



ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING.

PROFESSOR W. STEADMAN ALDIS is again on the peace path. Referring to Colonel Carre's scheme he writes a letter stuffed full of nonsense to one of our contemporaries. For example he says, "it is one of the misfortunes of a military education, that most men trained as soldiers seem wholly unable to recognise that the highest manliness does not consist in military powers, and that the bullying impudence, typified by 'bristling with guns,' tends far more to lower the national character than to secure the national safety." By parallel reasoning to provide locks, bolts, and bars against the enterprising burglar is bullying impudence, and tends to lower the standard of truthfulness in the average citizen. He should rely upon the honesty and good intentions of all men, should leave his doors and windows unfastened, keep no Cerberus, and offer his valuables as a tempting and facile booty to the crib-cracker. What rubbish! Defence is not defiance. In desiring to protect ourselves from an attack, in the event of the mother country being involved in war we are merely acting on the good old maxim *Si vis pacem para bellum*. Until a national arbitration court is established and receives the sanction of civilized powers, wars are inevitable. It is useless to plead that our isolated position and comparative insignificance must exempt us from any risk of a visit from hostile cruisers. The professor goes on to attack the volunteers, on the poor pretence of a few minor breaches of discipline. Surely so able a logician must perceive that he is arguing from the particular to the general. Had he carried an Enfield rifle throughout the Maori wars, as the writer did, he would judge Colonial forces from a very different point of view. Their gallantry, steadiness, and patience received due recognition from eminent military personages, who grounded their opinions upon ocular and personal experience. Surely the pranks of a few undergraduates would not cause the dons to send down a whole college. Occasional breaches of discipline by a few black sheep in our large public schools are not deemed a sufficient reason for breaking-up and dispersing the entire establishment in which they may have occurred. Our professional military critic does not seem to realise the danger which we wish to avert. Granted that New Zealand could not successfully resist an invasion of war-ships and armies; and granted that nobody anticipates such an invasion. Still one or two large hostile cruisers might make a piratical descent upon our ports, and either levy blackmail or inflict terrible damage. Therefore it is wise to provide a defence against such an attack, both by mounting suitable artillery and maintaining gunners and infantry to work and protect the guns.

AUCKLAND appears to be fairly well guarded by the forts and batteries already erected, but we have for many years thought that one point of vantage should not be neglected. Our potential enemies are noted for the tact and activity of their secret intelligence department. It is quite possible that in the pigeon holes of foreign war offices a complete plan for the capture and sacking of Auckland is reposing at the present moment. Suppose two powerful cruisers evading British warships should sneak

round to the eastern side of Rangitoto, with two heavy guns encased in a wooden packing—such as was built round Cleopatra's needle. These huge cylinders are then parbuckled to the top of Rangitoto, and directed upon our forts. By their plunging fire our forts would speedily be silenced and dismantled, and the town would then be at the mercy of the enemy. Some may urge that such a feat would be an impossibility, but were Admiral Scott to address the officers and men of the Orlando in this fashion, "Men! I want those two guns taken to the top of Rangitoto, and it *must* be done," the thing *would* be done, for the word 'cannot' has no place in the vocabulary of British tars. If then such a feat can be achieved at all, why not by an enemy? Let us therefore anticipate the danger, and mount three or four powerful guns near the summit of Rangitoto. They would command all the entrances to our harbour, and protect the existing forts from any attempted *coup de main*. A garrison would of course be needed, but one hundred men entrenched on the summit of Rangitoto, with food and water in plenty, could defy thousands for ever. The position would be absolutely impregnable, but if endangered by any mishap the guns could easily be rendered useless to the enemy. Far from throwing cold water upon the volunteer movement every encouragement should be given to those who are willing to submit to loss of time and other inconveniences in order to become efficient soldiers and good shots. It would be a good policy to revive the old district prizes, making attendance at drill a *sine qua non*. No competitor to be qualified to shoot for a prize unless his name had so many drills marked against it. In some English towns, company drill competitions have greatly improved the efficiency of volunteers. They are thus managed: The judge, usually a general officer of reputation in the regular forces, puts each company in turn through certain evolutions and exercises in an enclosed space. Each company is marched on and performs alone, no man being allowed to leave the enclosure until the competition is finished. Consequently, the last company tested knows no more of the evolutions to be gone through than the first did before marching into the enclosure. When all have been examined, the judge forms the companies into a hollow square and awards the prize—a set of medals—to the best drilled company of the year. Keen rivalry between the various companies is thus aroused. Efforts are made to improve in drill and wrest the pride of place from the victors when the next annual competition shall come round. We do not want mere shooting clubs, but efficient soldiers who can not only hold a rifle straight, but are also good drills and amenable to discipline. With pains and good management this desirable result can be attained as well now, as it was in the sixties, when dire necessity turned every Aucklanders over 15 and under 60 into a soldier.

A FEW words more about the Rangitoto fort. Some may say, "It would be impossible for hostile cruisers to get guns to the summit of the cone in any reasonable time." Well, in reply we would point out that the cruisers could lie on the eastern shore of the island perfectly sheltered from the fire of our batteries. They could occupy

the cone and defend it from any attack by troops landing on the western shore. If it took three days or a week even to mount the guns, what matter? The only danger to be feared would be the arrival of more powerful British warships. If they did heave in sight, of course our assailants would just cut and run. But if no such welcome rescue came, the guns would sooner or later be in position and the doom of our fair city sealed—or a big price exacted in specie for an inglorious truce.

A FOUR-OAR crew is to be despatched by the Auckland Rowing Club to compete in the Gisborne Regatta, which is fixed for the first Saturday after Good Friday. The crew, comprising Gibbons, Stewart, Minnett, and Colebrook, should not disgrace us, but honest hard training, under good coaching, must not be neglected. It is impossible to acquire that machine-like regularity of stroke, which really good crews display, without strict attention to the traditional rules of form. Fine outrigger rowing may be summed up in a nutshell: Get forward slowly, catch well at the beginning, row the stroke through, recover quickly, let the arms shoot forward first and then follow slowly with the body. Always keep the button tightly pressed against the rowlock. Don't look at your oar, but fix your eyes on the neck of the man from whom you take time. If the crew follow these few hints as one man, the ship will progress *a la* Sir Julius Vogel, with leaps and bounds. Of course rowing on lumpy water is a serious handicap, but men should strive to overcome the difficulty by dropping the hands very low immediately before recovering, and thereby securing a high feather. Last year our Gisborne visitors pulled off the race, which is an annual fixture. Let us hope the A.R.C. will avenge themselves on this occasion. Surely some old 'Varsity oar, competent to coach the crew, can be found in Auckland. There is only one style of good outrigger rowing—the right one. It is astonishing how easily the art is lost by any laxity in observing the cardinal principles.

According to the *Canterbury Times* Mr. D. O'Brien has at last left New Zealand, having taken his departure in the Mararoa, that should have arrived at Melbourne in time for the V.R.C. meeting.

The Sheffield Handicap that is to take place at Potter's Paddock on March 27th, promises to be a success for the first attempt of such a kind of thing in Auckland, as all doubts of its not being genuine has been dispelled by Mr. Mountain placing the whole amount of the stakes in Mr. C. Kohn's hands, who will hold them until the judge gives his award. Those who are sceptical can see the sovs. in Mr. Kohn's window in Queen-street. Mr. E. O'Hare as handicapper should know the different forms of those entering. At the present time a judge and starter have not been appointed, but it may be relied upon that competent men will be found. Mr. Mountain has pledged his word that the little black fellow, who some are afraid of, will not be entered for this event. It is quite time that those intending to enter should go into strict training if they hope for success, as entries close this day week with the secretary at the Waverley Hotel, before 10 o'clock in the evening.

ATHLETICS, ETC.

[BY NIMBLEFOOT.]

AMATEUR ATHLETIC SPORTS.

THE following handicaps have been issued by Messrs. Cotter and Speight for the Amateur Athletics. Acceptances will be received by the secretary, at the British Hotel on Saturday evening:—

100 YARDS HANDICAP.

Yds	Yds	Yds
H. Mowbray.....scr.	J. H. Buchanan.....3½	R. D. Kelly.....6
C. Madigan.....1	H. C. Barnes.....3½	P. Hackett.....6
W. H. Hales.....1½	H. W. Boyd.....4	G. Reed.....6
C. Heaketh.....2	G. Glover.....4	B. E. Myers.....6
J. B. Reid.....2	W. F. Larkin.....4	F. Thomas.....6
W. Buckland.....2½	C. Motion.....4	W. L. Pritt.....6
T. Whiteside.....2½	W. Thomson.....4	R. Gibbs.....6
J. Hill.....2½	W. F. Stevenson.....4	G. Warner.....6
S. E. Chatfield.....2½	W. J. Martin.....4½	D. O. Hales.....6
A. Smith.....2½	H. J. B. Bull.....4½	N. Barton.....6½
F. Atkinson.....3	G. E. Ellett.....4½	D. F. London.....7
H. C. Weston.....3	T. Impey.....4½	A. A. Martin.....7
J. W. Burgess.....3	R. A. Christie.....5	R. Wayne.....7
W. Wood.....3	A. McCorquodale.....5	R. Laird.....7
D. Harvey.....3	W. C. Rhodes.....5½	H. Brown.....7
W. H. Martin.....3½	F. Russell.....5½	D. Hutchison.....7

200 YARDS HANDICAP.

Yds	Yds	Yds
H. Mowbray.....scr.	W. Wood.....7	R. A. Christie.....10
C. Madigan.....2	J. H. Buchanan.....7½	G. Reid.....12
W. H. Hales.....2½	D. Harvey.....7½	P. Hackett.....12
J. B. Reid.....3	G. Glover.....7½	R. D. Kelly.....13
S. E. Chatfield.....3½	H. N. Goldwater.....8	D. O. Hales.....13
J. Hill.....4	T. Impey.....8	G. Warner.....14
W. Buckland.....4½	W. F. Larkin.....8	N. Barton.....14
T. Roberts.....5	H. J. B. Bull.....8	A. A. Martin.....15
F. Atkinson.....5	H. C. Barnes.....8	B. E. Myers.....15
A. Smith.....5	W. F. Stevenson.....8	R. Wayne.....16
H. C. Weston.....5	R. S. Caulton.....8½	H. Brown.....16
J. W. Burgess.....5	W. Thompson.....8½	A. Jackson.....16
C. Heaketh.....6	W. C. Rhodes.....9	A. Cole.....16
T. Whiteside.....6	G. E. Ellett.....9	D. F. London.....18
W. H. Martin.....6	H. A. Norris.....10	R. Gibbs.....17
J. R. Leikis.....6	W. L. Pritt.....10	D. Hutchison.....17
H. W. Boyd.....7	A. McCorquodale.....10	M. H. Laird.....17

QUARTER-MILE HANDICAP.

Yds	Yds	Yds
C. Madigan.....scr.	J. W. Burgess.....8	W. F. Larkin.....14
J. Hill.....scr.	R. A. Christie.....10	A. McCorquodale.....16
T. E. Short.....6	J. R. Leikis.....10	F. P. Hoyes.....18
T. Roberts.....6	R. S. Caulton.....10	W. L. Pritt.....18
W. H. Martin.....8	H. N. Goldwater.....11	G. Wallace.....22
W. Buckland.....8	H. W. Boyd.....12	R. Gibbs.....25
F. Atkinson.....8	H. Worsp.....12	P. C. Lynch.....25
S. E. Chatfield.....8	A. G. Cook.....12	D. F. London.....25
D. Harvey.....8	G. Glover.....12	

HALF-MILE.—A. S. Clarke, scratch; T. E. Short, scratch; T. Roberts, 9yds; A. J. Osborne, 15yds; C. Motion, 18yds; H. N. Goldwater, 18yds; G. E. Ellett, 20yds; H. J. B. Bull, 20yds; A. G. Cook, 20yds; R. S. Caulton, 22yds; W. F. Stevenson, 23yds; G. H. Nixon, 25yds; E. G. Palmer, 25yds; B. A. Laurie, 25yds; E. C. Brown, 25yds; A. A. Davis, 28yds; E. T. Laurie, 30yds; W. S. Dickey, 30yds; H. Worsp, 30yds; A. Jackson, 30yds; G. Wallace, 35yds; G. W. Lewis, 35yds; A. J. Richards, 40yds; G. Warner, 40yds; A. G. Harvey, 40yds; P. C. Lynch, 45yds.

ONE MILE WALK.—G. Peace, scratch; A. W. Creamer, 40yds; A. Jackson, 80yds; H. Burton, 90yds; T. G. Pollard, 100yds; J. Burfoot, 100yds; P. O'Dowd, 110yds; C. J. Collings, 120yds.

120 YARDS HURDLES.—C. Madigan, scratch; H. Worsp, scratch; W. H. Martin, scratch; W. Thomson, 4yds; H. J. B. Bull, 4yds; T. Roberts, 4yds; W. C. Rhodes, 5yds; E. T. Laurie, 5yds; T. Impey, 5yds; A. G. Cook, 5yds; H. C. Barnes, 6yds; C. Motion, 6yds; P. Hackett, 7yds; D. O. Hales, 7yds; A. A. Martin, 8yds.

ONE MILE RUN.—A. S. Clarke, scratch; T. E. Short, 30yds; A. J. Osborne, 30yds; H. N. Goldwater, 40yds; G. H. Nixon, 40yds; B. A. Laurie, 40yds; A. A. Davis, 50yds; T. W. Taylor, 50yds; J. Lecky, 60yds; E. C. Brown, 60yds; H. Burton, 60yds; G. Warner, 70yds; A. G. Harvey, 70yds; E. G. Palmer, 70yds; W. S. Dickey, 75yds; E. R. Reeves, 75yds; G. W. Lewis, 80yds; A. J. Richards, 90yds; G. Wallace, 90yds; P. C. Lynch, 100yds.

ONE MILE MAIDEN BICYCLE ROADSTER.—H. Nicholson, scratch; D. Campbell, 30yds; N. P. N. Aickin, 60yds; H. Dacre, 70yds; C. Waters, 100yds; R. H. McCallum, 130yds; S. Fleming, 150yds; H. Hill, 160yds; L. Boulton, 180yds; A. Firth, 180yds; H. Rendall, 190yds; W. Hazard, 190yds; J. Harris, 200yds; R. Logan, 200yds; R. Laird, 200yds; J. Taylor, 250yds; C. P. Hulme, 250yds.

TWO MILE ROADSTER BICYCLE HANDICAP.—A. G. Buchanan, scratch; H. S. Short, scratch; E. Reynolds, 40yds; H. Nicholson, 80yds; D. Campbell, 90yds; W. Elliott, 100yds; J. A. Stewart, 150yds; N. P. N. Aickin, 170yds; H. Dacre, 180yds; C. Walters, 200yds; R. H. McCallum, 250yds; J. Fleming, 250yds; W. H. Hazard, 280yds; A. Firth, 300yds; Bolton, 300yds; Logan, 300yds; J. Harris, 400yds; C. P. Hulme, 440yds.

A COMMITTEE meeting of the Auckland Amateur Athletic Club was held on Friday February 27, at the British Hotel. The following new members were elected: Messrs. P. Hackett, F. Russell, W. F. Stevenson, H. A. Somerville, J. Leikis, E. P. Hulme, A. T. Firth, D. Hales, E. C. Browne, J. Burfoot, S. J. Harris, Taylor, Campbell, R. Caulton, D. Hutchison, G. Wallace, R. Rendell, Boulton.

The proposal to send a team of New Zealand amateur athletes to compete in the English championships in June next, was next considered. A long discussion took place, all of the members present having something to say on the matter. The opinion was that it would be unwise to send a team this season, as the matter was being rushed through too hurriedly, and time would not permit of raising such a large sum as would be necessary for expenses. It was suggested that if the trip be put off until next season, each of the Clubs affiliated to the Association should give a benefit race meeting in aid of the funds. Mr. Coates proposed the following resolution: "That the Committee of the Auckland Amateur Athletic Club, without wishing to discourage the proposal that a N.Z. team visit England this year, are of opinion that the time available does not permit of the proper organisation of the scheme, and think it would be more in the interest of amateur athletics in the colony to defer the visit till next year." This was seconded

by Mr. Esam, and on being put to the meeting was carried by ten votes to one.

The Committee of the Auckland Club intend putting on their programme several races for the officers and men of the squadron.

The Committee of the N.Z. Amateur Athletic Association at a meeting on Tuesday night last, decided to postpone the visit of the team to England until next season.

The Gordon v. United match was commenced on Saturday last. Gordon winning the toss went in, and made 143, of which Lusk made 59, Moresby 31, and Williams 19. United got 36 for one wicket. The scores were:—

GORDON—First innings.

Lusk, c Hawkins, b Stenson	59
Williams, c Harvie, b Millar	19
Moresby, lbw, b Millar	31
Goulstone, b Millar	0
Ryburn, c Harvie, b Millar	8
Fowke, c Harvie, b Stenson	1
Clayton, b Millar	6
D. Meldrum, b Millar	4
Ansenne, not out	3
Kelly, not out	0
Extras	12
Total	143

UNITED—First Innings.

Hawkins, not out	21
C. Harvie, b Kelly	4
W. Harvie, not out	10
Extra	1
Total for one wicket	36

Auckland, winning the toss against Parnell, went in and made 145, of which R. Neill contributed 26, Howlett 20, Wilson 40, and Webster 35 not out. Parnell have started well, having 30 runs for the loss of one wicket.

Alpha playing eight men went in first against the St. Mary's, but made no stand against their bowling, their innings closing for the small score of 7 runs. Stone got 3 wickets for 2 runs, and Murphy 2 for 3 runs. St. Mary's also batting two men short made 100, of which London is responsible for 45.

CHRISTCHURCH.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

FOOTBALL.

THE approach of the coming football season has already been the means of rousing up the local clubs to a state of activity, and judging by the enthusiasm displayed, the season of 1891 should be quite as successful as its predecessor. The East Christchurch, Christchurch, Merivale, Addington, and Linwood clubs have held their meetings, and in each case a large number of new members were elected.

In Otago matters are hardly as forward, as several wet Saturdays have thrown the cricket matches back, and this will have the effect of making the opening of the football season fully two weeks later than usual.

CYCLING.

During the past week, race meetings of a rather small nature have been decided at Timaru and Dunedin, both meeting with a fair amount of success.

At Timaru the track was in excellent condition, and several visitors took part in the principal events. Owing to the high opinion the handicappers seemed to have of them, however, in no case were they successful, local men winning every event. C. E. Hall accounted for Three Mile Handicap; North, Truman, and McQuisban being amongst the defeated division. Hall also secured the Ladies' Bracelet and Two Mile Handicap.

The Dunedin Meeting was a much more pretentious affair, and included the Five Mile Championship of Otago. Amongst the unsuccessful competitors were a number of second-rate Christchurch cyclists who had previously ridden at the Timaru Meeting. In the Five Mile Championship Steadman had a very moderate field against him, and before half the distance had been done, had settled their pretensions. Steadman also won the Two Mile Handicap from scratch, but in neither case was the time good.

At the recent meeting of the Cyclists' Alliance, a regular crusade was started against a number of amateurs who have been trans-

gressing against the Alliance's laws. Amongst these was the champion, "Toby" Wilmot, who was accused of winning a pair of boots as a trophy and then selling them because they were a misfit.

ATHLETICS.

The project of Mr. Cuff to send a team of athletes to England has been the subject of considerable comment during the past week. It is generally thought that the idea is altogether premature, and would be too much like sponging on the liberality of the public. The item to which most objection seems to be taken, however, is that of sending Mr. Cuff as manager. Surely a team of five or six men would not require so much looking after that the public should be put to extra expense merely to send an amateur manager.

The Dunedin A.A.C. do not appear to fall in with the scheme at all, the idea of sending a manager being thought absurd.

CRICKET.

Owing to the wet weather the Cup matches were again postponed on Saturday last, this being the second wet Saturday in succession.

EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

WAIUKU RACING CLUB.

ON Wednesday next, March 11, nominations for the above Club will close with the secretary at Waiuku.

DARGAVILLE JOCKEY CLUB.

ON Thursday next, March 12, acceptances for the first day's racing, and entries for Auction Stakes and Hack Races, close with the secretary, Mr. Norman McLeod, Dargaville, or Mr. H. H. Hayr, Auckland, at 8 p.m.

CAMBRIDGE JOCKEY CLUB.

ON Thursday next, March 12, acceptances for the above Club will close with the secretary at Cambridge.

OHINEMURI JOCKEY CLUB.

ON Thursday next, March 12, acceptances for the above Club are due.

SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

ON Friday next, March 13, nominations for the following events close with the secretary, Mr. G. H. Carter, Hamilton, or Mr. H. H. Hayr, at the office of this paper, at 8 p.m.

Handicap Maiden Plate of 20sovs, 7 furlongs
Handicap Hurdles of 30sovs, 2 miles
Autumn Handicap of 55sovs, 1½ miles
Welter Handicap of 20sovs, 1 mile
Handicap Steeplechase of 55sovs, 3 miles
Claudlands Handicap of 30sovs, 1½ miles
Flying Handicap of 20sovs, 6 furlongs.

MAUKU RACING CLUB.

ON Friday next, March 13, nominations for the above Club are due.

CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB.

ON Friday next, March 13, nominations and acceptances for the above Club's Autumn Meeting will close with the secretary, Mr. W. H. E. Wanklyn.

OTAHUHU TROTting CLUB.

ON Friday next, March 13, acceptances for the following events will close with the secretary, Mr. C. F. Mark, at

Handicap Maiden Trot of 40sovs, 2 miles
Handicap Flying Stakes of 20sovs, 5 furlongs
Pony Cup Handicap of 30sovs, 7 furlongs
Handicap Trot of 60sovs, 3 miles
Handicap Hurdles of 25sovs, 1½ miles
Handicap Pony Trot of 30sovs, 2 miles
Selling Trot of 20sovs, 2½ miles

HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB.

ON Saturday next, March 14, acceptances for the following events will close with the secretary, Mr. F. D. Luckie, at 10 p.m.

Grandstand Handicap of 60sovs, 1 mile
First Hurdles Handicap of 100sovs, 2 miles
Nursery Handicap of 100sovs, ¾ mile
High Weight Handicap of 50sovs, once round

Horse owners should bear in mind that nominations for the South Auckland Racing Club are due on Friday next, 13th inst, and for the convenience of Auckland owners they may be nominated with Mr. H. H. Hayr, at the office of this paper.

The Mercer regatta takes place to-day, and with fine weather there should be plenty of amusement. It is many years since we were there, but it was then almost under the same management. A more enjoyable day we never spent. The canoe racing is fine fun. All connected with the management as well as the settlers did all in their power to make things agreeable to their visitors, and there is no reason why it should not be the same this year. Mr. Mountain also intends to give an exhibition in boxing, so as to show the Maoris the proper art of self-defence. Trains will be run at cheap fares to suit those going from Auckland.

SPORTING FIXTURES, ETC.

COMING EVENTS.

Mar. 3 5 7	V.R.C. Autumn Meeting
Mar. 7	Helensville Turf Club
Mar. 11 12	Wanganui J.C. Autumn Meeting
Mar. 13	Waikato Jockey Club
Mar. 17	Henderson's Mill Turf Club
Mar. 17	Cambridge Jockey Club
Mar. 17	Ohinemuri Jockey Club
March 17	Popoti Race Meeting
Mar. 17, 18	Greyouth Jockey Club
Mar. 17 18	Hawkes Bay J.C. Autumn Meeting
Mar. 20	Te Aroha Jockey Club
Mar. 21 23	Dunedin J.C. Anniversary Meeting
Mar. 21	Otago Trotting Club Inaugural Meeting.
Mar. 20, 21	Dargaville Jockey Club.
Mar. 23	Waikato Racing Club
Mar. 24	Mauku Racing Club
Mar. 24 25	Napier Park R.C. Autumn Meeting.
Mar. 25	Waerenga-a-hika Races
Mar. 26	Waipu Jockey Club Autumn
Mar. 30	Fielding Jockey Club
March 30	Bay of Plenty Race Meeting
Mar. 30 31	Canterbury J.C. Autumn Meeting
Mar. 30 31	Auckland R.C. Autumn Meeting
Apr. 1 2	Taranaki J.C. Autumn Meeting.
Apr. 4	South Auckland R.C. Autumn Meeting
Apr. 4	South Auckland Racing Club
Apr. 7, 8	Nelson Racing Club
Apr. 11	Auckland Tattersall's Club
Apr. 16 17	South Canterbury J.C. Autumn Meeting
Apr. 16, 18	Wellington R.C. Autumn Meeting.
Apr. 18	Avondale Jockey Club
Apr. 25	Onehunga Racing Club
May 2	Lake Takapuna Races
May 23 25	Dunedin J.C. May Meeting
June 3	Auckland R.C. Winter Meeting
June 25	Hawkes Bay J.C. Winter Meeting

NOMINATIONS CLOSE.

Mar. 11	Waikato Racing Club
March 13	South Auckland Racing Club.
Mar. 13	Mauku Racing Club
Mar. 13	C.J.C. Autumn Meeting; general entries
Mar. 16	Napier Park R.C. Autumn Meeting (minor events)
Mar. 23	Wellington Racing Club Autumn Meeting.
Mar. 24	A.R.C. Autumn Meeting; general entries
Mar. 26	Taranaki Jockey Club; general entries
March 27	Auckland Tattersall's Club.
March 31	C.J.C. Champagne Stakes—1892
Apr. 1	Onehunga Racing Club

WEIGHTS APPEAR.

Mar. 7	Te Aroha Jockey Club
Mar. 10	Hawkes Bay J.C. Autumn Meeting; handicaps
Mar. 13	Fielding Jockey Club
Mar. 14	Napier Cup and Flying Handicap.
Mar. 14	Waikato Racing Club
Mar. 17	Mauku Racing Club
March 19	South Auckland Racing Club.
March 19	First day Napier Park R.C.
Mar. 19	Napier Park R.C. Autumn Meeting, first day's events.
Mar. 20	C.J.C. Autumn Meeting; handicaps
Mar. 20	Auckland Easter Handicap and Steeplechase
Mar. 20	Taranaki Jockey Club.
Mar. 25	A.R.C. Autumn Meeting; handicaps
March 30	Auckland Tattersall's Club.
April 3	Wellington R. C. Autumn Meeting.
Apr. 10	Onehunga Racing Club

ACCEPTANCES DUE.

Mar. 12	Dargaville Jockey Club.
Mar. 12	Cambridge Jockey Club
Mar. 12	Ohinemuri Jockey Club
Mar. 18	Otago Trotting Club.
Mar. 18	C.J.C. Great Autumn Handicap and further payments Champagne and Challenge Stakes
Mar. 14	Hawkes Bay J.C. Autumn Meeting; handicaps
Mar. 16	Napier Park Cup and Flying Handicap
Mar. 16	Te Aroha Jockey Club
Mar. 18	Waipu Jockey Club, Autumn.
Mar. 20	Fielding Jockey Club
Mar. 20	Napier Park R.C. Autumn Meeting (minor events)
Mar. 20	Waikato Racing Club
Mar. 24	A.R.C. Easter Handicap and Steeplechase
March 26	South Auckland Racing Club.
Mar. 26	C.J.C. Great Autumn Handicap; final payment
Mar. 26	A.R.C. Autumn Meeting; handicaps
Mar. 26	Taranaki Jockey Club.
Mar. 31	Taranaki J.C. Handicap; final payment.
Apr. 3	Auckland Tattersall's Club.
Apr. 10	Wellington R.C. Autumn Meeting.
Apr. 17	Onehunga Racing Club

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

JOHN BROWN, CAMBRIDGE—Nominations for Mauku races close on Friday, March 13th, with the Secretary, Mr. J. Walker, Mauku; and nominations for the Waikato races close with the Secretary, Mr. A. W. Manning, on 11th March.

Sporting Review.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 1891.

We have often remarked that the *Otago Witness*' "own correspondent" for Auckland racing news has sent down reports that he dare not publish in the Auckland paper that he is connected with, therefore uses the *Otago Witness* as a "cat's paw." "Our own correspondent" is supposed to be on the most intimate terms with the Secretary and others connected with the A.R.C. Still he writes the following, which will be found in the *Otago Witness* of February 12th:—"The action of the Auckland Racing Club Committee last week, in granting permission to no less than four clubs to hold their meetings on the racecourse belonging to other clubs, has had effect to drawing the attention to the serious danger to the totalisator by allowing such concession. The Pakuranga Hunt Club, which I may remark has already held one meeting, was granted the use of the Ellerslie racecourse. The Henderson's Mill Hunt Club, whose course at Henderson has fallen into the hands of the mortgagees, has been granted the use of the Avondale Jockey Club's ground. The Auckland Tattersall's Club wish to promote a meet-

ing at the Takapuna Jockey Club's racecourse, and the Onehunga Racing Club one on the Otahuhu Racing Club's property. There may be reasons for the two first named clubs receiving concessions under Rule 21, but I certainly do think the two latter were not entitled to it. Tattersall's Club is not a racing club, and why they should wish to promote a race meeting, when it is on all hands admitted we are now going at a break-neck pace, it is difficult to understand. As to the Onehunga Club, they have long had the name of a totalisator gathering judged by the spirit evinced in the past, and I presume they will continue to earn it in future."

"On dit that the Colonial Secretary has taken occasion lately to administer a rap on the knuckles to the A.R.C. Committee for passing a programme that did not conform to the regulations; and in passing programmes of the clubs I take exception to above, they have, I think, again laid themselves open to a severe attack if the matter were brought under the notice of the authorities."

With regard to the second par, it must have originated in the writer's "fertile brain," as it has never been heard of by any one else, nor has the Auckland Racing Committee passed a programme that was not *en regle*. This is not the first time by a great many that we have noticed "our own correspondent" make use of Southern papers. We have made all enquiries possible, and find there are certain persons who correspond for outside papers, that either know nothing of what they are writing about, or have an animus against those of whom they write. Owing to these kind of people being employed, a great deal of damage is done to Auckland in sporting matters, not necessarily confined to racing. We can venture to say there is as good sporting blood here as in any part of the Colonies.

PAKURANGA HUNT CLUB MEETING.

THE open race meeting of the above Club was held last Saturday on the Ellerslie racecourse under rather adverse circumstances. It being mail day and the weather unpleasant, greatly militated against the attendance, which was so small outside the paddock that the surroundings had a very deserted appearance. His Excellency Lord Onslow and Lady Onslow, attended by Captain Guthrie, A.D.C., patronised the meeting. The officers from the Curacoa were also present. The various officers of the Club worked hard for the success of the meeting. Hunter's Band was in attendance. The racing was not of an interesting character. The first event was the Maiden Plate, which brought out a field of eight. Brian Boru was made favourite, and led from the fall of the flag until half way up the straight, when he died away to nothing, leaving the finish to Macaroni and Ma Boughal, the former winning all out by half a length, Tuna two lengths away third. Six faced the starter for the Hurdle race, and with the exception of Cloth of Gold and General were all pretty evenly backed on the machine. Hopeful Kate made the running past the stand, when Cloth of Gold and Fishmonger went to the front, and raced together until entering the straight, when Fishmonger had him beaten, and coming away won by six lengths. Gent, the rider of Fishmonger, nearly threw the race away by the manner in which he rode his mount at the last hurdle, causing him to strike it heavily. Begorra finished a moderate third. Orakei did not run up to the same form that he showed at Takapuna, and Hopeful Kate was lame behind. Bacchus defeated Prestissimo for the Novel race, after a good finish. The Cup was the next race, for which all the six acceptors came to the post, and is easily described. Loch Ness, the favourite, led from a good start, closely followed by Patchwork and Belmont until entering the straight, when Antelope came through her horses, and fairly romped home a winner by a couple of lengths. Half way up the straight Belmont and Patchwork passed the favourite, and finished in the order named. The winner has greatly improved since she has been in T. Taylor's hands, and this form shows a wonderful difference to that at Takapuna. Only four went out for the Steeplechase, which resulted in a regular farce. When the flag dropped all the jockeys were disinclined to go to the front. Fishmonger led over the double jump, while the other three refused. The former continued

his lead to the further side of the course where he also baulked, and from this out the race was a series of blunders. Fishmonger, after he got over the fence that he refused, led up the hill, and down to the stone wall where he jumped the wrong side of the flag, the jockey, it is supposed from funk, pulled him up and went no further, though he had plenty of time to rejump the fence and then win. Begorra, after repeated blunders, landed on the course a mile and a half ahead of the others, he then managed to run against a post and unship his jockey, but was eventually caught and remounted, and without further mishap, scrambled first past the post by about a mile ahead of the second horse. Such a steeplechase has never been seen since 1880, when Lone Hand, with Pat McCoy up, took about 25 minutes to get round the course. Mr. Halstead despatched a field of eight to a good start for the Flying Handicap. Antelope was slow at getting away. Brian Boru as usual, made the running into the straight, followed by Scot Free, who was then beat. At this point Antelope and Lochness came through, the latter winning easily by three lengths, Brian Boru third. Leorina having the assistance of Mr. E. D. O'Rorke, had no difficulty in disposing of Ma Boughal, Nigger, and three others for the Ladies' Purse. This brought the meeting to a close, which, though not interesting as far as racing went, was amusing with regard to the Steeplechase and Ladies' Purse.

COURSING.

A MEETING of those interested in the formation of a new Plumpton Park Club was held on Tuesday evening last at the Commercial Hotel, when some twenty-five sporting men put in an attendance. Mr. W. A. Fenton was voted to the chair, and after having explained the object of the meeting, he called upon Mr. Blinman to read the correspondence received from the Auckland Racing Club and the Avondale Jockey Club.

Mr. McEwin stated that several of the gentlemen present had visited both places during the past few weeks, and he was quite satisfied that as far as the respective grounds were concerned either of them were suitable for coursing, it was, therefore, only a question of terms. Mr. McEwin also drew the attention of those present to the fact that whichever course was selected, those interested would have to put their hands into their pockets and contribute towards the expenses of starting the concern.

Mr. Alexander spoke at some length on the advisability of making a final effort to re-start coursing in Auckland, and as such very favourable terms had been offered from the Avondale Club, he thought that they ought to be accepted without any further delay, as in this case they had a certainty, while the letter from the Auckland Racing Club really meant nothing definite.

Messrs. Burke and Foley, on behalf of the Avondale Course, offered to make the ground suitable in every possible way for coursing, provided the Coursing Club put down the sum of £100 towards paying the expenses, and in the event of the venture proving successful, they would be willing to return the amount in full.

Coursing must have gone ahead in Auckland only for the bad management of the Executive of the late Plumpton Park Coursing Club. They, as others have done before them, tried to run before they could walk. There is, however, now a chance for all lovers of the leash, as everything appears to be all right. Auckland has always been a great place for breeding greyhounds, as with all its disadvantages, owners have been most successful with dogs *vide* the performances of Sailor Boy, who won the Waterloo Cup, Blue Cap the Champion Stakes, Snowball third for last year's Champion, etc.

A Provisional Committee of seven has been formed for the purpose of putting the Club on a good footing, with Mr. W. A. Fenton as treasurer and Mr. Blinman as secretary.

Seventy-four pounds was subscribed in the room before the meeting broke up, and subscriptions are rapidly coming in.

Lochness was shipped for Wanganui on Thursday last, with the view of fulfilling his engagements at that place.

THE TURF.

[BY OLD TURFITE.]

THE Wanganui Cup has dwindled down to the miserable number of six acceptors, and the chances are one to two of them will drop out before the day. If Crackshot was only fit, one need not look further for the winner, but as I doubt it being possible for him to be so, the race should be between CYNISCA and DUDU—of these I prefer the former.

THE Hawke's Bay Jockey Club are always notorious for the good acceptances and general entries for the Autumn Meeting. This year is no exception, and if only a moiety face the starter for the different events, it will be a splendid meeting. For the Hawke's Bay Cup nine horses have declared content, but as both Cynisca, Crackshot, Recluse, and Dudu are engaged at Wanganui, it had better be left alone until after that meeting; of the others, Thackeray and Kapo read the best. The Flying Stakes has the splendid acceptance of sixteen, but as it greatly depends on previous running, it had better be left alone, but at the time of writing Whisper, Renata, and Thackeray have none the worst of the weights.

THE V.R.C. Autumn Meeting commenced in splendid weather; the consequence was the attendance was very large. The greatest surprise of the day was the defeat of The Admiral by Gibraltar. That it was a fluke there can be no doubt, but the surprise is that an experienced jockey like Hales should be caught napping; but such is the fact, as after he had settled Enuc he eased up his mount, and Nerricker, bringing the giant along, just caught him before he could set his horse going again, and won by a short head. This proves Gibraltar to be a good colt, as he is now on the big side. The Newmarket Handicap brought out a field of thirty-five to the post, the same number as last year, and two less than when Hyacinth won. The favourite (Bungebah) getting well away, never left the issue in doubt, winning easily by five lengths. With the exception of Matador, who was heavily backed at the finish, none of the other fancied ones were ever in it. The Essendon Stakes was only an exercise canter for Carbine, Megaphone and Granite going for the second and third money.

THE V.R.C. had another fine day for their meeting, but on the second day there is not so much interest taken by those not connected with racing, as the Australian Cup is the only race that outsiders care about. For the valuable Sires' Produce Stakes only Mr. J. B. Clarke's Stromboli and Pie Crust and Lord Hopetoun started. Lord Hopetoun was favourite, 6 to 4 being laid on him. Stromboli, after his poor display in the Ascot Vale Stakes, was quite neglected, nevertheless he won easily by three lengths. Fourteen out of the twenty-three acceptors came to the post for the Australian Cup. After a slashing race, Vengeance, who at one time appeared beaten, came again and won by a neck, Megaphone being three lengths away. The bookmakers must have been delighted when they saw the winner's number go up, as until the finish he was little thought of. None of the favourites showed prominently in the race, while Correze and Greygown, for whom the Cup was at one time looked a moral, ran unaccountably bad. That grand colt Gibraltar broke down, thus again proving how dangerous it is to back horses that have once cracked, and everyone knew that he had done so in the spring, and it is very likely the hard race for the St. Leger did for him. Vengeance, it will be remembered, upset all calculations when he won the Caulfield Cup; he afterwards was greatly fancied for the Melbourne Cup, but he ran as if he did not like a distance, but in this race he got home by sheer gameness. Mr. Forester has nearly landed two big "coups" with Highborn. In the spring he was little thought of for the big event at Flemington, and if it had not been for the mighty Carbine, he would just about have landed it. When the weights first came out for this event his chance was highly thought of. Mr. Forester to put the public off, ran several races with him, thus incurring a 14lb penalty; but for this he decidedly would have won.

THE weather on the second day of the D.J.C. meeting was all that could be desired. Great dissatisfaction was shown towards Mr. Driver, the starter. After the Hurdle race he called the jockeys together, and told them that their conduct on the first day was not what it should have been and that no flying starts would be allowed, and that all horses must be drawn up in a line behind a certain mark. This was agreed to by all. Everything went well until the Novel race, when Gazelle, the winner, got several lengths start, and Dragon the favourite's head was turned the wrong way. When Mr. Driver came back to the stand and was questioned by several people he confessed that he had made a mistake, but the stewards considered it was a race. Then the disturbance broke out, and Mr. Driver resigned the flag. If a starter thinks he can start racehorses like a lot of pedestrians he makes a great mistake. It is also wrong, in my opinion, to attempt to start with one flag. They never do it in England—why do they attempt it here? The answer is, because Mr. Watson did. It must be borne in mind that there is not another man in the Australasian Colonies like him. The principal events during the day were the double win of Huguenot, though there is no doubt that had Clan Ronald, who got well away, not stopped and kicked he would have won the City Stakes. The other was the win of Hilda in the D.J.C. Handicap. On the first day she went out a great favourite for the Cup and ran nowhere. The excuse was the pace was too slow for her. Then why in the name of goodness did she lie off lengths last of everything? Her position should have been in the ruck. Everybody declared that Gallagher rode, to say the least of it, injudiciously. To-day he lies well up on the inside, and riding with great judgment wins by three-parts of a length. Major George won the Domain Stakes with Reprisal, which was not much of a performance, as he only won from a moderate lot by a length. He then immediately brings him out for the next race, and can only get third, the consequence of being too greedy, as the horse had hardly time to get his wind.

THE weather on third day of the D.J.C. Meeting was not as fine as the previous ones, the consequence was that the attendance was not as large, though the racing was interesting, the favourites in many instances going down and the finishes close. The great surprise was Fiesole winning the Forbury Handicap, though not a big performance, it is a great deal better one than she has lately done; with the exception of Wayland, she was the outsider of the party, Prime Warden being favourite, Occident and Hilda being next in demand. Fiesole ran very game, as she was under the whip a long way from home; the only excuse for the others is that they have done a lot of work this season, and the winner comparatively little. Mr. L. McLean wielded the flag, but all one can say is that he was a little more successful than Mr. Driver. Quadrant's performances has been most disappointing to his party, as he has run very bad, and a great mistake must have been made in his trial with the watch, which can never be depended upon. About £35,000 was put through the machine during the three days, which shows that the canny scots can put it on.

TURF RECORD.

PAKURANGA HUNT CLUB MEETING.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1891.

HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE of 25 sovs. Distance, 1 mile.

46	Mr. A. Austin's g g Macaroni, aged, 7st, including 7lbs over, Hodson	1
11	Mr. J. Maitland's br c Ma Boughal, 3yrs, 7st 7lb, Cook	2
5	Mr. P. J. Lyon's b m Tuna, 5yrs, 8st, Manning	3
8	Mr. J. Wilson's br g Premier, aged, 8st 4lb, Fletcher	0
63	Mr. A. Miller's b g Brian Boru, 4yrs, 8st 4lb, Taylor	0
32	Mr. A. Greenwood's b g Captive, 3yrs, 7st 8lb, Moore	0
14	Mr. B. Thompson's br h Warrior, 4yrs, 7st 2lb, Hammond	0
41	Mr. Robertson's ch m Millifera, aged, 7st, Priest	0
7	Mr. H. H. Hayr's br g Moderator, aged, 7st 11lb, including 8lbs over, Smith	0

227 Won by a head. Time, 1m. 49½sec. Dividend, £4 8s.

HANDICAP HURDLES of 50 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. Distance, 1½ miles.

100	Mr. H. H. Hayr's br g Fishmonger, aged, 10st 6lb, Gent	1
27	Mr. G. Wright's br g Cloth of Gold, 5yrs, 9st 10lb, A. Williams	2
98	Mr. G. Mackay's b g Begorra, aged, 9st 10lb, Wright	3
92	Mr. W. Macminamin's b m Hopeful Kate, aged, 11st, Owner	0
93	Mr. A. Byer's b g Orakei, 4yrs, 11st, Owner	0
14	Mr. J. Wilson's b g General, aged, 10st 6lb, Reid	ran off

424 Won easily. Time, 3min. 30½sec. Dividend, £3 16s.

NOVEL HANDICAP of 30 sovs. The winner to be sold immediately after the race, and the whole of the proceeds to go to the funds of the Club. Distance, 5 furlongs.

78	Mr. R. Williams' b g Baachus, 8yrs, 8st 8lb, Priest	1
86	Mr. W. Macminamin's b m Prestissimo, 4yrs, 8st 10lb, R. Wright	2
63	Mr. J. Wilson's br g Premier, aged, 8st 12lb, Fletcher	3
80	Mr. M. McGee's b g Comet, aged, 8st 5lb, Hodson	0
100	Mr. H. H. Hayr's b g Flint, 4yrs, 8st 7lb, Taylor	0

307 Won by a head. Dividend, £3 10s. Time, 1min 9sec. The winner was bought in by the owner for £21.

HUNT CLUB CUP of 50 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Distance, 1½ miles.

93	Mr. T. Page's br m Antelope, aged, 8st 4lb, Taylor	1
71	Mr. Jas. Roulston's br g Belmont, 5yrs, 7st 4lb, Priest	2
75	Mr. W. Bobbett's blk h Patchwork, 5yrs, 7st 8lb, Smith	3
80	Mr. W. Robertson's ch m Leorina, aged, 9st 4lb, Katterns	0
82	Mr. J. Fletcher's b h Ingorina, 4yrs, 8st 6lb, Fletcher	0
151	Mr. D. McKinnon's blk h Lochness, 4yrs, 7st 12lb, Hodson	0

502 Won easily. Dividend, £4 17s. Time, 2min 15sec.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 60 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. Distance, about 2½ miles.

106	Mr. G. Mackay's b g Begorra, aged, 9st 7lb, R. Wright	1
149	Mr. H. C. Tonks' b g Nap, aged, 11st 11lb, Burns	2
34	Mr. J. Wilson's b g General, aged, 10st 4lb, Reid	3
119	Mr. H. H. Hayr's br g Fishmonger, 6yrs, 9st 12lb, Gent	0

408 All the horses baulked and fell, Begorra afterwards winning by about a mile. Dividend, £3 9s.

HANDICAP FLYING STAKES of 30 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. Distance, 6 furlongs.

62	Mr. D. McKinnon's blk h Lochness, 4yrs, 8st, Hodson	1
248	Mr. T. Page's br m Antelope, aged, 9st, Taylor	2
72	Mr. A. Miller's b g Brian Boru, 4yrs, 7st, Priest	3
29	Mr. W. Bobbett's blk h Patchwork, 5yrs, 8st, Smith	0
19	Mr. D. McKinnon's b g Scot Free, aged, 7st 4lb, Gall	0
15	Mr. F. Stenning's b g Ironbark, 5yrs, 7st 6lb, including 5lb over, Cook	0
5	Mr. A. Greenwood's b g Captive, 3yrs, 8st 10lb, Moore	0
17	Mr. J. Forth's b m Sweet Lavender, 2yrs, 6st 7lb, Curtis	0

467 Won easily. Antelope had all the worst of the start. Dividend, £3 15s. Time, 1min 20sec.

LADIES' PURSE HANDICAP of 20 sovs. Gentlemen riders. Distance, 1 mile.

210	Mr. W. Robertson's ch m Leorina, aged, 12st, Mr. E. D. O'Rourke	1
47	Mr. J. Forth's blk g Nigger, aged, 11st	2
93	Mr. J. Maitland's br c Ma Boughal, 3yrs, 9st 6lb, Mr. H. C. Tonks	3
5	Mr. F. Clay's br m Bon Voyage, 3yrs, 10st 8lb, Mr. T. B. Bell	0
13	Mr. G. Wright's br g Cloth of Gold, 5yrs, 9st 12lb	0
10	Mr. W. Macminamin's b m Prestissimo, 4yrs, 9st 4lb	0

378 Won very easily. Time, 1min. 51½sec. Dividend, £1 12s.

THE V.R.C. MEETING.

FIRST DAYS RACING.

MELBOURNE, Saturday, February 28.

THE HOPEFUL STAKES, a sweepstakes of 5sovs each, with 300sovs added. One mile.

Mr. J. B. Clarke's ch c Albemarle, by Chester—Angora, Huxley	1
Mr. W. E. Dakin's ns big Bel Giorno, Maybin	2
Hon. D. S. Wallace's br c Aster, Power	3
The other starters were Murton, Zalinski, The Magistrate, Tyras. Won easily by a length and a-half. Time, 1min 43½sec.	

THE ST. LEGER STAKES, a sweepstakes of 25sovs each, with 1,000sovs added. Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 7lb; geldings at time of running allowed 5lb. One mile and three-quarters and 132 yards.

Hon. H. C. Dangar's ch c Gibraltar, by Grandmaster—Algeria (Nerricker)	1
Mr. S. G. Cook's br c The Admiral, by Richmond—Footstep (Hales)	2
Mr. E. H. Austin's ch c Enuc, by First King—Link, Power	3
Mr. W. Gannon's ch c Galling, by Nordenfeldt—Petroleuse	0
Mr. W. R. Wilson's br c King William, by Nordenfeldt—Fulchra	0
Mr. J. McLoughlin's b c Norbert, by Goldsbrough—Lady Laura	0
Mr. J. McLoughlin's ch c Correze, by Newminster—Ouida	0
Won after a desperate finish by half-a-head. Time, 3min 12½sec.	

THE NEWMARKET HANDICAP, a sweepstakes of 20sovs each, with 1,500sovs added. For three-year-olds and upwards. Three-quarters of a mile.

Mr. J. Northern's ch g Bungebah, 5yrs, by Grandmaster—Aveline, 9st 8lb, Gainsforth	1
Mr. T. Sampson's ch h Matador, 6yrs, by Newminster—Constellation, 8st 2lb, Steeper	2
Mr. S. Miller's b c Deerswood, 3yrs, 7st 10lb, Campbell	3
The flag fell to a good start. Bungebah at once went to the front, and at the distance post he was leading fully six lengths from Prattler, Deerswood, Matador, Ginger, and Pygmalion. From this point the favourite was eased up, and passed the winning post hard held by five lengths. Matador, who came with a rush at the finish, defeated Deerswood by a neck, who in turn was that in front of Prattler. Time, 1min 16½sec.	

THE ASCOT VALE STAKES, a sweepstakes of 20sovs each, with 650sovs added. Three-quarters of a mile.

Mr. J. Monaghan's br c Penance, by Grand Flaneur—Penitent, Ellis	1
Mr. J. B. Clarke's br c Stromboli, by Chester—Etna	2
Mr. J. Harper's jr b c Sadim, by Oudeis—Countess	3
Ascotvale, The Doctor, Homage, and Lady Carbine also ran. Won easily by two lengths. Time, 1min 18½sec.	

ESSENDON STAKES, a sweepstakes of 10sovs each, with 500sovs added. The owner of the second horse to receive 100sovs, and the owner of the third 50sovs out of the stakes. Weight for age. One mile two furlongs and a-half.

Mr. D. S. Wallace's b h Carbine, 5yrs, by Musket—Mersey, 9st 2lb, Ramage	1
Mr. D. S. Wallace's b c Megaphone, 3yrs, 8st 3lb	2
Mr. A. L. Johnson's br c Granite	3
These were the only starters. There was no betting. Won easily. Time, 2min 18sec.	

THE BRUNSWICK STAKES, a handicap sweepstakes of 5sovs each with 350sovs added. For three-year-olds and upwards. One mile two furlongs and a-half.

Mr. E. E. Oatley's blk g Highborn, 5yrs, by Grandmaster—Her Ladyship, 8st 4lb	1
Hon. D. S. Wallace's br f Wilga, 3yrs, 7st 4lb	2
Mr. T. Payten's ch g Havilah, 5yrs, 8st 12lb	3
Also ran—The Spot, Russley, Malvolio, Carrington, Wycombe, Peggy, Pingara, Martonian, and Bloodshed. Highborn won easily by two lengths. Time, 2min 16½sec.	

SECOND DAY'S RACING.

MELBOURNE, March 3.

THE MAIDEN STAKES, a sweepstakes of 5sovs each, with 300sovs added. For maiden two-year-olds and upwards. One mile and a-quarter.

Mr. J. B. Clark's ch c Goldreef, 3yrs, by Goldsbrough—Chrysochrase	1
Mr. J. McLoughlin's b c Norbert, 3yrs	2
Mr. W. Gannon's ch c Galling, 3yrs	3
The other starters were—Choice, Sovereign, Aster, and Burrum. Won by a length. Time, 2min 13½sec.	

THE SIRES' PRODUCE STAKES of 10sovs each, with 250sovs added and 520sovs subscribed by owners of sires. For two-year-olds—Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 7lb. Three-quarters of a mile. 84 subs.

THE HURDLE RACE. About two miles and a-half. Mr. J. O'Loughlan's b g Ery, 9st 7lb. Mr. S. Miller's b g Sam, 10st 12lb.

THE AUSTRALIAN CUP, a handicap sweepstakes of 20sovs each, with 1,000sovs added. The owner of the second horse to receive 200sovs, and the owner of the third 100sovs out of the stakes. Two miles and a-quarter.

THE JUNIOR HANDICAP, a sweepstake of 5sovs each, with 300sovs added. For two-year-olds. Five furlongs. Mr. W. E. Dakin's b g Belgiorno, 7st 11lb.

THE BONAHE HANDICAP, a sweepstakes of 5sovs each, with 400sovs added. The owner of the second horse to receive 80sovs, and the owner of the third 40sovs out of the stakes. For three-year-olds and upwards. Seven furlongs.

EGMONT RACING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING. FIRST DAY.—WEDNESDAY, 18TH MARCH, 1891. FIRST HANDICAP HURDLES of 75sovs. Second horse 15sovs out of the stakes. Two miles and a distance.

54 Mr. W. Barnard's ch m Jenny, 6yrs, 11st 10lb, T. Cameron 1
18 Mr. G. H. Gibson's b g The Peer, aged, 9st, W. Higgins 2
16 Mr. Utiku Marama's ch m Rere, aged, 10st 5lb, Reta 3

25 Mr. J. Driscoll's b g Jacob, 5yrs, 10st 5lb, J. Hickey 0
36 Mr. J. J. Kennedy's b m Koromiko, aged, 9st 4lb, including 3lb over, S. Fergus 0
9 Mr. D. Knight's ch g Satyr, aged, 9st 4lb, including 3lb over, J. Cameron 0

332 Won easily by a length. Dividend, £3 17s. Time, 4min 29½sec. FIRST HANDICAP HACK HURDLES of 25sovs. Second horse 5sovs out of the stakes. One mile and a quarter. Over five flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high.

104 Mr. F. Watson's b m Good Day, 6yrs, 10st 7lb, Johnson 1
76 Mr. H. E. Stent's br g Jack the Lad, 5yrs, 9st 2lb, Peachey 2
54 Mr. J. J. Russell's b g Chance, 5yrs, 9st 2lb, Cook 3

101 Mr. R. E. McRae's b g Whalebone, 4yrs, 10st 3lb, Lottie 0
16 Mr. J. Davidson's g g Zareba, aged, 9st 10lb 0
22 Mr. J. Hayes' b m Pukaka, aged, 9st 7lb, Cameron 0
16 Mr. W. C. Symes' b m Myrtle, 9st 11lb, including 6lb over, Frewin 0
9 Mr. H. B. Lepper's b m Ænone, 5yrs, 9st, Paul 0

398 Won easily by two lengths. Dividend, £3 8s. Time 2min 30 2-5th sec. SAPLING STAKES of 65sovs. Second horse 15sovs out of the stakes. Six furlongs.

21 Mr. W. Wilson's br c Fraternite, 8st 10lb, McCormick 1
79 Mr. J. Paul's ch g Cretonne, 8st 12lb, including 7lb penalty, Powell 2
222 Mr. W. Douglas' b f Rosefeldt, 9st 1lb, including 10lb penalty, Cook 3
4 Mr. J. Moore's ch c Goodwood, 8st 10lb, Peachey 0

16 Mr. D. Knight's blk c Hermit, 8st 10lb, Keith 0
9 Mr. J. George's blk c Melas, 8st 10lb, Lindsay 0
15 Mr. D. Champion's b f Fortune, 8st 5lb Price 0
366 Won easily by two lengths. Dividend, £15 13s. Time, 1min 20½sec.

EGMONT HANDICAP of 300sovs. Second horse 40sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stakes. Two miles. 246 Mr. E. Cutt's b m Dudu, 6yrs, 8st 10lb, Matthews 1
126 Mr. W. Walters' ch m Leorina, aged, 7st 8lb, Hodson 2
38 Mr. F. Watson's b m Eileen, 5yrs, 6st 4lb, Johnson 3

174 Mr. J. Kennedy's b h Recluse, 5yrs, 8st 8lb, McCormick 0
77 Mr. G. Hunter's b m Lenore, 6yrs, 7st 10lb, Sweeney 0
38 Mr. J. George's b h Vendor, 6yrs, 7st 4lb, Lindsay 0
25 Mr. W. H. Reed's b f La Petite Fille, 3yrs, 6st 3lb, Ross 0

724 Won all out by a length and a half. Dividend, £2 12s. Time, 3min 40½sec.

TRIAL STAKES of 40sovs. Second horse 5sovs out of the stakes. One mile and a quarter. Mr. G. H. Gibson's b g The Peer, aged, 8st 13lb, Higgins 1
The Peer walked over for this event.

FIRST HANDICAP HACK FLAT RACE of 30sovs. Second horse 5sovs out of the stakes. One mile and a distance. 51 Mr. E. V. Calthrop's b g Nganeko, 5yrs, 6st 7lb, including 7lb over, Price 1
160 Mr. F. Hill's b g Worth, 6yrs, 6st 7lb, including 1lb over, McKay 2
116 Mr. J. Hooker's ch g Tattler, 5yrs, 7st 12lb, Collelo 3

65 Mr. J. Goodwin's br g Torpedo, 4yrs, 9st 2lb 0
6 Mr. C. Brewer's b m Minnie, 5yrs, 9st, Fergus 0
13 Mr. D. Teed's b m The Orphan, 4yrs, 8st 10lb 0
21 Mr. F. Watson's b m Good Day, 6yrs, 8st 0
36 Mr. W. Middleton's b g Despised, aged, 8st 2lb, including 4lb over 0

61 Mr. J. George's br m Durus, 4yrs, 7st 3lb, including 3lb over 0
6 Mr. P. Murphy's ch g Ishmael, 5yrs, 7st 5lb, including 5lb over 0
19 Mr. F. Harrison's ch m Viola II. (late Viola), 4yrs, 6st 6lb 0
9 Mr. J. J. Russell's b g Chance, 5yrs, 6st 6lb 0
22 Mr. D. Teed's b m Sirius, 4yrs, 6st 5lb 0
6 Mr. D. Irvine's c m Lady Gordon, 5yrs, 6st 13lb, including 9lb over 0

30 Mr. E. V. Calthrop's br g Lodore, 5yrs, including 10lb over 0
— Mr. J. Davidson's g m Handmaid, 4yrs, 6st 0
— Mr. J. Bailey's b m Loch Leven, 6yrs, 6st 1lb, including 1lb over 0
— Mr. W. Adamson's rn g Karewa, 5yrs, 6st 0

621 Won comfortably by two lengths. Dividend, £10 19s. Time, 2min 3½sec. In this race they could not have any more numbers on the machine than 15, so they coupled the last three horses with the first three.

HAWERA WELTER HANDICAP of 50sovs. Second horse 10sovs out of the stakes. One mile 105 Mr. D. Knight's b m Weka, 5yrs, 9st 7lb, Keith 1
52 Mr. W. Gibson's b g Montrose, 4yrs, 10st, Holmes 2
52 Mr. J. Paul's br f Flea, 3yrs, 8st 7lb, Collelo 3
25 Mr. G. Hunter's b m Lenore, 6yrs, 10st 10lb, Hickey 0

17 Mr. J. Kennedy's b g Cyclone, 6yrs, 9st 10lb, Butler 0
30 Mr. F. Watson's b m Eileen, 5yrs, 8st 11lb, Johnson 0
281 Won easily by two lengths. Dividend, £2 8s. Time, 1min 47½sec.

SECOND DAY.—THURSDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY. FLYING HANDICAP of 75 sovs. Second horse 15 sovs. out of the stakes. Six furlongs. 17 Mr. J. Paul's br f Flea, 3yrs, 6st 7lb, Ross 1
71 Mr. J. J. Kennedy's b h Recluse, 5yrs, 8st 10lb, McCormick 2
32 Mr. W. Barnard's ch m Jenny, 6yrs, 7st 4lb, Riley 3

162 Mr. J. Paul's b h Boulanger, 4yrs, 8st 13lb, including 5lb penalty, Collelo 0
8 Mr. J. J. Kennedy's b g Cyclone, 6yrs, 7st 7lb, Clemens 0
92 Mr. D. Knight's b m Weka, 5yrs, 7st 7lb, Price 0
29 Mr. F. Watson's b m Eileen, 5yrs, 6st 12lb, Johnson 0

411 Won by half a head. Dividend, £21 15s. Time, 1min 18½secs. SECOND HANDICAP HURDLES of 75 sovs. Second horse 15 sovs. out of the stakes. Two miles and a distance. Over nine flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high.

62 Mr. G. H. Gibson's b g The Peer, aged, 9st 3lb, Higgins 1
22 Mr. C. R. Hewitt's b g Sentinel, aged, 9st 12lb, Weal 2
73 Mr. W. Douglas' b h Waterfall, 6yrs, 11st, Pell 3
41 Mr. Utiku Marama's ch m Rere, aged, 9st 12lb, Cameron 0

19 Mr. J. Driscoll's b g Jacob, 5yrs, 9st 12lb, Moore 0
20 Mr. J. J. Kennedy's b m Koromiko, aged, 9st 4lb, including 4lb over, Fergus 0
3 Mr. D. Knight's ch g Satyr, aged, 9st, Powell 0

240 Won easily. Dividend, £3 9s. Time, 4min 18sec. Previous to the start of this race The Peer was bought by D. Munn for £100, and £20 additional if he won.

SECOND HANDICAP HACK HURDLES of 30 sovs. Second horse 5 sovs. out of the stakes. One mile and a half. Over six flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high. 105 Mr. F. Watson's b m Good Day, 6yrs, 11st 3lb, Johnson 1
58 Mr. R. E. McRae's b g Whalebone, 4yrs, 10st, Vine 2
30 Mr. F. Horseman's b m Myrtle, aged, 9st 1lb, Powell 3

102 Mr. H. E. Stent's br g Jack the Lad, 5yrs, 9st 12lb, Peachey 0
48 Mr. J. J. Russell's b g Chance, 5yrs, 9st 1lb, Weal 0
18 Mr. H. B. Lepper's b m Ænone, 5yrs, 9st, Paul 0
361 Won by a head. Dividend, £3 1s. Time, 3min 2½secs.

WAIMATE HANDICAP of 150 sovs. Second horse 20 sovs., third horse 5 sovs. out of the stakes. One mile and a half. 118 Mr. W. Walters' ch m Leorina, aged, 7st 9lb, Hodson 1
162 Mr. E. Cutt's b m Dudu, 6yrs, 9st 7lb, Matthews 2
161 Mr. J. Paul's b h Boulanger, 4yrs, 7st 9lb, Collelo 3
55 Mr. J. Kennedy's b h Recluse, 5yrs, 7st 8lb, Lindsay 0

496 Won all out by two lengths. Dividend, £3 15s. Time, 2min 43½sec. NURSERY HANDICAP of 55 sovs. Second horse 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Seven furlongs. 138 Mr. W. Douglas' b f Rosefeldt, 2yrs, 8st 12lb, Cooke 1
74 Mr. J. Paul's ch g Cretonne, 2yrs, 8st 12lb, Powell 2
128 Mr. W. Wilson's br c Fraternite, 2yrs, 9st 4lb, McCormick 3
18 Mr. D. Knight's blk c Hermit, 2yrs, 7st, Donovan 0
17 Mr. D. Champion's b f Fortune, 2yrs, 7st, Price 0

375 Won all out by a length. Dividend, £2 8s. Time, 1min 35½sec. SECOND HANDICAP HACK FLAT RACE of 30 sovs. Second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. One mile and a half.

139 Mr. J. Hooker's ch g Tattler, 5yrs, 7st 5lb, Johnson 1
7 Mr. D. Teed's b m Sirius, 4yrs, 6st 7lb, including 2lb over, James 2
9 Mr. F. Horseman's b m Minnie, 5yrs, 7st 5lb, Lindsay 3
28 Mr. J. Goodwin's br g Torpedo, 4yrs, 8st 12lb, 0
55 Mr. E. V. Calthrop's b g Nganeko, 5yrs, 8st 1lb, including 1lb over 0

80 Mr. F. Hill's ch g Worth, 6yrs, 7st 6lb 0
58 Mr. J. George's br m Durus, 4yrs, 7st 0
28 Mr. D. Teed's b m The Orphan, 4yrs, 6st 12lb, 0
75 Mr. E. V. Calthrop's br g Lodore, 5yrs, 6st 12lb, 0
3 Mr. H. Stent's br g Jack the Lad, 5yrs, 6st 7lb, 0
5 Mr. F. Horseman's b m Myrtle, aged, 6st 6lb, 0
5 Mr. J. Ross' Ngaoi, 6st 10lb, including 10lbs over 0

492 Won all out by two lengths. Dividend, £3 3s. Time, 2min 48secs. NORMANBY STAKES of 50 sovs. Second horse 10 sovs. out of the stakes. One mile and a quarter. 77 Mr. D. Knight's b m Weka, 5yrs, 8st, Schaffer 1
114 Mr. W. Gibson's b g Montrose, 4yrs, 7st 6lb, Lindsay 2
86 Mr. F. Watson's b m Eileen, 5yrs, 6st 7lb, Johnson 3
41 Mr. J. Paul's br f Flea, 3yrs, 6st 7lb, Ross 0

318 Won easily. Dividend, £3 14s. Time, Asper was shipped by the s.s. Te Anau on Wednesday last for Sydney. George Hope left Dunedin on Wednesday last for Auckland in charge of Quadrant.

The Helensville annual race meeting will take place to-day (Saturday). The Lake Takapuna Racing Club intend holding their annual meeting on the 2nd of May. The Avondale Jockey Club have fixed the 18th April for their Autumn Meeting, full particulars of which will be published in our columns in a future issue.

After an absence of several weeks in Sydney, our old friend "Mick" Gallagher has returned to Auckland, and we are pleased to see that the trip has done him considerable good. Mr. R. Blaikie, our popular metallician, has taken up his residence in Greenlane. No doubt Robert will have his watch out when anything good is going during the morning gallops.

The Canterbury Jockey Club may be congratulated on the large number of entries they have received for the New Zealand Cup of 1891. They total up to 76, which is larger by 16 than those received for last year.

Henderson's Mill Turf Club privileges and the Otahuhu Trotting Club privileges are to be sold by auction at Brunswick Mart, by Messrs. Digby Tonks & Co., on Friday next, March 13th.

Fraternite, the two-year-old son of Dauphin—Sissie, is the colt who, it is stated, at the age of between eleven and twelve months stunted a filly who was only a month older than himself. This must be taken with the usual grano salis. If true it breaks the record in breeding.

We are requested to draw attention to an error which appeared in the various newspapers re the date upon which the Te Aroha Jockey Club intend holding their annual races, the meeting is fixed for the 20th inst., and not 22nd as previously stated.

ELLERSLIE TRAINING NOTES.

MONDAY, 2nd inst.—All work done on course proper. Lochness went twice round steady, moving very nicely, as did also his stable companion, Scot Free. Impulse did a couple of rounds steady. Orakei put in two circuits at a good strong canter. Forget-me-not also did two rounds steady.

TUESDAY, 3rd inst.—Capella, Ma Boughal, and Dishonour, in company, went one round on trial track at about half pace. Omata and Williamson's bay gelding did a couple of rounds on grass track at good working pace. Flint went twice round steady. After breakfast, the following horses worked on the trial track:—Hopeful Kate went twice round steady. Tuna had Minnie for a companion for a couple of rounds steady. Vendetta put in two rounds at a good half pace. Coalscuttle was sent twice round steady, being joined the last time round by The Workman, both coming home fast. Impulse went two circuits steady, Moderator doing the same.

WEDNESDAY, 4th inst.—Dishonour, Capella, and Maccaroni were associated together for a round on the course proper at about half pace. Nap and Begorra did a couple of rounds, in company, on the trial track steady. Omata and Williamson's bay gelding went twice round trial track at good swinging canter. Patchwork went twice round course proper slow, and Impulse cantered a couple of times. Orakei did a useful twice round on trial track at about half speed, and Flint following for one round at good swinging canter. Minnie and Tuna were sent together for a couple of rounds on the course proper at three-quarter speed. Moderator did a good strong canter on the course proper.

THURSDAY, 5th inst.—Patchwork did a couple of miles on the course proper at good half pace, being followed by Orakei, who did the same distance. Impulse went twice round the course proper steady. Flint was sent once round at full speed on the course proper. Antelope did half pace work on the course proper for about two miles. Omata, Nap, and Begorra, in company, did half pace work on the plough. Capella, Maccaroni, and Lelia did a mile on the course proper at top; the grey seemed to have the best of the go. Dishonour went a mile on the course proper steady.

WEIGHTS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.

HENDERSON'S MILL TURF CLUB.

Table with columns for horse names and weights. Includes Henderson's Mill Cup (1 1/4 miles) and St. Patrick's Handicap (5 furlongs).

Table with columns for horse names and weights. Includes Maiden Plate (1 mile) and Handicap Hurdles (2 miles).

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HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB.—ACCEPTANCES.

Table with columns for horse names and weights. Includes Hawke's Bay Cup and Race Stakes.

Table with columns for horse names and weights. Includes Race Stakes.

CHRISTCHURCH GREAT AUTUMN HANDICAP.—1 1/2 MILES.

Table with columns for horse names and weights. Includes Christchurch Great Autumn Handicap.

WANGANUI CUP.—FINAL PAYMENTS.

Table with columns for horse names and weights. Includes Wanganui Cup.

NEW ZEALAND CUP.—NOMINATIONS.

New Zealand Cup.—Wolverine, Crutchfield, Flaxbourne, Mariner, Occident, Huguenot, Diadem, Merrie England, Cajolery, Crackshot, Thackeray, Dudu, Union Flag, Fairchild, Adventurer, Blizzard, Morpheus, Prime Warden, Medalion, Falliser, Burlesque, Clan Ronald, Silver Knight, Label, Melinite, The Workman, Coalscuttle, Fiesole, Roie, Leolantia, Tulloch, Hilda, Cissy, Brigand, Sincerity, Burd Helen, Fraternite, Hakimana, Colt by Ariel—Pearl, Fortune, Aroncel, Freedom, Fassy, Flinders, Whisper, Cynisca, Cretonne, Pique, Dormeur, Dilemma, Conjuror, British Lion, St. Andrew, Queen of Trumps, Triton, Free Lance, Sabra, Thane, Hippomena, Tirailleur, Tirailleuse, Stern Chaser, Jet d'Eau, Captain Webb, Leonardo, Recluse, Goodwood, Crestes, Dishonour, Kiekie, Craah, Strephon, Rosefeldt, b. c. by The Mute—Uira, She, c. by Ramarazza—Rosafind.

VOLUNTEER NEWS.

[Volunteers and others are invited to contribute to this column. All communications should be addressed to "Carbine," and left at the office of this paper not later than Wednesday in each week.]

[BY CARBINE.]

THE competition for the Challenge Shield, presented by the ex Gordon Rifles, which was postponed last Saturday week through the heavy rain, was completed on Saturday afternoon last. The day again was very bad for shooting, the wind being strong and very baffling and several heavy showers also falling. At the start, the match seemed very open, as there was only a few points between each of the teams; but at the 400yds, shots were going all over the place, and some of the teams completely broke down. The ex Gordon 1st team and the Victoria Rifles 1st team stuck tooth and nail together, and at the commencement of the 500yds it was considered a moral for one of these teams. Great excitement took place when Mr. J. B. Fairs was about to fire the last shot for the Gordons, as he wanted an inner to tie or a bull's eye to win. However, he obtained the latter, and the Gordon 1st team secured the shield by one single point. They were loudly cheered by the other competitors and also the citizens, who mustered strongly to watch the competition. The marking was not up to the usual, several shots being disputed and only one or two lost. The shooting all through was very poor, the highest score reached being 104 points out of 140 by Private Adams, of the South Franklins, Gunner Henderson, "A" Battery being second with 101. The firing was under the charge of Lieut. Somers (Victoria Rifles), assisted by Major Skinner (staff), and Lieut. Durham (Newton Rifles).

The score of last Saturday's shooting, with the grand aggregate of those appearing in last week's issue, are:—

Ex GORDON (1st team).

Table with columns for names, 200yds, 300yds, 400yds, 500yds, and TL. Includes J. L. Leigh, C. P. Taylor, E. Buchanan, J. B. Fairs, D. A. Hay.

VICTORIA RIFLES (1st team).

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Pvt. McCarthy, Pvt. F. Fairs, Pvt. Preston, Sgt. Watson, Col.-Sgt. Skinner.

"O" BATTERY.

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Sgt. McCallum, Gun. Greenshields, Gun. Brown, Sgt. Fairs, Trump. Dormer.

"A" BATTERY.

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Gun. Henderson, Bomb. Webster, Corp. Doughty, Sgt. Parslow, Gun. Moore.

Ex GORDON (2nd team).

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes J. W. Leigh, J. Buchanan, Osborne, J. Hutchison, Shepherd.

ONEHUNGA RIFLES.

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Sgt. Craig, Col.-Sgt. Sterling, Lieut. Dormer, Sgt. Soall, Corp. Coléman.

CITY GUARDS.

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Sgt. Craig, Col.-Sgt. Sterling, Lieut. Dormer, Sgt. Soall, Corp. Coléman.

WAIROA RIFLES.

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Per last week's issue, SOUTH FRANKLIN MOUNTED INFANTRY, Per last week's issue, PONSONBY NAVALS.

AUCKLAND NAVALS.

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Lieut. Smith, P.O. Smith, Lieut. Little, Sea. Lamb, Sea. Harvey.

NEWTON RIFLES.

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Sgt. Miller, Pvt. Rose, Pvt. Good, Pvt. Henderson, Pvt. Rotherham.

THAMES NAVALS.

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Per last week's issue, ROYAL IRISH RIFLES.

VICTORIA RIFLES (2nd team).

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Capt. Cooper, Pvt. Beamish, Pvt. J. Preston, Pvt. Cantell, Pvt. Simpson.

ENGINEERS.

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Sap. Baddeley, Sap. Waite, Sgt. Harley, Sap. Allen, Sgt.-Major Stuart.

HAMILTON LIGHT INFANTRY.

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes Per last week's issue.

MUSIC, DRAMA, ETC.

Spectatum admissi risum teneatis amici?

BLACK-EYED SUSAN.

MR. SHERIDAN'S version of Black-eyed Susan is a rather difficult piece to classify. Being a sort of musical extravaganza and farcical burlesque, including a variety melange, it demands a lengthy definition, which I prefer to evade by describing it as above. The plot is, of course, thin and sketchy and the action lacks continuity. Were the piece amended and improved somewhat in those points nothing better could be devised to display the varied resources of the talented company which so ably supports the witty and original star. As an additional item in its favour, I am pleased to say that it is almost entirely free from the objectionable features for which I was bound to blame "Fun on the Bristol." Captain Cross-tree, as the intoxicated "Rob Roy," is perhaps just a little too realistic in his delineation of drunkenness, which is always sufficiently repulsive, and might with advantage do his spiring with a trifle less of the naked truth. I cannot, however, accuse him of exaggeration. That scene is a wonderfully clever bit of acting. Musically the company comes out strong, and Mr. Robertson must have bestowed much well directed labour upon the performers, whose choruses and ensembles are creditable alike to themselves and to their trainer. The orchestra gets through a tremendous lot of hard work in good style, but should moderate its volume of tone occasionally.

The opening Chorus of Bridesmaids is a catching lilt, sung effectively and in good tune. It would not disgrace a comic opera of far higher pretensions. Miss Whitford's Susan is quite up to the high standard the clever little lady has set for herself. Her singing, acting, dancing, dressing, and clear enunciation all leave nothing to be desired from a burlesque point of view. What Mr. Sheridan quaintly

terms the "German sausage" verse in the Medley duet is ever enthusiastically demanded, the *jodelling* being quite irresistible. Miss Tudor as William keeps the ball rolling and never misses a point. Dame Hately (Mr. Alfred James) is immense. Doggrass (Mr. Imano), the pettifogging attorney, causes much amusement, and sings "Will of the Wisp" with dash and vigour. The Bovis brothers, Messrs. Carr, Tudor, and Dalgleish, cover themselves with glory, and a special word of praise must be accorded to Mr. Royle, the mock-masher leader of a ragged regiment of "Bobbies," parodying the famous constables whom Gilbert has immortalised in his *Pirates of Penzance*. The snow-ballet is extremely pretty, reminding one of the palmy days of the Alhambra, when Pitteri astonished everybody with his wonderful dancing. Of course the ballet cannot boast a second Pitteri, but Misses Trigge and Austin are charming and graceful dancers. Miss Mildred Trigge's *pas seul* is capital. Miss Fannie Wiseman and another young lady, effectively dressed as elves, flit hither and thither in the snow ballet, lending a pleasing contrast, and greatly enhancing the *mise en scene*. The sailor ballet, a species of combination hornpipe, with Miss M. Trigg as principal *danseuse*, is also charmingly effective. Altogether Black-eyed Susan is a decided success, and should be played again if possible. Lack of space prevents my noticing at length the ridiculously funny donkey business, in which Mr. Walter Dalgleish shines resplendent. The Court scene, too, culminating in a farcical glove-fight between counsel for prosecution and defence (Messrs. Bovis), quite brought down the house. Mr. Sheridan's inimitable drolleries I need not describe—"Good wine needs no bush." With a word of praise to Miss Arline's all round ability—the banjo duet and dance with Miss Whiteford won nightly encores—and another to Miss Lorne's sweet singing, I must leave Black-eyed Susan.

From burlesque to melodrama is not a very far cry; still qualities of a different order are necessary in the performers. On Tuesday evening Uncle Tom's Cabin replaced Black-eyed Susan. Mr. Sheridan must be congratulated on the success of the new piece. He marshalled his material admirably, and managed to avoid sticking round pegs into square holes. Mr. Robertson again scored well in the musical department—the choice and execution of the various Jubilee and Plantation melodies being quite the best feature of the performance. Miss Whiteford's Eva delighted everybody, and Miss Fanny Wiseman was Topsy herself—a natural performance, based on a right conception of the character and quite free from exaggeration. Mr. Alfred James again showed himself the sterling actor he is by a very fine rendering of the brutal Leque. Of course the play has been sliced up somewhat to suit the company's specialities; but in the main the original lines and situations are followed. The ice-bound river scene was not so well represented as it has previously been in Auckland. The orchestral accompaniments are in many places much too loud—soliloquies and dialogues are often buried and entirely inaudible. Surely most of the instruments are capable of being muted. The strings and cornet at least might occasionally don their mutes, and our friend the penetrating clarionet might moderate his transports.

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 Major Tiffen, of the noble Six Hundred.....Mr. A. James
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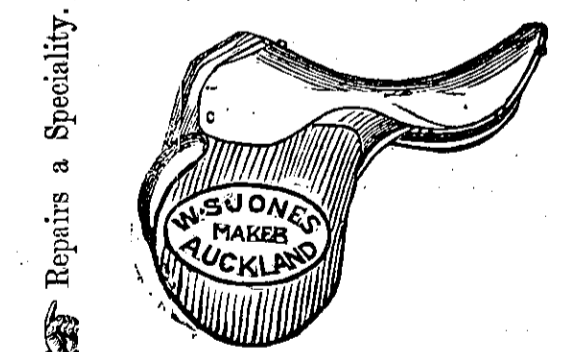
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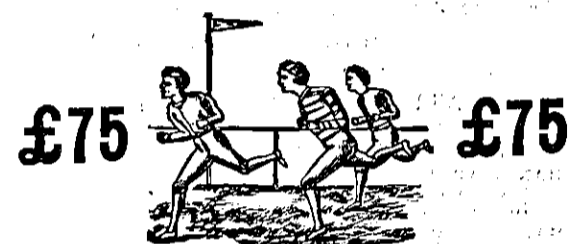
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 FRIDAY, 27TH MARCH, 1891.

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A HANDICAP OF 75 SOVS., run under Sir Joseph
 Banks' Rules. First Prize, £80; Second, £10, Third, £5;
 Fourth, £2. Distance, 150 Yards. Nomination Fee, 10s.;
 Acceptance, 5s.

NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, AND HANDICAP.
 NOMINATIONS close with the Secretary on SATURDAY,
 March 14, at Waverley Hotel, Auckland.
 HANDICAP to appear on or about March 19.
 ACCEPTANCES close with the Secretary, WEDNESDAY,
 March 24.

ENTRY FORMS TO BE OBTAINED FROM THE
 SECRETARY.
 PROMOTER.....MR. WALTER MOUNTAIN
 HANDICAPPER.....MR. E. O'HARE
 F. H. WINCH, Hon. Sec.,
 Waverley Hotel, Auckland.

AUCKLAND AMATEUR ATHLETIC
 AND CYCLE CLUB.

ATHLETIC CARNIVAL

Will be held on the
 DOMAIN CRICKET GROUND
 ON
 SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 1891.

- PROGRAMME.
- 100 YARDS HANDICAP
 - 1 MILE MAIDEN ROADSTER HANDICAP
 - 1 MILE WALK
 - 2 MILES ROADSTER BICYCLE HANDICAP
 - 1/2 MILE HANDICAP
 - 3 MILES BICYCLE HANDICAP
 - 1 MILE HANDICAP
 - 1/2 MILE MOUNTING AND DISMOUNTING
 ROADSTER BICYCLE
 - 200 YARDS HANDICAP
 - 1/2 MILE HANDICAP
 - 5 MILES BICYCLE HANDICAP
 - 120 YARDS HURDLE HANDICAP.

Acceptances on March 7.
 J. HALYDAY, Jun.,
 Hon. Sec.



OTAHUHU TROTTING CLUB.

INAUGURAL MEETING,

To be held on EPSOM COURSE,

SATURDAY, MARCH 21ST, 1891.

Acceptances and Entries for SELLING TROT close with the Secretary on FRIDAY, March 13th, at nine p.m.

C. F. MARK,

Secretary.

ONEHUNGA RACING CLUB

AUTUMN MEETING

(Passed by Auckland Racing Club), to be held on the OTAHUHU RACECOURSE

ON

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 1891.

PROGRAMME:

HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE of 20sovs. For all horses that have never won an advertised race exceeding 20sovs in value. Nomination, 10s.; acceptance, 10s. Distance, 1 mile.

HANDICAP MAIDEN HURDLES of 25sovs. Second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For all horses that have never won an advertised hurdle race exceeding 25sovs in value. Nomination, 10s.; acceptance, 16s. Distance, 1 1/2 mile, over six flights of hurdles.

SELLING RACE of 25sovs. For three-year-olds and upwards—three-year-olds to carry 9st.; four-year-olds, 9st 12lb; five, six, and aged, 10st 4lb. If entered to be sold for 40sovs, allowed 7lb; if for 30sovs, 14lb; if for 20sovs, 21lb; if for 10sovs, 28lb; if for nil, 6st 7lb. Entrance, 20s. Distance, 7 furlongs.

ONEHUNGA CUP HANDICAP of 50sovs. Second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. Nomination, 20s.; acceptance, 20s. Distance, 1 1/2 mile.

HANDICAP HURDLES of 40sovs. Second horse to receive 5sovs. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 20s.; acceptance, 20s. Distance, 2 miles.

HANDICAP FLYING STAKES of 30sovs. Second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. Nomination, 10s.; acceptance, 20s. Distance, 5 furlongs.

WELTER HANDICAP of 20sovs. Minimum weight, 8st 7lb. Nomination, 10s.; acceptance, 10s. Distance, 1 mile.

NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, AND HANDICAPS.

Nominations close with the Secretary, at the office, Durham-street East, on FRIDAY, April 3, at 9 p.m.

Acceptances and general entries close at the office, Durham-street East, on FRIDAY, April 17, at 9 p.m.

Weights for all handicaps will appear on FRIDAY, April 10. Stakes paid less 5 per cent. for expenses.

C. F. MARK,

Secretary.

HENDERSON'S MILL TURF CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING,

TO BE HELD ON THE AVONDALE RACECOURSE, TUESDAY, MARCH 17TH, 1891.

(St. Patrick's Day.)

PRESIDENT—Mr. W. Motion. STEWARDS—Mr. L. Daere, Mr. T. Henderson, Mr. J. Marshall, Mr. J. Archibald, Mr. J. Malam, Mr. J. Smythe. STARTER—Mr. E. D. Halstead. JUDGE—Hon. E. Mitchellson. CLERK OF SCALES—Mr. Fred. Marks. CLERK OF COURSE—Mr. T. Brown. HANDICAPPER—Mr. F. Henderson. TREASURER—Mr. F. Henderson.

PROGRAMME.

MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP of 25 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race exceeding 30 sovs. at the time of starting. Nomination 1/2 sov., acceptance 1/2 s v. Distance, 1 mile.

HANDICAP HURDLES of 45 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 1 sov. Distance 2 miles.

ST. PATRICK'S HANDICAP of 25 sovs. Nomination 2 sov., acceptance 1 sov. Distance, 5 furlongs.

HENDERSON'S MILL CUP HANDICAP of 75 sovs., second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of stakes. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 2 sovs. Distance, 1 1/2 miles.

SELLING RACE of 25 sovs., for three-year-olds and upwards, three-year-olds to carry 9st.; four-year-olds, 9st. 12lb.; five, six, and aged, 10st. 4lb. Winner to be sold immediately after the race for 60 sovs. If entered to be sold for 40 sovs., allowed 7lb.; if for 30 sovs., 14lb.; if for 20 sovs., 21lb.; if for 10 sovs., 28lb.; if for nil, 42lb. Nomination 1 sov. on the night of General Entry. Distance, 7 furlongs.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 50 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. Nomination 1 sov., acceptance 1 sov. Distance, about three miles.

RAILWAY HANDICAP of 35 sovs., second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of stakes. Winner of Henderson's Mill Cup to carry a penalty of 5lb. extra, or St. Patrick's Handicap, or both, 7lb. extra. Nomination 1/2 sov., acceptance 1 sov. Distance, 6 furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ETC.

Acceptances and General Entries close on FRIDAY, March 6th at 9 p.m. for—Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov.; Henderson's Mill Cup (Handicap), 2 sovs.; Railway Handicap, 1 sov.; St. Patrick's Handicap, 2 sov.; Maiden Plate (Handicap), 1 sov.; Selling Race, 1 sov.; Handicap Steeplechase, 1 sov.

All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, Durham Street East, Auckland.

R. WYNYARD, Secretary.

TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNIVERSARY MEETING,

To be held on WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, 1st and 2nd APRIL, 1891.

President: A. Standish, Esq. Vice-President, W. Bayly, Esq. Stewards: O. Samuel, C. W. Govett, J. T. Davis, W. D. Thomson, T. Elliott, G. J. Newman, Dr. O'Carroll, W. L. Newman, N. King, R. Cock, E. R. A. Haworth, Capt. Mace. Judge: James Paul. Starter: Capt. Mace. Clerk of Scales: R. Cock. Clerk of Course: E. R. A. Haworth. Handicappers: J. O. Evitt and R. G. Pardy.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS.

FIRST DAY.

FIRST HANDICAP HACK HURDLES of 30 sovs. Second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Open to all horses that have not won an advertised race, (hack and hunter races excepted) or nominated for any race at date of meeting Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination 10s.; acceptance 1 sov. One mile and a quarter.

MAIDEN HANDICAP of 40 sovs. Second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. For three-year-olds and upwards. Open to horses that have not won any stake over the value of 30 sovs. at the time of starting. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance 1 sov. One mile and a quarter.

TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP of 250 sovs. The second horse to receive 25 sovs. and the third horse 10 sovs. from the stakes. The winner of any handicap of 300 sovs. after the declaration of the weights to carry 7lb; 200 sovs, 5lb; 100 sovs, 3lb. extra. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance 2 sovs; and a final payment of 3 sovs. before 8 p.m. on the night before the first day's races. One mile and a half.

FIRST HANDICAP HACK RACE of 20 sovs. The second horse to receive 3 sovs. from the stakes. Open to all horses that have not won an advertised race (hack or hunter races excepted), or nominated for any race at date of meeting. Nomination 1 sov., on general entry night; acceptance free at the post. Once round the course.

WELTER HANDICAP of 40 sovs. The second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance 1 sov. One mile.

FLYING HANDICAP of 60 sovs. The second horse to receive 10 sovs. from the stakes. The winner of the T.J.C. Handicap to carry 5lbs. extra. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance 2 sovs. Six furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

SECOND HANDICAP HACK HURDLES of 30 sovs. The second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Same conditions as First Handicap Hack Hurdles. Over seven flights of hurdles. Weights to appear at 8 o'clock on the night of the first day's races. Acceptances close at 9.30 p.m. Nomination 10s. on general entry night; acceptance 1 sov. One mile and a half.

GRAND STAND HANDICAP of 70 sovs. The second horse to receive 10 sovs. from the stakes. Weights to appear at 8 o'clock on the night of the first day's races. Acceptances close at 9.30 p.m. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance 2 sovs. Seven furlongs.

SCURRY STAKES of 20 sovs. Entrance 1 sov. at the Judge's Box after the preceding race. The winner to be sold for 20 sovs., and any surplus to go to the funds. Catch weights. Five furlongs.

JUBILEE HANDICAP of 150 sovs. The second horse to receive 15 sovs., and the third horse 5 sovs. from the stakes. Weights to appear at 8 o'clock on the night of first day's races. Acceptances close at 9.30 p.m. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance 3 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

SECOND HANDICAP HACK RACE of 20 sovs. The second horse to receive 3 sovs. from the stakes. Same conditions as First Handicap Hack Race. Entrance 1 sov., on night of the first day's races. One mile and a quarter.

FAREWELL HANDICAP of 50 sovs. The second horse to receive 10 sovs. from the stakes. Weights to appear at 8 o'clock on the night of the first day's races. Acceptances close at 9.30 p.m. Nomination 1 sov.; acceptance 1 sov. Once round the course.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, AND AMOUNTS TO BE FORWARDED.

Weights to be declared Friday, March 20, 1891.

Acceptances and General Entries close on Thursday, 26th March, 1891. Acceptances: Maiden Handicap, 1 sov.; Taranaki Jockey Club Handicap, 2 sovs.; Welter Handicap, 1 sov.; Flying Handicap, 2 sovs.; First Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov. Entrances: First Handicap Hack, 1 sov.; Second Handicap Hurdles, 1/2 sov.

Tuesday, March 31st, 1891. Final payment Taranaki Jockey Club Handicap, 3 sovs.

Wednesday, April 1st, 1891. Acceptances: Grand Stand Handicap, 2 sovs.; Jubilee Handicap, 3 sovs.; Second Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov.; Farewell Handicap, 1 sov. Entrance: Second Handicap Hack, 1 sov.

Nominations and acceptances will also be received by Mr. H. H. Hayr, Auckland.

ROBT. G. BAUCHOPE,

Secretary.



TATTERSALL'S CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING,

TO BE HELD ON THE TAKAPUNA RACECOURSE, SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 1891.

LIST OF STEWARDS AND OFFICERS:

Stewards—Messrs. R. Garrett, Jas. Dickey, D. Tonks, L. A. Levy, W. Percival, J. B. Bull. Judge—Mr. John Brown. Starter—Mr. E. D. Halstead. Clerk of Course—Mr. E. D. Halstead. Clerk of Scales—Mr. R. Garrett. Handicapper—Mr. W. Knight.

PROGRAMME.

HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE of 25 sovs. Second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. For all horses that have never won an advertised race of the value of 30 sovs. Entrance 10s.; acceptance 10s., to go to the funds. Distance, 1 mile.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 45 sovs. Second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Entrance 10s., acceptance 1 sov. each to go to the funds. Distance, one and three-quarter miles.

TATTERSALL'S CLUB CUP (HANDICAP) of 60 sovs. Second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Entrance 1 sov., acceptance 1 1/2 sovs. each, to go to the funds. Distance, one and a half miles.

SELLING RACE of 30 sovs. For three-year-olds and upwards. Three-year-olds to carry 9st.; four-year-olds, 9st 12lb; five, six, and aged, 10st 4lb. Winner to be sold immediately after the race for 50 sovs. If entered to be sold for 40 sovs., allowed 7lb; if for 30 sovs, 14lb; if for 20 sovs., 21lb; if for 10 sovs., 28lb; if for nil 42lb. Entrance 20s., to go to the funds. Distance, six furlongs.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 60 sovs. Second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Entrance 1 sov., acceptance 1 sov. each, to go to the funds. Distance, about three miles.

FLYING STAKES (HANDICAP) of 30 sovs. Second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Entrance 10s., acceptance 10s. each to go to the funds. Distance, three-quarters of a mile.

WELTER HANDICAP of 30 sovs. Entrance 10s., acceptance 10s., to go to the funds. Distance, one mile.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, ETC.

NOMINATIONS for all Handicaps close with the Secretary, at the office of the SPORTING REVIEW, Vulcan Lane, on FRIDAY, 27th March, at 8 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES, and Entries for Selling Race, close on FRIDAY, 3rd April, at 8 p.m.

WEIGHTS will appear on or about 30th March. Five per cent. deducted from gross winnings.

Order of running subject to alteration.

HARRY H. HAYR,

Secretary.

TE AROHA JOCKEY CLUB.

(Under the Metropolitan Rules.)

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 1891.

ANNUAL MEETING,

ON THE

COURSE, AT WOOD'S FARM, TE AROHA WEST.

President—E. W. Hammer, Esq. Vice-President—W. F. Herries, Esq. Judge—A. Downes, Esq. Stewards—Messrs. F. Pavitt, G. Lipsey, T. Bradley, A. W. Edwards, J. Wood, R. Brennan, M. Murphy, S. T. Smardon, and E. Gallagher. Starter—F. Pavitt. Clerk of Scales—J. Heathcote. Clerk of Course—R. Parr. Handicappers—The Stewards. Treasurer—A. W. Edwards. Secretary—A. Menzies.

PROGRAMME.

HANDICAP HURDLES of 20 sovs. Distance, two miles; over eight flights of hurdles 3ft. 6in. Nomination, 10s.; acceptance, 10s.

MAIDEN PLATE of 10 sovs. Weight-for-age. Distance, one mile and a quarter. Entrance 10s.

TE AROHA JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP of 50 sovs., with a Sweepstakes of 40s. to go to second horse. Distance, two miles. Nomination 25s.; acceptance 25s. The winner of any race £25 or over after the declaration of the weights to carry a penalty of 7lbs.

FLAX JAMMERS' HACK RACE of 5 sovs. Once round the course. 9st. up. Horses to be owned and ridden by Flax Jammers. Post entries.

GOLDFIELD HANDICAP of 20 sovs. Distance, one mile. The winner of the Te Aroha Jockey Club Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination 10s.; acceptance 10s.

LADIES' PURSE of 10 sovs. Distance, one and a half miles. Gentlemen riders. Minimum weight 10st. Entrance 10s.

FORCED HANDICAP of 10 sovs. Distance, one and a half miles. Nomination 5s.; acceptance 5s.

CONDITIONS.

Nomination for Handicap Hurdles, Te Aroha Jockey Club Handicap, and Goldfields Handicap must be made to the Secretary, Te Aroha, before 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3rd, 1891.

Weights will appear on or about Saturday, March 7th. Entries for Maiden Plate and Ladies' Purse must be made before 8 p.m. on Monday, March 16th.

Acceptances to be declared before 8 p.m. on Monday, March 16th. No Nomination or Acceptance will be received on any pretence whatever after the hour named or without being accompanied with the necessary amount of cash.

Performances, age, pedigree, description of horses and colours must be sent with Nominations and General Entries.

In case of protest the sum of 20s. must be lodged with the Stewards, which will be forfeited should the protest be considered frivolous or vexatious. The Stewards' decision to be final.

A. MENZIES,

Secretary.

E. D. HALSTEAD.

VETERINARY SURGEON,

AUCKLAND, N.Z.

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