half.—Evening Wonder, En Avant, Atatiti, Poppun, Kaitoa.
BOXING DAY HANDICAP, one mile and a quarter.—Teha, H.M.S. Pinafore, En Hakore, Three Star, Sable Cloud, Huna, Manutake, Canopus.
PARK STAKES, seven furlongs.—H.M.S. Pinafore, En Hakore, Dreyfus, Recruit, Argyll, Virgin, Huna, Unique, Hinepare, Matiroa.
SECOND HURDLES, one mile and three-quarters.—En Avant, Atatiti, Evening Wonder, Poppun, Kaitoa.
COUNTY STAKES, one mile.—Harti Puru, Unique, Lady Raven, Mechanic, Tupuhere, Strowan, Ngariki, Argyll, Virgin, Sable Cloud.
ELECTRIC HANDICAP, five furlongs.—M.M.S. Pinafore, Vathok, Dreyfus, Matiroa, Manutake, Argyll, Hinepare, Lulu, Unique.
GRANDSTAND HANDICAP, one mile and a distance.—En Hakore, Pinepinetokura, H.M.S. Pinafore, Manutake, Dreyfus, Hinepare, Unique, Huna, Canopus.

NORTHERN WAIROA RACING CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

DECEMBER 27 AND JANUARY 1.

- SECOND HANDICAP HURDLES, one mile and a half.—The Monk, Bradshaw, Malabar, Andy, Starlight, Beanstalk.
KAIPARA HANDICAP, one mile and a quarter.—Maori Boy (late Paki Paki), Regel, Corvette, Retreat, Emblazon, Count Lamont, Kawan, Chancellor, Repo, Commodore, Kossack, Laddie.
STEEPLECHASE, three mile.—Bradshaw, Malabar, Andy, The Monk, Beanstalk.
PUBLICANS' PURSE, seven furlongs.—Corvette, Lady's Maid II., Retreat, Emblazon, Mahuranae, Count Lamont, Merry Boy, Kawan, Chancellor, Repo, Commodore, Regel, Complete, Kossack, Laddie, Maori Boy (late Paki Paki).
THIRD HANDICAP HURDLES, one mile and a half.—Vera, Barbary, Valencia, Desperado, Commission, Jack, Andy, Beanstalk, Clip, Newhaven, Creel.
MAIDEN HACK, one mile.—Clip, Miss Oliver, Pet, Ori, Barbary, Lady Mana, Lady Zulu, Commission, Kossack, Repo, Jack, Corporal, Luck, Rhane, Creel.
PONY RACE, six furlongs.—Barbary, Lady Mana, Toby, Merry Boy, Newhaven, Creel.
HACK CUP, one mile and a quarter.—Barbary, Desperado, Pet, Lady's Maid II., Lady Zulu, Vera, Repo, Newhaven, Jack, Andy, Vortigern, Beanstalk, Aurega, Kossack, Clip, Corporal.
HACK FLYING, six furlongs.—Barbary, Pet, Desperado, Lady's Maid II., Lady Zulu, Toby, Commission, Aurega, Newhaven, Vortigern, Beanstalk, Creel, Miss Oliver, Clip.

HANDICAPS.

WELLINGTON RACING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

WELLINGTON CUP, one mile and a half.

Table with columns for horse names and odds. Includes: Explosion (9/10), Douglas (9/8), Boreas (8/11), Daunt (8/10), Sir Launcelet (8/9), Battlesaxe (8/8), Castashore (8/6), Uhan (8/6), Sylvia Park (8/6), Sant Iario (8/4), Bush Rose (8/3), Dundas (8/2), Fulmen (8/0), Cruse (7/12), Te Hapuku (7/12), Djin-Djin (7/11), Skobloff (7/11), Tire (7/10), Okoari (7/10), Amphion (7/9), Novovan (7/9), Advance (7/9), Rosella (7/8).

NORTHERN WAIROA RACING CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

DECEMBER 26.

HANDICAP HURDLES, one mile and a half.

Table with columns for horse names and odds. Includes: Bradshaw (11/12), Malabar (10/7), The Monk (10/0).

MAIDEN PLATE, one mile and a quarter.

Table with columns for horse names and odds. Includes: Chancellor (9/7), Kossack (8/10), Tom (8/8), Mahuranae (8/4).

NORTHERN WAIROA CUP, one mile and a half.

Table with columns for horse names and odds. Includes: Maori Boy, late Paki (9/7), Paki (9/7), Commodore (9/0), Kawan (8/12), Corvette (8/10).

RAILWAY PLATE, six furlongs.

Table with columns for horse names and odds. Includes: Maori Boy, late Paki (9/7), Paki (9/7), Chancellor (9/4), Count Lamont (9/2), Corvette (8/10).

GUMDIGGERS' PURSE, one mile.

Table with columns for horse names and odds. Includes: Commodore (8/12), Kawan (8/10), Corvette (8/8).

STEWARDS' PLATE, seven furlongs.

Table with columns for horse names and odds. Includes: Maori Boy, late Paki (10/0), Paki (10/0), Chancellor (9/12), Count Lamont (9/0), Kawan (8/12), Corvette (8/10).