

Manawatu, 12.10; W. Pringle, Wellington, 12.2; T. Hiroa, Hawke's Bay, 12.7; W. McKenzie, Wairarapa, 13.0; Gardiner, South Canterbury, 11.4; T. R. Ellison, Wellington, 13.8; C. Speight, Auckland, 12.5; F. Murray, Auckland, 13.4. Emergencies—Back: A Bayly, Taranaki. Forwards: Mowlem, Manawatu; Howard, Hawke's Bay. Only 18 out of 20 men have been selected, it being uncertain whether a certain couple can obtain leave.

For City Second the scorers were Willis (2) and Leikis (1).

Owing to the wet state of the ball none of the City Second tries were converted.

Mr Twiname acted as referee in the junior match between City and Newton.

City Second beat Newton on Saturday by 6 points to 5.

The biggest surprise of all on Saturday last was the fact of Grafton making a draw with City. The day had all to do with it.

Parnell Second beat Ponsonby Juniors by 15 points to 4.

Greatly to everyone's surprise "Buff" Caradua was left out of the N.Z. team.

Charley Mitchell gives the following version of how Hall and Slavin came to be matched:—On the night of Hall's return to England, Slavin and Hall met at a well-known hostelry on the Surrey side of the water and had several drinks. They had more than was wise, and became very talkative, ending by "snack-ing" each other. Replying to a taunting remark from Hall, Slavin said he could lick Hall in three rounds, to which the last-named replied that he could not do it in three years; whereupon Hall rushed at Slavin and struck him on the face. Slavin did not retaliate, but remarked that he would get even at some future time. Afterwards both cooled down somewhat, and £5 aside was posted with Mr Calder to bind a match.

Warner, the middle-weight champion of New Jersey, expressed his intention of standing before Robert Fitzsimmons for four rounds on March 30th, at Kernan's Monumental Theatre, Baltimore. Warner was disposed of in just one minute. Fitzsimmons tapped his antagonist lightly on the right side of the head with his left, and then gave a short, jobbing blow on the left jaw with his right. Warner got up in about eight seconds and walked off the stage.

At a meeting of the Plumpton Committee of the Dunedin Jockey Club, held on May 20th, the dispute at the last meeting between Messrs Black and Kett (remitted back by the general committee of the club with power to act) was fully considered, together with a letter from Mr Black asking the committee to revise the evidence before endorsing the action of the National Coursing Club, and a petition from a few dog owners asking for a change of judge. After discussion it was resolved, "That the petition be not entertained, and that Mr Kett be retained as judge"; "That Mr Black, in place of being called on to apologise, be censured for his conduct at the late meeting."

The next intercolonial eight-oared race will take place in Melbourne in May, 1894.

W. L. Murdoch, whose non-inclusion in the Australian team at present playing in England has been the subject of some discussion, has written to the London Sportsman concerning the matter. The famous Australian batsman, who is evidently very much annoyed at being left out of the team, states that during the period of its formation correspondence passed between himself and Mr V. Cohen, the manager, in which the latter invited Murdoch to join the combination, and that the invitation was accepted. Murdoch was, in consequence, surprised when on the announcement of the final selection he found that his name was not included. Replying to Murdoch's letter, Mr Cohen has written to the Sportsman, explaining the negotiations which took place and the circumstances which led to Murdoch's non-inclusion. Mr Cohen states that his early letters to Murdoch dealt with various matters of detail concerning the probable personnel of the team, and that he finally wrote requesting Murdoch to state what amount he would require for expenses. That question he avers was never replied to, and when the selection was finally made the committee who chose the Australian players were unanimously in favour of Murdoch's exclusion.

Wallace Ross, the oarsman, who is now thirty-six years of age, has arrived in England in company with Captain Paul Boynton, who was under engagement to

control a great water carnival that was to be opened at Earl's Court in May. Ross states that he is unable to say whether he will row a race in England.

The Dunedin case alluded to by Mr Justice Conolly in his charge to the Grand Jury in the case of manslaughter against Nicholson and others, came before Mr Carew, R.M., at the Dunedin Police Court on May 20. John William Dix and Sidney J. Williams were charged with unlawfully intending to fight at the City Hall on Saturday night, May 20, and the informant prayed that they be bound over to keep the peace. Mr Carew asked the accused if they consented to be bound over to keep the peace, or if it was their wish that the case be heard? Accused Williams said: "I wish to state that we did not intend to fight to a finish. The person who published the bills made a mistake."—Mr Carew: Have you any objection to be bound over to keep the peace? If you object the case will be gone into.—The accused: We are satisfied to be bound over.—Mr Carew: You quite understand. If you say you're content to be bound over to keep the peace you will have to enter into a bond to keep the peace. If you object the case can be heard, and then we will see whether you should be bound over to keep the peace or not. If you are bound over to keep the peace for six or twelve months, whichever we decide, and if you commit any offence during that period the bonds will be estreated.—Accused Williams: We did not intend to fight to a finish. The bills were worded wrongly.—Inspector Pardy said he would be satisfied if the accused were bound over in their own recognisances. He simply wished to prevent the fight taking place.—The Bench decided not to hear any statement from the accused if they consented to be bound over. They would be bound over in the sum of £25 to keep the peace for 12 months.

W. Bates, the old Yorkshire cricketing professional, does not seem to have got on very well with the cricketers at Johannesburg, South Africa. He was engaged by the Wanderers C.C. at a salary of £300 a year, but owing to some disagreement he has been paid off.

A writer to Cricket of April 13th sums up the performances of the various Australian teams that have visited England, and gives a complete table of the averages, reckoning in the whole of the matches played by all the teams, together with the match Smokers v. Non-smokers at Lords, in 1884, in which several of the Australians took place on each side, and which was indeed arranged chiefly in order to see them pitted against one another. W. L. Murdoch heads the list of batting averages with 26.3 runs per innings, having scored 5385 runs in 225 innings (18 times not out). The others who have averages of over 20 runs per innings are:—H. H. Massie 24.37, C. Bannerman 24.2, J. E. Barrett 22.51, G. Giffen 21.124, H. J. Scott 21.70, P. S. M'Donnell 21.72, T. Horan 20.63. The leading bowling averages are: C. Turner 11.398, F. Spofforth 12.368, H. F. Boyle 13.103, J. J. Ferris 13.286, T. Garrett 14.278, G. Palmer 15.266, G. Giffen 18.143.

Ryan, of Chicago, and Dawson, of Australia, fought half-a-dozen rounds at Chicago on April 8th. Ryan weighed 10.2 and Dawson 10st 1lb. No decision was given as to the result, but it was generally admitted that Ryan had a shade the best of the fight. The outcome of the meeting was that a sportsman named Daly deposited 1000 dolrs (£200) to back Dawson against Ryan for 5000 dolrs (£1000) aside and the largest purse offered. The deposit was covered by Ryan's backers.

In view of the definition of the law re glove fighting laid down by Mr Justice Conolly in connection with the Nicholson-Forgie case, the Premier has issued a circular to the police authorities throughout the colony instructing them to suppress all public glove contests in future. The Minister gives it as his opinion that more deaths have resulted from glove fights than fair stand-up fights with bare fists. The Premier explains in his circular that this is so because in the glove fights the combatants endeavour to strike at a vital part to check circulation or give a shock to the nervous system by a blow, indirectly but immediately reacting on the spine, whereas, in the ordinary English prize fight, the object was to close up an opponent's eyes or to knock him out of wind, and so disable him. After this lucid explanation one may well ask the Premier "Who made thee a judge over Israel?" in these matters.

# Volunteer News.

(BY RIFLEMAN.)

Very serious dissensions have arisen in the ranks of the Hamilton Light Infantry, and one man went so far as to ask Captain Reid to resign. Strange to say the officer not only overlooked this willful piece of insubordination, but actually complied with the request. After events went to show that Captain Reid was very popular, and the discontented one stood alone. The regulations contain a special clause dealing with this affair, and if Captain Reid knows his duty he will enforce it.

I understand that things are not going quite smoothly in the Auckland Navals. Lieutenant Little is a most capable officer, so the fault is not quite clear.

Major Banks takes more than ordinary interest in the Volunteer movement.

Captain Reid, of the Hamilton Infantry, is now practically without officers.

Lieut. Jackson Palmer very seldom appears on parade now with his corps, the Engineers. He seems to be thoroughly sick of it.

The Rifle Club system is slowly but surely killing the Volunteer movement.

Lieut. G. Watson, of the Ponsonby Navals, is putting in a good deal of time over at the forts learning gunnery.

Capt. Miller, of the Ponsonby Navals, is one of the very few officers who set their face against shooting men who are bad attenders competing for company prizes.

Nothing further has come to hand in reference to the New Zealand team of shooting men visiting Australia.

Mr Whitney was a little too premature writing about those ball cartridges which were found amongst the blank at Pukekohe. It would have looked more decent to await the result of the inquiry.

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**DUNEDIN JOCKEY CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.**  
NOMINATIONS.  
DUNEDIN STAKES OF 10 SOVS EACH, with 200 SOVS added; second horse 20 sovs and third 10 sovs from the stake; For two-year-olds. Colts, 8.5; geldings, 8.2; fillies, 8.0; with certain penalties and allowances. Five furlongs.  
Mr L. D. Nathan's ch f Campana, by Robinson Crusoe—Campanella  
Mr L. D. Nathan's br f Stepfeldt, by Nordenfeldt—Steppe  
Mr L. D. Nathan's rn c Three Star, by Castor—Vivandiere  
Mr D. Rutherford's b c, by Chainshot—Nautilus  
Mr H. Lunn's br g Wedlock, by Chainshot—Adulation  
Mr R. McMaster's b c Casket, by Castor—Bangalee  
Mr M. Sherwin's b c Barnby, by Vanguard—Miss Lucy  
Hon J. D. Ormond's b g Spindrift, by Nordenfeldt—Spinnaker  
Hon J. D. Ormond's b g Daniel Deronda, by Daniel O'Rourke—Lullaby  
Hon J. D. Ormond's ch c Bugler, by Nordenfeldt—Lyrelinus  
Hon J. D. Ormond's b f Mount Ida, by Apremont—Idalia  
Hon J. D. Ormond's b f, by Malua—Norma  
Mr J. Meikle's br f, by Chainshot—Miranda  
Mr J. B. Reid's br f Ambush, by Vanguard—Fairmaid  
Mr T. Sheenan's ch c, by St. George—Psyche  
Sir G. H. Clifford's b c Watchword, by Maxim—Galates  
Sir G. H. Clifford's b f Teredina, by Maxim—Teredo  
Sir G. H. Clifford's ch f Golden Fleece, by Stonyhurst—Golden Crest  
Mr E. Cutts' br c, by Louis J'Or—Awaatea  
Mr E. Cutts' b c, by King Cole—Wainui  
Mr M. Allan's ch f Leona, by Le Loup—Iona  
Hon G. McLean's br c Maremma, by Rubezahl—Lady Emma  
Mr H. Goodman's b c, by St. Clair—Mountain Lily  
Mr G. Stead's b c Bowshot, by Maxim—Rainbow  
Mr G. Stead's b f Searchlight, by Maxim—Iris  
Mr G. Wright's br f Forme, by Nordenfeldt—Formo  
Mr A. S. Clarkson's b c Artiller, by Artillery—Luna  
Mr S. J. Mercer's ch f Brittonate, by Gorton—Lady Gertrude  
Mr J. Paul's Pom Pom, by Wapiti—Legera  
Mr J. Stephenson's b c, by Australian Peer—Tornado  
Mr G. Smith's ch g Alpenstock, by Gorton—Lass o' the Hills  
Mr H. Rawcliffe's b c, by Martini-Henri—Spice

**DUNEDIN JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.**  
NOMINATIONS.  
DUNEDIN CHAMPAGNE STAKES OF 10 SOVS EACH, with 250 added; second horse 50 sovs, and third 25 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Colts, 8.10; fillies and geldings, 8.7, with certain penalties. Six furlongs.  
Mr L. D. Nathan's ch f Campana, by Robinson Crusoe—Campanella  
Mr L. D. Nathan's br f Stepfeldt, by Nordenfeldt—Steppe  
Mr L. D. Nathan's rn c Three Star, by Castor—Vivandiere  
Mr L. D. Nathan's br f Ellerslie, by Trenton—First King—Lady Granville  
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Hon J. D. Ormond's ch f Lyre Bird, by St. Leger—Lyre  
Hon J. D. Ormond's b f, by Malua—Norma  
Mr J. Cowan's br f Stockmaid, by Epicure—Stockflower  
Mr H. A. Knight's br f, by Artillery—Neuphur  
Mr J. Meikle's br f, by Chainshot—Miranda  
Mr J. B. Reid's br f Ambush, by Vanguard—Fairmaid  
Mr T. Sheenan's ch c, by St. George—Psyche  
Mr P. Campbell's b c Strath Braan, by Apremont—Engagement  
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Mr G. Stead's b f Catherine Wheel, by Maxim—Miss Kate  
Mr G. Stead's b g Guardsman, by Vanguard—Titania  
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The Apremont—Waterwitch horse, Aquarins, who has done good service under welter weights down South, has been sold to a Melbourne racing man and shipped thither in charge of H. Cusdin, the jockey. The price paid for him was 150gs, and he goes into C. Rudings' stable.

"Random," in the Canterbury Times, in commenting on the Canterbury Jockey Club's annual meeting and the financial position of the Club disclosed thereat, says:—"I cannot think that the large profit of £2660 odd is altogether a matter for congratulation. It is too much for the club to make out of its patrons in one year. The club cannot, I know, estimate its receipts and expenditure to a few hundred pounds and arrange to pay away exactly the amount it is likely to receive. But when it retains a profit of nearly £3000 we may be sure that the expenditure has not been nicely adjusted to the receipts. In this case it seems that the subscribers to the First Challenge Stakes have suffered to a considerable extent. The club has made a large profit out of the sweepstakes over and above the advertised value of the race. This means — to put it in the plainest language — that the subscribers have received less than value for their money."

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