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## SPORTING FIXTURES, ETC.

### COMING EVENTS.

Nov. 8	C. J. C. Spring Meeting.
Nov. 8, 10	Auckland Racing Club Spring Meeting.
Nov. 10	Gisborne Racing Club Spring Meeting.
Nov. 19, 20	Ashburton R. C. Spring Meeting.
Nov. 20, 21	Wellington R. C. Summer Meeting.
Nov. 22	Pakuranga Racing Club.
Nov. 28, 29	Dunedin Jockey Club.
Nov. 29	Takapuna Spring Meeting.
Dec. 1, 2	Dunedin Jockey Club.
Dec. 13	Avondale Jockey Club.
Dec. 20	South Auckland Racing Club Summer Meeting.
Dec. 26	Hawkes' Bay J.C. Summer Meeting.
Dec. 26	Alexandra Racing Club.
Dec. 26	A.R.C. Summer Meeting.
Dec. 26, 27	Thames Jockey Club.
Dec. 26, 27	Dargaville Jockey Club.
Dec. 26, 27	Reefton J.C. Summer Meeting.
Dec. 27	Auckland Trotting Club.
Dec. 29	Drury Racing Club.
Dec. 29	Ormond Jockey Club.
Jan. 1	A.R.C. Summer Meeting.
Jan. 1, 2	North Canterbury J.C. Summer Meeting.
Jan. 3, '91	Auckland Trotting Club.
Jan. 6, 7	Gisborne Racing Club.
Jan. 13, 14	Poverty Bay Turf Club.
Jan. 22, 24	Wellington R.C. Summer Meeting.
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Feb. 18, 19	Egmont Racing Club Summer Meeting.

### NOMINATIONS CLOSE.

Nov. 10	C.J.C. Welcome Stakes, 1891, Derby and Oaks, 1892.
Nov. 14	Auckland Guineas, 1892.
Nov. 15	Dunedin J.C. Spring. General Entries.
Nov. 17	Wellington R.C. Spring Meeting. General entries.
Nov. 20	Northern Wairoa Racing Club.
Nov. 21	Takapuna Spring. General Entries.
Nov. 21	Avondale Jockey Club.
Nov. 26	South Auckland R.C. Summer. Handicaps.
Dec. 2	Thames Jockey Club.
Dec. 2	Hawkes Bay J.C. Summer.
Dec. 10	Waikato Produce Stakes, 1892-93.
Dec. 12	A.R.C. Summer. General Entries.
Dec. 20	Egmont Racing Club Summer Meeting.
Jan. 9	Anniversary Stakes (Takapuna), 1892.
Jan. 9	Takapuna Stakes, 1893.
Jan. 22	Dunedin J.C. Autumn Meeting.
Feb. 6	C.J.C. Great Autumn Hdcp., Easter Hdcp.

### WEIGHTS APPEAR.

Nov. 8	A.R.C. Spring (2nd day).
Nov. 11	Pakuranga Racing Club.
Nov. 12	Wellington R.C. Spring.
Nov. 12	Dunedin J.C. Spring. Otago Cup and Handicaps.
Nov. 14	Takapuna Spring.
Nov. 28	Northern Wairoa Racing Club.
Dec. 1	Avondale Jockey Club.
Dec. 5	A.R.C. Summer. Auckland Cup and Summer Steeplechase.
Dec. 3	South Auckland Summer Meeting.
Dec. 11	Thames Jockey Club.
Dec. 27	Napier Park Summer. Handicaps.
Jan. 3	Wellington Cup.
Jan. 10	Egmont Racing Club Summer Meeting.

### ACCEPTANCES DUE.

Nov. 14	Pakuranga Racing Club.
Nov. 17	Wellington R.C. Spring.
Nov. 20	Dunedin J.C. Spring. Otago Cup and Handicaps.
Nov. 21	Takapuna Spring.
Dec. 4	Northern Wairoa Racing Club.
Dec. 5	Avondale Jockey Club.
Dec. 10	South Auckland Racing Club Summer.
Dec. 12	A.R.C. Summer. Auckland Cup and Summer Steeplechase.
Dec. 16	Hawkes Bay J.C. Summer.
Dec. 19	A.R.C. Summer. Minor Handicaps.
Dec. 18	Thames Jockey Club.
Dec. 24	Great Northern Foal Stakes. (Forfeit).
Dec. 29	Napier Park Summer. Handicaps.
Jan. 22	Dunedin Cup, etc.
Jan. 24	Egmont Racing Club Summer.
Feb. 6	C.J.C. Autumn. Champagne Stakes (further payments).

### AQUATICS.

Nov. 19	McLean v. Stansbury, on the Paramatta.
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## Sporting Review.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1890.

SINCE Major George has returned to New Zealand, rumours are rife as to what is to be done with the Sylvia Park Stud Company. One report is that the whole of the Stud is to be sold by auction in January. Another is that the Globo Company has taken it over, and that it is to be carried on. The *Herald* devotes a leader to it in their issue of November 5th, the morning after the Melbourne Cup was run. They commence eulogising the wonderful performance of Carbine in the Melbourne Cup. In this we perfectly agree, as we do not think that in the annals of racing has there ever been such a performance. The nearest approach to it was that of Isonomy, but then he had not the field to meet. There are many races where

ten stone and over has been carried to victory, but over shorter courses or against smaller fields. The performance of Carbine is without parallel. Here is a horse with 10st 5lb, starting in a field of thirty-nine horses, and he not only goes to the front, but keeps his place and wins comparatively easy by three lengths. This wonderful horse Carbine first saw the light of day at Sylvia Park, within a few miles of Auckland. This stud through mismanagement has come to grief, and is now virtually in the hands of the Bank of New Zealand. It is to be dispersed. In all this we agree with our *confièrè* in Wyndham Street. But now comes the last part of the leader:—"We do not profess to be acquainted with all the difficulties that stand in the way of retaining this valuable breeding establishment here, and keeping together the stock we now have. But it must be simply a matter of enterprise and money, and really not

much of either would be required—once upon a time the money would have been thought a bagatelle. We cannot believe that the community is so dead. Surely it only wants two or three gentlemen of some spirit to take the initiative to get the necessary cash. But we feel convinced that if steps are not taken to prevent the dispersal of the stud the whole of Australasia will think Auckland about the meanest place under the sun. And if we allow the establishment to be broken up we will assuredly, when it is too late, repent our stupidity in sackcloth and ashes."

In this we do not agree, especially with what is contained in the few following words: "But it must be simply a matter of enterprise and money, and really not much of either would be required." Now, our friends in Wyndham-street are well known to be a very wealthy fraternity, so thirty or forty thousand may be a mere bagatelle; but it means a large amount of ready cash to commence a business with, and this is what a breeding establishment really is. No one more than ourselves would regret to see Sylvia Park broken up, and Nordenfeldt, S. Leger, and some of the mares dispersed to other parts of the world. But let us calmly review the position. The Bank requires £13,000 for the stock. This is far above their value. All the best mares are old, and are not likely to produce another Carbine, Martini Henri, or Nordenfeldt. Another great mistake has been made in putting such mares as Florence Macarthy (the dam of Tirallieur),

Lady Mersey, My Idea, Onyx, and Sylvia to such an animal as Ingomar, a horse which they were glad to dispose of for £150. He was a failure in Ireland, and has been the same here. What would Sylvia's foal have been worth if it had been by Nordenfeldt instead of Ingomar? It would not have been too close a cross. Then what would have been a better cross with Onyx than St. Leger, a beautifully-bred horse, by Doncaster out of Atlantis, by Thormanby out of Hurricane, by Wild Dayrell out of Media, Doncaster by Stockwell out of Marigold, by Teddington. It is true that he is not a taking horse, and has never done anything on the turf, but it must be borne in mind that he was brought through the Red Sea when a foal, consequently he got stunted, and, instead of being put away as a sire, he was put into training, which made things worse. Taking a fair valuation of the stock, no one desirous of going into the thing as a speculation would like to give much more than £9,000 for them, though Nordenfeldt has been put down by some enthusiasts as being worth more than half that sum. The land is mortgaged for something like £14,000, which means close upon £40 per acre—much too high a price. Then, again, there are two pieces of leasehold land that cut right into the freehold; so, taking it all into consideration, it would be a risky speculation, taking it at the price required—more especially when it has to be remembered it would take at least £5,000 to replace the old mares. If three or four persons who understood the breeding of thoroughbreds exerted themselves there is little doubt that £15,000 could be raised to form a company to purchase the cream of the Sylvia Park stud; and then, if the land could not be purchased at a reasonable rate, there is plenty that could be. Then Auckland, having the Wellington Park, and the remodelled Sylvia Park, studs, would still be an attraction to other Colonies, as we perfectly agree that the climate and soil of Auckland is well adapted for breeding purposes.

## THE TURF.

[BY OLD TURFITE.]

THE two principal races of the year, and in which more interest is taken than in any others, viz., the V.R.C. Derby and the Melbourne Cup, have now been run. I will commence with the first day's racing, passing over the minor events. First we come to the Melbourne Stakes, for which twelve started, including the cracks Carbine and Melos. The former quietly cantered away from his field, and won comfortably by two lengths. Gresford, who was reported amiss and was scratched for both Derby and Cup, was second, with Melos third. This running proved that the champion had lost none of his form, but did not prepare one for what was to follow. Gresford, having run into second place after being scratched for the big race in which he had a good show, created a great surprise, and naturally led those cognizant with racing to believe that there was a better one in the stable for the big event.

THE Victorian Derby only attracted a field of eight, being much smaller than was anticipated. This was owing to the scratching of Titan, Gibraltar, and three or four others who were supposed to have a show. Titan I have always looked upon as a sensational-priced horse, closely resembling Hobbie Noble, for whom the late Mr. James Merry gave £6,500 as a two-year-old on purpose to win the Epsom Derby, and turned out worthless. Titan must have cost his owner a small fortune already, and as it is reported that he is hopelessly lame he will as a gelding most likely cost him a good deal more if he tries to patch him up. Gibraltar going amiss was a great disappointment, as he was, I believe, a genuine good colt, though my readers will remember that after he had pulled me through the A.J.C. Derby I mentioned that I had heard that he was none of the soundest. The race resulted in a clever win for The Admiral, with Magic Circle second and Gatling third. My readers will remember that as far back as the 23rd of August I recommended them to lay against Titan and back The Admiral, and those that did so must have had a rosy time of it. Correze, my second string, greatly disappointed me, though from his subsequent running I am satisfied that the information I had received

about him was pretty correct. As for Whimberel's running I can have no excuse except that perhaps he has been raced off his legs. Magic Circle certainly surprised a good many by running into second place, as little had been heard about her, through last season she was a pretty good performer.

THE Maribyrnong Plate for two-year-olds is always looked upon with great interest, as it is the first of the two-year-old races of any importance, and generally brings out horses that make a mark for themselves in the future. Seventeen went to the post, Ascot Vale being made a great favourite at 2 to 1, but the winner turned up in Yarran, by Epigram—Nellie, who was quoted in the betting at 7 to 1; Corvette and She being second and third.

WE now come to the second days racing, which will be long remembered by racing men, as it produced one of the most wonderful horses ever known. After remarking that Teksum, by Musket—Albatross, (who has been kept to some purpose) with 8st. 5lb. defeated a field of twenty-seven for the Railway Handicap, six furlongs, and was later in the day pulled out for the Yan Yean Stakes, one mile, with 8st. 11lb. on his back, and ran away from a field of sixteen, we come to the Melbourne Cup. Never in the annals of racing has there been such a sensational race. A field of thirty-nine went to the post, and the top weight, Carbine, with the crusher of 10st. 5lb., not only won, but won easily by three lengths from Highborn, 5yrs., 6st. 8lb., and Correze, 3yrs. 7st. 3lb., a good third. This must be recorded as the most wonderful performance ever known in the annals of racing. I have been at the game for many years, and cannot remember either having seen or read of such a wonderful performance. Here we have a horse with the crusher of 10st. 5lb. to carry, that not only goes to the front at the start, but remains in a prominent position till the finish, the race at the same time being run at a tremendous pace. In my notes last week I said that I must discard Carbine, for the reason that with his impost he must wait, and the chances were that he would be blocked when he tried to come through. I must confess that I was completely floored over this race, none of my fancies running anywhere. However, the running of Correze will show my readers that I had some reason for selecting him as my second string for the Derby. The great Auckland tip, Cuirassier, ran fast for about a mile and then disappeared. All the fancied ones, with the exception of the favourite, were never prominent, the second and third horses being rank outsiders.

THE first day's racing of the C.J.C. Metropolitan Meeting was marred by the weather not being favourable, and the attendance, we are informed, was only fair. The proceedings commenced with the Spring Hurdle Race. The Spy, 9st. 5lb., who was in front all the way, defeated Little Arthur, 10st. 2lb., and Romulus, 10st. 2lb., by half a length, six others being behind them. Heather Bell appropriated the Maiden Plate, nine others following her home. Then came the New Zealand Cup, for which ten started, Wolverine, 5yrs., 6st 11lb., being first, Dudu, 6yrs., 8st. 9lb., second, and Strephon third. Crackshot was made a hot favourite, but finished nowhere. Jet d'Eau was second in demand, but he never showed prominently in any portion of the race. Freedom and the winner were next in demand, while St. Andrew, one of my fancies, was the absolute last. My readers will remember that when the handicap first came out Wolverine was looked upon as the great blot, and after winning a couple of handicaps at the Dunedin Hunt Club's meeting he was brought into notice by being backed in a luke-warm kind of manner. He has always been a special fancy of mine, but owing to what I thought was reliable information, that his party had only tried him over a mile and a half, and that they doubted his ability to stay, I could only allot him a situation, instead of going for him right out as I was inclined to do. St. Andrew and Freedom, who were my selections, ran unaccountably bad, and the only excuse I can make is that they are inferior animals and cannot stay. Crackshot was made a great favourite, but I never could and never will stand him for a race of any importance, as I am one of those that maintain that a horse

takes his stamina from the dam, and though Pungawerewere won the Dunedin Cup she was none of the stoutest. Dudu ran a good mare and was trained to the day. Strephon, as I anticipated some weeks ago turned the tables on Crackshot, but considering his weight he must only be a moderate one. The race, taken as a whole, must have been a bad one for backers, as first of all Medallion (who may be put down as a second Titan) was backed, then Mr. Gollan had a little game on with Jet d'Eau and Tirailleur, and I quite expect he has burnt his fingers. Then came Merrie England, who got one of his usual attacks, and finally Crackshot, who has put his backers on the wrong side of the ledger. However, the race goes to prove, as far as the season has gone, that the horses in New Zealand at the present time are very moderate. The Riccarton Welter Handicap fell to Von Tempsky, Harkaway and Bay King being second and third. Nine other moderate ones started. The Welcome Stakes, which is looked upon as one of the principal two-year-old races, only attracted eight to the post, and resulted in a slashing race between Na Moa, by Nordenfeldt—Tres Duce, and Florrie, by Tasman—Rubina. Union Flag was third, three lengths away. This running does not point to any of them being *very smart*, as they are too close together. Count d'Orsey defeated Silver Pine, Chudleigh, and two others for the Islington Plate, one mile. For the Stewards' Stakes, six furlongs, eleven started, and the result was an easy win for Red Cross, 6st. 5lb., Cynisca, 8st. 3lb., second, Ben Trovato third, eight others being behind them. The final race was the Selling Race, which Chudleigh appropriated, defeating six others.

THE second day of the C.J.C. Spring Meeting at Christchurch commenced with the Middleton Hurdle Race, for which eight started. The Spy, 10st. 7lb. again proving his smartness over sticks by winning easily by two lengths, Little Arthur, 10st. 13lb. second; Ixon, 11st. 9lb., third. The next race on the card was the Criterion Stakes, seven furlongs, for which the good field of eleven went to the post, and it resulted in a splendid race between four. Peerswick, 7st. 10lb., an outsider, winning by a neck from Whisper, 9st. 4lb.; Ruby, 8st. 6lb. half a length away, being third, a head in front of St. Malo, 8st.

THEN came the Derby, for which all the five acceptors went to the post, Medallion winning comfortably by three parts of a length from Freedom, who was a head in front of Crackshot, Diadem being close up, while St. Andrew, who ran very fast for a mile, cantered in last. This running requires some consideration. Medallion finished last in the Hawke's Bay Guineas, and at the time I wrote that it was not his true running, as last year he was a very good two-year-old. Mr. Stead then scratched him for the New Zealand Cup, for which he was the great public fancy, at the same time writing a letter (which he had much better not have done) to the press to explain why it was that Medallion had run so badly. Now, if there was any truth in that letter might I ask Mr. Stead how it is that Medallion has so altered his form, especially taking into consideration that during the interim Medallion had a sea voyage, which is decidedly injurious to a race-horse, though it may be the reverse for a human being. Then came the acceptances for the Derby and Canterbury Cup. Medallion's name appeared among the "contents" for both races. Now, on his running at Napier he had not a show for either of them. Mr. Stead may be very clever, but he must remember that there are older racing men in the Colony who are not easily "bluffed"—I for one—so I will give my opinion of the performance. Mr. Stead intends him for some of the big handicaps on the other side, during the coming autumn, and his running in the Hawke's Bay Guineas was only a blind, and he could not in the face of it run him in the New Zealand Cup. But he accepted in the classic races on the off chance, and finding that the three-year-olds ran so badly in the Cup, he thought that the handicappers would take no notice of Medallion beating them in the Derby. My opinion may be wrong, but I have had over 40 years experience in racing, both in England and the Colonies. However, subsequent running will prove who is correct. For the Juvenile Stakes, five furlongs, seven went to the post. Mr. G. G. Stead's Lebel,

6st. 11lb., by Nordenfeldt—Pulchra, won by a neck; Union Flag, 6st. 11lb., second; Mary, 6st. 11lb., third. The two-year-olds that have appeared this season are too close together to lead one to suppose that there is a flyer amongst them. The Metropolitan Stakes, 1½ miles, is looked upon as second only to the Cup, but this year it produced only a moderate field, and resulted as follows:—Strephon, 7st. 2lb., first; Wolverine, 8st. 4lb., second; Palliser, 6st. 11lb. third. Dudu, (9st. 4lb.) Cruchfield, (8st. 6lb.) Cynisca, (8st. 5lb.) Jet d'Eau, (7st. 9lb.) Kotuku, (6st. 9lb.) also started. Strephon won easily by a length and a half, a bad third. This performance, though profitable to Mr. Douglas, cannot be looked upon as of much account. The Epsom Light-weight Handicap, a class of race that is becoming very popular with racing men, attracted the good field of eleven, Prime Warden winning it easily by two lengths; Vision, 7st. 11lb., second; Ben Trovato third. The selling two-year-old race was an easy win for the favourite, Cajolery, who defeated three moderate ones. The Post Stakes, four furlongs, produced a field of six. Drift succeeded in defeating Chudleigh by a short head, Clifton being third. This concluded the days racing. The weather being fine the attendance was good.

THE third day's racing at Flemington is never of the same interest as the two preceding ones. The champion Carbine, having been scratched for his engagements, disappointed many people, but in the interest of racing it was beneficial, as few owners would have cared to oppose him. Mr. D. S. Wallace would do well to scratch him for his engagements, so as not to risk defeat, as he can now retire with the greatest record ever known in the annals of racing. The constant opening of his hoof is sufficient warning, and it may occur at a critical moment in some race, which will cause him to be beaten. The world at large will then immediately say that his Melbourne Cup win was a fluke. The most noticeable thing in the day's racing was how one race was completely thrown away and two others nearly so. The Flying Stakes, w.f.a., seven furlongs, was first on the cards. Eleven went to the post, Megaphone being made favourite at 5 to 4 on, and he managed to get home a neck in front of Lady Carbine, Correze being third. This, taking into consideration the time of year, is a very good performance on the part of Lady Carbine—own sister to the champion—and if all goes well she will make a name for herself. The Oaks produced a field of six, and resulted in a boil over, through the favourites making too light of the winner. Prelude was made the favorite, with Magic Circle next in demand. They allowed Litigant to steal away so far that when they tried to catch her they could not, and she won easily by five lengths, Magic Circle second, Wilga third. This is not the first instance by many that a race has been thrown away through the jockies being too confident. The Second Hurdle Race fell to Islander, 9st 11lb, Cross-rail, 11st 2lb, second, Africanus a bad third. The Spring Handicap, a race that is looked upon as a kind of after trial race, produced a field of seventeen, but the information to hand is so meagre that I can only say that it was won by Crown Jewel, 7st 6lb, Don Giovan, 7st 12lb, being second, and Despised, 6st 11lb third. Correze was made favourite, with Amina and Crown Jewel next in demand. Won by a neck, a length between second and third. The Royal Park Stakes, w.f.a., one mile and five furlongs, did not create much interest, as only King William, Pioneer and Plenty opposed Megaphone, who started at the odds of 5 to 1 on him, but only succeeded in getting home a short head in front of King William, through Ramage holding the others too cheap, thus again proving the folly of jockies riding a horse in the manner commonly called "jolly." Fourteen came to the post for the Veteran Stakes, for which Sir William, 8st. 12lb., started favourite, but Coryphus, 7st. 11lb., who started at 6 to 1, pulled through by a head from Jebuite, 8st. 3lb., the favourite being third.

THE Auckland Racing Club commence their season with the Spring Meeting to-day. This being the first meeting of the season, it is impossible to know the form of the horses, and last year's record is of little importance, as the

majority of the horses are only platers. The first race to notice is the Welcome Stakes. The good field of eleven have paid up. It is quite amusing to hear the different reports of the time these youngsters have done the distance in. If all were true, more than one could have won the Maribyrong Plate; but all these things you must take *cum grano salis*. In The Workman Major George has a good colt, but in my opinion he is overdone, and too light for this time of the year. However, I should not be surprised if he was very near the mark, as I look upon him as a superior colt. Orestes and the Captivator—Maid of Honour colt are both useful animals, and I prefer the latter, though I believe the stable are of a different opinion, but I have seen the knowing ones make mistakes before now. I am told that Wright has a pretty smart one in his stable, but as I have not seen his youngsters I can only suspect that it is Tulloch. Now, I am quite certain that none of them have been properly tried, except with the watch. It is absurd to try and pick the winner, but if I like the looks of The Workman at the post I shall have my mite on him, and save myself with Brown Bess. The Prince of Wales' Handicap is a very open race. Now that Hilda has been scratched I must make a plunge, and I think Patchwork and Cartridge are the best of a moderate lot. The Hurdles appear to be at the mercy of Wright's selected, unless Te Kooti upsets the pot. Reprisal, if he is worth his oats, ought to credit the Guineas to Major George. The other races I leave alone (but I shall be at the service of my readers on the ground, if they can find me).



MR. TOM CRAIG.

In this issue we present our readers with a photograph of Hurricane, the well-known steeplechaser, together with one of Mr. Tom Craig, his owner and rider. Old Hurricane, who is by Ravensworth, and upwards of twenty years old, has won several races in this district during the last couple of seasons, notably the double of Pakuranga Hunt Club Cup and Hurdle race two years in succession. He is trained by Mr. J. B. Williamson, of Ellerslie, to whom great credit is due for the manner in which he has brought the old horse to the post. Mr. Tom Craig is one of our best amateur cross-country horsemen, and steered Hurricane to victory in the four races mentioned. He rides with consummate judgment, has good hands and seat, and would hold his own against most professionals in the pigskin.

LOOKING through the handicaps for the Auckland Racing Club's Spring Meeting to be held to-day and Monday, Mr. J. O. Evitt cannot be congratulated. It proves conclusively to a racing man that no one at a distance can handicap horses that have only run in local races and which he has never seen. Take Antelope and Capella as an instance. They are weighted the same at a mile as they are at six furlongs, and any tyro at racing must know, if he had seen them run, that the former is the best stayer. Then take Antelope, Cynical and Capella. They are handicapped at the same difference of weights at both distances, while Belmont has 11b and Te Kooti 3lb more in

the shorter race. If this is handicapping my racing education has been neglected. If Mr. Evitt makes such mistakes on the first day, what will he do on the second, for, being in Christchurch, he cannot possibly be present on the first day to witness the running of the horses and the majority of them are engaged on both days. Mr. J. O. Evitt is appointed handicapper, and it is a moot question, if any one else adjusts the weights (except in the case of the one appointed) if owners cannot strike out their horses and demand a return of the nomination money.

**EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.**

**CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB.**

ON Monday, nominations close at 4 p.m., with Mr. W. H. E. Wanklyn, secretary, for the following events:—

- Welcome Stakes (1891), 250 sovs., four furlongs
- Derby Stakes (1892), 500 sovs., one mile and a half
- Oaks Stakes (1892), 200 sovs., one mile and a half

**AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.**

ON Friday nominations will be received by Mr. W. Percival up to 8 p.m. for the

- Auckland Guineas (1892), 150 sovs., one mile

**PAKURANGA RACING CLUB.**

Acceptances and general entries for the Spring Meeting of the above club, close with the secretary, Mr. R. Williams, on Friday, at 9 p.m.

**ACCEPTANCES—**

- Handicap Maiden Plate
- Handicap Farmers' Plate
- Tamaki Cup Handicap
- Handicap Hurdles
- Flying Handicap

**ENTRIES—**

- Maiden Hurdle Race, 30 sovs., 1½ miles
- Selling Race, 20 sovs., 7 furlongs

**THE A.R.C. SPRING MEETING.**

**THE RACES TO-DAY.**

THE Auckland Racing Club will bring off their Spring Meeting to-day and Monday. As usual, the Metropolitan Club have supplied an excellent programme, and although one or two of the contests will not bring out large fields, on the whole the racing promises to be quite up to the usual standard of excellence. Mr. J. Kirkwood will, as heretofore, act as judge, and Mr. George Cutts as starter. Mr. F. W. Marks will be in his old place as clerk of the scales, Mr. T. Brown will keep the course clear, and Mr. W. Percival will, as usual, fulfil the arduous post of secretary. The Band, under Bandmaster Impey, will perform a choice selection of music on the lawn, and if the weather proves fine, everyone is sure to enjoy the outing. Racing will commence with the

**PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP. One mile.**

	st lb		st lb
Antelope .....	9 5	Belmont .....	7 6
Fiesole .....	8 5	Baron .....	7 5
Cynical .....	8 2	Capella .....	7 3
Rataplan .....	7 9	Te Kooti.....	6 7
St. Michael .....	7 7		

Antelope is a very speedy mare over this distance, and if really well, as I believe her to be, whatever beats her will win. Fiesole may, however, be found capable of defeating her, but I can find nothing else in the list likely to finish in front of Pygmalion's sister, unless it be Capella. I shall place them: ANTELOPE, 1; FIESOLE, 2; CAPELLA, 3.

**WELCOME STAKES, Five furlongs.**

- Resentment (Foul Shot—Mystery)
- Veux Rose (Hippocampus—Rosarina)
- Tulloch (Sword Dance—Welcome Katie)
- Ida (King Cole—Bregalia)
- Roie (St. Leger—Hippone)
- Brigand (Brigadier—Gannet)
- Lady Belle (Brigadier—Belle)
- The Workman (Robinson Crusoe—The Maid)
- Brown Bess (St. Leger—Cantiniere)
- Captivator—Maid of Honour colt
- Orestes (Nordenfeldt—Clytemnestra)

These youngsters should provide a most interesting race. I have seen Orestes work, and was much impressed with his style of going, and I am satisfied it will take a very speedy one to haul down his number. Geo. Wright's best must be considered dangerous. He has three engaged, viz., Tulloch, Brigand, and Roie. Brown Bess, a Waikato-owned filly, and The Workman are both promising youngsters. To make a place selection, I shall put them thus: ORESTES, 1; THE WORKMAN, 2; BROWN BESS, 3.

AUCKLAND GUINEAS. One mile.  
Reprisal (First King—Memphis)  
Leolantis (Leolinus—Atlantis)  
The Dreamer (Somnus—Sweet Alice)

I won't have Leolantis, although he will probably start first favourite. I am satisfied that The Dreamer will beat him if he is well. I like Reprisal better still, and shall expect them to finish: REPRISAL, 1; THE DREAMER, 2; LEOLANTIS, 3.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE. Two miles.

	st lb		st lb
Hopeful Kate	10 10	Fragrance	9 3
Orlando	10 7	Begorra	9 0
Satyr	10 0	Hallstone	9 0
Hune	9 12	Sentinel	9 0
Te Kooti	9 4		

Orlando, after his running at the Hunt Club Races, reads especially well. Hune, if she has improved in form as she should have done, must run well forward, and Te Kooti is not overburdened if he will jump. The latter is, however, also engaged in the President's Handicap and Flying Stakes, and may be an absentee. Sentinel and Begorra are unknown qualities. In the probable absence of Te Kooti I like best: ORLANDO, 1; HUNE, 2; FRAGRANCE, 3.

PRINCE OF WALES' HANDICAP. One and a half miles.

	st lb		st lb
Hilda	9 8	The Dreamer	7 6
Cissy	8 11	Belmont	7 3
Patchwork	8 2	Glaucus	7 0
Leorina	7 13	Cartridge	6 8
Leolantis	7 9		

This is a most open race. If The Dreamer wins the Guineas I shall expect him to run very forward in this race, if he does not win outright. The best of Wright's pair, Cissy and Leolantis, will run very forward. Of the others, Leorina finds most favour in my eyes. As I said before, the race is most open, and backers must use their own judgment on the course, when they will be able to judge of the condition of the horses. I shall risk a tip thus: THE DREAMER, 1; CISSY, 2; LEORINA, 3.

SELLING STEEPLECHASE. About three miles.

	st lb		st lb
Hurricane	11 7	Jim	9 7
Falcon	9 7	Huntsman	9 7

Hurricane and Falcon should have this race all to themselves, and to separate them I shall go for: FALCON, 1; HURRICANE, 2.

FLYING HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

	st lb		st lb
Antelope	9 5	Prudence	7 4
Cissy	9 2	Capella	7 2
Reprisal	8 3	Locket	7 3
Cynical	8 2	Lady Emmeline	7 2
Ratapan	7 10	Cartridge	7 0
Belmont	7 7	Te Kooti	6 10
Master Pat	7 5		

The winner of the President's Handicap, or Prince of Wales' Handicap, if engaged in this event, will incur a 5lbs. penalty. Without wading through the list of horses engaged, I shall declare my preference for: CISSY, 1; REPRISAL, 2; CAPELLA, 3.

NORDENFELDT.

### ELLERSLIE TRAINING NOTES.

ON Tuesday some interesting work was done. Huntsman went once round the tan, when he was joined by Jim, and the pair did a circuit together. Glaucus moved slowly twice round the same track. Quadrant was working, and went once round the trial track. Priscilla was despatched twice round the tan at a good pace, and Patchwork went twice round fast. This horse is looking very well. Hopeful Kate was schooled over the hurdles in the middle of the course, but the mare is rather backward. Ma Boughal was trotting, and a filly by Sword Dance, with Tommy Taylor in the saddle, did slow work. Brown Bess, by St. Leger out of Cantiniere, did a useful once round on the trial track. Orestes and the Maid of Honour colt did serviceable work on the trial track.

ON Wednesday, Hallstone and Brown Bess cantered together, spurting home the last five furlongs. The Dreamer went twice round the trial track at a good working pace. Capella went a circuit at half pace. Priscilla and Ma Boughal in company negotiated two rounds at half pace. Fiesole swung round once alone, and Antelope went double the distance at a slow pace. Jim was despatched twice round with Frewin in the saddle. In the afternoon, Glaucus ran a mile and a half trial. Tamora accompanied him for once round, and Landseer

brought him home the last three furlongs. Patchwork was sent a mile and a quarter at top, but did not move in anything like his usual style. Begorra and Hurricane were schooled over the hurdles in the middle of the course, after which they went together for a round on the plough. Belmont was sent twice round the trial track, finishing the last six furlongs at top, moving well. Harrison's team, with the exception of Fiesole, were restricted to walking exercise. Fishmonger went two circuits of the trial track, and Moderator went half that distance.

ON Thursday the course proper was thrown open to all except jumpers. Hope was the first out with his team, and sent Quadrant once round the trial track slowly. The horse looks big and well. Patchwork, with sweaters on, did a fast twice round, moving better than on the previous day. The Workman and Vendetta jumped off together, and went once round, finishing home fast. The Workman appeared to move a trifle sore. Jim went two rounds on the plough. Reprisal and Fiesole moved once round the course proper together at a moderate pace. Both these horses are in good form. Orestes and the Maid of Honour colt went two circuits on the same track, Tommy Taylor being up on the Clytemnestra colt. The Dreamer swung twice round the course proper, and Belmont went half that distance. Hopeful Kate moved slowly round the trial track three times, and Capella and Ma Boughal went once round the course proper at top. Ma Boughal shows signs of great improvement, and is coming on nicely. Hedger sent Antelope once round, finishing the last six furlongs in 1.20. The mare is very well, and should run prominently at the coming meeting. Priscilla cantered three times round the same course. Begorra and Landseer, in company, were despatched for two rounds on the plough, a similar task being awarded to Huntsman. The Dancer cantered once round the course proper, and Nap was sent twice round the trial track.

### RE INGOMAR.

(To the Editor SPORTING REVIEW.)

SIR,—In your issue of 18th October you wrote in disparaging terms of Ingomar, and call Major George to task for mating that sire with Sylvia Park mares. Ingomar, for getting racehorses, is perhaps not as good as Musket or Traducer, but quite as successful as other horses, and better than many for cross-country and other purposes. However, opinions differ. I may say it is a great mistake for sporting writers to underestimate any horse, whether racing or at the stud, until he has had a fair trial, which is often done in this colony. You seem to be prejudiced against Ingomar, or that is the opinion I drew from your paragraph. His stock have proved successful in England and Ireland, and also here. Mr. P. Campbell, who imported this fine horse, is not in New Zealand at present, or he would be able, I think, to convince you that he is the right horse in the right place. I may say that Vandal (Rubina's first foal), had he lived, would have been a first-class racehorse as a four and five-year-old. Dan O'Brien would give you an opinion about the colt—a small one—if wanted. With reference to his stock from Coryca, Ingomar got Alcinous (who ran third in a field of twenty-five in the Toorak Handicap, with 8st., at Caulfield the other day), who has shown himself quite as good as Bay King (Cadogan) is likely to be. From Hipporina Ingomar got Ingorina. Is he not as good as Muskerina (Musket—Hipporina) was on the turf? Is Souvenir (Ingomar—Memento) not as good as Forest King, Memorandum and Beua (Feve)? Fiesole (Ingomar—Florence) was looked upon as a "frost" before she had been given a fair trial, and last season her record was four wins out of seven starts—not a bad one. She is as good as Clive (Cap-a-pie) was, and perhaps as Coalscuttle (King Cole) will be. Then there is Strephon (Elfin's first foal, and not a big one), who with 7st. 11lb. ran a good second to Crackshot, 7st. 7lb., in the Hawke's Bay Spring Handicap, and at Napier Park ran second in the Park Stakes and won the Railway and Racing Club Handicaps. Lochness (Ingomar—Albatross) is perhaps quite as good as Teksum (Musket) and better than Gannet (Anteros). Hikutere (Ingomar—Bessemmer) has not been a success so far, but the Ingomars want age. Montrose (Ingomar—Dundee Katie) is as good as Katie Ferguson and Katie (Musket) and Welcome Katie (Feve). The season before last Ingomar had three winners of £657 8s.; last season he had ten winners of £1,456, which shows that he is quickly working his way to the top, and had Vandal not died when he did Ingomar would have been in a place. I think Major George's taste was good in selecting Ingomar in preference to other sires. However, I must conclude. Thanking you in expectation,

I remain, etc.,  
OILEUS.

Wellington, October 27, 1890.

["Oileus" is evidently an Irishman, judging from the way he sticks up for Ingomar. He is, however, a little out in his calculations when he states "his stock have proved successful in England and Ireland." Ingomar never got one at home within 3st. of a good one. As all breeders know, the most successful sires have been out of good mares. Now, Ingomar is well bred on his sire's side, but his dam and grand-dam (which we knew well) were moderate in the extreme. Ingomar himself

was only good over sticks, and not having been successful at the stud, Mr. Campbell secured him at a very low figure for the Colonies. Space will not allow us to go fully into the performances, etc., of all the horses that "Oileus" has mentioned, but we can assure him that not one he has mentioned in his letter is within 4st. of a good one. We must confess that "Oileus" beats us when he says "had Vandal not died when he did Ingomar would have been in a place" as a winning sire. Talking about Musket as a great sire, we think all must confess that he got more bad than good ones, and these only out of mares with hard blood in their veins. In conclusion, when "Oileus" says, "I think Major George's taste was good in selecting Ingomar in preference to other sires." We must ask him this question—Why was Ingomar sold for an old song? We might add that Australian writers and others are in unison with us as regards the great mistake made in putting the best mares at Sylvia Park to Ingomar instead of Nordenfeldt.—ED. S. R.]

### VOLUNTEER NEWS.

RANGE TIME-TABLE.  
November 8—Ponsonby Navals.  
[BY CARBINE.]

THE final stage of the "O" Battery's Cup was fired at the Mt. Eden Range on Saturday last, Sergt. McCallum proving himself the winner with the grand aggregate of 201 points. The following are the scores made on Saturday, ranges 300 and 500 yards—10 shots at each distance:—

Name	300 yds	500 yds	Total
Sergt. M. McCallum	31	33	64
Gun. Greenshields	28	25	53
Sergt. M. Fairs	23	28	41
Gun. P. Browne	30	8	38
Gun. Ellyett	28	6	34

The Victoria Rifles fired for the Schapp Belt on Saturday at the Onehunga Range. This is the third year the belt has been fired for. In the first competition Sergt. Theo. Fairs proved the winner with the fine score of 114 out of a possible 140. Col.-Sergt. Skinner is the present holder, and has a good position in the third competition. The ranges were 200, 300, 400 and 500 yards—seven shots at each distance, but, owing to the number of men firing, darkness appeared when finishing the 400 yards range, so the 500 yards had to be abandoned till a future date. The highest scores at present are:—

Name	200 yds	300 yds	400 yds	Total
Vol. W. Preston	27	23	21	71
Col.-Sergt. Skinner	23	25	20	68
Vol. Beamish	22	22	21	65
Vol. McCarthy	21	26	12	59
Vol. Simpson	21	19	16	56
Sergt. Watson	23	20	7	55
Vol. Cantell	23	14	17	54

The firing for the 2nd class shots quarterly competitions for money prizes also took place at the same time, five shots being fired at the same distances. The scores are:—

Vol. Beamish	19	17	16	52
Vol. J. Preston	21	5	11	38
Vol. Simpson	14	12	11	37
Vol. Rugg	12	10	14	36
Vol. J. Hill	12	10	13	35
Vol. Langley	18	6	6	30
Vol. Jas. Preston	10	12	8	29

The volley and independent firing of the Engineers (Major Anderson) and "O" Battery (Capt. Reid) took place on Saturday last, there being a very fair muster of each company. The firing was also a great improvement on the companies that have gone through. Major Pirie was in command on the range.

I have heard from good authority that the Government have declined to do anything to the floor of the drill shed. Who is to blame for this? Well, in my opinion, no one but the officers of the garrison. They seem to have no push in them whatever; they send one letter to the officials at Wellington, and whatever answer they get leave it as such. Why should we not have as good a shed here as there are at the other centres? The officers everywhere else seem to work together and thereby get from the Government whatever they require, but here they go to drill and think no more of the men and their wants. I firmly believe that if the officers were to co-operate and demand that the shed should be put in proper condition at once or else they would leave off their parades until it was done, they would have a new floor laid within two months.

P.O. Williams has again won the Wellington Navals' belt; this being the fifth time, the grand aggregate for the seven matches being 430 points. Seaman Still secured second place with the aggregate of 429, pulling up 35 points on the champion. Seaman A. France was third with 424, and Seaman Moore fourth with 397.

## ATHLETICS.

[BY NIMBLEFOOT.]

## CRICKET.

THE Cup matches were started on Saturday, but owing to the slowness of the wickets, and want of practice, caused by the recent bad weather, no large scores were made. Nevertheless, the cricket was about as good as it usually is at the beginning of the year.

**AUCKLAND V. UNITED.**—Auckland batted first, but with the exception of R. Neill, who made 39 out of the total score of 65, none of them played at all well. Neill was in excellent form, the slow wicket seeming to suit him, and played quite the best innings on the ground. Auckland made 65, and United have lost 6 wickets for 60, of which C. Harvie made 22, and W. Harvie 12 not out. Hawkins bowled well for United, while Beale and R. Neil bowled well for Auckland.

**GORDON V. ALPHA (13).**—The latter team went first to the wicket, but were all disposed of for the small score of 46. Roberts showed fairly good form for 14, but none of the others reached double figures. Lusk and Kelly bowled exceedingly well, Lusk getting 4 wickets for 16 runs, and Kelly 7 for 28. Gordon going in to bat, lost only 3 wickets for 104, of which Moresby got 35 not out, Fowke 21 not out, and Williams 21. Each of them played good cricket for their runs, though perhaps Fowke's was the best innings. The latter's wicket-keeping was also much admired.

**PARNELL V. ST. MARY'S (15).**—The latter batted first, and were all dismissed for 81. Brennan (13), Hackett (14), and Lundon (12 not out), played well, but none of the rest showed up prominently. Wills bowled best for Parnell. On Parnell going to the wickets, Mills and Gardiner collared the St. Mary's bowling, the score standing at 52 for one wicket when time was called: Gardiner 22, Mills 26 not out. Both played remarkably well, though Gardiner's was perhaps the better innings.

## DEMONSTRATION SPORTS.

PURDIE, Boonstra, and Cummins are all in the pink of condition, and from this trio I fancy the winner of the Demonstration Handicap will come.

Howie is going strong and well, and should make it interesting for those competing in the half-mile.

McKean, I hear, is going in good form, but I have not been able to see him, as he is training on the St. Mary's Cricket Ground, where McDonald, I hear, has put in some sensational work.

For the walk I fancy Goodman will just about win, although Smith and Daisley will make it pretty merry for him.

The Obstacle Race, I think, will rest between McDermott and Wilson.

## A.A.A. &amp; C.C. SPORTS.

ENTRIES for the various events at the A.A.C. meeting close with the Secretary, Mr. Jas. Halyday, jnr., on Saturday evening, at 9 o'clock, at the club room, Imperial Hotel, and I believe will eclipse in numbers the entries for former meetings.

## TRAINING NOTES.

Some good work has been done on the Domain during the past week, and as the day of the sports approaches fresh men keep arriving on the scene.

Goldwater has started training, and is going to make it pretty merry for the mile.

Martin, who, it will be remembered, ran second in the Ladies' Bracelet last meeting, is under Goodman, and shows great improvement. He is worth watching.

The Harvey Brothers are moving along nicely, but both seem to be on the big side.

Laird and Johnston, under Joe Taylor, are getting into tip-top form. The former is still moving in his well-known style, and appears to revel in his work.

Hutchison, Owen, and Collins have each put in good sound work this week, but I think White has all his work cut out to get Owen into anything like condition by the 22nd, he being very gross. However, if all goes well with his ankle, he ought to be in good going order by the Championship Meeting.

Mowbray keeps improving, and is a man I have a great liking for.

Lynch is still pegging away, and if good hard work will do any good for a man he ought to have a say in the long distance.

Winks has made a start, and appears to be going for the short distances. He seems to hold his own with most of them in his work, and should have a good say in the 120 yds. and 250 yds. Handicaps.

For the Walk, Creamer seems to tower head and shoulders above anyone else. His style is completely altered since I saw him at last meeting, and the man that beats him will have to stir his pins.

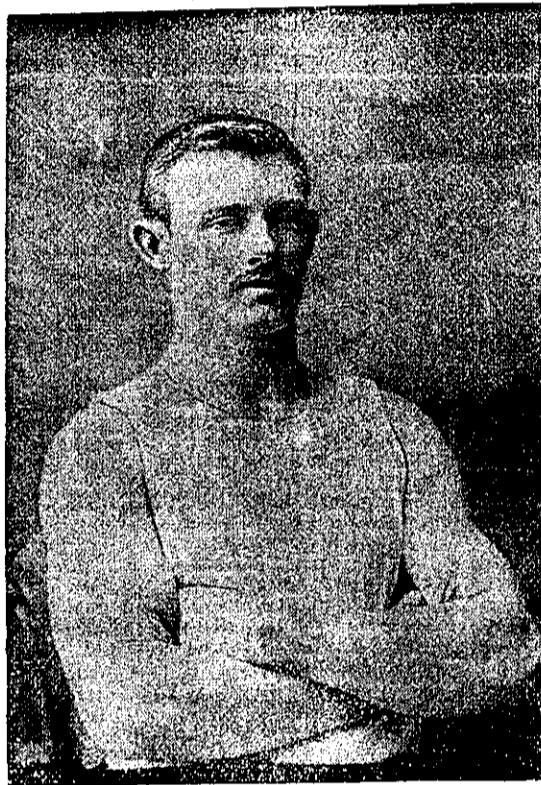
Peace, Edmunds, and others are each getting on exceedingly well, and will no doubt improve before the 22nd.

Owing to the recent rains the wheelmen have not had a chance to ride on the Domain, but several have been doing running exercise.

Buchanan has been running, and is under McDermott.

Jack Stewart is in training, and is in charge of McGuinness, and appears fit and well.

Selby, I hear, is at work as usual, and has imported a new "racer." I hope he will have better luck than at former meetings.



TOM SULLIVAN.

## TURF TATTLE.

[BY NORDENFELDT.]

THE racing at Flemington has this year been more interesting than it ever was before. Of course Carbine is the idol of the hour, and well does he deserve the honour. One could not very well sufficiently praise the mighty horse capable of recording such a stupendous performance. People who had been racing for years were lost in astonishment when their morning paper informed them that Carbine, notwithstanding his crushing impost, had not only got home easily in the Melbourne Cup, but had actually broken the Australasian time record.

BEFORE his miraculous performance, all other events of the meeting are quite cast in the shade, but nevertheless, some of them call for special mention. The Derby, as was generally anticipated, fell an easy prey to The Admiral, who was well ridden by Hales. The race does not appear to have been a fast one by any means, but this would only tend to show that the field behind him was a poor one, rather than to detract from the merits of the winner's performance. The colt's subsequent running in the Melbourne Cup, in which he finished fifth, proved him to be about the best of his age that have been seen out this season. The Maiden Plate fell to The Serf, a four-year-old son of St. Albans in Mr. J. Wilson's stable. My readers will remember him as the animal I selected to win the Caulfield Cup, for which race he was heavily backed at the post. The Melbourne Stakes was, of course, a foregone

conclusion for Carbine, and Gresford had again to put up with second place. This colt will yet prove to Mr. Jones that he made no mistake in plumping down a thousand guineas for him. The Maribyrnong Plate brought out twenty starters, and Yarran, a beautiful colt by Epigram out of Nellie, easily appropriated the rich stake. The Musket blood was again in evidence here, as the second and third horses were both descended from the defunct son of Toxophilite. Corvette was one of the Kirkham bred yearlings purchased by Mr. J. B. Clarke, and is by Martini-Henry out of Volley's dam, Lady Vivian. She, who was purchased by Mr. W. R. Wilson at the last Sylvia Park sale, and is by Nordenfeldt out of Steppe, the dam of Russley, Lady Norah, Too Soon and Tartar.

WHAT a national calamity it was when old Musket died! Besides the sensational Carbine, another of his sons, Teksum, scored a couple of events on the same day. With 8st. 5lb. on his back, he took the Railway Handicap from a field of twenty-seven, running the six furlongs in 1m. 15 $\frac{3}{4}$ s. Later in the afternoon he put up a penalty of 7lbs., which brought his weight up to 8st. 11lb., and won the Yan Yean Stakes, one mile, from sixteen runners, in the exceptionally fast time of 1m. 41 $\frac{3}{4}$ s. Again did descendants of the great Musket fill the places in the Nursery Handicap, won by Sophiaetta. Pie Crust, by Martini-Henry—Rusk, (dam of Rudolph) was second, and Steadfast, by Nordenfeldt—Nelly Moore, (dam of Lochiel and Corunna) third.

THE in and out running of Mr. G. G. Stead's colt Medallion calls for more than passing comment. Such a glaring reversal of form in so short a time should have been inquired into. After Medallion's inglorious display in the Hawkes Bay Guineas, in which he finished absolutely last, Mr. Stead was good enough to inform the public through the *Canterbury Times* that he was "disappointed but not surprised," as a gallop which the colt had shown him previous to leaving Christchurch had convinced him that his previously-formed opinion was correct, viz., that the colt had lost his two-year-old form. Yet he allowed his horse to be taken to Hawkes Bay to make such an exhibition. The colt then returns to Christchurch and is scratched for the New Zealand Cup, for which he had been heavily supported by the public, but comes out subsequently and wins the Derby easily. Now, until some further explanation is made, I, for one, shall refuse to believe that Mr. Stead was either "disappointed or surprised" at the colt's running at Hawkes Bay. It is a thousand pities that such a fine colt as Medallion should be messed about in this way. If a genuine sportsman such as Mr. Donald Wallace owned the horse, he would satisfy himself before running him that he was well, but if he had become convinced that he had no show in a race he would have scratched him, and given his reasons, instead of allowing the public from one end of the colony to the other to lose their money on him. Unfortunately, Mr. Stead is not, and never has been, one of this sort, which is much to be regretted by all true lovers of sport in New Zealand.

## SPORTING ITEMS.

Hilda, who is slightly amiss, has been scratched for the Prince of Wales' Handicap.

We learn with a great deal of satisfaction that "Mr. R. Burke" backed Carbine for a sufficient amount of money to cover his liabilities over Cuirassier.

Weights for the Spring Meeting of the Pakuranga Racing Club will be declared on Tuesday next. Mr. W. Knight, we believe, is the handicapper.

Weights for the Otago Cup and principal handicaps at the Dunedin Jockey Club Spring Meeting will be declared on Saturday next by Mr. G. Dowse.

It amuses one to see the mistakes that even the leading Racing Clubs of Australia make in the wording of the conditions of a race. The V.A.T. Club had some curious ones in the Caulfield Stakes and Cup, but the V.R.C. Club in the Maribyrnong Stakes beat them, having this "Geldings at the time of running allowed 5lb." When do young ones undergo the operation in Australia?

"Spectator" states that Fred. Hedge, who was at one time a leading cross-country rider, and who used to ride Clarence, left Christchurch last week for the old country.

Messrs. Hobbs Bros. have sustained a severe loss. Their well-known colt Road Metal, whilst exercising the other morning on the Washdyke course, broke one of his hind legs and had to be destroyed.

Murray, one of the men employed on the Ellerslie racecourse, met with a nasty accident on Monday. He was employed cutting grass with a scythe when a gate swung round, striking the blade on to his leg, and inflicting a severe cut.

It is to be regretted that the meetings of the Pakuranga Racing Club and the Amateur Athletic and Cycle Club should both be held on the same day. Unfortunately, when the Racing Club fixed their date, they were not aware that it would clash with the sports.

By advertisement in another column, applications for the position of handicapper to the Takapuna Jockey Club are invited. Full particulars can be obtained from the Secretary, and applications will be received up to 4 o'clock on Tuesday, November 11th.

Monday next is fixed upon as the day for settling over the V.R.C and C.J.C. meetings. It is sincerely to be hoped that the public will be prompt in paying up, as the bookmakers have undoubtedly the worst of it, and will have to pay out large sums.

It was reported a short time since that Lord Dudley had purchased the crack Irish steeple-chaser Royal Meath for £5,000. The noble lord is not quite satisfied with his bargain, and the vendor of the horse is taking action for the recovery of the purchase money.—*Weekly Press.*

At a meeting of the Auckland Racing Club, held on Wednesday, the following programmes were passed:—Drury Racing Club, December 29th; Gisborne Racing Club Summer Meeting, January 6th and 7th; Alexandra Racing Club, December 26th. The horses that competed at the recent meeting at Potter's Paddock were disqualified from running at meetings held under the A.R.C. rules. The disqualification, however, may be removed under certain circumstances upon application.

A great deal is said in the Colonies about the pace that steeplechases are run at. Now to give the young Colonials some idea of the pace that is required to win a steeple in England, the following quotations are taken from the *Badmington Library*:—"During the last twenty years the average time of the Derby, one and a half miles, is 2min. 48secs. During the same period the average time of the Grand National Steeplechase at Liverpool, a very long four and a half miles has been 10 min. 13 secs. That is to say a mile has been run at Epsom in 1 min. 52secs., and at Liverpool in 24 secs. more—that is in 2 min. 16 secs. There are on the Liverpool course some thirty jumps of formidable size, the going on the turf is generally worse than that at Epsom, and there are some ploughed fields to be crossed. Moreover, while the Derby horses have carried 8st 10lb the Liverpool horses have carried during these years an average of as nearly as possible 11st. The question of weight-for-age has to be considered, but reckoning this it will be seen that a Grand National is run at what is almost the pace of the Derby maintained; it must always be remembered for thrice the distance of the Epsom course. By taking extreme cases more might be proved. Thus Huntsman's Grand National time is given at 9 min. 30 secs.—six seconds less than on the occasion of The Lamb's first win (but it must be remembered that in Huntsman's year there were 16 ploughed fields), that is a mile in 2 min 6 secs. Ellington took 3 min 4 secs to gallop the Derby course (which on that day was very heavy) that is a mile in 2 min. 3 secs., and the extraordinary fact remains that the four and a half miles of the Grand National have been run at a speed per mile as nearly as possible equal to the Derby time for an easy mile and a half at Epsom. It is obvious, therefore, that to expect an undertried horse to win the Grand National is equivalent to believing a hack might win the Derby."

It makes a great deal of difference when an editor goes to press, whether his sweetheart or his paper is meant.



## AUCKLAND RACING CLUB. SPRING MEETING.

SATURDAY NEXT, NOVEMBER 8TH,  
AND  
MONDAY,  
(Celebration of the Prince of Wales' Birthday.)

### FIRST DAY.

PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP, 1 mile.  
WELCOME STAKES, 5 furlongs.  
AUCKLAND GUINEAS, 1 mile.  
HANDICAP HURDLE RACE, 2 miles.  
PRINCE OF WALES HANDICAP, 1½ miles.  
SELLING STEEPLECHASE, about 3 miles.  
FLYING HANDICAP, 6 furlongs.

### SECOND DAY.

SPRING HANDICAP, 7 furlongs.  
HANDICAP HURDLE RACE, 1½ miles.  
NURSERY HANDICAP, 4 furlongs.  
CITY HANDICAP, 1½ miles.  
HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE, about 3 miles.  
SELLING RACE, 6 furlongs.  
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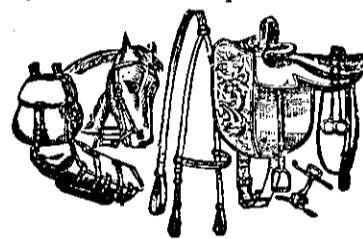
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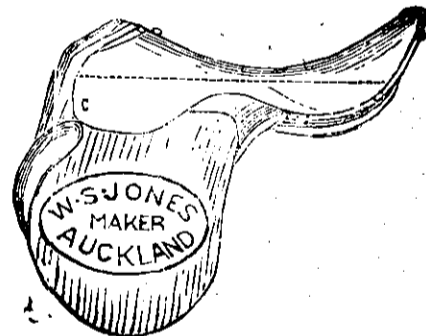
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TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB.

SPRING MEETING, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH, 1890.

HANDICAP MAIDEN HURDLE RACE of 30 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised hurdle race or steeplechase exceeding 10 sovs. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination 1 sov.; no acceptance. Distance 1 1/2 miles. DEVONPORT HANDICAP of 40 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. For two-year-olds. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 1 sov. Distance 5 1/2 furlongs. HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE of 30 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race exceeding 30 sovs. Nomination 1/2 sov.; acceptance 1 sov. Distance 1 mile. HANDICAP HURDLES of 50 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance 1 sov. Distance 1 1/2 miles. ST. ANDREW'S HANDICAP of 75 sovs., second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of stakes. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance 2 sovs. Distance 1 1/2 miles. SELLING RACE of 30 sovs. For three-year-olds and upwards. Three-year-olds to carry 9st.; four years 9st. 12lb.; five, six and aged 10st. 4lb. Winner to be sold immediately after the race for 50 sovs. If entered to be sold for 40 sovs., allowed 7lb.; if for 30 sovs., 14lb.; if for 20 sovs., 21lb.; if for 10 sovs., 28lb.; if for nil, 42lb. Nomination 1 sov. on the night of General Entry. Distance 6 1/2 furlongs. HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 80 sovs., second horse to receive 2 sovs. out of stakes. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance 2 sovs. Distance about 3 1/2 miles. SPRING HANDICAP of 45 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance 1 sov. Distance 6 furlongs.

WEIGHTS to appear FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14th. ACCEPTANCES and General Entries close FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21st, at 9 p.m.

SUMMER MEETING, 1892.

TAKAPUNA STAKES [for now two-year-olds] of 100 sovs., second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of stakes. For three-year-olds. Colts 8st. 10lb.; fillies and geldings 8st. 7lb. The winner of any race [including handicaps] of 100 sovs. to carry 5lbs. extra; of twice 100 sovs., or once 200 sovs., 7lbs. extra; of twice 200 sovs., or 300 sovs. or more, 10lbs. extra. Maidens having started once allowed 3lbs.; twice, 5lbs.; three times 7lbs. Those got by sires or out of mares that have never produced a winner at date of final payment allowed 7lbs. Nominations, with 1 sov. by 9 p.m. Friday, November 7th, 1890; 1 sov. by 9 p.m. Friday, August 7th, 1891, and 2 sovs. on night of General Entry. Distance 1 mile 1 1/2 furlongs. ANNIVERSARY STAKES [for now yearlings] of 100 sovs., second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of stakes. For two-year-olds. Colts 8st. 10lb.; fillies and geldings 8st. 7lb. Winner of any race of 50 sovs. to carry 5lbs. extra; or 100 sovs., 7lbs. extra; or 200 sovs. or more, 10lb. extra. Maidens to be allowed 7lb. Those got by sires, or out of mares that have never produced a winner at date of final payment allowed 7lb. Nominations, with 1 sov. by 9 p.m. Friday, January 9th, 1891; 1 sov. by 9 p.m. Friday, August 7th, 1891; and 2 sovs. by 9 p.m. on night of General Entry. Distance 6 furlongs.

SUMMER MEETING, 1893.

TAKAPUNA STAKES [for now yearlings] of 100 sovs., second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of stakes. For three-year-olds. Colts 8st. 10lb.; fillies and geldings 8st. 7lb. The winner of any race [including handicap] of 100 sovs. to carry 5lb. extra; of twice 100 sovs., or once 200 sovs., 7lb. extra; of twice 200 sovs., or 300 sovs. or more, 10lb. extra. Maidens having started once allowed 3lb.; twice, 5lb.; three times, 7lb. Those got by sires or out of mares that have never produced a winner at date of final payment allowed 7lb. Nominations, with 1 sov. by 9 p.m. Friday, January 9th, 1891; 1 sov. by 9 p.m. Friday, August 7th, 1891; and 2 sovs. on night of General Entry. Distance 1 mile 1 1/2 furlongs.

All Entries to be addressed to the Secretary, Devonport, Auckland, or at Mr. W. Adams' Office, Durham-street East, Auckland. All races to be run under the A.R.C. new rules.

R. WYNYARD, SECRETARY.

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.

SPRING MEETING, TO BE HELD ON THE AVONDALE RACECOURSE, Saturday, December 13, 1890.

PROGRAMME.

MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP of 20 sovs. Open to all horses that have never won any race exceeding 20 sovs. in value. Nomination 1/2 sov., acceptance 15s., to go to the funds. Distance 1 mile. HURDLE RACE HANDICAP of 40 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 1 sov., to go to the funds. Distance 1 1/2 miles. AVONDALE CUP HANDICAP of 50 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 1 1/2 sovs., to go to the funds. Distance 1 1/2 miles. STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 50 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 1 1/2 sovs., to go to the funds. Distance about 3 miles. FLYING STAKES HANDICAP of 25 sovs. Nomination 1/2 sov., acceptance 15s., to go to the funds. The winner of the Avondale Cup to carry 7lbs. penalty. Distance 5 furlongs. STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 25 sovs. Nomination 1/2 sov., acceptance 15s., to go to the funds. Distance 7 furlongs. SELLING RACE of 25 sovs. For three-year-olds and upwards. Three-year-olds to carry 9st.; four years, 9st. 12lb.; five, six and aged, 10st. 4lb. Winner to be sold immediately after the race for 50 sovs. If entered to be sold for 40 sovs., allowed 7lbs.; if for 30 sovs., 14lbs.; if for 20 sovs., 21lbs.; if for 10 sovs., 28lbs.; if for nil, 42lbs. Nomination 1/2 sovs., acceptance 15s. Distance 7 furlongs.

NOMINATIONS close with the Secretary at the office of the Sporting Review, Vulcan Lane, on FRIDAY, November 21st, 1890, at 8 p.m.

WEIGHTS will appear on or about the 1st December, 1890. ACCEPTANCES close on FRIDAY, December 6th, at 8 p.m. Winners to pay 5 per cent. of their gross winning towards expenses of course.

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SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING

To be held on the CLAUDELANDS RACECOURSE, on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1890.

PROGRAMME.

Passed by the Auckland Racing Club.

CHRISTMAS HANDICAP of 25 sovs. For all horses that have never won an advertised race of more than £25 at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, about 1 mile. HANDICAP HURDLES of 40 sovs. Over 8 flights of hurdles, 3ft. 6in. high. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 20s. Distance, 2 miles. SOUTH AUCKLAND CUP (Handicap), of 115 sovs. First horse £100, second horse £10, third horse £5. The winner of any race of the advertised value of £50 after the declaration of the weights to carry 7lb. extra; of two such races, 10lb. extra. Nomination, £2; acceptance, £3. Distance, 1 1/2 miles. NOVEL RACE of 25 sovs. Winner to become the absolute property of the Club; to be sold immediately after the race, and half the proceeds to go to second horse. Weight for age. Entry, 25s. Distance, 7 furlongs. HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 60 sovs. £5 out of stakes to go to second horse. Nomination, 25s; acceptance, 35s. Distance, about 3 miles. TRADESMAN'S PLATE (Handicap) of 35 sovs. Winner of the South Auckland Cup to carry 10lb. extra; winner of any other race after the declaration of the weights to carry 7lb. extra; penalties not cumulative. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 20s. Distance, 1 1/2 miles. SELLING HURDLES of 20 sovs. Over 6 flights of hurdles, 3ft. 6in. high. Four-year-olds to carry 11st. 7lb; 5yrs., 12st. 5lb.; 6yrs. and aged, 12st. 11lb. Winner to be sold immediately after the race for £50. If entered to be sold for £40, allowed 7lb.; if for £30, 14lb.; if for £20, 21lb.; if for £10, 28lb.; if for nil, 35lb. Half the proceeds over selling price to go to second horse. Entry, 20s. Distance, 1 1/2 miles. FLYING STAKES HANDICAP of 20 sovs. Winner of South Auckland Cup to carry 10lb. extra. Winner of Tradesman's Plate to carry 7lb. extra; penalties not cumulative. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, 6 furlongs.

CONDITIONS.

Nominations for Christmas Handicap, Handicap Hurdles, South Auckland Cup, Handicap Steeplechase, Tradesman's Plate Handicap, and Flying Stakes Handicap to be made to the Secretary, Hamilton, before 9 p.m. on Wednesday, November 26th.

Weights to appear on or about Wednesday, December 3rd. Acceptances to be declared before 9 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10th.

Nominations for Novel Race and Selling Hurdles to be made to the Secretary before 9 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10th, day of general entry.

Mr. H. H. Hayr, of Auckland, is authorised to receive nominations, etc.

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WEIGHTS to appear on TUESDAY, November 11th.

ACCEPTANCES and ENTRIES for Maiden Hurdles and Selling Race close on FRIDAY, November 14th, at 9 p.m.

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