







THE OFFICIAL CALENDAR OF THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

THE SPORTING REVIEW has been appointed the Official Calendar for the publication of all programmes in the Provincial District of Auckland, in terms of Rule 17 of the Rules of Racing.

Table with columns for names and descriptions of racing attire (colours). Includes names like Mr. Marangai, Mr. J. Forth, Mr. J. Malcolm, etc.

Table titled 'PROGRAMMES PASSED.' listing various racing events and dates, such as Papakura Races, March 17, and Te Aroha Jockey Club, March 14.

DISQUALIFICATIONS. The following disqualifications by the Te Aroha Jockey Club have been endorsed by the A.R.C.:- That the horse Arava, or Emmett, be disqualified for life, and that Mr. Grant be disqualified during the pleasure of the Club.

JOCKEYS' LICENSES. Licenses have been granted by the A.R.C. to the following jockeys: - W. McLean, Gisborne; T. Hodson, Ellerslie; E. Munro, Papakura; Dennis Morrison, Ellerslie; Alex. Williams, Ellerslie; F. Burns, A. E. Byers, W. Bird, W. Powell, D. Creamer, E. Collins, J. Carey, J. Dawson, C. Coleman, S. Fergus, Martin Grace, Alfred Say, W. Gallie, J. Golding, Augustus Manning, T. Stewart, R. Hall, W. Hammond, K. Heaton, C. Tutt, J. Katters, W. McInnamin, E. Priest, J. W. Quartermain, W. Smith, F. Dodd, J. Fennel, J. Pyne, Alf. Patterson, F. Reid, Ambrose C. Dixon, W. Hayner, W. Gillie, J. Rae, G. Donovan, W. Shaw, T. Taylor, C. Weal, H. Weal, W. Beaumont, D. Wright, E. Williams, W. Wilmot, G. Hammond, James Robert Whitelaw.

The Committee of the Auckland Racing Club meet on the first Friday in each month to pass programmes and transact general business.

WM. PERCIVAL, SECRETARY.

Table titled 'LIST OF RACING CLUBS UNDER A.R.C.'S JURISDICTION.' listing various clubs and their secretaries, such as Alexandra Racing Club, Wm. Searancke, and Auckland Racing Club, M. G. Nasmith.

ASSUMED NAMES. The following assumed names are registered with the Auckland Racing Club: - Mr. L. Ward, Mr. J. Hawtson, Mr. J. Malcolm, Mr. Marangai, Mr. J. Forth, Mr. W. Turner, Mr. B. Thompson, Mr. J. Dennis, Mr. J. Lowther, Mr. J. Sutton, Mr. C. Archibald, Mr. Arthur Morgan, Mr. J. Bland, Mr. Walter Harold Windsor.

Table titled 'SUBSCRIPTION RATES.' showing rates for 3, 6, and 12 months, with a note 'Payable in Advance.'

SPORTING FIXTURES, ETC.

Table titled 'COMING EVENTS.' listing dates and events, such as Manawatu Racing Club, March 2, and Wanganui Jockey Club, March 9.

Table titled 'NOMINATIONS.' listing dates and nomination events, such as Ohinemuri Races, March 2, and Auckland Racing Club Autumn, March 2.

Table titled 'WEIGHTS APPEAR.' listing dates and weight events, such as Papakura Races, March 3, and Te Aroha Jockey Club, March 3.

Table titled 'ACCEPTANCES DUE.' listing dates and acceptance events, such as Onslow Trotting Club, March 3, and Te Aroha Jockey Club, March 3.



BELL BLOCK RACING CLUB.

HACK MEETING, To be held at BELL BLOCK on THURSDAY, APRIL 27TH, 1893.

OFFICERS: - President - Newton King, Esq. Vice-Presidents - Captain Cornwall, D. Teed, Esq., and H. J. Fisher, Esq. Stewards - Captain Cornwall, Messrs F. Salway, C. Hunt, H. Julian, F. Putt, E. Wood, C. White, M. Craig, C. Lepper, and M. Cunningham. Judge - Captain Cornwall. Starter - Mr E. Watson. Clerk of Course - Mr A. Bishop. Clerk of Scales - Mr G. V. Tate. Handicapper - Mr R. G. Parry. Timekeeper - Mr E. Wood. Hon. Surveyor - Mr John Skinner.

- PROGRAMME. 1. Handicap Hurdles of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. Distance, 1 1/2 miles, over 6 flights of hurdles 8ft 6in high. Nomination, 10s; Acceptance, 10s. 2. Maiden Plate of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have never won an advertised race at the time of starting. Weight for age. Entrance, 1 sov. Distance, 1 mile. 3. Bell Block Cup (Handicap) of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Nomination, £1; Acceptance, £1. 1 mile 3 furlongs. 4. Farmers' Plate of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stakes. No weight under 10 stone. Entrance, £1. Seven furlongs. For horses that have never been nominated for any race within 12 months excepting Farmers' Plates, and winners of these barred. Owners or gentlemen riders (professionals barred). Horses to be the bona fide property of nominators for three months prior to date of entry. Open to farmers in the Taranaki, Clifton, and Stratford Counties. A farmer is, by resolution of Committee, defined as a person paying rates on, or residing on, 30 acres of land. 5. Flying Handicap of 25 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Nomination 10s., acceptance 15s. Winner of Cup to incur a penalty of 7lbs. Six furlongs. 6. Hurry - Scurry of 20 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. Catch weights. For horses that have never won an advertised race of any description, and have not accepted at this meeting. Post entry, £1. Five furlongs. All horses competing in the Farmers' Plate, except the winner, are eligible for this race. 7. Welter Handicap of 20 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs. from the stakes. One mile. Nomination 10s., acceptance 10s.

NOMINATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES. Nominations for all handicaps, accompanied by the name of owner, colours of rider, pedigree and performances of horse, close with the Secretary, at the White Heart Hotel, New Plymouth, on SATURDAY, March 18th, 1893, at 9 p.m. Weights declared on Thursday, April 6th. Acceptances, and entries for Maiden Plate and Farmers' Plate at 9 p.m. on SATURDAY, April 16th, at the White Hart Hotel, New Plymouth. The requisite amount must accompany all nominations and acceptances.

ADVERTISEMENTS

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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Sporting Review.

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 1893.

WE are glad to learn, on the authority of our Wellington correspondent, that the general opinion in Wellington anent Mr Justice Richmond's decision in the disputed nomination case is that it is the best that could have been. Both parties to the suit appear to be satisfied, so therefore the matter need not further be threshed out. As we pointed out last week an important matter has been adjudicated upon in a way that leaves no reasonable room for further disputation on the part of racing clubs or owners. The Wellington Racing Club, we notice, have lost no time in making their future movements quite clear to owners, for they say in the conditions attached to their Autumn programme that "all nominations, entries, and acceptances close at the Club Hotel or Chief Post-office, Wellington, not later than 9 p.m. (unless stated to the contrary) on the advertised dates of closing." Mark the insertion of the words, "or Chief Post-office, Wellington." The Club evidently intend to do their best to avoid any further laches on the part of the Postal Department.

Inter-Provincial

[FROM OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

WELLINGTON. (By Wire.) Tuesday.

A SPORTING law suit has been going on in the R.M. Court for some days. Mr Bolton, solicitor, sued A. Peters, the trainer, for £100 or the mare La Petite Fille, on which he had lent the owner, Mr Reed, the sum claimed. Peters entered a defence that Reed owed him £30 for training fees which he wanted before he would give up possession. To day the matter was settled by Peters paying £10.

The general opinion is that Mr Justice Richmond's decision in the Wellington disputed nomination case is the best that could have been given. It was so worded that it pleased the stewards of the W.R.C. even while it ruled against them. In connection with this case the subject of what time is best for receiving entries has been freely discussed, and it is agreed by most sportsmen that it would be the best plan in future to have the time fixed for noon or 1 p.m. Then when expected entries or acceptances do not arrive an hour before the time fixed the secretary can telegraph to the owner and remind him of the time of closing. At present when any owner forgets the time he cannot be reminded of it, because all telegraph offices close at 8 p.m. for ordinary messages. One result of the case is to

be seen in the Wellington Racing Club's Autumn programme. This states that entries and acceptances must be at the Club Hotel or the chief post office by the time appointed.

A curious incident happened here in connection with Tempest's victory in the Dunedin Cup. A farmer living in the suburbs came into town about a fortnight ago, and calling upon a well-known book-maker said he wanted to put £2 10s upon Tempest for the Dunedin Cup. The bookmaker asked him what on earth made him select such an unlikely one as Tempest to back. The man, after a little hesitation, said it was because his wife the night before had dreamt that Tempest had won. Mr Martin then laid him starting price thinking it was money found, but he is now of a different opinion.

It is not often when a man wins a big race that he does not call for his money. One day last week Mr Lyon, the secretary of the Racing Club, informed Mr Martin, the owner of Retina, that his cheque for the money part of the prize for the Wellington Cup was still lying at the Club's office. Since that Mr Martin has sent for it. The trophy, value 100 guineas, which goes with the money, has not yet arrived from England, but a week ago Mr Lyon received a letter from Mr W. V. Jackson, who was commissioned to purchase it in London, stating that he would send it out by the Ionic. This is the vessel now detained at the Cape by an accident to her machinery.

Retina, Swordbelt, and Kent have gone up to Palmerston for the Manawatu Autumn Meeting, which is expected to be a highly successful gathering.

Mr W. E. Bidwill's well-known hack Donovan, who was supposed to have broken down badly at the last Wairarapa Meeting and was not expected to run again, has quite recovered, and I hear he is doing good work at his owner's place in the Wairarapa.

Mr Tosswill, the delegate from the Pahiataua Jockey Club, saw the stewards of the Metropolitan Club, and explained that the new club were very much hurt over not getting their programme passed. He stated that he had received a semi-official communication from the secretary of the Racing Club to the effect that if they complied with the Rules of Racing there was no chance of their programme being refused, and he said it was on the strength of this assurance the club spent £250 on making the course. The stewards have informed Mr Tosswill that if he can produce Mr Lyon's letter to that effect they will reconsider their decision.

The Hutt County Trotting Club and Agricultural and Pastoral Association have all but come to terms. The Association will make the track, the Club paying £45 towards the expenses, and the Club will have a seven years' lease, with an option of renewal for another seven. The only thing the Club objected to is paying £25 per meeting. At a meeting held last Friday night it was resolved that the Club would pay a rental of not less than £50 a year irrespective of the number of meetings held. Messrs C. Tate and D. Wilkie were appointed to wait upon the Association to urge the desirability of the clause, as amended, being agreed to. The election of officers was then proceeded with, and it was decided that Dr. Newman, M.H.R., be asked to accept the office of president. Messrs W. A. Grace, T. Oxenham, and A. E. Pearce were appointed vice-presidents (Mr Pearce subject to his consent), and Mr F. Bacon treasurer. A number of gentlemen were nominated as stewards, and it was resolved to write asking if they would be willing to accept the position. An application for the position of handicapper was held over till next meeting. The meeting then adjourned till next Friday evening.

Mrs. Wilson, widow of the late Mr. Hector Wilson, has presented the Victoria Amateur Turf Club's committee with a large oil painting, which depicts a portion of the race for the Victoria Gold Cup at the first meeting of the club, which was held at Dowling Forest, Ballarat, on March 24, 1876. The field on the occasion was composed as follows: - Sailor (Mr A. Chirside, jun.), Nimbook (Mr J. O. Inglis), Greystanes (Mr R. Power), Sheet Anchor (Mr M. Pender), Dutchman (Mr Hector Wilson), and Canary (Mr Norman Wilson). The artist is Mr Fred. Woodhouse, sen., and he represents the field taking the live hedge in front of the grand stand, Mr Norman Wilson, on Canary, being in front, with Sailor, the ultimate winner, lying fourth. The picture was painted shortly after the race, for the late Mr Wilson, and it will doubtless be highly valued by the authorities of the V.A.T.C.

Oakleigh, who won the Caulfield Cup of 1887 and has been doing stud duties in Tasmania, has been brought back to Melbourne, and will, it is stated, be again put into training under Cripps' care.

## Dunedin Jockey Club's Autumn Meeting.

(BY WIRE—FROM OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

I SENT you brief results of to-day's racing in time for last week's SPORTING REVIEW, and I now proceed to supplement that message by some details of the sport.

First then let me say that the weather was beautifully fine, and that there was a very large attendance, though I must say I have seen more than one bigger muster at the Forbury on Cup day. Mr. P. Miller filled the judge's box, and Mr. S. Powell acted as starter with his customary efficiency. A great surprise to all concerned was the victory of Tempest in the Cup, and she takes rank with Adamant (who won the same race in 1883) as the most sensational winner of a big race ever seen at the Forbury. It was generally expected that her owner would decline the final payment with her, and, in fact, she was only left in because Mr Stephenson always likes to have something carrying his colours in the Dunedin Cup. He didn't back her for a copper, himself, I understand, except that he invested £1 on her coupled with Huguenot for the Publicans' Handicap. Mr. Hazlett, who is partner with Mr Stephenson in his racing transactions, put £1 on Tempest in the totalisator, and Bishop, who trains the mare, did likewise. There was only £57 invested on her altogether out of £2,142 in the "totes."

The business of the day commenced with the Hurdle Race Handicap of 80 sovs, one mile and a half, for which eight ran. Maggie, who was nicely treated with 10.10, was made favourite, but he didn't run up to the form expected of him, and Clarence, 9.4, coming away at the home turn, won in a canter by fully half a dozen lengths from Rebel, 10.3, with Justice, 9.9, third. Clarence, who hails from Christchurch, is trained by that accomplished hurdle horseman T. Stewart, who now had the mount on him. The dividends were—inside, £10 7s; outside, £13 2s.

Half a dozen very nice two-year-olds weighed out for the Champagne Stakes of 250 sovs; colts 8.10, fillies and geldings 8.7, with certain penalties; six furlongs. They were Mr E. Cutts' br c Lake Shell, by Lochiel—Nautilus; Mr J. Stephenson's br c Outpost, by Vanguard—Titania; Mr R. Brown's b c Gitano, by Le Loup—Gitana; Hon. J. D. Ormond's ch f Spinaway, by Nordenfeldt—Spinaker; Mr D. O'Brien's b f Response, by Richmond—Bis Bis; and Mr H. Lunn's b f Persuasion, by Apremont—Flattery. Lake Shell had come on a good bit since he ran in the Middle Park Plate, and he presented such a handsome appearance when stripped that the public made him favourite at first. But Mr O'Brien put down his money on Response, and she supplanted Lake Shell in the betting, and eventually left off favourite. Outpost and Spinaway were also well supported, but comparatively little money was laid out for either Gitano or Persuasion. Lake Shell drew out at the start and led for a furlong, with Spinaway in close attendance. Spinaway then ran up to him, but Lake Shell drew away again and showed the way into the straight, where Spinaway was in second place, and Outpost and Response next. When they had fairly headed for home Response made her effort, and overhauling those in front of her one by one, got home by a length from Lake Shell, who was a little over two lengths in front of Outpost. The six furlongs were cut out in 1min 18½sec, which is 2sec more than when Day Dream won last year, and Cajolery the year before. Response was one of Mr. O'Brien's purchases in Melbourne last season, and he gave 100gs for her. She was bred by Mr W. Blackler of Adelaide, and is by Maribyrnong's son Richmond (winner of the V.R.C. Champion Stakes, Australian Cup, etc.) out of Bis Bis, by Countryman (imp.) out of Miss Heslop (imp.) by Plaudit or Costa. Bis Bis for some time held the four furlong record for the colonies, having covered half a mile in 48sec. Sextant, however, lowered it to 47½sec. The dividends paid out on Response's victory were—inside, £3 9s; outside, £3.

The Dunedin Cup of 600sovs, 2 miles and a distance, now attracted all attention. The eight that had been paid up for on the final acceptance all went to the post, viz.: Prime Warden, 8.11 (Cochrane); Clanranald, 8.7 (Clark); Scot Free, 7.9 (Gall); Thame, 7.5 (Price); Captive, 7.4 (Ray); Awarua Rose, 7.0 (Ross); Tempest, 6.11 (Pine); and Wyvern, 6.9 (Connop). As your

readers are aware, ever since the weights appeared Prime Warden and Clanranald have monopolised the betting, and though disquieting rumours about Clanranald were circulated here about a fortnight ago he was never materially knocked back in the betting, and as soon as he came to the Forbury he found plenty more friends. There were several, however, who maintained that he would not get the distance, but it was freely admitted that the field all round were non-stayers, and as Prime Warden and Clanranald were admittedly better class than the others they held the bulk of the totalisator money when the flag fell, Prime Warden being a slightly better favourite than the son of St. Leger. Nothing had been doing more sterling work at the Forbury than Thame, and when she stripped those backers who remembered her meritorious second to British Lion in the New Zealand Cup piled their money on to her to such a good tune that she was third favourite at the start. The winner Tempest, I may here remark, was the absolute outsider of the whole crowd. Mr Powell, despite some fractiousness on the part of Clanranald, had them well together when he gave the signal. Tempest asserted herself in the first few strides, and when the odd "distance" had been negotiated—i.e., when they passed the stand Tempest was just leading Captive, with Clanranald third, and Thame next. In the next quarter of a mile there was no alteration in the leaders' position except that Awarua Rose ran up to Thame, and Clanranald fell back. Tempest was still first, Captive second, and Awarua Rose third running along the back and into the straight, and when they passed the stand Tempest had a length lead of Captive, who was just clear of Awarua Rose, Thame and Scot Free being most prominent of the others. At the end of the next quarter of a mile Clanranald and Captive held out signals of distress. In the next furlong Prime Warden put on steam, and ran up second to Tempest, and Thame also made a forward movement. Tempest held her own into the straight, though only with a very slight advantage, but Thame came again, and would undoubtedly have headed the outsider but for one of the stirrup irons breaking. Price, though nearly losing his seat, bravely kept the Napier mare going, but the accident cost her the race, and she was beaten a length by Tempest. Prime Warden gained third money three lengths away—the same position he occupied last year when he had 9lb less than now. Tempest's time was 3min 51½sec, and the dividends were £32 7s inside and £35 6s outside. Tempest is an Australian-bred mare, and was purchased as a yearling by Dick Mason in Sydney. Mr Stead raced her as a two-year-old, when he put her in a selling race, having found her jady and being desirous therefore of getting rid of her, and Mr Stephenson bought her. The season before last she ran no less than 13 times without securing a win, and last season out of 15 attempts the only races she won were the Suburban Welter Handicap, one mile and a furlong (9.0), at the D.J.C. Autumn Meeting, and the Central Taieri (Otago) Autumn Handicap, one mile and a quarter, 8.12, in which she only had Don Pedro and Lady Mab to beat. Tempest is by New Holland (son of Old England) out of Tornado, by Gang Forward (imp.)—Typhoon (imp.), by Wild Dayrell. Her time, 3min 51½sec, was 1½sec slower than when Occident won for Mr Stephenson last year.

Though there were only four starters for the Selling Race of 50sovs, one mile and a distance, it produced a rattling finish between Stonehenge, 7.2, and Mr Stephenson's Derby, 8.6, and Stonehenge won by a head, with Finetta, 7.7, third. Leinster was the only other starter. The dividends were £9 16s, and £7 3s. It was the irony of fate for Mr Stephenson to be beaten this time by one of his own cast-offs, for Stonehenge was imported by that gentleman from the land of his birth. He is a son of the Melbourne Cup winner The Assyrian.

There was a good field of nine for the Publicans' Handicap of 200sovs, seven furlongs, and after Tempest's win, Huguenot, 7.4, in the same stable, was made a warm favourite. Heather Bell 7.2, Saracen 7.2, and North Atlantic 7.2 were, however, all well backed. The race is briefly described, for Heather Bell made nearly the whole of the running, and though challenged strongly in the straight by Conjuror, Kulnine, and Lady Zetland, she won by a length and a-half from Conjuror, who just pipped Kulnine, 8.5. The time was 1min 30sec,

and the dividends were £4 9s. inside and £4 7s. outside.

Nothing was backed to any extent in the Maiden Plate of 80sovs, one mile and a quarter (for which eight started), but The Lumper and Frivolity who fought it between them, Lumper winning by half-a-length. Dividends, £3 6s. and £4 1s.

Taranua was favourite in a field of eight for the Selling Two Year Old Race of 100sovs, five furlongs, but he didn't get a place, the winner being Mr Stephenson's Viscount, by Sir Garnet out of the St. Albans mare Iona, who won by half-a-length from Mount Royal, with Busybody third.

Kate Greenaway was favourite for the Stewards' Purse Welter Handicap of 100 sovs, six furlongs, with Inez next in favour, but nothing had a show with Mr P. Butler's colt Au Revoir, 8.2, who won by two lengths from Warrington, 9.6, with Mariner, 9.8, in third place. Au Revoir is a full brother to Marlborough, a horse that did good service to Mr Butler in the past. The dividends paid out on him were the substantial ones of £13 16s. and £13.

The Club added a Queensland Relief Fund Stakes of 20sovs, five furlongs, to the programme, and here again Butler scored with Emperor, who was favourite. There were three other starters.

SECOND DAY.—THURSDAY, FEB. 23RD.

THE weather was again fine for the second day's racing, but the attendance naturally showed a falling off on that of Cup day, though it was quite up to expectations. There was some capital sport provided, but it was to a certain extent marred by more than one unfortunate accident in the Domain Handicap. Forbury, when in the lead, ran into the ditch that has proved treacherous to so many horses ere now, and just as they were rounding the turn for home Reflection, when going strongly, stumbled and fell and rolled into the ditch, her jockey Regan having his collarbone broken. Then just after the winning post was passed Tangi Maid, who was third, crossed her legs and came down. Rosehill fell over her, and Kate Greenaway followed suit. There was, as may well be imagined, quite a scene when the accident occurred, several lady occupants of the stand fainting. As luck would have it, none of the jockeys were very seriously hurt, though Emmerson, who rode Tangi Maid, had to be carried in on a stretcher. Connop and Jackson were also severely bruised.

Sport commenced with the Tallyho Handicap of 90sovs, two miles, for which Maggie 11.12, Erin-go-bragh 11.10, Rebel 10.7, Justice 9.7, and Moonlight 9.5, went to the post. There was little to choose for favouritism between Rebel and Maggie, but Rebel had a very slight call. After Maggie and Moonlight had made most of the running, Rebel came up and knocked the last hurdle down, and appeared to have the foot of his field on the flat, but Maggie was brought up, and after a great struggle won by half-a-length from the Dunedin horse, with Moonlight third. A protest lodged by Rebel's owner (J. Poole) against Maggie on the ground of inconsistent form as compared with the first day's running was dismissed. The dividends were—inside £3 5s., outside £3 12s.

The City Stakes Handicap of 120sovs, for two-year-olds, five furlongs, always creates a good deal of interest after the Champagne running. With the Champagne winner Response out of the way, Lake Shell, 8.7, who had run second to her, was served up very warm, and Spinaway, 7.11, was next in favour. Lake Shell was quickest away, and led into the straight, but he was challenged by Beadonwell, 7.11, before they reached the distance, and Beadonwell, being full of running, came on and won very easily by a length. Taranua was two lengths away. Beadonwell, who was bred by the Hon. G. McLean, is by the Musket horse St. Clair out of Dione, by Traducer—Gilda, by Ravensworth—Mermaid, and has won creditably before this season. The dividends paid on him were—£9 inside and £6 1s. outside.

The Dunedin Jockey Club Handicap of 350sovs, one mile and a-half, was the next item, and the following septette went to the post:—Prime Warden 9.0, Clanranald 8.11, Tempest 7.12, Scot Free 7.8, Free Lance 7.8, Awarua Rose 7.4, and Wyvern 6.11. Clanranald left off favourite, but Prime Warden and Free Lance were also well backed—the latter presumably on the strength of Thame's second in the Dunedin Cup. Awarua Rose soon got to the front when the flag fell, and at the end of half-a-mile he had a slight advantage of

Wyvern, who was just in front of Scot Free and Tempest, Prime Warden acting as whipper-in. The field were bunched up well, with the exception of Prime Warden, as they ran over the next furlong, but Awarua Rose then, took command, with Scot Free, Wyvern, and Tempest most prominent of the others. The lot again took close order soon afterwards, and Prime Warden drew into the middle of the ruck. It was anybody's race when the home turn was rounded, but half-way up Clanranald came along on the outside, and won, with nothing to spare, by a short length from Tempest, who was only a head in front of Wyvern, with Prime Warden but a neck behind Mr Hungerford's horse. The dividends paid on Clanranald (who was bred by the N.Z. Stud Co., and is by St. Leger out of Escutcheon's defunct half-sister Scottish Lassie) were £3 7s. inside and £2 12s. outside.

The Novel Handicap of 70sovs, one mile, did not evoke much excitement. There were nine starters, and the "resurrected" Francotte (who is by Musket out of L'Orient, is owned by Mr J. Stephenson, and has in previous years shown himself a very speedy horse) was made favourite. He didn't get a place, the winner being the Dunedin-owned Rothamstead, 7.10, with Langley, 7.5, second and Stonehenge, 8.6, third. Rothamstead is by Gorton out of Hippo—a not the dam of St. Hippo, but a half-sister to Beadonwell's dam Dione. The dividends were £8 4s. and £5 19s.

The capital field of a dozen mustered for the Domain Handicap of 100sovs, six furlongs, Kate Greenaway, 7.10, being made favourite. Lady Zetland, 8.4, and Forbury, 7.7, were also well supported by the partisans of their respective stables. Forbury, who was smartest at beginning, went (as above mentioned) in the ditch when leading. This left Paramu, 7.12, in front, and he was being challenged by Reflection, when the daughter of Tasman also went into the ditch. Lady Zetland then came through, and holding her own to the end won easily by a length and a-half from Glencairn, 7.2, and Tangi Maid, 6.12, gained third place. Dividends—£6 9s. and £7 19s.

Though weight for age races are not as a rule popular in this colony, the four furlongs weight for age race, the Railway Plate of 100sovs at the D.J.C. Autumn Meeting generally seems to furnish a good contest. On this occasion particular interest attached to the meeting of Scrowan and Response and as the conditions of the race do not provide for penalties, the colt was simply giving the filly 3lb. After running had been made by the outsider of the crowd, Roseguard, Response, who had been lying last, came up to Roseguard and Strowan, who were in the van. Roseguard gave way, but Strowan kept on till challenged by Response, and after a good finish Mr O'Brien's filly beat him a length. Persuasion was a good third. The half-mile was cut out in 50½sec, and the dividends were £3 11s. inside and £3 6s. outside.

Seven were weighed out for the Suburban Welter Handicap of 100sovs, one mile and a furlong, and most money went on to The Lumper, 8.10, and Frivolity, 8.3. Backers made no mistake for the pair had the finish between them. Frivolity, who was ridden by Clark, beating The Lumper, who was ridden by Derrett, by half a length. Both are sons of Cadogan, Frivolity being out of Nonsense, who was such a rattling good two-year-old. Au Revoir, with 8.10 up, was third. Dividends—£5 5s. and £4 9s.

Langley, who was favourite for the Post Stakes of 20sovs, six furlongs, brought the day's sport to a conclusion by winning that event. Lady Mab was second and Pennine third.

£6936 went through the totalisators.

THIRD DAY—SATURDAY, FEB. 25.

The weather was once more fine, and the attendance was very good. The Hurdle Race of 100sovs, two miles and a quarter, which commenced the card, only brought a quartette to the post, viz., Maggie 12.5, Rebel 11.5, Erin-go-bragh 11.0, and Moonlight 9.2. Maggie was favourite, and he and Rebel made all the running up to half a mile from home, where Maggie had had enough, and Rebel going on won by two lengths. The dividend was £3 12s on both machines.

The Hopeful Stakes Handicap of 120 sovs, 6 furlongs, for two and three-year-olds, was a capital betting race. The starters were Vogengang 8.10, Response 8.10, Saracen 8.5, Beadonwell 8.2, Persuasion 7.7, Au Revoir 7.2, and Rosehill 6.12. It was a great betting race, for Response, Saracen, Vogengang and Beadonwell were all pretty equally be-





# All-round Sport

By "MILO."

## COMING EVENTS.

March 4—Auckland Yacht Club Races  
March 11—Auckland Yacht Club Picnic  
March 25—Polo Tournament  
March 25—A.A.A. Club's Summer Meeting

## CRICKET DATES.

SENIOR—  
March 4 & 11—Auckland v. Onslow; Parnell v. Gordon  
SECOND JUNIOR—  
March 4 & 11—Pitt-street Mutual v. Grammar School;  
Belmont v. Roller Mills. Educational  
Chambers stand out.

## Cricket.

**GORDON V. AUCKLAND**—Although Gordon beat Auckland on Saturday last by 30 runs on the first innings it was really only the last two wickets that won the match for them. Goulstone played a fine innings for 20.

Arthur Williamson, who has just been promoted from the second eleven, is a youngster of great promise, and with care should become a first-class batsman. His 12 was got in a very taking manner. Felix Kelly made 14 in his own peculiar style, and Kenderine was again not out with 9 to his credit. Bob Mills bowled with great success, and with a wicket-keeper to help him the result of the match would probably have been different.

Auckland's seven wickets for 34 runs was a very poor display of cricket, Kelly's trundling being evidently too much for them.

**UNITED V. PARNELL**—In the United—Parnell match, United won by 61 on the first innings. Charlie Harvey evidently had a day out, making 41 before he put his leg where his bat ought to have been. Stenson had his proverbial luck in making his 10 runs, being caught and bowled by Holle off a "no ball." McCormack foolishly ran himself out just as he appeared well set, having scored 12. Carlton Hay played a nice free innings for his 12 not out.

Parnell scored 55 for 4 wickets in the second innings, Holle playing in a very taking manner for 15 not out. Young Dug Hay captured all the Parnell wickets.

An important alteration in the rules which govern the competition for the Sheffield Shield was made at a recent meeting of the Australian Cricket Council. It is that the colony which wins the most matches shall hold the trophy, or, in the event of a tie, by the average system.

W. Bruce and H. Trumble will sail for England from Melbourne by the Orient Company's steamer Ophir, leaving on Saturday next. Both players are anxious to visit Scotland before they settle down to work as members of the Australian eleven, hence their departure a fortnight before the rest of the team.

The Christchurch Bowling Club at a special meeting they held on Saturday night, unanimously resolved to withdraw from the New Zealand Bowling Association. An amendment to postpone the question for three months was negatived, only the proposer and seconder voting for it. The chief argument in support of the proposed withdrawal was that members of the clubs where a tournament is to be held are restricted in play in order to have the greens in thorough order, and are then not allowed to play on their own green during the tournament, which also injures the green for subsequent play. It was decided to revert to the former practice of playing friendly inter-club matches in different towns as arranged.

Slavin said recently: "I am prepared to sail for America at a moment's notice providing a decent sum is put up for myself and Goddard, or if the latter cares to come to England I will be pleased to meet him for the National Sporting Club purse. I have backing here for any amount up to £5000, therefore Goddard can net a pretty good sum if he is man enough to beat me."

A cable message to the Melbourne *Argus*, from London, dated February 7, announces the defeat of the ex-New Zealander Billy Murphy. Murphy met Johnnie Griffin at the Coney Island Athletic Club, New York, on the preceding evening, and was beaten in seven rounds. The fight was for 5000 dols. The defeat serves to show that the sturdy New Zealander must be falling off wonderfully. Four years ago he met Griffin—then reckoned one of the best of his class in the States—at the California Athletic Club, in San Francisco, and easily finished him in three rounds. This was on the occasion of his first visit to the States, but now we find that Griffin has revenge.

Tommy Williams, after a stay of eleven

months in England, has left there for America

I clip the following from the Sydney *Referee* of February 15th:—"Mr Baker, captain of the Auckland (N.Z.) Swimming Club, now on a visit to our city, chiefly for the good of his health, has during his stay opened up the question of a team of N.S.W. swimmers visiting Maoriland about this time next year. The suggestion has met with the hearty approval of a number of the boys who have heard of it, some of whom will no doubt prepare themselves for the trip. Mr Baker, in company with the hon. sec. of the Association, visited Balmain on Saturday last, the day of that club's carnival, and so had an excellent opportunity of gauging the relative speed of a number of our men. After seeing our champion, Gormly, annex the 300yds Championship of the colony, he ventured to say, in answer to a question, that, fit and well, he really believed their champion, Bailey, would be a thorn in the side of our pet. As Mr Baker is a man possessed of more than the ordinary amount of common sense, and was speaking unreservedly, it only goes to show what a magnificent struggle would be seen should the two cracks meet. Personally I would have no hesitation in saying that the man is not built who could call our Paddy down at any distance over 100yds, and in saying so I do not wish to discredit our New Zealand friend, as he has proved himself a Trojan at all distances. Mr B. was not much taken with the style of our swimmers, none of whom, he says, swim as gracefully as his boys over there. This may be so, but they get there all the same, and that's the main point. My remarks in the last issue of this paper about the controversy in New Zealand over the change of headquarters of the Association are fully borne out by Mr B., who says that to carry out the proposed change of venue would mean literally a collapse in the New Zealand swimming world. Let us hope the Christchurch swimmers will see the utility of letting well alone."

The American Polo Association have invited the players of Hurlingham and other leading clubs in England and Europe to visit America next summer to play a series of international polo matches.

His Royal Highness the Maharajah of Cooch Behar, owner of Highborn and other horses, intends to visit Australia shortly with a team of polo players. The ponies will arrive next month, and the players will follow shortly afterwards. The team consists of the following:—H.R.H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar, the Hon. C. R. Beresford, and Captains Croode, Crawley, Hanwell and Le Gallais. They will bring about thirty-six ponies, and will play in each of the three colonies.

Sam Matthews, proprietor of the California Club, Sydney, has accepted a liberal offer from the Coney Island Athletic Club, New York, and has decided to return to the States.

The doctor who discovered that John L. Sullivan was suffering from fatty degeneration of the heart made the following report:—"It might be going a trifle too far to say that the disease has made much progress as yet, but it certainly has started, and it all depends on Sullivan himself how far it goes. If he lives moderately and temperately, refraining from all undue excitements and violent exertions, he may go along very comfortably for years; but if he indulges in excesses of any kind, especially liquid excesses, including water, he is liable to drop dead at any moment."

"Jason," of the *Canterbury Times*, alluding to the Single Scull Championship at the Lake Forsyth (Canterbury) Meeting, in which the Aucklander Keefe competed, says:—"Keefe, of Auckland; McGrath, of Dunedin; Daly, of Canterbury; and Young, of Wellington, were the starters. I must say that Keefe has had cruel luck all through. First, his own boat was smashed coming down from Auckland; then, after having the Union Club's shell placed at his disposal, and altered and done up to suit him, it was discovered on taking off the cover at the Lake, that the boat was seriously damaged in several places. The box compartment contained three gaping cracks, and both forward and aft the cedar was split. Norton fixed up the injured parts to the best of his ability in the limited space at his disposal, but it was all for nothing, for the boat would not stand racing. It is no wonder that Keefe went under in the first dozen strokes. Even in smooth water I question very much whether the boat would have carried him home. Of the other three, McGrath proved much the best waterman, and was an easy

winner. Young went down a quarter of a mile from the start; but Daly, I reckon, accomplished a most meritorious performance in reaching the finish in a boat the canvas portions of which were under water. It is impossible to speak of the respective merits of the men, for there is nothing to go by, as there was no racing. But judging by the form of the men as they left the staging I should say that Keefe is a sculler of considerable dash, that McGrath is faster than his awkward untaking style would lead one to suspect, that Daly has much to learn in wagger boat racing, and that Young is quite a novice at the game." I may remark that the weather was most unpropitious all through the day, and after four events had been decided the rest had to be postponed till the evening.

The Double Sculling Championship of New Zealand, one mile and a half, first prize £12, second £3, at the above regatta was won by the Union (Christ church) Rowing Club, who beat the Canterbury Rowing Club by a length. The Wellington Rowing Club finished third, the only other crew that competed being the Star (Wellington) Boating Club. The regatta was continued on the following day on the Waimakariri River, under more favourable auspices. Keefe was not a competitor. The Four-oared Championship of New Zealand; first prize £50, second £10, 2 miles, fell to the Lyttelton Rowing Club, who won by a little over two lengths from the Union R.C., with the Wellington R.C. third. The Canterbury R.C. and Star B.C. were the other competitors.

The following paragraph, taken from the Boston *Police News*, may interest some of my readers:—"The prospects of an International Athletic Carnival at the World's Fair in Chicago next year are growing better every day. The Amateur Athletic Union has finally aroused itself to a point of action, and sent circulars all over the world requesting entries. It is proposed to hold a handicap meeting, which will be followed by a champion tournament, open to the world. These are to be held some time during the month of September, and, as all the colleges in the country are taking a great interest in the project, and athletes themselves are looking forward to the tournament, there is little question that it will be the greatest athletic carnival the world has ever seen. The local management is to be in the hands of the Chicago Athletic Club, which has ample facilities. Its club-house is said to be the most complete and most sumptuously furnished in this country, and its members are all men of prominence and standing in Chicago. This World's Fair meeting comes up just at a time when all England is stirred up over a proposed Pan-Britannic and Anglo-Saxon Olympiad. It would add great importance to our championship if it were possible to combine the two meetings at Chicago. American sport needs the flavour of International competition more than any other feature."

Mr E. Cavill, the champion swimmer of Australia, accompanied by Mr. M. McMurdo, his manager, arrived from Sydney by the Te Anau on Saturday last en route for Chicago. It is Mr. Cavill's intention to give exhibitions in the various centres in the Colony.

The members of the Auckland Amateur Athletic and Cycle Club are reminded that the entries for the March meeting close at the British Hotel on Saturday next, March 4th. Particulars of the events to be entered for appear in another column.

The Domain on an evening now presents quite an animated appearance, there being fully some seventy runners in work.

It is said that a number of new cyclists will compete at the March meeting of the A.A. Club, and amongst others are mentioned Messrs. Uphill and Esam.

Sammy Goodman has, as usual, a large string in hand—good, bad, and indifferent.

It is time "Buff" Laird started training if he wants to win the ¼ Championship.

J. H. Buchanan is, as usual, in the hands of J. G. Lecky, and, fit and well, I think the ¼ is all over.

I am given to understand that the committee of the A.A.C. have under consideration the desirability of licensing trainers. A step, I think, in the right direction.

Mr C. H. Croxton, the hon. treasurer of the N.Z.A.A. Association, passed through Auckland last week, and whilst here he met the committee of the local club and discussed matters with them.

The profit over the last Championship Meeting was £97, divided equally between the Association and the Wellington A.A. Club.

The next Championship Meeting will probably be held at Timaru on February, 1894.

It is on the cards that a N.Z. athletic team will be sent to Australia next year.

The Auckland Athletic Club intend this meeting to take stringent measures with regard to the betting evil.

C. Weston, the well-known sprinter, is expected back in time to take part in the March meeting here.

Athletes are wondering whether the two budding solicitors intend making a book this meeting.

The final competition for the Auckland Lawn Tennis Championship was played off on the Eden and Epsom Tennis Lawn on Saturday last in the presence of a large number of spectators. Messrs. Hooper and Stevenson were the competitors. Mr Hooper won the first set by 6 to 3, and he also won the next by 6 to 4. At one time in the third set Mr Stevenson played so well that the score was 5 all, but Mr Hooper again asserted himself at the finish and won the set by 7 to 5. He thus won the championship for the second time, and retains possession of the cup for another year.

In view of the approaching competition for the Saville Cup, a polo match was played on Saturday at Potter's Paddock between teams of the Auckland Club, chosen as under:—1st team—Messrs. O'Rorke (capt.), Purchas, Lockhart and Colegrove. 2nd team—Messrs. Whewell, Forbes, Stewart and Wynyard. No. 1 team beat No. 2 team by 4 goals to 1, Mr O'Rorke scoring 3 goals and Mr Colegrove one. Mr Whewell scored the only goal obtained for the other team. There was a large attendance, and afternoon tea was, as usual, provided by the ladies. The play was very fast, and altogether it was a most enjoyable afternoon's sport.

The St. George's Rowing Club will hold another set of Trial Fours on the 11th inst. for the trophies presented by Mr H. Johnston, one of the Club's oldest members. Mr C. F. Thomas, the hon. coach, has presented the Club with a very handsome silver challenge cup, open to any two members to compete for, which will be rowed for in pair-oared outriggers. The cup is on view at Partridge and Woollams, Queen-street.

St. Georges are sending a couple of gig crews to Gisborne at Easter, where they will also meet Napier crews, and, I also hear, a crew from the Auckland Rowing Club. The date is not yet definitely settled. St. George's also intended to compete in the whalebone races at the Waitara Regatta to be held on the 8th inst., but two of the crew could not get away.

Mr R. N. Thomas, the Canterbury athlete, will be a competitor at the March Meeting of the A.A.A.C. Mr Thomas competed at the last Championship Meeting in Wellington, winning the one mile walk, and getting second in the three mile ditto. As Thomas has never met Burton, a contest between the two will be worth going a long way to see.

Mr John Baker, the captain of the Auckland Swimming Club, returned from Sydney by the Te Anau last Saturday, and informs us that he had a rosy trip. The Sydney swimmers vied with each other in doing him honour, and interviews, honorary elections, banquets, etc., were the order of the day. The Sydney folks intend visiting us with a team of eight and two directors in January next year, when no doubt our swimmers will reciprocate their hospitality. Mr Baker was present at the Balmain carnival, and saw the renowned Gormley and his particular style of stroke, and witnessed several events in the far-famed Natatorium. He says, although their men have more grace than ours, they can teach us nothing in the management of galas. Cavill, a prominent professional, was a fellow passenger with the Auckland captain. Cavill fell in at the Albert-street Bath, and swims fast and clean, leaving little wash. He swims face downwards, and breathes without any effort, which shows swimming can be accomplished without endeavouring to imitate a grampus. In regard to style Pannell is much his superior. Cavill has applied for the use of the Calliope Dock, and intends touring New Zealand.

The Waiuku Swimming Sports went off very well. Mercer follows suit in a fortnight with its annual fixture on the noble Waikato.

Test races were held to decide who should go South to compete for championship honours. The 220yds were swum off on Monday, Bailey, Nicholson, Scott, and Upton competing. Bailey won as expected. Time, 3min 11 3-5th sec. The 440yds took place the following evening with the same entrants,



Bailey again winning, with Nicholson second and Upton a close third. Upton swam splendidly, and received an ovation when finishing just a length behind Nicholson. Bailey will proceed South. Mr St. Clair, the energetic secretary of the New Zealand Swimming Association, has received a hearty invitation from the Sydney swimmers to visit their city.

Auckland Kennel Club's Show.

(By "FANCIER.")

FOR a first attempt the dog show held in the Drill Shed on Friday and Saturday did credit to the hearts and brains of those enthusiasts who had the management of it. I had seen many of the shows held in other parts of the colony, but knowing that the Aucklanders were, so to speak, "rather raw at the game," and that there were not many canine fanciers here as compared with the strength of the population that devote their attention to other branches of sport, I was certainly not prepared to see such a creditable lot of exhibits. True, some classes were very weak both in quantity and quality, but there were on the other hand several classes that made up in quality for what was lacking in quantity, and would have held their own in any show in the colonies, by which term, of course, I include Australia with New Zealand. The arrangements for the conduct of the show reflected great credit on those who had the management of them, the dogs were well benched; a liberal supply of food and water was given them, and they all seemed happy and contented under surroundings that must have been somewhat novel to them. Not only were there many Auckland exhibitors, but from the South there came several exhibits, who, I am pleased to state, took a fair share of the prize money. The total strength of those exhibited was 170, exclusive of puppies shown with their dams and of the special exhibit of hounds made by the Pakuranga Hunt Club. Mr Watson, of Gisborne, who so ably officiated at the last dog show held in Wellington, judged all the classes but the collies, in which Mr A. A. White, of Auckland, made the awards, and both gentlemen seemed to give general satisfaction, though of course there will always be a number of grumblers at any competition of this sort. However, it is pleasant to record that on this occasion the grumblers were in a decided minority.

The attendance on both days was a capital one, and specially on Saturday evening, when the drill-shed was so crowded that locomotion was somewhat difficult.

Taking the classes in the order as catalogued, I first of all come to the mastiffs, with which, as a whole, I was disappointed. None of them seemed to have that commanding appearance about them which a connoisseur generally associates with this class of dog. The Newfoundlands, too, were poor in quantity, only three being shown, and I was inclined to think that the winner, Mr J. Lamberg's Pluto, should have changed places with Mr Pannell's Rover, who was placed second. Undeniably Pluto was a bigger and better footed dog than the other, and this probably influenced the judge to a great extent. The St. Bernards were not a strong lot in numbers, neither was the quality much in the aggregate. The winner among the dogs was certainly, I thought, the best of the bunch, but neither of the two bitches exhibited was considered by the judge to be good enough for a first prize, a "second" being awarded to Mr A. Tarlin's Gip. Only two dogs under 12 months were shown, and Mr A. Tarlin's Rover got a first award.

Considering that coursing has not so far gained much hold on the affections of Aucklanders, the muster of greyhounds was, in point of number, very creditable, but some of them were most distinctly outclassed. In the dog class Mr W. T. Carroll gained the first and special prizes with Clarence Rose, Comet being placed second and Union Jack II. third. Mr R. Barber's Roe came out first among the bitches (there being only three exhibited), and Messrs L. and L. Castleberg's Memphis beat three others—and they were a very even lot—in the class for dogs under 12 months. In the class for dogs under six months, Mr T. Richards was the sole exhibitor with Paris, who got a "commended" ticket.

A fine lot were the Retrievers taken all round, though there were less of them than we expected to see. Mr Martin's Rover was the only exhibit among the

wavy coated black dogs, and he got first prize and "special." Only three bitches were shown in this class. Mr Littlejohn taking first and second prizes. There was only one curly-coated black dog benched—Mr T. Jenkins' Cinico—and he got first prize. In "any other variety" the trio shown were excellent types, and a first, a second, and a third were awarded.

The Pointer dogs were a nice class indeed. Mr J. H. Dixon took first and second with Bang out of five exhibits, but though there was one entry for dogs under 12 months and one for bitches of the same age both were absent.

The Setters made one of the nicest features of the show. Among the English (black, black and white, or black, white and tan) Mr J. Hunter's Pinfire took the first prize for dogs through his two opponents being entered in the wrong class. The lemon and whites, liver and whites or whites, attracted a lot of attention from lovers of this breed, and they well deserved it. In the class for champion dog or bitch, Mrs. F. W. Maddox gained the first and special with The Baron, who has now a big record to his credit, comprising among other souvenirs a first at the Victorian Kennel Club's Show in 1890; 1st prize (special and silver cup) at Wellington in 1891; 1st and special at Dunedin, 1891; 1st, Napier, 1891; 1st and special, Wellington, 1892; 1st and special, Blenheim, 1892; and 1st, Christchurch, 1892. There was only one exhibit in the open class for dogs, and it took a first prize, and out of three bitches Mr A. W. Chatfield's Juno deserved her award. The solitary dog under 12 months that was shown was given a "first" ticket.

The Irish Setters showed up well except in the classes for young 'uns, and the same remarks may be applied to the class for Gordon setters.

A good many of the collies catalogued never showed up, and at this I was somewhat surprised, for I thought that this useful class of dog—useful especially to sheep farmers—would have been a lot more in evidence in this district. In the dog's class Mr W. H. Cooper's Donald put down three opponents, the second best being the property of Mr Rudolph Wark, of Christchurch. Mr Wark was, however, first in the class for bitches. The rest of the classes for collies received but very scant patronage.

I was not much impressed with some of the Spaniels shown, and decidedly the best classes among this description of dog were the "field" spaniels and the "liver, liver and white or lemon and white"—particularly the latter. Out of eight dogs exhibited therein three were "very highly commended," in addition to the first, second and third placings, and right well did they deserve it.

The bull dogs were not a good lot by any means, but I was much taken with the chief prize winners in the Fox Terrier class. Peri and Koko are a brace of "hummers," and would, I think, make a perfect nick if their owners would match them. The open class for bitches contained one or two handsome animals, though the Skye terriers only numbered four, they were an even lot. I hope to see more of this useful little class on a future occasion. Mr Askew, of Nelson, exhibited a particularly attractive toy terrier.

We were surprised there were no poodles shown, and there were only a couple of pugs exhibited. Fourteen dogs of different kinds were shown for exhibition only exclusive of a set of beagles kindly lent to the club for the occasion by Mr W. Percival, the Master of the Pakuranga Hunt Club. These attracted great attention from the visitors, as did also the champion greyhound sire Blue Cap.

Appended is the prize list:—

MASTIFFS.—Champion dog or bitch: Mr H. J. Rodgers' Waihora Die, 1. Open class, dog: Mrs Georgina Rodgers' Admiral, 1; Mr Burgess' Colonel II., 2; Mr G. Wright's Leo, 3. Open class, dog under 12 months: Mr H. J. Rodgers' Marshall, 1. Open class, bitch under 12 months: Mr H. J. Rodgers' Countess, 1; Mr H. J. Rodgers' Princess, 2.

NEWFOUNDLANDS.—Open class, dog: Mr J. Lamberg's Pluto, 1; Professor J. G. Pannell's Rover, 2.

ST. BERNARDS.—Open class, dog: Mrs Mary Skardon's Lion, 1; Mr W. A. Craig's Lion, 2; Mr Chas. Bailey's jun., Victor, 3; Mr W. Colinson's Alpine, v.h.c. Open class, bitch: Mr Alfred Tarlin's Gip, 1. Open class, dog under 12 months: Mr Alfred Tarlin's Rover, 1.

GREYHOUNDS.—Open class, dog: Mr Wm. Thomas Carroll's Clarence Rose, 1; Mr Robert Hill's Comet, 2; Mr J. Wakefield's Union Jack II., 3; Mr Thomas McEwin's Blue Peter, v.h.c. Open class, bitch: Mr Robert Barber's Roe, 1; Mr Lindon Brenan's Little May, 2; Mr Clarence Potter's Lass, 3. Open class, dog under 12 months: L. and J. Castleberg's Memphis, 1; Mr A. Evans' Snowflake, 2; Mr J. Wakefield's Sailor, 3; Mr J. Wakefield's Ensign, h.c. Open

class, dog under 6 months: Mr Thomas Richards' Paris, c.

RETRIEVERS.—Wavy-coated, black: Open class, dog, Mr James Martin's Rover. Open class, bitch, Mr William Henry Littlejohn's Bess, 1; Mr William Henry Littlejohn's Nell, 2. Curly-coated, black: Open class, dog, Mr Thos. Jenkins' Cruiso, 1. Any other variety, retriever: Open class, dog: Mr James A. Cooper's Bingoi, 1; Mr Thomas W. Jones' Duke, 2; Mr D. W. Richmond's Bosun II., 3.

POINTERS.—Open class, dog: Mr John H. Dixon's Bang, 1; Mr R. J. Hasted's Quill, 2; Mr Alfred W. Chatfield's Bang, 3; Mr Horace Walker's Ranger, h.c.

SETTERS.—English, black, black and white, or black, white and tan: Open class, dog, Mr Jas. Hunter's Pinfire, 1. Lemon and white, liver and white, or white: champion dog or bitch, Mrs F. W. Maddox's The Baron, 1. Open class, dog, Mr William M. White's Prince, 1. Open class, bitch, Mr Alfred W. Chatfield's Juno, 1; Mr E. Wood's Juno, 2. Open class, dog under 12 months, Mr George Hood's Dandy, 1. Irish: Open class, dog, Mr Herbert Marshall's Rufus, 1; Mr C. M. Watson's Ranger, 2; Mr Robert D. Lockhart's Shot, 3; Mr J. Kelso's Shot, v.h.c.; Mr J. Newell's Ranger, c. Open class, bitch, Mr Mack's Gip, 1; Mr Jas. Ansenne's Sappho, 2. Mr S. J. Neel's Flo II., 3; Mr Harry Kinder's Di, c. Open class, dog under 12 months, Miss Alma Wallace's Rex, 1. Open class, bitch under 12 months, Master John Andrew's Belle, 1; Master John Andrew's Nora, 2. Gordon: Open class, dog, Mr Wm. Forgie's Lance, 1; Messrs Johnstone and Forgie's Windsor Major, 2; Mr Edward James Harvey's Shot, 3. Open class, bitch: Mr R. S. Martin's Sappho, 1. Open class, dog under 12 months: Mr G. B. Beere's Grouse II., 1; Mr C. H. Sexton's Rock, 2.

COLLIES.—Rough-coated (Scotch): Open class, dogs, Mr W. H. Cooper's Donald, 1st and special; Mr Rudolph Wark's Young England, 2,3,5,0; Mr J. Morran's Fido, 3. Open class, bitch, Mr Rudolph Wark's Ormskirk Stella, 1; Mr Andrew McLeod's Jep, 2; Mr Wm. Roseman's Tui, 3; Mr T. A. Bridson's Floss, h.c. Open class, dog under 6 months, Master H. Cotter's Gus II., 1. Open class, bitch under 6 months, Miss A. M. Cooper's Massie, 1; Master Cecil Grainger's Juno, 2. Smooth-coated (Scotch): Open class, dog, Mr Wm. G. Phillipps' Ginger, 1.

SPANIELS.—Clumber: Open class, dog, Mr W. W. Phillipps' Ponto, 1; Mr Seymour Beale's Patch, 2; Mr Percy Langton's Toss, 3; Mr W. Jones' Dash, c. Cocker: Open class, dog, Mrs H. Bryan's Tory, 3. Open class, bitch, Mr Wm. Bines' Flo, 1; Mr Charles Bartley's Flow, 2. Open class, bitch under 12 months, Mr Edward James Harvey's Gipsy, 1; Mr C. I. James' Cloe, 2; Mr C. I. James' Gip, 3. Field: Open class, dog, Mr W. H. Hitchcock's Spring, 1; Mr E. Monk's Taipo, 2; Mr J. E. Anderson's Earl, 3; Mr P. Macalister's Maori Nigger, v.h.c. Open class, bitch, Mr P. Macalister's Maori Neil, 1; Mr J. Douglas' Nell, 2; Mr Wm. H. Hitchcock's Gip, 3; Mr E. T. Oldum's Merry Duchess, v.h.c. Black and white, or black, white, and tan: Open class, dog, Mr F. A. Fenton's Smoker, 1. Liver, liver and white, or lemon and white: Open class, dog, Mr P. M. Thomson's Dash, 1; Mr W. Forgie's Squib, 2; Mr H. Hickson's Skipper, 3; Mr J. M. Phelan's Zulu, v.h.c.; Mr P. Macalister's Maori King, v.h.c.; Mr J. C. Dickinson's Shot, v.h.c.; Mr James B. Fairs' Steadfast, v.h.c. Open class, bitch, Mr A. W. Chatfield's Vic II., 1; Professor J. G. Pannell's Lady, 2. Open class, dogs under 12 months, Mr E. Lowe's Bruno, 1.

BULL DOGS.—Open class, Mr J. D. Williamson's Donald Dinnie, 1; Mr A. R. Mackellar's Master Patch, 2. Open class, bitch, Mr Charles Flannery's Sib, 1.

TERRIERS.—Fox: Champion dog or bitch, Mr F. Rogers' Peri, 1. Open class, dog, Mr W. E. Outhwaite's Koko, 1; Mr T. Shewring's Crib No. 2, 2. Open class, bitch, Mr T. Shewring's Moe, 1; Mr John Kelso's Spot, 2; Mr Bertie McEwin's Fan, 3; Mr T. Shewring's Daisy, v.h.c.; Mr A. W. Morrin's Sting, h.c. Best team: Mr T. Shewring's Moe (fox terrier); Crib No. 2; Daisy, 1. Irish: Open class, dog, Mr W. H. Sefton Moorhouse's Con Cregan, 1; Mr W. H. Sefton Moorhouse's Barry Lindon, 2. Skye: Open class, dog, Mr Harry Maxfield's Pepper, 1. Open class, bitch, Mr D. Quinn's Duchess, 1. Open class, dog (under 12 months), Mr James Andrew Whitson's Chico, 1; Mr Alex. Schultze's Snider, 2. Rough coated: Open class, bitch, Mr W. C. Walker's Nukei, 1. Toy: Champion dog or bitch, Mr T. A. Askew's Avon Nana, 1.

PUGS.—Open class, dog, Mr R. P. Dix's Prince, 1. Open class, bitch, Mr R. Dix's Topsy, 1.

The special prizes were awarded as under:—

The New Zealand Kennel Club's trophy £6, for the best dog in the show: Mr W. W. Phillipps' Clumber dog Ponto. Mr A. Cleave's prize: Mr H. J. Rodgers' mastiff bitch Waihora. Messrs J. and J. Dickey's prize: Mr J. Lamberg's Newfoundland Pluto. Messrs E. Partidge and Co.'s prize: Mrs Mary Skardon's St. Bernard, Lion. Messrs Cruickshank and Miller's prize: Mr Thomas Carroll's greyhound Clarence Rose. Mr W. H. Hazard's prize: Mr James Martin's black retriever Rover. Mr F. Sharland's prize: Mr John H. Dickson's pointer dog Bang. Mr J. R. Hanna's prize: Mrs F. W. Maddox's setter The Baron. Messrs T. and S. Morrin and Co.'s prize: Mr W. W. Phillipps' Clumber dog Ponto. Mr A. Tyler's prize: Mr J. D. Williamson's bulldog Donald Dinnie. Mr F. Edwards' prize: Mr F. Rogers' champion fox terrier Peri. Mr Goodson's prize: Mr W. C. Walker's Scotch terrier Nukei. Mr H. Kohn's prize: Mr J. D. Williamson's dog Sancho.

Mr "J. B. Clark's" string, which arrived at Flemington on Feb. 10th, consists of Autonomy, Camoola, Projectile, Warpaint, Arquebus, Madras, Malabar II., and Vestatia.

The famous sire Barcaldine, by Solon out of Ballyroe, died recently at Newmarket, England, of abscess on the lungs. He was bred in 1878 by Mr Low, of Roscommon. He was never beaten during his turf career. Perhaps one of his best wins was in the Westminster Cup at Kempton Park, wherein he defeated the famous Tristan, also Wallenstein and Lucerne.

Weights, etc.

V.R.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

Table with columns for race names, distances, and weights. Includes sections for 'ACCEPTANCES' and 'THE AUSTRALIAN CUP OF 1500 SOVS.' with various horse names and their respective weights.

Table for 'HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING' showing 'ACCEPTANCES' for 'HAWKE'S BAY CUP OF 400 SOVS.' with horse names and weights.

Table for 'RAILWAY STAKES HANDICAP OF 125 SOVS.' showing 'ACCEPTANCES' with horse names and weights.

Table for 'NOMINATIONS' for 'TRIAL HANDICAP OF 30 SOVS.' and 'PACIFIC HANDICAP OF 30 SOVS.' with horse names and weights.

Table for 'NOMINATIONS' for 'FAREWELL HANDICAP OF 70 SOVS.' and 'BURKE MEMORIAL STAKES OF 200 SOVS.' with horse names and weights.

Table for 'NOMINATIONS' for 'AUTUMN HANDICAP OF 100 SOVS.' and 'FIRST HURDLE RACE OF 100 SOVS.' with horse names and weights.

Table for 'NOMINATIONS' for 'JUVENILE HANDICAP OF 75 SOVS.' with horse names and weights.

Table for 'WANGANUI CUP—FINAL PAYMENTS' showing horse names and their final weights.

PAPAKURA RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING

Table for 'PAPAKURA RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING' showing 'NOMINATIONS' for 'MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP OF 25 SOVS.' and 'PAPAKURA CUP HANDICAP OF 60 SOVS.' with horse names and weights.

ON SLOW TROTTER CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

Table for 'ON SLOW TROTTER CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING' showing 'HANDICAP MAIDEN TROT OF 25 SOVS.' and 'HANDICAP MAIDEN PONY RACE OF 15 SOVS.' with horse names and weights.



Personalities.

I hear that Ted Binney is in heavy training for the Ladies' Bracelet at the coming Athletic Sports. Who is the fair and lucky nominee, Ted?

The ever-popular Austin Smith is again in training for the Amateur Sports. This is his first appearance since he joined the Benedicts. We wish him every success.

What price Fred, Murray after his performance at the North Shore meeting? It is understood he is backing himself heavily, but we think he would be more at home among the forwards on the football field.

Albie Braund joined the Benedicts last week, but as he is residing in Ponsonby the Blue and Black will still have his services. Well done, Jewel!

Ask Reg. Clayton for the winning double on Newmarket Handicap and Australian Cup. You must do so before Saturday or it will be too late. There is nothing in being told when it is all over.

What price "Vic." Langsford for the Ladies' Bracelet at the coming sports? "Vic." seems to be off sports ever since the committee euhred him out of that 220 yards event at the last March meeting. Hard luck, "Vic."

If you want to know the time of day ask a policeman; but if you want to know how to "kill chickens" ask Fred. A. Clarke of Richmond Road, who is an undoubted authority.

When is Private Secretary Gledhill going to return to Fiji? If he does not do so soon all our Auckland belles will go crazy. That shooting-coat does fetch them so.

E. H. Montgomery left on a holiday trip to Australia by the "Warrimoo" on Saturday last. We wish him good luck and a big time, which no doubt he will have. "Monty" should return well posted with military items.

Ask Mort. Fairs whether he can negotiate cross-country yet. How about Wylie?

Twinline, of the Parnell Football Club, has joined the Victoria Rifles. We thought F. A. T. had had enough of volunteering after his terms in the Engineer Cadets and the Gordon Rifles.

What has become of Brooke-Smythe and his "dog" lately? We have not seen the "doggie" of late.

"Mr" Fred. A. Clarke now conducts the Epiphany Church choir, and the appointment is a most popular one. Fred. is a great favourite with the ladies, but, alas! his courting days are over.

How are the swimming test races coming off? It is just about time we knew who is to represent us at the forthcoming Championship Meeting. Is the genial Bertie Goldwater again going as manager? A better man could not be sent, as "Albie" pulled them through in first-class style last time. Duthie and Bailey should accompany him.

Talking on the aquatic display, what is going to be done with regard to giving a testimonial to H. N. Goldwater for his gallant rescue of Mrs Ewington at the picnic at Motutapu recently? Where are Jackson Palmer and the Humane Society in this case?

It is said that Mr Nordon intends starting in the public schools race (under twelve) at the forthcoming meeting of the Amateur Athletic Club.

Ask Lindsay Cooke to tell the yarn about the two boarders and the chemist.

The local oarsmen, assisted by "Lily Langtry," made things merry for Champion Stanbury at the British Hotel on Saturday evening last.

Among the passengers by the "Warrimoo" to Sydney on Saturday last were Messrs W. J. Geddis and E. H. Montgomery.

Ask "Toots" what she has done with the "white-haired boy."

Mr W. H. Langdown, ex-champion bicyclist of New Zealand, will be a competitor at the March Meeting of the Athletic Club. He is at present in Auckland.

How much did it cost Tom Foley over the recent action with W. C. Walker?

The Dog Show was a great success, thanks to both Charlies (with and without).

If anyone had claimed "Donald" at the price quoted in the catalogue, when would Mr W. H. Cooper have gone home?

Chris. Wilson, the cash bicyclist, intends residing in Auckland for some time.

Mr W. Rathbone is to be married to Miss Lusk on the 13th inst.

When is that running match going to come off between Constables McConnochie and Jones?

Who is the best cricketer in Auckland? Well, ask Stenson.

The local Sports' Protection Association intend making things lively for defaulting members of affiliated clubs.

Rumour has it that Tom Foley intends challenging Mick Keefe for the Sculling Championship of the Waitemata.

Mr H. Mowbray, the well-known athlete, left by the "Gairloch" on Monday for Blenheim, being transferred to another branch of the A.M.P. Society.

Ned McCausland, the well-known footballer, who was over here for a holiday, returned to Sydney by the "Warrimoo."

When is John Abbott going to resign the treasurership of the Queensland Relief Fund, and is he going to nominate "his boy" for the vacancy?

Mr J. R. Hooper won the Tennis Championship with a bit up his sleeve from Mr J. P. Stevenson.

Some "New Coons were in town," especially at the Bank of New Zealand, on Saturday last, when the country boy was taken down for £40.

Miss Nicholson is much fancied for the Ladies' Lawn Tennis Championship.

Among the "sports" in town there was a good deal of consternation on Tuesday when they read their paper, for they observed that "Jack Gallagher" had been taken to *durance vile* and then bailed out for using obscene language. We all thought it was "Jack" of the "British," and we wondered if he had been engaging in some of those "scraps" he is so eloquent about. But it wasn't "Jack" after all, and we're looking for his "disclaimer" at an early date in our correspondence column.

Jack Rae got a fall off the Marechal Neil at Taranaki races, and Dan McLeod, the horse's owner, "fell" at the same time, but in a different way.

"Johnny" Hands is back amongst us again, after having sold out of the Ponsonby Hotel and having a trip down South. He enters into possession of a hotel at Hunterville at an early date.

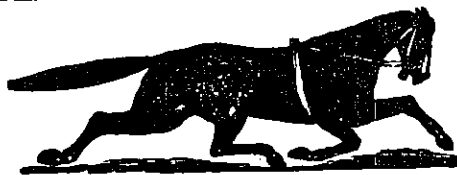
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PROGRAMME.

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2—FLYING.—First prize, £5; second, £1. Straight run 1/2 mile. To start at 11.30 a.m.
3—JUNIORS.—Crews under 21. First prize, £6; second £1. 1 1/2 mile. To start at noon.
4—LADIES' WHALEBOAT.—First prize, trophy valued at £5; second prize, trophy valued at £2. 1/2 mile. To start at 12.30 p.m.
5—CHAMPION.—First prize, £20, and £5 5s. trophy; second prize, £5. 3 miles. To start at 1 p.m.
6—SAILING RACE.—First prize, £5; second prize, £1. 1 1/2 miles. To start at 1.30 p.m.
7—FANCY DRESS WHALEBOATS.—First prize, £5; second prize, £1. Fancy dress to be described on the card. For crews not entered in any other race in the regatta. To start at 1.40 p.m.
8—ALL-COMERS.—First prize, £10; second prize, £2. Winners of the Champion Race are debarred. 2 miles. To start at 1.50 p.m.
9—VETERANS.—First prize, £4; second prize, £1. For crews over 40. To start at 2.30 p.m.
10—MAORI CANOES.—First prize, £3; second prize, £1. To start at 3 p.m.
11—SWIMMING CHAMPION RACE.—200 yards. First prize, trophies valued at 30s.; second prize, 15s. To start at 3.30 p.m.
12—SWIMMING HANDICAP.—150 yards. First prize, £1; second prize, 10s. To start at 3.40 p.m.
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