

EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB.

Owners are reminded that Friday, 17th inst., is general entry day for the C.J.C. Spring Meeting. Final payments for the N.Z. Cup, Derby, Oaks, Canterbury Cup, and Welcome Stakes must then be made, together with the general entries.

CHRISTCHURCH.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Saturday, October 4th.

PERHAPS the most important event of the past week has been the scratching of Mr. Wilson's (the Victorian Sportsman) colt Pygmalion for all his engagements with the C.J.C. The withdrawal of the colt has not been unexpected, as his owner thinks so highly of him, and he is so heavily engaged in the rich prizes offered on the other side that it would be strange if Mr. Wilson elected to run him again in New Zealand.

Talking of Pygmalion reminds me that his famous dam, Nautilus, has not after all been mated with Maxim. When the mare was taken to Yaldhurst she kicked that stallion, and his owner not caring to risk his horse been again treated to such an indignity, Nautilus was put to Chain Shot, who, by the way, is receiving some of the cream of the thoroughbred mares hereabouts. Mr. Rutherford's horse is receiving a rare show in his first season and should give a good account of himself.

Besides the big Napier meeting next week we have a gathering at Ohoka, some 40 miles distant from this city, on Thursday. It forms a pleasant little outing and allows an innings for some of the Riccarton small fry. Horses from Sheehan's stable have been so invariably lucky here of late years that the Ohoka and Egerton (to give the Club its full name) meeting has become to be called "Sheehan's annual benefit." Some of the nags from his stable are fairly well in this year, but it remains to be seen whether he will again effect a coup.

Regarding the Napier meeting much interest is taken in it here, and especially in the meeting of the two locally trained colts, Medallion and Crackshot, both of whom went North last week. You know Mr. Stead's is a first rate colt and Mr. Bulter's is, in the opinion of most good judges, not a whit inferior. Crackshot may not be over successful for some time to come, but when fully matured will, if I am not very much mistaken, be a great horse.

His Excellency, Lord Onslow, has been in Christchurch for some time. As you are aware, he takes great interest in all manner of sport and is no mean judge of horseflesh. An accomplished whip, he has been driving about a good deal visiting the points of interest in the country districts. Last week he went as far as Ashburton and spent a few days at Mr. Grigg's, Longbeach. While at Ashburton, Lord Onslow saw Mr. Edward Saunders, the huntsman of the county hounds, and hunted The Moor—a coal black stallion by the Ravensworth horse, Cloth of Gold—whom he declared the finest cut of a cross country horse he had seen in the colony. Cloth of Gold, although himself rather a mean looking customer, has left some really tip top jumping stock in Otago; horses with far more than the average amount of sagacity, and to make a really good hunter you want an animal with brains.

The tracks at Riccarton have assumed a very busy appearance lately, and fast work is daily indulged in. The Cup favorite, Merrie England, does his apportioned task without the slightest bother, and having most of the lumber off him now, should be real fit by Cup day. A number of horses from the West Coast and country districts have within the last day or two arrived at Riccarton to have the finishing touches put on them for the big meeting.

Ahua has not been quite himself lately, but has not been absent from the track. He did not run at all up to his form at Timaru.

Mr. Alf. Josephs, one of the principal members of the Victoria Club, arrived by the mail steamer this morning. He has been on a visit to England and is now returning to Melbourne. Mr. Josephs was at one time member of Parliament for Sandhurst. During his stay in Auckland he is to visit Sylvia Park.

PAKURANGA HUNT CLUB.

ACCEPTANCES.

HUNT CLUB CUP of 45 sovs. About 3½ miles.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Hurricane	12 12	Tawhiao	10 6
Costley	12 4	Odd Trick	10 6
Jim	10 6	Fragrance	10 0

MEMBERS' HURDLES of 35 sovs. Two miles.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Hurricane	12 7	Tawhiao	10 4
Costley	12 2	Fragrance	10 4
Shotover	11 7	Randwick	10 0
Nap	11 0		

FLYING STAKES of 30 sovs. ¾ mile.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
St. Michael	9 1	Blarney	7 10
Nigger	8 4	Prudence	7 7
Ingorina	8 0	Cambria	7 7
Capella	7 12	Premier	7 0

MAIDEN PLATE of 20 sovs. One mile.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
The Baron	9 0	Priscilla	7 10
Fishmonger	8 7	Iron Bark	7 10
Transit	8 0	Daisy	7 7
Ma Boughall	7 12	Captive	7 7
My Queen	7 10	Winifred	7 7

OPEN HURDLES of 35 sovs. 1¼ miles.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Orlando	11 0	Irish Agitator	9 10
Larrikin	10 0	Blarney	9 4
Nap	9 10	Neli	9 0
Satyr	9 10	Carronade	9 0
Fishmonger	9 10		

FARMERS' PLATE of 20 sovs. Once round the Steeplechase course.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Shotover	12 1	Kaiwaka	11 0
Falcon	11 10	Dundee	10 0
Ma Petite Fille	11 7	Mangere	10 0
Fly	11 4	Artic	10 0
Tairoa	11 4		

Nominations for LADIES BRACELET, value 15 sovs. 1 mile and a distance.

Shotover, Lord Gillie, Carronade, Fragrance, Fishmonger, Prestissimo, Randwick.

A.R.C. SPRING MEETING.

MR. J. O. EVITT has declared the following weights:—

PRINCE OF WALES HANDICAP.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Hilda	9 8	Cynical	7 7
Antelope	8 12	The Dreamer	7 6
Cissy	8 11	Pinfire	7 4
Tamora	8 5	Belmont	7 3
Patchwork	8 2	Cambria	7 2
Leorina	7 13	Glaucus	7 0
Fiesole	7 12	Cartridge	6 8
Reprisal	7 10	Torment	6 3
Leolantis	7 9	Country Boy	6 0

HANDICAP HURDLES.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Silvio	11 12	Te Kooti	9 4
Hopeful Kate	10 10	Fragrance	9 3
Orlando	10 7	Begorrah	9 0
Satyr	10 0	Sentinel	9 0
Hune	9 12	Hailstone	9 0
Parnell	9 10	Carronade	9 0
Fishmonger	9 7	Yum Yum	9 0
Torment	9 5		

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.

The following entries have been received for the Wanganui Spring Meeting:—

TRIAL STAKES.—Retina, Boulanger, Fleta, Lonely, Vendor, La Petite Fille, Dingo, Lethe, Weka, Daisy, Clipper, Seraph, Montrose II., Mirabelle, Josephine, Comet, Eileen, Cyclone, Sleep, Rufus, Lady Leger, Jenny.

HANDICAP HURDLES.—Rere, Asper, The Dream, Pizarro, Taurakaitai, Silvio, Gladius, Waipipi, Jacob, Wardrobe, Matchless, Jenny.

WANGANUI STAKES.—Retina, Boulanger, Vendor, Lethe, Cheque, Weka, Seraph, Montrose II., Mirabelle, Josephine, Cruiser, Comet, Cyclone, Lady Leger.

FAREWELL HANDICAP.—Fleta, Lonely, Rewe, La Petite Fille, Vendor, The Dream, Cheque, Weka, Mirabelle, Cruiser, Comet, Eileen, Sleep, Lady Leger, Jenny.

GISBORNE RACING CLUB.

The following are the entries which have been received for the principal events to be decided at the Gisborne Racing Club's Spring Meeting on November 10th:—

FLYING HANDICAP.—Cairngorm, Lady Cicely, Avis, Kupenga, Dancing Master, Letta, Criminal, Maroon, Zanzibar, Misfortune, Pauawa, Truthful, Papakura, Pinfire.

GRANDSTAND HANDICAP.—Cairngorm, Lady Cicely, Kupenga, Puti, Criminal, Nora, Flirtation, Pouawa, Truthful, Tamahine, Munaragi.

HURDLES.—Bit o' Blue, Defamer, Oeo, Leila, Caitiff, Duadin.

PARK HANDICAP.—Cairngorm, Bit o' Blue, Rejected, Kupenga, New York, Leila, Fitzjames, Wakatipu, Avis, Zanzibar, Deceiver, Nora, Pum, Misfortune, Pouawa, Truthful, Pinfire.

NAPIER PARK RACING CLUB.

THE following handicaps were issued on Wednesday, for the first day's races of the Napier Park Racing Club:—

TRIAL HANDICAP HURDLES, 1½ miles.—Turaekaitai, 11st 7lb; Theorem, 10st 7lb; Defamer, 9st 12lb; Oeo, 9st 8lb; Dynamite, 9st 2lb; Maori Girl, 9st; Ringa, 9st; Roll Call, 9st; Pizzaro, 9st.

OCTOBER HANDICAP, 1 mile.—Boulanger, 8st 8lb; Strephon, 8st 7lb; Huetana, 7st 10lb; Tit, 7st 10lb; Pursestring, 7st 5lb; Vision, 7st 3lb; Maid of Lorne, 6st 9lb; Man Friday, 6st 8lb; Queen of Trumps, 6st 8lb; Fitzjames, 6st 5lb; Kapo, 6st 4lb; Lullaby, 6st.

PARK STAKES HANDICAP, 1¼ miles.—Jet d'Eau, 9st 4lb; St. Andrew, 8st 8lb; Strephon, 8st 4lb; Kotuku, 8st; Lenore, 7st 12lb; Aronoe, 7st 11lb; Katinka, 7st 10lb; Medjidie, 7st 8lb; Retina, 7st 7lb; Dreamland, 7st 3lb; Leonie, 7st 3lb; Tit, 7st; Seraph, 6st 9lb; Queen of Trumps, 6st 7lb; Fitzjames, 6st 6lb; Man Friday, 6st 4lb; Kapo, 6st 2lb; Dryad, 6st.

SAPLING STAKES, of 4½ furlongs.—Rosefeldt, 8st 7lb; Cretonne, 8st 4lb; Creeper, 8st; Sword Dance—Lady Mersey filly, 7st 12lb.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE.—Chemist, 12st 12lb; Uranus, 11st 7lb; Waterfall, 11st 4lb; Darnley, 11st 4lb; Turaekaitai, 11st; Raven, 10st 10lb; Violet, 10st 10lb; Argo, 10st 7lb; Premium, 10st 7lb; Leonardo, 10st 2lb; Theorem, 10st; Oeo, 9st 6lb; Ringa, 9st 2lb; Blue Mountain, 9st; Pizzaro, 9st; Tambourine, 9st.

RAILWAY HANDICAP, 6 furlongs.—Jet d'Eau, 9st 6lb; St. Andrew, 8st 12lb; Kotuku, 8st 7lb; Strephon, 8st; Katinka, 7st 12lb; Lenore, 7st 12lb; Retina, 7st 12lb; Medjidie, 7st 10lb; Huerfana, 7st 7lb; Dreamland, 7st 3lb; Leonie, 7st 3lb; Kupenga, 7st 1lb; Pursestring, 7st; Man Friday, 6st 10lb; Dauphine, 6st 4lb; Dryad, 6st.

AHURIBI HANDICAP, once round.—Emerald, 8st 7lb; Fleta, 8st; Kiekie, 8st; Tit, 7st 9lb; Swivel, 7st 7lb; Lopez, 7st 7lb; Couranto, 7st 4lb; Lady Hamilton, 7st 2lb; Dauphine, 7st 2lb; Arawa, 7st; Lukatere, 7st; Fleta, 7st; Legacy, 6st 12lb; Maid of Lorne, 6st 9lb; Hikamare, 6st 7lb; Exchange, 6st 6lb; Lullaby, 6st; Lady Cecil, 6st; Rejected, 6st.

ATHLETICS.

[BY NIMBLEFOOT.]

A fifty mile bicycle road race was run at Christchurch on Monday morning, and won by L. Humm of the Midland Cycling Club, in 3hr 44min 15sec, including 40min start. J. Painter, M.C.C., was second. His time was 3hr 44min 30sec, with 25min start. Painter's actual running time was 3hr 29min 30sec, lowering the New Zealand record by 2½min.

Peter Jackson and Frank P. Slavin have been matched to fight for £3000 and the championship of the world, at the Melbourne Club.

The boxing contest between Frank P. Slavin and Joe McAuliffe, the Californian champion, took place at the Ormonde Club, London, last week. The fight was for £1000 and a diamond belt, presented by an American paper. Slavin knocked his opponent out in less than two rounds.

Some weeks ago the Speedwell Bicycle Club offered a gold medal to the first member of their Club who succeeded in putting up a road record on any class of machine for 24hrs. Mr. Chas. Culbush succeeded in doing 165 miles under the most adverse circumstances, rain coming down heavily most of the time, making the roads very bad. His actual riding time was 20hrs. Mr. Culbush is confident that with fair luck he can do at least 200 miles.

Captain Mark Long of the Sydney Safety Cycling Club has just put up a record for the distance between Goulburn and Sydney, 137 miles, in 18½hrs., his actual riding time being 16½hrs.

Peter Jackson has commenced training at the Sydney Athletic Club Rooms for his match with Joseph Goddard, which takes place at the Chrystal Palace, Melbourne, for a purse of £400.

A new paper entirely devoted to cycling is about to be published. It will be called the "Victorian Wheelman," and will come out every Friday.—*Australasian*.

The following are the handicaps which were issued by Mr. W. H. Johnson for the bicycle road race which takes place to-day. The course is from Panmure to Parnell:—Buchanan, scratch; Howard, scratch; Lecky, scratch; L. E. Hoffmann, ¼min.; Reynolds, ¼min.; Shortt, 1min.; Hammond, 2½min.; C. Waters, 4½min.; Nicholson, 4½min.; Hill, 5min.; Aickin, 6min.; E. Waters, 6½min.; A. Service, 6½min.; Hazard, 8min.; Elliott, 8min.; Dacre, 8min.; McCallum, 8½min.; Mason, 9min.; Hooper, 9min.

A match has been arranged between McLean and Stansbury for £200 a side, on the Paramatta, on November 19th. McLean, since his defeat by Kemp, has been trying hard to get on another match with the Champion, but having failed has made this one.