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MADAME GOLDENSTEDT'S CONCERT.

On Monday evening the Opera House was again crowded to its doors by an appreciative audience. Shortly after eight p.m. Mr. C. Chambers appeared on the stage, and in a few well-chosen words begged indulgence for Madame Goldenstedt, who, although much indisposed, would endeavour to perform her share of the programme. Messrs. Tom Jackson and Geo. Reid then sang "Flow Gentle Deva," old fashioned but quaintly beautiful duet by John Parry. Both gentlemen being in good voice, tune and ensemble proved admirable. Loud applause greeted the garden scene from "Faust," which was excellently staged. Madame Goldenstedt first appeared as the student Siebel dressing the part with charming taste. and singing and acting the favourite flower song, "La parlate d'amor," very successfully, notwithstanding the handicap of manifest hoarseness. To enable the lady to change her hoarseness. To enable the lady to change her costume, the scene closed for a space, and Mr. T. M. Jackson sang Berthold Tours' emotional "Because of thee" with telling effect, being ably supported by Mr. Towsey at the pianoforte. Miss Rimmer then gave Roeckel's "Prima Donna" with much pathos and sensibility, but with perhaps more vibrato than purists in style permit. Receiving an encore, Miss Rimmer sang Millard's "Waiting." Messrs Jackson, Reid, and Chambers next gave one of the "Princess Ida" trios so admirable as to win a tumultuous encore, to which they responded by singing another familiar trio from the same opera. The pretty garden scene was again disclosed, and Madame Goldenstedt, in the character of Marguerite, took her seat at the spinning wheel to sing the quaint "King of Thule." An admirable rendering delighted the audience, who were still better pleased with the singing and acting of the exquisite Jewel song. Madame Goldenstedt fully confirmed the high opinion I had formed of her ability as an operatic artiste. Indeed the versatility dis-played by her performance of excerpts from the contralto part of Siebel and the soprano rôle of Marguerite is truly wonderful. Mr. C. rôle of Marguerite is truly wonderful. Mr. C. Chambers next sang Arditi's fine song, "Let me love thee," with appropriate passion, but the song is not one of his best. Miss Rimmer was encored for Pinsuti's rather dreary "Heaven and Earth," and sang another song very similar in character. After the interval Mr. Webbe, with three young lady pupils, performed on two pianos Ascher's "Concordantia." The selection was a good one, and the execution and ensemble were very creditable both to and ensemble were very creditable both to teacher and pupils. The concert concluded with the Prison Scene from "Maritana," which I have before noticed in this column It was again capitally rendered and greatly appreciated. Mr. Towsey played all the accompaniments with taste, skill, and true musical sensibility.

THE Walter Bentley Dramatic Company have been quite as successful in Napier as in the

other towns they have visited. The theatre for the few nights of the Company's stay has been crowded to overflowing; great numbers have been unable to gain admission, and the enthusiasm has been very great. This also in spite of heavy downpours of rain. The various reports that have reached us of the strength and excellence of the company and the genius and versatility of the star are fully borne out by the wonderful patronage accorded them. This is said to be the most successful tour that has ever taken place in New Zealand, and it is very unlikely that Auckland will reverse the verdict of the sister cities of the South, especially when it is remembered that it was at the old Prince of Wales Theatre, about 19 years ago, that the now world-famous Walter Bentley started his career as an actor. An enormous house undoubtedly will assemble to give him greeting back again to the home of his art, for such it may be termed. Mr. Lachlan McGowan, under whose management he served in his 'prentice days, is now under Mr. Bentley's management—such is fate. We hear that there is a big demand for seats. The booking takes place at Wildman and Lyell's. The scenery for "Hamlet," with the mechanist and scenic artist, arrived on Tuesday, and preparations are being pushed forward for the opening on Monday next.

THE Hugo New Idea Minstrels drew capital houses on St. Patrick's and Saturday evenings. Many interesting novelties have been added to the programme and the Company have now fully established a reputation for an amusing entertainment, perfectly free from the taint of vulgarity.

MR. T. M. JACKSON has decided to adopt the stage as a profession. With his splendid natural gifts, perseverance and conscientious study will, I confidently predict, place him in a very high position. He will carry with him the good wishes of his fellow-townsmen, who will watch his career with interest, and welcome with pride every success.

THE cantata "New Jerusalem," by Mr. A. Hill, a young Wellingtonian, recently returned from Germany after a long course of serious study, was produced in Wellington the other week. The work achieved a genuine success, and is highly praised by competent critics. Mr. A. Hill is also a finished violinst.

THE great event of next week will be Mr. Bentley's "Hamlet," to be played at the Opera House on Monday and Tuesday evenings. Lovers of Shakespere expect an original reading and a great treat.

ORPHEUS.

The following is taken from the Canterbury Times:—Last week a paragraph appeared in these columns to the effect that Mr. S. H. Gollan had purchased a four-year-old half-brother to Sentinel, by Randwick—Duchess. Mr. W. F. Elkington, who until quite recently owned Duchess, however, writes stating that it is incorrect, as he is in possession of the gelding, and his three-year-old brother as well. Both, he writes, are splendid specimens of cross-country horses.

COURSING.

The Auckland correspondent of the Olago Witness was very severe on the Auckland Coursing Club for their proposal to hold their coursing at Avondale, on what he termed cold clay flats," and imputed personal motives as the reason for taking that place in preference We may inform those interested in coursing that the Avondale race course, which it is proposed to fence in, is wholly composed of a light loamy warm soil of considerable depth, and is land that would be hard to beat in the Colony. It is the same land on which the Avondale Vegetable Supply grow such an abundant quantity of excellent vegetables. Unquestionably the land close to the course is composed of a "cold clay surface," and this is, we are informed, where the Otago Witness's correspondent fell into error. objection to Ellerslie is that it is not available on the score of expense; neither is it so suitable for breeding purposes as Avondale, where there is about four acres at one end in a wellsheltered and drained gully, with plenty of ti-tree and fern covering. The Ellerslie course would cost considerably over £100 per annum, with a number of restrictions—the grandstand would not be allowed; whereas the cost of Avondale is but £30. With regard to personal motives, it is amply and fully demonstrated that such a thing does not exist, from the fact that most of the people who would be interested. that such a thing does not exist, from the fact that most of the people who would be interested in the coursing taking place at Ellerslie are substantial subscribers to the present Club; which has now a wide and daily increasing number of members. They have already a substantial credit balance, and have cabled to England for the necessary wire netting, which will arrive within two months time, and in the meantime all other preparations will be made. As a considerable amount of money is necessary As a considerable amount of money is necessary to thoroughly prepare the place, etc., lovers of the leash should not be backward with their subscriptions, especially now that the Club has been fairly started, and is under an able and energetic committee. In justice to the Otago Witness's correspondent, we are informed that he has acknowledged the error into which he was led by "information received," which he considered at the time was reliable.

Attention is particularly drawn to the advertisement from the Auckland Coursing Club, wherein it will be found that dogs and litters may now be registered with the secretary, Mr. W. Wallace, from whom all information may be received. Copies of rules of the National Coursing Club of New Zealand may be obtained from him. Names of dogs must also be registered if not of a registered litter.

Robert Osborne, brother to the well-known jockey Johnny Osborne, who used to train as Osborne Bros., of Ashgill, Middleham, died January 27th, aged 53. He had been suffering from influenza, which turned to pneumonia and inflammation of the lungs.

As a proof how the sporting public appreciate a straightforward jockey in England, the subscription in aid of Bradbury, who lost his leg through an accident, has closed with £2,200; while John Osborne's fund exceeds £3,000, and is not closed yet.

EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

FOXTON RACING CLUB. To-day (Thursday), March 24, nominations

due WOODVILLE DISTRICT JOCKEY CLUB (Hacks). Acceptances are due for the above to-morrow (Friday), March 25.

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.

Friday, March 25, by 10 p.m., Mr. H. H. Hayr, secretary, will receive nominations at the

office of the Sporting Review for the Maiden Plate Handicap of 25sovs, 1 mile, 10s.

Handicap Hurdles of 45sovs, 2 miles, 1sov.

Avondale Cup Handicap of 50sovs, 1½ miles, 1sov.

Handicap Pony Race of 20sovs, for 14.2 ponies,

Thirlongs, 10s.

Maiden Steeplechase Handicap of 30sovs, about

Handicap Novel Race of 20sovs, 5 furlongs, 10s.

Handicap Steeplechase of 50sovs, about 3 miles, 1sov.

Flying Stakes Handicap of 25sovs, 5 furlongs, 10s.

AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB.

Friday, March 25, Mr. C. F. Mark will receive nominations up to 10 p.m., at the office of the Club, Durham-street, for the following events:-

Maiden Trot Handicap of 50sovs, 2 miles, 1sov. Flying Stakes Handicap of 35sovs, for 14.2 ponies,

5 furlongs, 10s. Easter Handicap Trot of 130sovs, 2½ miles, 2sovs. Autumn Handicap of 60sovs, for 14.2 ponier, 7 fur-

Harness Handicap Trot of 50sovs, 3 miles, 1sov. Handicap Hurdles of 40sov, for 14.2 ponies, 14 miles,

Electric Handicap Trot of 50sovs, 1 mile, 1sov

DUNEDIN JOCKEY CLUB.

To-morrow (Friday), March 25, by 10 p.m., Mr. Sydney James, secretary, receives nominations at Dunedin. for the following events:

Birthday Handicap of 350sovs, 1½ miles, 1 sov.

Provincial Handicap of 300sovs, 1½ miles, 1 sov.

OXFORD RACES.

Wednesday, March 30th, nominations due.

HELENSVILLE RACING CLUB.

Saturday, March 26, by 10 p.m. acceptances are due with the secretary, Mr. S. J. Moncrieff, Helensville, or Mr. E. D. Halstead, c/o Mr. W. Adams, Durham-street, Auckland, for the following events:—

Handicap Maiden Plate of 20 sovs., I mile, 10s.
Handicap Hack Race of 10 sovs., I mile, 5s.
Helensville Cup of 50 sovs., 1½ miles, 30s.
Handicap Novel Race of 15 sovs., I mile, 10s.
Handicap Hurdle Race of 25 sovs., 1½ miles, 15s.
Handicap Flying Stakes of 20 sovs., ¼ mile, 10s.

PATEA RACING CLUB.

Saturday, March 26th, nominations due.

TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB.

Saturday, March 26th, by 10 p.m., Mr. Robt. Saturday, March 20th, by 10 p.m., Mr. Root.

G. Bauchope, hon. secretary, receives acceptances for the following at the White Hart
Hotel, New Plymouth:—
Taranaki Jockey Club Handicap of 250 sovs., 1½ miles,
2 sovs.

Welter Handicap of 50 sovs., 1 mile, 1 sov.
Flying Handicap of 60 sovs., 6 furlongs, 2 sovs.
Ladies' Bracelet of 60 sovs., 1½ miles, 1 sov.
First Handicap Hack Race of 30 sovs., 1 mile, 1 sov.
First Handicap Hurdle Race of 30 sovs., 1½ mile,
1 sov.

Also on Wednesday, March 30th, at 10 p.m.:—Final payment Taranaki Jockey Club Handicap of

Thursday, March 31st, by 10 p.m., acceptances

Second Handicap Hack Hurdles of 30 sovs. 12 miles,

Grandstand Handicap of 70 sovs., 7 furlongs, 2 sovs.
Autumn Handicap of 130 sovs., 1½ miles, 3 sovs.
Second Handicap Hack Race of 30 sovs., 1½ miles, I SOV.

Nomination for

Farewell Handicap of 40 sovs., 6 furlongs, 1 sov.

CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB.

Mr. W. H. E. Wanklyn, secretary, receives nominations for the following events up till 10 p.m. on Friday, April 1st:—

The Christchurch Hurdles of 100 sovs., 2 miles, 1 sov, Epsom Welter Handicap of 100 sovs., 1½ miles, 1 sov. Russley Stakes of 100 sovs., 5 furlongs, 1 sov. Sockburn Handicap of 100 sovs., 1¼ miles 1 sov. Peerswick Hurdles of 75 sovs., once round and a distance, 1 sov.

Autumn Nursery Handicap of 100 sovs., 5 furlongs,

I sov. Templeton Handicap of 100 sovs., 6 furlongs, 1 sov. Addington Plate of 76 svos., 7 furlongs, 1 sov.

Also acceptances for the Great Easter Handicap of 500 sovs., 7 furlongs, 3 sovs. Great Autumn Handicap of 500 sovs., 1 miles, 3 sovs. And further payments for the Champage Stakes of 300 sovs., 5 sovs. Challenge Stakes of 300 sovs., 7 furlongs, 3 sovs.

SOUTH AUCKLAND R.C.

Friday, April 1st, by 9 p.m., nominations close with the hon. secretary, Mr. G. H. Carter, Hamilton, or Mr. H. H. Hayr, at the office of the Sporting Review, for the following

Galloway Handicap of 20 sovs., for 14.2 ponies, 6 fur-

longs, 10s.

Handicap Hurdles of 35 sovs., 2 miles, 15s.

Handicap Hurdles of 55 sovs., 1½ miles, 1 sov

Welter Handicap of 25 sovs., 1 mile, 10s.

Handicap Steeplechase of 55 sovs., about 3 miles, 1 sov.

Claudelands Handicap of 35 sovs., 1 mile, 15s.

Flying Stakes Handicap of 25 sovs., 6 furlongs, 10s.

EGMONT R.C.

Saturday, April 2nd, by 9 p.m., Mr. A. G. Brett, secretary, Hawera, or Mr. H. H. Hayr, Sporting Review office, will receive nominations of 3 sovs. for stallions for the Sires Hack Produce Stakes of 200 sovs., for three-year-olds

JOTTINGS FROM WELLINGTON.

(By Proteus.)

Wellington, March 18.

Mr. Walter Bentley's company concluded its Wellington season last Saturday week, March 12th, with that charming comedy "David Garrick" and an abridged version of Shakespeare's comedy, "The Taming of the Shrew." The Opera House was filled in every part. Mr. Bentley, who enacted the rôle of David Garrick, played the part to perfection. His make-up was faultless and his conception of that celebrated actor was touched with a marked degree of realism. Mr. Bentley's manner on the stage is always quiet and unassuming, and it is mainly due to this that he WELLINGTON, March 18. assuming, and it is mainly due to this that he enacted the part of David Garrick with such brilliancy. Messrs. Lauchlan McGowan, Russell Crawfurd, Harry Hill, Charles Holloway, and A. E. Greenaway, who took respectively the parts of Ingot, Chivey, Smith, Brown and Jones, deserve great praise for the excellent manner in which they sustained their several impersonations. Miss Hansen, who represented the character of Ada, made a brilliant feature of the rôle. Her action commended itself enunciation the enunciation commended itself to the audience, who persisted in calling her before the curtain. Of the other characters little remains to be said, except that each contributed towards making the production of David Garrick a success in every detail. In Shake-speare's abridged version of the Taming of the Shraw Mr. Bentley as Petruchic acted the rale Shrew, Mr. Bentley as Petruchio acted the rolo splendidly, and was ably assisted in the minor parts by the remaining members of the com-pany. This company has had large audiences every evening, which speaks well for the pieces staged and for the actors who represented the various *rôles*.

MESSRS. H. McCardell and O. Kreeft waited upon the Committee of the Wellington Cricket Association, at their meeting held last Tuesday Association, at their meeting field last I uesday evening, March 15th, as a deputation from the Amateur Athletic Club, and suggested that delegates should be appointed to join others from the various football and cricket clubs in waiting upon the County Council for the purpose of having a cinder track laid on the Basin Baseries. The Committee will hold a special Reserve. The Committee will hold a special general meeting next week to consider the proposal.

The four-oared outrigger race for crews under 10st., between the Orientals and Wellington, came off last Monday evening, March 14th. Mr. O. Kempthorne, who officiated as starter, got the crews away together. After going a quarter of a mile the Orientals forged ahead and won easily by four lengths. This was the first race in New Zealand that the crews rowed in the boats specified by the New Zealand in the boats specified by the New Zealand Amateur Rowing Association to be used in future for maiden and junior gig races. There Amateur Rowing Association to be used in future for maiden and junior gig races. There was a good deal of wagering over this event, the Wellingtons being slightly the favourites. The excellent form shown by the winners caused great surprise among the members of the Wellington Rowing Club, who fancied their crew "a good un." The race was for medals presented by Messrs Littlejohn & Son and A. R. Hislop & Co. Mr. Tringham acted

RANDOM RACING REMARKS.

BY PEGASUS.

The Papakura Racing Club had a "bit of bad luck" on their opening day, as from early morning up till ten o'clock it rained incessantly. The stewards therefore found it necessary to at once agree upon postponing their meeting. This was done, and it was decided to hold the races on Saturday, 26th inst. Putting them off until then was a wise course to pursue as the Papakura racecourse is easily softened, and never gets hard and baked, therefore this postponement will give time to evaporate the surplus moisture. I have not seen nor heard anything in the meantime to cause me to alter my opinions of the probable results of the different events as set forth in last week's issue.

For the benefit of readers I shall again repeat

them, viz .: -

Hurdles—Cloth of Gold or Stepper.
Pony Race—Sepoy, Walter Scott, or Romeo. Cup—Pinfire or Capella 1, Leorina 2, Ida 3.
Maiden—Tuna or Acacia.
Steeple—Colonel or Mangere.
Flying Stakes-Helen McGregor, Raglan,

Acacia and Ida read best.

The Taranaki correspondent of the REVIEW had a par last week concerning the action of his Wanganui confrere in taking him to task for criticising Mr. J. E. Henry's handicap for the First Hack Flat Race at the Egmont meeting. These two critics need not quarrel over the matter, but can very easily "agree to differ." I must say, however, that I look upon it as part of the duty of turf scribes to draw attention to every mistake that comes under their notice in

racing and handicapping matters.

"Onlookers see the most of the game," and as Mr. Henry is only mortal and therefore not infallible, he is bound to make mistakes at some time or other as is the case with all handicappers. If he be wise he will only be too glad to benefit by the criticisms of the onlookers, and by this means improve his powers and capabilities. Personally, I can conscientiously congratulate that gentleman on the majority of his compilations. I shall hope also that he will accept all criticisms of his work in the spirit in which they are given, provided always they be true in fact and mild in tone. Verb sap.

The weights for the Sydney Gold Cup have appeared, but space preludes a review of the event in this issue. This two mile race is run on the 18th April next, so that next week will be soon enough to "commence operations" on the individual horses that are engaged. Meanwhile, however, I think, looking through them hurriedly, that the safest to trust are Highborn, Sir William, Zalinski, Freedom, Correze, Tirailleur, G'Naroo, Portsea, and Correze, Vespasia.

The latest conundrum is: "Why should the rider of Highborn in the Australian Cup have been called before the stewards for using bad language?" "Because he won the race and "did" Cuss den (Cusden)." The perpetrator of this should try again and then die.

ON THE TOTALISATOR.

"Necessity is the mother of invention." Therefore, as the "ring" monopoly had gradually increased and become so oppressive it became a necessity to invent something to break down such a power. Thus do we find the invention and introduction of that machine the invention and introduction of that machine—yelept the totalisator. This machine, which must have been a great boon to "backers," has, nevertheless, worked slowly, silently, and surely into such a groove that it has now become almost as great a power within itself, and is now viewed with almost as much distrust as the betting ring was formerly. There is no doubt the betting ring was formerly. There is no doubt but that it has "broken the spell" retained by the "bookies" for so long a period, yet, like most reforms of old-standing institutions, there most reforms of our-standing institutions, there is always the aptitude in such cases of getting "out of the fryingpan into the fire." This, I think, has been the case with the totalisator, for we find that dishonest and unscrupulous persons have availed themselves of the machine to carry on their neferious and dishonests? to carry on their nefarious and dishonourable practices, and that, too, with less chance of detection than was the case when the "ring" held the reins of power. Previously the general

public knew little or nothing of how much was betted on any particular horse, as the layer of the odds was unlikely to acquaint them; hence an owner was more than likely to run "for the stuff." Now, however, an owner sees at a glance how the "cat jumps" with the public, and if his horse be well backed he decides on running a "slinter," and perhaps saves his exs. with some other good one in the race. Thereafter he "bobs up" and makes a good coup; likewise the other fellow.

This state of affairs, I am sorry to say, is aided and abetted—I might almost say encouraged—by those in command of totalisator affairs. betted on any particular horse, as the layer of

affairs.

Take, for example, many of our suburban meetings, and what do we find—two or three machines at work and each added to the other in computing the total. At Ellerslie, I am glad to say, two machines are going, and the div. on each machine is computed separately and on each machine is computed separately and individually. In other cases, though, it is not the same—for example, suburban and trotting club meetings. There we have two or more machines computed together and a dividend declared accordingly. Why is this thus? Why not calculate each one separately? Evidently those "in the know" want to "gull" the public, and take these means of doing so. Let us for a moment look at the following well known items of every day occurrence at our suburban and trotting meetings.

No. 1 machine is close to and in view of the

grandstand, No. 2 is an inside machine also within view; but No. 3 is not in such position. A wants to back B's horse, and on looking at Nos 1 and 2, and the odds thereon, is tempted to invest. Imagine his consternation and chagrin then on finding that the dividend is computed on the three machines, and that, although he counted only on Nos. 1 and 2, the owner or other interested parties have "backed it up" on No. 3, and the odds by which he was induced to invest have been reduced to an enormous extent. These are the "mickles" which make up the "muckles" upon which popular racing rests; and they would be well to be rectified at once. Much more might be said on this subject than I have indulged in; and should necessity occasion further "remarks" I shall deem it my duty, as a sporting writer, to draw full attention to them; but I trust this warning note will suffice to put all those interested in the future welfare of the machine on the qui vive to remedy such existing abuses and render the totalisator that "power for good" for which it was originally intended. Of course a totalisator monopoly would be pre-ferable to a "bookmaker's" monopoly, but it must be patent to the most superficial observer that either must, in the end, prove fatal to the interests of racing and sport generally. Every business man or firm considers the wishes of his patrons in order to make the concern pay, and so it will prove with racing and totalisator and so it will prove with racing and totalisator men. Rest assured if trickery and dodgery be indulged in, so assuredly will a day of reckoning arrive, and the results of past misdeeds and dishonesty cannot help but culminate in dishonour and degradation to genuine sport of all kinds, as well as to those so closely connected with its immediate ruination and downfall.

On the subject of starting we have made "remarks" oftentimes, and whenever bad starting occurred reference has always been made to it, and things were sure to be "sultry" for the starter. It would seem that turf scribes in the other colonies as well as America have had occasion to draw attention also to the matter of bad starting, for we find these matter of bad starting, for we find these remarks at different times have attracted the attention of "Rapier," the turf scribe of the Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News, published in England. In a recent article on the subject, he says:— "From one trouble which seems very seriously to affect owners of horses and all interested in an animal's success abroad we in this country are harvily from abroad we in this country are happily free. Nothing is more common in foreign papers— American, Colonial, and others — than the gravest complaints against the starter. gravest complaints against the starter. A few good starters there may be and indeed doubtless are, but unless journals greatly err, a considerable proportion of starters abroad are either incompetents or rogues. It would surely surprise those who suffer under the ministra-tions of such starters as these—some of whom seem to be overbearing bullies, in addition to their other failings or vices—to note the

methods of Mr. Arthur Coventry, his patience, unfailing good humour, quickness of perception to catch the one happy moment when he can despatch his field, and anxiety to do absolute justice to every horse. A more absolute justice to every horse. A more temper-trying business than starting a big field of horses is not easily imagined. Time after time the field is almost in a line; if I am at the start I can imagine that 'Now they're off' is a general comment of observers on the off' is a general comment of observers on the Stands, who have their glasses focused on the field; but again and again one beast jumps off by himself, or another will not be kicked or coaxed up by others, or both brutes together unite to destroy the chance. I confess it is a marvel to me that Mr. Coventry preserves his equanimity and contrives to say, 'Go back, please'—actually 'please'—instead of thundering out something of a very different character. Just so. But Mr. Arthur Coventry seldom has to contend with riders who do not want to win and are therefore deliberately trying to get a bad start."

The same writer then states that the above ideas were suggested by an article which appeared in the American *Horseman* on starters. His opinion of the article was that it was a "hot" one, and he thinks that the men mentioned therein must be rogues, or the law of libel in America is strangely inefficient, if they do not refute the charges made against them. The American article in question reads as follows:—"A starter should start his horses without any reference to betting. He should neither give favourites undue protection, nor should he leave them at the post. Mr. Chinn, at Garfield Park, was guilty of a 'leave' that would have made even the shameless Caldwell blush. The writer remembers seeing Caldwell deliberately leave Beck at the post, or, rather, try to do so, at Jerome Park three or four years ago, simply because of a row with the boy Bergen, who rode Beck. The other day at Garfield Park Martin Russell started, and properly so, favourite. He could hardly have ost had the starter not decided that he should lose. Palisade, who is owned by B. J. Johnson, said to be a partner of George V. Hankins, one of the principal proprietors of Garfield Park, was second favourite. Mr. Chinn spoiled seven or eight good starts, apparently for the benefit of Palisade, who was pulled up every time he had not the best of the start. It is a very peculiar fact that, although the boy on Martin Russell obeyed the starter's orders implicitly, he was left at the post the first time his head was turned the wrong way. Was there any good reason to fear that he might have beaten Palisade? Mr. Lewis Clarke overruled a decision of Starter John Merrill at Garfield Park not long ago, and caused that excellent official to leave the employ of the club. But neither Colonel Clark nor Robert A. Swigert, who is associated with him in the judge's stand, saw anything wrong in the rank Martin Russell decision."

I fancy there would be "steep ructions' vere we to use such strong invectives in our criticisms as those used by the American writer whom "Rapier" has drawn attention to.

OUR WELLINGTON LETTER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT) [BY WIRE.]

WELLINGTON, March 22 THE local horses had the worst of luck at last week's meetings. They did not gain a single race at Hawke's Bay. Retina, it is generally thought, ought to have won the Cup, but the fates were adverse, and she could only finish a good second to Crown Jewel. Colello, who was to have had the mount, could not get down Colello, who was to have had the mount, could not get down within 51bs. of the weight, and rather than carry overweight Tom Hill and her owner, Mr. Martin, decided to put up Tommy Crook, the stable light-weight, who, although he rode a good race, lacked the strength to finish. It was very tantalising for Mr. Martin to see his was very tantalising for Mr. Martin to see his good thing go down when victory seemed assured. To make things worse, Ranee Nuna, who was reckoned a good thing for at least one race, developed a suspicious leg after the Wanganui meeting, and although she started in two races on the first day she failed altogether to run up to her recent form. Mr. Hill came back with the filly on Saturday night, leaving Retina, who will run at Napier Park to-morrow, under the care of Mr. Hunter's trainer, Gooseman, who has nothing engaged at the meeting. man, who has nothing engaged at the meeting.

At Masterton, Opaki, on Thursday, the meeting was spoiled by the delay in bringing off the events, which dragged out the prooff the events, which dragged out the programme until nearly half-past six, whereas the last race was set down for 4.40 p.m. The principal races, the St. Patrick's Handicap and Flying Stakes, were appropriated by Mr. Freeth's Revolution, a four-year-old full brother to Rebellion, by Treason—Mischief. This horse was last season run as a hack, and could scarcely win a race in any company. This season he has developed into a real good one, and has carried all before him among the up-country racehorses. He is like Rebellion,

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a strapping chestnut.

At the Marlborough meeting neither Eros nor Paramu. Mr. Cousen's representatives, got a place. Mr. Redwood had another good turn. a place. Mr. Redwood had another good turn, winning the Cup with his second string, Teri, 8st 8lb, after the handicapper had crushed Awarua Rose with 9st 7lb. There was great surprise in Wellington at Rocket paying £16 9s. dividend in the Flying. This horse is a son of Leos, and simply romped over a field of good hacks at the Hutt in the spring. He was freely backed at starting price in Wellington, and great was the delight of those who had invested on him, as they expected about £3. There is a row in Wellington over these races. They were postoned from Friday to Saturday on account of bad weather, and no press telegrams were sent through on Saturday to say whether they had come off or not. They did come off, however, and some of the clever whether they had come off or not. They did come off, however, and some of the clever division, after spreading a report that they had been again postponed until Tuesday, got two bookmakers to lay the winner on Saturday evening. Of course there is a dispute over the affair, and the backers have served the layers with a lawyer's letter. What will be the upshot of the affair I hardly know, but it is scarcely likely to come into Court.

A meeting of the stewards of the Wellington Racing Club was held to-night. The principal business was the consideration of applications for the position of caretaker for the Hutt Park racecoourse, but owing to the absence from Wellington of a number of the stewards it was decided to postpone dealing with the matter for a week. In the meantime the applications (fifty-nine in number) were referred to the Course Committee, with a request that they should report upon the qualifications of the most suitable candidates. A letter was received from the Wanganui Jockey Clnb, notifying that Messrs. Yuille, Nathan and May had been warned off the Wanganui racecourse for laying totalisator odds. The question of dealing with the matter was left over to be dealt with by a fuller meeting. The programme of the Horowhenua Jockey Club's race meeting, to be held at Otaki on Queen's Birthday, was submitted for approval, and being in order, was passed. The added money to be given amounts to £160, divided amongst seven events, the principal being the Horowhenua Cup Handicap of 35 sovs., one mile and a half. Mr. T. Franklyn was elected a stewards' director of the Hutt Park Railway Company for the ensuing year.

OUR TARANAKI LETTER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

NEW PLYMOUTH, March 18. THE annual hack meeting of the Waverley-Waitotara Racing Club was held on Thursday. The wet weather in the morning affected the attendance, and also made the going a bit heavy, which fact no doubt accounted for the many "boil-overs" that occurred during the day. The Hurdles, 13 miles, was a walk-over for The Masher, by Captivator—Day Dawn mare, who had 9st 7lb to carry. Baccarat, the other acceptor for the Hurdles, was reserved for the Cup, in which his following backed him up to the handle on the strength of a trial, but were disappointed. The Flying Handicap, b furlongs, was won by Bradshaw, by Castoff—Lady, 6st 9lb, Armoury, 6st 7lb, being second, and Tramore, 8st 5lb, third. The winner paidthe nice dividend of £45, his owners, Messrs. Goodson, having four out of the five tickets on the board. This is the first turn of luck Goodsons have had since they started to run horses. The wet weather in the morning affected the sons have had since they started to run horses. Pat Eya rode the winner. Time, I min. 23sec. The New Plymouth mare Armour, by Armourer—Garry Owen mare, won the Catch Weights, four furlongs, being ridden by C. Riley. The dividend was £3 IIS. Sirius, 8st 11lbs, by Australian—Traducer mare, another New Plymouth Factor of the start of the st

mouth rep., won the Railway Handicap, 12 miles, in 2min. 213sec.. Tetori being second and Waipiro third. The trio were the only starters. D. Crozier rode the winner. The and Waipiro third. The trio were the only starters. D. Crozier rode the winner. The Cup, 1½ miles was won by Entry, 7st 4lb, by Ascot—Mountain Hare, with Stranger, 9st 7lb, second, and Ionic, 8st 12lb, third. Time, 2min. 48sec. Dividend, £8 7s. The Post Stakes, four furlongs, was carried off by Ngarauhoe (P. Johnston), the dividend being £10 7s. St. Patrick's Handicap, 7 furlongs, was won by Cyrus (by Volunteer), 6st 13lb, with Tramore, 8st 5lbs, second, and Bradshaw, 6st 9lb, third. Time, 1min. 37½sec. Dividend £15. The Forced Handicap, 1 mile, fell to old Corsair, who paid £3 9s. The slow times recorded are accounted for by the heavy ground. ground.

Dan O'Meara trains Bradshaw, Volley, and

the two-year-old that Messrs. Goodson purchased at the Sylvia Park breaking-up sale.

"Mr. Keswick's" gelding by The Mute—
Tocaster is now being ridden by Billy Arnold.

The gelding is a compact-looking animal, but rather on the small side to please me.

The gelding by Governor—Moka Moka, which Jay Russell is now working, should be heard of by and by. He is a full brother to Lady Onslow, the pony.

New Plymouth, March 21.

NEW PLYMOUTH, March 21.

The weights for the first day's events at the Taranaki Anniversary Meeting were issued on Saturday. I have not time to go into a review of the weights, but must content myself with trying to unearth the winners, as the races will be on before the next issue of the Sporting Review is printed.

For the T.J.C. Handicap, 13 miles, thirty-three have been weighted. I like the following, taking into consideration the probable starters only:—Lochness 7st 12lb, Krina 7st 6lb, The Dreamer 7st 5lb, Queen of Trumps 7st 5lb, La Petite Fille 6st 10lb, and Hakimana 6st 9lb. For the Welter Handicap I like Weka 9st 7lb, Musket 8st 7lb, and Fleta 7st 7lb.

There are only six in the Ladies' Bracelet, of which I prefer The Dreamer 11st 7lb, and Melas 10st.

There are twenty-four weighted for the Flying Handicap. Huerfana 7st 6lb, Weka 7st 6lb, Prestige 7st 6lb, Cretonne 7st, Hakimana 6st 12lb, She 6st 11lb, and Tit 6st 9lb read to me the best.

There are twenty in the Hack Flat, I mile. This is an open race. Miss Cole ought to have a good show at 8st 5lbs. Ionic 9st 2lb, Sirus 9st 2lb, Flukem 8st 2lb, and Armoury 7st 2lb also read well.

In the Hack Hurdles, 11 miles, there are eleven handicapped. Recruit, 10st 12lb, has had an enforced spell, which will tell against his chance. Cingalee, 10st 12lb, on Hawera running, ought to have a big say in the finish. Baccarat, 10st 2lb, is 100 uncertain, as he is addicted to striking his fences and falling. Lady Onslow, 10st 2lb, and Atlantic, 9st 7lb, read well.

For the Pony Race there are thirteen weighted. I like Poppy 8st 2lb, Nox 7st, and Rodney 7st.

With fine weather the meeting should prove a great success.

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A regular case of meanness has come to my knowledge. At a certain recent country race meeting on this Coast a horse got home and paid a very substantial dividend, so substantial in fact that the owner pulled about £180 out of the machine. The owner rewarded the jockey with the sum of £3, which, as the lad belonged to a stable situated in New Plymouth (about 100 miles away), would not cover his expenses. The illiberal spirit displayed by the owner cannot be put down to want of fands, as he is remarkably well off in the matter of broad acres and bawbees. Such munificence should be chronicled.

OUR NAPIER LETTER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

THE Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's meeting, which commenced on St. Patrick's Day, was a most pleasurable gathering, and proved a great success. Notwithstanding that the first day was showery, there was a very large attendance, and a surprising amount was put through the totalisator. The racing was splendid throughout, and a meed of praise is due to Mr. Evitt, the handicapper, who brought the fields so well together in the majority of the events. All the arrangements were of the most complete character, thanks to the business capabilities of the genial secretary, Mr. F. D. Luckie, who is without doubt the right man in the right place. A very large number of well-known racing men were present, representing all parts of the Colony, and the gathering, on the whole, was enjoyable in the extreme.

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Proceedings opened on the first day with the Autumn Handicap, in which there were ten starters. The majority were well backed, and the race was regarded as very open. At the fall of the flag Merganser and Ranee Nuna (the Autumn and Flying Handicap winner at Wanganui) collided, and it was some time before either got going. When they did the leader was a hundred yards away. The red cap on Cretonne's rider was seen to the front when the line broke; Dreamland, Kupenga, and Scot Free being next in motion. At the back of the course Dreamland had the lead, Cretonne, Scot Free, Queen of Trumps, Ranee Nuna, and Kupenga being close up; Merganser last. In the home turn Scot Free went up to the half-sister to Day Dream, and a good race all the way up the straight saw the Auckland horse (who is owned by Mr. D. McKinnon), made a dead heat of it with Dreamland; Kupenga being close up third, Merganser fourth, Cretonne fifth, Hakimana sixth. Then

followed Ranee Nuna, Bay Bell and Queen of Trumps. The last named, who ran second in the Wanganui Cup, was absolutely last, running very unkindly. Scot Free paid 26 8s., and Dreamland 23. The owners agreed to divide. Ranee Nuna carried five pounds overweight, and Kupenga ten pounds.

In the Hurdle Race Couranto was the favourite, not withstanding his bad jumping in Wanganui; General Gordon, the Wairarapa horse (by Tatler out of Dolly Varden) being next in demand; Hiamoe and Waterbury being equally backed. The other starters were Viola II. and Caloola, a grey horse who is trained at Waipawa, by Griffiths. Viola was the first to the first hurdle, but baulked and lost his rider. Couranto then made the pace a very merry one, and it took Redmond all his time to steady the son of Patriarch. After a mile had been trawersed General Gordon ran off at the hurdle in the turn. Caloola was beaten before this spot was reached in the last round, and Couranto came on looking all over a winner; but Waterbury was brought up by Hickey, and after a most punishing race just got home. After every obstacle was negotiated Couranto used to go off like a steam engine, and his rider was tired at the finish. Hiamoe was an indifferent third.

Whisper and La Petite Fille were non-starters for the Cup, leaving fifteen in, and a great race it was. A beautiful start was effected, Torpedo (by The Australian) leading to the turn, the field being practically in a bunch, except Thame, who was last. At the railway bend Retina took command, and led the field a merry dance. In front of the stand she still led; Seraph, Maid of Lorne, Crackshot and Torpedo being in a cluster; Thame somewhere about the middle. Just here there was an unfortunate occurrence. "Torpedo's down," shouted the crowd. "No; it's Thame" (the pair wore similar colours)—and so it proved to be. How she fell I don't know; but she was draaged along by the field for some distance. Why a great many others did'nt fall also, is to many a mystety. Connop was picked up, and strange to say wa Wanganui Cup winner paid £16 dividend; but had the money gone on the machine that was invested with the books, the dividend would have been much smaller. Crown Jewel was purchased for £13 in a Calcutta sweep at Hastings the night before the race.

North Atlantic, by Nordenfeldt—Atlantis, did not have much difficulty in disposing of his antagonists in the Nursery Handicap. Variety running second. He did not have to meet Whakawatea, who was reserved for the six furlong flutter later on in the day. St. Katherine who has had a lot of racing lately, did not run into a place.

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Eight started for the High Weight, which Link, by Mute—Swiveline, won comfortably from Musketeer, the Maori horse, who generally runs most consistently. The winner is a good little mare, and has now won a good many races. Kapua, owned by the breeder of Link, Mr. Douglas, could only get third place. Prairie Grass ran awfully badly, but he apparently could not get along on the wet ground.

There are always surprises at every meeting, and the Trial Handicap furnished one at this meeting, when the light-weighted Namoralis, by Gladiator—Toi, flopped up and paid £20 odd dividend. This mare runs well one day on the training track and the next goes along like a snail out of work. Consequently Bob Gooseman, her trainer, didn't have a penny on her. The stake was worth £30, less £5 for the second horse, and Bob was rather riled at not having a few tickets on his charge, which was only natural. Little Silvermine ran second, and the top weight Como, who seemed to run unkindly, third. Six others started, including Kulnine's full sister Whimisical. Marked Card was last the whole way, and a very bad last at that.

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The Railway flutter looked a moral for Whakawatea, the flying two-year-old, with only 7st 2lb in the saddle, and so it proved, for he won comfortably from Scot Free, who ran a good race. The top weight, Whisper, ran splendidly with her 9st 5lb in the saddle, getting third position. There were six other starters. Torpedo shone conspiciously during the first portion of the race, but was not about at the finish, while Ranee Nuna seemed to be all to pieces Heather Bell, Whakawatea's stable companion, was scratched, as also was Cynisca, La Petite Fille, Merganser, Pani, and Krina.

The weather was extremely hot for the second day,

which saw Mr. Rathbone's Nordenfeldt—Albatross filly, Merganser, winning the March Handicap, beating eight others. In connection with this race there was great surprise manifested at the action of the stewards in calling Mr. Rathbone and his trainer up and asking them for an explanation of the mare's running on the first day. There was really no occasion for this, as, if you will read my description of the race for the Autumn Handicap above, you will see that at the start Merganser collided with Ranee Nuna at the start, and the field was over a hundred yards away before she got into her stride. Even then she made up her ground wonderfully and beat more than beat her, for she ran a good fourth. The stewards deemed the explanation as eminently satisfactory, but that does not wipe out the blot, to my mind. Mr. Rathbone has just started racing, and not only racing but breeding on an extensive scale, and is a man above suspicion. He was the recipient of much sympathy, and the public were sorry for the position he was placed in. The stewards did not suspect he or his trainer of anything, but "deemed it their duty." However, I think there was no duty in the matter, as the facts didn't warrant it. Bay Bell ran a splendid second, beating Torpedo on the post. Heather Bell seemed to get blocked on the inside.

The Second Handicap Hurdle Race does not need much description, as Whalebone, who had only 9st rolb in the saddle, led from start to finish. I thought his mission was the Palk, and kept off him, although he owed me a pound or two which I invested on him in Manganui. He paid £15 odd, and the stable hadn't a red cent. on him. There were nine other starters, the top weight, Couranto, running a good second, General Gordon, who ran off the previous day, getting third. Viola II. ran round a hurdle, but jumped it on the second occasion. She was then out of if. Hiamoe came down. The moral of the meeting was the Juvenile Handicap for Whakawatea, who, though he had 9st 12b on his back, won easily in one sixteen and a tick. He

and a Bourke Memorial Stakes, worth \$200.

Five starters faced the starter in the Pacific Handicap, which was won by Como, by Vasco di Gama—Virginia Water, Prairie Grass, Mr. Gollan's horse, by Albany—Speargrass being second. Link, who won a race the previous day put down Liquidation, being brought up with a rush by Clifford in the Post Stakes, and then heavy rain fell, everybody seeking shelter. It continued for some time but the Place Handicap was got off; Lochness, The Dreamer, Dreamland, and Retina finishing in that order. They were the only horses that ventured to start. Owing to the rain only \$2 was invested on one machine and \$98 on the other.

The following visiting horses won races—Crown Jewel (2), Whakawatea (2), Whalebone, Lochness, and Scott Free. The local horses who won were — Waterbury, Link (2), Dreamland, Merganser, Nemoralis, North Atlantic and Como. The visitors took away the chief prizes.

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F. Stowe rode three winners during the meeting, and Smith, Derrett, Gall, Vine, Banks, D. Donovan, Fuzard, Price, Kingan, and Hickey one each.

It is a strange thing that Patsy Butler generally manages to win a race on St. Patrick's Day.

On the first day, which was wet, £6704 was put through the machine, and on the second, £5,900, which would have been considerably increased had not rain fallen before the last race. The sum of £2269 was put through more than last year.

The Jockey Club have warned Messrs. Yuile, Nathan, and May off all courses under their jurisdiction.

The starting at Hastings by Sam Powell was a feature of the meeting, and he was applauded nearly every race. He only intends to start at one meeting for the C.J.C. because the terms are not satisfactory. They will have to make it worth his while discontinuing starting with a number of small Club's whose meetings clash with Christchurch. He has proved a really good starter, and should be engaged and given a good salary by all the Metropolitan Clubs in New Zealand.

NAPIER PARK RACES.

[BY WIRE. - OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

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NAPIER, March 23.

TRIAL HURDLES.—Worth, 1; Kaimanawa, 2; Amina, 3. Won easily, Time, 3min. 40 2-5th sec. Dividend, 44 14s. Twelve started.

SELLING RACE.—Fleta, 1; Silvermine, 2; Brown Duke, 3. Time, 1min. 52 3-5th sec. Dividend, £2 5s-Napier Cup, 1½ mile—Scot Free, 1; Boulanger, 2; Bay Bell, 3. Won by a length. Time, 2min. 45 4-5th sec. The following also started:—Strephon, Crown Jewel, Retina, Freelance, Pearl Powder, and Link.

HURDLES.—Whalebone, 1; Waterbury, 2; Somnambulist, 3. Time, 4min. 5 2-5th sec. Dividend, £3 4s.

REDCLYFFE STAKES—King George, 1; Musketer, 2; Triton, 3. Time, 1min. 52 2-5sec. Dividend, £2 10s.

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Sporting Review.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1892.

AT the A.A.A.C. meeting held in the Domain on Saturday last, among several innovations the most noticeable was the "Press table." enable the members of the fourth estate to do their work with comfort, a table and chairs were provided. Seated at their ease and smoking the pipe of peace, the Pressmen saw what they could of the sprint races. At intervals the "Press steward" arrived and administered spoonfuls of information, e.g., "Tompkins 1st, Jinks 2nd, Bags 3rd; won easily by two yards, a breast between second and third; time, 10 1-5th secs." Could anything be more delightful for the reporter? Absolved from all responsibility, and furnished with an official bulletin after each event, his work is positively child's play. "Blessings on the man who invented sleep," quoth the immortal Saacho Panza. And so say all Pressmen of the inventor of the Press table. It is indeed a boon and a blessing—. But soft!—the scribe feels a twinge in what he is pleased to call his conscience. Under such conditions, what use is he? His journal, like every other journal, will produce a report of the meeting faithful in respect to results, but without the slightest touch of individuality or originality in describing the races. His sole function is to be a sort of conduit-pipe from the Press-steward to

the public. The committee might just as well write out one report in copying ink and furnish each journal with an impression. anybody who can write in pencil from dictation will be a perfectly competent Press representa-tive at the A.A.A.C. meetings. Under the old rule experts representing the Press were permitted to take up any position they pleased to witness an event, subject to such restrictions in regard to keeping away from the judges, and interfering as little as possible with the view of other spectators, as the committee thought fit to impose. Hence independent reports from different points of view became possible, and were actually supplied to the public by the several journals. Now everything is reduced to the dead level of mechanical mediocrity. Moreover, in the event of a competitor receiving unfair treatment from his opponents, or suffering from a mistake on the part of the judges, he had some chance of redress at the hands of the Pressmen. If the object of the innovation is to scotch or stifle all criticism, it has been attained with a renganger. We are has been attained with a vengeance. We are not writing only with reference to the A.A.A.C. meeting, as the "Press table" was used at the last Championship meeting at Christchurch; and we trust that the above remarks will be taken as evidence of an unselfish desire on the part of those whose personal comfort is enhanced by the innovation, to do their best for the advancement of athletics, and the information of the general public.



[BY OLD TURFITE.]

"MAZEPPA," of the Otago Witness, writes "that a report has reached Dunedin that the Hon. E. Mitchelson contemplates introducing a Bill into the House next session for the abolition of the totalisator, and that if time is found for the debate on the subject there is little doubt many members would rise to denounce the machine on the general ground that they object to gambling; but this can scarcely be the line that Mr. Mitchelson would adopt. He would be more likely to endeavour to show special cause why the totalisator should be knocked out. It certainly appears to me that he would have great difficulty in arguing such a case, for from all points of view save one that owners are at a disadvantage, having to come in at starting prices—the supporters of the totalisator would have the best of it. As to that particular point, it would, one would think, be difficult to move the present House to do owners a turn at the expense of the public. But while anticipating that Mr. Mitchelson will have a job to convince Parliament that the totalisator is worse than the system of betting which it has supplanted to a large extent, there may be danger to the machine in that the motion would be supported by members like our Mr. Hutchinson, who object to betting of any kind, and for this reason the Clubs should be prepared in case the question is brought forward. I may say, as I have said before, that I for one am strongly in favour of the totalisator, because I know that it discourages this ying and supports reging in it discourages thieving and supports racing in a legitimate manner, and I shall continue to support it until some better system is thought out?" I have been for some time that it I have heard for some time that it has been the intention of the Hon. E. Mitchelson and other influential members who have an interest in racing to introduce a Bill into Parliament to abolish the machine, and it is to be hoped that it will pass, as I totally disagree with "Mazeppa," though he stands up so strongly as champion of the machine. He writes: "I know that it discourages thieving and supports racing in a legitimate manner."
It would be interesting to the general public as well as myself to hear from "Mazeppa's" able pen how he knows it. My experience tells me there is just as much thieving going on now as ever, as favoured individuals can give the workers of the machine £50 or £100 to put on for them. Sometimes it is put on in small sums, at others it is rung on at the very last minute. When some of the public, who have backed the horse because they fancied him and he would also pay a good dividend, go to get their money they find about a hundred more

tickets on him than there were five minutes before the machine closed. That it supports racing in a legitimate manner I fail to see, and should like "Mazeppa" to convince me that he is right. My experience shows me that scores of race meetings have sprung up since the introduction of the totalisator which would never have come into existence had it not been for the machine. They only benefit a few. lot of young persons have been induced to buy horses who cannot afford it; there are also a lot of scrubbers now in training that would never have been thought of if these petty races never have been thoughthat not spring up. The machine, being ready money, offers great inducement to many to let their butchers, bakers, etc., want in order to have eash to invest. I will now go a step have cash to invest. I will now go a step higher. An owner who pays all the expenses of his horses naturally expects to recoup him-self. Stakes will never do that, and if he backs his horses on the machine he has to share with the public. It affects breeders, because purchasers will not give long prices for yearlings unless they can make them pay. It is also driving all the best horses out of the Colony, and induces men to keep entire and train a lot of scrubbers, which now infest the Colony. I fail to see how in a single way the machine is a benefit to genuine racing, unless it is to enable Clubs to give larger stakes; but a genuine racing man would prefer less added money and more betting. Perhaps "Mazeppa" will be able to prove that I am wrong, but at present he has advanced nothing to show that his theory is right and that we should not be much better without the machine.

MR. SCARR, in making the han licap for the Sydney Gold Cup, has certainly succeeded in producing a flattering one; and the winner will take a good deal of picking. Marvel, 9st olb, reads as the chopping block, and it is not likely that he will start. Highborn, 9st 4lb, must be looked on with respect, after his running in the Australian Cup, when he carried the same His running in the Champion Stakes must not have too much importance attatched to it, as it was run at a muddling pace, and the gelding was not himself on the day. Strath-more, 9st 2lb, has been raised 6lb. That he is a good colt there is no doubt, but it is asking him to do a big thing, and his stable companion Zalinski, 8st rolb, reads better. Malvolio, 9st, has nothing to complain of with regard to weight; but both he and Correze, 8st 8lb, have been on the shelf lately with suspicious legs. Megaphone is reported to have broken down in the Champion race and it is doubtful if he will run again. Sir William, 8st 12lb, is a horse that should be watched. He has more than once nearly landed a coup, and he may do it this time. Freedom, 8st rolb, has got a little more than he deserves; that he win a good race some day there is no doubt, but I hardly think that this will be the one. Greygown, 8st 8lb, has more than once made a sensation, but the distance will I think Tirailleur, 8st 4lb, has had a conbe too far. siderable reduction made in his weight, but he has always been in my estimation an over-rated horse; and G'Naroo at the same weight reads much better. He has now 7lb less than when he was backed for the Melbourne Cup; so if the stable rely on him he must be very near the front. Muriel, 7st 11lb, Oxide and Portsea, 7st 10lb, also read well on paper; while Forty Winks, 7st 6lb, must have a show. Lower down comes Varran and The Rebel 6st 12lb. down comes Yarran and The Rebel, 6st 12lb each. Then amongst the turned-loose division is Yowi, 6st 2lb. As one cannot back them all, and as bookmakers now-a-days will not give a lot against the field I shall confine myself at present to the following, expecting the winner to come from them:—Highborn, Redfern's selected (Malvolio or Čorreze), William, Zalinski, G'Naroo, Forty Winks, or

LOOKING through the yearling sales during the late V.R.C. meeting it appears from the prices realised that the supply greatly exceeds the demand. A few weeks ago "Augur" had a long description of the St. Albans stud. After reading it carefully through I thought there would be some sensational prices, for from his account they were an exceptionally good lot, but when they came to the harmon only the but when they came to the hammer only two ran into four figures, while many only brought hack prices, the average being 2222 guineas. This will hardly pay. Mr. Gardner, of Bundoora

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Park, sent up twenty-six youngsters, all of good pedigree, the highest priced one being 65gns. for a black colt by Precious Stone—Rarity. Mr. Donald Wallace sent up eleven. The highest price was 80 guineas for a bay colt by Newminster—Violet. Sir Thomas Elder sent up thirty-two, all well-bred ones—the highest priced ones being a bay colt by Gang Forward —Josephine, 450gns., and a brown colt by Neckersgat—Hortense, 510gns., the average for the thirty-two lots not being quite 115gns.

READING through the Australian files that are now to hand it is astonishing to see the diversity of opinion as regards Cusdin's riding of Strathmore in the Australian Cup. That he rode a bad race there is no denying, and he himself admits it. A jockey's mount on a red hot favourite is no sinecure, for if he loses he not ravourite is no sinecure, for it ne loses he is sure to come into some unpleasant remarks, even if he does not deserve them, as few owners are good losers. Cusdin says that he was several times interfered with. This is very likely, as there is generally one or two started on purpose to interfere with a great favourite. That Strathmore with everything in his favour readly have bester. High born on that day I have could have beaten Highborn on that day I have my doubts. The Champion Stakes was no criterion, as Highborn was not up to the mark on that day, and the race was run at a muddling pace. Many a race have I seen thrown away in the old country through there not being a true pace all through. If the two should meet in the Sydney Gold Cup I expect to see Highborn put down Strathmore again.

THE resuscitated Papakura Club has had a great deal to contend against, and it will not be surprising if their postponed meeting, to be held next Saturday, turns out a failure. This will be regretted by all racing men, as the Club has gone to considerable expense in erecting a grand stand, and otherwise improving the course. The committee, however, have to blame themselves for what must be called mismanagement. They should not have postponed the meeting from last Thursday (St. Patrick's day) on account of a little rain. The morning in town certainly was not favourable; but it was much better up country, and there was really no reason for the postponement. Besides it is not fair to owners, when they have their horses ready for their engagements, to put off the races on account of a little rain. The stewards as a rule consult themselves, and the profits of that bele noir to racing—the totalisator. Rule 19 reads thus: "The stewards, in case of urgent necessity, may from time to time put off any races from day to day, or for such time as they may deem expedient, notwithstanding a Sunday intervening." The question now is, when this rule was made was it with the intention of enabling stewards to put off races on account of rain, or other things adverse to their making a large profit on the machine, and fix the date some ten days later. "Urgent necessity," I read means frost, snow, or fog, or the course being under water—not simply a wet day. If it does not the sooner the rule is amended the better, so as to describe what urgent necessity means. It is a well-known fact that some horses like dirt, while others prefer to hear their feet rattle. Another thing
—a man gives a long price for the booths, etc.,
he gets all his stuff on the ground and finds the races put off for ten days on account of a little rain; he therefore has either to give or throw away all his eatables, as they will not keep. But taking the question as regards racing alone, I maintain that the stewards had no right to postpone the meeting for ten days. The sooner this question is settled by a competent tribunal the better, as these postponements are becoming much too prevalent—all owing to the machine. Fancy putting off races in the old country on account of rain!—such a thing would not be tolerated. I have no reason to alter my opinion as regards my selections last week for the different events. The acceptances are very poor, and it looks like it used to be in olden days—a benefit for the Papakura stable. The Hurdle Race will be a match between Cloth of Gold and Stepper—the former for choice. The Pony Handicap should fall to either Sepoy or Romeo. The Cup reads a either Sepoy or Romeo. The Cup reads a certainty for either Pinfire or Leorina, unless Ida can upset the pot Tuna should annex the Maiden Plate, Acacia being her most dangerous opponent. The Steeplechase should go to

The Novel Race had better be left The Flying Stakes looks a good thing for the home stable and they may select Helen McGregor to do the trick.

MR. HALSTEAD has issued the weights for the Helensville Racing Club's meeting, which takes place on April 2nd. Acceptances are due on the 26th inst. It is worthy of note the great difference Messrs. Halstead and Evitt have in their estimation of certain horses. In the Papakura Cup, the same distance, the latter makes Ingorina give Leorina 10lb, and Tuna 24lb; while at Helensville Leorina gives Ingorina 7lb, and Tuna 24lb. There is, therefore, a difference of 17lb and 10lb respectively. Then again, in the Flying Stakes at Papakura Then again, in the Flying Stakes at Papakura Ingorina gives Leorina 10lb, now she gives away 3lb, making a difference of 13lb. So if Mr. Halstead is right Leorina should be a pretty good thing for Papakura next Saturday. Taking the Helensville meeting as it now stands the Cup reads a good thing for Ingorina, though Rewarewa might slip him up. Cloth of Gold and Assassin are the best for the Hurdle Race. There are seventeen in the Hack Race, but it had better be left alone, as Hack Race, but it had better be left alone, as these races are generally "readied" up. The Flying Stakes should fall to either Ingorina or Leorina; though should Brigade take it into her head she will make the pace merry. There are no less than nineteen entries for the Maiden Plate, Kildare and Acacia being the two most leniently treated. The entries all through are good, and if the acceptances are the same there should be a splendid afternoon's sport; but I will have further remarks to make next

IT appears by Southern files that the Taranaki and Dunedin Jockey Clubs have endorsed the disqualifications of Messrs. Yuille and Nathan, of Wellington, also of R. May, of Auckland, imposed on them by the Wanganui Jockey Club for betting totalisator odds at their late meeting. The latter Club also intend to put an end to ready-money betting at Forbury. What the other clubs intend to do is not at present known, but it appears curious that the matter has not been taken up immediately, as there is no real cause for delay. It is also un-fortunate that the W.J.C. did not inflict punish-ment on the takers as well as the layers of the odds, as things are at present in a most unsatisfactory state—owners of horses not getting a fair chance of winning their money.

On looking through English and Australian files I came across some items of news that may be of interest to my readers —Mr. Hume Webster, who committed suicide the other day in his own grounds, has for many years been a large breeder of thoroughbred horses, and had his stud farm at Marden Deer Park, about 20 miles from London. His name has been lately before the public as having been the prime mover in the scheme to get back to England, at a fabulous price, the celebrated sire Ormonde; which was opposed by the Duke of Portland and Mr. Chaplin, on the ground that he was a roarer. Whether the scheme will be carried out now, is a moot question; but there are plenty of breeders in England that will gladly pay 200 cms a mare for his services. gladly pay 300 gns. a mare for his services.

Mr. Webster was largely connected with the

Stock Exchange, and it is said that heavy losses
chiefly connected with the Argentine Republic was the cause of his rash act. All the sires and mares at Marden Park will be sold in May or

THE Hawke's Bay Jockey Club Autumn Meeting appears, from accounts to hand, to have been a great success. Crown Jewel's win in the Cup and the Bourke Memorial Stakes proves that her first win in the Wanganui Cup was not the fluke some people considered it to be. Last week I mentioned in my notes, "Many have a great fancy for Crown Jewel, as they think she won the Wanganui Cup easier than she appeared to do." Retina, though beat, was not disgraced, but Cynisca's running was too head to be true. Morion was well healed by bad to be true. Morion was well backed by the local punters, but ran nowhere. In my opinion he is a greatly overrated colt, and inclined to be shifty. When he won the Great Northern Derby it was mainly due to Clifford's riding, as he kept him going, thus finding out the weak points in the others. His two wins at the Farewell Meeting to Lord Onslow had a little merit in them, but when you come to go through and analyse the field, there was not much behind him. Whakawatea annexed the Railway Stakes and Juvenile Handicap. He must have a constitution of iron and legs of steel to stand all the knocking about he has had this season. Few two-year-olds would have stood it, but the chances are that it will tell against him next year as a three-year-old. Mr. McKinnon as usual picked up a couple of races with his old slaves—Scot Free and Lock-

THE weights for the Doncaster Handicap are just to hand, and I have not time to go thoroughly through them this week, so shall confine myself to picking out a few. Marvel, rost 4lb, heads the list. At this weight if fit and well he is not out of it. Stromboli, 9st 3lb, is not badly treated when you take into consideration the way he won the Bourke Handicap, carrying 8st 10lb. The next to catch the eye is Paris, 8st 11lb. Last year he won this race with 7st 10lb in 1min 40sec., but he has run disappointingly this season, and may have lost his speed through being trained for long distances. The Workman, 8st 7lb, is now in Monaghan's hands, and will lose nothing by that; and the way he won the Farewell Handicap gives him a show second to none. St. Blaize, 8st 5lb, is another that reads well. So does The Seine 7st 5lb; and Eileen, 6st 9lb, has nothing to complain of. Taking a shot at half a dozen, the following read the best:—Marvel, Stromboli, Paris, The Workman, The Saine and Fileen. Seine and Eileen.



Dan McLeod at Papakura on Saturday next. Mr. E. Fraser's chestnut colt by King Cole-Rosalind has been most appropriately named Royal Rose.

A younger brother of H. Cusden, employed in the Yaldhurst stable, is spoken of as a

The privileges in connection with the Helensville races will be sold at Helensville to-day (Thursday) at 2.30 p.m., including booths, gates, cards, etc.

Mr. E. G. Sandall, the owner of Midnight,

has now written to the Auckland Club request ing that an inquiry be made to enable him to

clear himself from unjust imputations.

The pony Trenton, who is said to be a hummer over the small sticks, was for three years packing gum up North. He is now fourteen years of age.

Mr. E. Hewitt has named his bay colt by St. Leger—Welcome Katie Ben Godfrey. As this

colt promises to grow into a good stallion he is aptly named.
We are informed that Mr. F. N. Jones refused

an offer of 350 guineas for Rarus recently; but the price put on him is 400 guineas, and nothing less.

As a mark of respect to his ancestors, Mr. Wi Pere of Gisborne has named his Ingomar— Steppe brown colt Mahaki. This is the colt Mr. I. Morrin sold to Wi Pere for 400 gns.

The imported Foxhound Bilet Dainty (sire Pytchley Prompter, dam Pytchley Dignity) died of distemper last week. This beautifully bred hound littered one lot of pups, but being a bad mother they all died.

In reply to the request of the Auckland Trotting Club to hold an inquiry into the "reversal of form" shown by the trotter Midnight, the Onslow Trotting Club have replied that they see no reason to question Midnight's running at their meeting, and if the Auckland Trotting Club think an inquiry necessary they will probably hold one themselves.

The owner of Fibre, who ran second to Midnight in the Onslow Trot, requests us to state that his only reason for complaining against the interference his horse received from The Broker in the race was in anticipation of the race being run over again, when he hoped to avoid a repetition of the alleged crossing. He expresses himself perfectly satisfied with the result of the inquiry. The well-known light-weight J. Cotton, junr., has left the employ of the Yaldhurst establishment. Mr. Stead has given notice that the term of his agreement (two years) had

Lady Nelson is the name awarded to Mr. J. Hill's bay filly by Nelson—The Maid. This filly is half-sister to The Workman, who distinguished himself so brilliantly in Australia lately, and, if there is anything at all in looks, she will by no means disgrace her illustrions sire or brilliant relative.

The Hon. James Carroll has registered colours to be known as the "Huia colours," viz., black body, with white sleeves to represent the bird's tail; and black cap with a large white peak to represent the beak of the bird. The feather of this bird is the leading head dress of the Maori.

The bookmakers who used to do a large business at Bologne and Calais until they were warned off by the French Government, have succeeded in purchasing a property in the little state of Moresout, situated between the Prussian and Belgian frontiers, and is only three miles by one and a half in extent. There they intend to carry on their lucrative business.

In some of the Southern towns a Red Cross detachment from one of the Volunteer corps attend the racecourses regularly, and although happily their services are very seldom called into requisition, their stretcher and services have several times recently been found of great benefit. If we had a similar detachment in Auckland at Potter's Paddock, a repetition of the delay in which young White had to suffer at the Otahuhu Summer Meeting would be



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DISTRICT ORDERS.

GOVERNMENT INSPECTION PARADES.

Saturday, March 26—Wairoa Rifles, 2.30 p.m.

Monday, March 28—Thames Naval Artillery, 7 p.m.

(All parades at 7.30 p.m. unless otherwise mentioned.)

LAST week I gave the prize list of the New Zealand Rifle Association Meeting for the first nine matches, together with the leading aggregates for the Championship. There were then only two stages of ten shots each to be fired, and Doughty was leading Spiers (Oamaru) by two points and Purnell (Wanganui) by three. The following is the prize list for the other matches:—

THE LAST TRY. Open to all competitors not in the first 100, who have not won more than flo in prizes in any of the foregoing matches. 500 yards.

Ten shots. Thirty-thr	ee priz	es, val	ue £65:		_
Webster, Auckland, £8	• •		• •	4 4	48
Smith, Invercargill, £6		• •			45
Kirk, Petone, £5		• •	• •		45
Brownlee, Thames, £4		• •	• •	• •	44
Skinner, Auckland, £4	• •	• •	• •	• •	44
Fox, Christchurch, £3	••	• •			44
Raikes, Sydenham, £2	• •	• •	••	• •	43
Churton, Wanganui, £2		••	• •		43
Anderson, Wanganui, £2	.,	• •			43
Dormer, Auckland, £2		• • •			43
Sergeant Okey, Taranaki,	Ç2		••		43
Preston, Auckland, £2	• •	• •			43
Turner, Palmerston, £2	• •	••	••	• •	43
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The following take & prizes:—Tobin, Auckland; Menzies, Heretaunga; Lieutenant Jack, Dunedin; Henry, Tuapeka; C. C. Cameron, Tenui; Wilson, Featherstone; Best, Otaki; Morrison, Dunedin, each 42. Holdgate, Timaru; Harding, Blenheim; Reid, Queenstown; F. Whiteman, Upper Hutt; Wood, Oamaru; Pickett, Tenui; Green, Wanganui; Parkinson, Rangitikei, each 41. Dick, Gore; Williams, Wellington; Fuller, Blenheim; Dougal, Christchurch, each 40.

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The following were counted out:—Hadfield, Manawatu; Leslie, Oamaru.

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE MATCH. Twenty men from each district. Seven shots each at 500 and 600 yards. Prize—Exhibition Challenge Shield,

the Hudson Cup, and £20.		J		-
Wellington and Wairarapa		1,090		
Otago		1,078	_	2
Auckland	• •	1,067	_	3
Christchurch		1,860		•
Wanganui, Taranaki, and Napier		1,000		5

Wanganui, Taranaki, and Napier ... 1,000 — 5
In this match McCallum, of the A Battery, fairly redeemed his character as a shot by putting on the possible at both 500 and 600 yards—14 bullseyes in succession He thus wins the Hon. Defence Minister's Magazine Rifle, and puts up a record for the meeting.

COMPANIES' TEAM MATCH. Open to teams of five men from any Volunteer Corps in New Zealand, or any bona fide Rifle Club having a membership of not less than twenty members. Each Corps or Club must be a subscriber of toos. to the funds of the Association, and can enter one or more teams. 200,

500, and 600 yards. Seven shots at each distance. Entrance fee, 60s. per team. WANGANIII RIELES

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The other teams were: Hon. Reserve Corps, Christ-church, 428; Victoria Rifles, Auckland, 427; Peninsula Rifle Club, 421; Napier Artillery, 419; Petone Navals, 414; Hon. Reserve Corps, Christchurch, No. 2 team, 412; Alexandra Cavalry, Wanganui, 404.

AUCKLAND AMMUNITION COMPANY MATCH. 500 yards; ten shots. Snider rifles; ammunition sup-

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W. Ballinger, Wellington, &	.5				37
Black, Dunedin, £4		• •	• •	• •	37
Salek, Ashburton, £3		• •		• •	35
Chalmers, Dunedin, £3		• •		• •	34
Parslow, Auckland, £2			• •	• •	33
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Benton, Featherston, £2	••		••		32
Trooper Somerville, £2		• •			32
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The following take £1 each:—Rutherford, Greytown, 32. Wilson, Featherston; Dougall, Christchurch; Tobin, Auckland; Shepherd, Auckland, each 31. Hendry, Oamaru; Tocker, Featherston; Woollett, Dunedin; Faulkner, Herbertville; Henderson, Auckland, each 30. Ross, Napier; Jackson, Wellington, each 29. Counted out: Hoffeins, Masterton.

Wretched shooting was made, attributed more to the sudden change to the Snider rifles than the ammunition. 10 shots at 500 yards were allowed.

GRAND AGGREGATE MATCH. Open to the 100 Highest Aggregate Scorers in Matches 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, 500, 600, and 700 yards; seven shots at each distance. Twenty-two prizes, value £50.

Wait, Wellington, £8			• •		9
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Howe, Wellington, £5		• •			8
Henderson, £4	• •		• •		8
Sontag, Waikari, £4				• •	8
Taylor, Auckland, £2					8
Ross, Napier, £2	• •			• •	8
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The following take £1 prizes:—Sedgwick, Petone; G. Spinley, Auckland, each 86. McGregor, Oamaru; King, Napier, each 85. Purnell, Wanganui; Drummond, Napier; Dickson, Peninsula, each 84.

Counted out: Spiers, Oamaru; Jones, Waikari; Parslow, Auckland; Remington, Wanganui; Stark, Dunedin; King, Oamaru.

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CHAMPION MATCH. Open (a) to the 50 Highest Aggregate Scorers in Matches 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10, who belong to any Volunteer Corps constituted under the New Zealand Volunteer Regulations, 1889, including Active, Honorary, or Reserve Corps; or to any Commissioned Officer on on any of the above lists. (b) To any member of a Rifle Club formed from any disbanded Volunteer Corps, under New Zealand Government Regulations. (c) To any member of a bona flde Rifle Club in New Zealand, having not less than twenty members on the roll. The Captain of the Club will be required to certify that the Club has been duly formed, and of the required strength. 700 yards; ten shots. The score made in this match will be added to the score made in Matches 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, and 10, and the Highest Grand Aggregate Scorer will be the Champion Rifle Shot of New Zealand for the year 1891.

Sergeant Doughty, Auckland Artillery, Champion Rifle Belt, gold star, and £35 ... 31 509 Major Purnell, Wanganui, silver star, and £25 30 508 Private Jones, Waikari Rifles, silver star, and

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Kruse, Wanganui						481
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nas to be won twice in succession, or three times at intervals, to become the absolute property of the winner.

Band Corporal King, of Oamaru, takes the Rifle Cup, as the highest scorer in the final stage for the championship

Doughty, with \$59, was the largest individual winner,

Purnell coming next with \$45; James, \$32; Spiers,

\$20.

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Otago takes fewer trophies, but more money than Auckland, viz., £267; Auckland takes £210 and most of the trophies; Wellington, £224; Wanganui, £99; Hawke's Bay, £67; Canterbury, £59; Taranaki, £10; Nelson and Marlborough, £8.

It was at first thought that Purnell had tied Doughty

for the Championship, but it was afterwards found he was one point behind. The supposed tie was, however, fired off, with the following result:—

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THE A.A.A.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

DESPITE a damp and unpropitious day, some 3,000 spectators gathered on the Cricket Ground, and enjoyed some exciting races. As usual the Club officials spared no effort to make the meeting a success, and barring that a few more policemen were required to keep back the trespassing crowd, no fault could be found with the management. The familiar face of Mr. J. B. Coates was missed among the judges, severe illness, which we rejoice to hear is abating, being the cause of his absence. The heavy state of the ground told against the chances of record-breaking, but some very good times were nevertheless achieved, and A. F. Burton's splendid performance in the Mile Walk, together with Hempton's 75 Yards in 7 2-5th sec, justly evoked great enthusiasm. The public had to put up with two disappointments in the failure of Batger and Hempton to start in some of their events. In the first case Batger was two and a-half minutes late for the final heat of the 120 Yards Hurdles, and as the other men were all at their marks the starter very properly fired the pistol. In the second case Hempton refused to accept the penalty for breaking away, and consequently did not compete in the 150 Yards Handicap. That the starter acted rightly in both cases cannot be disputed, but the fact remains that every one regrets losing a couple of interesting finishes. Batger did not start in the Quarter Hurdles, which was again a pity, as he might have lowered his record in chasing Martin, who, with z5yds start and several hurdles knocked with 25yds start and several hurdles knocked down by other competitors, accomplished the fast time of 59sec. Hunter's Band played some delightful selections, and afternoon tea was provided in the pavilion for the lady visitors. Appended are the results:

Mile Walk.—Nine started. Shaldrick was disqualified half-way through the second lap. A. F. Burton, in splendid form, cut one man

disqualified half-way through the second lap. A. F. Burton, in splendid form, cut one man down after another and won a fine race in comfort in 6min 53 2-5th sec, five seconds better than McKilvies' record for Australia. Allen and E. W. Burton fought out a grand finish for second place, which the former just recovered on the post secured on the post.

75 Yards Handicap.—The five heats resulted as follows:—Hempton, scratch, 1; Langsford, 9yds, 2; and Johnston, 9½yds, 3. Hempton got off well, and won with ease in 7 4-5th sec. The way he cut down his field was a sight to

.nd Heat.—Boyd, 9yds, 1; Gibbs, 9½yds, 2; Burgess, 7yds, 3. Cuff also started. Won easily in 8sec.
3rd Heat.—Eight started. Hesketh was put

back a yard. Boston, 9yds, 1; Hesketh, 5yds, 2; Bishop, 7yds, 3. Time, 7 4-5th sec.
4th Heat.—Hackett was put back a yard.
A. A. Martin, 10½yds, 1; P. J. Hackett, 7yds, 2; A. J. Pilkington, 8yds, 3. Time, 7 3-5th

5th Heat.—Barnes, 9½yds, 1; Ellett, 10yds, 2; Chatfield, 6½yds, 3. Time, 8sec. For the final heat the ten firsts and seconds started. Hempton got off grandly, but Martin was left at the post. The flier dashed through his men like greased lightning, winning by a yard from Ellett, with Burton a yard behind second man.

Time, 7 2-5th sec.

Mile Novice Bicycle.—Twelve entered, and all started, making a pretty race. Dacre fell aimost immediately, and Bolton, who was going well, fell early in the last quarter. Nicholson, the scratch man, rode a good race, and won comfortably, Firth (30yds) and and Cambell

(45yds), 3rd.
600 Yards Handicap.—The large field of twenty-one started for this event. Beere, 45yds, won rather easily from Gaudin, 40yds, with Atkinson, 40yds, a moderate third. Derry with Atkinson, 40yds, a moderate third. Derry Wood could not get through the crowded field, and so had to content himself with fourth place. Time, 72 2-5th sec.

120 Hurdles.—1st heat. All the four started. Roberts, owes 7yds, just won from Batger, owes 20yds, P. J. Hackett, owes 10yds, a moderate third. Time, 18 2-5th sec.

and Heat.—All three started, but Cuff fell at the second hurdle. Martin, owes 10yds, won as he pleased from Bishop, owes 4yds, in

Final Heat.—Batger came too late, and the Timal read.—Batger came too late, and the race, starting without him, resulted in a win for T. Roberts, Martin 2nd, and Hackett 3rd.

Mile Roadster Bicycles.—Cambell, 45yds, 1;
Firth, 30yds, 2; Lowe, 40yds, 3. Eight started. Dacre collided with Firth and fell.

Firth rode a gallant race, but Cambell was a little too good.

little too good.
1,000 Yards Club Championship.—Musker,
Davis, and Farquhar were the only starters. The pace proved too hot for the last-named, who stopped about 250yds from the tape. Musker stayed better than Davis, and won a close race in the excellent time of 2min 28 2-5th sec.

150 Yards Handicap .- The six heats re-

sulted as follows :-

ist Heat. - Eight starters. Barnes, 19yds, 1;

Langsford, 17, 2. Time, 14 3-5th sec.

2nd Heat. — Goldwater, 17, 1; Ronayne,
16, 2. Time, 15 2-5th sec. W. Owen, 20, ran
very prettily and was only just beaten for
second place.

3rd Heat.—Hackett, 14, 1; Barton, 17, 2.

Time, 15 sec.

Time, 15 sec.

4th Heat.—Ellett, 18, 1; O'Meara, 14, 2.

Time, 15 sec. Laird, 8, ran well in this heat.

5th Heat.—Hesketh, 11, 1; A. A. Martin,

21, 2; Boyd, 16, 3. Time, 144 5th sec.

6th Heat.—Cooper, 22, 1; Pilkington,

15, 2; Gibbs, 17, 3. Time, 15sec.

Final Heat.—All those qualified started. Mr.

Edwards got them off splendidly, and a fair

contest resulted in a win for Hackett by a

breast ahead of Barnes, who beat Barton for

second place by half a yard. Hesketh ran second place by half a yard. Hesketh ran grandly, and came in fourth. Time, 14½ sec.

Pressure on our space compels us to condense the other events, which resulted as

Two Mile Roadster Bicycles. — Cambell, 120yds, 1; Firth, 90yds, 2; Bolton, 200yds, 3. Time, 6min 41sec.
One Mile and Half Handicap. — Beere,

One Mile and Hair Handicap. — Beere, 120yds, 1; Duncan, 150yds, 2; Clarke, 50yds, 3. Time, 7min 12sec.

Three Mile Walk.—A. F. Burton, scratch, 1; F. H. Creamer, 320yds, 2; E. W. Burton, 180yds, 3. Time, 24min 19½sec.

Three Mile Bicycles.—Reynolds, scratch, 1; Firth, 195sec, 2; Cambell, 230yds, 3. Time, 25ksc—very good performance.

9min 58\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{2}\text{sec}\text{-very good performance.} High Jump.— P. J. Hackett won with 5ft 2\frac{1}{2}\text{in}; E. T. Laurie second.

Quarter Mile Hurdles.— W. H. Martin, 2\frac{1}{2}\text{vol}, 1; Laird, 2\text{oyds, 2; Roberts, 30yds, 3.} Time, 59sec.

300 Yards Ladies' Bracelet.—The five heats were won as follows:—1st. Langsford, Harvey, and Stevenson, in 33 4-5th sec. 2nd. Barnes, Cook, Cooper, in 33sec. 3rd. Martin, Vincent, Christie, in 33sec. 4th. Chatfield, Burgess, Boyd, in 334sec. 5th. Johnston, Hackett, Barton, in 33sec.

The final heat resulted—Barnes, 24yds, 1; Johnston, 24yds, 2; Chatfield, 14yds, and Cooke, 20yds, dead heat for third place. Time,

33sec. Five Mile Bicycles.—Reynolds, scratch, 1; Firth, 290yds, 2; Bolton, 500yds, 3.

Long Jump.—Gaudin won with a jump of 19ft zin; Bishop second. This event ended a capital day's sport.

CRICKET.

THE first two days of our "Canterbury week" were marred by heavy rain. On Monday the match Wanderers v. Combined Parnell and United was played on what is known as a batsman's wet wicket. The game ended in a draw rather in favour of the home team. Wanderers 166, Lawrence 30, Hon. Stevens 28, Matthias 26, and Labott 23 reached double figures. Stemson bowled well under the handicap, securing 4 for 47. Yates and King going in for the U-P's made no stand, the latter being bowled by a beautiful break-back of Harman's for 1. Gardiner joining Yates, the pair, with a good deal of luck and some excellent hitting, had run up 92 without being parted, when the

On Tuesday the Auckland Cricket Club v. Wanderers' match was perforce abandoned for the day, but as we write (Wednesday) the weather is much improved and the match is proceeding, Wanderers being all out for 77 and Auckland commencing their innings.

To-day (Thursday) the Wanderers play a Gordon team.

The great match, Auckland v Canterbury, comes off to-morrow and Saturday, when every cricketer prays for fine weather. The Canterbury team will probably be:—De Maus, Barry, Ridley, Lawrence, Mathias, Labatt, A. Harman, T. D. Harman, Fenwick, Chapman, and Stevens. The match should prove an exciting one, and we hope to see a large attendance on both days. The local men seem to have a bit both days. The local men seem to have a bit the better chance, but Canterbury cricketers are never beaten until the last ball has been

BOXING.

Dick Sandall informs us that he is most anxious for a "go" with McConnell, New Zealand's heavy weight champion professional. He expresses his willingness to meet Mac for the control of t any substantial trophy value from £20 upwards, and a friend of Dick's will put up a side wager for any amount between £25 and £100. As Sandall is two stone lighter than McConnell and five inches shorter, the above should be a tempting bait for the "long un."

TURF RECORD.

HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

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Nursery Handicap of 100 sovs.; second horse to receive 15 sovs- from the stake; for two-year-olds. Six furlongs. Hon. J. D. Ormond's b g North Atlantic, by Nordenfeldt— Atlantis, 9.0, Stowe
High Weight Handlar of 50 sovs.; second horse to receive Io sovs. from the stake. Once round, Mr. F. Collins's b m Link, by Mute—Swiveline, 4yrs, 8.12, F. Stowe
TRIAL HANDICAP Sf 30 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stake. Once round. Mr. R. Gooseman's b m Nemoralis, 4yrs, by Gladiator—Toi, 6.11, Fuszard

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Liquidation, 8.7, Brown Duchess, 7.6, Mark, 7.3, Zaccho, 7.2, Exchange, 7.2, and Prairie Grass, 6.10, were scratched. Time, 1min. 56sec. Totalisators—There were 861 investors on the machines, 38 on the winner. Dividend, £20 is.

JUVENILE HANDICAP Of 75 sovs; for two-year-olds. Six furlongs.

winner. Dividend, £3 2s.

Pacific Handicaf of 30 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stake. Once round.

Mr. T. M. Ferguson's b in Como, 4yrs, by Vasco di Gama—Virginia Water, 7.10, Banks 11

Mr. S. H., Gollgin's br g Prairie Grass, 3yrs, 6.7, Tampling 2

Mr. Arona's g g Silvermine, 5yrs, 7.9, Lawton 3

Mr. F. Collin's ch g Lopez, 6yrs, 7.9, Lawton 5

Mr. T. Parotene's br c Flaxbourne, 3yrs, 6.7, D. Donovan 0

Time, 1min. 54 1-5th sec, Totalisator—Total 868, 283 on the winner. Dividend, £2 14s.

Post Starks of 30 sovs.; second horse to receive 10 sovs. from the stakes. Weight 8st. Maidens allowed 7lb. Winner of any race of the value of 40 sovs. to carry 7lb extra; of 60 sovs. 14lb. extra; of 60 sovs. 21lb extra; of 100 sovs. and upwards 28lb extra. Penalties not accumulative. Once round.

Mr. F. Collins' b m Link, 4yrs, by Mute—Swiveline, 8.0, F.

TE AROHA JOCKEY CLUB.-March 14th, 1892. HANDICAP HURDLES of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs.
out of stake. Two miles.
63 Mr. J. Brown's Pretender, aged, 11.0, W. Mcmanemin 1
83 Mr. N. Dickey's Silvio, aged, 10.10 2
25 Mr. White's Blue Peter, 6yrs, 10.7 3
15 Mr. White's Platch, aged, 10.10, fell 0
5 Mr. G. McCann's Paddy, aged, 9.7 0

141 Won by half a length. Time, 4min 20secs. Dividend 19s; 10s tickets throughout the day.

March 24, 1892.]	
Maiden Plate of 12 sovs. 1 miles. Weight-for-age. Mr. Grant's Arawa, aged Mr. Sidde's br Caprice, 8yrs Mr. Tui's br May, 6yrs Mr. T. Bradshaw's b g Willie, 4yrs.	. :
88 Won easily. Dividend £1 6s. A protest was entered aga the winner as having won previously, and the matter was journed for a fortnight.	ad ad
DISTRICT HACK RACE of 10 sovs; second horse 2 sovs. For he that have never been placed in an advertised race, 9st 1 mile.	цp
6 Mr. Franklin's Spy 1 Mr. Dickey's Mayflower 8 Mr. Bradley's St. Christopher. 1 Mr. Wae's Mary Ann 0 Mr. Strange's Bonny Laddie 1 Mr. Ngarun's No Name 0 Mr. Bradshaw's Pakeha 0 Mr. Marshall's Sinner 0 Mr. Abbey's Larry 0 Mr. F. Tonge's Rocket	0 0
12 Splendid race resulting in a dead heat between Spy a Mayflower, which was run off, when Spy won. Dividends, M	
flower £2 13s; Spy 8s. Tr Arona Jocker Club Handicap of 50 sovs; second hors sovs. The winner of any race of 25 sovs. or over, after	e 5 de-
TR Arona Jockey Club Handicap of 50 sovs; second hors sovs. The winner of any race of 25 sovs. or over, after claration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lb. 1½ miles. 68 Mr. R. Webster's b g Never Miss, 7.10, Hodson. 18 Mr. Dickey's Bulrush, 6 10. 54 Mr. McManemin's b m Tuna, 8.5. 91 Mr. R. Brown's ch g Clarion, 8.0. 29 Mr. Dickey's b g Try Fluke, 8.0. 6 Mr. Keehle's Uncle Bob, 7.10. 4 Mr. Ring's b g La Grippe, 7.10.	1 2 3 0 0 0
270 Won with the greatest of ease. Dividend, £1 15s. Tin 2min 48sec.	ae,
Hambicap Pony Rack of 10 sovs. Second pony 2 sovs. For 1- ponies and under. \$\frac{1}{2}\$ of a mile. 7 Mr. H. Rowe's Opal, 6.7 49 Mr. Aramete's b g Ned, aged, 8.0 32 Mr. F. Williams' b m Pet, 5yrs, 6.7 5 Mr. McGlashan's ch g Revolver, 6yrs, 7.7 2 Mr. B. Johnson's Ironmonger, 4yrs, 6.7 8 Mr. J. Rowe's b m Little Nell, 5yrs, 6.7 3 Mr. Cock's b g Dandy, 4yrs, 6.7 106 Won by a head. Time, Imin 23sec. Dividend, £6 15s. Novel Rack of 15 sovs. The winner to become the absolu property of the Club. Weight for age. \$\frac{3}{2}\$ of a mile. 66 Mr. Clark's Laird, 8.11 5 Mr. McCutcheon's Life Buoy, 8.5 2 Mr. McCann's Paddy, 8.11	1 2 3 0 0 0
5 Mr. McCatcheon's Life Buoy, 8.5 2 Mr. McCann's Paddy, 8.11 22 Mr. Crosby's Deceiver, 8.11 10 Blarney, 8.11 105 Won easily. Dividend, 14s. RAILWAY PLATE HARDICAP of 20 sovs. Second horse 3 sovs. or	ŏ
of stake. Te Aroha Jockey Club Handicap winner to carry penalty of Jibs extra. I mile. 24 Mr. Hannon's ch m Haricot, aged, 7.7. 19 Mr. McManemin's b m Tuna, 5yrs, 8.12. 22 Mr. Dickey's Bulrush, 6.7. 5 Mr. Clarke's b g Laird, aged, 8.3. 110 Mr. Webster's br g Never Miss, 5yrs, 7.12. 6 Mr. Tindal's Minnie, 5yrs, 7.0. 19 Mr. T. Te Mamumai's Ringtail, aged, 6.12. 205 Won easily. Time, 1min 48sec. Dividend, £3 15s.	1 2 3 0 0 0
FORCED HANDICAP of 13 sovs. Second horse to receive 3 sov § of a mile 51 Mr. R. Brown's ch g Clarion, by Anteros or Kenilworth, aged, 8.5. 31 Mr. J. Brown's Pretender, aged, 7.12 10 Mr. Grant's Arawa, aged, 8.0 15 Mr. Hannon's Haricot, aged, 9.5	1 2 3 0
107 Won by two lengths, Time, 1min 23sec. Dividend, 18s. Total for the day, £517; 11½ per cent. deducted; Governmentax, £7 15s. 1d.	ıt
MARTON JOCKEY CLUB.—Thursday, March 10, 1892.	
First Handicap Hubbles of 30sovs. Second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. About 13 miles. Winner of an hurdle race after declaration of the weights to carry 711 months.	e Ly Os
penalty. 102 Mr. F. J. Robert's b g Glenelg, by Somnus—Sonthern Chief mare, 5yrs, 10.11, T. Scott	1 2
Chief mare, 5yrs, 10.11, T. Scott. 29 Mr. Utiku Marumaru's b g Songster, aged, 10 9, Retter. 44 Mr. H. Peter's b m Fride of the Hills, a., 10.0, Peters. 12 Mr. J. Pringle's br g Roger, a., 11.0, Jones. 28 Mr. R. J. Thurston's c g Nat, a., 10.2, McLean 5 Mr. A. Lyford's b g Manganoho, a., 9.12 8 Mr. E. McElwain's b g Little Tom, 5yrs, 9.7 7 Mr. J. Snellgrove's br g Ridge, a., 9.2, Traynor. 4 Mr. W. Jenkin's Defence, 9.0	3000000
4 Mr. W. Jenkin's Defence, 9.0 5 Mr. J. Green's c g Rata, a., 9.0	0
FLYING HANDICAP of 30sovs. Second horse to receive 5sovs ou of the stakes. Distance, about \$\frac{1}{2}\$ of a mile. Winner of an race after declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lbs.	t
28 Mr. J. George's br g Armoury, by Armourer—Awatea, 57rs, 6.9, Riley 25 Mr. R. Ross' br c Strike, 5yrs, 8.3, Lett 9 Mn. D. Mitchell's g g Nimrod, 6yrs, 6.10, Johnstone 17 Mr. J. O. Hayward's b m Deception, a., 8.3 8 Mr. E. J. Chapman's b g O'Rourke, 5yrs, 8.1 65 Mr. J. Quinlivan's c m Lady Isabel, 7.10 7 Mr. J. Pringle's b g Ben Bolt, 6yrs, 7.7 107 Mr. C. G. Woodley's c m Sister, 5yrs, 7.5 33 Mr. D. Teed's g m Shiela, 4yrs, 7.2 25 Mr. T. T. Watt's c m Poinsettia, 4yrs, 6.9 1 Mr. Reupena Ngarino's blk g Otakipo, a., 6.7	1 2 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
316. Time, 1min 20sec. Dividend, £10 6s. MAIDEN PLATE of 25sovs. Second horse to receive 5sovs out o the stakes. Distance, about 1 mile and a distance. Fo horses that have never won an advertised flat race at time o	f r
starting.	f 1
88 Mr. G. Keith's c g War Cry, 8.1, Lindsay. 18 Mr. H. Waitere's b m Homai, 5yrs, 8.13, W. Retter. 1 Mr. T. Tamahana's b g Melbourne, 5yrs, 8.13 4 Mr. E. Read's b m Martonette, 5yrs, 8.13 6 Mr. F. Wellford's b m Perla, a, 8.13	280000
281 Time, 2min 62sec. Dividend, £1 12.)
SECOND HANDICAP HURDLES Of 25sovs. Second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. About 11 miles. 43 Mr. F. J. Robert's b g Glenelg, by Sounaus—Southers Chief mare, 5yrs, 11.13, T. Scott. 11 Mr. Utiku Maruman's b g Songster, a., 10.11, Retter. 7 Mr. H. Peter's b m Pride of the Hills, a., 10.9, Peters. 86 Mr. R. J. Thurston's c g Nat, a., 10.4 Mr. J. Snellgrove's br g Ridge, a., 9.0 3 Mr. Ngakuku Werita's Tangi, 9.3 2 Mr. L. W. Smith's c g Sea King, a., 9.8 45 Mr. D. Scally's c g Corsair, a., 10.9.	3
191 - Lille, 2000 state. Dividend, 24 18.	1

	SPORTING	REVIEW.
	YORK FARM HANDICAP Of 60sove,	Second horse to receive 10sovs bout 14 miles. Horses which
	YORK FARM HANDICAP OF 6080Va. out of the stakes. Distance, al have won £2) or over, after de 5lbs; of £25 or over, to carry 10. Mr. Utiki Marumaru's b P Mystery Girl, 4yrs, 7.0, McF Mr. D. Scott's c g Dingo, 4yrs, 20 Mr. J. Quinlivan's b g Freewill 16 Mr. J. O. Hayward's b m Dece; 41 Mr. J. Kennedy's b g Tramore, 84 Mr. R. J. Thurston's e m Niob 29 Mr. D. Teed's g m Sheila, 4yrs, 105 Mr. J. George's br g Armoury, 46 Mr. J. Campbell's g m Traitres	claration of weights, to carry lbs penalty.
	Mystery Girl, 4yrs, 7.0, McF 80 Mr. D. Scott's c g Dingo, 4yrs,	Keague 1 8.7, Reed 2
	16 Mr. J. Quinlivan's b g Freewill 16 Mr. J. O. Hayward's b m Dece	t, oyrs, 7.12, Lindsay 3 ption, a., 8.3 0 5yrs, 7.12 0
	84 Mr. R. J. Thurston's em Niob 29 Mr. D. Teed's gm Sheila, 4yrs, 105 Mr. J. George's br g Armoury.	e, a., 7.6 0 7.1 0 5yrs, 6.7
	46 Mr. J. Campbell's g m Traitres 438 Freewell broke down badly, and	
	see the post again. Time, 2min 451s Selling Race of 20sovs. About 1 n	ec. Dividend, £2216. nile and a distance. Horses
	entered to be sold for £20 to can £5 in value; balance over entra Funds.	rry 7st; 7lbs added for each nee value to go to the Club
	15 Mr. E. Kemp's c m Lillian, 4yrs	195 77 Inhruston 9
	35 Mr. McElwain's bg Little Tom, 55 Mr. D. Thurston's bm Fib, a.,	, 5yrs, £30, 8.0 0 £25, 7.7 0
		
	Welter Handicap of 25sovs. Secon of the stakes. About 1 m	nd horse to receive 5sovs out
	32 Mr. D. Mitchell's g g Nimrod McCormick	l, by Dauphin, 6yrs, 9.4,
	35 Mr. Hone Waitere's b m Homai 53 Mr. E. Barnes' br g Natatorial, 15 Mr. W. Hunia's b g Marama, 5, 19 Mr. J. Campbell's g m Tratress 16 Mr. R. J. Thurston's c m Niobe	5yrs, 9.0 8 yrs, 8.10 0
		, 5yrs, 8.13 0 , a., 9.8 0
	170 Time, 2min 6\(\frac{1}{2}\)sec. Dividend, £4 Forced Handicap of 15sovs. 59 Sister, by Natator Ravenswort.	
	20 Natatorial, 6.7, Johnstone	
	25 Lady Isabel, 7.10	0
	257 Time, 2min 20sec. Dividend, £2	1
	WAVERLEY-WAITOTARA RACII MEETING	ONG CLUB'S HACK RACE
	THURSDAY, MARCH	17, 1892,
	HANDICAP HURDLES of 30 sovs.; second of the stakes. Over eight flight One and three-quarter miles.	
	Mr. R. Munro's b g The Masher, 4 Dawn mare, 9.7, Stevens Flying Hannicar of 40 soys : secon	walk over
	FLYING HANDICAP of 40 sovs.; second out of the stakes. Three-quarters of 5 Mr. J. Goodson's blk g Brads	of a mile.
	52 Mr. J. George's br g Armoury, 5	yrs, by Armourer—Awa-
	41 Mr. J. Kennedy's b g Tramor Mignonette, 8.5, Holmes	re, 4yrs, by Flageolet —
	75 Mr. C. Woodley's ch m Sister, 5v	rs. by Natator—Rayons
	27 Mr. D. Teed's g m Shiela, 4vrs	by Flintlock-Wition
	7.4, Neary 28 Mr. P. Keith's b g Waipiro, ag Mry, 6.7 Time, 1min. 23sec. Dividend, £	red, by Dalesman-Lady
	CATCH WEIGHTS of 10 so	vs. Half mile.
	Owen mare, Riley 46 Mr. E. Calthorpe's b g Cyrus, 5yr 36 Mrs. McLennan's b m Outer, 3y Shot mure, Barry	rs, by Volunteer, Knight 2
	8 Mr. T. Nicholson's br r Koneke.	Syra by Cockenge
	Redeemer mare	aughter, Syrs, by Native
	49 Mr. J. Kennnedy's b m Respond, Dawn mare, Neary Time, 54secs. Dividend, £3 11s.	5vrs, by Patriarch—Day
	RAILWAY PLATE of 40 sovs.; second h of stakes. One mile and a quarter.	UESO to Poneiro 10 your and
	74 Mr. D. Teed's b m Sirius, 5yrs, b mare, S.11, Crozier	y Australian—Traducer by The Mute—Ahesse.
	38 Mr. P. Keith's h & Wainiro, age	d by Dulseman Lada
	May, 6.7, Riley 126 Time, 2min. 212sec. Dividend, £ WAVERLEY-WAITOTABA CUP of 75 sov	
	WAVERLEY-WAITOTARA CUP of 75 sov 10 sovs. and third 5 sovs., both out and a half. 38 Mr. E. Bornos' ha Entry Sove he	
	38 Mr. E. Barnes' b g Entry, 6yrs, b McKeague	5yrs, by St. Clair—Kai-
	59 Mr. F. Watson's b h Ionic, 4vrs.	by The Dauphin—Ina
	8.12, Johnstone	by Notaton Daniel
	14 Mr. D. Teed's g m Shiela, 4yrs,	by Flintlock-Witiora,
	39 Mr. D. Mitchell's g g Nimrod, 6yr 32 Mr. J. George's br g Armoury, 5y	rs, by Armourer—Awa-
-	40 Mr. J. McCarty's ch g Baccarat, ducer mare, 6.7	5yrs, by Natator—Tra-
	359 Time, 2min. 48sec. Dividend, £8 Post Stakes of 15 soys. Weight not 1	78. ess than 9st. Half a mile
	60 Daywin Lett	1
7	10 Romeo	ilgrim, 3 Zephyr, 32 Slip, 1, 17 Castlemaine, 7 Rags
6	ST. PATRICK'S HANDICAP Of 40 SOVS.; sovs. out of the stakes. Seven furior 11 Mr. E. Calthorpe's b g Cyrus, 5y	second horse to receive 10
	O1 M- W Townson by Comment	<u> </u>
	Mignonette, 8.5, Holmes	iyrs. by Castoff—Lady,
	27 Mr. D. Teed's b m Sirius, 5yrs, by mare, 8.11	Australian—Traducer
	16 Mr. J. George's br g Armoury, by Mr. Woodley's ch m Sportfale	s, by The Dauphin, 7.0 0 s, by Armourer, 6.12 0
	13 Mr. F. Watson's b m Armour, 4yr. Owen mare, 6.7	s, by Armourer—Garry
	FORCED HANDICAP OF 15 SO	vs. One mile
_	Corsair, 7.0, Barry	1
Ë	Waipiro, 6.4 Respond, 6.7 Lephyr, 6.6 Dividend, £3 9s.	
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WEIGHTS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.
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WOODVILLE J.C. AUFUMN MEETING .-- NOMINATIONS.

WOODVILLE J.C. AUTUMN MEETING.—Nominations.

Maiden Handicap Hürdles 14 miles.—Flintstone, Governess,
Nikau II., Raindow, Aladdin. Union Flag, Oringi, Lopez, Claude,
Charybdis, Exchange, Waverley, Risk, Whitefoot, Zulu.

Handicap Hundles 2 miles.—Kaikau, Arawa, Union Flag,
Oringi, Pride of the Hills, Herbert, Roger, Hurricane, Charybdis,
Hacremal, Sea King, Penguin, Nikau, Woodville, Whitefoot,
Zulu.

Club Handicap 13 miles.—The Dromedary, Eclipse, Sweet
Dream, Osman, Brookfield, Potaka, Musketeer, Link, Maid of
Lorne, Whimsical, Haeramai, Oddfellow, Penguin, Repose,
Zaccho.

Accho.

Memorrs' Race, 12 miles.—Harold, Polly, The Ark, Disturbance, Lady Play.

Flying Handicaré furlongs.—Kathleen. Eclipse, Sweet Dream, Brookfield. Potaka, Musketeer, Traitress, Link, La Calomnie, Brown Duchess, Maid of Lorne, Whimsical, King George, Cynic, Repose, Lady Isabel, Flaxbourne. Zaccho, Trickery.

Hich Wender Handicar 11 miles.—Pills, Gondolier, Pakeha, Osman, Potaka, Pride of the Hills, Herbert, Roger, Traitress, Claude, Hurricane, Namoralis, Fifty Bob, Oddfellow, Penguin, Novice, Exchange, Waverley, Scraps.

HELENSVILLE RACING CLUB.-WEIGHTS.

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HELENSVILLE CUP, one mile and a quarter,—Leorina 9.10, Ingorina 9.5, Tuna 8.2, Warrior 7.10, Brigade 7.7, Ida 7.2, Miss Siy 7.2, Romeo 6.12, Bravo 6.12, Rewarewa 6.10, Kildare 6.9, Leo 6.9, Potentate 6.9, Sandfiy 6.7.

HURDLE RACE, one mile and three-quarters.—Bryan O'Lynn 10.12, Cloth of Gold 10.10, Kate 10.5, Rewarewa, 10.0, Assassin 9.10, Transit 9.7, Ilma 9.7, Tawhiao 9.5, Potentate 9.5, Kanohi 9.0, Ruhy 9.0.

HACK RACE, one mile.—Transit 8.8, Tiger 8.0, Blue Ribbon 7.5, Potentate 7.5, Jim 7.4, Fusilier 7.4, Success 7.0, Leo 7.0, Irish Agitator 6.12, Kanohi 6.12, Mournful Kate 6.10, Phillippa 6.10, Spot 6.10, Flying Scotchman 6.9, May 6.7, Forget-me-Not 6.7, Ruby 6.7.

Agitator 6.12, Kanchi 6.12, Mournful Kate 6.10, Phillippa 6.10, Spot 6.10, Flying Scotchman 6.9, May 6.7, Forget-me-Not 6.7, Ruby 6.7.

FLYING STAKES, six furlongs. — Leorina 9.6, Ingorina 9.3, Warrior 7.13, Brigade 7.12, Ida 7.10, Rewarewa 7.2, Johnny 7.0, Kildare 7.0, Acacia 6.12, Bravo 6.9, Blue Ribbon 6.9, Leo 6.7, Sandy 6.7.

MAIDEN PLATE, one mile. — Transit 8.5, Romeo 8.4, Miss 8ly 8.0, Assassin 8.0, Kildare 7.12, Tiger 7.10, Acacia 7.9, Kate 7.9, Bravo 7.7, Potentate 7.5, Fusilier 7.4, Blue Ribbon 7.0, Leo 7.0, Pearl 6.12, Kauri Gum 6.10, Sandy 6.9, Flying Scotchman 6.9, Forgetme-Not 6.7, Ruby 6.7.

NOVEL RACE, one mile. — Comet 8.7, Jubilee 8.0, Thirty Bob 7.10, Patricia 7.10, Shark 7.7, Dandy 7.7, Spot 7.7, Reuben 7.0, Lord Glasgow 7.0, Lady Glasgow 7.0.

TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

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TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP. 12 miles.— Cynisca 9.0, Boulanger 8.12, Whisper 8.10, Ingorina 8.4, Van Dieman 8.3, Morion 8.3, Scot Free 8.2, Fraternite 8.2, Lochness 7.12, Dolosa 7.11, Heatherbell 7.6, Krina 7.6, The Dreamer 7.5, Queen of Trumps 7.5, Thame 7.5, Huerfana 7.4, Veka 7.3, Free Lance 7.2, Prestige 7.0. Awarua Rose 6.12, Torpedo 6.12, Yattaghan 6.10, La Petite Fille 6.10. St. Malo 6.9, Hakimana 6.9, Tattler 6.9, Turehu 6.9, Durus 6.8, She 6.7, Lady Leger 6.7, Tulloch 6.7, Musket 6.7.

Welter Handicap. 14 miles.—Van Dieman 10.5, Ingorina 10.5, Dolosa 10.4, The Dreamer 10.0, Weka 9.7, Torpedo 9.7, St. Malo 9.7, La Petite Fille 9.3, Tattler 9.3, Melas 8.7, Musket 8.7, Fleta 8.7, Tulloch 8.7.

Handicap Ladies Bracelet. 1 miles—Van Diemen 12.0, Dolosa 11.12, The Dreamer 11.7, Tattler 10.12, Durus 10.2, Melas 10.0.

Flying Handicap. 6 furlongs.—Willsper 9.3, Cynisca 9.2, Van Dieman 8.6, Fraternite 8.5, Lochness 8.5, Dolosa 8.3, Heatherbell 8.0, Krina 7.8, Huerfana 7.6, Weka 7.6, Prestige 7.6, Torpedo 7.5, La Petite Fille 7.3, Cretonne 7.0, St. Malo 6.12, Hakimana 6.12, Yattaghan 6.11, Turchu 6.11, She 6.11, Hermit 6.10, Silverlock 6.10, Tit 6.9, Phormium Tenax 6.7, Snapcap 6.7.

6.10, Silverlock 6.10, Tit 6.9, Phormium Tenax 6.7, Snapcap 6.7.

WEIGHTS FOR HACK EVENTS.

FIRST HANDICAP HACK FLAT, I mile — Sirius 9.2, Ionic 9.2, Miss Cole 8.5, Flukem 8.2, Nganeko 8.2, Lodore 8.2, Sunday School, 7.10, Marono 7.7, Nimrod 7.2, Armoury 7.2, Thunderbolt, 7.2, Shela 7.2, Nuggett 6.12, Armour 6.12, Waipiro 6.12, Tetori 6.10, Plevna 8.10, Marquis of Tewekesbury 6.10, Blunderbuss 6.7, Jenny Lind 6.7.

FIRST HANDICAP HACK HURDLES, 11 miles.—Recruit 10.12, Cingalee 10.12, Baccarat 10.2, Lady Onslow 10.2, Flukem 9.10, Marono 9.7, Atlantic 9.7, Security 9.7, The Masher 9.7, Blunderbuss 9.0, Jenny Lind 9.0.

Acceptances for the above close on Saturday next, March 26th.

Weights for First Post Racs.
Poppy 8.2, Daisy 8.0, Mignonette 7.0, Rodney 7.0, Nox 7.0, General 7.0, Fly 7.0, Koneke 7.0, Shot 6.7, Tui-au 6.7, Bluebell 6.7, Te Puru 6.7, Hymen 6.7.
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ANNUAL MEETING, APRIL 2nd, 1892.

ACCEPTANCES CLOSE SATURDAY, MARCH 26, AT 10 P.M. :-

MAIDEN PLATE of 20 soys.	10s.	
HANDICAP HACK RACE of 10 sovs.	08.	
HELENSVILLE CUP of 50 sovs	100	
HANDICAP HURDLES of 25 8048.	15s.	
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Hack means a horse that has never won a race or is not nominated at date of final payment for any race (Hack and Hunter Races excepted).

NOMINATIONS FOR COLTS AND FILLIES 1 nov. To close on SATURDAY, 28th May, 1892, at 9 p.m. FIRST ACCEPTANCE 10s. To close 11th February, 1893.

SECOND ACCEPTANCE 10s.
To close 11th February, 1894 (when name of horse to be given).

FINAL PAYMENT To close 10th February, 1895. ALEX. G. BRETT, Secretary Egmont Racing Club.



AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING,

To be held at

POTTER'S PADDOCK, EPSOM,

ON SATURDAY 16TH APRIL, 1892.

MAIDEN TROT HANDICAP of 50 sovs.: second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stake. For all horses that have never won an advertised trotting race exceeding 30 sovs. in value. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, 2 miles.

FLYING STAKES HANDICAP of 35 sovs.; second peny to receive 5 sovs. from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Nomination, 10s.; Acceptance, 20s. Distance, 5 furlongs.

EASTER HANDICAP TROT of 130 sovs.; second horse to receive 20 sovs. and third horse 10 sovs. out of the stake. The winner of any trotting race after the handicap is published to receive a penalty of 12 seconds behind it original start. Nomination, 2 sovs.: Acceptance, 2 sovs. and a final payment of 1 sov. at the post. Distance, 22 miles.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 60 sovs.; second pony to receive 5 sovs, from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. The winner of any handicap after the declaration of the weights to carry a penalty of 7 lbs. extra; two or more, 12 lbs. extra. Nomination, 20s., Acceptance, 20s. Distance. 7 furlongs.

HARNESS HANDICAP TROT of 50 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs, from the stake. The winner of any trotting race after the handicap is declared to receive a penalty of 10 secs. behind its original start. The winner of two or more, 20 secs. Nomination. 1 sov.; Acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, 3 miles.

HANDICAP HURDLES of 40 sovs.; second pony to receive 5 sovs. from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Nominatioh, 20s.; Acceptance, 20s. Distance, 14 miles, over five flights of hurdles.

ELECTRIC HANDICAP TROT of 50 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stake. No horse to receive more than 20 seconds handicap. The winner of any trotting race after the declaration of the handicaps to receive a penalty of 5 seconds behind its original start. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 1 sov. Distance, 1 mile.

Nominations for all events close with the Secretary, Durhamstreet East, on FRIDAY, 25th March, 1892, at 10 p.m. Handicaps to appear about 1st April.

Acceptances for all events close with the Secretary on FRIDAY, 8th April, at 10 p.m.

Previous performances must be sent in with the nominations in all cases where they have not already been notified to the Club and the horses or ponies perform at a meeting of the Auckland Trotting Club.

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SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING,

TO BE RUN ON

CLAUDELANDS RACECOURSE, HAMILTON,

SATURDAY, APRIL 23rd, 1892.

FIRST RACE TO START AT 12.15 SHARP.

President—Dr. Waddington. Vice-President—W. H. Herries, Esq. Judge—L. Cussen, Esq. Stewards—Dr. Waddington, Messrs. R. Matthias, A. Fuze, R. W. Dyer. H. Bullock-Webster, A. Bruce Suttor, E. M. Dickey, R. Noble, George Edgecumbe, L. Cussen, Isaac Coates, W. Cussen, Dr. Kenny. Starter—Mr J. McNicol. Clerk of Scales—Mr C. J. W. Barton. Clerks of Course—Messrs F. and E. Pilling. Handicapper—Mr E. D. Halstead. Hon Sec.—Mr G-H. Carter.

PROGRAMME.

- 1. WELTER HANDICAP of 25 sovs. Nomination, 10s, acceptance, 15s. Minimum weight 8st 7lb. Distance, 1 mile.
- 2. HANDICAP HURDLES of 35 sovs.; £5 out of the stakes to go to second horse. Over eight flights of 3ft 6in hurdles. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 20s. Distance, 2 miles.
- 3. AUTUMN HANDICAP of 50 sovs.; £5 out of stakes to go to second horse. Winner of any race of the advertised value of £50 after the declaration of the weights to carry 51b extra; of any two such races, 81b extra; penalties not cumulative. Advertised value means the advertised amount irrespective of any deductions for second horse or otherwise. Nomination 20s; acceptance, 35s. Distance, 14 miles.
- GALLOWAY HANDICAP of 20 sovs. For ponies 14.2 and under. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, 6 furlongs,
- 5. HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 55 sovs.; £5 out of stakes to go to the second horse. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 85s. Distance, about 3 miles.
- of stakes to go to the second horse. Winner of the Autumn Handicap to carry 101b extra; winner of any other race after the declaration of the weights to carry 51b extra; penalties not cumulative. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 20s. Distance, 1 mile.
- NOVEL RACE of 30 sovs. The winner to
 become the absolute property of the Club, and to be sold
 immediately after the race. Weight for age. Nomination,
 20s. Distance, 7 furlongs.
- 8. FLYING STAKES HANDICAP of 25 SOVS.

 Winner of the Autumn Handicap to carry 10lb extra; winner of Claudelands Handicap to carry 7lb extra; penalties not cumulative. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. tance, 6 furlongs.

CONDITIONS.

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Nominations for Galloway Handicap, Handicap Hurdles,
Autumn Handicap, Welter Handicap, Ilandicap Steeplechase,
Claudelands Handicap, and Flying Stakes Handicap to be made
to the Secretary, Hamilton, before 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, April 1st.
Weights to appear on or about THURSDAY, April 7th.
Acceptances to be declared before 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, April
15th

Acceptances to be declared before 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, April 15th.

Nomnations for Novel Race to be made to the Secretary before 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, April 15th, day of general entry.

Five per cent. to be deducted from the stakes to go to improvement of the course.

No nominations or acceptances will be received on any pretence whatever after the hour named, or without being accompanied with the necessary amount of cash.

The attention of owners is particularly called to this regulation. Performances and description of horses and the riders' colours to be sent with all nominations and acceptances.

Order of running subject to alteration.

Metropolitan Rules, together with the S.A.R.C. Rules, strictly adhered to.

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G. H. CARTER, Hon. Sec.

A VONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING, To be held on the

AVONDALE RACECOURSE

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 1892.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

Judge—Mr. J. Bollard. Starter—Mr. E. D. Halstead. Handi-capper—Mr. E. D. Halstaad. Stewards — Messrs. R-Garrett, T. Barclay, M. Foley, S. J. Best, Joseph May, E. J. Cairns, H. Bishop, J. Binstead, C. P. Murdoch, W. Bailey, Richard Garrett, C. James, B. D. Tonks.

PROGRAMME · (Passed by A.R.C.).

MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP of 25 sovs. For all horses that have not won an advertised race exceeding 30 sovs at time of starting. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 1 sov. Distance, 1 mile.

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

AVONDALE CUP HANDICAP of 5080VS. Second horse to receive 580VS out of stakes. Winner of any race after the declaration of the weights to carry 51bs extra. Nomination 180V, acceptance 1280VS. Distance. 12 miles.

HANDICAP PONY RACE of 20sovs. For all ponies 14 2 and under. Nomination 2sov, acceptance 2sov. Distance, 7 furlongs.

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MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 30SOVS.

For all horses that have never won a steeplechase valued 30 For all horses that have never won a steeplechase valued 30 sovs at time of starting. Nomination $\frac{1}{2}$ sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, about $\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

HANDICAP NOVEL RACE of 2050VS. The winner to be sold immediately after the race and the whole of the proceeds to go to the funds. Nomination 250v, acceptance 250v. Distance, 5 furlongs.

Handicap Steeplechase of 5000vs. Second horse to receive 500vs out of stakes. Nomination 150v, acceptance 1250vs. Distance, about 3 miles.

FLYING STAKES HANDICAP of 25sovs. Winner of Avondale Cup to carry a penalty of 51b extra. Nomination 25ov, acceptance 25ov. Distance, 5 furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ETC.

Nominations for all races close with the Secretary, at the Office of the Sporting Review, Vulcan Lane, on FRIDAY, 25th March, 1892, at 0 p.m.

Weights will appear on or about 28th March, 1892. Acceptances will close on FRIDAY, 1st April, at 9 p.m. Order of running subject to alteration.
5 per cent. deducted from all winnings

H. H. HAYR, Secretary.



EGMONT RACING CLUB.

WINTER MEETING.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH MAY, 1892.

President—Hon. Sir Harry Atkinson, K.C.M.G. Vice-President—R. H. Nolan. Stewards—H. Good, J. Heslop, H. J. C. Coutts, Robert Hicks, M. F. Baird, T. Mason, A. S. Tonks, P. J. Wilson, Wm. Adamson. Starter—S. Powell. Clerk of the Course—J. T. Stone. Clerk of the Scales—A. S. Tonks. Handicapper—J. E. Henry. Timekeeper—M. F. Baird. Judge—R. H. Nolan. Treasurer—W. A. Nairn.

PROGRAMME.

HANDICAP HURDLES of 70 sovs.; second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. Over nine flights of hurdles, 3ft. 6in. high. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 11.45 a.m. Two miles and a distance.

HANDICAP HACK HURDLES of 35 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Over six flights of hurdles, 3ft. ein. high. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 10s. To start at 12.30 p.m. One mile and a half.

HANDICAP TRIAL STEEPLECHASE of 50 sovs.; second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. For horses who have never won a Steeplechase of over 40 sovs. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 1 p.m. About 2 miles.

FIRST HANDICAP HACK FLAT RACE of 40 sovs.; second horse to receive 10 sovs, out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 10s. To start at 1.30 p.m. One mile and a half.

EGMONT HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs.; second horse to receive 20 sovs., third horse 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 2 sovs.; Final Payment, 2 sovs. Winner of any Hundicap Steeplechase of the value of 100 sovs. after declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lbs. To start a 2.15 p.m. About 3 miles.

SECOND HANDICAP HACK FLAT RACE of 35 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 10s. Winner of the First Hack Flat Race to carry a penalty of 7lbs. To start at 3.15 p.m. Three-quarters of a mile.

FINAL HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 60 sovs.; second horse to receive 10 sovs, out of the stakes. Nomination, 1 sov.; Acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 4 p.m. About 2 miles.

A Hack means a horse that has never won a race, or is not nominated at date of entry for any race (hack and hunter races

nominated at the content of the excepted,

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

NOMINATIONS.

TUESDAY, 12TH APRIL, AT 9 P.M.

Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov. Handicap Trial Steeplechase, 1 sov. Egmont Handicap Steeplechase, 1 sov. Final Handicap Steeplechase, 1 sov.

TUESDAY, 26TH APRIL, AT 9 P.M.

Handicap Hack Hurdles, 1 sov. First Handicap Hack Flat, 1 sov. Second Handicap Hack Flat, 1 sov.

ACCEPTANCES.

SATURDAY, 30TH APRIL, at 9 P.M. Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov. Handicap Trial Steeplechase, 1 sov. Egmont Handicap Steeplechase, 2 sovs.

AT THE POST.

Handicap Hack Hurdles, 10s. First Handicap Hack Flat, 10s. Second Handicap Hack Flat, 10s. Final Handicap Steeplechase, 2 sovs. Egmont Handicap Steeplechase (Final Payment), 2 sovs. Telegraph Office closes at Hawera at 5 p.m.

WEIGHTS

will be declared as follows:—
Handicap Hurdles, Handicap Trial Steeplechase, Egmont
Handicap Steeplechase, on TUESDAY, 19th April.
Handicap Hack Hurdles, First Handicap Hack Flat, Second
Handicap Hack Flat, on SATURDAY, 7th May.
Weights for Final Handicap Steeplechase will be declared immediately after running of Egmont Handicap Steeplechase.

ALEX. G. BRETT,

Submitted and approved, this 7th day of March, 1892.—Robt, G. Bauchope, Hon. Sec. T.J. Club.

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A UCKLAND RACING CLUE. MEETING AUTUMN

FIRST DAY.

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 18, 1892.

PROGRAMME.

TRADESMEN'S PLATE HANDICAP of 80 sovs.
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1 sov., and acceptance 1 sov. each to go the funds. For threeyear-olds and upwards. One mile.

year-olds and upwards. One mile.

NORTHERN CHAMPAGNE STAKES of 200 sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each; 5 sovs. forfeit, or no liability if declared by 8 p.m. on the night of general entry. The second horse to receive 30 sovs. and third horse 10 sovs. from the stakes. For two-year-olds. Colts, 8st 10lbs; fillies, 8st 8lbs; geldings allowed 5lbs. The forfeit (5 sovs.) to Le declared and paid to the A.R.C. Secretary by 12 noon on the day before the race, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stakes. The winner of the Auckland or Canterbury Welcome Stakes, or tay race not a handicap, of the advertised value of 200 sovs., to carry 7lbs extra. Closed 41 subscribers. Six furlongs.

EASTER HANDICAP of 300 sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each. Second horse to receive 50 sovs. and third horse 15 sovs. out of the stakes. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 2 sovs., and acceptance 3 sovs. each, to go to the funds. The winner of any race of the value of 100 sovs., after the declaration of the weights, to carry 31bs extra; of 200 sovs, 51bs; of 100 sovs., and one of 200 sovs., 71bs, extreme penalty. One mile and a half.

HURDLE RACE (Handicap) of 100 sovs. Second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. Entrance I sov., and acceptance I sov. each, to go to the funds. Two miles.

SELLING RACE of 50 sovs. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 2 sovs. each, to go to the funds. Three-year-olds to carry 9st 9bs; four-year-olds, 10st 3lbs; five-year-olds and upwards, 10st 5lbs. The winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race for 150 sovs., and the whole of the surplus to go to the funds. If entered to be sold for 100 sovs., allowed 7lbs; if for 75 sovs., 14lbs; if for 50 sovs, 21lbs; if for 25 sovs., 28lbs; if for nil, 42lbs. Six furlongs.

EDEN HANDICAP of 100 sovs. Second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov., and acceptance 1 sov. each, to go to the funds. Winner of any handicap after the declaration of the weights to carry 51bs extra. Seven furlongs.

ONSLOW STAKES (Handicap) of 80 sovs. Second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. For two-year-olds that have never wen a race of the value of 100 sovs. at time of entry. Winner of Champagne Stakes to carry a penalty of 101bs. Entrance 1 sov., and acceptance 1 sov. each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

SECOND DAY,

TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 1892.

THE STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 80 sovs. Second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov., and acceptance 1 sov. each, to go to the funds. One mile.

ELLERSLIE HANDICAP of 100 sovs. Second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. For two-year-olds. Entrance 1 sov., and acceptance 2 sovs. each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 250 sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 3 sovs. each. Second horse to receive 30 sovs. and third horse 10 sovs. out of the stakes. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 2 sovs., and acceptance 3 sovs. each, to go to the funds. One mile and a quarter.

AUTUMN STEEPLECHASE (Handicap) of 200 sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 3 sovs. each. Second horse to receive 30 sovs. and third horse 15 sovs. out of the stakes. Entrance 2 sovs., and acceptance 2 sovs. each, to go to the funds. About three miles and a half.

FLYING STAKES of 60 sovs. Second horse to receive 10 sovs. out of the stakes. For two-year-olds and upwards, Entrance 2 sovs. sech, to go to the funds. Two-year-olds and upwards, 9st. Winner since 1st August, 1891, of a weight-for-age race of the value of 50 sovs. to carry 51bs extra; of 100 sovs., 71bs extra; of 200 sovs., 101bs extra; or of such races collectively of the value of 300 sovs., 141bs extra. Three-quarters of a mile.

Welter Handicar of 50 sovs. Second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. For three-year-olds and upwards. Minimum weight 7st 8lbs. Entrance 1 sov., and acceptance 1 sov. each, to go to the funds. One mile.

SHORTS HANDICAP of 100 sovs. Second horse to receive 15 sovs. from the stakes. For two-year-olds and upwards. Entrance I sov., and acceptance I sov. each, to go to the funds. The winner of any race after the publication of the weights to carry 5 lbs penalty. Six furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC., With amounts to be transmitted to Secretary, A.R.C.

FRIDAY, MARCH 4TH, 1892, BY 10 p.m. NOMINATIONS. Easter Handicap
Autumn Handicap

Autumn Steepiechass	2 sovs		
FRIDAY, APRIL STH, 1892—General Entry Ni	ight, by	10	p.m
ACCEPTANCES.			4

Easter Handicap	3 sovs.
Steeplechase	2 sovs.
Nominations.	
Tradesmen's Plate	1 sov.
Hurdle Race (Handicap)	1 sov.
Selling Race	2 sovs.
Eden Handicap	1 sov.
Onslow Stakes Handicap	1 nov.
Stewards' Handicap	1 sov.
Flying Stakes	2 sove.
Ellerslie Handicap	
Welter Handicap	1 sov
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WM. PERCIVAL,

Secretary.

RACING PROGRAMMES



TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNIVERSARY MEETING.
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY,

MARCH 31st AND APRIL 1st, 1892.

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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 never won an advertised race (hack and hunter races excepted), and that are not at the time of start and have not been during the six calendar months previous to the time of start nominated for any race (hack and hunter races excepted). Nomination 10s. Acceptances Isov. Over six flights of hurdles. One mile and a-quarter.

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

TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP of 250SOVS.

The second horse to receive 25sovs, and the third 10sovs from the stakes. The winner of any handicap of 300sovs after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb; 200sovs 6lb; 100sovs 3lb extra. Nomination 1sov. Acceptance 2sovs, and a final payment of 3sovs before 8 p.m. on the night before the first day's races. One mile and a-half.

FIRST HANDICAP HACK RACE of 3050VS.

The second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. Same conditions as First Handicap Hack Hurdles. Nomination 10s.

Acceptance 1sov. One mile.

WELTER HANDICAP of 50 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 51b extra. Nomination, 1 sov. Acceptance, 1 sev. Six furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

SECOND HANDICAP HACK HURDLES of 30SOVS.
Second horse to receive 5sovs 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. Nominanation 10s. Acceptance Isov. One mile and a half.

GRAND STAND HANDICAP of 7080vs. The second horse to receive 10sovs 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 1sov. Acceptance 2sovs. Seven furlongs. The

Ladies' Bracelet of 60sovs. A handicap for a bracelet of the value of 60sovs. Gentlemen riders. All horses to be nominated by ladies. Nomination 1sov. Acceptance Isov. One mile and a half.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 130sovs. The second horse to receive 15sovs from the stakes. Weights to appear at 8 o'clock on the night of the first day's races. Acceptances close at 9.80 p.m. Nomination 1sov. Acceptance 3sovs. One mile and a quarter.

SECOND HANDICAP HACK RACE of 30sovs. The second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. Same condi-tions as First Handicap Hack 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. Acceptance 1sov. One close at 9.30 p.m. . mile and a quarter.

FAREWELL HANDICAP of 40SOVS. The second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. Nominations close at 9.30 on the night of the first day's races. Weights to appear after the Autumn Handicap. Nomination 1sov. Acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, AND AMOUNTS (to be forwarded).

Weights to be declared on SATURDAY, 19th MARCH, 1892.
Acceptances close on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, 1892.
Acceptances.—Taranaki Jockey Club Handicap, 280vs; Welter Handicap, 180v; Flying Handicap, 280vs; Ladies' Bracelet. (Handicap), 180v. First Handicap Hack Hurdles, 180v; First Handicap Hack Hurdles, 180v; First Handicap Hack Hack, 180v.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 80th, 1892.—Final payment, Taranaki Jockey Club Handicap, 380vs.
THURSDAY, MARCH 81st, 1892.—Acceptances: Second Handicap Hack Hurdles, 180v; Grand Stand Handicap, 280vs; Autumn Handicap, 380vs; Second Handicap Hack Race, 180v.
Nominations: Farewell Handicap, 180v.
ON THE COLESS.—Nominations: Scurty Stakes, (First Day), 180v.

Acceptances: Farewell Handicap (Second Day), 180v.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary Taranaki Jockey Club, at the White Hart Hotel, New Plymouth, entrance money enclosed, with mame, age, at the time of entry, pedigree and performances of the horse, and the colours of the rider.

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No entry will be received for any of the races except upon this condition:—"That all disputes, claims, and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by a majority of the Stewards present, or those whom they may appoint." Their decisions upon all points connected with the carrying out of this programme shall be final.

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In all cases where penalties have to be carried for winning, it shall be the duty of the owner, trainer, or jockey, to notify the same to the Secretary at 9.30 o'clock on the night before the race.

Five per cent. will be deducted from all winnings towards the expenses of the course.

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ROBT. G. BAUCHOPE,

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