

CHRISTCHURCH.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

Saturday, December 13th.

THANK goodness the elections are over! For the past few weeks everything has had to give place to them and most people are sincerely glad that the turmoil has come to an end. Of course the talk in regard to the outcome is incessant, and many are presaging disaster owing to the discomfiture of the Atkinson party, but I have hopes that "The Great Liberal Party" will not prove so revolutionarily as supposed by the Government press. As far as politics and sport are mixed up, I hear the trotting people here are highly pleased at the likelihood of a change of Government, as they consider they were treated very badly by the late or present administration.

Mr. G. G. Stead was badly beaten in his contest for the Avon seat. His opponent, Mr. Blake, is a very popular farmer and had the advantage of representing the greater part of the district during the last two Parliaments.

Mr. Stead's friends counted confidently on victory, and were sorely put out when the numbers went up. He would have made a valuable member, and there is I hope no truth in the yarn that he is so disgusted with his rejection that he will never again offer himself for a seat.

Dick Mason with Medallion and Lebel, P. Butler with his own two, Crackshot and Bay King, and Cutts with Dudu left for Auckland by the Tarawera yesterday. St. Malo, who has been purchased by a prominent firm of North Island bookmakers, also went up by the same steamer. The horse would be landed in Wellington. The five horses mentioned will be all the Southern representatives at your meeting. Dan O'Brien will not have any horses running, but will himself go up. The defection of Freedom and Florrie and of Na Moa will rob the classic events of much of their interest. Mr. Gollan may have other reasons for not paying up with his speedy filly, but I fancy had Tirailleur been better treated all his lot would have been seen up North. As for Dan O'Brien, he is a man who makes racing a business, and with heavy expenses such as a trip to Auckland entails, he did not perhaps care very much about being represented, though he had arranged for space aboard the boat that conveyed the other Canterbury horses. Dan has his eyes further afield, methinks. There is the meeting here in January and then Flemington will see his youngsters. In regard to the horses that have gone I do not purpose saying much, as you will see them at work before the meeting. The big son of Pungawerewere is quite himself again. He has lately been doing all his galloping on the course the reverse to the orthodox fashion, and it is found that when going this way he does not strike himself. Yours being a left-handed course will suit him exactly. You will not, I take it, see Medallion at his best, and for the Derby I stand the big fellow. One or two of the minor events may fall to Bay King, who is not in the first flight. Lebel is a second Libeller or Tartar, but good, and as he is in the best of health and condition should run prominently, as the distance will suit him. Should Dudu manage to pull off a good stake the victory would be very popular in Christchurch. Cutts intends to offer the mare for sale before returning.

The Middle Park Co. intend to send Eros, the two-year-old half brother to Sir Modred, to Auckland to be offered for sale. The colt is now real lywell and is a handsome one all over. The two-year-old that was sold from the Park at the last sale, Hammock's son Morpheus, has been doing exceedingly well in his new owner's hands, for although he has not scored a win his exhibitions show him to be a wonderfully fast horse and one that is likely to develop into a stayer.

Excuses are being made for Ixion's poor display in the first hurdle race at the late Dunedin meeting. It is said that the stable connections backed him on each occasion he started, and had as much on the first day as when he won. The jockey and trainer tacitly admit that he could have been nearer the winner on the first day, but as the horse struck the last jump they don't think he could have won and consequently he was eased off. There is no doubt he was eased off, and not to mince matters, the great bulk of the racing public believe Ixion was never meant to win. They would like to know, you know, how much the stable had on another.

There was a little betting over the Auckland Cup and Derby and the Cup and Steeplechase up to the day of acceptance, and Darnley was so much in request for the latter event that one metallician told me he had been asked for nothing else, in fact he had a whole page of Darnley coupled with horses in the Cup, and he must have felt very pleased when he noticed the first acceptances this morning. Mr. Evitt got a bigger acceptance than I expected, though I did think Whisper was likely to pay up. Gooseman, who trains for Mr. G. Hunter, likes plating form and the small meetings about Napier, and the Christmas Meeting of the H. B. J. C. will perhaps be worth farming, besides, I know he entertains a good opinion of the Ingomar—Elfin joker, and possibly prefers to keep out of his road.

The nominations for the New Brighton Meeting, December 16th, which is to be run without the aid of the totalisator, and which is unworthy of the name of a meeting, are not large, but they are good considering the value of the stakes. Only passable entries have been received for the Rangiora Meeting, but Heathcote promises to be fairly well patronised.

It is said the bookies who got a knock over the Dunedin Meeting laying "totalisator" odds have all paid up. One of them says he has not had such a time since Lochiel won.

MR. JAMES KEAN.

AN INTERESTING INTERVIEW.

As most of our readers are doubtless aware, Mr. James Kean, the well-known and popular trainer, returned from Australia by the last Sydney steamer. Such a good sportsman's other side are bound to be of interest, so, with a view of laying them before the public, a representative of this paper waited upon Mr. Kean at his residence in Upper Symonds Street, and was most courteously received. Mr. Kean expressed his willingness to give us as much information as lay in his power, and was very pleased to have such an opportunity of relating his experiences on "the other side." Before getting to the real gist of the interview,

Mr. Kean expressed pleasure at finding a sporting paper in Auckland on his return here. Such a paper was much needed here, as previously the only sporting news in our city was that which arrived from the South and Australia. A representative sporting paper for the North of New Zealand had always been much required. When asked to inform us about the horses he took to Australia with him, "Jimmy," as he is familiarly called, said:—"Cuirassieur is now in Kelly's hands, but Jack Kean is still with the horse. The horse showed us some excellent work in Sydney, until the change of climate settled him. To win a race like the Melbourne Cup a horse must go through a most severe course of uninterrupted preparation, and Cuirassieur was not over in Australia sufficiently long for that. The big races are run from end to end, and none but those in the most perfect condition can last out the terrible pace. Cuirassieur ran as well as his best friends could wish for more than three-quarters of the journey for the Melbourne Cup, but then his want of condition stopped him. The handicapper evidently thought his performance a meritorious one, for the horse was handicapped at 9st. 8lb., the top-weight, in a mile and a half handicap on the following day. For this event Cuirassieur started, but did not run prominently. When thoroughly well, Cuirassieur will yet prove himself to be a great racehorse. Everyone pronounced Leopold to be in perfect condition when he went to the post for the Caulfield Cup, in fact, I think the horse was fitter than he had ever been before in his life. But the eight stone on the little horse crushed him in such company. Leopold stood the climate well, and gave us very little trouble, but you must not forget that he was there two months earlier than Cuirassieur. If I had taken over Cuirassieur when I took Leopold, I confidently believe that he would have won the Melbourne Cup. Leopold has been bought by Mr. M. Loughlin, the owner of Whakawai, but he will have to be spelled for a time. Dolosa has grown into a beautiful mare, and I have still great expectations from her. She won one race for us at Warwick Farm, and ran second in another to Teddy Yuille. Teddy, by the way, is a much improved horse of late, and is galloping very well just now. My brother Joe is training Dolosa now, but I have not parted with my interest in the mare, who will yet win us a good race. Montrose, the other horse I took over with me, I sold for a stud sire. I want you particularly to understand and point out that if a New Zealand owner wishes to win a race on the other side he must land his horse at the post in perfect condition. To do this, the horse must be very forward in his preparation before being shipped over. I believe that the reason Stead's horses have been successful in Australia is because he has carried out these precautions. Again, if taken over some time before the race, unless they have time to get acclimatized, the change of climate settles them. As proof of this, I would mention the case of when Hilda and Antelope were taken over last Autumn. No horses could have looked better to the eye, but the climate settled them. Hilda was quite good enough to win the race in which she was entered, but as a matter of fact she was nearly last. They do train their horses over there, too! Why, a Cup horse receives double the amount of work we should give them in New

Zealand. All the year round they are kept in strong work, winter and summer alike. In the winter their exercise is as severe as the New Zealand training. The tracks in Sydney are simply perfect, but those in Victoria are not so good, and the best is undoubtedly that at Caulfield."

Asked what he thought of the horses he saw over there Mr. Kean said:—"Carbine is the best horse in the world without a doubt. He is a galloping machine. The three-year-olds this year are a remarkably good lot. Without hesitation I should say the Queensland horse, Megaphone, is the best of them. I couldn't find a fault with the colt, and it is a treat to see him galloping. Correze I should take to be the next best, and I certainly think that, when really well, he is a better colt than The Admiral. I don't like Gatling, the beast isn't honest, but Whimberel is a really good colt, and will yet prove so. He went off after the A.J.C. Meeting, and was not seen at anything like his best at Flemington. Gibraltar is a fine big colt, with great power, but has very bad legs. King William, who has recently been purchased by Mr. Wilson, who was over here last summer, is a beautiful horse but a bit on the small side. Of the two-year-olds, Lord Hopetoun is by far the best. Why, I saw him carry 9st. 7lb. and beat a field of twenty-nine horses in a walk. He ran the four furlongs in 49 seconds and won anyhow. Take my word for it, he's the coming horse. I liked Wilson's New Zealand bred two-year-olds very much. Lady Carbine is a magnificent filly, but a bit on the small side. With a light weight she will go as fast as the best of them. I was somewhat disappointed with Steadfast. He has not improved as he should have done, and although bigger than Corruna was, he is much coarser, and does not show the same quality. It was bad luck, by the way, for the owners of Corruna when that colt died, as few besides myself and they had any idea what a real gentleman he was. She, the Steppe filly, is a rare good 'un, and won her races very easily. I did not see Zalinski, but I was told that he has improved wonderfully, and grown into a great horse. He is not to be raced until he is a three-year-old. Astor, the colt that won the Maribyrnong Plate, is one of the most promising two-year-olds seen out this season, and should make a good Derby colt. The jumping horses in Sydney are a very poor lot. If I had taken over Silvio and Magnesia years ago I could have made a fortune. I should recommend anyone with a good jumper to take him over to Sydney, and he could win a lot of money. In Victoria, jumpers are much better, and they have some real good ones. Some of the ponies in Sydney are wonders. I have seen them run a mile in 1m. 44s. several times. Signess is a real racehorse of the first water. I saw my old friend Jack Chaaf over in Sydney. He and I were boys together. He is looking very well, and I think he will settle down in Sydney. I don't believe there is any truth in the rumour that he intends returning to New Zealand, at any rate he said nothing to me about it. He has two sons who both ride remarkably well. Jack Rae is coming back to Auckland for good. The climate in Victoria did not agree with his wife or family, in fact, he has lost one of his children since leaving here. There is no better cross-country horseman in Australia than Jack Rae, he can hold his own with the very best of them."

As most of our readers are probably aware, Mr. Kean has lately been in very bad health, but we are pleased to be able to state that he is now fast recovering. He does not intend to follow his profession as trainer just at present, but will enjoy a well-earned rest for some time. When sufficiently recovered he will again get some horses to train, and hopes to have another "go" over in Australia, but, as he remarks, under more favourable conditions. He has learnt now exactly what is required. He can hardly expect, he says, to get another such horse as Cuirasseur to work upon, as he considers him the best horse he ever trained, or ever will train. But his ambition is to make another Australian trip before long. In any case, before settling down, he will have to visit Australia again, on business.

Asked what he thought about the coming racing carnival, Mr. Kean said:—"I think we shall have the best meeting that was ever held in Auckland. If you ask me what I think will win the Auckland Cup, I should say either Dudu or Cissy."

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB SPRING MEETING.

This meeting was brought off last Saturday on the Club's course at Avondale. There was a very fair attendance of the general public present to witness the racing. At first the weather was all that could be desired, but just prior to the start for the Flying Stakes a heavy shower of rain fell, and the grandstand being uncovered considerable inconvenience was experienced, especially among the ladies who were present. Later in the afternoon the weather cleared up again, but not until sufficient rain had fallen to make everyone wet through. Mr. J. Bollard officiated as judge, assisted by Mr. R. Garrett, and Mr. E. D. Halstead performed the duties of starter. Mr. C. Best was clerk of the scales, and Mr. A. T. Creighton clerk of the course. Mr. H. H. Hayr fulfilled the onerous duties which fall to the Secretary of a race-meeting with credit. An unfortunate mistake appears to have been made by Collins and Fergus, who were riding respectively Silvio and Fishmonger in the steeplechase. From evidence adduced by the trainer of Hurricane, the stewards disqualified Silvio and Fishmonger, and awarded the race to Hurricane, the only other horse in the race that was supposed to have finished. The general impression seems to be that Hurricane did not complete the course, as he was so far behind the leaders that the hurdle in the straight had been removed by the Club's officials before Hurricane got to it. However, this point was not considered by the stewards, who were lustily hooted when their decision was made known. As Hurricane had never been in the "hunt," and finished over a quarter of a mile behind the leaders, it was hardly likely that the verdict would give satisfaction. The general impression seemed to be that if the stewards had declared the race null and void and run it over again after the last race, they would have done the correct thing. As it was the decision almost resulted in a riot. The totalisators were in charge of Messrs. Adams and Andrews, and were worked with entire satisfaction. Much time was saved by paying out at the back of the machines, and investors were thus able to get their money on in good time.

Racing commenced with the Handicap Maiden Plate, for which only a trio saddled up. Coalscuttle was made a hot favourite and won easily from Premier. Ma Boughal fell early in the race, and J. B. Williamson lodged a protest, but on what grounds it is not quite clear. However, the result of the race was not affected thereby, but Golding who rode Coalscuttle was fined £1 as the result of the enquiry. Five horses faced the starter for the Hurdle Race, Sentinel and Hailstone being very nearly equal favourites, the former having slightly the call. The race is easily described. Hailstone led for most of the journey, and at the back of the course on the last round Sentinel went up to him, but just when it seemed he had the race in hand he dropped back and apparently made no further effort, eventually finishing fourth. The other opposition to Hailstone was not strong, and he won rather easily at the finish by a length and a half from Fishmonger, Larrikin being a length away third, with Sentinel at his girths. Carronade was some distance behind. Only four went to the post for the Avondale Cup. Antelope was a warm favourite, but Vendetta also carried a lot of money. Ingorina was the least backed of the quartette. Passing the stand the first time Cartridge and Vendetta were racing abreast two lengths in front of Antelope and Ingorina. At the back of the course the four horses were abreast, going stride for stride, and it seemed anyone's race, but shortly afterwards Vendetta fell back beaten and the other three raced "locked level" into the straight. Here Ingorina singled himself out, and coming away won easily by two lengths from Cartridge, who beat Antelope by the same distance. A protest was lodged on the ground of a cross, but not sustained. The Selling Race appeared to be a good race between Johnnie and Octopus but had the latter sailed away to the front as he did at Takapuna, no Johnnie would, have got near him. Eight was the main for the Flying Stakes. Capella was a better favourite than Cambria, the only other to carry any confidence being Locket. Cambria appeared in perfect condition, which reflected great credit on

George Wright, his trainer. Before the race a heavy shower of rain fell, which delayed the start for a considerable time. During the interval the spectators were treated to a gallop by Premier, who took charge of his boy, and galloped about three miles before he could be pulled up, much to the disgust of the six individuals who had entrusted him with their confidence. When the flag eventually fell, Locket and Capella were the first to show prominently, but once in the straight Cambria came with a very wet sail, and striding along in great style the little son of Nordenfeldt and Erycina won without an effort. Hailstone the hurdler was third, and Capella fourth. Seven horses were saddled up for the Steeplechase, Hurricane and Hune being the favourites, Silvio meeting with more support than the remaining four. Hune led over the double, followed by Fishmonger and Silvio, but Hurricane ran off and had to be turned round and brought back. At the back of the course Hune struck the post and rail fence and came down, and Larrikin shared a similar fate. Neli, who was next to negotiate the obstacle, dislodged his rider, and this left Huntsman in the lead, but at the next jump the old steeplechaser broke his leg, and had subsequently to be destroyed. Only Fishmonger, Silvio, and Hurricane were now left in the race. The first two were a quarter of a mile ahead of Hurricane, Fishmonger leading, but on the last round Silvio cleared away from his opponent, and ran home an easy winner by eight lengths. Hurricane finished some minutes after, and, as stated above, the stakes were awarded to him, Silvio and Fishmonger being disqualified for running inside a post. The Steward's Stakes was the last race of the day, and only five horses were sent to the post. Cambria was a good favourite, but Ingorina also had a strong following. Coming up the straight Ingorina and Priscilla were leading, but inside the distance the favourite, who had been blocked, came with a rush, and getting up in the last stride won by a head, Priscilla being second, a head in front of Ingorina.

EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

EGMONT RACING CLUB.

To-day, December 20th, nominations for the following events close with either Mr. H. H. Hayr, Tattersall's Club, Auckland; Mr. A. T. Danvers, Napier; or Mr. A. G. Brett, Secretary Egmont Racing Club, at 9 p.m.:

- First Handicap Hurdles, 75 sovs., 2 miles and a distance
- Egmont Handicap, 300 sovs., 2 miles.
- Hawera Welter Handicap, 50 sovs.
- Flying Handicap, 75 sovs., 6 furlongs
- Second Handicap Hurdles, 75 sovs., 2 miles and a distance
- Waimate Handicap, 150 sovs. 1½ miles.
- Normanby Stakes, 50 sovs., 1½ miles

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

On Wednesday next, December 24th, at noon, the forfeit of 5 sovs. for the Great Northern Foal Stakes must be declared and paid, or the nominator will be liable for the whole of the sweepstakes, 10 sovs.

While galloping on the training track at Caulfield on November 27th, Town Moor, the colt by St. Leger—Laura, dislocated one of his fetlocks, and it will be some time, if ever, before he appears on the turf.

"Cranbrook" is responsible for the following par:—"Orlando, who won both Hurdle Races and the Steeplechase at the recent Auckland summer meeting, was purchased by his present owner, George Wright, a well-known cross-country rider in New Zealand, some few months ago for £20! Orlando's sire was The Painter, a son of The Marquis from Art Union. The N.Z. Referee has the following:—"Hunting bids fair to continue to prosper in Wellington. At the meeting of the Wellington Hunt Club the secretary was authorised to engage huntsmen for the coming season, and arrange for the immediate transfer of the Feilding hounds to Wellington. A committee was appointed to superintend the erection of kennels on Mr. H. D. Crawford's property at Miramar. What kind of horses will Wellington hunting men require to get over their country? There is hardly a level mile within reach of the city."

SPORTING FIXTURES, ETC.

COMING EVENTS.

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	Manawatu R.C. Summer
Dec. 26	Lower Valley J.C. Summer
Dec. 26	Lower Heathcote R.C. Summer
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. 27	Waipawa County R.C. Summer
Dec. 27	Fielding J.C. Hack Meeting
Dec. 27, 28	Marlborough R.C. Summer
Dec. 29	Drury Racing Club
Dec. 29	Onga Onga R.C. Annual
Dec. 29, 30	Abaura Races
Dec. 31	Ormondville, Norsewood, and Makotuku R.C.
81, Jan. 1	Greyouth J.C. Midsummer
Jan. 1	Ormond Jockey Club.
Jan. 1, 2	A.R.C. Summer Meeting.
Jan. 1	North Canterbury J.C. Summer Meeting.
Jan. 3, '91	Auckland Trotting Club.
Jan. 6, 7	Gisborne Racing Club.
Jan. 9, 10	Whangarei County R.C. Summer
Jan. 13, 14	Poverly Bay Turf Club.
Jan. 22, 24	Wellington R.C. Summer Meeting.
Jan. 29, 31	Takapuna J.C. Summer Meeting.
Jan. 31	Canterbury J.C. Summer Meeting.
Feb. 18, 19	Egmont Racing Club Summer Meeting.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE.

Dec. 20	Egmont Racing Club Summer Meeting.
Dec. 29	Takapuna J.C. Summer. Principal Handicaps
Dec. 30	Whangarei County R.C. Summer
Jan. 9	Anniversary Stakes (Takapuna), 1892.
Jan. 9	Takapuna Stakes, 1893.
Jan. 16	Takapuna J.C. Summer. Minor Handicaps
Jan. 22	Dunedin J.C. Autumn Meeting
Jan. 23	Takapuna J.C. Summer. General Entries
Feb. 6	C.J.C. Great Autumn Hdcp., Easter Hdcp.

WEIGHTS. APPEAR.

Dec. 27	Napier Park Summer. Handicaps.
Jan. 3	Poverly Bay Turf Club.
Jan. 3	Wellington Cup.
Jan. 4	Whangarei County R.C. Summer
Jan. 9	Takapuna Cup and Steeplechase
Jan. 10	Egmont Racing Club Summer Meeting.
Jan. 19	Takapuna J.C. Summer. Minor Handicaps
Jan. 30	Takapuna J.C. Summer. Second day's races

ACCEPTANCES DUE.

Dec. 24	Great Northern Foal Stakes. (Forfeit).
Dec. 29	Napier Park Summer. Handicaps.
Dec. 30	Gisborne R.C. Summer.
Jan. 6	Whangarei County R.C. Summer
Jan. 8	Poverly Bay Turf Club.
Jan. 22	Dunedin Cup, etc.
Jan. 23	Takapuna J.C. Summer
Jan. 24	Egmont Racing Club Summer.
Jan. 30	Takapuna J.C. Summer. Second day's races
Feb. 6	C.J.C. Autumn. Champagne Stakes (further payments)

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CUP MATCHES.—FIRST ROUND.

SENIORS.	JUNIORS.
D. 13, 20—United v. Alpha. Auckland v. St. Mary's. Parnell v. Gordon.	Ponsonby v. Auckland. Gordon v. Alpha II. Wanderers v. G. School.
Jan. 3, 10—United v. Parnell. Alpha v. Auckland. Gordon v. St. Mary's.	Ponsonby v. Wanderers. Auckland v. Gordon. G. School v. Alpha II.
Jan. 17, 24—United v. St. Mary's. Alpha v. Parnell. Auckland v. Gordon.	Ponsonby v. Alpha II. Auckland v. Wanderers. Gordon v. Grammar School.

SECOND JUNIORS.

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.

CHARLES S. H. MCKINNEY,
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- 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.)

Sporting Review.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1890.

THE SPORTING REVIEW

WILL be published next week on WEDNESDAY, 24TH INST. This issue will contain all the latest information, and TIPS for the races on Boxing Day.

All advertisements for insertion in this issue must be in not later than 11 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday.

It has finally been decided to sell the Sylvia Park Stud on January 5th. After that date this celebrated Stud, that has produced such winners as Martini-Henri, Nordenfeldt, and the champion Carbine, will be dispersed; but few of the animals, we are afraid, will remain in Auckland. The consequence will be that Wellington Park will become the leading breeding establishment in Auckland. This Stud has turned out many good animals, but it is a question, if not increased by purchases from Sylvia Park or elsewhere, whether it is of sufficient size to attract Australian buyers. For years past the yearlings have brought good prices, but it must be borne in mind that the Sylvia Park sale has always been the attraction for Australian buyers, who will not come over unless there are a large number of young ones to select from. Our opinion is, that unless so increased, the dispersal of the Sylvia Park Stud will be a serious loss, not only to Mr. Morrin, but to Auckland and all New Zealand, as there are very few buyers in this Colony that will give long prices for yearlings—therefore, if there is no competition, prices are sure to rule low. The consequence will be that some clever sportsman will come over and be sure to pick up the bargains—perhaps another Martini-Henri or a Carbine for one-fourth of their value.

There have been several attempts made to keep the Sylvia Park Stud in Auckland. The first was made by Colonel Carro, but he set about forming a company to take it over in a wrong manner, and the public soon saw through it,

therefore he failed in his project. Major George then proposed to put down £3,500 if four other gentlemen would join him. This on the face of it was a very doubtful thing, as there are few racing men in Auckland that could put their hands on as many hundreds, let alone thousands. The real offer that should have been accepted came from a Sydney syndicate, who offered £15,000 cash down. This should not have been refused, as one of the conditions was that the Stud should remain in Auckland. We are decidedly of the opinion that Major George, the sole attorney for the Bank, was wrong in not accepting it, as, though it might have been less than the Bank required, he should have remembered the amount of foreign capital that would have been circulated in Auckland, whereby the Bank would have profited. However, this is a thing of the past, so we must look at what the sale is likely to produce, also which of the cracks are likely to remain in New Zealand.

We sincerely hope that Mr. Morrin will see his way to secure some of the gems, so as to increase the Wellington Park Stud to some thirty or forty mares. If he does this his stud alone will draw plenty of buyers from all parts of the Colonies, and Auckland will still retain its reputation for breeding the thoroughbred.

The great topic of the day is what will Nordenfeldt bring and what will be his destination. It is our opinion that he will not bring more than £3,000, and that he will remain in Auckland. This is merely conjecture, but we fail to see where the competition will come from unless the Americans step in, as the majority of the Australian studmasters have plenty of the Musket blood.

There will be more competition for the mares and foals than anything else, and we are afraid that most of the best ones will cross the water. Mersey, dam of Carbine, with a colt foal by Nordenfeldt, and served by him again, is the Queen of the Harem. It is reported that £2,000 has been offered for her, but we doubt if she will fetch that price, though there should be a warm contest for her between Messrs. Wilson and Wallace, let alone others who are sure to go for her, as her foal is a good-looking one and closely related to Carbine. Onyx has been unfortunately mated to Ingomar, and is now served by Hotchkiss, while poor old Sylvia has seen her day, but it is to be hoped that she will fall into good hands. Her filly foal is by Ingomar, therefore not likely to bring much. Nelly Moore is another that will fetch a good price, and she may be booked to Mr. Wilson. Florence Macarthy is a valuable mare in herself, and, though served by Nordenfeldt, she has a filly at foot by Ingomar that will detract from her value, therefore I should not be surprised to see her go to Napier. It is hard to tell what purchasers there will be for the others.

The yearlings are not so numerous as in former years, but there are some choice ones. The colt out of Nelly Moore, also the one out of My Idea, are well worth looking after, also the one out of Florence Macarthy. Unfortunately there are no yearlings either out of Mersey (Carbine's dam) or Onyx (Nordenfeldt's dam), which will deteriorate the sale. However, taking all things into consideration, they should bring a good average. After the sale it is to be feared that Sylvia Park will revert to a dairy farm, unless some unforeseen person or syndicate come to the rescue.

The meeting last Saturday at Avondale has again shown the want of a stipendiary steward, owing to the incapability of the stewards or the Committee of the country meetings to take cognizance of suspicious running. Several cases of this kind occurred at Avondale, but the race that was especially brought under our notice was the Steeplechase, in which the stewards disqualified the first and second, giving the race to the third. A great number of persons have interviewed us on the subject, and their evidence is decidedly conflicting, but they all agree that the course was very badly marked out, the flags not being larger than a ladies' pocket handkerchief, and the stuff they were made of was of a very inferior quality. Just before the start there was a heavy shower of rain and no wind, the consequence was that they clung to the post, and were difficult to be seen. Now with regard to the actual race. From the evidence we have heard it appears

that on the last round Silvio and Fishmonger just ran inside one of these indistinct posts, gaining nothing by it, in fact, making the next jump more difficult. They passed the winning-post in the order named. Williamson, the trainer of the third horse, who is always on the win, tie, or wrangle tactics, objected to the two for going the wrong course, and the stewards having heard evidence and inspected the course awarded the race to Hurricane, who came in a long way after the leaders. Now comes the absurdity of the case. The stewards never inquired into the question had Hurricane gone the proper course. The weight of evidence brought before us decidedly proves that Hurricane did not jump the last hurdle, therefore did not go the proper course, so is also disqualified. Arguing the point with one of the leading stewards he coolly said that supposing the caretaker had removed the hurdle, that was not Hurricane's fault, therefore he was entitled to the race, at the same time admitting that the stewards did not investigate whether Hurricane had gone the right course or not. This argument is rotten from the bottom, and shows incompetence in racing matters. Having carefully reviewed the evidence on both sides we are of opinion that the decision of the stewards was wrong, and that the race should either have been run over again or declared null and void. We are prepared to back our opinion on English precedents, and are only surprised that the public did not make a greater disturbance than they did.

THE Auckland Summer Meeting, 1890 and 1891, promises to be one of the best that has been held in Auckland, not only in the number of acceptances and entries, but in the quality of the horses. Never have there been so many good ones except for the Derby. It has generally been a one-horse race, but this year we have such horses as Medallion, the crack two-year-old of last season and the winner of the C.J.C. Derby; Crackshot, the winner of the Canterbury Cup; and St. Andrew, who won the Hawke's Bay Guineas. But there are also Major George's horses, Reprisal and Vendetta, and with Leolantis, the winner of the Auckland Guineas, the race should be an interesting one. Fourteen have accepted for the Auckland Cup, including the above cracks, and also such animals as Hilda, Cissy, Strephon, Dudu, etc., so this must prove an interesting race. Judging from the prices the bookmakers both North and South are offering it must be a hard matter to pick the winner. The number which paid up for the Great Northern Foal Stakes is not satisfactory, as the race is virtually between two, but the general entries for the other races make amends for this shortcoming. We are, however, afraid that this meeting will be greatly indebted to its success on account of the great sale that will take place at Sylvia Park. Many racehorse owners have brought up their horses in the hope of not only paying their expenses, but also having a little in hand to invest at the different yearling sales. It is to be hoped that the Auckland Racing Club Committee will see their way to issue programmes in future so as to make it worth distant owners' while to bring their horses up. At the same time we recommend them to alter some of the conditions regarding certain stakes, such as the Musket Stakes, which will take a clever man to calculate the weights the different horses have to carry.

THE TURF.

[BY OLD TURFITE.]

THE acceptances for the Auckland Cup are much better than was anticipated, Tiraille and Wolverine being the only two of any note that have dropped out. The former might have been expected to do so, as he had plenty of weight allotted to him, and his next journey will most certainly, I think, be on the other side. In the last issue before the acceptances came to hand I mentioned that I considered Dudu, Hilda, Crackshot, Medallion, Strephon, and Leorina as the best handicapped horses in the race. As all these are amongst those that remain I will only treat with them. Dudu, 8st 13lb, cannot be passed over lightly. Her running last year proved that she was a good mare over 1½ miles. This year she ran second to Wolverine for the New Zealand Cup, giving

him 23lb, and as the Ellerslie Course is much easier going than at Riccarton, besides the weather is likely to be much better than in November, and there is nothing to warrant the belief that she cannot get these two miles. Hilda, 8st 10lb, has never got the distance. At the difference of 16lb. Dudu beat her in the Wanganui Cup, distance 1½ miles. In the Stakes, 1½ miles, she ran a good second to her, giving away 20lb, therefore I consider Dudu holds her safe. Now take the running of Crackshot, 8st 3lb, and Medallion 8st. The running of this pair has been of rather an in-and-out character during the present season. Of the two I prefer Medallion should he come fit to the post and *that all is right*. The former, though a good horse, is, as I have mentioned in previous articles, a "speedy cutter," and that is a class of animal I cannot stand, as they are liable to strike themselves too hard, falling lame, or even coming down. Strephon, 7st 10lb, is another that is well in. Many that saw him run third in the New Zealand Cup maintain that if he had been properly ridden in that race he would have won. He then came out for the Metropolitan Stakes with 7lb more on his back and wins comfortably. Several of those behind him have since run well, and as the Ellerslie course is an easy one he must be held in great respect. At the same time we must take into consideration that Kapo, 6st, is in the same stable. His owner has paid up for him in the Derby and also entered him in the Trial Stakes and Auckland Plate, w.f.a., where he was sure to meet the cracks. Now on his two-year-old-form he has done nothing to show that he is more than a moderate animal, so one cannot understand his owner throwing money away in acceptances and entries unless he has done something in private to justify it. Leorina, 6st 10lb, I think may be dismissed unless she can keep in front all the way, as she does not like to be collared. However, she has an outside show. Taking all things into consideration, I prefer the chances of Strephon and Dudu, but Leorina may come in and upset all calculations.

THE next important race on the first day to go through is the Great Northern Foal Stakes. The acceptances for this are not as good as they should be, taking into consideration the value of the stake, only six having paid up. The race, therefore, is entirely a match between Lebel and The Workman. Of the two I prefer the former, as he is most likely to be the fittest, and his public performances are decidedly the best, besides being a good-looking colt. The handicaps for the first day have been issued by Mr. Evitt, but as the acceptances will not be declared until too late for me to analyse them, I will only pass lightly through them. Mr. Evitt cannot be congratulated on them, and I am sorry to see that he is running in the groove so pernicious to handicappers, and which most of the Colonial ones too readily fall into. The Hurdle Race is not the worst of them, but why Sentinel and Fishmonger are placed within 2lb of each other, and Hune having to give them a few pounds, I cannot understand; but it appears to me that the race will lay between Orlando and Waterfall. The Railway Handicap, six furlongs, puzzles one to know on what grounds it is made. Leolantis is called upon to give The Barron 5lb, and Reprisal has to concede 1lb to Capella, while Quadrant and St. Andrew are within 3lb of other. This race depends on what will start, but "all in" I should plump for St. Andrew. Now one comes to what is supposed to be the Nursery Handicap, but can any racing man call it one? Tulloch is started at the Takapuna meeting and ran second to a very moderate one, yet he is put top weight. In the Welcome Stakes, five furlongs, Workman, the best two-year-old in Auckland, is first, Brigand second, Roie a poor third, Orestes and Lady Belle unplaced, yet in this precious handicap of Mr. Evitt's they have to give weight to Brigand, who finished in front of them—therefore, on all book form, BRIGAND ought to romp home. The Christmas Handicap is a little better performance, as he knows some of them, especially Hilda and Cissy, are not likely to start, so he has attempted to bring those likely to go to the post together, but there are so many "ifs" in this race that I shall leave it alone, and advise my readers to to the same, until they see some move when the numbers go up.

ELLERSLIE TRAINING NOTES.

MONDAY.

All the work was done on the plough gallop
Reprisal and Fiesole, easy exercise
Vendetta and The Workman, easy exercise
Tamora, 2 miles at half pace
Sentinel, 3 miles steadily
Waterfall and Rosefeldt in company, two miles at a good swinging canter
Strephon and Kapo in company, 2 miles slow
Pani, 2 miles slow, finishing last half-mile fast
Hopeful Kate, 2 miles at good three-quarter pace
Priscilla, 2 miles slow
Patchwork, 2 miles, the first at half pace, Quadrant then joining in, and the last mile fast
Asper, 3 miles, first mile slow, the pace increasing the other two miles
Memorandum, 2 miles at good half-pace
The Dreamer, 3 miles slow
Brown Bess, 1 mile slow
Orestes and Dishonour in company, 1 mile slow
Nap, 1 mile slow
The Dancer, 2 miles slow

TUESDAY.

All the work was done on the plough gallop
Miss Cole, 1 mile at half-pace
St. Andrew, 2 miles at good half-pace
Pani, 2 miles at good half-pace
Waterfall and Strephon in company, 2 miles at half-pace
Rosefeldt and Kapo in company, 2 miles at half-pace
Medallion, 2 miles at half-pace, finishing the last mile with Lebel
Priscilla, 2 miles at a steady pace
The Dreamer, 2 miles at half-pace
Brown Bess, 1 mile at half-pace
The Dancer, 3 miles slow
Orestes and Dishonour in company, half a mile slow, when Capella joined in and the three went another half-mile fast
Nap, 2 miles slow
Ma Petite Fille, 2 miles slow
Hopeful Kate, 2 miles fast

WEDNESDAY.

Dudu, 2 miles on the plough at three-quarter pace.
Patchwork and Quadrant, 1½ miles on the trial track, finishing home fast
Pani, 2 miles on the plough at half-pace
St. Andrew and Medallion in company, 3 miles on the plough at good steady pace
Fiesole, 1½ miles on the plough, at half-pace
Reprisal, 1 mile on the plough slow
Lebel, 2 miles on the plough, first round cantered, second galloped, finishing fast
Brown Bess, 1 mile on the plough at half-pace
Vendetta and The Workman in company, once round plough, finishing fast
Tamora, 2 miles on the plough slow
Priscilla, 3 miles on the plough, first round slow, pace increasing afterwards
Orestes and Dishonour, 1 mile on the plough slow, spurting home for 5 furlongs
Hurricane and Capella did walking exercise
Sentinel, 4 miles on the plough, very slow
Asper, 2 miles on the plough slow
Crackshot, 2 miles on the plough at good three-quarter pace
Bay King, 2 miles on the plough slow
Justice, 3 miles on the plough slow
Nap, 2 miles on the plough slow

THURSDAY.

Owing to the heavy rains very little work was done
Dudu went 3 miles at half-pace on the tan
Most of the horses did walking exercise during the day

FRIDAY.

The course proper was thrown open for work
Patchwork, 1 mile alone on the course, when Quadrant joined him and the pair went another 6 furlongs at top
Medallion and Dudu in company, 2 miles on the course, finishing the last mile at three-quarter pace
Crackshot and Bay Ring in company with sweaters on, 2 miles at three-quarter pace
Pani, 2 miles on course at three-quarter pace
Lebel, 1 mile on course at half pace
Coalscuttle and Vendetta in company, 1 mile at half-pace
St. Andrew, 2 miles at three-quarter pace
Rosefeldt and Strephon in company, 2 miles on the course, first slow, last mile strong pace
Kapo and Waterfall in company, 2 miles strong canter on the tan
The Workman, 1 mile on the course at half-pace
Capella, 2 miles on the course, at half-pace
Nap, 2 miles on the trial track at three-quarter pace
Dishonour, 1 mile on the course, finishing fast
Priscilla, 2 miles on the course, at half-pace
Memorandum, 1 mile on the course at top
Brown Bess, 1 mile on the course at half-pace
Asper, 2 miles on the plough at half-pace
Antelope, 2 miles on the course at half-speed
The Dancer, 1 mile on the course, slow
Miss Cole and Egyptus in company, 1 mile on the course at half-pace

A bookmaker at one time well known in New Zealand is said to have been the most inquired for absentee at the settling over the V.R.C. meeting.

Some years ago £3000 was advanced by a prominent sporting gentleman in Tasmania, on the Elswich course and grand stand. Dr. Agnew is the only survivor. The representatives of the deceased gentlemen have agreed to take ten shillings in the pound. This gives the Tasmanian Racing Club a good lift.—*Press.*

TURF TATTLE.

[BY NORDENFELDT.]

THE Summer Meeting of the South Auckland Racing Club will be held on the Claudelands Racecourse, Hamilton, to-day. A fast excursion train has been laid on to convey racegoers to the scene of action. Good nominations and acceptances have been received, and, given fine weather, an excellent days sport should be witnessed. My anticipations of the likely winners are as follows:—

HANDICAP HURDLES. 2 miles.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Handicap Hurdles race.

This event should be fought out between the two top-weights, and to separate them I shall give my vote to

SENTINEL.

SOUTH AUCKLAND CUP. 1 1/4 miles.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the South Auckland Cup race.

This should be an excellent race. Leorina is in such good nick just now that whatever beats her should win. Antelope I do not care for, but Patchwork is very well and should just about beat the top-weight at the difference of 6lb. Of the others, Tamora and Loch Ness should both run well. To give my vote to one, I shall single out

PATCHWORK.

CHRISTMAS HANDICAP. 1 mile and a distance.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Christmas Handicap race.

I have most fancy for LONELY.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE. About 3 miles.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Handicap Steeplechase race.

Hurricane is in Williamson's stable. This stable is in great "protesting" form just now, and if any mistakes are made look out for protests. In their absence I don't think Hurricane has a show. Silvio should be well up, and so should Sentinel, while Fishmonger ought to run well. To make a selection I shall tip SILVIO or SENTINEL.

TRADESMAN'S PLATE HANDICAP. 1 1/4 miles.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Tradesman's Plate Handicap race.

This event is, to a great extent, dependent upon previous running. The winner of the Cup will incur a 7lb. penalty, and will probably be scratched. If Patchwork is an absentee, Leorina should win, or vice versa. I shall not separate them now, but tip

PATCHWORK OF LEORINA.

FLYING STAKES. 6 furlongs.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Flying Stakes race.

Even without the assistance of a protest, I think Capella may win this race. I do not care for "patched-up" racehorses, in which category Scot Free and Pretender are included. Perhaps the first-named may be the better of the pair, but in any case I don't think he can beat

CAPELLA.

It is stated that Brown will ride Crackshot, and Clifford Medallion and Lebel in their engagements at the forthcoming meeting. Derritt also has arrived, so there will be no lack of good jockeys.

The sale of the Sylvia Park Stud Company has been postponed from Saturday, January 3rd, until Monday, the 5th, owing the San Francisco mail having started a day late. It would appear by this that some American buyers are expected.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor SPORTING REVIEW.)

SIR.—The Observer has the following remarks concerning me which are totally untrue:—"The Committee of the Auckland Racing Club are likely to be troubled with a charge of alleged insulting language on the training track, preferred against George Hope, one of the trainers, by a well-known sporting scribe. As the case is sub judice I do not care to discuss the subject at any length, but content myself by saying, if all I hear be true, then the Club should act very firmly in the matter and afford protection to those having business at Ellerslie." There is no doubt the sporting scribe mentioned above refers to Bruce, who was the only sporting scribe on the course at the time. I never spoke to him, and I do not think that the A.R.C. has power to interfere with anyone in regard to what takes place on the training tracks of a morning, unless any of us interfere or use insulting language to one of the Club's officials. If they have the power, any Dick, Tom or Harry can bring you in front of them at any time, so the A.R.C. Committee Rooms will soon be a Court House to decide all the squabbles that take place. The fact is that some of the sporting writers are too big for their situation, they come round demanding a right to look through your stables. I am employed to train horses and I see no reason why I should be interfered with, especially by such a person as Bruce. The real fact of the matter is they have a "down" on me because I will not tell them my master's and the stable secrets. What would you advise me to do in the case?

Yours truly, GEORGE HOPE.

[In the first place the Auckland Racing Club Committee have no power to interfere with what takes place on the course, except in cases which are connected with their own officials. Secondly, the Observer is a paper not carrying any weight in the place. Its sporting writer does not know much about a horse or racing, and has to do what he is told. Some time ago he absolutely went through a weight-for-age race and treated it as if it was a handicap. Verbum sat sapienti. Thirdly, Bruce, alias "Phaeton," is getting too big for his shoes, and wishes it to appear as if he could do what he liked with the A.R.C. Committee. He will soon find his mistake. He is only an Auckland boy, and a compositor by trade, and has never seen a race outside the Province—in fact, he knows little of racing or horses, except what is told him, and, as trainers say, is a perfect nuisance, thrusting himself forward where not required. Taking all things into consideration, we recommend you to treat it with contempt and laugh at the whole affair.—Ed. S.R.]

AUCKLAND SUMMER MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

TRIAL STAKES. 1 mile.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Trial Stakes race.

GREAT NORTHERN FOAL STAKES. 6 furlongs.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Great Northern Foal Stakes race.

AUCKLAND CUP. 2 miles.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Auckland Cup race.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE. 2 miles.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Handicap Hurdle Race.

RAILWAY HANDICAP. 6 furlongs.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Railway Handicap race.

NURSERY HANDICAP. 5 furlongs.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Nursery Handicap race.

MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE. About 3 miles.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Maiden Steeplechase race.

CHRISTMAS HANDICAP. 1 1/4 miles.

Table with columns for horse names and weights (st lb) for the Christmas Handicap race.

TURF RECORD.

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB SPRING MEETING. SATURDAY, DEC. 13, 1890.

HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE of 20 sovs., open to all horses that have never won any race exceeding 20 sovs. in value. Distance, 1 mile.

Table with columns for horse names, weights, and owners for the Handicap Maiden Plate race.

226 Won in a canter. Ma Boughal fell. Dividend (10s tickets), 16s.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 40 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. Over 7 flights of hurdles. Distance, 1 1/4 miles.

Table with columns for horse names, weights, and owners for the Handicap Hurdle Race.

348 Won easily by a length. Half a length between second and third. Sentinel close up fourth. Time, 3min. 3 1/4secs. Dividend (20s. tickets), £2 7s.

AVONDALE CUP HANDICAP of 50 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. Distance, 1 1/4 miles.

Table with columns for horse names, weights, and owners for the Avondale Cup Handicap race.

492 Won easily by two lengths. Time, 2min. 18secs. Dividend, £8 7s.

SELLING RACE of 25 sovs. Distance, 7 furlongs.

Table with columns for horse names, weights, and owners for the Selling Race.

251 Won by a head. Dividend, £5 18s.

HANDICAP FLYING STAKES of 25 sovs. Distance, 5 furlongs.

Table with columns for horse names, weights, and owners for the Handicap Flying Stakes race.

404 Won easily by two lengths. Time, 1min. 5 1/4secs. Dividend, £2 17s.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 50 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Distance, about 3 miles.

Table with columns for horse names, weights, and owners for the Handicap Steeplechase race.

395 Silvio came in ten lengths in front of Fishmonger. Hurricane, who ran off at the second jump, being a quarter of a mile behind. Silvio and Fishmonger were disqualified for running inside a post. Dividend, £2 16s.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 25 sovs. Distance, 7 furlongs.

Table with columns for horse names, weights, and owners for the Stewards' Handicap race.

355 Won by a head, same distance between second and third. Dividend, £1 19s.

St Malo, having been sold to some Wellington, people he was transhipped there and scratched for all engagements at the Auckland Summer Meeting.

DRURY RACING CLUB.

ACCEPTANCES.

MAIDEN PLATE.—Brian Boru, Cleopatra, Country Boy, Irish Agitator, Walter, Scott, Pandora, Ika Vuka, Neli, Gazelle, Milifera, Somene.

DRURY CUP.—Te Kooti, Pandora, Deception, Ika Vuka, Stamford.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP.—Brian Born, Cleopatra, Billy Billy, Deception, Premier, Prudence, Country Boy, Stamford, Locket.

HURDLES.—Cracksman, Neli, Larrikin, Minnie Grey. FLYING STAKES.—Brian Boru, Locket, Billy Billy, Premier, Prudence, Country Boy, Stamford, Blarney, Victim.

NOVEL HANDICAP.—Victim, 9st; Coquette, 8st 7lb; Mattie, 7st 12lb; Comet, 7st 10lb; No Name, 7st 5lb; Robin Hood, 6st 7lb.

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.—NOMINATIONS.

WANGANUI CUP.—Pyramus, Kiekie, Seraph, Scot Free, Weka, Foxton, Boulanger, Strephon, Quill, Kapai, Vendor, Whisper, Lenore, Cynisca, Hilda, Cissy, Crackshot, Thackeray, Katinka, Aronoe, Patchwork, Jet d'Eau, Leoni, Pearl Powder, Princess Helen, Montrose, Recluse, St. Andrew, Queen of Trumps, Aurina, Crutchfield, Eileen, Orator, She, Lady Ledger.

FLYING HANDICAP.—Pyramus, Loch Ness, Josephine, Weka, Fleta, Boulanger, Strephon, Cynisca, Whisper, Cissy, Hilda, Leolantis, Thackeray, Bay King, Katinka, Aronoe, Quadrant, Jet d'Eau, Pearl Powder, Leonie, Montrose, Pursestring, Retina, Recluse, Cyclone, Revenge, St. Andrew, Queen of Trumps, Total Eclipse, Eileen, She, Mirabelle, Rufus.

WANGANUI STAKES.—Pyramus, Kiekie, Seraph, Cruiser, Weka, Foxton, Boulanger, Strephon, Vendor, Whisper, Lenore, Cissy, Hilda, Leolantis, Crackshot, Thackeray, Bay King, Katinka, Aronoe, Patchwork, Jet d'Eau, Pearl Powder, Leonie, Princess Helen, Montrose, Recluse, Revenge, St. Andrew, Queen of Trumps, Aurina, Dudu, Crutchfield, Eileen, Orator, She, Mirabelle, Lady Leger, Loch Ness.

AUTUMN HANDICAP.—Kiekie, Seraph, Scot Free, Cruiser, Weka, Foxton, Boulanger, Strephon, Quill, Vendor, Cynisca, Whisper, Cissy, Hilda, Leolantis, Thackeray, Bay King, Katinka, Aronoe, Quadrant, Jet d'Eau, Pearl Powder, Leonie, Montrose, Recluse, Revenge, St. Andrew, Queen of Trumps, Total Eclipse, Dudu, Crutchfield, Eileen, Orator, She, Mirabelle, Lady Weston.

ATHLETICS.

CRICKET.

GORDON V. PARNELL.—The former won the toss and batted first. So far they have made 180 for five wickets, of which Ryburn made 55, Williams 27, Lusk 23, Goulstone 21, Fouke 31 not out, and Clayton 10 not out. Ryburn made his runs in good style, and seems to have quite got over the nervousness he has displayed the last two seasons. He had bad luck in being run out. Williams and Lusk did not play so well as usual, Williams getting most of his runs by snicks. Goulstone played a nice free innings. Fouke and Clayton, the not outs, both played well. Lawson was the most successful batter for Parnell.

AUCKLAND V. ST. MARY'S.—The latter won the toss and decided to take the field, which proved a big mistake, as Auckland were at the wickets all the afternoon, and scored 177 for nine wickets. Howlett made 67, and considering he was suffering from a sprained wrist and could not hit on the off side, his batting was really excellent. R. Neill again scored. His 50 was got in good style. Webster played well for 12. Rev. Mr. Preston made a promising first appearance, scoring 19 in good style. Smales and Stone were the most successful bowlers for St. Mary's.

UNITED V. ALPHA.—United kept the wickets all the afternoon, getting 168 for eight wickets. C. Harvie played a good innings of 55 not out. Mumford contributed 38—a really good innings. Yates, MacCormick, and Lynch, also showed good form for 13, 14, and 17 respectively.

PONSONBY V. AUCKLAND II.—Ponsonby 80 (Buchanan 12, D. Graham 23, Taylor 12, Pritchard 19). Auckland II 54 (Howard 10).

MT. ROSKILL V. STAR.—Mt. Roskill 65 (Baker 16, White 18, Horsburgh 12). Star 72 (Wilson 18, French 18).

WANDERERS V. GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—Wanderers 141 (Rowe 12, Clarke 20, Rowe 11, Wakerley 52, Whelan 12). Grammar School 67 for three wickets (Turner 29, Clayton 11, Ball not out 18).

QUEEN'S COLLEGE V. BELMONT.—Queen's 63 (Bell 21). Belmont 112 for 6 wickets (Cromwell 52, Morrison 31, Cowan not out 10).

CHRISTCHURCH.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Saturday, December 13.

At the Canterbury Amateur Athletic Club's Sports to-day, at Lancaster Park, there was a really pleasant meeting, held in capital weather, and good time was recorded in most of the events; the 'cycling being especially good, A. C. Wilmot winning the Half-mile Handicap and Three Miles Handicap from scratch, the half mile being done in 1min. 18 2-5th secs., which, I believe, is the record. The 100 yards scratch race resulted in L. R. Cuff winning the first heat in 10 2-5th secs., E. R. Webb, at one time a first-class man, being second. Winter won the second heat in 10 3-5th secs., Robinson being close up. The final of all handicaps takes place on Tuesday. Cocks won the Mile Walk in ridiculous fashion by half a lap in 7min. 22secs. The High Jump was won by Cuff, 5ft. 4 3-5ths ins., Postlethwaite being second. The latter the week previously won the Hurdles and High Jump at Dunedin. Cuff also beat Postlethwaite in the Long Jump, doing 19ft. 10 1/2 in. to 19ft. 9 in. of his opponent. W. J. Moir, Broughton, Watson, J. Moir, H. Matson and Searrell each won a heat of the 120 yards handicap, the four men left in at the close of the day being W. Moir, W. F. Watson, Searrell and W. Watt, the latter having run second in the first heat. In the Half-mile Flat, D. Wood ran home in 2min. 2 1-5th secs., C. G. Rees and J. F. Grierson filling the other places. This is better than the standard by 7 4-5th secs. H. Matson won his heat in the Maiden; Broughton won the second. The 120 yards Hurdles W. J. Moir won easily. Quarter-mile Flat scratch, Winter 1, P. Worr 2. One Mile Flat, Worr won easily, Leversedge 2.

The people here are not half so enthusiastic about their athletic sports as they are in Auckland, but the athletes themselves are not behind hand, and they go in for training with a will. The week past has been a busy one with them, in view of the Spring meeting of the Canterbury Amateur Athletic Club taking place this afternoon and on Tuesday next (Anniversary Day). The number of entries this year total 415, being an increase of some 35 on last year, and it is expected that nearly 100 competitors will be present.

Mr. A. L. Cuff, the well-known secretary of the N.Z. Amateur Athletic Association, is as active and enthusiastic as ever for the success of the approaching Championship Meeting in Auckland, and he anticipates a good time, but there is some regret that Queensland will not be represented there.

One of our local writers does not appear to "cotton" to the idea of your people carrying into effect their proposals with regard to having events for the men-of-war's-men expected to be in port about the time, nor does he think the introduction of handicap events should be permitted. Of course there are arguments for and against. The public want as much fun for their money as they can get, and the Aucklanders would probably succeed in drawing a larger crowd if they could give a more varied programme. The Canterbury Club might take a leaf from the book of the Auckland Club in the matter of "booming" a show. People who do not know one ped. from another perhaps find things monotonous at these gatherings at times, and a race for "bell-bottomed" navals would at least create some fun, especially if a greasy porker of the Captain Cook breed should be allowed a hand in the game. "Bell-bottomed" navals and a greasy pig would materially assist in increasing the attendances at Lancaster Park, I fancy.

The C.A.A. Club have received from Mr. Peter Cunningham a handsome trophy, in the shape of what is known as an Elkington Shield. It has thus been described in the local paper, the *Referee*:—"It is a miniature of the one presented by Messrs. Elkington and Co. to be shot for at Wimbledon, with the exception of the interchangeable medallions (representing athletes), of which there are twenty-six, all different subjects, representing sports of all kinds. In the centre is a figure of Cupid supporting the medallions in his arms, the feet resting on a convex plate (intended for engraving), surmounted by carved leaves. Above the head of Cupid is a gilt oblong plate, also for

engraving, and immediately above this plate is a splendid figure of the British lion in majestic posture. On each side is a beautiful figure of Venus, and the shape of the shield is delineated on a black ground with gilt stars. All the figures are in bass relief of oxidised metal, and the whole is mounted in a frame of crimson plush." Elkington and Co., College Green, Dublin, are the makers, and Mr. A. Gunderson, jeweller, of Christchurch, imported it, and the committee of the Club will decide upon the disposal of this handsome gift.

W. R. Sneddon, the crack 100 yards' amateur swimmer, has been ordered by his medical adviser to give up training for the present, owing to a weakness in one of his legs. Watson has also retired.

For the Peoples' Sports, to be held on Tuesday next, Anniversary Day (one of the most closely observed holidays of the year), and which take place at Hagley Park, splendid entries have been received, and as a most attractive programme, apart from the running events, has been prepared, a monster attendance is anticipated. Greasy pigs and all that sort of thing will there add to the fun of the fair. No tea and cake parties.

VOLUNTEER NEWS.

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RANGE TIME-TABLE.

November 15—"A" Battery N.Z.R.A., Auckland Navals.

[BY CARBINE.]

THE City Guards journeyed out to Onehunga last Saturday to fire a friendly rifle match with the Onehunga Corps. The distances were 200 and 300 yards; five shots at each range. Both teams tied at the 200 yards with 176 points, but the Guards gained 11 points at the 300 yards, and thus secured a victory. The scores are:—

Name	CITY GUARDS.		
	200 yds	300 yds	Total
Pvt. Osborne	18	19	37
Sergt. Craig	21	16	37
Lieut. Dormer	19	16	35
Corp. Coleman	20	13	33
Col.-Sergt. Stirling	20	13	33
Staff-Sergt. Soall	16	16	32
Bugler Dormor	13	17	30
Capt. Kohn	15	14	29
Sergt. Orr	19	10	29
Sergt. Taylor	15	8	23

Totals 176 142 318

Name	ONEHUNGA RIFLES.		
	200 yds	300 yds	Total
Pvt. Blakely	17	18	25
Pvt. James	18	17	35
Pvt. May	20	15	35
Capt. Leahy	22	11	33
Pvt. Tapp	17	15	32
Pvt. Brunner	17	15	32
Pvt. McCarthy	18	14	32
Pvt. Wall	18	12	30
Pvt. Crowhurst	19	8	27
Sergt. Brown	10	6	16

Totals 176 131 307

Majority for City Guards 11 points.

The members of the Ponsonby Navals paraded at the drill shed on Monday last, Lieut. Dacre being in command. A detachment was told off to drill on the 64-pounder and the remainder received a very instructive lecture on mining explosives from members of the permanent force.

The "A" Battery fire the first stage in the competition for representatives for the forthcoming meeting at Napier this afternoon at the Mt. Eden Range. The conditions are 7 shots to be fired at 200, 300 and 500 yards. Five men are to be assisted by the company, and the competition may be expected to be very keen, as more than that number intended going.

Interesting experiments are to be made at the Washington Navy Yards with the new smokeless powder, the invention of Professor Emmens. Two kinds of explosives are to be experimented with, the one called Gelbite and the other Emmensite. Their composition is known only to the inventor. The ordinance officials are entirely ignorant of their properties or value. Professor Emmens expects to

demonstrate that he has a smokeless powder suitable for guns of all sizes, and a high explosive that can be handled with greater safety and yet be more destructive in its results than any explosive known.

The members of the "A" Battery are again to the fore in enjoyment, having arranged for a grand picnic on January 2, 1891, to be held at Motuihi Island. A strong committee has been picked and they intend to spare no pains in seeing that everything of the best is provided, and their patrons thoroughly enjoy themselves.

After the "O" Battery inspection parade on Wednesday, Major Douglas presented the gold medals given by the battery officers for the best gun detachment, which were won by No. 2 Detachment (Sergt. McCallum). The Champion Carbine Cup was also presented to Sergt. McCallum, who won it for 1890 with the good score of 201 points, and Sergt. Fairs was presented with a gold medal, having won the Cup last year, score 192 points. Gun. Percy Browne won a Martini-Henri rifle given by Capt. Reid for good attendance, having put in every drill since he joined the Battery some three years ago. It was decided to send Sergts. McCallum and Fairs to Napier next month to represent the Battery at the N.Z.R.A. meeting, and £10 was voted to them for expenses.



**SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.
SUMMER MEETING**

To be held on the CLAUDELANDS RACECOURSE, on
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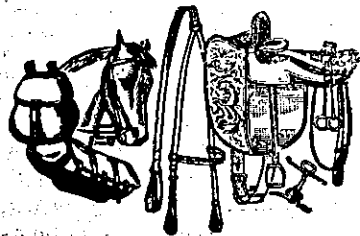
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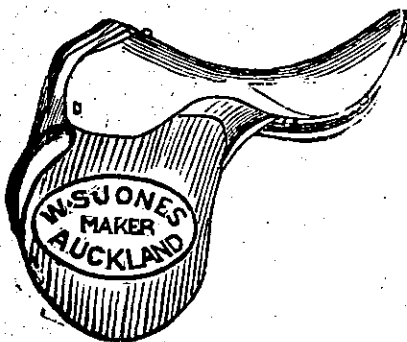
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BROOD MARES AND FOALS.

SALE COMMENCES AT 11 A.M.

- Lot 1—AMOHIA; got by Towton out of Anticipation. With Filly by Ingomar; foaled September 9. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 2—ATALANTA; got by Dainty Ariel out of Moonshine. With Colt by St. Leger; foaled October 7. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 3—ATALANTIS [imp.]; got by Thormanby out of Hurricane. With Colt by Ingomar; foaled November 13. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 4—BLANCA; got by Black Eagle out of Bessie. With Colt by Nordenfeldt; foaled September 20. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 5—CRINOLINE [imp.]; got by Lord Lyon out of Crinon. With Colt by Nordenfeldt; foaled November 17. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 6—ERYCINA; got by Sledmere out of Atalanta. With Colt by Nordenfeldt; foaled October 20. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 7—FLEURETTE; got by Robinson Crusoe out of Rose of Denmark. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 8—FLORENCE MACARTHY [imp.]; got by Macaroni out of Lady Morgan. With Filly by Ingomar; foaled August 15. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 9—FORMO; got by Sterlingworth out of Pulchra. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 10—FUSEE; got by Musket from Titania. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 11—HANNAH; got by Traducer out of Renga. Served by Hotchkiss.
- Lot 12—HIPONA; got by Robinson Crusoe out of Lamorna. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 13—HAPPY LAND; got by Musket out of Atlantis. With Colt by Ingomar; foaled November 10. Served by Nelson.
- Lot 14—LADY RAVENSWORTH [imp.]; got by Voltigeur out of Lady Hawthorn. Served by Hotchkiss.
- Lot 15—LADY MERSEY; got by Musket out of Mersey. With Colt by Ingomar; foaled September 30. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 16—LEILA [imp.]; got by Buccaneer out of Vestalin. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 17—LOVEBIRD [imp.]; got by Macaroni out of Better Half. With Colt by St. Leger; foaled August 22. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 18—L'ORIENT [imp.]; got by Knight of the Crescent out of Egyptian. With Colt by St. Leger; foaled October 1. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 19—LYRA [imp.]; got by Thormanby out of Clotilde, by Touchstone. Served by Hotchkiss.
- Lot 20—LYRE [late LYRIC]; got by Patriarch out of Lyra by Thormanby. With Colt by Ingomar; foaled November 21. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 21—MADCAP [imp.]; got by Trumpeter out of a daughter of Young Melbourne. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 22—MAID OF HONOUR; got by Kelpie out of Fairy Queen. With Colt by Ingomar; foaled September 14. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 23—MERSEY [imp.]; dam of Carbine; got by Knowsley out of Clemence. With Colt by Nordenfeldt; foaled September 4. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 24—MISS LAURA [imp.]; got by Trumpeter out of Diadem. With Filly by St. Leger; foaled September 23. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 25—MY IDEA; got by Yattendon out of Lady Bird. With Colt by Ingomar; foaled November 1. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 26—NAIAD; got by Traducer [imp.] out of Mermaid [imp.]. With Filly by Nordenfeldt; foaled August 28. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 27—NELLY MOORE; got by Voltigeur out of Fickle. With Filly by Nordenfeldt; foaled August 26. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 28—ONYX; dam of Nordenfeldt; got by Angler out of Chrysolite. With Colt by Ingomar; foaled September 26. Served by Hotchkiss.
- Lot 29—OPHELIA; got by Musket out of Madcap. With Filly by St. Leger; foaled October 29. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 30—PATCH; got by Fireworks out of Syren. With Filly by Nordenfeldt; foaled October 4. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 31—PEARL ASH [imp.]; got by Lord Clifden out of Potash. With Colt by Nordenfeldt; foaled November 3. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 32—PERFUME; got by Dainty Ariel out of Una. With Filly by Ingomar; foaled October 14. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 33—RADIANCE; got by Fireworks out of Sunshine. With Filly by Nordenfeldt; foaled October 18. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 34—RADIANT; got by Robinson Crusoe out of Radiance. With Colt by St. Leger; foaled October 24. Served by Hotchkiss.

- Lot 35—SISTER AGNES; got by Rosicrucian out of Penance. With Foal by Ingomar; foaled August 27. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 36—STEPPE [imp.]; got by Saunterer out of Seclusion. With Colt by Ingomar; foaled September 28. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 37—SWEET CICELY; got by Lord Clifden out of Cecilia. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 38—SYLVIA; got by Fisherman out of Juliet. With Filly by Ingomar; foaled August 29. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 39—TITANIA [imp.]; got by Orest out of Queen Mab. With Filly by Ingomar; foaled September 14. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 40—TRES DEUCE; got by Traducer out of Gitana. With Filly by Nordenfeldt; foaled October 29. Served by Nordenfeldt.
- Lot 41—WOODNYMPH; got by Musket out of Sylvia. With Filly by Ingomar; foaled September 18. Served by St. Leger.
- Lot 42—BAY or BROWN COLT FOAL by Nordenfeldt from Realisation.

SIRES.

AT TWO P.M.

- Lot 43—FUSILLADE, bay horse, bred by Mr. H. Redwood in 1882; got by Musket from Wai-iti, by Towton from Waimea, by Sir Hercules from Flora McIvor, by Emigrant.
- Lot 44—NORDENFELDT, brown horse, bred by the New Zealand Stud Company in 1882; got by Musket [imp.] out of Onyx, by Angler out of Chrysolite [imp.], by Stockwell out of Juliet, by Touchstone.
- Lot 45—ST. LEGER [imp.], chestnut horse, foaled in 1881; bred by Lord Palmouth; got by Doncaster out of Atlantis, by Thormanby out of Hurricane, by Wild Dayrell from Midia, by Scutari.
- Lot 46—HOTCHKISS, brown horse, bred by the New Zealand Stud Company in 1885; got by Musket from Petroleuse, by Oxford from Hartshorn, by Mountain Deer from Area, by Gladiator.

YEARLINGS

(WITH ENGAGEMENTS).

- Lot 47—BAY COLT; foaled October 26 1889; by St. Leger from Hippona.
- Lot 48—BAY COLT; foaled September 23 1889; by Leolinus from Woodnymph.
- Lot 49—BAY or BROWN COLT; foaled October 9 1889; by Nordenfeldt from Erycina.
- Lot 50—CHESTNUT FILLY; foaled September 25 1889; by St. Leger from Lady Mersey.
- Lot 51—BROWN COLT; foaled August 24 1889; by Nordenfeldt from Nelly Moore.
- Lot 52—CHESTNUT COLT; foaled November 29 1889; by Nordenfeldt from My Idea.
- Lot 53—BROWN COLT; foaled September 30 1889; by Nordenfeldt from Patch.
- Lot 54—BAY or BROWN COLT; foaled September 30 1889; by Nordenfeldt from Florence Macarthy.
- Lot 55—CHESTNUT FILLY; foaled October 12 1889; by Nordenfeldt from Bianca.
- Lot 56—BROWN COLT; foaled August 11 1889; by Nordenfeldt from Steppe.
- Lot 57—CHESTNUT FILLY; foaled October 26 1889; by Leolinus from Lyre.
- Lot 58—BAY or BROWN COLT; foaled September 24 1889; by Nordenfeldt from Sister Agnes.
- Lot 59—CHESTNUT COLT; foaled November 13 1889; got by Nordenfeldt from Spinnaker.
- Lot 60—CHESTNUT COLT; foaled November 29 1889; by St. Leger from Lady Ravensworth.
- Lot 61—CHESTNUT FILLY; foaled October 25 1889; got by Nordenfeldt from Tres Deuce.
- Lot 62—BAY COLT; foaled October 31 1889; by St. Leger from Radiant.
- Lot 63—BAY or BROWN COLT; foaled October 23 1889. by Nordenfeldt from Atlantis.
- Lot 64—CHESTNUT FILLY; foaled October 21 1889; by Nordenfeldt from Syeagrass.
- Lot 65—CHESTNUT FILLY; foaled November 3 1889; by Nordenfeldt from Radiance.
- Lot 66—CHESTNUT COLT; foaled November 17 1889; by Leolinus from Happy Land.
- Lot 67—CHESTNUT COLT; foaled October 29 1889; by St. Leger from Ophelia.
- Lot 68—BAY FILLY; foaled October 11 1889; by Leolinus from Titania.
- Lot 69—BAY COLT; foaled September 20 1889; by Captivator from Madcap.
- Lot 70—BAY COLT; foaled October 4 1889; by Captivator from Maid of Honour.

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SUMMER MEETING.

FIRST DAY,
BOXING DAY, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1890.
First Race to start at 1 o'clock.

- TRIAL STAKES of 80 sovs. One mile.
THE GREAT NORTHERN FOAL STAKES of 300 sovs. Six furlongs.
THE AUCKLAND CUP of 300 sovs. Two miles.
HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Two miles.
RAILWAY HANDICAP of 70 sovs. Six furlongs.
NURSERY HANDICAP of 50 sovs. Five furlongs.
MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Three miles.
CHRISTMAS HANDICAP of 100 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

SECOND DAY.

- NEW YEAR'S DAY, THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 1891.
NEW YEAR'S HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Two miles.
NEWMARKET HANDICAP of 100 sovs. Six furlongs.
MIDSUMMER HANDICAP of 150 sovs. Five furlongs.
GREAT NORTHERN DERBY of 500 sovs. One mile and a-half.
SELLING STAKES of 50 sovs. One mile.
AUCKLAND RACING CLUB HANDICAP of 400 sovs. One mile and a-half.
MAIDEN HANDICAP of 70 sovs. One mile and a distance.
WELTER HANDICAP of 50 sovs. One mile.

THIRD DAY,

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, 1891.

- GRAND STAND HANDICAP of 100 sovs. One mile and a-half.
SYLVIA HANDICAP of 100 sovs. Six furlongs.
AUCKLAND PLATE of 150 sovs. One mile and a-half.
AUCKLAND STEEPLECHASE of 300 sovs. Three miles and a half.
SELLING STAKES of 50 sovs. Six furlongs.
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DRURY RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL SUMMER MEETING,
To be held on the CLUB'S COURSE, DRURY, ON
MONDAY, DECEMBER 29TH, 1890.

PROGRAMME.

- HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 20 sovs., second horse to receive 3 sovs. from the stakes. Distance 2 miles. Over nine flights of hurdles, 3ft. 6in. high. Nomination, 10s.; Acceptance, 10s.
FLYING STAKES HANDICAP of 15 sovs., second horse to receive 3 sovs. from the stakes. Distance $\frac{3}{4}$ mile. Nomination, 7s. 6d.; Acceptance, 7s. 6d.
MAIDEN PLATE of 15 sovs., second horse to receive 3 sovs. from the stakes. Distance 1 mile. Weight-for-age. For horses that have not won an advertised race at time of starting. Nomination, 15s.
DRURY CUP HANDICAP of 40 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Distance, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 1 sov.
NOVEL HANDICAP of 15 sovs. The winner to become the property of the Club, and to be sold immediately after the race, and the whole of the proceeds to go to the funds of the Club. Nomination, 7s. 6d.; Acceptance, 7s. 6d.
DRURY RACING CLUB HANDICAP of 25 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Distance, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Nomination, 12s. 6d.; Acceptance, 12s. 6d.
STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 20 sovs., second horse to receive 3 sovs. from the stakes. Distance, 1 mile. Nomination, 10s.; Acceptance, 10s. Winner of the Drury Cup or Drury Racing Club Handicap to carry 7lbs. penalty, or winner of both 10lbs.

Weights for Novel Handicap immediately after general entries, and Acceptance at the post.

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The winner of any handicap race, after the declaration of the weights, of the value of 20 sovs. to carry 7lbs. penalty; of two or more such races, 10lbs (Drury Cup and Stewards' Handicap). Penalties not cumulative.

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Racing Programmes.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB.
SUMMER MEETING.

THURSDAY AND SATURDAY,

JANUARY 29 AND 31, 1891.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.

HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE of 35 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. For all horses that have never won an advertised race exceeding 30 sovs. at time of starting. Nomination $\frac{1}{2}$ sov., acceptance 1 sov. Distance 1 mile.

HANDICAP HURDLES of 70 sovs., second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 2 sovs. Distance 2 miles.

ZEALANDIA HANDICAP of 40 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 1 sov. Distance 5 furlongs.

TAKAPUNA CUP HANDICAP of 150 sovs., second horse to receive 15 sovs., third horse 5 sovs. out of stakes. Winner of any handicap of 50 sovs. after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 5lb extra; of 100 sovs. 10lb extra. Nomination 2 sovs., acceptance 3 sovs. Distance 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

HOBSON HANDICAP of 50 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. For two-year-olds. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 1 sov. Distance 6 furlongs.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs., second horse to receive 15 sovs., third horse 5 sovs. out of stakes. Nomination 2 sovs., acceptance 3 sovs. Distance about 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

NOVEL RACE of 25 sovs. Winner to be sold immediately after the race, and the whole of the proceeds to go to the Club. Lowest weight 8st 7lb. Nomination 1 sov., on night of general entry. Distance 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 70 sovs., second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. Winner of the Takapuna Cup or Zealandia Handicap to carry a penalty of 5lb extra, or both, 7lb extra. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 2 sovs. Distance 6 furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

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 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

ANNIVERSARY HANDICAP of 50 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 1 sov. Distance 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs.

CALLIOPE HANDICAP of 40 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. For two-year-olds. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 1 sov. Distance 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP of 75 sovs., second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 2 sovs. Distance 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 75 sovs., second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 2 sovs. Distance about 3 miles.

SELLING RACE of 30 sovs. For three-year-olds and upwards. Three-year-olds to carry 9st. 7lbs.; 4 years, 10st 5lb; 5, 6, and aged, 10st 12lb. Winner to be sold immediately after the race for 50 sovs. 7lbs allowed for every 10 sovs. reduction in selling price. Nomination 1 sov., on night of general entry. Distance 1 mile.

WELTER HANDICAP of 40 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination 1 sov., no acceptance. Distance 1 mile.

SUMMER MEETING, 1892.

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 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs.

Racing Programmes.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS,
ACCEPTANCES, &c.

NOMINATIONS—

Monday, December 29, by 9 p.m.—Takapuna Cup, Takapuna Jockey Club Handicap, Handicap Steeplechase (both days).

Friday, January 9, by 9 p.m.—Nominations, with 1 sov. each, close for Anniversary Stakes, 1892, and Takapuna Stakes, 1893 (now yearlings).

Friday, January 16, by 9 p.m.—Handicap Maiden Plate, Handicap Hurdles, Zealandia Handicap, Hobson Handicap, Stewards' Handicap (first day); and Handicap Hurdles, Anniversary Handicap, Calliope Handicap, Welter Handicap (second day).

WEIGHTS—

Friday, January 9—Takapuna Cup, Handicap Steeplechase (first day).

Monday, January 19—Handicap Maiden, Handicap Hurdles, Zealandia Handicap, Hobson Handicap, and Stewards' Handicap.

Friday, January 30, by 4 p.m.—second day's racing.

ACCEPTANCES AND GENERAL ENTRIES—

Friday, January 23, by 9 p.m.—Acceptances first day, and General Entries both days.

Friday, January 30, by 9 p.m.—Acceptances second day's racing.

All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, Devonport, or at Mr. W. Adams' Office, Durham-street East, Auckland.

All races to be run under the A.R.C.'s new rules.

R. WYNYARD,

Secretary.

WHANGAREI COUNTY RACING CLUB
(Approved by the Auckland Racing Club)

SUMMER MEETING,

ON KENSINGTON PARK RACECOURSE,

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JANUARY

9TH AND 10TH, 1891.

Handicappers—Messrs. E. Halstead, M. McPhee,
and Rust.

PROGRAMME.—FIRST DAY.

HANDICAP HACK RACE of 10 sovs. For all horses that have never won a handicap or weight-for-age race exceeding the value of 10 sovs. Distance 1 mile.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 25 sovs. Distance 2 miles, over 8 flights of hurdles about 3ft. 6in. high.

TRIAL STAKES HANDICAP of 20 sovs. Distance 1 mile.

WHANGAREI RACING CLUB HANDICAP of 50 sovs. Distance 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

FLYING HANDICAP of 15 sovs. Distance 7 furlongs.

MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 25 sovs., 5 sovs. to go to second horse. Distance about 2 miles, over such ground as the Stewards shall direct.

SECOND DAY.

HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE of 15 sovs. For all horses that have never won a race of the value of 10 sovs. up to the time of entry. Distance 1 mile and a distance.

KENSINGTON PARK HANDICAP of 30 sovs. Distance 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 35 sovs., 5 sovs. out of the stakes to go to the second horse. Distance about 3 miles, over such ground as the Stewards shall direct.

PUBLICANS' PURSE HANDICAP of 20 sovs. Distance 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

AUCTION STAKES of 20 sovs. Distance 1 mile. Winner to be sold immediately after the race for £50. Top weight 9st. If entered to be sold for 40 sovs., allowed 7lbs; if for 30 sovs., 14lbs; if for 20 sovs., 21lbs; if for 10 sovs., 31lbs; if for nil, 42lbs. Proceeds of sale above the nominated value of the winner to be equally divided between the owner of the second horse and the Club.

THE FAREWELL HANDICAP of 15 sovs. Weights to be declared by 8 o'clock on the night of the first day's races. Acceptance at 10 p.m. Distance 1 mile.

NOMINATIONS.

Nominations for all Handicaps to be forwarded to the Secretary under seal and endorsed "Nomination," on or before 8 p.m., Tuesday, December 30th, 1890.

Weights to be declared on Saturday, January 4th.

ACCEPTANCES AND GENERAL ENTRIES.

Acceptances and General Entries will be received by the Secretary, at Whangarei, up till 8 p.m. on Tuesday, January 6th.

Nominations, Acceptances and General Entries will be received in Auckland on behalf of the Club by Mr. W. Adams, Durham-street, on the same date and hour as the said nominations, &c., close at Whangarei.

All races to be run under the Auckland Racing Club Rules.

Horses entered for these Races will be carried free from Auckland by the Northern Steamship Company, providing the owners get an order from the undersigned.

G. E. ALDERTON,

Hon. Secretary.

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