

SPORTING FIXTURES, ETC.

COMING EVENTS.

- Nov. 22.....Pakuranga Racing Club.
- Nov. 23.....Dunedin Jockey Club.
- Nov. 23.....Takapuna Spring Meeting
- Nov. 23.....Dunedin Jockey Club
- Dec. 1, 2.....Avondale Jockey Club.
- Dec. 13.....South Auckland Racing Club Summer Meeting.
- Dec. 20.....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. 26, 27.....Westport Racing Club.
- Dec. 27.....Auckland Trotting Club.
- Dec. 29.....Drury Racing Club
- Jan. 1.....Ormond Jockey Club.
- Jan. 1, 2.....A.R.C. Summer Meeting.
- Jan. 1.....North Canterbury J.C. Summer Meeting.
- Jan. 1.....Auckland Trotting Club.
- Jan. 3, '91.....Gisborne Racing Club.
- Jan. 6, 7.....Poverty Bay Turf Club.
- Jan. 13, 14.....Wellington R.C. Summer Meeting.
- Jan. 22, 24.....Canterbury J.C. Summer Meeting.
- Jan. 31.....Egmont Racing Club Summer Meeting.
- Feb. 18, 19.....Egmont Racing Club Summer Meeting.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE.

- Nov. 26.....South Auckland R.C. Summer. Handicaps.
- Dec. 1.....Westport Racing Club.
- Dec. 2.....Thames Jockey Club.
- Dec. 2.....Hawkes Bay J.C. Summer
- Dec. 2.....Gisborne R.C. Summer.
- Dec. 5.....Auckland Trotting Club.
- Dec. 10.....Waikato Produce Stakes, 1892-93.
- Dec. 12.....A.R.C. Summer, General Entries.
- Dec. 20.....Egmont Racing Club Summer Meeting.
- Dec. 20.....Anniversary Stakes (Takapuna), 1892.
- Jan. 9.....Takapuna Stakes, 1893.
- Jan. 22.....Dunedin J.C. Autumn Meeting
- Jan. 22.....C.J.C. Great Autumn Hdcp., Easter Hdcp.
- Feb. 6.....C.J.C. Great Autumn Hdcp., Easter Hdcp.

WEIGHTS APPEAR.

- Nov. 24.....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. 8.....South Auckland Summer Meeting
- Dec. 11.....Thames Jockey Club.
- Dec. 16.....Gisborne R.C. Summer.
- Dec. 27.....Napier Park Summer. Handicaps.
- Dec. 3.....Wellington Cup.
- Jan. 10.....Egmont Racing Club Summer Meeting.

ACCEPTANCES DUE.

- Nov. 26.....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. 15.....Westport Racing Club.
- Dec. 16.....Hawkes Bay J.C. Summer
- Dec. 18.....Thames Jockey Club.
- Dec. 19.....Auckland Trotting Club.
- Dec. 19.....A.R.C. Summer. Minor Handicaps.
- Dec. 24.....Great Northern Foal Stakes. (Forfeit).
- Dec. 29.....Napier Park Summer. Handicaps.
- Dec. 30.....Gisborne R.C. Summer.
- Jan. 22.....Dunedin Cup, etc.
- Jan. 24.....Egmont Racing Club Summer.
- Feb. 6.....C.J.C. Autumn. Champagne Stakes (further payments)

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CUP MATCHES.—FIRST ROUND.

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| SENIORS.                          |                         | JUNIORS.                  |                        |
| N. 29, D. 6—United v. Gordon.     | Alpha v. St. Mary's.    | Ponsonby v. G. School.    | Auckland v. Alpha II.  |
|                                   | Parnell v. Auckland.    | Wanderers v. Gordon.      |                        |
| D. 13, 20—United v. Alpha.        | Auckland v. St. Mary's. | Ponsonby v. Auckland.     | Gordon v. Alpha II.    |
|                                   | Parnell v. Gordon.      | Wanderers v. G. School.   |                        |
| Jan. 8, 10—United v. Parnell.     | Alpha v. Auckland.      | Ponsonby v. Wanderers.    | Auckland v. Gordon.    |
|                                   | Gordon v. St. Mary's.   | G. School v. Alpha II.    |                        |
| Jan. 17, 24—United v. St. Mary's. | Alpha v. Parnell.       | Ponsonby v. Alpha II.     | Auckland v. Wanderers. |
|                                   | Auckland v. Gordon.     | Gordon v. Grammar School. |                        |

SECOND JUNIORS.

- Nov. 29—Queen's College v. Educational.
- Belmont v. Star.
- Victoria v. Mt. Roskill.
- Dec. 6, 13—Queen's College v. Belmont.
- Mount Roskill v. Star.
- Victoria v. Educational.
- 20, Jan. 3—Queen's College v. Victoria.
- Belmont v. Mount Roskill.
- Educational v. Star.
- Jan. 10, 17—Queen's College v. Star.
- Belmont v. Victoria.
- Mt. Roskill v. Educational.

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WELL-BRED YEARLINGS:—

- 1—BROWN COLT, by Woolbroker out of Jilt, by Traducer (Imp.)
- 2—ROAN FILLY, by Captivator out of Vivandiere, by Musket (Imp.); dam of Son-of-a-Gun
- 3—BAY COLT, by Leolinus (Imp.) out of Maid of Athol, by Maribyrnong; dam of Krupp, Kotuku, Scots Greys, Queen of Trumps, etc.
- 4—CHESTNUT FILLY, by Nordenfeldt out of Victoria, by Feve (Imp.)
- 5—CHESTNUT FILLY, by Nordenfeldt out of Yattacy, by Yattendon
- 6—BROWN FILLY, by Nordenfeldt out of Pungawerewere; dam of Tetford, Brigadier, Tranter, St. James, Crackshot, etc.
- 7—BROWN COLT, by Nordenfeldt out of Albatross; dam of Teksum and Loch Ness
- 8—BAY FILLY, by Nordenfeldt out of Ouida, by Yattendon; dam of Artillery, Balista, Hilda, Hazel, etc.
- 9—BROWN COLT, by Nordenfeldt out of Frailty, by Goldsborough; dam of Trenton, Niagara, Cuirassier, Cissy, and Mary
- 10—BAY FILLY, by St. Leger out of Necklace, by Musket (Imp.)

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

SPORT, Waiuku.—Blue Gown won the English Derby in 1868; Lady Elizabeth was first favourite, but was not placed. Hermit won it in 1867.

P.H.C., Newton.—We must have your full name and address, in accordance with our rule, before answering your query.

CARBINE, Papakura.—Yes; Belmont won the double at the Pakuranga Hunt Club's (second) Meeting, held at Otahuhu last December. In the Maiden Plate he carried 6st 10lb, and in the Hunt Club Cup 6st 7lb. In the latter event Cartridge, 6st 12lb, was second, and Raglan, 9st 12lb, third. Golding rode Belmont in both races.

MANGAOHANE, Napier.—The N.Z. Grand National Steeplechase in 1887 was won Faugh-a-Ballagh, 11st 13lb, Bretonhill, 9st 12lb, second, Ben. H., 10st 1lb, third. Mangaohane carried 11st 11lb, and was ridden by Redmond, but did not gain a place.

EQUUS, Ponsonby.—We should advise the following:—"The Horse and How to Rear Him," by Day; "The Horse," by Youatt; and "The Horse in the Stable and in the Field," by Stonehenge.

X.Y.Z., Auckland.—The practice regarding jockeys weighing in with their whips was abolished after Ellington won the Derby in 1856, when Aldcroft, the jockey, was supposed to have changed whips, and therefore ridden Ellington 7lb short weight.

Sporting Review.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1890.

We are informed on good authority that during the last week Major George, on behalf of the Bank of New Zealand, was offered £15,000 cash for the Sylvia Park Stud, by Mr. Meyers, on behalf of a Sydney syndicate, the Stud to remain in Auckland. The sum of £5000 to be put down to bind the bargain. This offer, though a great deal of pressure was brought to bear on him, Major George refused to accept. The question now arises—What power had Major George to refuse this offer, as, from what we can learn, the Bank's claim on the Stud is under £14,000? It should therefore have been his duty to have referred Mr. Meyers to the liquidator, as he could have accepted or refused the offer as he thought the most advantageous to the shareholders. We fail to see, under the circumstances, what Major George has to do with it. There are many persons in Auckland that are convinced in their own minds that

Major George is adverse to the Sylvia Park Stud remaining in Auckland. Whether this is the case or not we do not know.

Major George wrote a letter last week to the *Herald* stating that he was prepared to put down £3,500 if four other gentlemen would do the same, and purchase the Stud. This was a pretty safe offer, as few gentlemen in Auckland with that amount of money on hand would care to join him in such an undertaking. He has already proved his want of knowledge in conducting a stud farm, as when he was managing director of the late Company he insisted upon putting several of the best mares to Ingomas, though many of the best judges in Australasia remonstrated with him on the folly of such a proceeding. If Major George only read the remarks made in the *Australasian* and other papers regarding his imbecility in doing such a thing he would blush, if such were possible.

How he can put a value of £17,000 on the Stud puzzles most people, as a short time ago it was only £13,000. What has caused the increase? The offer made by Mr. Meyers must be considered a good one, for the auction expenses, advertising, etc., of a sale of this kind must amount to a considerable sum, so if it does fetch the amount of Major George's valuation the net proceeds would not exceed the offer.

We will now go into a fair valuation of the Stud, for no one buying a concern of this kind would give twenty shillings for a pound, as he would expect a profit in the same way as Major George does for all the money he invests.

Nordenfeldt is, of course, the centre of attraction. His value is set down at all sorts of prices. The first thing to be considered is—Where are the likely purchasers to come from? In Victoria and New South Wales they have of the Musket blood Martini-Henri, Trenton, Carbine, Tranter, *cum multis alis*; in Adelaide they have Thunderbolt, who is considered to be one of Musket's best sons; in Queensland there is King William and one or two others; in Tasmania there are several, including Musk Rose. Besides that, all the large studmasters in Australasia have plenty of tried sires. Therefore, unless the Americans step into the field, where is the competition to come from unless among ourselves? The Americans, so far as we know, are not likely to be buyers, as we learn from good authority that Mr. Merry, who is supposed to be a big buyer, is not likely to be present, so there is little fear of Nordenfeldt exceeding £3,000, and we should not be at all surprised to see him go for less. The other three stallions will not average, at the outside, more than £400 apiece, as it will greatly depend upon who wants them, and times are hard.

Then we come to the mares and foals. It must be remembered that many of them are very old, and have been wrongly mated. Taking this into consideration, their value is greatly discounted. It is stated in a leading daily paper, whose sporting writer is supposed to be an authority (?), that £2,000 had been offered for Mersey and her foal. If such is the case, what a pity the gallant Major, in the interest of the Bank, did not accept it, as she will never fetch anything like that at the hammer, for it must be borne in mind that she is seventeen years old, and never had a good one before Carbine, and that she has missed twice and slipped her foal once.

The mares and foals, taking them all through, will not bring £7,000, if so much. The yearlings will bring about £3,000, and this is putting them down at a very high price. So, if Major George had the interest of Auckland at heart, he would have accepted the offer of Mr. Meyers.

WHEN the SPORTING REVIEW first started many predicted that it would not last a quarter, but, thanks to our patrons, we have survived that period and are still receiving patronage. Therefore we have decided on having a cover, which will greatly increase the size of the paper. This appears for the first time this week. Few of our readers, and we are sure none of our exchanges, would believe the difficulties we have had to contend with. In the first place, there have been so many papers started that only lasted a short time that those who generally advertise were naturally disinclined to trust us. However, they have now more confidence. Everyone that is at all conversant with the newspaper business must know that advertisements are the main support of a paper. Then,