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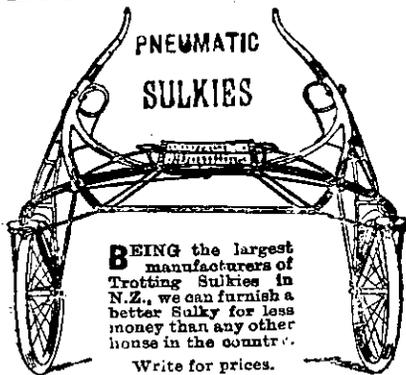
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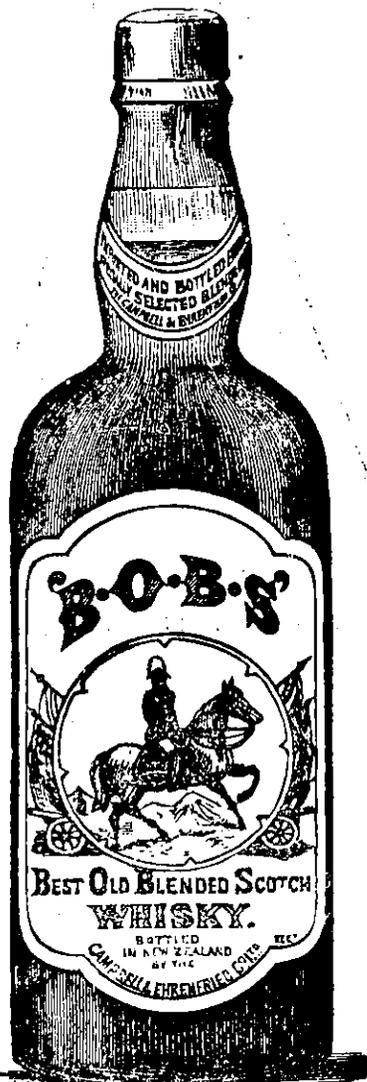
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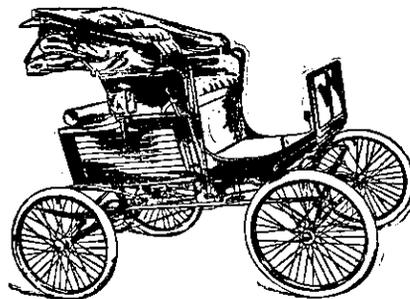
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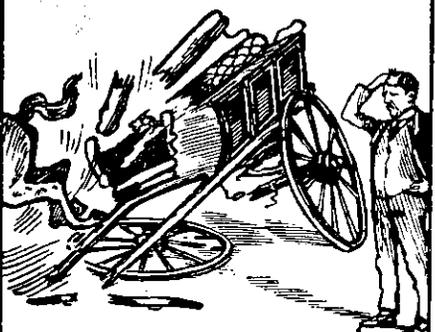
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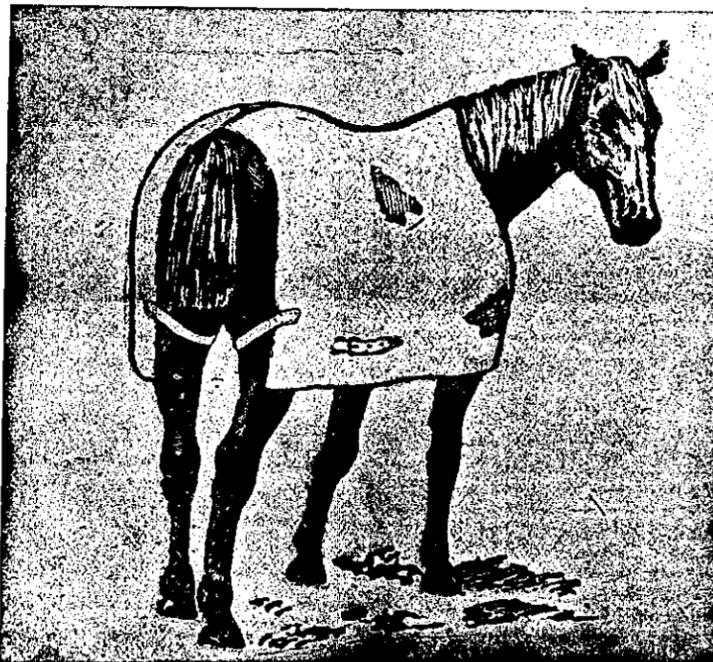
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June 24—Napier Park R.C. Winter  
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**A WORD TO THE RUGBY UNION.**

WE have time after time drawn attention to the increasing amount of rough play which is indulged in by footballers taking part in the great winter game. Hardly a Saturday passes but there is some story to be told of injuries of a more or less severe character which some unfortunate player has received. All too frequently these result either in permanent disablement or the death of the injured player. This unfortunately proved the case last week in Wellington, where a young man named Edgar Thomson, received a kick from an opponent when stooping to pick up the ball, which caused his death. At the subsequent enquiry the Coroner made a few remarks which are worth recording. Mr Ashcroft said he was not disposed to think that games could be carried on without some danger, but he must

confess that the number of accidents which had been reported lately suggested that the present methods of playing the Rugby game were rather severe. He did not think that any alteration of the rules would have affected the case they had been considering, but it seemed to him that where life was at stake there should be the greatest care to see that no more force was used in the play than was absolutely necessary. He did not think for a moment that there was wilful intent on the part of the young man who injured deceased, but in the excitement of the game he probably acted rashly. He thought that the rules of the game might be amended to save accidents as far as possible. There were so many mishaps now that he could not help thinking it was a game that parents would be very shy in allowing their children to participate in. A very old player had told him that he would not think of allowing a son of his to go in for it. He thought there was a different class of men playing in this day. "I should like to see," added the coroner, "a solemn warning administered to the leaders of football, because I cannot see that human nature is benefited by a savage game which leads to a large percentage of injuries and deaths."

The Executive of the Union will do well to take these remarks to heart, and they should also bear in mind what Sub-Inspector Donovan said at the same inquest. He pointed out that it would be a good thing for footballers to remember that any act which caused death or serious injury came within the provisions of the criminal code. It had been laid down in one celebrated case that it was not material to consider whether the act which caused death was, or was not, in accordance with the rules and practices of the game, and he considered that the authorities should take the matter in hand, and suppress anything that was improper, whether the rules permitted it or not.

This is fairly plain talking, but it must be honestly admitted that the case was not in any way exaggerated.

We yield to no one in our love for the good old game of Rugby, but it must be apparent to all that abuses have crept in which must be at once eradicated. To the Rugby Union we look to see that prompt steps are taken to stamp out this growing evil and we have the utmost confidence that the controlling body will rise to the occasion. It is not a question that can be shelved much longer, but should be dealt with at once. The referee at present has the power to order any player off the field who indulges in rough play, but he generally seems very loth to exercise his prerogative. The Union should instruct referees that they must carefully look out for any breaches of the rules in this connection, and also the line umpire might be given increased powers, for the referee cannot be omnipresent. If any player is reported for rough play the Union will then have to deal out a severe sentence, and the one we would advocate is "suspension for life." This may seem at first glance to be unduly harsh, but a moment's reflection will convince the sceptic that this is not the case. If any player cannot control his temper and plays a rough game he is manifestly unfit to take part in the pastime, for the results of such play are unfortunately only too apparent. The rules governing the game are in need of very careful revision in this respect. If the Rugby Union refuses to take the matter up properly, which, however, we do not for a moment think will be the case, then there will always be the danger of the police intervening, and taking steps to ensure the safety of players. We ask the Executive to immediately deal with this important question, for on their action the future prosperity of the game entirely depends.

**THE GORDON-BENNETT INTERNATIONAL MOTOR CHAMPIONSHIP.**

ONCE again the race for the Gordon-Bennett Cup has taken place, and has resulted in a win for M. Thery, who represented France. As is generally known the cup, which is annually com-

peted for, was presented in 1899 by Mr James Gordon Bennett, proprietor of the "New York Herald," to the Automobile Club of France. His idea was to encourage the automobile industry by the holding of a great road race with a view of showing which nation was capable of turning out the fastest cars. The conditions governing the race have been so often stated that it is unnecessary to give any lengthy particulars. Briefly they provide that the cup is to be competed for annually, between May 15 and August 15, over a course not less than 342 miles and not more than 404 miles, and the race is to be governed by the racing rules of the Automobile Club of France. The weight of the cars is limited to 2,200lbs, weighed less petrol, tools, spare parts, etc., and each car must carry two passengers, each of whom must weigh 9st 10lb or over, or else make up deficiency by carrying ballast. The country winning the cup holds it for one year, and then has the privilege of selecting the venue for the next contest. The contestants are started at two minute intervals, the defender of the cup having the privilege of starting first, followed by one representative of each country in rotation, according to the order in which the nominations are received. The car establishing fastest time over the full course is declared the winner. The first race was won by M. Charron (France) on a Panhard car, the same makers being also successful next year, when M. Girardot was the fortunate driver. Mr Edge then carried off the trophy for England with his Napier car, while next year M. Jenatzy on a Mercedes won the race for Germany.

Describing last Friday's contest the cable states that England, France, Austria, Italy, Belgium and Germany were represented by three competitors in the race, which was run on the Soalburg Taunus (Hamburg) circuit of 87½ miles, this being covered four times. Opel (Germany) had an early breakdown, and Edge (England) retired at the end of the third round owing to tire troubles. M. Thery (France), with an 80 horse-power Rickard-Brasser car, won, covering the distance in 5hr 50min 3sec. Jenatzy (Germany), with a 90 horse-power Mercedes car, finished second in 6hr 1min, and Decaters (Germany) with a 90 horse-power Mercedes car, was third in 6hr 46min 31sec. If the times given are correct it shows that M. Thery maintained an average speed of within a fraction of sixty miles an hour. As many turns had to be negotiated it is very easy to realise at what speed the car was driven to maintain such a remarkable average, which is eleven miles an hour better than that which the Chevalier de Knyff accomplished last year.

Although these contests for the "motor Derby" must be very exciting to witness, it is somewhat difficult to see what good they can do for motoring generally. It is said that a victory in the big race means an immense increase in the business of the successful makers, and therefore it is only natural that the great motor firms should make every effort to prevail. What seems difficult to realise is the utility of these constant efforts to attain extreme speeds which it is illegal to attempt elsewhere. There certainly appears but little use in turning out heavily-engineered cars capable of running at a possible hundred miles an hour when no greater speed than a quarter of that is allowable on the high road. Of far greater benefit to motoring are the reliability tests where ordinary cars of moderate power are thoroughly tried, their weak points discovered, and improvements effected. For instance, in our last issue we gave particulars of the run of a 15 h.p. car which travelled seven or eight hundred miles without a single stop, a hitherto unprecedented feat for any engine on land. It is the light-powered car which the general public use, and when these are found capable of undertaking and successfully emerging from a test of the kind mentioned then the advance made by the motor is readily recognised. This way progress lies and not in motor racing, which is of no more real benefit to motoring than are the America Cup races to yachting. Both are undertaken with exceedingly expensive machines, which are not only extremely dangerous to the occupants, but are utterly useless for anything else but the actual races for which they are built.

# Sporting Topics.

(By "The Judge.")

The Hawke's Bay Steeplechase takes place to-day. Papatu should just about win from Eclair.

Weights for the New Zealand Cup are expected to make their appearance early next week.

A name has been sought for the Southern filly by Medallion-Patrie. I would suggest War Medal or Victoria Cross as being a suitable appellation.

Boxes have been engaged for the Aucklanders Aka Aka and Crespin at Riccarton for the Grand National Meeting, so it is evident the pair will be sent to Christchurch.

A horse freely enquired for in connection with the New Zealand Cup is Oblivion, who was brought over from Sydney by W. J. Taggart.

Mr King, whose catering for the several racing clubs in Auckland has invariably given satisfaction, will have charge of the luncheon rooms at the winter meeting of the Wellington Racing Club.

The total entries for the Caulfield Cup, viz., 175, has only been exceeded on one occasion. The Melbourne Cup entry of 155 falls fourteen short of last year.

The well-known Victorian trainer, J. Scobie, is about again, but as the result of his accident he is likely to be permanently lame, one of his legs being an inch or two shorter than the other.

The crack Victorian jumper Colonel Shilinski, who was the only horse asked to concede weight to Haydn in the V.R.C. Grand National, is reported to have been so injured on Saturday in a race that he may not again carry silk.

A Sydney paper says: "Mr A. Gray, of starting machine fame, will shortly bring out an improvement on the apparatus now in use. The point of difference between the two machines is that the barrier in the new one keeps parallel with the ground for some distance after being released, and then flies upward."

The most excited man on the stand when Pahwaihi won the Flying Handicap on Saturday, at the Shore, was a certain well-known trainer of harness horses. When the ponies were two hundred yards down the straight this individual was at the top of his lungs advising the jockey how to finish, and offering all sorts of fabulous wagers as to what would win. One would have thought such an experienced veteran would have carried a cooler head.

It will be remembered that after the Christmas meeting of the Taranaki Jockey Club, Roberts, who had the mount on Ranana, made certain allegations, which, on Monday last, were thoroughly sifted to the bottom. After hearing very full evidence, in which some startling disclosures were made, Messrs Corrigan, Paltridge, and Johnston (rider of Toledo) denying the allegations altogether, the committee decided as follows:—"That J. R. Corrigan, Hugh Paltridge, and George Roberts be warned off and disqualified for life." It was also resolved, "That as there was not sufficient corroborative evidence against Percy Johnston, no further action be taken."

Though there was a slight falling-off in the Melbourne Cup nominations, it is interesting to note that the total entry for the seven flat races, viz., Melbourne Cup, Maribyrnong Plate, Ascot Vale Stakes, Derby, Oaks, St. Leger, and Sires' Produce Stakes, is 134 better than last year, the figures being 828 and 694 respectively. Only on one previous occasion, viz., in 1901, when the entries for these races reached 852, has this fine total been exceeded.

His running last season and the really great form he has shown during the current year engender the thought that it was fortunate for Ard Patrick and Sceptre that Zinfandel was not qualified to run in the Derby and St. Leger of the season before last. In the Coronation Cup at Epsom, in April, Zinfandel met Sceptre, an Oaks and Leger winner, and Rock Sand, a Derby winner, at w.f.a. and defeated them. Zinfandel is by King's Derby winner, Persimmon, son of St. Simon, from a member of the celebrated Agnes family, to wit, Medora, by Bend Or from Agneta, by Macaroni from Fair Agnes, by Dollar—son of Flying Dutchman—from Little Agnes, by The Cure from Agnes, by Birdcatcher.

Handicaps for the first day's events of the Gisborne Racing Club Steeplechase Meeting are due to see the light on June 24, and acceptances must be made on July 1. The meeting takes place on July 7 and 8.

Among the list of entries for the Wellington Steeplechase appear the names of Star, Moccasin, Kiatere, Princess of Thule, Aka Aka, and Crespin, so that Auckland, Aka Aka, and Crespin represented in the Southern jumping event.

For a horse to fall twice in a steeplechase and then be returned the winner is something out of the ordinary, but such an instance happened in a race at Liverpool in which twelve horses started. Glenmore was the winner, and finished all alone, his jockey was covered with blood and looked a great deal the worse from wear. It is not difficult to imagine the reception the rider got on returning to the enclosure, for sportsman are always quick to mark their appreciation of genuine pluck.

Mr George Russell's famous steeplechaser Domino died at Langievilly on June 7, from tetanus. Domino won the Great Eastern Steeplechase at Onkaparinga and the Caulfield Grand National Steeplechase in 1889. In the first-named he carried 12st 13lb, and in the Caulfield event 13st 5lb. He was retired five years ago.

Ypsilanti, who has done so well in England this season, only cost his present owner 420 guineas as a two-year-old, being purchased out of a selling race at that figure. When Ypsilanti accounted for the Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap last month, he carried 9st 5lb, and started at 100 to 12, the favourite being L'Aiglon, who ran nowhere.

What a wonderfully fine stayer Throwaway must be. In the Ascot Gold Cup, run over two miles and a half, he was giving weight away to Zinfandel, who is in great form this year, and Capt. Bass' famous turf heroine Sceptre, yet the five-year-old son of Rightaway and Theale proved equal to the task set him. It is fairly safe to presume that the performance roused plenty of enthusiasm among those who witnessed it.

As a rule, when a horse is disqualified for short weight, it is only a matter of a pound or two, but (according to the Sydney "Referee") at the Richmond River T.C. meeting at Casino (N.S.W.), the rider of Bashan, who finished first in the Pace Welter, weighed in no less than 17lb short. It appears to have been a rather clumsy attempt to "fly the pigeon," as when Bashan was being pulled up after the race the trainer, R. Perkins, tried to give the rider the missing weight. He failed, and the stewards, on investigating the matter, decided to disqualify Perkins for life.

Backers have a fair idea of what weights horses are entitled to, and in their desire to get in early to secure the choice of the doubles for the Caulfield and Melbourne Cups, are little concerned in the official publication of the handicaps for those important events. (says the "Town and Country Journal"). Already a number of doubles have been taken, and at this stage the fancied selections for the "first leg" are Electra and Chere Amie, a couple of this State's representatives; while for the Melbourne Cup, Marmont and the Queensland colt Fitz-Grafton, are in most demand. Other selected candidates for the Caulfield are Demas, Koopan, Flagship, F.J.A.I Gladstone, Bright Beauty, and Sport Royal, and they have been coupled with Emir, St. Ambrose, Lord Cardigan, and Belah.

Although it is said that Marmont, who, by the way, is an absentee from the list of Grand National entries, has been already backed for the Caulfield and Melbourne Cups, it is a little early to look for any speculation over these important events (writes "Martindale"). At no distant date, however, the ring-men will open volumes at the regulation price, 1000 to 1 "the two cups." While these odds look tempting, and would enable anyone clever enough to pick the winning double to make a substantial rise, the bookmakers at this stage have the better of the deal, as it is possible to lay it more than 24,000 different ways.

By winning the "Jubilee" Stakes at Kempton Park for the second year in succession Ypsilanti has followed in the footsteps of Victor Wild. There are many curious points of similarity between the careers of Ypsilanti and Victor Wild. Each was bought out of a selling race; each won on the occasion of his second triumph by three-quarters of a length; and each proved himself to be a stone better horse at Kempton than on any other course.

Martin Taylor, another of the local pencilers, is at present in the New South Wales metropolis, where he has gone to attend the big coursing meetings.

Alf. Coleman, one of our Auckland bookmakers, left on Monday night on a visit to Sydney to put in the winter months, and also follow his calling at the A.J.C. Spring Meeting at Randwick.

Belladonna has added another Ladies' Bracelet to her list of prizes. This makes the second that the mare has landed, and as there are three ladies in the family it is to be hoped that Belladonna will make "a tramp" after another valuable piece of jewellery.

Another of "Tattersall's" prizes has come to this province, Mr John Peters, of Maungaturoto, being the lucky holder of the ticket on Merseylea, which ran third in the Brighton Plate, Tasmania, on June 6. Mr Peters benefits to the extent of £400.

Mr Wm Lyons is about town with his arm in a sling. The fall which he received at Tattersall's Club ball turned out much worse than was anticipated, for on medical examination the ligament of the arm was found to be broken. The genial one has come in for condolences from all sorts and conditions of people.

It is rumoured that a good few of the local stables will be represented at the Wellington and Christchurch meetings. McManemin, Weal, Thorpe and Hannon are said to be taking horses, so that should this be the case they must infuse a lot of life (for Auckland people) into the great Saturday fixture.

The following are the drawers of placed horses in Tattersall's No. 1 Consultation on the Prince of Wales' Stakes, run at Randwick, Sydney, June 6, 1904; 50,000 tickets at 5s each, fully subscribed:—1st, The Relic, T.T.T., Sydney, £4000; 2nd, Sir Leonard, S. Hansen, Victoria, £1250; 3rd, Refuge Bay, A. N. Templeton, Queensland, £750. These amounts are net.

The following are the drawers of placed horses in the Brighton Plate, run at Brighton, Tasmania, June 6, 1904; 25,000 tickets at 5s each, fully subscribed:—1st, Southern Cross, Victoria Syndicate, Victoria, £1600; 2nd, Winchester, Belfast Coy., Victoria, £600; 3rd, Merseylea, John Peters, Maungaturoto, Auckland, £400.

Sally Horner was served up fairly hot for the Oats Handicap at the Shore on Saturday, and the good thing duly came off. Deeley kept the Hornpipe mare in a nice position till the bottom bend was rounded, and then when he gave Sally her head the race was all over bar shouting, Lady Lottie being the only one able to make the vestige of a struggle.

The exaggerated estimate which Australian handicappers have of horses brought from this colony was well brought out by the handicapping of Haydn for the V.R.C. Grand National Steeplechase. To put the gelding next to the top-weight with 12st 5lb opposite his name in a list of forty-four horses savours of the ridiculous, especially when one remembers that he proved unable to win the Winter Steeplechase the other day at Ellerslie, with 9lb less to carry. Although given a little better chance in the Grand National Hurdle Race, it was not surprising to find that the son of Sou'Wester was promptly struck out of his Victorian engagement.

"R.H.C." writes as follows to the "Sporting Times":—"You will find on reference that Moifaa is descended from the same mare as St. Amant, through his sire Natator, a horse I bred in New Zealand. Natator, by Traducer (by The Libel—Arcthusa) out of Waterwitch. Waterwitch, by Camden, out of Mermaid, by King Tom out of Waterwitch, by The Flying Dutchman out of Evening Star, by Touchstone, and so on. Mermaid was bred by Baron Rothschild, and found her way out to New Zealand, where she threw some brilliant stock to Traducer, though to other horses she was no great success. I used the word brilliant, because, though they had great speed, they could not be depended on to give their full running if collared. I owned or had to do with three of her produce by Traducer, and there were none of them quite dependable, though they took a lot of catching. On one occasion I saw Malice, one of them, when she was winning by lengths in a canter, stop inside the rails to kick and walk in with the crowd. Lurline, another of her fillies, was probably the best mare that ever ran in New Zealand. She was sold to go to Australia, where she produced Darebin, by The Peer. Darebin was the best horse of his year in Australia. He was sold to the United States, where he was for several years at the top of the list of winning sires."

The exhibition given yesterday at Takapuna by Ribbonwood was of the most disappointing nature possible. When he came out to pace a mile every vantage spot was immediately lined with spectators to witness the performance, but the Champion refused to get down to his work at all, and after going several times round the course, breaking every furlong, he was taken back to the enclosure, and the attempt on the Auckland record was not undertaken. Ribbonwood has been having a turn at the stud, and was obviously unfit, which in a measure accounts for his poor display.

The Welter Handicap, at Takapuna yesterday gave opponents of the starting barrier something to think about. Time after time the ponies were disappointed in their efforts to start, Whawhai on one occasion almost getting away with his rider. It was quite twenty minutes after the starting time when at last Mr O'Connor was able to let them go. If there had been a barrier at the six and a-half post no doubt they would have got away at the first attempt.

The New York "Morning Telegraph" publishes a statement that Tod Sloan has signified his willingness to accept the proposal made him by Arthur Collins, of the Drury Lane Theatre, to appear in a new racing drama, which is to be written around the jockey. It is further declared that the new piece will be given to the authors immediately, and that next season will see Sloan sporting silk in the glare of the footlights.

"Now is the very winter of our discontent" on the training tracks. Continued wet weather has made everything slippery and wet. Little or no training is going on. On Monday afternoon a couple of maiden aspirants, Mauke and Newtown, in company with Tahae were associated over four hurdles, and they shaped extremely well for beginners. Especially was this the case with Mauke, who flew his hurdles like an old hand.

It is always a pleasure to listen to the utterances of a judicial functionary who is in sympathy with sport, since among our judges there exists a great majority who are ranged on the other side (says the "Licensed Victuallers' Gazette"). At Liverpool the other day Mr Justice Bucknill delivered an important judgment in a case in which a social club was prosecuted for permitting betting on the premises. Although it was proved that a great number of members resorted to the club for the purpose of betting at certain hours of the day, the learned judge decided that this in itself was not illegal, the great point being that this was a bona fide club. Other judges please note.

Though only a modern institution as compared with the English Derby, the Grand Prix de Paris occupies the same status in connection with French racing as does the classic race at Epsom with the turf in Great Britain. The only French colt to win the Derby was the famous Gladiateur, who after his success at Epsom recrossed the Channel and captured the Grand Prix de Paris; but English sportsmen have amply avenged the loss of the "blue ribbon" on that occasion by winning the Grand Prix in 1863—when the race was first run—with The Ranger, who carried the colours of Mr Savile, for whom Cremonne, after winning the Derby, 1872, won the great race at Longchamps, thus returning the compliment for Gladiateur's performance. The Duke of Beaufort won the Grand Prix with Ceylon in 1866, the Marquis of Hastings with Earl in 1868, Mr W. R. Marshall with Trent in 1874, Mr C. Brewer with Robert the Devil in 1880, Mr H. Rymill with Bruce in 1882, Mr Brodrick-Cloete with Paradox in 1885, and Mr R. Vyner with Minting in 1886; while Prince Soltykoff, who may be classed as a British sportsman, won with Thurio in 1878. The American colt Foxhall annexed the Grand Prix, 1881, and the Austro-Hungarian sportsman A. Baltazzi was successful in 1876 when Kischer secured the Derby and the classic race at Longchamps. In that event V. Edmond Blanc has been the most successful of French sportsmen. His first win was in 1879 with Nuhienne, who accounted for half a score competitors; 11 years later Clamart carried the orange and blue livery to victory, and the following year Rueil beat nine others; Andree and Arreau won the tively; last year Quo Vadis (by the Irish horse Winkfield's Pride) carried the popular colours to the front, and in the race just decided Ajax was successful. Other well-known turf-men who secured the Grand Prix are M. Caillault, who has three to his credit; Baron de Schickler and M. H. Delmarre with a similar number each.

According to the Sydney "Mail," the English filly Miss Symington, whom Mr Hart purchased in England and sent out to Payten to train, has arrived with her fellow-voyagers, Messrs Moses Brothers' three importations, in splendid condition. Miss Symington is a dark dapple bay with plenty of quality. Of the three fillies purchased by Messrs Moses, of Combadello. Tantrum, by Trenton, stands out above her mates. She is a brown, and is much after the style of what Lady Trenton was when a two-year-old. Tantrum is a descendant of Rouge Rose, the dam of Bend Or, whose sister, Rose of Lancaster, by the way, was well represented at the Epsom Spring Meeting in April by Robert le Diable, who won the City and Suburban Handicap. Robert le Diable is by Ayr Laddie's sire, Ayrshire, from Rose Bay, by Melton, a near relation to Ayrshire, from Bend Or's sister, Rose of Lancaster. A bay filly among the imported trio, by Common—son of Isonomy—is a sweet bit of horseflesh and a perfect mover. She is bred on similar lines to Elba, who won the Great Metropolitan Stakes (2½ miles) at the last Epsom meeting. The imported filly is out of Royal Mazurka, by Royal Hampton from Mazurka, by See Saw from Mabile, the granddam of the Havilah stallion Louis XIII. Elba is by Prisoner—son of Isonomy—from Simon, by St. Simon from Mazurka. Messrs Moses Brothers' third purchase, a filly by Childwick from Silleuse, looks like being a valuable addition to the blood stock of the country, for, if she never raced a yard, she has all the appearances that favour her being a first-class breeder, while her pedigree is unimpeachable.

Those who have seen St. Amant perform on each of the three occasions on which he has faced the starter this season are forced, however unwillingly, to the conclusion that Mr Leopold de Rothschild's colt is a rogue (says the "Licensed Victuallers' Gazette"). The fact that he distinctly showed the "white feather" when beaten by His Majesty at the Craven Meeting was condoned on the ground that he may have been backward in condition; but no such excuse could be advanced last Wednesday, and his display was in such marked contrast to the form shown in the Two Thousand Guineas that it is plain he likes to have matters all his own way. Now that his weak point has been disclosed, his rivals are certain to take advantage of it, and though the son of St. Erusquin will doubtless continue to find backers for Epsom, those who witnessed the Newmarket Stakes are scarcely likely to be of the number.

After the umpire trouble in connection with the fourth test match last season, it is consoling to find that A. C. MacLaren has a good word for at least one of the Australian officials. In an article on "The Rights and Wrongs of International Cricket," in C. B. Fry's magazine, the famous English batsman says:—"In Australia, two Australians stand throughout the series of test games, just as two Englishmen officiate in the tests on our own grounds, and, therefore, there appears to be nothing wrong about the system. Were the umpires in Australia men of the same experience as our men, there would be nothing to cavil at. But, with the exception of C. Bannerman, they have not had the same chances as our umpires, and consequently cannot be expected to make as few mistakes as do ours, although they have always done their best to carry out the arduous task in front of them as satisfactorily as possible. The only first-class cricket in Australia, when no English team is there, is the cricket played between New South Wales, South Australia, and Victoria. It can thus be easily understood what little practice an umpire out there obtains. Though there are very few umpires to select from in Australia, I never wish to see a better one than C. Bannerman—a very great batsman in his day, as most of us know—and few umpires, indeed, are really good who have not played a reasonable amount of first-class cricket."

A race which always attracts a lot of attraction in the Old Country is the annual contest for the German Emperor's Cup. This is for cruising yachts, and generally attracts a big fleet of starters. Last year the race was won by the Fiona, a remarkable result, as she was the oldest yacht racing in the United Kingdom. This year the Cup was carried off by Dr. Kerr's new hundred ton yawl Valdora, which is generally considered to be one of the finest vessels of her class afloat.

The team of South African cricketers now playing a series of matches in England consists of Messrs Frank Mitchell (captain), J. H. Sinclair, E. A. Halliwell, M. Hathorn, R. O. Schwarz, W. A. Shalders, L. J. Tancred, J. J. Kotze, J. Middleton, S. J. Snook, G. H. Shepstone, G. White, B. Wallach, and S. Horwood. Among the matches to be played is one against All England, and this will be the first time such representative teams have met.

## INTER-PROVINCIAL

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

### CANTERBURY.

Christchurch, June 22.

Weights for the New Zealand Cup are expected to make their appearance early next week.

Boxes have been engaged at Riccarton for Aka Aka and Crespin during the Grand National Meeting.

Buluwayo is rapidly coming into favour for the New Zealand Cup. It is doubtful whether a large sum could be secured about the son of Perkin Warbeck at a better price than 14 and 12 to 1.

Slow Tom has arrived at Riccarton after his racing in Auckland. He is having a few days spell prior to being taken in hand for the Grand National Meeting.

Two Southerners in Phaetonites and Trentbridge have put in an appearance at Riccarton, being in D. Moraghan's charge. The former will be a competitor in open hurdle events, while Trentbridge will be qualified for hunters' races.

Moraghan is also looking after Narcassius and Golden Bugle, two Hunters' Hurdles candidates. Narcassius has been following the hounds regularly lately, and is getting over country safely.

Graduated Tax and Gold Bangle were given some schooling exercise over hurdles on Saturday morning. The pair jumped six flights without making a mistake.

On the same day Income Tax was sent over the same hurdles, jumping each obstacle nicely.

Portland Lass, who was bought in Auckland on behalf of Mr J. B. Reid, will be given a short spell before being put into active work.

Betting on the New Zealand Cup is fairly brisk considering the handicaps are not out. During the week Melodeon, Englewood and Romeo have come in for strong support, while Lady Lillian and Oudaform have been backed for several hundreds.

Golden Vein is again on the tracks, having been put into work again after a long spell of idleness.

The Dreadnought gelding Reliance, is one of the most regular attendants at the Hunt Club meetings. He is jumping as well as ever, and if he can muster up some of his former pace he should do well in hunter's events this year.

The Medallion—Choir Girl colt was broken in before he left Sydney, and is now doing regular work on the tracks. He is a nice free mover, and Clarke has him looking in healthy condition.

Sultana, looking in very backward condition, and Calibre arrived from Ashburton way during the week, and are now located at J. J. Lewis' stables.

Gladsome's name appears in the Melbourne and Caulfield Cup lists.

Kremlin is reported to be in work in view of the Grand National Hurdles Race. I learned to-day that the Stepniak gelding is a first-class jumper.

Oblivion has been heavily supported all over New Zealand for the New Zealand Cup. This horse, it will be remembered, was brought over from Sydney by W. J. Taggart. I believe he is to be specially prepared for the Cup.

### WELLINGTON

Wellington, June 19.

The Wellington Steeplechase course is being put in order for the coming Winter Meeting. The sod wall opposite the Stand which brought a number of horses down last year has been removed and a "hencoop" jump erected in its stead. An awkwardly situated post and rail fence, which stood at the south end of the course, has been replaced by a sod jump. The other fences have been trimmed and re-brushed, and the course should be negotiable by even novices at the cross-country game.

Tan being a scarce commodity in Wellington, the W.R.C. Committee have decided to form a sawdust gallop, and a contract is being made for a supply sufficient to make a mile track.

Owing to the recent wet weather the tracks are somewhat heavy just now, but as most horses are restricted to half pace work and trotting trainers are in no way inconvenienced.

The Hawke's Bay Steeplechase is shorn of much of its interest through the poor acceptance and almost total absence of visiting chasers. Of the eight acceptors, Papatu and Eclair, although practically beginners, are the only pair that could be trusted to negotiate a steeplechase course at anything approaching a decent pace. The pair will probably have the race to themselves and Papatu may win.

Some intrepid punters are thus early backing their fancies for the N.Z. Cup. Achilles' prospective weight is a subject much discussed. His prominent position under adverse circumstances last year with 9st 6lb points to the fact that he will be asked to carry in-

creased poundage next November. Cruciform's defeat of Wakeful on w.f.a. terms at Randwick last Spring, was a great performance, and considering that Wakeful, with 10st, ran second to Lord Cardigan, 6st 8lb, for the Melbourne Cup a few weeks later; the Cup Handicap problem is one that requires careful solving. The placing of the top weights in this year's N.Z. Cup will no doubt give rise to much argument and not a little speculation.

J. Taggart has passed through on his way home with Slow Tom. When Taggart went North he expected to have the services of Alick Hall to ride Slow Tom in his Auckland engagements. Hall was expected to proceed North after the Otaki Meeting, where he was engaged riding Guesser in the Hurdle Race. As Hall did not turn up Delaney was entrusted with the mount, and, although he rode a good race, it is possible that Slow Tom's old pilot would have adopted different tactics. At any rate, Slow Tom's trainer considers it was hard luck that his horse should be defeated by Moccasin, and still harder luck that Slow Tom should topple over at the last jump in the Winter Steeple when he almost had the race won.

W. Davis has returned from Auckland, bringing with him Ropa and Kohinui. The former is very backward in condition, and will require a lot of polishing up ere he faces a starter. Kohinui would have been left in Auckland had anyone made an offer for him; he should be very useful to hunting men, as he is a very careful fencer.

There are no fresh developments in the Convoy-Gladsome imbroglio. Mr Reid has been notified of the decision of the appeal judges, and a formal application has been made by the W.R.C. for a refund of the Stakes won by him at Wellington. The club's duties end there. The Appeal Judges, however, may, according to Rule 168, section 10, declare persons defying their ruling to be disqualified persons within the meaning of the Rules of Racing, so that any further steps will apparently have to be taken by the Appeal Judges.

### HAWKE'S BAY.

Napier, June 22.

Hinetaura is to be given a holiday, at the expiration of which she will again be put in work.

Gold Seal, who has been out of commission since last February, was taken up last week. The cessation from toil has improved him greatly, for he now presents a solid appearance, and as he is sound it may be reasonable to suppose that the handsome son of Gold Reef will further increase his running record as the time rolls on.

A coming two-year-old half-brother of his by Daunt also forms a member of A. Wood's team. A level built youngster who already has shown the possession of pace, he looks as if he will help to keep the family prestige well forward when his time arrives.

Taura's injury, a rick to one of his shoulders, has compelled his retirement for a time.

Pukatea, Tortulla's younger brother, is furnishing well. As yet no serious question has been put to him, but if results can be judged by looks he should satisfactorily reply when he is asked for a try.

Hugh Paltridge, who along with J. R. Corrigan and George Roberts were disqualified by the Taranaki Jockey Club for life, used to have the well-bred Pharos carrying his racing uniform.

At a meeting of the Napier Park Racing Club yesterday (Mr McVay in the chair) a letter was read from the Hawke's Bay County Council asking the committee to frame a by-law against road betting. Dr. Macdonell wrote accepting the position of honorary surgeon to the club. Routine business in connection with the Winter Meeting was transacted, and the committee adjourned.

### OTAGO.

Dunedin, June 22.

News matters turf, as is natural at this time of the season, is almost at a vanishing point. Most of our horses are just doing enough exercise to keep them healthy, whilst others have been thrown right out of commission. There are indications, however, that our list of horses in training, when next season comes round, will compare very favourably with former years.

The Southern sportsman, Mr J. Tennant, who recently left for Australia, took a couple of hunters across with him.

Ostry, a five-year-old gelding by Osterley out of the Huon mare Daphne, arrived from Melbourne last week, and goes to Mr McKewen's. The new-comer looks a good sort, and won a couple of small races in slow time when racing across the pond.

Canteen is once more in active commission, and has thickened out and freshened up a good deal as the result of his respite from hack work.

A name has been sought through the Colony for the Medallion—Patrie filly, and perhaps Emblem, Reminder or Reminiscence would fill the vacancy.

The South Canterbury Jockey Club has renewed Mr Henry's appointment as handicapper to the club at a salary of £30 per meeting, and has also decided to pay the starter £7 7s per meeting. Surely this latter figure reads small, unless the club can procure a competent man locally, but a seven guinea man would probably only be capable of nullifying the £30 man's adjustment.

The well-known sportsman, "Mr J. Tristram," left for Melbourne by this week's boat with a shipment of draught stallions for the Victorian market, and hopes to be back again in time for the National Meeting. Two of his string in Phaetonites and Trentbridge have been sent to Riccarton to go into D. Moraghan's stable, and the balance have been thrown out of commission.

Mr Tristram informs the writer that all his horses are in the private sale list.

Mr J. Samuels, the one-time Dunedin pinciller, won the principal sprint event at the Ashburton J.C. Birthday Meeting with Regio, a four-year-old gelding by Medallion—Welcome Queeniv. Regio apparently can hurry over a short course, as he won easily by six lengths, after casting the six furlongs behind in 1min 14½sec. Mr Samuels is coming into prominence as a horse owner, and his name is frequently appearing as a purchaser of blood stock.

One of the lines laid by Mr J. Loughlin last week in connection with the New Zealand Cup was 900 to 22 Halberdier. It is understood that the commission was worked on behalf of the stable.

Since the one-time Dunedin-owned horse Ayrdale has been in India, he has earned distinction in the show-ring, taking a first prize as a weight carrying hunter.

Covenant Maid, who was taken to the land of Rajahs and rice in the same boat as Ayrdale, ran second in a race shortly after her arrival.

The well-known gelding St. Denis changed ownership last week, but will continue to be an inmate of R. Ellis' stable.

Pallas was sent South to his owner's station at Tapanui last week. He is to be jogged about the roads, and will probably sport silk again in the Spring.

A couple of months prior to the decision of the English Derby it was given out that, though Gouvernant was to represent M. Blanc in the English Derby, his stable companion Ajax was the better of the two, and in consequence was to be reserved for the Grand Prix de Paris, that being the more valuable prize. Many racing men were disposed to doubt the accuracy of the report, but the result of the Grand Prix leaves no doubt as to its being correct. Ajax duly won, while Gouvernant, who had previously cut up badly in the English Derby, failed to get closer than fourth. M. Edmond Blanc won his first Grand Prix in 1879 with Nubienne, and altogether that race has gone to his credit on seven occasions.

Consumption of horseflesh in Germany is on the increase. In 1901 12,000 horses were slaughtered for food in Berlin, and 79,000 were consumed in Prussia during the year. Horse meat is used because there are not enough cattle to fill the demand. Horses are slaughtered only after they have spent a lifetime in the harness, and no one will deny the fact that the food obtained from this source is of very poor quality. It is horse meat or nothing, however, with a majority of the inhabitants.

The Victorian Amateur Athletic Association has decided to ask the Amateur Athletic Union of Australasia to nominate C. H. Gardner and L. Macpherson as the representatives of Australasia in the Olympian games at the St. Louis Exhibition. Gardner will leave for America on the 27th inst., and Macpherson a week later. Both are Victorians, and were competitors at the recent Australasian championship meeting. Gardner was second in the 120 Yards Hurdles, and Macpherson was third in the same event, third in the Pole Jump, and second in the 440 Yards Hurdles. Gardner is a good athlete.

The apparatus which was used for covering up the foot-holds of the bowlers and batsmen in the time-limit cricket match at Leeds between Yorkshire and Nottingham was peculiar, but it seemed very effective (says an English paper). It consisted of two frames of canvas made impervious to rain, and placed on supports in such a way that from a distance it looked something like cucumber frames sloping on both sides. The rain drained down into gutters, and was carried away in hose pipes. The wicket itself was not covered. There seems no reason why the apparatus should not come into general use.

# TROTTING.

## THE AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

### OPENING DAY.

The Auckland Trotting Club's Winter Meeting was commenced on Saturday afternoon at Takapuna Racecourse. The weather cleared up just in time, and the club was favoured with a fine, if cold, afternoon. The enclosure had dried up wonderfully, but the course itself was very holding, quite nullifying any attempts at fast time. This fact decided Mr Price not to attempt any record breaking with his famous pacer Ribbonwood. The meeting was well attended, and excellently managed by Mr Mark and his assistants, everything going off very smoothly. Mr O'Connor got the fields away in his usual fashion, while Mr A. R. Harris occupied the judge's box. The sport was first-class, some of the finishes being very exciting. The sum of £2018 10s was passed through the totalisator during the afternoon.

Proceedings commenced with the Maiden Trot, one mile and a-half, for which Albertorious was made favourite. Aided by his long handicap the son of Albert Victor made things very willing from the jump, with Pleasanton as his nearest competitor. Donizetti gradually closed up in the last two furlongs, but could never reach the favourite, who won by twenty yards, with Pleasanton a moderate third.

There were seven runners in the Oats Handicap, six and a-half furlongs, Sally Horner being dropped on as a good thing for this. Mr O'Connor let them go to an even start, Kyra and Sweet Marie immediately singling out in front. Down the back Sally Horner gradually went up to the leader, and at the bottom bend was alongside Lady Lottie, these two clearing out from the field. At the distance Lady Lottie was done with, the favourite winning by two lengths, with Sweet Marie six lengths off third.

Next followed the Winter Handicap, two miles, for which Rushlight, Autocrat and Rebel Boy were in most demand. Rushlight, taking good advantage of his handicap, headed the field for a couple of rounds, with Belladonna and Autocrat fast closing up. At the bottom bend the last round the leader broke badly, letting the other two past, while Te Whiti also drew up alongside. It was a very pretty race up the straight, Autocrat getting home by five yards from Te Whiti with Belladonna twice as far off third.

A field of thirteen turned out to compete in the Middle-Class Trot Handicap one mile and a-half, and of these My Lady and Countess found the most supporters. Pleasanton, on the limit, set out to make matters willing, with Mack as his nearest attendant. Half-a-mile from home Countess drew up to the leader, while Young Salisbury, on scratch, had passed more than half of his field. He broke once or twice rather badly, and Countess trotting well looked like winning easily. Thirty yards from the post she broke, and Pleasanton coming again with a rush almost caught her on the post, being beaten by three yards, with Fibre a very moderate third.

Only five turned out for the Ladies' Bracelet Trot, one mile and a-half, and of these Belladonna received much the most support. Invicta, the limit mare, refusing to trot at all, Eric was left with the lead, and he was in front to three furlongs from home, when Belladonna, who had been waiting handy, went to the front and, easily stalling off a late run by George, won by ten yards, with Eric thirty yards further back.

Garnet was a fairly strong order for the Flying Handicap, five furlongs, with Lady Lottie next in demand. Pahwaihi and the favourite got well away and led down the back to the bend, where Garnet fell back a length. With heads turned for home Lady Lottie singled out in chase of the leaders, and at the distance all were under the whip. A great race home saw Pahwaihi last long enough to win by nearly a length, Lady Lottie defeating Garnet by a head for second place.

There was a big demand for Kiddie Gee in the concluding event, the Electric Trot, one mile, Rushlight being the only other to come in for support. Bell Car led for a bit, but when the favourite once showed in front the race was over, for the daughter of Elmo II. had the foot of all her opponents, winning by nearly forty yards from Mummel Childe, with Victor C a good third.

The results were as follows:—

### MAIDEN TROT HANDICAP; one mile and a-half.

- Mr J. Dickson's b h Albertorious, by Albert Victor—Dulce, 3yrs, 30sec (Baker) ..... 1
  - Mr W. A. Scott's b g Donizetti, aged, 19sec (Scott) ..... 2
  - Mrs M. Greenwood's b h Pleasanton, aged, 28sec (Greenwood) ..... 3
- Other starters: Mummel Childe (late Pop), scratch; Lance, 15sec; Bell Car, 18sec; Nui, 24sec; Mack, 25sec; Huanui, 31sec.

Won easily by half-a-dozen lengths. Time, 4min 23 2-5sec. Dividends, £1 4s and £1 2s.

### OATS HANDICAP; six furlongs and a-half.

- Mr H. Bernard's b m Sally Horner, by Hornpipe—Anteros mare, 6yrs, 9.8 (Deeley) ..... 1
  - Mr K. Finlayson's b m Lady Lottie, aged, 9.0 (White) ..... 2
  - Mr M. Whitelaw's b m Sweet Marie, aged, 9.0 (Chaafé) ..... 3
- Other starters: Annoyed, 12.10; Whawhai, 9.7; Kyra, 9.7; Signal, 9.0.

Won by rather better than two lengths. Time, 1min 33 4-5sec. Dividends, £1 5s and 16s.

### WINTER HANDICAP TROT; two miles.

- Mr E. G. Sandall's gr h Autocrat, by Albert Victor—Nellie, 6yrs, 26sec (Price) ..... 1
  - Mr J. Craig's br g Te Whiti, 28sec (Gosnell) ..... 2
  - Mr W. Humphrey's b m Belladonna, aged, 32sec (Baker) ..... 3
- Other starters: Fichu, scratch; Rosalind, 13sec; Duke C, 13sec; Harold Abdallah, 1 sec; Rebel Boy, 18sec; Old Judge, 24sec; K.D., 24sec; Colenso, 32 sec; Miss Huon, 34sec; Rushlight, 34sec.

Won by a length. Time 3min 33 2-5sec. Dividends, £1 18s and £2 2s.

### MIDDLE-CLASS TROT HANDICAP; one mile and a-half.

- Mr T. Exley's br m Countess, by Victor, aged, 21sec (Baker) ..... 1
  - Mr M. Greenwood's b h Pleasanton, aged, 30sec (W. Greenwood) ..... 2
  - Mr J. G. Lecky's gr m Fibre, aged, 22sec (Trotty) ..... 3
- Other starters: Young Salisbury, scratch; My Lady, 12sec; Empress, 15 sec; Little Ben, 19sec; Boko, 19sec; Snip, 21sec; Bliss Irvington, 21sec; Bert, 21sec; George, 24sec; Mack, 28sec.

Won by less than half-a-length. Time, 4min 21 2-5sec. Dividends, £1 16s and 15s.

### LADIES' BRACELET HANDICAP TROT; one mile and a-half.

- Miss Dickson's b m Belladonna, by Judge Belden—Iniquity, aged, 13sec (Mr C. Baker, jun.) ..... 1
  - Miss L. Hardinge's b g George, aged, 25sec (Mr McMasters) ..... 2
  - Mrs Isabella Wood's b g Eric, aged, 16sec (Mr Wood) ..... 3
- Other starters: K.D., 7sec; Invicta, 36sec.

Won by a length. Time, 4min 18 2-5 sec. Dividend, £1.

### FLYING HANDICAP; five furlongs.

- Mr J. McDonald's b h Pahwaihi, aged, by Guncotton, 9.3 (Cotton) ..... 1
  - Mr K. Finlayson's b m Lady Lottie, aged, 9.0 (Searle) ..... 2
  - Mr W. Smith's b m Garnet, 6yrs, 9.13 (Julian) ..... 3
- Other starters: Fashionable, 9.12; Whawhai, 9.10; Lady Trench, 9.3; Sentinel, 9.0.

Won by three-parts of a length. Time, 1min 12sec. Dividends, £3 7s and 12s.

### ELECTRIC TROT HANDICAP; one mile.

- Mr R. P. Munro's b m Kiddie Gee, 5yrs, by Elmo II.—Marvellous mare, 12sec (Edwards) ..... 1
  - Mr W. Thomson's b g Mummel Childe, (late Pop), 6yrs, 12sec (Thomson) ... 2
  - Mrs T. Cotton's b g Victor (late Victor Hugo), aged, 20sec (Cotton) ... 3
- Other starters: Waitekauri, 10sec; Isabel, 14sec; Colenso, 18sec; Rushlight, 19sec; Bryn, 21sec; Bell Car, 24sec; Countess, 19sec (including 5sec penalty); Bert, 24sec; Fibre, 25sec.

Won by twelve or thirteen lengths. Time, 2min 39sec. Dividends, £1 3s and £1 14s.

The management of the Auckland Trotting Club's Meeting was the subject of favourable comment on Saturday.

A good deal of disappointment was expressed on Saturday at the non-appearance of Ribbonwood, although it was very generally recognised that it would have been absurd to send the Champion for a record on such a heavy track.

Belladonna was dropped on as something especially good in the Ladies' Bracelet, and the daughter of Judge Belden easily landed the handsome trophy. I remember seeing the winner's sire landed in Sydney, and a beautiful horse he looked, Mr Hordern being very pleased with his appearance. He has since got some fine stock.

I was very sorry to see that only five horses were accepted for the Ladies' Bracelet Trot. It ought to have been the most popular event of the day.

Punters were on very good terms with themselves on the opening day of the Auckland Trotting Club's Meeting. I heard of one who had backed every winner, while many others finished well on the credit side. Some of them wanted it, too, after the disastrous Ellerslie meeting.

### THE TRUTH ABOUT HORSE RACING.

"Old Blue," writing in a recent issue of the "London Sporting Life," gets down to bed-rock fact about racing, and his remarks might well be taken to heart by faddists from the Chief Justice downwards:—

The remarks of the Duke of Portland on horse-racing and betting, have caused quite a pompholugoplasma—as Aristophanes magnificently expresses it. Coming from such a source, of course, much more stress has been laid upon them than would otherwise have been the case. Enthusiasts are seldom logical, however. For instance, it is absurd to say that it is impossible to make money by betting. Hundreds of men have made considerable incomes by judicious investment on the speed and endurance of racehorses, and are still doing so. I am not now going to enter into the argument as to whether betting per se is sinful or not. Personally, I am in the same position as a recent Calcutta Diocesan Conference, which spent a whole day trying to discover what was wrong about betting, but did not succeed. They carried a resolution, however, declaring it to be the duty of all to discountenance betting. Exactly; quite one half the diatribes against betting are founded upon the same crude knowledge of the subject.

I can understand and appreciate the contentions of those who hate and abhor anything in the nature of gambling. These people are consistent at any rate, yet they, too, are mistaken enthusiasts. They forget that man is unquestionably a gaming animal. That the very energy which makes us strive to rise and succeed in life is twin-brothers to the spirit which makes men gamblers. The late Lord George Bentinck held the opinion that betting on horse-racing was the noblest gambling in existence, and who will gainsay? Nor is betting upon racing an unmitigated evil, as some would have us believe. Those who have seen trentee-quarante played in Germany, baccarat in Paris, monte in Mexico, iaro and poker in New York, or (to come nearer home) bridge in England, must admit that betting on horse-racing has its advantages. And what of the commercial gambling, both in this country and America, during the past decade? That is what annoys me so dreadfully. Nothing is said by these anti-betting apostles against this form of gambling, and why? Well, perhaps they come under Mr Ashton Dilke's category of "unconscious hypocrites." That is the most charitable conclusion, but the inconsistency of it all!

Let me say at once that, as a means of gambling only, racing would have but a short life before it. Its professed objects are (a) the improvement of the breeding of horses, and (b) providing a national pastime capable of affording amusement for all classes, enacted in the open air, devoid of all cruelty, and conducted, as far as possible, in accordance with the rules of fair play. Are these objects being fulfilled? As regards the improvement of the breed of horses, I am not quite sure that it is. In modern racing, the desire is for "short cuts," and plenty of them, in lieu of the old-time four miles races and "beats." The last-named required imperatively a stout, true made, strong constitutioned animal to be successful, while the former may be won by a horse possessing only the one attribute of speed. In this respect, it is obvious that the result of the racing of the last century has not altogether been in the direction of the improvement of the horse as a useful animal. In this, as in every other walk or gallop of life, however, the old truism, medio tutissimus ibis, still holds good.

If the Jockey Club will but resolutely follow out the plan that they have

sketched, of increasing the distances for older horses, and deferring the running of 2-year-olds till the autumn of their year, much good may result. In every other way, however, the professed objects of horse-racing have been fulfilled as far as is possible. The Duke of Portland's recent remarks have taken away the only weapon of defence from the apostles of the "attendant evils" point of view. So long as horse-racing is carried on, as it is now, with betting as its accessoire pure and simple, our great national pastime will go on and flourish, as it has flourished and grown with England's growth during the last 300 or 400 years. That betting and gambling have their seamy side, I am aware, but, for goodness' sake, do let us avoid clap-trap in this connection. No less an authority than the Rev. Hugh Price-Hughes said:—It is no more possible to abolish betting in toto than it is possible to abolish stealing in toto. Very well, then; let us try and distinguish between the wheat and the chaff, so to speak. In other words, let us avoid tarring all followers of the turf with one brush.

Yes; I say it deliberately. The Turf of this country is indeed a fact which cannot be ignored. Be it what it may, it must exist. If it die, or exist in any other way, there dies with it our boasted cavalry, our superiority as horsemen, one half of our sports, and the collateral advantages to the country rising from them. There are those who hold up their hands with horror at the mention of a sport of which they have taken sedulous care to know nothing, or nothing but its worst side. Is it fair thus to ignore its advantages, its utility, its necessity? Well-meaning journalism loudly proclaims the "scandals of the Turf," and, in mistaken fashion, urges its demoralising tendencies. But what profession is without its scandals? Even the Church itself has lately shown us that some wolves are in the fold—but enough. No man who walks through the world with his eyes open can refuse to believe in the vast amount of good that is done by the influence of high rank, and the example of our superiors. Enough, therefore, to say that never was the English turf so prosperous as in 1904. Never as an institution was it more firmly rooted in the hearts of Englishmen. From His Gracious Majesty the King down to his humblest subject horse-racing is considered the noblest pastime in which any nation, ancient or modern, has ever indulged. Against such an institution the pinpricks of faddists are futile.

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LATE RACING.

KENNEL AND POULTRY NOTES.

AUCKLAND TROTting CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

CONCLUDING DAY.

The Winter gathering of the Auckland Trotting Club was concluded yesterday under perfect weather conditions. There was a very large attendance, especially on an off day, many no doubt going over to the Shore to see Ribbonwood make an attempt on the Auckland record. He, however, refused to settle down to his preliminary warming up work and was not sent for the record. The trotting was of an interesting character, while the pony races were well contested. The arrangements were well carried out by Mr Mark and his staff, and a very pleasant afternoon was spent by those who attended. The following are the results:-

TRIAL TROT HANDICAP; one mile. Mummel Childe (Thomson) scratch..... 1 Pleasanton (W. Greenwood), 18sec..... 2 Green Lavender (Scott), 20sec..... 3 Won by eight yards. Time, 2min 40 4-5sec. Dividends, £1 4s and 7s.

ALEXANDRA HANDICAP; one mile and a-half. Rushlight (Edwards), 20sec..... 1 Lady Love (Scott), 24sec..... 2 Three Kings (Hird), 15sec..... 3 Won by thirty yards. Time, 4min 2 4-5 sec. Dividends, £1 2s and £1 5s.

WELTER HANDICAP; six and a-half furlongs. Lady Lottie (White) 9.5..... 1 Annoyed (Speakman), 12.3..... 2 Sally Horner (Deeley), 10.4..... 3 Won easily by a length. Time, 1min 35 4-5sec. Dividends, £2 14s and 10s.

SECOND LADIES' BRACELET HANDICAP TROT; one mile and a-half. Polly II. (Abbott), scratch..... 1 Fibre (Lecky), 16sec..... 2 Pleasanton (Watts), 25sec..... 3 Won very easily by twenty yards. Time, 4min 9 4-5sec. Dividends, £1 and £2 3s.

IMPROVERS' HANDICAP TROT; one mile. Donizetti (Scott), 12sec..... 1 Eric (Cotton), 9sec..... 2 Young Salisbury (Duncan), scratch..... 3 Won all the way by fifty yards. Time, 2min 50 1-5sec. Dividends, £1 2s and £5 14s.

HIGH-CLASS HANDICAP TROT; one mile. Young Salisbury (Duncan), 10sec..... 1 Leda (Cotton), 7sec..... 2 Taihoa (Greenwood), 6sec..... 3 Won by five yards. Time, 2min 40 4-5sec. Dividends, £6 4s and 7s.

MOTOR HANDICAP; five furlongs. Annoyed (Speakman), 12.0..... 1 Sally Horner (Deeley), 10.4..... 2 Lady Lottie (White), 9.5..... 3 Won by two lengths. Time, 1min 11sec.

NOTES.

What a sterling performer Annoyed is she proved once again in the Motor Handicap yesterday. Despite her 12st and a holding course, when Speakman asked her the question, the daughter of Regal and Torment answered in the gamest fashion possible, winning by quite two lengths.

Miss Cuirassier takes the eye as a likely pony to score when she gets more seasoned. She was left at the post in the Motor Handicap yesterday, but made up a tremendous lot of ground when Butler got her under way.

Young Salisbury trotted in a very different fashion in the High-Class Trot to his exhibition in the Improver's Trot. In the latter event he was never once dangerous, but the very next race he came out against superior cattle and won in fine style. It is small wonder that the dividend was a good one.

Despite the fact that she was on scratch, Polly II. was dropped upon as a fairly good thing for the Second Ladies' Bracelet yesterday, but the result showed that the public knew what they were doing when they accepted even money about the Viking mare, who trotted in great style, winning in a very hollow fashion.

The annual show of the Auckland and Suburban Poultry, Pigeon, and Canary Association, which was held last week at the Federal Hall, was beyond question the most successful ever held by the Association. In the number of exhibits it was a long way ahead of anything yet seen in this city, no less than 1163 birds being shown. To be exact, the entries in poultry numbered 681, pigeons 329, and canaries 153, a record in each department. There was also a marked improvement in quality, and the judges had a very difficult task set them. The judges were as follows:-Mr J. Casey, of Wellington (poultry), Mr H. Tattersall, of Auckland (ducks), Mr J. L. Fitzgerald, of Wellington (pigeons), Mr T. W. Brown (canaries). Mr W. Whinway, of Cambridge, won the North Island Championship for White Leghorns, while Mr W. B. McKenzie, of Wellington, carried off the North Island Championship allotted to the turbit pigeon class. A similar championship for canaries was won by Mr J. M. Thomson, the popular secretary. The show was exceedingly well conducted throughout, and Mr Thomson and the executive deserve much credit for the completeness of their arrangements. Several portraits of the winning birds appear in this issue.

The Irish terrier bitch Spinaway, by champion Breda Muddler ex Burma, bought by Mr W. W. Robinson (better known to old Auckland sportsmen as Billy Robinson) for Mr James Cooper, of Auckland, is full sister to champion Mile End Muddler, Burma Boh, Mile End Barriester, and other well-known winners. The importation of this bitch will be a great acquisition to the Irish terrier fancy in this colony, as new blood is badly wanted. It is the intention of the owner to send the bitch to the well-known winning dog, Chinados, before being shipped for her future home.

Irish Terrier lovers will regret to learn that in the opinion of no less an authority than Dr. R. B. Carey, the hon. secretary of the Irish Terrier Club, the old, true, varminty type, with keen expression, is getting lost, and that one rarely sees at shows dogs with the correct, sharp, keen outlook which a game terrier should possess.

Fanciers desirous of showing their dogs to the best advantage must exercise them all they can between this and show time (writes "Terror" in the "Otago Witness"). Exercise and judicious grooming will do more than anything else to improve condition, appearance, action, and character—exercise with chain and without. On entering dogs for the show care must be taken to see that the necessary fees are paid to qualify for Kennel Club and specialist clubs, as well as for the show club's, prizes, trophies, etc. Fanciers sending small dogs to distant shows will do well to provide hampers or cases giving ventilation at the sides, back, and front, as well as on top. Railway guards are apt to pack the cases one on top of another, and sometimes side by side, so every precaution should be adopted to give the travelling canine every chance to get fresh air. Large dogs sent on chain should be accompanied to the station by someone sufficiently interested to see that they are properly placed in the van; and if possible arrangements should be made for someone to look at them when en route, if only to guard against their being placed in juxtaposition to a dangerous companion. Above all things, due notification should be given to secure their being taken in charge on arrival at their destination.

When cropping was prohibited by the Kennel Club, it was predicted that Bull Terriers would practically disappear from the show-bench, but breeders have now succeeded in getting stock with nice, small drop-ears, and the breed may consequently come to the front again.

The best Esquimaux dog ever seen in the United Kingdom, or, indeed, in Europe, died last month. There are very few of his breed left in England, owing to the quarantine regulations. The nearest approach to Arctic King was Arctic Queen, the winner of numerous first and specials. The bitch died in 1900, so that the breed is now almost extinct in Great Britain. Both belonged to Mr A. P. King. Arctic King was imported, his parentage being unknown. He was born on July 1, 1892, and consequently achieved a great age, especially for an Esquimaux, as they are very difficult to keep in a Southern climate, and in hot weather. He was the winner of over 100 first and special prizes.

We have just received from Messrs Saml. Peach and Sons, Manufacturers of Lace Curtains, Nottingham, England (whose advertisement appears in the "New Zealand Illustrated Magazine") a supply of their new Price Lists for this season. It is a beautiful specimen of Printers' Art, and contains hundreds of splendid illustrations of Lace Curtains, Laces, Duchesse Blinds, Household Linens and Hosiery, etc. In their Export List is shown Ladies' and Gent's Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Furniture, Carpets, etc. Any of our readers who desire a copy of these excellent catalogues can be supplied either personally or by sending a post card to this office.



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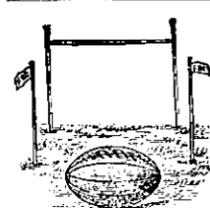
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	at lb	at lb	
Papatu	10 9	Victory	9 11
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Joe Chamberlain	Secret Society	Relus
Merry-go-round	Speculate	Convoy
Akarana	Heroism	Grenade
Solution	Manawaru	Onawa
Calibra	Malakoff	Provost-Marshal
Idea	Sir Crovalde	Shrapnel
Roscal	Gladstone	Ottoman
Rose Shield	Beau Seaton	General Symons
Okosari	Achilles	Ghoorka
Meke	General Average	Romeo
Halberdier	Lady Lillian	Red Star
Sandy	Full Cry	Red Start
Blackstone	Ouidaform	Geordie
Inglewood	Oblivion	
Little Turk	Regulation	

### GISBORNE RACING CLUB'S STEEPLECHASE MEETING.

JULY 7 AND 8.

FIRST DAY.

**HANDICAP HURDLES.**—Medallius, Hippowai, Lady Raven, Levant, Revealer, Cavalry, Local Option, Morpeth.

**FLYING HANDICAP.**—Vivacity, Lady Raven, Good Spec, Tukapa, Paria, Local Option, Maoriland, Hinetauriki, Linklock, Rehua.

**GISBORNE PARK STEEPLECHASE.**—Papatu, Straybird, Gun Metal, Stockman, Hylas, Kiatera.

**WINTER OATS HANDICAP.**—Vivacity, Lady Raven, Good Spec, Craftsman, Tukapa, Paria, Local Option, Hinetauriki, Linklock, Rehua, Morpeth, Cavalry.

SECOND DAY.

**SECOND HANAP HURDLES.**—Medallius, Hippowai, Lady Raven, Craftsman, Levant, Revealer, Cavalry, Local Option, Morpeth.

**WAIKANAE HANDICAP.**—Vivacity, Good Spec, Tukapa, Paria, Local Option, Maoriland, Hinetauriki, Rehua.

**TEHAPARA STEEPLECHASE.**—Papatu, Straybird, Gun Metal, Medallius, Stockman, Hylas, Kiatera.

**FINAL HANDICAP.**—Te Uku, Vivacity, Lough Neagh, Lady Raven, Good Spec, Craftsman, Tukapa, Paria, Local Option, Maoriland, Hinetauriki, Linklock, Rehua, Morpeth.

### WELLINGTON RACING CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

FIRST DAY—JULY 13.

WELLINGTON STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP; about three miles.

Victory	Papatu	Towhatu
Nadador	Comfort	Pipi
Enclair	Star	Evening
Mossasin	Kaitere	Dunsal
Rapanui	Plain Bill	Media
Kohunui	Slow Tom	Rowlock
The Guard	Aka Aka	Crespin
Mourner	Princess of Thule	

### VICTORIA RACING CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

MELBOURNE CUP; two miles.

Revolver	Canteen	Actor
Combat	Seaport	Flagship
Debutante	Langwarrin	Stopwatch
Bright Beauty	Sylvanite	F. J. A.
Fairy States	Sweet Nell	Amir
Demas	Pliable	Class
Sylvan King	Rienzi	Sinuang
Heloise	Royal Oak	Position
Portland Rose	Neatsfield	Ayr
Cearovitch	Step Out	Sport Royal
Billingsgate	Red Streak	Wingaron
Falkirk	Mario	Marmont
Billali	Merrion	Patronus
St. Ambrose	Sea Kale	Elderslie

Berriedale	Sherman	Bullion
Mistral	Sweet Posy	MacDonovan
Impression	Carola	His Majesty
Deucalion	Gladsome	The Vice-Admiral
Narelle	Murmur	New Broom
Munderah	Mandeville	Strathkellar
Blinker	Sufficiency	Roller
Silvio	M. L. D.	Coongaloon
Nuncio	Boabdil	Ballark
Fabric	Operto	Troy
Town Clasp	Athanie	Murna
Rhapsody	Newmarket	Operatta
Lord Cardigan	Buckthorn	Overdale
Jan	Bee Bee	Tartan
Cherson	Nothos	Highflyer
Koopan	Bewitcher	Proceed
Ruenalf II.	Sarto	The Corporal
Rifer	Antilles	Lamrock
Raeburn	Dumont	Abundance
Electra	Cato	Cakewalk
St. Mars	Tatterdemalion	Scot Free
Long Tom	Sway	Bright Pilgrim
Hadrian	Playaway	Lieutenant Bill
Fitz-Grafton	Wairiki	Belah
Zythos	Sunderland	P. K.
Sholto	The Hawker	Patronage
The Palmist	Muffler	Manitoba
Ninys	Discussion	Medford
Fanshawe	Kilfera	Meramar
Truce	Warroo	Ironmould
Trenwith	Medora	Lord Fitzroy
Stormaway	The Relic	Green Mountain
Elvo	Ossian	Ganymedes
Refuge Bay	Zeus	Cypher
Sojourner	Best Man	May King
Blue Spec	Meteorite	Gunstock
Leonatus	Lord Ullin's Daughter	

### VICTORIA AMATEUR TURF CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

CAULFIELD CUP; one mile and a-half.

Canteen	Actor	Combat
Seaport	Flagship	Langwarrin
Royal Oak	Rienzi	Neatsfield
Billingsgate	Red Streak	Step Out
Sport Royal	Wingaron	Bright Beauty
Stopwatch	F. J. A.	Fairy States
United States	Paul & ry	Sweet Nell
Emir	Sylvanite	Demas
Pliable	Sylvan King	Brunnhild
Sinuang	Heloise	Annotate
Class	MacDonovan	Sweet Posy
Cearovitch	Ayr	Falkirk
Mario	Billali	Merrion
Dividend	Lord Allendale	Impressio
Caroys	Tribune	St. Ambrose
Patronus	Sea Kale	Berriedale
Sherman	Bullion	Mistral
Bonnie Chiel	M. L. D.	Silvio
Deucalion	Unknown	Methyl
Leal	Haphazard	Gladsome
Last Choice	Narelle	The Endeavour
New Broom	Mandeville	The Gaiety Girl
Munderah	Tisiphone	Murmur
St. Free	Cambridge	Rhapsody
Nuncio	Boabdil	Ballark
Fabric	Operto	Troytown
Class	Murna	Athanie
Sporran	Blinker	Sufficiency
Sweep Clean	Corroboree	Coongaloon
Killua	Dangal	Operatta
Lord Cardigan	P. K.	Birida
Nothos	Lamrock	Chere Amie
Kilfera	Overdale	Dumont
Zythos	Miramar	Jan
Sir Leonard	Abundance	Sunderland
Trenwith	Bee Bee	Electra
Mereworth	Tartan	Cato
Regio	Ironmould	Sholto
Fitz-Grafton	Truce	Buckthorn
Cherson	Cakewalk	St. Mars
St. Modan	Medora	Highflyer
Cathay	Tatterdemalion	Port Jackson
The Palmist	Lord Fitzroy	Auld Acquaintance
Koopan	Scot Free	The Hawker
Elvo	Mark	Bewitcher
Green Mountain	Long Tom	Proceed
The Relic	Patronage	Raeburn
Sway	Ruenalf II.	Australia
Acrasia	Muffler	Fanshawe
Withan	Sarto	Manitoba
Jim Dorset	Hadrian	Playaway
Asian	The Corporal	Lieutenant Bill
Rifer	Antilles	Sojourner
Harr	Discussion	Chespot
Avalon	Bright Pilgrim	Marmont
Ganymedes	Lebenure	May King
Zeus	Mauser	Gunstock
Leonatus	Meteorite	
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### DEFECTIVE FORMATION.

In "Milroy's" interesting roundabout notes in the "Sydney Mail" he writes that a knot of trainers "talking horse" the other day at Randwick exchanged some interesting opinions and reminiscences on the subject nearest to their hearts—the noble horse. Roaring was discussed at length, and the consensus of opinion was that the trouble was not inherited but acquired—colds, influenza, and overwork being the principal factors towards throat diseases. The idea that narrow gullets and defective jawbones were brought about roaring was scouted. Experts generally agree that a horse with narrow jaws set back into his neck cannot stay a distance, as this formation affects his breathing, but Harry Raynor mentioned Melos as a brilliant exception of this rule and proof of the truth of the old saw that "horses run in all shapes." There never was a truer stayer than Melos, yet his gullet was so narrow and pinched that it was a task of the greatest difficulty to physic him. Despite this defect, which, in the opinion of 99 horsemen out of 100, bars a horse from getting a distance, Melos was at his best over three miles. He was out in the two best seasons known in Australia, and ran only in first-class races against such smashers as Abercorn, Carbine, Dreadnought, Manton, and Megaphone, and he held his own with credit. With reasonable luck he would have added one of the three great cups to his list of wins which were all under w.f.a. conditions.

Melos was not anything like as brilliant a horse as Carbine, but he was a more genuine stayer. He needed a strong pacemaker to get anything like good results. If Melos went out to make his own running, a horse like Carbine would smother him at the finish, but when a smotherer like Dreadnought went out in the Champion Race to cut down Carbine, Melos was seen at his best, and outstayed the pair of them. Three times during his career Melos beat Carbine at w.f.a., over a mile and a-quarter, two miles and a-quarter, and three miles, and though he met Abercorn many times over various distances he never managed to defeat Chester's best son, How Melos lost the Melbourne Cup of 1889 is not so much of a mystery as many suppose.

After running Abercorn to a head, and beating Carbine in the Melbourne Stakes, it certainly looked like "sharpening" the bookmakers to take 3 to 1 about him in the Cup with 8st 12lb on his back. He was meeting Carbine on 16lb better terms, but the latter, who ran second, beat the Goldsbrough horse, who probably travelled over 100 yards more ground than any other horse in the race. Dreadnought beat Melos in the Australian Cup by a nose, and two jumps after they passed the post Melos was half a length in front of the Chester horse. Melos was singularly unlucky in that race by being shut in among a lot of beaten horses when they turned for home, but when he got out how did he finish! When Carbine beat him by a head in the Sydney Cup it would have been £1000 to an orange on his getting the stakes had Mr Gannon protested, for, in that bumping finish, Carbine was undoubtedly the aggressor. The foregoing will give the present generation an idea of what manner of a horse Melos was, and yet his windpipe was as narrow as a quill.

Another good horse of more recent times, built on the same lines, is Le Var, who won races under all conditions from six furlong sprints to three miles at w.f.a., and he generally managed to give a good account of himself fit or unfit. Tom Payten gave a big price for Le Var as a yearling, and when he got him home and saw more of him he liked him less, for the colt's jaws were buried into his neck and pressed into the respiratory glands to an extent as to appear fatal to his chances of racing. Le Var was rather a tough problem as a yearling. There was never a more determined fighter. When in tacking, it was his habit to buck till he fell exhausted, and when knocked up he often threw himself down in the sand box and roared with temper. After many strenuous battles with his teachers the colt sprung two lovely curbs, which, in conjunction with the throat and jaw formation, made Tom Payten as unhappy as a girl crossed in love. Payten called in a vet, who gave it as his opinion that the colt's hocks were not likely to last through a preparation, and, if they did, the youngster with such jaws was almost certain to develop into a roarer. Payten tried to sell Le Var, but there were no buyers, so he doctored him up and trained him. The horse won races at Randwick and Flemington, in Western Australia and South Australia; he raced for five seasons, and left the turf sound in wind and limb. Doubtless Le Var and Melos are extreme exceptions of first-class horses having a bad defect so unusually pronounced, though their stamina goes to show that vitality is after all the first essential in a racehorse.

### HOOF TROUBLES.

At the opening of the spring season the hoofs of horses are grown out to an extent far greater than good judgment and good care should permit. These are circumstances of a controllable character, and are responsible for the condition of horses' feet, and were it only a matter of growth that the horse and horseowner should feel concerned about it would be very easy to forget, but that is the least of the ills. Following in the wake of overgrowth is disease, and there is one particular form of disease which plays havoc with the foot of the horse, and which makes its appearance at this particular time of the year more than any other.

The lodgment of foreign substances between the shoe and hoof is the cause of a most aggravated form of the disease which frequently finds its way to the living parts of the foot, and not infrequently causes quittor. The moisture of the spring is constant, likewise the abundance of filth which is picked up by the shoe and lodges between it and the sole, with the outer wall as an additional guard to keep it in place until removed at the time of shoeing. Unless the greatest care is taken by the horseshoer to prevent the possibility of quittor arising as a result of this lodgment it may be expected.

Quittor is not to be feared so much in the case where a foot is free from the disease of corn, but when corn is present there is a separation seen between the insensitive sole and wall which allows the foreign matter to become located in the separated portion, and gradually, through the movement of the animal, it works its way up into the living parts of the foot with the result as stated. It is therefore absolutely necessary that additional care be taken by the horseshoer to prevent the possibility of this disease arising, and as a preventative the following means are suggested:—

Dress the hoof down as low as good judgment will permit, remove all dead portions of the sole, and in case of corn being present cut cautiously into it with a knife suitable for the purpose of cleaning out any possible lodgment which may be seen between the sole and wall. After the part is thoroughly cleansed with the knife, this part should, before the shoe is adjusted, be filled with salve made up of equal parts of shoemaker's beeswax and one-half part of mutton tallow, which, being melted together should be poured while hot into the heel. This forms a covering which will prevent any foreign substance finding the lodging place after the horse has been put to use, and thereby relieve corn and prevent further trouble. As a further preventative the sole should be covered with a leather or rubber pad, underneath which a layer of oakum and pine tar should be placed.—"Horseshoers' Journal."

Since the institution of the Derby in 1780 many foreign-bred horses have essayed to win the classic race, but only three have proved successful—Gladateur, who, in 1865, carried the colours of the French sportsman, Count Lagrange, to victory over the Epsom Downs; Kisber—a colt of English parentage, but foaled in Austro-Hungary—who won under the livery of Mr A. Baltazzi in 1876; and Iroquois, who took the "blue ribbon" of 1881 across the Atlantic for that genuine sportsman, the late

Mr Pierre Lolillard. The following year Mr Lorillard made another bid for the coveted prize with Sachem, but could only get third to Shotover and Quoktime. Since then another American colt, Disguise II., carried Mr J. R. Keene's livery into third place in Diamond Jubilee's year. But the French have been the most persistent of foreign sportsmen in their efforts to capture the great classic race. Among the regular subscribers for many years past have been the brothers Edmond and Camille Blanc, M. Ephrussi, M. Caillault, J. de Bremond, and E. Deschamps, but of them the Brothers Blanc have made the boldest bids. In 1891 E. Blanc's Gouverneur was beaten by two lengths by Common for the "blue ribbon;" Bucentaure carried C. Blanc's colours into third place behind Sir Hugo and La Fleche in the following year in 1889, when Flying Fox won, Edmond Blanc furnished the second favourite, Holocauste, who broke one of his fetlocks in the race; and last year the same sportsman brought Vinicus across the Channel, but the well-performed son of Masque had to play second fiddle to Rock Sand. Nothing daunted by repeated failures, E. Blanc was again to the fore for the Derby this year, for which he furnished the favourite, Gouvernant, a son of the famous Flying Fox, for whom the French studmaster gave the record price of 37,500 guineas at the disposal of the late Duke of Westminster's stud, but again the plucky Gallic sportsman was doomed to disappointment, for Gouvernant gave a very inglorious exhibition, and finished last but one in the race.

In the Derby annals there are only three records of the success of fillies—Eleanor in 1801, Blink Bonny in 1857, and Shotover in 1882—and that poor average may have influenced Major Eustace Loder when nominating for the classic races of the current season in deciding not to enter Pretty Polly as a candidate for the "blue ribbon." Probably he regrets the omission, as does every true sportsman, for had she been among the company that took part in the great contest the other day at Epsom there would probably have been a different story to tell. The aptly-named daughter of Gallinule and Admiration holds up to the present an unbeaten record, having practically swept the board last season, and opening up the current year by annexing the One Thousand Guineas at Newmarket and the Oaks at Epsom, while her engagements for the remainder of the season are the Nassau Stakes at Goodwood, St. Leger, Park Hill Stakes, and Doncaster Stakes at Doncaster, and the Newmarket Oaks and Champion Stakes at the Newmarket Second-October Meeting. The details of the race for the One Thousand Guineas show that she won from end to end, without being asked to extend herself. If the brilliant daughter of Gallinule retains her form until the autumn the meeting of the cracks at Doncaster cannot fail to be of absorbing interest.

St. Amant, the winner of the Derby, is by St. Frusquin, and is the third Derby winner sired by a son of St. Simon, therefore the sons have beaten the old horse's record in this race, for Volodyovski, the winner in 1901, is by Florizel, a son of St. Simon, while Sceptre, whom people on the spot declare, was not "trying" for Ard-Patrick's Derby, was, if not the best, certainly equal to any three-year old of her time, while Ard-Patrick is by St. Florian—son of St. Simon. St. Amant was bred by his owner, Mr Leopold de Rothschild, who came so very nearly winning the coveted Blue Ribbon with the colt's sire, St. Frusquin, nine years ago. Both St. Amant's sire and dam were bred by the Rothschilds, who have owned the dams of both for several generations. The Derby winner's third dam, Hippia, did great deeds under the Rothschild banner. Among the races she won for Baron Rothschild was the Oaks. In this race she defeated the celebrated Achievement, who had practically swept the two-year-old board, and won the One Thousand Guineas the following season. In the autumn Achievement won the St. Leger and Doncaster Cup Hippia's granddam, Evening Star, by Touchstone, was the fifth dam of St. Swithan, and was a peculiarly bred mare. She was by Touchstone out of Bertha, a half-sister to Touchstone. St. Amant, who belongs to the same family as Pretty Polly, who was unbeaten last season, is the second descendant of the Oakfield mare (14) to win the Derby. Volodyovski was the first of the family to win it in 122 years. Appended is St. Amant's pedigree, with Bruce Lowe's figures attached:—

ST. AMANT (14)

Sire. ST. FRUSQUIN (22), by St. Simon (11) from Isabel, by Plebian (11) from Parma, by Parmesan (7) from Archeress, by Longbow (21) from Tingle, by Slane (25) from Vibration, by St. Hercules (2).

Dam: LADY LOVERULE (14) by Muncaster (16)—son of Doncaster (5)—from Nellie, by Hermit (5) from Hippia, by King Tom (3) from The Daughter of the Star, by Kremlin (12) from Evening Star, by Touchstone (14).

Much troubled in mind, the Cynic declined.  
 His star was not in ascendant;  
 He digned not to scoff for he had a bad cough,  
 And a tear from his nose was pendant.  
 "I'll away!" said Diog, "To Delphi I'll jog,  
 And consult that oracle sure."  
 He went, and it said, "For a cold in the head  
 Take Woods' Great Peppermint Cure."

# SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

## FOOTBALL.

(By "Scrutator.")

The concluding games of the first round of the District Championships on Saturday, gave rise to better and more interesting games than have been seen this season. On both grounds there were large attendances of the public, who for once and away were rewarded by witnessing two very even struggles for supremacy, and in each case the supposed stronger team was defeated.

Ponsonby defeated Newton by 11 points to 9 at Alexandra Park. The game all through was very keenly contested. The close of the play was very exciting, some exceptionally sharp work being shown. With ten minutes to go, Newton led, but Carlaw got across and put Ponsonby ahead, and directly afterwards Francis kicked a penalty goal. Just before the whistle went, H. Rowe got on the Ponsonby line, but Eaton failing to convert Newton were defeated as above.

It was generally expected that City would prove too good for North Shore, but this was not so, the seashiders winning on their own ground by 6 points to 3. The victory places them ahead in the district competition.

Grafton proved too good for Parnell to the extent of 10 points to nothing, which is not such a severe drubbing as Parnell have been accustomed to receive this season. Several juniors played for Grafton.

### SECOND FIFTEENS.

Ponsonby v. Newton: Ponsonby won by 3 points (a try) to nil.

### THIRD FIFTEENS.

Ponsonby v. Newton: Ponsonby won by 17 points (three tries, two of which were converted, and a goal from a mark) to nil.

### SECONDARY SCHOOLS COMPETITION.

Grammar School beat Sacred Heart by 16 points to nil.

St. John's beat Prince Albert by 22 points to nil.

St. John's II. v. Prince Albert II.: Drawn, 3 points each.

At Christchurch, Albion beat Christchurch by 12 points (a potted goal and two goals from marks) to 3 (a penalty goal); Merivale 7 points (a goal from a mark and a try), beat Sydenham, nil; Linwood, 16 (two goals and two tries), beat Canterbury College, 3 (a try).

The Dunedin matches resulted as follows:—Kaikorai and Southern played a drawn game (neither side scoring); Union beat Alhambra by 5 to nil; Pirates beat Zingari by 3 to nil; Dunedin beat University by 3 to nil. Southern are now leading for the championship.

### THE BRITISH TEAM V. NEW SOUTH WALES.

There were 35,000 people present on the Sydney Cricket Ground on Saturday to witness the first match played between the British team of footballers and New South Wales. This represents the extreme holding capacity of the ground. New South Wales, which was beaten a few days before by Queensland, is evidently rather weaker than usual this season, and it would appear that the winners of the light-blue jerseys were simply outclassed by the visiting combination. The teams were composed as follows:—

British team: Fullback, Stanger-Leathes; three-quarters, Morgan, O'Brien, Gabe, and Llewellyn; halves, Hulme and Bush; forwards, Bedell-Sivright (captain), Harding, Edwards, Bevan, Swannell, Crowther, Trail, and Saunders.

New South Wales: Fullback, Verge; three-quarters, Wickham, O'Donnell, F. Futter, and V. Futter; halves, Maning

and Baker; forwards, Burden, Clarken, White, Wright, Murnin, O'Donnell, Butge, and Harris.

The cable giving particulars of the play states that the visitors won the toss, and with a strong wind at their backs made things lively from the jump, Bush picking up from a scrum and potting a beautiful goal. Superior line-kicking kept New South Wales on the defensive, and wearying spells of this were relieved by occasional clever play, wherein Wickham and the brothers Futter were most prominent. Unselfish combination, ably assisted by Gabe's, Bush's, and Morgan's lightning sprinting, brought the Britishers' score to 12 to nil when the first spell ended.

Early in the second spell the visitors placed another goal to their credit, chiefly the result of fine sprinting on the part of Bush, Gabe, and Morgan. At this stage Wickham had a shot at goal from the half-way, Gabe relieving. The local men were now showing improved form, and kept the visitors at times on the defensive. The Englishmen were penalised, but Wickham failed to convert, and the local men were evidently tiring, as their tackling became very weak. Verge had a shot at goal, but failed, and the Britishers later on easily increased their score by two goals, O'Brien adding one and Bush the other, the game thus ending: Great Britain 27, New South Wales 0.

It is evident from the foregoing result that the team which has journeyed from the Old Country is a much stronger combination than the one which was captained by the Rev. Molineaux. To have a chance of successfully coping with the visitors, this Colony will require to leave no stone unturned to obtain the most representative team possible.

Te Aute College played the Sydney Combined Great Public Schools last week, the game being drawn, three points each. The play on the whole was disappointing, the visitors' passing at times being not up to the mark. The game was very evenly contested throughout, no score taking place during the first spell. On resuming Tuati secured a try in the corner within a few minutes, but the angle was difficult, and Erekanu failed to convert. Then a penalty was awarded against the visitors, from which Gardiner kicked a beautiful goal, equalising the scores.

On Saturday, Te Aute College played another draw with the combined Sydney Schools on the Sydney Cricket Ground. Possibly the team are getting a bit stale, but they did not show to the advantage expected. They won the toss, and, with a strong wind at their backs, attacked in fine style, but good work on the part of the school forwards kept play at the half-distance for a long time. Te Aute team was penalised for offside play, but Colwell failed to convert an easy chance. More scrum work, wherein the local players showed to advantage, resulting in Te Aute again being penalised, but the kick at goal was fruitless. The visitors, by good combination, worked the ball to the schools' 25, where, from a penalty, Erekanu dropped a goal. The balance of the first spell saw the visitors several times hard pressed. The second half opened with the visitors being penalised, but no goal resulted. The

schools continued to attack with great vigour, and by clever work managed to score. The kick at goal was unsuccessful, leaving the scores equal. Play was afterwards pretty even, neither side gaining the advantage.

Queensland defeated New South Wales in the return match by 11 points to 7. From the even scoring in both games between the rival States, it is evident there is little to choose between them.

The "Daily Telegraph" thus describes the first appearance of Te Aute footballers in Sydney:—"The Maoris, brown and shiny, sturdy, alert, but still anxious and looking spick and span in their red and black jerseys, revealed in their first entrance to the field the same organisation which they afterwards showed in the game. The trim-built, smart-looking lads from St. Joseph's College, bunched together, awaited their opponents on the lawn, and greeted them with a single hearty cheer. Not so the Maori, who loves display. The keen-eyed half-caste boy Pini led his warriors on to the field in Indian file, the line umpire, Kingi Tahiwa, following with a Maori implement of war in place of a flag. The team marched in this fashion to the back of the goal they were going to defend. Then the air was split with the cries and invocation of the Maoris for strength and courage to overcome their foes. The antics of the natives were distinctly queer, representing to the on-looker a strange combination of the past and the present. One second their arms were extended, their eyes dilated, their feet were stamping the earth as they fiercely invoked the spirits; the next they were down on their hands and knees performing evolutions that are common to the Ethiopian shuffler. It was entertaining, however, to the 7000 or 8000 spectators, who keenly enjoyed this strange beginning to a football match. But this was mildness compared to the war dance they performed as they left the field. Kingi Tahiwa with his implement of war, to which were attached a few kiwi feathers, squirmed and wriggle, and yelled in front of the band of victorious football warriors, in a most excited manner. 'Ka mate! Ka mate!' he shrieked. 'Kahore! Kahore!' the team responded, and so the fairies were thanked."

At the Association game Corinthians beat Tabernacle by 7 goals to nil.

Corinthians defeated W.Y.M.I at Kingsland by 6 goals to 2.

The following are the Association trial teams to play at the Domain on Saturday, the 25th inst., with a view to the selection of the Auckland members of the North Island eleven to meet the New South Wales representatives:—

White Team: Edmonds (Thistle), Ritchie (Thistle, captain), Cowan (Corinthians), Ritchie (Corinthians), Meldrum (Thistle), Stevenson (St. John's), Clark (Corinthians), J. Dacre (Shore), Hillford (Thistle), G. Henderson (Thistle), Smith (St. John's). Emergencies, Bellamy and Clark (Tabernacle).

Blue Team: Dugmore (Corinthians, captain), Wright (Shore), Reed (Tabernacle), Walker (Thistle), Yates (Corinthians), Owen (Tabernacle), Fleming

(Shore), Foreshaw (Corinthians), Sale (Corinthians), Whitehead (Corinthians), Gibson (Thistle).

At the Australian game Austral beat Victoria on Saturday by 54 points (6 goals, 18 behinds) to 33 (3 goals, 15 behinds).

## BOWLING.

### AUCKLAND BOWLING CLUB.

The annual general meeting of members of the Auckland Bowling Club was held in the clubroom, Grafton green, last Thursday, Mr Wm. Lambert, president, in the chair.

The annual report congratulated the members on a successful season and a satisfactory financial position. After touching on the Northern Bowling Association's tournament, and the success that had attended the efforts of the club's representatives at the Te Aroha and Rotorua tournaments, the report made mention of the doings of the members at the Auckland Association's annual tournament, when they won the three principal competitions—pennant flag, champion fours, and first-year players' teams match. The club championship was won by Mr G. M. Hancock. The treasurer's (Mr J. Carlaw) financial statement showed a credit balance of £76 10s 7d, and added that £100 had been paid off the mortgage on the club's property. The total assets amounted to £1254 8s 7d in excess of liabilities, represented by a mortgage of £700.

The report and accounts were then unanimously adopted.

The Chairman, on behalf of the members of the club, then presented Mr Arthur Towsey, who is leaving to take up his residence in Wanganui, with a handsome travelling-case and a picture of the pavilion and green.

The election of officers was then proceeded with, the first office being that of president. The Chairman, in nominating Mr William Culpin for the position, said that the honour could not be more fittingly placed, as his nominee was one of the oldest and most popular members of the club, and one who had done much for the sport of bowling. He then pinned the insignia of office on the new president's breast. Mr Culpin, in acknowledging the honour, said he felt extremely proud to have the confidence of his fellow-members, and to find himself elected to such an important office. It would always be his pleasure to do his utmost to forward the best interests of the club. Other officers were then elected as under:—Vice-presidents, Messrs Wm. Elliot and J. M. Mennie; hon. secretary, Mr G. A. Buttle; hon. treasurer, Mr Jas. Carlaw; committee of management (after a ballot, ten members being nominated), Messrs Wm. Gorrie, L. Myers, R. Tudehope, A. J. Denniston, and R. James; match committee, Messrs J. Carlaw, J. M. Mennie, and R. James.

The trophies won in club matches during the past season were presented as under:—Club cup and championship, first, Mr G. M. Hancock; second prize, Mr G. A. Buttle. Full rink match, first prizes, Messrs H. King, W. Lambert, J. M. Mennie, and George Easton (skip); second prizes, Messrs W. J. Ronayne, P. M. Thomson, A. Towsey, and W. O. Garland (skip). Full rink match, first prizes, Messrs A.

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### CYCLING.

S. White, George Elliot, A. H. Brookes, T. A. Crawford (skip); second prizes, Messrs C. Arnold, W. Crombie, Geo. Easton, G. A. Buttle (skip). Subscription pairs, Messrs J. D. Perritt and W. Culpin (skip). Ehrenfried-Ross prize, Mr Geo. Easton. George Main prize, Mr W. Lyons. Stewart Dawson trophy, Mr A. H. Brookes. First-year players' prize, Mr H. C. Choyce. Consolation prize, Mr J. Gilmour. Pairs match, first prize, Messrs Ballin and W. Culpin; second prize, Messrs G. Elliot and T. A. Crawford. The final for the Peter Dawson trophy has yet to be played between Messrs W. Lambert and A. E. Dean.

A new paper has made its appearance in the Old Country, entitled "Bowls." It is exceedingly well-produced, and is published by "Country Sport," much in the style of that high-class journal. No better pennyworth was ever offered to lovers of bowling.

The Rocky Nook Bowling Club last week held a most enjoyable concert as a wind-up to the season. Vocal solos were rendered by Mesdames Wood and Bethune, Messrs Hoyes, Ryan, and Higgett; vocal duet by Messrs Hoyes and R. an, and instrumental solos by Master Over and Mr A. Williams. Recitations were given by Miss Vause, and Messrs McElwain, Keesing, and Warren.

Mr George Carpenter, hon. sec. of the Lewes B.C., gave many interesting facts relative to bowling, especially as applied to London, in a lecture delivered before the members of his club (says "Bowls"), in which, among many other facts, it was pointed out, that early in the 17th century, the Grooms Porter's Office issued thirty-one licenses for bowling greens and alleys in London, Westminster, and the suburbs. The principal of these was Spring Gardens, Whitehall, opened by Royal Patent in 1630, Piccadilly Hall, Bowling Green Lane (Clerkenwell), Marebone, and Royal Patent in 1630, Piccadilly Hall, Bowling Putney.

King Charles I. was one of London's most keen bowlers, even up to the time that the headman's axe ended so troubled a career. By way of a run out to the outskirts, the King frequently took a turn at single-handed play with one Smart, a turkey merchant at Barkington. These little contests were usually for a guinea a game. One day Smart appeared to play so thoroughly up to his name that the King declined losing any more gold, and he did so in the following sentence: "No, no, Smart, I'll go no further with the game to-day. I have a wife and family to look after." Smart had, of course, the advantage of playing over his own green, which, doubtless, had a few "tricky" spots.

"Royal Henley" is a very expensive regatta to run, and if bad weather is experienced the stewards have generally to face a loss, as the revenue from the enclosures and house boat accommodation depends a great deal on the weather. Last season, 1903, the regatta suffered severely and the committee were obliged to sell £200 2½ per cent. consols, thus reducing the reserve fund to make up the deficiency caused by extra expenditure for booms in addition to the bad weather. When the course was first "boomed" off it ran into four figures for the timber and fixing the piles, etc., and is now annually an expensive item. Until it was done, however, the course was never satisfactory. Even now occasionally a pleasure boat will come through just as a race is passing and interfere with the races.

Arrangements in connection with the Dunlop Test Races in the various centres are well in hand. The Auckland race will be over a course of 136 miles, the Manawatu race is some seventy-six miles, the Otago race 56 miles, the Southland test sixty miles, and advice from the other centres is still to come in.

It is estimated that the total value of the prize lists for the various Dunlop Road Races throughout Australia and New Zealand will amount to £700, and that all told there will not be less than four hundred cyclists competing. Road racing as a sport is decidedly on the up grade, and it is without exception one of the finest forms of athletics that is represented in this country.

The first of the Dunlop interstate eliminating road races—the Goulburn to Sydney test—is announced to take place on Saturday, August 6. The course is about 130 miles in length, and is the hilliest of any route adopted for the test races in any State. The prize-list is, as usual, a very liberal one, the big tyre company heading it with a cheque for £30 and a £5 gold medal. There are seven other valuable prizes, including two bicycles. The fastest New South Wales competitor will be selected as that State's representative in the Warrnambool to Melbourne event, on August 20, and will receive £10 from the Dunlop Company towards his expenses. The company will also undertake to feed the competitors en route and arrange for cheap railroad rates and hotel tariffs. The race will be run under the rules and handicapping of the New South Wales League.

France, seemingly, is a cyclist's paradise. There is no speed limit, no bringing of one before the magistrate because the lamp has flickered out, or for riding upon the footpath; the latter, being allowed, is not an offence. Several towns have special tracks for cyclists along the boulevards, while the general condition of the roads is excellent. The hills, also are well engineered, the grades being easy, because the fact is recognised that it is easier to climb an incline of 1 in 20 for, say, half a mile, than to labour up 1 in 10 for half a mile to reach a desired altitude. The French roads have, in addition, plenty of notice-boards warning the travellers of dangerous descents and level crossings, besides finger-posts at all junctions.

### GOLF.

The final match for the Auckland Ladies' Golf Club Championship was played on Friday, and despite the bad weather and sodden state of the links there was a very fair attendance. The game was between Miss E. Lewis, the holder, and Miss M. Mort, and after a keen fight in which good play was shown by both ladies, victory fell to Miss Lewis, who finished with three up and two to play. The winner, who has only been playing the game for four seasons, was also successful last year and in addition got into the final of the N.Z. Championships, in which she was narrowly beaten.

In the driving competition (aggregate of three balls) Miss Blanche Gorrie covered 379 yards, defeating the champion by 21 yards. Miss Pearl Clark won the putting contest.

The news has come from home that the amateur championship has been won by an American, or is he an Australian? He is an American golfer anyway. He is W. J. Travis, and has been three or four times champion of America. He used to be in Melbourne, in McLean Bros. and Rigg's (writes "Bulger"), and went from here to America to represent them. He tried to play cricket here, but I believe he was not a success. In America he took to golf, and, by dint of hard work and constant practice, he has attained to the highest honours in the world. Certainly no one seems to practice more, as one never picks up an American paper which has a note of his playing somewhere. As most players know, the amateur championship is played off by tournament of 18 hole matches, with 36 holes for the final. Consequently there is not only the luck of the draw, but also 18 holes is a short test for supremacy. However, no one can go through the trying five days' play, in which one bad round puts a player out, always playing a first-class player, and get through to the end without being a real good player, and Travis well deserves his win for the way he has stuck to golf after taking it up late in life. He has also done an immense deal for golf in the States. The runner-up was Mr Edward Blackwell. He learned his golf at St. Andrew's as a boy, and is famous for being the longest driver in the world. He has never been very near winning the championship before, as though a long driver he is weak in his short game. Sandwich, where the championship was played, is a long driver's course. That Travis had not an easy time in the draw is shown by the fact that he met and beat Mr R. Maxwell, last year's winner; Mr H. G. Hutchinson, who has won twice; and Mr H. H. Hilton, the only amateur to twice win the open championship and amateur champion.

### HOCKEY.

The Auckland Hockey Association matches on Saturday were played in fine weather, but the previous heavy rain had rendered the grounds rather soft and sticky.

Auckland beat University by five goals to two. Mason was in great form for the winners, being responsible for every goal scored. Moore and Metcalfe hit the goals for the losers.

United defeated West End by five goals to nil, Barry (two), Clark (two) and Shaw getting the points.

University played a draw with Auckland B, each side scoring two goals.

Auckland A fairly outclassed West End A, winning by no less than eight goals to nothing.

Thames beat Waihi on Saturday after a very even game by three goals to two.

The following is the result of the draw for the Ladies' Hockey Association competitions:—

July 2.—Kopana v. Moana (on Moana's ground), Varsity v. Kotiro (on Varsity's ground), Ladies' College v. Wapiti (on Ladies' College ground), Te Huia a bye.

July 9.—Te Huia v. Moana (on Moana's ground), Varsity v. Ladies' College (on Varsity's ground), Kotiro v. Wapiti (on Wapiti's ground), Kopana a bye.

July 16.—Te Huia v. Kopana (on Kopana's ground), Varsity v. Wapiti (on Varsity's ground), Kotiro v. Ladies' College (on Kotiro's ground), Moana a bye.

July 23.—Te Huia v. Kotiro (on Ko-

tiro's ground), Kopana v. Ladies' College (on Kopana's ground), Moana v. Wapiti (on Moana's ground), Varsity a bye.

July 30.—Te Huia v. Ladies' College (on Ladies' College ground), Kopana v. Wapiti (on Wapiti's ground), Moana v. Varsity (on Moana's ground), Kotiro a bye.

August 6.—Te Huia v. Wapiti (on Wapiti's ground), Kopana v. Varsity (on Kopana's ground), Moana v. Kotiro (on Kotiro's ground), Ladies' College a bye.

August 13.—Te Huia v. Varsity (on Varsity's ground), Kopana v. Kotiro (on Kotiro's ground), Moana v. Ladies' College (on Ladies' College ground), Wapiti a bye.

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# The Motorist.

(By "Petrol.")

The result of the eliminating trials of the Gordon-Bennett Cup Race, which were run at the Isle of Man, did not prove very satisfactory for different English makers, as only two out of eleven cars came out without either tyre or mechanical troubles. The cars picked to represent England were one Wolseley and two Napiers.

The result of the French eliminating trials is not known up to now. However, a cable giving the result of the race shows that the Continental builders still lead the world, as the six arriving cars were:—First, the French second and third, Germans; fourth, fifth and sixth, French. The winning machines were as follows:—A 75-h.p. Richard Brasier (first), a 90 h.p. Mercedes (second), and a 90-h.p. Mercedes (third), while three other machines (French) finished. Comments on the big race are given in another column.

The number of Darracqs is gradually increasing in Auckland, and I have to record two more sales this week, viz., one 15-h.p. four-cylinder Darracq to Dr. Lewis and one 15-h.p. Darracq to Mr. F. Bockaert.

Another enthusiastic motorist in Auckland intends to have a Darracq, but has not quite made up his mind whether to go in for a 12 or 15 h.p.

I have met Dr. Knight driving about lately in his new Cadillac, and although he used to be a believer in steam, he seems quite happy in his petrol car.

Without a doubt the little 6-h.p. De Dion which Dr. Gordon has had in use for some considerable time must be a thoroughly reliable car, as I have seen it being driven about through all this wet weather, apparently without any trouble whatever.

It will be of interest to the motor public to know that Mr Tom Skeates, saddler, of this city, has put his energy into making a chrome leather protector for motor tyres. We have examined a sample of one which he has made lately and it seems a real success. This is Mr Skeates' own design, and it does great credit to the maker.

While calling at Messrs Skeates and Bockaert's this week I was very pleased to see the construction of the motor garage in full swing. This go ahead firm intend to make motorists feel quite at home in their garage. I hear that they will shortly open up large show rooms, where Darracq, De Dion and Humber motor cars will be stocked and exhibited. I understand that the plans of the show rooms are now being drawn up by Mr Keals, architect.

The Howick bus still seems to be doing good work, and it is remarkable considering the bad state of the roads, which are now at their very worst, how it keeps up to its regular time. I understand that it is also proving a financial success which is evidenced by the syndicate having decided upon cabling for a second bus of the same make.

The Rotorua Motor Coaching Company are anxiously awaiting the arrival of their two 24-h.p. Darracqs.

Mr Chambers' 12-h.p. De Dion was out for a good spin last Saturday, and from what I understand some good speeds were recorded between Paumotu and St Helier's.

I have just to hand diagrams of a new change speed gear which promises to abolish the common, and to the present, ever attendant vexatious troubles of motor car gear changing. The Hitchon Patent Change Speed Gear was exhibited for the first time at the recent shows in London, and was quoted as one of the seven wonders of the Crystal Palace Show. It is no untried article, as the inventor has submitted it to actual practice, and severe tests, on his own cars during the last two and a-half years. One of them was a touring Daimler, weighing over 32cwt, and after traversing several thousand miles, over the hilly roads of Lancashire, Derbyshire, and surrounding counties, it has been submitted to me-

city intersection at too high a speed and been called on to dismount, "touched something on his motor and flew past him like an arrow. But he pursued and caught the motorist." The rider was fined. Comment is useless, but we should like to know the name of the trainer who is retained at the police barracks, as we are seriously thinking of taking up foot running ourselves.

Cycle and motor shows, apart from being profitable investments as far as attendances are concerned, also prove lucrative to the exhibitors. As an instance of this is quoted the result of a six days' motor show held at Buffalo, New York, when 50,000 people paid for admission, and 300 cars were sold, aggregating a value of £80,000, or an average of over £265 per car.

A question not infrequently asked in regard to motors is, what is the cost per mile of the engine? This is a very open question, however, and varies indefinitely. The query is generally put to the users of motor-cycles by those who have a fancy

and most expensive models, asking for a demonstration trial at each emporium. Expecting a sale, the willing dealer was most happy to give him a good spin through the most fashionable part of the city, and out for thirty or forty miles in the country, "just to prove the motor before purchasing." This became noticeable to other victims. A conference was held, the "Dr." watched, and then it was found that he was living in a back-room in a back street, he previously having given a swell hotel address. The trap was this. He was met by a large dealer in a beautiful Toledo car. "Jump in, 'Dr.," he cried; "got a new car here, and I want to give you a demonstration; just the thing you want; swell thing for the city; knock them all out in the country." The "Dr." yielded; off they drove, meeting two of his friendly dealers on the road, drove out to a place agreed upon, which was twenty-four miles from the city, twelve miles from the railway station, and five miles from the nearest house, and getting on towards evening. "Doctor, we want a picture of you in this car," they said; "it will help us in the trade." Very readily the doctor scrambled out of the rear and took his place at the wheel. One of the party snapped his camera, but the picture was a failure. When the doctor alighted and leisurely prepared to resume his seat in the rear, the conspirators suddenly started the machine, and it was a hundred feet from the doctor before he realised what had happened. "Good-bye, doctor; you've played us for suckers good, but you kept it up too long; good-bye!" It was eighteen hours before the "Dr." reached the city back-room, it is to be hoped a wiser man.

Following upon the successful meets of the Automobile Club of Victoria, and the rapid progress the club has made with so goodly a complement of members; and representing as they do such a number of different types of motors, it would not be out of place to suggest that as such good tracks are being constructed, such as the one at Aspendale Park, by Mr J. R. Crooke, that an Interstate Automobile Gymkhana upon a large scale be held in the early part of the approaching season (says "Melbourne Punch"). Such a meeting, we think, would be to the advantage of all interested in motoring. The combined meets of interstate clubs is one to which every encouragement should be given. It widens the experience of motorists who might otherwise have a tendency to become somewhat local in their knowledge of automobilism and narrow in their views of points and performances of cars. The interchange of opinions which results from those combined meets is a valuable feature to be remembered in estimating their utility.

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Melbourne constables are attaining the fleetness of foot said to be possessed by English custodians of the peace (says "The Australian Cyclist"). In England not so long ago a constable swore in the box that "a car was going at twenty-five miles an hour, and I ran after it and caught it." Constable Hickling, of Melbourne, is getting remarkably spry on his pins, for just the other night he was reported in the evening paper to have declared that day in the court that a motor cyclist, who he considered had crossed a

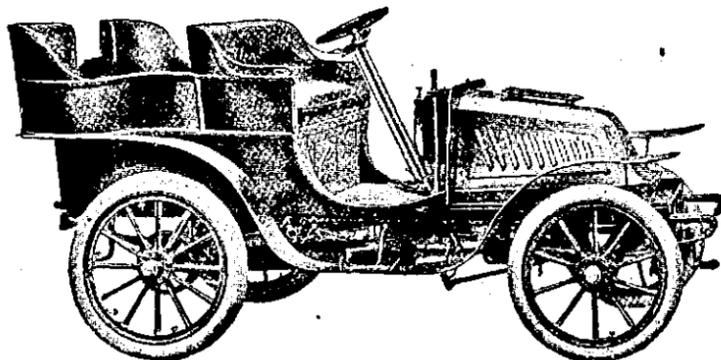
for this class of machine, and are desirous of first counting the cost. No two machines will give the same result in regard to speed and distance, oil consumption, etc., but what constitutes a record in cheap travelling is where an English motor-cyclist covered 300 miles at the rate of sixteen miles per hour, at the cost of 8s 5d. This, of course, does not include wear and tear of the machine.

The King's enthusiasm for motoring continues unabated, and he is constantly adding to his stud of cars. The Daimler Company recently received an order for another car (making the sixth of this firm's construction), which will carry in all seven persons. It will be a 28-h.p.

An exchange tells an amusing story of a trick played upon an alleged army physician by three prominent automobile dealers in that city, thereby exposing a rank fraud. It appears that a well-dressed and groomed gentlemanly-looking individual has been going the rounds of the trade under the pretence of buying a motor-car, and after inspecting some of the best

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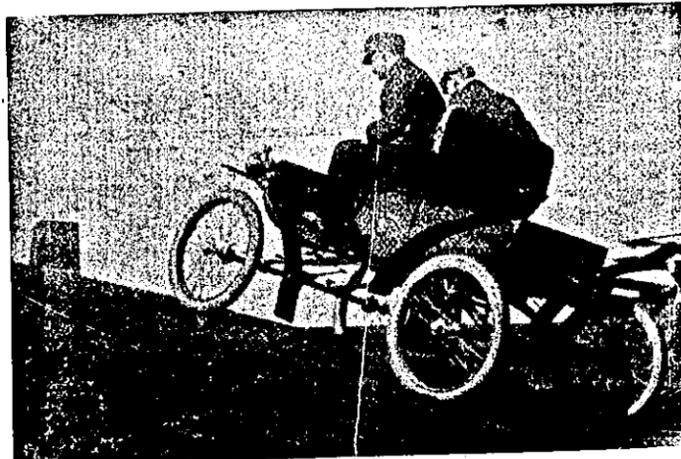
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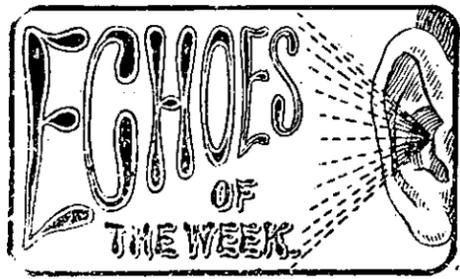
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(By "Ithuriel.")

At Singleton, New South Wales, the other night the audience at a theatrical performance enjoyed more entertainment than they paid for. "Punch" gathers that there was some unpleasantness between the hero and the ponderous villain, quite apart from the necessities of the play, and at a trying moment the actors forgot their public duty in the presence of their private grievance, and they struck each other on the nose simultaneously and with great gusto, and then they got at it with all the enthusiasm of two passionate young artists, and it was a case of latherum-whack for about five minutes, during which time one-half of the audience enjoyed itself immensely, while the other half made frantic efforts to climb up the walls, under the stupid delusion that the house was afire. There was a similar scene at the Charley Napier Theatre in Ballarat East when a Shakespearean performance was on. Old Polonius got at Hamlet, and the grey-headed was giving the Prince of Denmark a daddy of a beating, when a section of the audience arose and rescued Hamlet. Said a bearded miner to Polonius: "Hold hard, old party; you've had a fair share, and after all this is our quarrel." And the diggers took Hamlet away and soused him in a dam at the nearest mine. They took the actors seriously in those days, and believed in the popular proverb: "An actor, a dog and a walnut tree, the more you whip them the better they be."

The agitation for the introduction of Scripture lessons into the schools is a very live business in this colony, but we have not yet got so far as the people of Victoria, who have been given the opportunity for a referendum. The result is not very encouraging since, while a small majority on one issue favours the introduction of the Scripture, a much larger has voted for leaving the secular system

as it is, which is just as well, for if the matter had been settled in favour of the Scripture reading element, some woful confusion must have followed. How could the Government please everybody in view of the fact that there are upwards of 134 separate religions, in a more or less flourishing state in the land. An individual with much time on his hands and considerable curiosity with regard to the subject, has compiled the following very interesting list (which, he admits, may not be complete), of acknowledged sects:—Church of England, Roman Catholic, Presbyterian, Methodists, Baptists, Congregationalist, Lutheran (German Protestant) Church of Christ, Salvation Army, Protestants (so stated), Unitarian, Jews, Mahomedan, Buddhist Hindu, Brahmin, Confucian, Australian Church, Christians (so stated), Christian Brethren, Moravians, Calvinistic Methodist, Christadelphian, Seventh Day Adventist, Victorian Free Church, Free Christian, Evangelist, Church of the First Born, Apostolic, True Believer, Believer, Children in God, Christian Reformer, Church of God, Conditional Immortality, Danish Church, Dutch Reformed Church, French Protestant (Huguenot), German Christian, German Evangelical, German United, Glassite (Scandinavian), Nonconformist (Dissenter), Grace Walking Brethren, Primitive Christian, Reformed Church, Reformed Church of Switzerland (Zwinglian), Relative of Jesus, Reorganised Church of Jesus Christ, Sabbath-keeper, Second Adventist, St. Paul's, Swedish Church, Saint's Faith, Universalist, Welsh Church, Welsh Congregationalist, Welsh Zion, Protest Unsectarian, Greek Church, Catholic Apostolic, Christian Israelite, Later-day Saint (Mormon), New Church (Swedenborgian), Spiritist and Spiritualist, Christian Catholic Armenian, Aryan Catholic (but not Roman Catholic), Christian Agnostic, Christian Metaphysician, Christian Scientist, Christian Socialist, Christian Spiritist, Divine Healer, Follower of Ruskin, Golden Rule, Latitudinarian, Mennonite, Old Catholic Peace and Holy Love, Providence, Pure and Undeified Religion, Rational Christian, Religious Free Thought, Roman Orthodox, Tolstoian Trinity, Universal Catholic, Zion, Druge (Syrian), Taoist Shinto, "Sanhus," Zoroastrian, Believer in God, Bi Deist, Theist, Rational, Eclectic, Esoteric, Buddhist, God Absolute, "Historien," Separatist, Student of Truth, Truth Seeker, Theosophist.—Perhaps Auckland could supply several names to the list. But what a polyglot kind of population heaven must contain!

A correspondent, who calls himself a Latter Day Saint, sends me the following, with an intimation that King Dick ought to take a leaf out of the policy of Brigham Young if he really wishes to increase the population of New Zealand:—

I met a little Mormon girl;  
 She was just eighteen, she said,  
 Her hair was dressed with one big curl  
 That dangled from her head.

She had a simple way, and bland;  
 Her speech was soft and cool,  
 And in her honest, widespread hand  
 She bore a milking stool.

"How many children, little maid,  
 Are in your family?"  
 "How many? Sixty-seven," she said,  
 And shyly looked at me.

Her hazel eyes to mine she raised,  
 And then she cast them down.  
 "I did not ask," I said, amazed,  
 "The census of your town."

"How many children 'round your door  
 Disport in childish glee?"  
 "Just sixty-seven," she said, once more,  
 And smiled again at me.

"Forty of us at Provo dwell;  
 At Ogden there are nine;  
 The good ship Jane they sail her well—  
 Twelve brothers dear of mine."

"I see at last. Your meaning's clear,"  
 Said I, with laughter merry;  
 "It is an orphanage, my dear,  
 Or a female seminary."

"My father kind is drawing near,"  
 The little maid replied;  
 "He's been to roam; he's bringing home  
 Another brand new bride."

"With father, dear, we dwell at peace;  
 Our mothers are eleven;  
 'Round every door there's room for more,  
 And we are sixty-seven."

And then I left in dumb dismay  
 The maid with eyes like heaven;  
 And as I left I heard her say,  
 "And I'm the oldest, by the way,  
 Of all the sixty-seven."

Mr W. Hendry, the well-known cycle engineer, continues to do good business at his establishment in Karangahape Road. He makes repairs a speciality, and cyclists who get a break down owing to the wretched state of the Auckland roads are realising that this is the place to have the trouble put right, for the work done is always to be relied upon.

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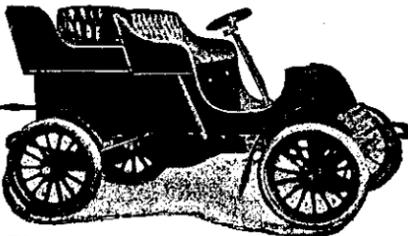
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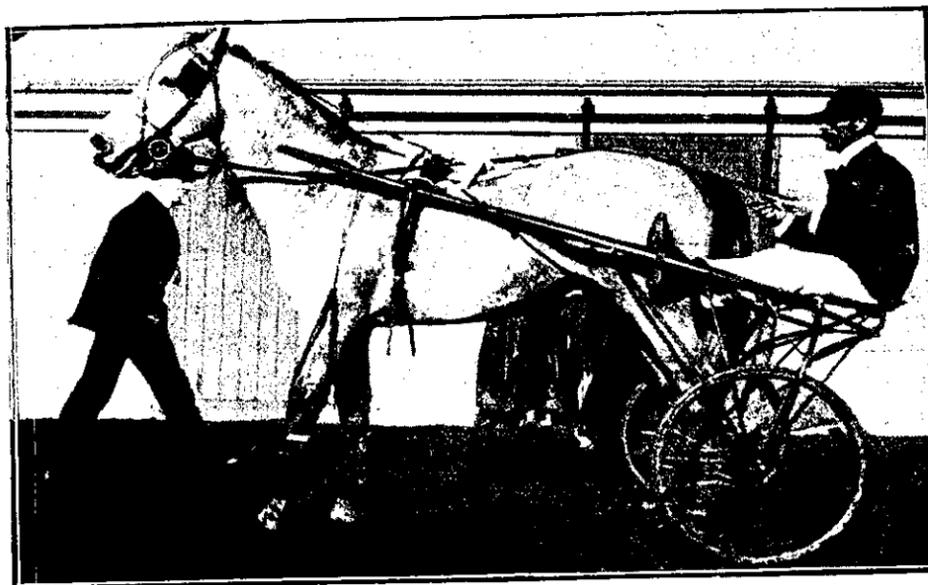
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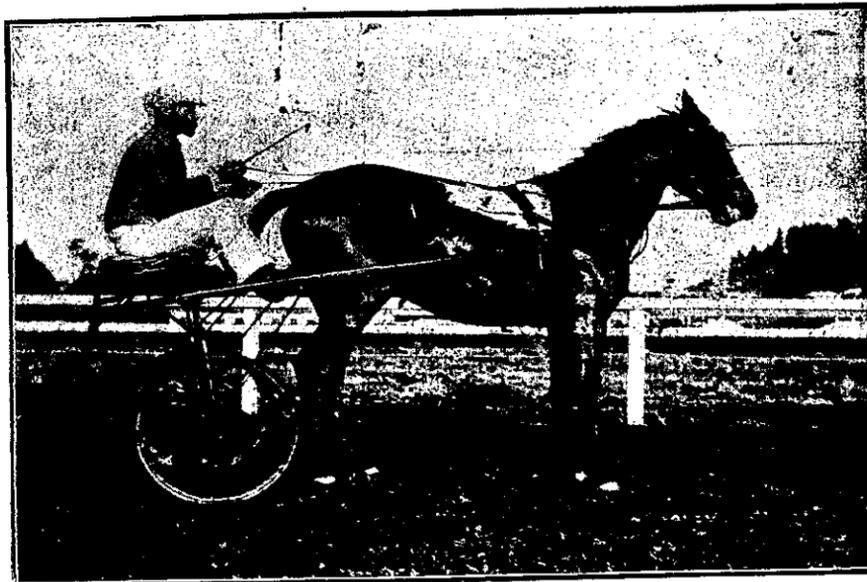
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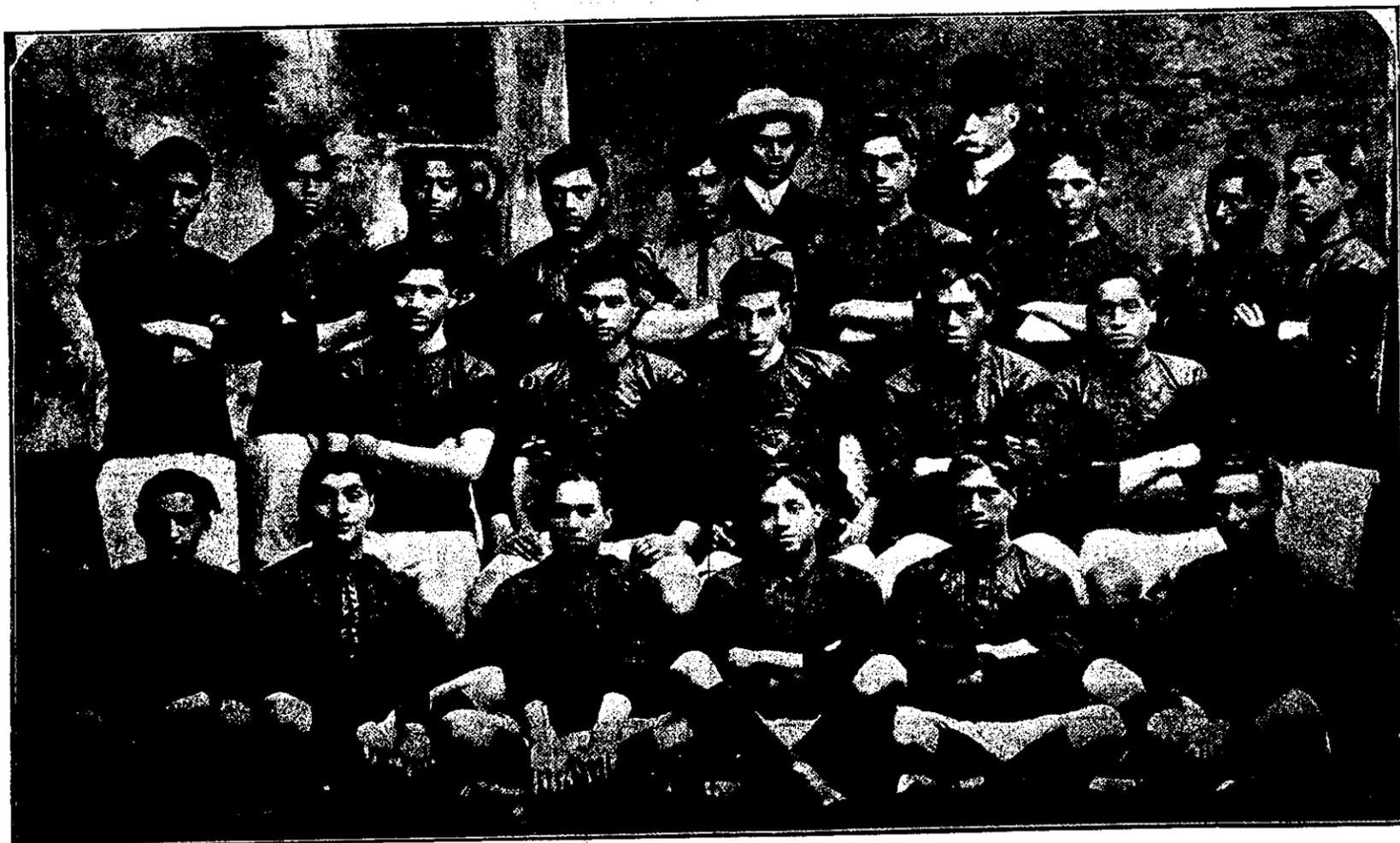
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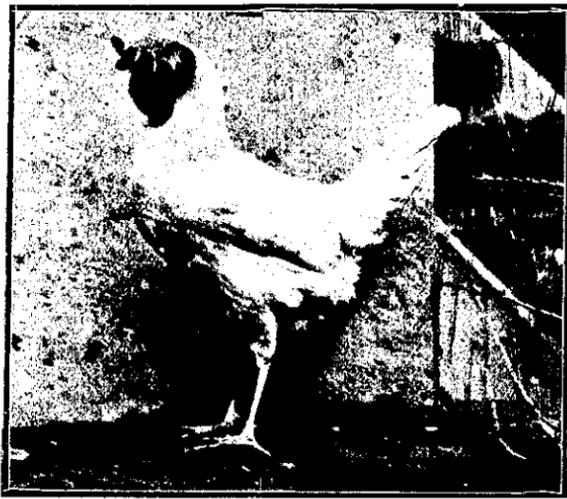


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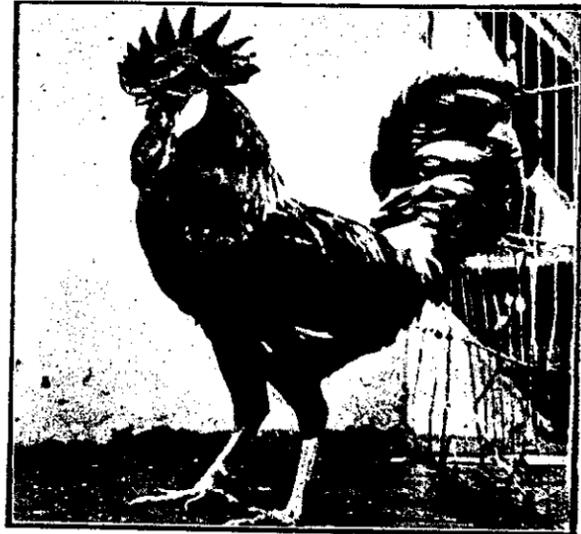
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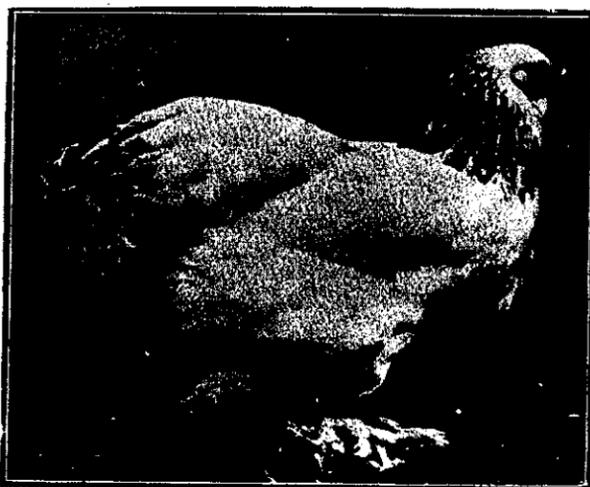
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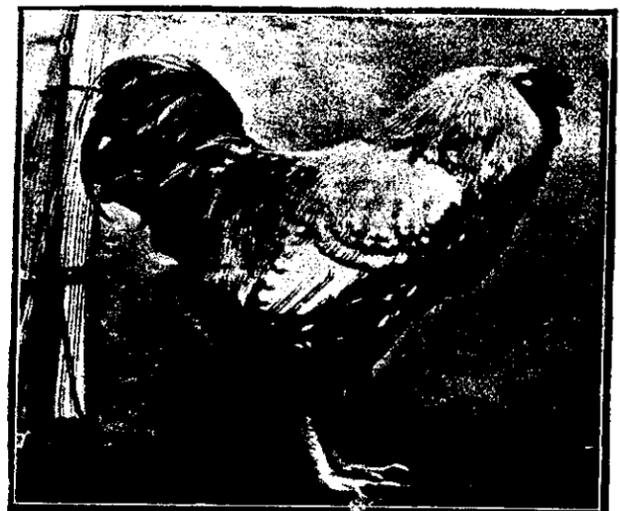
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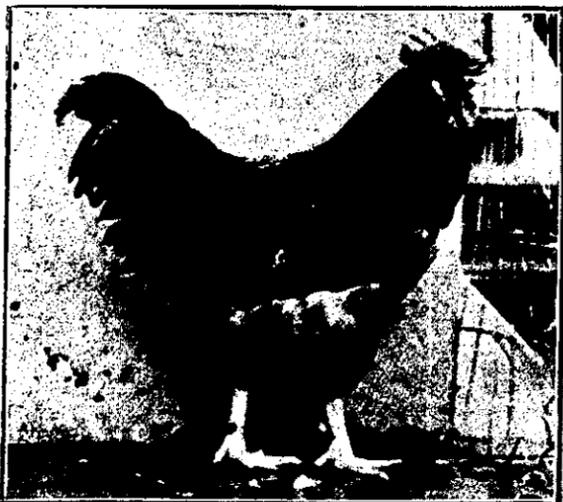
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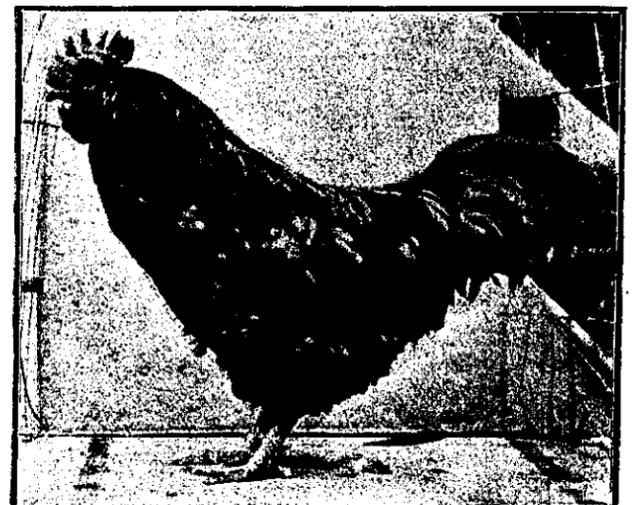
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# THE STAGE

(By "Comus.")

## HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

### THE ROYAL COMICS.

The Royal Comics concluded their season at His Majesty's Theatre on Saturday with a fine performance of Cellier's ever-popular opera "Dorothy." Principals, chorus and orchestra all acquitted themselves well, and the enormous audience was most enthusiastic. The season was a phenomenally successful one, and the whole tour of the Colony must have resulted in a substantial profit. At the close of Saturday night's performance, the manager, Mr Bracey, returned thanks and intimated that Mr Williamson intended to send all his big attractions to this Colony for the future.

The Mel. B. Spurr season so far has been a long succession of triumphs, and Wellington promises to outdo Auckland. The test of Mr Spurr's merit is that the second night's performance is always better attended than the first.

Mr Herbert Flemming, the actor-manager, has left the private hospital, and on Tuesday was sufficiently well to proceed to Wellington, where he resumes the active direction of the Mel. B. Spurr tour. Mr Flemming speaks in the highest terms of the efficiency and skill of both nurses and surgeons.

I am indebted to Mr M. B. Curtis, the enterprising and genial manager who introduced Dante the Great, and the Sanford's to us, for a budget of American stage publications. Mr Curtis will probably return to the Colony this year.

Tom Liddiard, a brother of Miss Fannie Liddiard, is back in Melbourne (says "Punch"), after a long sojourn in India. Mr Liddiard, who is in management, is engaging artists for his theatre.

A new farce by Guy Boothby, entitled "In Sunny Ceylon," was produced in Manchester on the 25th of April, and proved successful.

Whitehouse Bioscope and Star Variety Co. are in Taranaki, touring the mountain. The weather has been prohibitive as far as large audiences are concerned, but the proprietor is winning golden opinions for being up to time and rendering all his extensive programme of living scenes irrespective of the number of his patrons. And Mr James Fitzpatrick is always recalled for his brilliant duett upon the brass whistles and selections on the mouth-organ, with banjo accompaniment. The Company are always sure of a hearty welcome on a return visit.

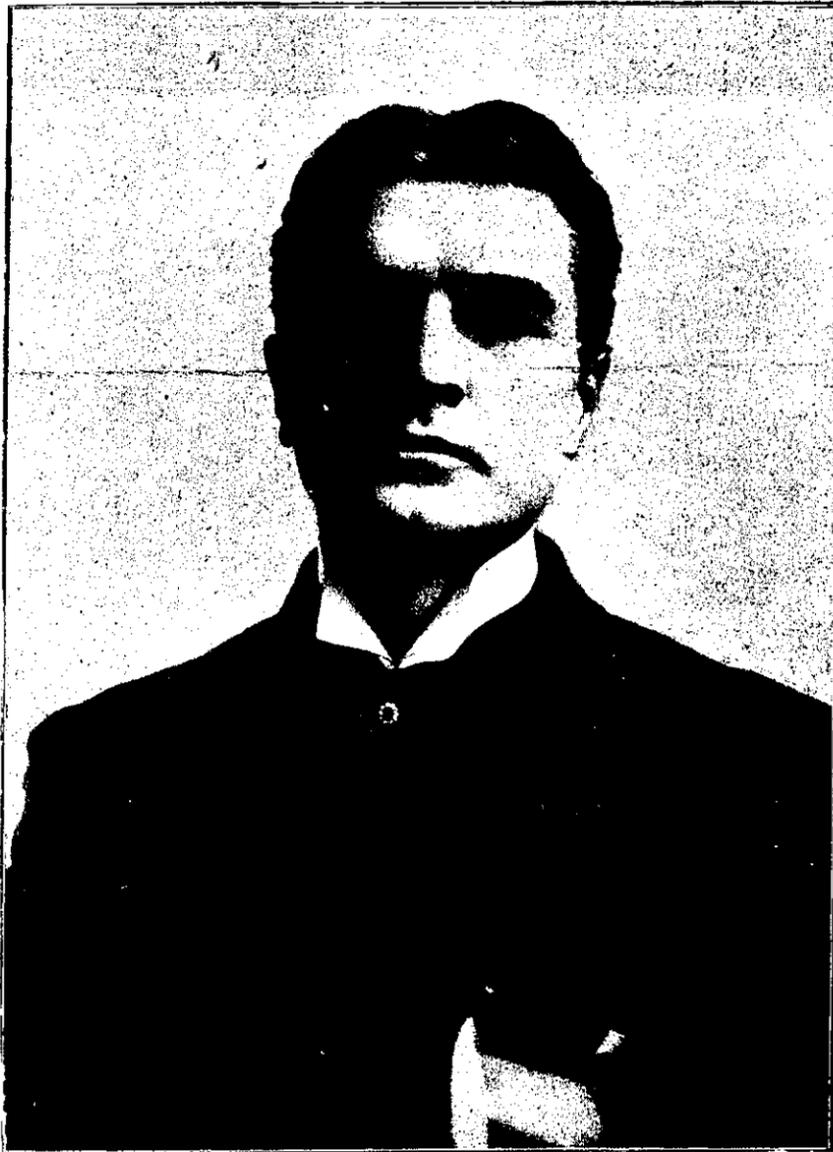
Sandow was due to open in Capetown the end of last month.

The cast of Wilson Barrett's new play, "Lucky Durham," which was to be produced shortly after the last mail left, was:—John Durham (a millionaire), Wilson Barrett; Lord Mountfallon, T. Wigley Percyval; Hon. Reginald Steighton (his lordship's son), Paul Belmore; Richard Vallerton, Daniel McCarthy; Arthur Walcomb, George Barrett; Tyneham Mintborough (solicitor), W. F. Grant; Isaac Lukenham (money lender), Henry de Solla; Lady Mountfallon, Miss Alice Crawford; Leighton Steighton (her daughter), Miss Edyth Latimer; Mrs Durham (John's mother), Miss Nellie Eonser; Mrs Henry Devienne, Miss Lillian Hugo; Duchess of Hovecourt, Miss Marcella Hudson; Helen Vallerton, Miss Lillah McCarthy.

George Musgrove's "Prince of Pilsen" Company was to leave New York for England on 30th April, and open at the London Shaftesbury on the 14th of May.

The personnel of the company which Harry James is bringing to Australia to do the famous Weber and Fields' musical plays is Kold and Dill, Barney Barnard, Winfield Blake, Martin O'Neil, Ben Hasen, Miss Maude Amber, Miss Kate Lytch, Emerson and Hope, and the fourteen star ladies.

Mr John Fuller, jun., left Sydney for Melbourne on Saturday week, after despatching Tod Callaway, Ted Holland, and Eva Wilson to do the firm's circuit in New Zealand.



MR WILLIAM GILLETTE, the original impersonator of "Sherlock Holmes" on the stage, both in America and England.

Miss Humphries, and Mr Sterling, of the George Stephenson Musical Comedy Company at the Lyceum, Sydney, were married a few days ago.

After all is said and done (says the "Newsletter") Mr Cuyler Hastings is not an actor in the strict sense of the word. He is the same in everything he plays. But this wonderful magnetism or personality, or whatever you like to call it, pulls him through, and deludes you at first into the idea that he is a great actor.

The death of poor Nelly Farren (says the "Evening News") brings to mind a circumstance which, curiously enough, appears to have been elsewhere overlooked. Had there been no Nelly Farren there would, in all likelihood, have been no Gilbert and Sullivan collaboration, and the English stage might still have been the dumping-ground of French opera-bouffe. Two and thirty-years ago, Mr John Hollingshead badly needed something for the brilliant little comedienne. At the time Sullivan and Mr Gilbert had met but once, and had had no thought of working together, albeit each knew of the other's productions. The piece commissioned had to be done hurriedly. Mr Gilbert was asked to dash off a libretto, Sullivan to compose the music. The result was "Thespis: or, The Gods Grown Old." That was the commencement of the famous collaboration, and in itself is an added reason for our all treasuring with kindness the memory of the gifted woman who was the means of its inauguration. Sullivan, who had to remember Mr John L. Toole as well as the immortal Nelly, confessed it difficult to "write vocal music for people who had no voices," but the play ran for a long time, nevertheless.

Says the latest "Era": Miss Belle Ray, a famous contralto singer from the Antipodes, has just arrived in this country per the Orontes. The depth of Miss Ray's voice is a very remarkable approach to baritone. Managers and agents looking for a novelty should hear Miss Ray.

J. F. Sheridan and his company are due in South Africa early in July.

Mr E. H. Sothorn recently produced, on the occasion of the Actors' Fund benefit at the Garrick, Philadelphia, a one-act play adapted by himself from Robert Louis Stevenson's novel, "Markheim."

It is stated (says the "Referee") that Miss Dolly Castles, who, with her sister, Miss Amy Castles, is studying singing in Paris, has received from Mr J. C. Williamson an offer to join his Comic Opera Company, and that her advisers are now negotiating with Mr Williamson as to terms.

For the past year the receipts of the London Crystal Palace Company amounted to £128,030, and the expenditure to £109,431, leaving a credit balance of £18,595. The total number of admissions was 2,571,048.

The Hon. Mrs. Alfred Lyttelton's comedy, to be produced by Mrs. Patrick Campbell in London this month, is in three acts. The first is played in the interior of a fashionable dressmaker's shop in Bond-street. Later is seen the work room, crowded with girls labouring to finish costumes to be worn by titled dames, and subsequently there is a scene in a house in Park Lane. Mrs. Patrick Campbell's part is that of a struggling seamstress.

The latest musical prodigy is a Hungarian boy of eleven, named Franz von Vecsey, who, after astonishing the Berliners, makes his first appearance in England at St. James' Hall. When only a baby he showed signs of musical precocity by accurately beating time while his father was playing, and at the age of four he could hum the greater part of Mendelssohn's violin concerto. At eight he had already begun to study, and could play such pieces as Paganini's "Witches' Dance." Dr. Joachim says of him, "It borders on the incomprehensible that this child should have learned so much from his teacher (Professor Hubay) in two years.



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THE DAMPIER COMPANY.

Mr Dampier's season, at Newcastle (N.S.W.) is proving highly successful. From the Newcastle "Herald," of the 4th inst., I take the following:—  
 "The production by Mr Alfred Dampier's Dramatic Company of Shakespeare's comedy, "The Merchant of Venice," attracted a large audience to the Victoria Theatre last night, who showed their keen appreciation of the performance by frequent and hearty applause during the progress of the comedy. Mr Dampier had spared no pains in effectively setting the piece, fine scenic effects being employed. Special attention had also been paid to the costuming, rendering the scenes bright and effective. The various situations were cleverly presented, the judgment scene, with its striking climax, making a strong impression. In the acting the honours fell to Mr Alfred Dampier, as Shylock. His interpretation of the part was a powerful one, showing a skilful blending of the dignified and the avaricious, followed by his ultimate despair upon the judgment going against him, was finely portrayed. He held the close attention of his audience during the whole time he was on the stage, and presented a thoroughly finished portrait of the much-abused user. Miss Lily Dampier was also highly successful as Portia. She invested the character with appropriate winsomeness, and excelled in the judgment scene, where her dramatic checkmating of Shylock was effectively delivered. Her discussions upon the rival suitors for the hand and wealth of the heiress were also delivered with admirable effect."

WHAT THE PUBLIC WANTS.

"The Usher" in the "New York Dramatic Mirror" makes the following remarks, which are worth pondering:—  
 The commercial manager is always asserting that he "must give the public what it wants"—thereby meaning that the public wants nothing intellectual, artistic or above the level of mediocrity.  
 But have recent developments in the theatrical world shown either that the commercial manager knows what the public wants or that the public wants inferior dramatic pabulum? It would seem that the commercial manager either is ignorant of what is demanded or that he cannot supply it. This last view is taken by Mr Towse, of the "Evening Post," who has published some timely observations on this subject:—  
 "There is just as large a crowd of admirers of 'Hamlet,' 'Othello,' and 'Macbeth' to-day as at the time when Shakespeare wrote them. The commercial manager, of course, is forever harping upon the notion that he must give the public what it wants, but he does not as a rule know in the least how to do it. On the contrary, he is continually ruining himself by offering the rubbish which he thinks the crowd wants, but which it will not accept. Then he accidentally produces a good play and makes a fortune. It should not be forgotten that the theatre crowd of the better sort includes a large share of the intelligence which is the main support of all imaginative literature and the arts."  
 But this is precisely what the commercial manager overlooks and ignores. It is his settled belief that the public's intellectual level is low, and that it is easier and more profitable to appeal to the appetites of the mob than to strive

for the recognition and support of persons of intelligence.  
 The theatregoing crowd, however, normally go where the intelligent are attracted oftener than not; and the discrimination of the crowd is keener than the commercial manager thinks.  
 When, as during the past season, the crowd turns away from mediocrity and trash, the commercial manager is shocked and bewildered. He cannot understand it all. He does not admit for a moment that his theory and practice are at fault—he blames the "times."

The Newcastle "Herald" is reproducing some records of the earlier history of the town from the files of the "Chronicle." Under the year 1871, appears the following, which will interest playgoers of the older generation:—"We ('Chronicle') have been daily expecting to receive a notification that a benefit would be given to those accomplished artists, Mr and Mrs E. Holloway, at the Theatre Royal. None has, however, appeared, and we are at a loss to know why such an unusual custom should be departed from of giving a benefit to artists at the close of a season. Mr Holloway, on his taking the management of the Theatre Royal introduced plays of a first-class character, and the public are, in a great measure indebted to him for bringing to Newcastle such distinguished actors and actresses as Madame Duret, Mr Le Roy, Mrs Gladstone, and lastly, the great comedian of the age, Mr Charles Matthews. Such perseverance is deserving of more acknowledgment, and we trust that if Mr Holloway does not take a benefit at the Theatre Royal, he will give the public another opportunity of testifying their gratitude to him. (Mr Holloway, who is now upwards of eighty years of age, is at present appearing with Mr Alfred Dampier's Company at the Victoria Theatre.)"

One of the recent London successes is a play called "Sunday" which there is some chance of Miss Nellie Stewart introducing to Australia. According to an English contemporary, Mr Fred Terry has been taken to task by several correspondents for using the word "Sunday" as the title of a play. The following letter is cited as a specimen of the reproaches levelled at the actor-manager:—  
 "I cannot understand why you have de-seccated that beautiful word 'Sunday' by applying it to anything connected with the stage. I am happy to say that since I was nineteen years old I have never entered the portals of a theatre. Surely you must feel with me that 'Sunday' is a word that should be treated with reverence. If you must call your play by a day in the week, why not choose any day but Sunday? Mr George Alexander has shown in this better taste than yours—If." The title of Mr Alexander's play is "Saturday to Monday."

I learn from the "Australasian" that Dickens' unfinished novel, "The Mystery of Edwin Drood," has been completed and dramatised. Mr J. H. Wilson, a member of the editorial staff of the "Boston Transcript," greatly daring, has made the venture, and entitled his adaptation the "Jasper Judgment." He has utilised three of the possible endings that have been attempted. One is by an anonymous American writer, the other is by the novelist's son, the late Charles Dickens, and the third is the ending essayed by Wilkie Collins.



MISS MARIE D'ALTON, now appearing in "The Darling of the Gods" at Sydney.

A Melbourne critic, apropos of the Gaiety Co.'s productions, recalls an anecdote concerning the first performance of "The Ring" at Bayreuth. In that little Bavarian town the two largest buildings were the "Festspielhaus" (the celebrated Wagner Theatre) and the Lunatic asylum. A large party of musical critics and connoisseurs went from Paris to the initial production of "Das Rheingold," August 13, 1876. According to Wagner's direction, the auditorium was kept in complete darkness. At the conclusion of the first act, with its weird music, the Parisian enthusiasts were profoundly perplexed; and in the darkness a Gallic voice was heard to utter, "Mon Dieu, we have made a mistake. We are in the Asylum."

Lennon, Hyman, and Lennon, have returned to Fuller's fold, and are introducing "The Jail Birds," "The Zoo Gardens," "The Hotel Grande," and other new sketches to New Zealand audiences.

"The Chinese Honeymoon" has now run for over 1000 nights at the London Strand. Over £30,000 is said to have been cleared by its various representations in all parts of the world.

Miss Maggie Moore's company, at present in West Australia, includes John Forde, S. A. Fitzgerald, V. Scully, Osgood Moore, Ethel Bashford, Madge Herrick, Launcelot Vane, and J. E. Moore as manager. The repertoire includes "Judy O'Irot," "Forty-Nine," "Killarney," etc.

It is long since W. S. Gilbert has given to the stage a play. With his Savoy operas he was satisfied, and sought not further public approval in comedy writing—his first success. When Sir Arthur Sullivan died Mr Gilbert declared he would never write again for the stage. After a fairly long silence, "Bab" has thought better of his determination, and produced a play entitled "The Fairy's Dilemma," "an original domestic pantomime in two acts," for Arthur Bouchier.

Cyril Keightley is still appearing with the Benson repertoire company in England, and doing well. Mr Keightley played several important parts with the organisation at Stratford-on-Avon during Shakespeare's week, and gained excellent notices.

The Marquis of Anglesey has failed for half-a-million, but whatever folks may say to the contrary, it was not (says "Peter Quince") his theatrical tastes that cost him dear. Jewellery and other things ran away with much £ s. d., but his histrionic ambitions were fed cheaply. For some time the noble Marquis ran his own company, playing high-class comedies in first-class theatres in aid of charity. In a comparatively short time Anglesey handed over to deserving institutions about six thousand pounds in hard cash. His people were always good, the artists making up his company being so excellent that two of them—Miss Florence Hamer and Wilfred Draycott—were considered by J. C. Williamson bright and clever enough to be brought all the way to Australia.

When the company at present known as the Beerbohm Tree company comes to New Zealand, it is understood that a revival of "A Royal Divorce" will be a feature of the repertoire.

The "Referee's" London correspondent writes on May 5:—Although only returned last week, Miss Crossley has already commenced her season's work by singing at an "At Home" last Tuesday. She will give a concert at St. James' Hall on May 24, with the members of her company, Mr Percy Grainger, Mr Peterkin, and Mr Jacobs; and Mr Benno Schereck, from Melbourne, as director. She is booked up to next December twelve months (nearly two years ahead), and is engaged for six festivals this year.

"The Don," writing in Melbourne "Punch," says:—Miss Rose Musgrove, who made "The Marriage of Kitty" in Sydney, does not appear to have lost any of her power of attraction. On Saturday night a crowded house celebrated the commencement of the third week of the charming little comedy at the Criterion. In a company of experienced and well-seasoned actors the young Australian lady is easily the star. All the "mirth and melody" is supplied by Miss Musgrove. On the principle that you cannot have light in a picture without shade, Miss Florence Hamer's Madame de Semiano is to be admired. The English actress gives value and prominence to Miss Musgrove's "sweetness and light."

Apropos of "The Silver King" "Peter Quince," in Melbourne "Punch" is indebted to "A. W. S." for an unreported incident which took place at the Melbourne Theatre Royal when Mr King Hedley appeared in the name part. One night the University students had a theatre party, and, as usual, the audience was unwontedly lively. Catcalls, interruptions and interpolations were frequent during the first act. In the second act these continued, and Mr Hedley bore them with great patience for a time, but even his Job-like attribute gave way at last, and the audience were startled to hear the following modification of the text of Wilfred Denver:—  
 "Oh, God! Put back Thy universe, and give me yesterday, and if those blackguards in the gallery don't keep quiet, I'll not go on with the performance." Then there was peace.

"The Rose of the Riviera" is likely to enjoy a long lease of the Sydney Lyceum (says "The Don"). When I called round on Saturday night I found the place even more crowded than it was on the occasion of the "trial trip" of Mr George Stephenson's Musical Comedy Company. As a rule the first week decides the success or failure of a theatrical venture in Sydney. In connection with the present company the critical period is over, and Mr Stephenson shows his appreciation of great good luck by a smile of sweet content and supreme satisfaction. Although Mr Edward Lauri is not the strong man of the show as a performer, he is entitled (apart from his boisterous playing of the part of Briskett) to much credit for the way in which the musical farce is put on, and for the "sban" and smartness of the pretty and pleasing production.



MISS ELSA RYAN, now appearing in "The Girl from Kay's" at Melbourne.

"THE BRIDE AND BRIDEGROOM," AT THE NEW THEATRE.

Says a London critic:—If a percussion cap had exploded and blown up a village, or if a spider's web had been torn from a corner and brought away half a house with it, the effect would have been little more surprising than the hullabaloo that was created by the production of "The Bride and the Bridegroom" at the New Theatre on Thursday of last week. Mr Arthur Law's comedy is a spider's web in the theatrical workroom, a percussion cup among dramatic combustibles—it wouldn't hurt a healthy fly or disturb the peace of mind of an oyster. What did those bat-brained, leather-lunged ignoramus see in such a piece to warrant the disgraceful scene that followed its first representation? What did they see in the play at all, or, better still, what did the ordinary, unprejudiced, clear-thinking men and women who were present, see in it?

Speaking as one in that broad class, I discovered in Mr Law's comedy much to laugh over and to praise, a little to nod over, and absolutely nothing to inspire a feeling of resentment against the author or his interpreters. It is a perfectly harmless piece of dramaturgy—a modest and inoffensive play as you shall conceive. The people in it are well-bred, nicely-mannered men and women—there are only two commoners in the piece if we except the servants—and they are actuated by the best intentions in all they undertake. There are the young couple to begin with—charming people who are devoted to one another despite a temperamental weakness for having their own ways in all things. There is a poet, a "minimum" poet, and his charming wife; a gruff old admiral and his lively young spouse, and there is old Lord Beecroft, whose hobby is pigs and his wife, who "as recently as 1865" had her picture reproduced in the Book of Beauty.

All these people have the happiness of Sir Owen and Lady Wyvern at heart, and honestly believe that a little tactful intervention in their domestic affairs will conduce to a better understanding between them. The poet, Tom Bruce, engages to have a chat with the young wife, and Lady Allison, the admiral's third matrimonial venture, undertakes to whisper words of counsel to Sir Owen. Bruce discovers in Lady Wyvern a kindred spirit, a woman with a soul for poesy, and he proceeds to compose an acrostic upon her name—probably because the name Beatrice lends itself so easily to two four-lined verses. Lady Allison is a common-sense person with political leanings, and Sir Owen is the accepted candidate for the Parliamentary division of the county in which all characters are congregated. Consequently, and quite naturally, while the poetical affinities are mooning about in the rose garden the political allies are scouring the Berkshire lanes on canvas-



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ing expeditions. And that is as far as we had got when the curtain fell on the second act.

"Half the play over, and the story scarcely commenced," a youth grumbled in my ear; "it's a bit thick!" In point of fact it was a bit thin, and that is the fundamental weakness of the piece. Despite the absence of plot and the slowness of the action the author succeeded in making the audience laugh—and laugh consumedly—by the humour and wit of his dialogue. Sir Charles Wyndham, as Bruce, hit off the butterfly character of the poet with excellent lightness of touch, while Miss Vane Featherstone, as his tolerant, gay-natured wife, was charming in every way. Miss Mary Moore spoke her sparkling lines and managed her contrary old admiral with captivating humour, and Mr Alfred Bishop, as the admiral, was greatly amusing. Mr Henry Kemble contributed a clever character study of the pig-raising nobleman, and if his porcine weakness became a bit of a nuisance before the end of the play it

was not the actor's fault. Mr Eille Norwood was easy and gentlemanly as the bridegroom, and Miss Sybil Carlisle was very charming as the rather spoilt young bride.

So far there was nothing to complain of in the entertainment, except a lack of brisk dramatic movement, and in the third act this defect is somewhat rectified. The poet gives the interest a fillip with his Acrostic, which naturally causes complications and misunderstandings. He attempts to convey his verses to Lady Wyvern concealed in a basket of roses, but they are intercepted by Lady Allison, who drops them into the waste-paper basket, where the Admiral, thinking the paper to be a milliner's bill, hunts them out. Of course, he jumps to the conclusion that they were addressed to his wife, and the infuriated, purple-faced Otello can scarcely restrain himself from man-handling the poet, who flutters around in blissful ignorance of the danger which threatens him. Both Bruce and Lady Allison are aware that the Admiral

has shown the poem to Sir Owen, but as they do not know that he is ignorant of their intended destination, they are amazed at the cool way in which he takes it.

It is not until the estrangement between the young couple is completely settled that he learns the truth. The end comes swiftly, and is handled with no little adroitness; but there are some dull minutes in the last act, and some irritating irrelevancies concerning the well-being of a Berkshire sow which ought never to have survived the dress rehearsal. The tamest part of the whole play comes, most unfortunately, at the end, and it certainly discounts the amusement that has gone before in the minds of playgoers. A weak ending is always dangerous, but a dull one is even worse, and if the "Gods" had made, as is their custom, a mildly-hostile demonstration, one would not have been surprised, since these gentry have not sense enough to make allowances. But there is a difference between a show of disapproval and a riot, and that is the only word to describe the uproar which ensued on the fall of the final curtain.

THE SCHOOL FOR ACTORS.

A writer in the New York "Sunday Telegraph" says:—

Beerholm Tree is just now the most abused man in London, and this abuse comes from his fellow-players. About six weeks ago Mr Tree decided that he would establish at Her Majesty's Theatre a school for acting. He thought it would fill a long-felt want, and in addition to this he wanted some money. He saw in a dramatic school great possibilities for obtaining the pelf, so he enlisted a whole lot of authors, actors and managers in the enterprise, and a grand opening was pulled off two weeks ago. Everything passed off pleasantly. A hundred and fifty scholars had been secured at 600dol. per season each, and the coffers overflowed to the extent of about 90,000dol. Think of Tree being able to hand out 90,000dol. worth of instruction! This is joke No. 11,762.

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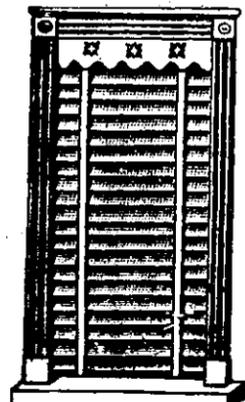
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amateurs who take little or no salary, being able to keep themselves out of their private means. I know of cases where amateurs of this class not only play without payment of any kind, but pay a premium for the privilege, and their own fares from town to town into the bargain. I am aware that this never affects the public, so far as the performances are involved, but it affects very deeply the profession itself. Hundreds of actors now out of engagements will have their ranks swelled by those who can afford to pay the fees. Mr Tree promises to place the paying pupils in his provincial companies, but what of those who cannot afford to pay? And this latter class might be of service to the stage. What chance will they have against those who can pay, and what of those who have been through the grind, and who, but for the Actors' Benevolent Fund and private charity, would now be starving or in the poor-house? I feel that the wholesale making of actors suggested by Mr Tree's scheme will not benefit the dramatic profession. In my opinion, such training as Sir Henry Irving, Mr Benson and others have been giving for years is preferable and more likely to bring to and keep the right material in the theatre."

Mr Barrett concludes his argument by saying that he is very sorry this opinion should strike a discordant note, but adds: "It is one I strongly hold, and feel it my duty to express."

**THE STAGE IN PARIS.**

The Paris correspondent of the New York "Mirror" writes at the end of April:—

Well! After all the fuss and feathers "La Montansier" did not set Paris exactly ablaze. Not that it is not a worthy production, finely acted, but that, on account of its advance notices, in and out of the courts, Parisians were led to expect too much, and it would have had to be a miracle of a play to have met expectations. Some of the critics said that it triumphed over all obstacles on account of its inherent qualities and the superb acting of Rejane and Coquelin, while others damn it with faint praise.

The Gaité was packed on the premiers, and the audience seemed to like the piece immensely. I have told you its story. I think it will have a long run, and as it is to be seen in your half of the world, you may form your own opinion of it next season. It is a Madame Cyrano de Bergerac sort of a play, full of anachronisms, and not too original. The plot is rather primitive, and it might be pleasanter here and there, if not everywhere. Our sympathies can hardly be commanded by a heroine who has had as many lovers as she has fingers and toes. But, perhaps, a resume of the story will be better:

La Montansier's real name is Marguerite Brunet. She invites nearly a dozen of her lovers to her aunt's house, to tell them that she can no longer be theirs, for she has met her affinity in the only man she can ever—ever—you know—love, an actor named Neufville. There is a supper, and La Montansier at supper separates several thousand francs from her former lovers with which to lease or build a theatre. In act two we see the theatre—during the Revolution—and Robespierre and other Revolutionists are making it warm for La Montansier for her

leaning toward the aristocrats, one of whom, Philippe, is a member of her company. St. Just tells La Montansier that if she would save Philippe's head she had better become his mistress. She scorns to part with what is left of her virtue, but offers her entire company to fight the enemies of France.

In act three and four we see the Battle of Jemappes. Philippe endeavours to desert, is wounded, and La Montansier keeps the Austrian army from capturing him. Neufville is tired of La Montansier's love for Philippe, and tells her that they must part; but they don't, but come together, kiss and make up.

Coquelin's part is a small one: that of an old lover of La Montansier. Rejane is fine. It is a splendid production.

Bernhardt is to produce "Varenes" next week, or the week after. It is a historical play in the time of the French Revolution. "The Sorceress" is nearing its one hundred and fiftieth performance.

Bernhardt is sixty years old, but who in Paris can realise it? She works like an ambitious youth of twenty-five eighteen hours a day. Sydney Smith said that Daniel Webster was a steam engine in trousers. I say that Bernhardt is a comet in petticoats. Besides appearing every night in Sardou's "La Sociere," she has rehearsed and given two performances of Rostand's "La Samaritaine," and is rehearsing Henry Lavedan's new play, "Varenes," in which she is to play Marie Antoinette, looking after the costumes, scenery and the props. Then she rises every morning promptly at seven o'clock and goes to the theatre, and returns home at two o'clock the next morning. Think of that for a young woman of sixty! There is one thing that keeps her going, and that is a magnificent appetite. Her digestion is that of a first-class prize fighter, and she knows no ache, except the headache that comes to all public women (and men) who see old age pressing payment. She likes eggs beaten in beer when she has no time for an elaborate meal. She is the best study in Paris, I think, getting her part on the wing from the theatre to her home, in her automobile or carriage. She says she can commit the longest parts in six readings. She owns eleven dogs, nearly as many servants (from all parts of the world), a forest of parrots, a wilderness of monkeys, and Paris. "Age cannot stale nor custom wither her infinite variety" any more than they could Cleopatra's.

The beautiful Liane de Pougy is back from Portugal, in selections from Offenbach's operettas, in lots of jewellery and not much raiment, at the Moulin Rouge. Her photo, with one of the chosen by her side, is in the shop windows.

Fregoli, the impersonator of many characters, is to have a rival in a Parisian Englishwoman, Elise de Vere, who is to be in Marigny's show with a one-act play in which she is to impersonate a baker's dozen characters.

At the theatre Victor Hugo, Grillet's "Les Pantins" has made a hit, with young Armand Bour, as the hero.

Small, close-fitting bonnets on low crowns of hair are now the rule in our theatres. Not even the vulgar dare wear high hats and topknots. The press brought about a revolution in head dress, and it should receive the thanks due to a great reformer. It is now possible to see every part of the stage, no matter how many ladies are between you and it, in front of you. Toques of jet, with slender aigrettes, are even more popular than the close-fitting bonnets, and the effect is beautiful. I never realised before how ugly a picture high, topknots and hats with Texas and Quaker brims made on a first-night. The contrast is as startling as refreshing. Women are queerer than men in private, half-divine; in public, little swine, in selfishness, greed and inconsiderateness for the rights of others—of the rights of women as well as men. They are as hard to drive, even along the right road, as Spanish mules; but they can be coaxed and gently led with an apple, if they are satisfied that they are free agents. Americans are much to blame for the selfishness of women in public the world over, for wherever an American travels he makes of women queens and princesses. However, while I note the public selfishness of women, I like them better than men.

Sardou and the stage celebrated their golden wedding April 1. He has written seventy plays in his fifty years of work for the theatre. He was born September 7, 1831. He knew for years the pawnshop, the garret, the roofless bed, the crust of bread. In 1854 he got his first piece on at the Odeon. It was "The Student's Tavern"—and a dire failure. He was then twenty-three, and the failure made him ill. But he recovered, persevered and won, as all the world knows, fame and fortune.

As long ago as 1866 (says a London critic) Mr Henry Morley declared that the "gods" in the playhouse are indeed, "those who receive outside its walls least honour among men, and they have a present right to be its gods, I fear, not only because they are throned aloft, but because theirs is the mind that regulates the action of the mimic world below." Mr Morley concluded that the "gods" ruled because people of culture and intelligence did not take an active interest

in the theatre. To-day they are prompted to attempt to rule by a spirit of wanton mischief and ignorant conceit of their powers to create disorder and draw attention to their brainless opinions. They are the "bandar-log" of the theatrical jungle, and managers can only deal with them effectually in combination with the occupants of the reserved seats. If, instead of crowding to the front of the stalls, boxes, and dress circle, and gaping up at the antics of these arrogant apes, everybody would quietly and quickly go out of the theatre and leave the "gods" to howl in the darkness at the fire-proof curtain, the police would not be required to help the gallery to disperse. The fools caper and howl because they are encouraged in their idiocy by the attention they attract from people who lead them on by remaining to "see the fun." I am convinced that this would be the most simple and drastic method of dealing with what Sir Charles Wyndham called "a national misfortune."

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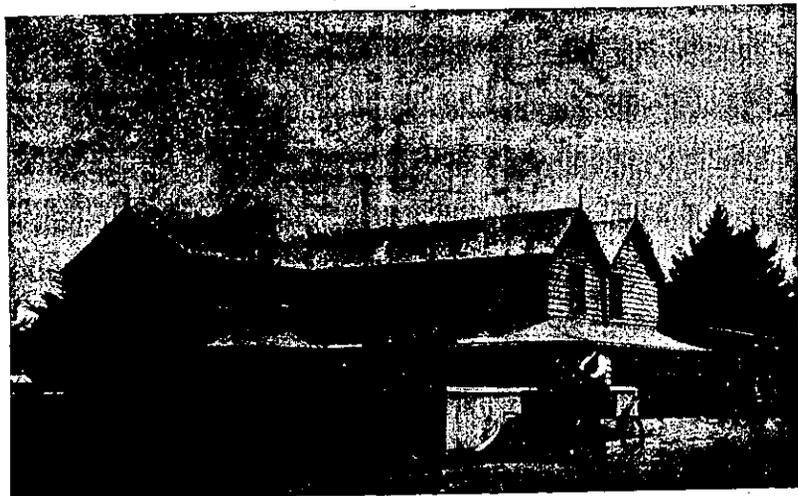
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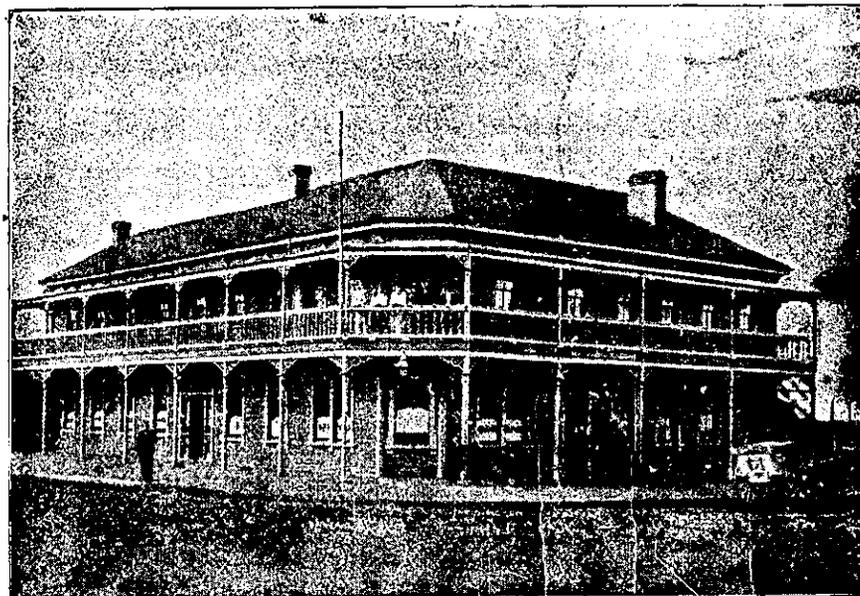
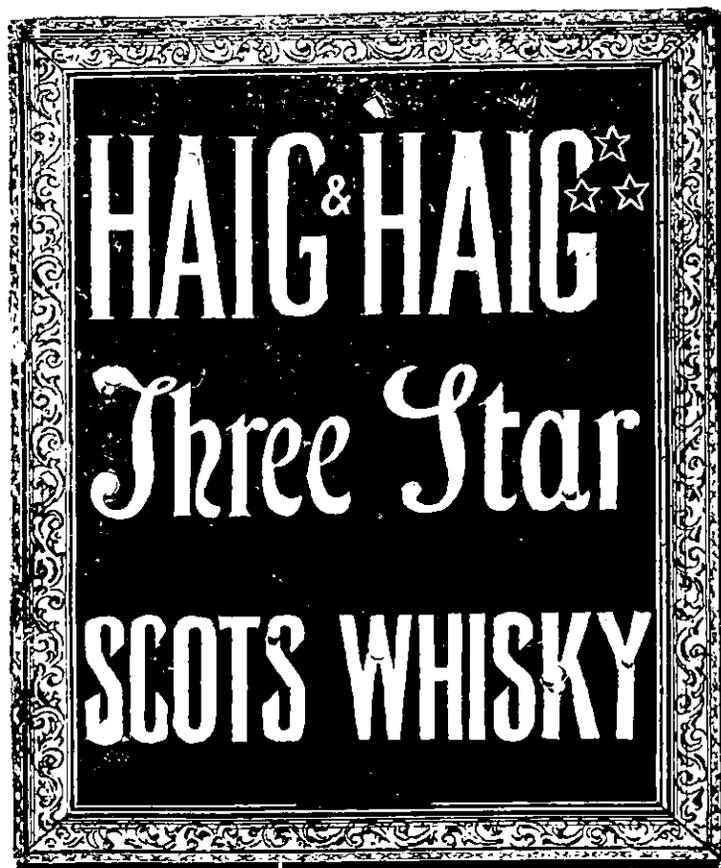
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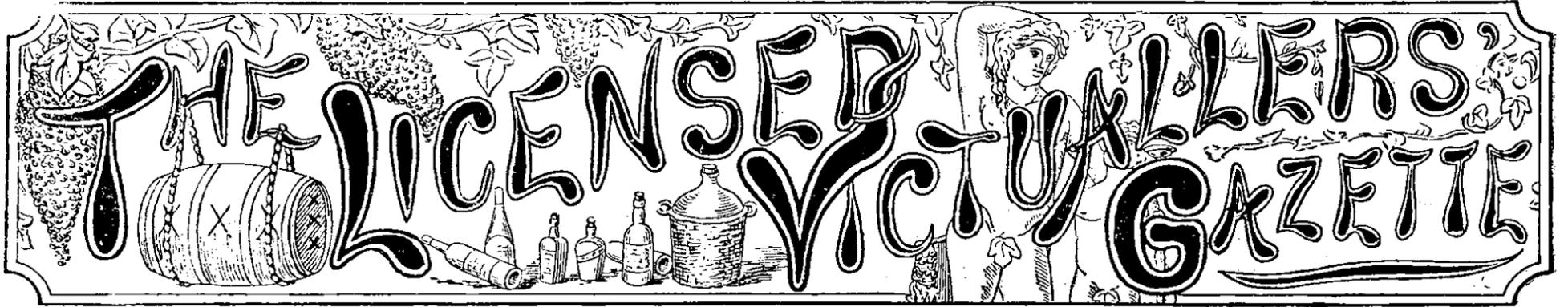
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**THE ROYAL HOTEL CASE.**

The judgment of Magistrate Kettle in the case of the Police v. the licensee of the Royal Hotel is surely one of the most remarkable in the records of the Auckland Court. Nobody who has paid any attention to the case supposed that the evidence was, at the most, more than sufficient to create a presumption in favour of the police version, or that at the worst the defendant would not receive the benefit of the doubt. On the testimony of the witnesses alone it is to us simply inexplicable that the S.M. should have decided to fine Mr Isaac and endorse his license. But the magistrate had more to guide him than the evidence. There were certain facts posited by the defence and admitted by the prosecution which vitiated the police evidence, and made it of less account than it ordinarily is. It was acknowledged that the man McLyndon was allowed to walk the long distance between the Commercial Hotel and the Royal Hotel under police surveillance, because he was not drunk enough to be arrested. In other words, he was not technically drunk. But no sooner does he enter the bar of the Royal than he acquires the qualification necessary to make him the legal prey of the police. Apparently there is some magic in the doorstep of an hotel. McLyndon before he went across it was not drunk, and Sergeant Drew could not arrest him, but once over, he was drunk, and Mr Isaac's barmaid could not serve him without subjecting her employer to the indignity of a police prosecution and the incalculable injuries that lie behind.

The circumstances we have narrated are so simple that it is difficult to conceive an experienced magistrate such as Mr Kettle misreading them. The Justices of the Peace, who determined the charge of drunkenness preferred against the man McLyndon, had no hesitation in deciding against the police. It was the only logical course to take. Mr Kettle thinks otherwise, but his decision will, we think, tend to shake public confidence in his method of deduction. For the purposes of argument, however, we shall assume that Sergeant Drew was right, and that the threshold of a public house possesses the power to make a man drunk. But the evidence—two presumably conscientious policemen on the one side, and several respectable civilians on the other—admitted of a reasonable doubt. The police, being human, may have erred, and, on the other hand, the barmaid and the bystanders may have taken a too lenient view, and it was for the Magistrate under the circumstances to consider the surrounding facts. Was the hotel well-conducted? Was it to the plain advantage or otherwise of the licensee to observe the provisions of the law? Did the barmaid believe the man to be sober? These queries were indeed put by the S.M., and answered in the affirmative. He laid special stress on the excellent character of the house in delivering judgment, and expressed profound regret at his inability to avoid endorsing the license. It seems to us that he might have taken a different course without violating what we are bound to believe his strict sense of duty.

**Trade Topics**

If the law is to be interpreted after the manner of Mr Kettle and Sergeant Drew it will soon be necessary for a customer to provide himself with a certificate of sobriety, signed by two J.s.P. and the clergyman of the parish, and dated five minutes anterior, before an hotelkeeper will supply him with a drink.

The new private lounge bar of the Star Hotel, which has recently been installed, is one of the most comfortable and convenient in Auckland. The want of improved bar accommodation was at once apparent to Mr Rothschild, on taking over the proprietorship of the house, and he accordingly had the private bar removed from its old position and rearranged on a largely and vastly improved design at the south-eastern corner of the building, and easily accessible from the entrance vestibule. It has been handsomely fitted up, and furnished with luxurious lounges, marble tables, etc., while on the other side, and communicating with it, is a cosy parlour, where parties of friends may find additional privacy. This also is elegantly furnished, and the whole bar suite is now thoroughly in keeping with the other departments in this thoroughly modern high-class hotel. The new bar was opened in a semi-formal way a few days ago, when a few friends of the proprietor assembled therein to toast his health and wish him success in his new venture. Mr Percy Hermann, managing director of Warner's Hotel Coy., Christchurch, proposed the health of Mr Rothschild, whom, he said, he had known for many years, and with whom he had had many pleasant business connections. He was sure that under Mr Rothschild's direction the Star would fully maintain its high reputation as one of the best houses in New Zealand, and that success would attend his worthy friend's enterprise. The toast was drunk with enthusiasm, and Mr Rothschild feelingly responded.

The guests at the Royal Hotel have presented an address to Mr Percy Isaac, proprietor, in which they put on record their appreciation of the courtesy and attention at all times paid by the proprietor and his staff, and express their approval of the general surroundings and of the orderly manner in which everything pertaining to the establishment is conducted. The comfort of guests was always considered, and the hotel was always free from anything of a disturbing or objectionable nature. They took the present opportunity because they felt that, through circumstances for which neither Mr Isaac nor his staff could be held responsible, he was suffering from a provision of the law which they, "in common with Judge Kettle, the Crown Prosecutor and all who were acquainted with the matter, had no hesitation in denouncing as unfair and oppressive."

Dealing with an article written by Sir Robert Stout, in Rev. Fitchett's hysterical Melbourne magazine, "Life," on "The Work of a Chief Justice," the Dunedin "Public Opinion" says:—"To say that half the cases coming before a criminal court are in some way or other connected with indulgence in alcohol is delightfully vague, and really means nothing, because there are probably few people whose ancestors—far or near—do not include one at least who over indulged in alcohol, and it is easy to ascribe the prisoner's crime to this ancestor's malign influence. The real point is, whether or not, crime has diminished with the spread of temperance principles and judged by this standard teetotalism fails. A hundred years ago our forefathers drank to an extent that would be considered appalling in these days, but there was infinitely less crime. Presumably—in Sir Robert Stout's opinion—it was some such hereditary taint that made criminals of the perpetrators of the great Liberator frauds, for they were to a man teetotalers and Prohibitionists."

Mr H. McMaster, proprietor of the Empire, one of the leading hotels of Westport, was at one time chief steward on one of the boats of the White Star Line, and later on held a similar position for a number of years on the s.s. Rimutaka, the favourite passenger boat of the New Zealand Shipping Company. The Empire is a first-class house, run on modern lines and fitted up with all the latest conveniences. Travellers are made very comfortable here, and Mr McMaster, through long experience, knows exactly how to cater for the needs of his patrons. The cuisine is a special feature of the establishment. Those travelling by coach to Reefton or Nelson may book their passage at the hotel.

Nelson possesses a fine hotel in the Masonic, which is now under the proprietorship of Mr H. Baigent. Here visitors receive every attention, and the up-to-date arrangements and conveniences of the establishment are quite on a par with those of the best hotels in the large cities. Mr Baigent contemplates erecting a balcony round the front of the building, which will add very much to its appearance.

Mr F. H. Durbridge has recently taken over the Provincial Hotel, Nelson, which was formerly conducted by Mr A. Robertson. The new proprietor has improved the hotel very much, and will no doubt find his trade will increase on this account.

Mr G. M. Mathieson, of the Coach and Horses Hotel, Nelson, is doing a large business amongst the local people, and runs his hotel on first-class lines. He is very popular with all classes, as well as thoroughly experienced in hotel management.

Who has visited Picton without being charmed with its beautiful harbour and picturesque surroundings? A rather busy little place, too, with several good hotels. Mr T. J. Storey, of the Federal Hotel, seems to get the bulk of the trade, and keeps a really first-class house. No doubt the proprietor has worked hard to bring his hotel up to its present standard of excellence, and deserves every credit for so doing, for it is only by improving licensed premises in this way and running them in proper style that will to any great extent influence the general public and win their support and help at election times.

Mr F. Berg has recently taken over the Post Office Hotel, Picton, and no doubt will do good business in this well-known and favourite hostelry. Mr Berg is very popular amongst all classes, while Mrs Berg (who before her recent marriage held the license herself) is very well and favourably known in the district, and makes a splendid hostess.

Mr Collins, of Christchurch, addressed a large meeting in the Opera House, Hawera, last week, on no-license. He had a good hearing. A resolution was declared carried by a small majority affirming that any amendment to the present licensing legislation would be unsatisfactory unless it contained clause 9 of the Amending Bill of last session, which provides that where no-license is carried no liquor shall enter the district.

**MR F. LAWRY, M.H.R., ON THE LICENSING QUESTION.**

Mr Lawry addressed his constituents at Parnell on Friday last. Referring to licensing matters, he said hostile criticism had been hurled at the Government because they had not brought down an amending Bill to provide for another poll where one had been upset by an irregularity or other technical cause. If the Premier had introduced an amending Act it would virtually have decided the question before it had been tried by the highest Court. No reasonable person could question the equity of a new poll, but it would have been absolutely wrong and without precedent if any measure had been brought down to deal with the matter prior to it having been heard by the highest Court of the country. (Applause.) Neither the Government nor the Parliament was opposed to a motion to obviate

such a state of things as that which took place in connection with the Newtown licensing question. The Licensing Bill introduced by the Premier was dealt with, and the provision prohibiting the introduction of liquor in prohibited districts commented upon, the speaker stating that that was the portion of the measure that should have met with general approval. He said clause 33 of the Act could not apply to the King Country, as suggested by the prohibitionists. The clause could not apply without a poll being taken, and in regard to the King Country the prohibitionists took good care that no poll was taken. He hoped that prohibition could be moved right out of the pale of practical everyday politics. It had proved a failure.

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**THE POLICE AND THE TRADE.**

**THE ROYAL HOTEL CASE.**

The further hearing of the charges against Percy Isaac, licensee of the Royal Hotel, of allowing drunkenness upon his licensed premises on April 27, and selling liquor to Albert McLyndon, an intoxicated person, was continued before Mr C. C. Kettle, S.M., in the Magistrate's Court on Friday last. The Hon. J. A. Tole, Crown Solicitor, appeared for the prosecution, while Mr F. E. Baume defended.

Counsel for the defence, in opening his case, said he proposed to call evidence to prove that McLyndon, when arrested by Sergeant Drew and Constable Forbes, was not drunk. Had he been drunk before he entered the hotel then the police were negligent in their duty for not arresting him there and then. He preferred to believe that Sergeant Drew knew that the man was not drunk, and that, in acting as he did, he did so purely with the intention of getting a case against the licensee. The witnesses he would call would state that McLyndon, when he went into the Royal Hotel, walked perfectly steadily.

The magistrate pointed out that though a man might go into an hotel under such conditions, still he might be perfectly drunk, and also that when McLyndon entered the hotel he might have pulled himself together.

Mr Baume: The man was not drunk. Then your case is that the police arrested a perfectly sober man, and locked him up in the cells all night.

Counsel then proceeded to call evidence.

Reginald Emanuel, hairdresser, whose establishment is in the Royal Hotel, said that he noticed McLyndon when he was entering the Royal Hotel. He was then walking steadily, and showed absolutely no signs of liquor. Sergeant Drew and Constable Forbes entered later, and emerged again with McLyndon between them. He was still walking steadily and seemed to require no assistance.

Cross-examined by Mr Tole, witness admitted that he was never within more than twenty yards of McLyndon.

Ernest Dufaur, head accountant in L. D. Nathan's stated that the licensee of the Commercial Hotel, drew his attention to McLyndon, while he was in High-street. McLyndon's conduct was like that of an "ordinary rough sailor."

Ellen Cane, the barmaid who served McLyndon, declared that McLyndon, on entering the hotel, ordered drinks for himself and his companion. McLyndon paid, and in the course of the conversation which ensued talked like a perfectly sober man, and McLyndon was drinking at the bar, the sergeant inquired if she knew he was a prohibited person. She said she did not. Further questions were put, and then the sergeant and constable took him away, McLyndon walking steadily.

To Mr Tole: She was not prepared to deny that she swore before the justices that McLyndon showed signs of liquor. She would, however, declare that McLyndon showed absolutely no signs of drink, and was perfectly sober.

Dr. Lewis stated that when an intoxicated man was arrested for drunkenness the fact would tend to excite him, and make him more unsteady than he was before.

A groom named William Shearman said he was in the Royal Hotel when McLyndon was arrested. Prior to that there was nothing in his manner to attract attention.

"And how do you remember that it was April 27?" asked Mr Tole.

"Well," replied the witness, "a statement of Miss Cane's was read over to me in Mr Baume's office this morning."

In answer to His Worship, he said that there was a meeting of witnesses there, and admitted that his previous statement was not correct. He heard the statement while it was being read over to Miss Cane.

The manager of the hotel (Mr J. Winter) was also called.

This closed the case for the defence.

His Worship, in delivering his judgment, said that the only question before him was as to whether McLyndon was drunk when served. In face of the evidence given he considered that he was. Apart from the evidence of the police altogether, the evidence of Mr Atkins, licensee of the Commercial Hotel, showed that McLyndon was intoxicated. With reference to the conduct of Sergeant Drew proceeding to get an extra constable before he entered the hotel, he was of the opinion that the sergeant made a mistake. What he should have done when he saw McLyndon entering the hotel was to have gone and warned the licensee. It would have been better. In saying this, however, he did not mean to say that the sergeant had committed a breach of his duty. His explanation was that it was a general rule among the police, when such a case was likely to happen, to go and get corroborative evidence. However he was satisfied that McLyndon was intoxicated when served, but he was satisfied at the same time that Miss Cane did not know it. McLyndon probably pulled himself together to evade detection. But then again, the evidence also showed that Mr Isaac had done his best to keep his hotel as respectable as he could, and had tried to conform with the licensing laws as much as possible. There was no doubt that under the law, as it now stood, there were breaches of the Licensing Act being committed daily in every town in New Zealand. It was hard that a licensee should have to be endorsed when a licensee was convicted of supplying a prohib-

ited person, and the same applied to drunken people. The law was not fair upon that point. His opinion was, and always had been, that the magistrate in such cases should have discretionary power in the matter of endorsements, that offences under the licensing law should be classed, and that licensees should be punished according to the offence committed. When a licensee deliberately broke the law he deserved to be dealt with severely, but the present was not a case of that kind. Looking at the whole of the circumstances, had he had the power he would have refused to endorse.

Mr Baume pointed out that as His Worship was going to convict he might do so upon the lighter charge only, as it would not reflect so upon Mr Isaac.

His Worship said he did not mean to reflect any culpability on the part of the licensee. However, he could not do as Mr Baume suggested, because the lighter charge of "permitting drunkenness upon licensed premises" had not been proved. It was not established that Mr Isaac or the barmaid "knew that McLyndon was intoxicated" when he was served. He must dismiss that information. On the other, however, he must convict, but had he had discretionary power he would not have endorsed. He would have refused to do so. But there the law was, and he must endorse.

Mr Baume: Can't you make the fine heavy so that we can appeal?

His Worship: No; I think it is a wrong thing—and I have been supported by the Supreme Court judges in my opinion—for a magistrate to increase a fine simply to give the right of appeal. In the present case I should not be doing right in inflicting a fine of more than £1.

Mr Baume: Which really means a fine of £7000.

His Worship: Well, Parliament is sitting shortly, and there is the opportunity for an alteration.

Mr Tole: It is absolutely necessary for the administration of the licensing laws.

His Worship said he would like to add that in regard to the alteration of the watch-house record book, that he thought it should not have been done. At the same time he believed that it was not done with any wrong purpose.

The licensee was fined £1, and costs £4 4s, and an endorsement was ordered.

#### THE LIQUOR QUESTION.

LECTURE BY MR W. W. COLLINS.

Before a large audience in the Theatre Royal, New Plymouth, last week, Mr W. W. Collins, of Christchurch, lectured on "What Does No-license Mean? What the Law Is, and Why It Should be Amended."

The chair was occupied by Mr E. M. Smith, M.H.R., who, in introducing the lecturer, stated that he was presiding because the Mayor (who would have been pleased to preside) was engaged at a Borough Council meeting. He added that he reserved the right of an open mind. As a Member of Parliament, however, he deemed it his duty to mix in public affairs. Further, he and Mr Collins had been together in politics, had, in fact, rowed in the same boat. Mr Collins had taken the chair at some of his (Mr Smith's) meetings, and he was pleased to be able to return the compliment.

Mr Collins, who was received with applause, prefaced his remarks by referring to the cordial reception he had been given in New Plymouth when he spoke here five years ago. His reason for asking the public to listen to him again was that they were now far separated from political strife, and the time, therefore, seemed to him to be a proper one to calmly consider an important subject. His previous address was based on facts connected with prohibition in other places; now they had local experience to guide them. The opinions then held by him had been strengthened and confirmed during the past five years, and throughout that period he had not been idle, but had endeavoured to fortify himself with all the information of a reliable character that it was possible to acquire. He still held that "no-license" was an infringement of personal and collective liberty. Herbert Spencer had taken exactly the same view as he (the speaker) did on exactly the same subject. There was now on every bookstall a book that was a classic some years ago—namely, John Stuart Mill's treatise on "Liberty," and which could be got for sixpence a copy. Mill was one with Spencer on the subject of liberty, and therefore he (the speaker) could claim to be in good company. Mill wrote fifty years ago, when Maine was making its new departure in connection with the liquor laws, and therefore his conclusions were apropos. In the papers to-day one could see, daily, references to matters bearing on the liquor question. He had noticed in a local paper that the drink bill in America had gone up by leaps and bounds, and he could not help asking himself the question whether the same thing was not taking place in New Zealand, side by side with the demands for reduction and no-license. No matter what reduction and no-license did, it did not stop drinking; that was his point. "No-license" was a Yankee invention; it had been a failure in America, and we might have profited by the experience of that country. What was the use of reduction and no-license if it did not reduce drunkenness? The cry would always be for restriction; and the more restric-

tion the more demand there would be for liquor, and the more determined the people would be to resist curtailment of their liberty. In the course of his remarks he would use the term "no-license" and "prohibition" interchangeably, because the "no-license" party did not like being called prohibitionists. They wanted to hide the fact that they were prohibitionists, and therefore called themselves advocates of "no license." He had made inquiries from those best acquainted with the affairs in "no-license" districts and had been told that there was as much drink in those districts as there was before "no-license." Immediately the retail trade was stopped wholesale liquor flowed in. In this respect America had given us an example. The speaker quoted the remarks of a priest (Father Poule) to the effect that there was as much drinking in Kansas (a prohibition State) as ever there was. As liquor packages flowed into Kansas so they flowed into prohibition districts in New Zealand. (A Voice: What about the King Country?) Yes; it flowed into the King Country as it flowed into Clutha, Ashburton and other places. There was no illegality in sending from "no-license" districts wholesale orders or in fulfilling them; it was only illegal when a man bought or sold a small quantity of liquor. Any man in a "no-license" community could send out for a wholesale quantity and be within the law, and this meant that prohibition, or "no-license," as operating in New Zealand, was one of those instances of class rule which was intolerable in a democratic country. The wealthy man could stock his cellar, but the workingman who wanted a glass for sixpence could not get it without being answerable to the law. So long as the desire for drink remained, so long would there be demand and supply; and if the legal supply were cut off there would be illicit supply. Only the right of the people was taken away by vote; the desire, the demand, and the supply still remained. Not a single district carried "no-license" solely by the votes of the people who did not drink, but by the aid of those who could afford to buy wholesale quantities. (A voice: "Rot.") Mr Collins: "Your remark is as vulgar as is ignorant. (Laughter.) Any school boy knew better than that, and anyone who read the reports in the papers would know that the Premier had introduced an amended bill last year, and there was in it a clause which would have made it not only illegal to retail liquor, but also prevent its importation. If there was a desire for prohibition that clause would have been passed. But who opposed it? The temperance party, or rather the "no-license" party. They would have none of it, because they

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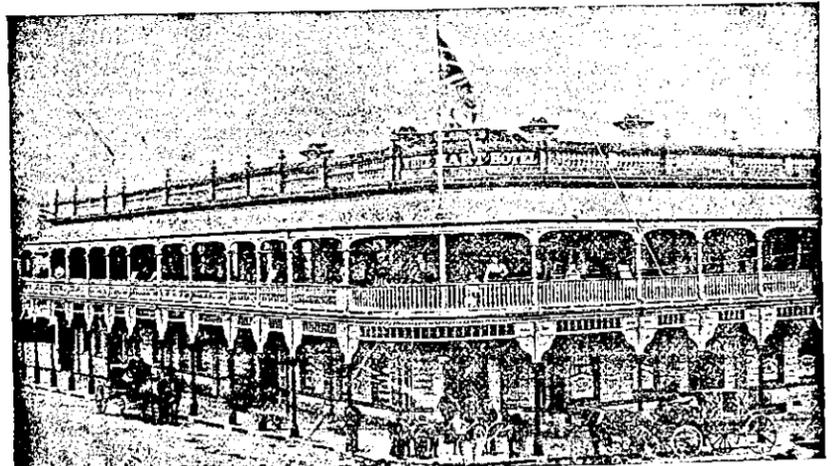
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(Late of Gisborne and Auckland).

knew if it passed that at the next poll the people who could afford to get liquor would vote against "no-license," knowing that if they did not they would not be able to purchase it. If liquor could be imported into "no-license" districts in wholesale quantities what would happen? Some man having a large quantity and knowing that there was a desire and demand, would sell, and become a sly grog-seller—a law-breaker manufactured by circumstances. Then came the spy and the informer, who sneaked into houses with the object of inducing people to break the law. The speaker instanced cases which had occurred in Ashburton, and quoted the remarks of a judge on the subject of informers. He added that the informer—the sneak, the contemptible cur—was a result of the "no-license" system. Every time a man drank under sub rosa conditions he went down socially and morally, and the same remark applied to the illicit seller. The speaker held that respect for one law might mean disrespect for all laws, and when people were forced into such a position it meant political and social demoralisation. "Harper's Weekly" had said that one of the results of prohibition was the increase of apothecaries' shops, and instanced a case where in Kansas five hundred gallons of spirits were seized at the drug store of a leading citizen. This proved that the passing of a prohibition law had not prohibited the desire, and the demand, and supply. A Boston paper had said that "no-license" was a "screaming farce," and it was a screaming farce in New Zealand prohibited areas also. The lecturer quoted reports from Dunedin and other papers in support of his assertions. He asked his listeners to read the statistical work of Messrs Rowntree and Sherwell if they wanted to know how "no-license" worked in America—"no-license" was a grand success when it was jammed up close to a place where liquor could be got. Surely we could have found out how prohibition worked without experimenting for ourselves. Like causes produce like effects and the carrying of prohibition could not alter that natural law. Let prohibitionists be honest; if they wanted "no-license" let it be "no-license" pure and simple. He knew that if that principle were acted upon there would not be "no-license," yet the existing state of things was a snare and a deception. Only a few days ago a "no-license" convention was held, and a determination arrived at that at next election an effort should be made to capture every seat for prohibition candidates. The political capacity was not to be considered; all that was to be taken into account was the cause of prohibition. The prohibitionists had been too well considered, and now wanted to rule the country. Was prohibition the only interest at stake in the colony? Was it to be tolerated that the political power in the colony should be captured by this party, whose motives were not, he was beginning to believe, of such an uplifting nature as they would wish people to believe, but were actuated by a desire to gain power. He could, if he so desired, quote authority upon authority to show that what had happened here had its parallel in places where the same iniquitous thing had been imposed on the people. Mr Murray, author of "The Liquor Laws of Kansas," said there were many who never learned by experience, but who might learn that prohibition everywhere was a failure. The only way to bring about temperance was by moral suasion, not through the medium of politics. Voluntary efforts on behalf of temperance was a thing of the past; prohibitionists were now trying to bring about moral reform by the machinery of the law. Majority vote in this connection was only another form of force; nearly all wise legislation was in the direction of conserving the rights and privileges of the individual. The pharisaical man who was prohibitionist by profession invariably held his head as if he were a superior being because, forsooth, his appetite did not run in the same direction as that of his neighbour. What a prig he (the speaker) would be were he to profess to be superior to his father and mother because his tastes were different. Yet his father and mother were moderates and he was partial to water. If a man was "moderate" he could lay claim to all the merit there was in the world. The man who could not control his language in the cause of prohibition was as intemperate as the man who drank more than he should, and was more blameworthy, because he should know better. Many were led away by appeals to sentiment, and while not undervaluing the sentiment he (the speaker) asked his hearers to keep their sentiment subservient to their reasoning powers and to vote accordingly when the time came to say whether the reins of political power were to be intrusted to the prohibitionists, who had in the past made so many specious promises—luscious fruit which deceived the eye and the taste of which had turned into Dead Sea fruit. Let them clear away obscurities, and endeavour to ascertain what the harvest really was to be—a harvest of

strong men and strong women, or submission to conditions which would only suit weak men. For if the standard was weak instead of strong, it would mean a weak race. Several questions were asked and answered, and the following motion carried, with a couple of dissentient voices:—That in the opinion of this meeting no amendment of the licensing laws of the colony will be unsatisfactory unless it includes clause 9 of the Bill introduced last session. Votes of thanks to the speaker and the chair concluded the meeting.

THE WINE INDUSTRY.

A new company, with a capital of £20,000, has just been privately floated in Auckland by Mr W. R. Holmes, for the purpose of effecting the amalgamation of several of the local companies engaged in the making of New Zealand wine. The new company completed the purchase last week of the Gardenhurst property, Remuera, belonging to Mr James Mason, where upwards of five acres of grapes are grown under glass. The balance of the land, after reserving the long road frontage for building purposes, is being trenched, and will be planted this season as an open vineyard. Wine cellars are to be erected, and the working of the new company will be centralised as far as possible at Gardenhurst. The businesses amalgamated under this scheme are: The Vineland Wine Company, Whangarei. Glen Var Winery, Gardenhurst. Vineries, Zealandia Wine Agency, Fort Street, and others. The amalgamated company, in addition to its own large stock of wine, will have the agency of several vineyards, and thus have command of variety as well as quantity.

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THE ENGLISH LICENSING BILL.

(London "L.V. Gazette," May 13.)

The Temperance Party, in Parliament and out of it, marshalled all their forces to oppose the second reading of the Licensing Bill, which, on Wednesday, was carried by an overwhelming majority of 157 in a House of over 550 members. Such figures, like the gorgonzola cheeses in Mr W. S. Gilbert's pantomime, speak for themselves. Every device was resorted to by the Teetotal organisations to cajole or intimidate members into voting against the measure, and every argument was put forward in the course of debate to show why it should not be supported; but the opposition was foredoomed to failure, and, what is more, they seemed to know it. The speeches of the recognised mouthpieces of the party lacked spirit and conviction, and while repeating the old stock objections, and characterising the Bill as "retrograde, obstructive, and deplorable," they carefully refrained from offering any suggestions for an alternative measure of licensing reform. The debate opened in languid fashion on Monday, was continued without animation on Tuesday, and was closed on Wednesday in an atmosphere of irritation, caused by the misguided endeavours of the opposition to needlessly prolong the discussion.

The sum total of the three days' debate goes to show more clearly than ever that the weight of opinion in the House is in favour of the principle of compensation, and that the best endeavours of the opposition have failed to convince members that the Government's proposals constitute a bad Bill, which could not be made into a good one. Mr Part, who moved the official opposition amendment in a moderate speech, made out but a poor case. Although he was not sure that the reduction in the number of public-houses would lessen the evils of drinking, he believed that it was desirable to diminish them; but he would not support any scheme of diminution emanating from the Conservative party. That was the gist of his contention, and it was repeated on Tuesday by Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, who, sooner than admit any virtue in a Bill introduced by the present Government, repudiated the opinions he had expressed as to the de-

sirability of instituting a "gradual, reduction of licenses under improved local authority," and compensating those injuriously affected "out of funds provided by the Trade itself." Sir Henry had further declared "I shall welcome the day when a measure conceived upon these lines takes a foremost place amongst Parliamentary projects." Such a measure had a front-rank seat during the first three days of the present week, when the Leader of the Opposition affected to regard it as a preventive against "any really serious reform of the licensing system."

Mr Lloyd-George stigmatised the Bill as bad, and Mr Asquith, while not opposed to some vague scheme of licensing reform coupled with "pecuniary adjustment"—which is another way of avoiding the hated practice of calling a spade a spade—could not support a measure under which "the survivors would benefit by the disappearance of the victims." Sir Wilfrid Lawson was as tame and ineffective as Mr Whittaker, and Mr T. W. Russell further illustrated the spirit of intolerance and impracticability which has defeated every effort of the Teetotal Party to effect any sensible measure of temperance reform. This attitude, rather than the party feeling which inspired many of the opponents of the Bill, was denounced by Mr Balfour in a speech which was at once clever, convincing, and greatly daring. He denounced the expression of teetotal views as revolting to common sense, and deplored the absence of all sober judgment on the part of individuals who played the "out and out" game of denunciation while posing as moderate specimens of temperance reformers. He believed that in their hearts they desired to give no compensation, which was absurd, and to abolish every public-house from the country, which was iniquitous. To talk of the publican as a criminal and the drunkard as a weak person tempted by an evil trade he considered a ridiculous supposition. To confiscate what the law admits as property without giving compensation constitutes "a gross injustice," which the Bill is introduced to rectify, and he recommended it to the House as a practical scheme, deserving of support. Mr Balfour expressed a perorative hope that members would, by an overwhelming majority, allow the Government to proceed with the Bill in Committee, and the House complied with a majority of 157.

COOKERY FOR LICENSED VICTUALLERS.

(By "Cuisinier," in the London "L.V. Gazette.")

Meat and Fish Salads and Mayonnaises.

Meat and fish are frequently introduced into salads, and served either with or without a mayonnaise dressing. When, for example, a lobster is shredded into very small pieces and incorporated with a green salad the dish is called a lobster salad. When a mayonnaise dressing is added it is called a lobster salad mayonnaise. But when the lobster is not intermingled with the salad—although it may be surrounded or accompanied by it—and is served masked with a mayonnaise sauce, it is known as a lobster mayonnaise.

To make a good mayonnaise dressing, put the yoke of a raw egg into a good-sized bowl, add the yoke of a hard-boiled egg, and rub together with a wooden spoon until quite smooth, adding a little salt and pepper. Take a bottle of the best Lucca oil, and add six teaspoonfuls to the egg, etc., putting it in very gradually, almost drop by drop, and stirring all the time. Then add a tablespoonful of French white-wine vinegar in the same way, drop by drop by drop, stirring it well in. The sauce should then be smooth, thick, and of a creamy yellow. After the signs of thickening are satisfactory the wooden spoon may be exchanged for a small whisk, which aids in producing a fine, thick sauce. Some people add to these ingredients half a teaspoonful of French mustard, or a rather smaller quantity of English mustard in the dry state, but this is a matter of taste. Keep the sauce in the ice-chest or refrigerator until required.

Chicken Salad Mayonnaise.

Take the remains of a cold boiled chicken, cut it into small pieces, and put it into a deep dish with some green salad to which a little chopped celery has been added. Mix lightly, but thoroughly. Place the mixture in a salad bowl and cover with half a breakfast cupful of mayonnaise sauce. Decorate the top with hard-boiled eggs cut in rings, cakers, and stoned olives.

Salmon Salad From Tinned Salmon.

Drain the liquor from the salmon in the tin, break into flakes, and season with

black pepper, chopped parsley, a few drops of essence of anchovies, a little salt, a morsel of finely-chopped onion, and a tablespoonful of lemon juice and vinegar mixed. Put the fish in flakes in alternate layers with a plainly-dressed green salad. Place a few bits of fish on the top layer of salad, and add a few shrimps to improve the appearance. Tomatoes are a good addition to a salmon salad; they may be cut in slices and added to the lettuce, etc., or may be used for garnishing.

Salmon Mayonnaise.

Take a cut from the middle of a salmon, four to six pounds in weight. Boil and skin it. When quite cold put it in a dish and pour a half-pint of thick mayonnaise sauce flavoured with essence of anchovies over it. Garnish with slices of cucumber, shrimps, capers, and mustard-and-ress. To be enjoyed in perfection this dish should be quite cold; therefore it should be kept on ice until the moment of serving.

Chicken Mayonnaise in Escallop Shells.

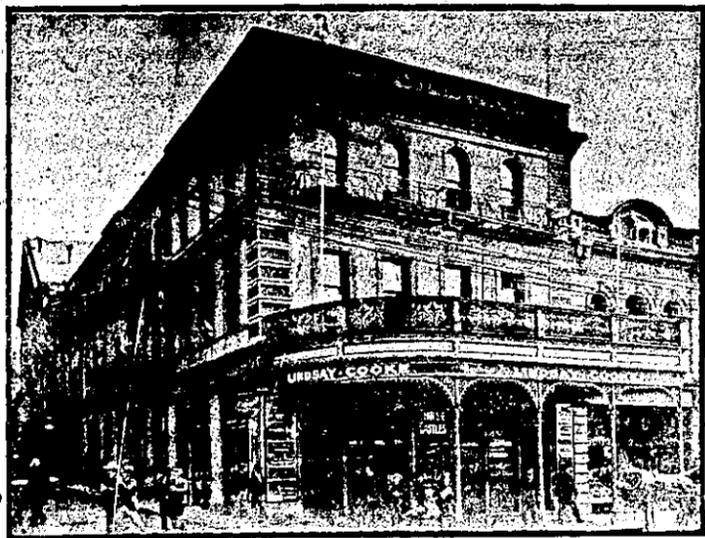
Mix together some minced cooked chicken and mayonnaise sauce. Put a little heap of dressed salad in each shell, cover with the chicken mixture, and level the surface with a knife. Put some more mayonnaise on top, cover the centre with a little chopped cooked ham, and pile on a dish covered with a lace paper.

Lobster Mayonnaise.

Take the hearts of one or two lettuces and cut them into quarters. Place them in a heap in the middle of a dish. On the top and all round place the meat of a fresh lobster, or of a tinned lobster, cut into pieces, and arrange so as to cover the lettuces well. Pour over this sufficient thick mayonnaise sauce to form a layer all over, and around this put some hard-boiled eggs cut into slices. On the top of the mayonnaise put the meat from the claws of the lobster—which should be preserved whole for that purpose—a few capers, and beetroot cut into fancy shapes.

Crab Salad Mayonnaise.

Take two lettuces, wash them well, and cut them up. Do not use the coarse outer leaves. Lay some of the lettuce at the bottom of a salad bowl; on this lay the flesh of a crab cut into small pieces, spread a mayonnaise dressing over the crab, and then heap the rest of the lettuce



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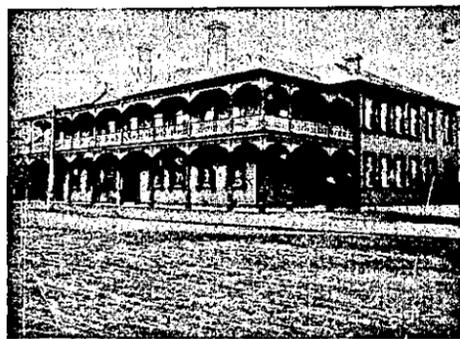
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lightly over. Garnish with hard-boiled eggs cut into quarters and thin slices of beetroot.

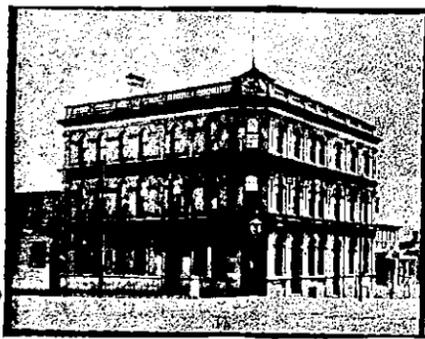
Cold Beef Salad.

Cut a pound of cold beef into thin slices; put these into a salad bowl with one or two fresh lettuces shred small and a-quarter pound of cold haricot beans. Add a pickled gherkin chopped small and a tablespoonful of chopped onion. Season with a tablespoonful of salt, half a tea-spoonful of pepper, the same of mixed mustard, two tablespoonfuls of vinegar, and four of Lucca oil. Mix all well together with a wooden fork, and serve.

Cold Mutton Salad Mayonnaise.

Take the remains of a joint of roast mutton, free it from all fat and gristle, and cut it up into dice. Take a green vegetable salad; mint leaves chopped up may be added to the salad, and some whole ones may be used for garnishing. Mix in the meat with this, reserving some of the pieces to lay round the dish. Pile all up together, and mask with mayonnaise sauce. Sprinkle some chopped mint leaves over the surface of the sauce, and place some whole ones round the base.

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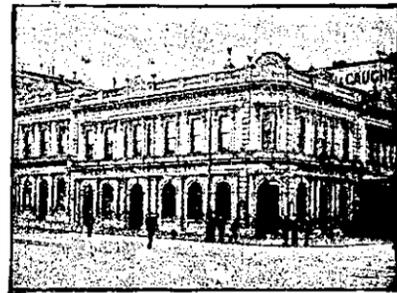
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ESPLANADE HOTEL, DEVONPORT.

THIS FINE MODERN HOTEL IS NOW OPEN. Erected and Furnished in the Latest Style. And situate on an ideal site, commanding a full view of the harbour, the Proprietor trusts to receive patronage of those who require UP-TO-DATE ACCOMMODATION, HEALTHY SITUATION, EASY ACCESS TO TOWN, AND-MODERATE TARIFF.

Special Terms can be arranged with the Proprietor, E. H. WHITE, for FAMILIES or PERMANENT BOARDERS. BILLIARDS, BOATING, FISHING, etc.



UNITED SERVICE HOTEL, CORNER QUEEN AND WELLESLEY-STREETS

MRS S. COOMBS PROPRIETRESS. Mrs Coombs, late of the British Hotel, having taken over the above well-known and popular Hotel, trusts she may receive a fair share of public patronage.

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CENTRAL HOTEL, DARGAVILLE.

Wines and Spirits of Choicest Brands. Excellent Sample Room for Commercial Travellers. Private Sitting Rooms and Billiard Room. Also Well-Lighted Hall to accommodate 800. Horses and Traps for Hire.

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SETTLERS' HOTEL, WHANGAREI

The above Hotel is within two minutes' walk of the Railway Station and Town Wharf. First-class Accommodation. Baths and Every Convenience. Best Brands of Wine and Spirits. Ehrenfried's Beer on Draught. Charges Moderate. Good Stabling and Paddock for Horses. Sample Room and First-Class Billiard Table.

D. McLEOD PROPRIETOR.



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W. ABBOTT PROPRIETOR. The Best Wines, Spirits, Beers, and Cigars. All the Comforts of a Home, and a Good Table Kept. Charges Reasonable, and Civility the Rule of House. Commodious Stables. Good Paddocks. Billiards.

AUCKLAND PROVINCE.



FITZROY HOTEL  
(CORNER OF SYMOND-STREET AND WAKEFIELD-STREET.)

J. WELBORN Proprietor  
(Late of the Central and Star Hotels).  
Secombe's XXXX Sparkling Ale and Stouts on draught also bottled Ales and Stout (Lion Brand).  
Wines and Spirits (of all brands) of the highest quality.  
Comfortable Smoke-room.  
Family orders receive prompt attention  
Telephone No. 1488.



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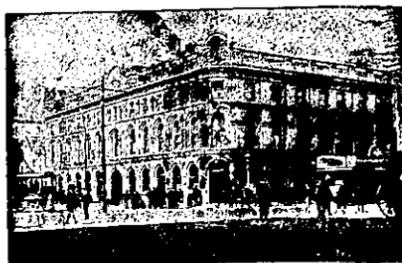
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Hot, Cold, and Shower Baths. Commodious and well lighted Sample Rooms. Reading, Smoking, and Billiard Rooms. The Cuisine under superintendance of a thoroughly competent chef. Wines, Spirits, Cigars, etc. of the Best Quality Only. Coaches meet trains and boats at all hours. Letters and Telegrams receive prompt attention.



CARLTON CLUB HOTEL,  
NEWMARKET.

This well-built and admirable Hotel, situated corner Rhyber Pass and Manukau Road, is fitted up with all the latest conveniences. First-class Billiard Table. Hancock's Imperial Bottle and XXX always on Draught. Wines and Spirits of all Brands of the Highest Quality. Family Orders receive prompt attention.  
EDWARD BLAIR Proprietor.



THAMES HOTEL,  
CORNER OF QUEEN AND CUSTOM STREETS, AUCKLAND.

Commercial and Family Hotel. First class Accommodation. Day and Night Porter. Terms Moderate. Best Wines and Spirits kept. Telephone No. 869.  
H. LUKS Proprietor.

QUEEN'S FERRY HOTEL,  
VULCAN LANE, AUCKLAND.

J. T. GRAY

(late of the Shamrock Hotel, Wellington)  
Begs to notify that he has taken over the above favourite hostelry.

His trade principle is to keep nothing but the very best, and to aim at the comfort of his patrons.

MARINE HOTEL, HOWICK

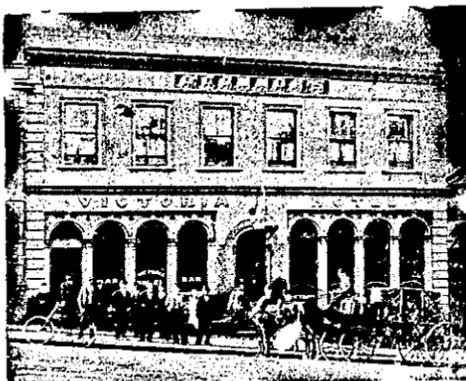
JAMES A. HAWKINS desires to intimate that he has taken over the above House, which has been repainted and decorated throughout. Visitors will find every home comfort, while the position of the house and grounds is unequalled in the Colony. Terms have been fixed on a most moderate scale, and no effort will be spared to make visitors' stay most enjoyable. Sea Bathing, Fishing, etc. Only one hour's journey from Auckland.  
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Coach twice daily from Auckland.  
The Best of Stabling.

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A First-class Family and Commercial Hotel convenient to all public offices and places of amusement. Letters and Telegrams will receive prompt attention. Telephone Exchange. Sample Rooms. Private Bar. Thos. Cook & Son's Coupons accepted.  
MRS PEARCE Proprietress.



VICTORIA HOTEL,  
VICTORIA STREET, AUCKLAND.

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First-class Accommodation for Visitors.  
Splendid Billiard Table and Appointments.  
T. B. O'CONNOR Proprietor.

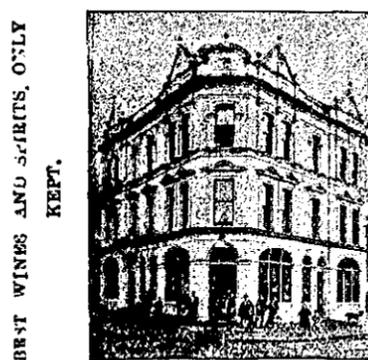


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HOBSON-STREET AUCKLAND.

S. F. HEDLUND

Every Home Comfort for Visitors. Charges Moderate.  
BILLIARDS! BILLIARDS!  
Campbell and Ehrenfried's XXXX Ale on Draught.  
The Best Brands of Wines and Spirits.

EVERY COMFORT FOR BOARDERS & TOURISTS



MARKET HOTEL,  
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J. T. McHUGH Proprietor.



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First-class Accommodation for Travellers and Tourists. Cheapest rates in the district, 4s 6d per day, and Cuisine cannot be surpassed. Wines and Spirits of the best brands only kept in stock. Coaches, pass the door for all surrounding districts.



ALEXANDRA HOTEL,  
Corner of Chapel and Durham Streets, Auckland.

CHAS. REINHARDT Proprietor.

BRITISH HOTEL,  
CORNER OF QUEEN ST. AND DURHAM ST.

THOS. BUXTON Proprietor.

FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD TABLE.  
WINES, SPIRITS AND ALES OF THE BEST BRANDS.

Under the New Management Patrons Old and New will find every convenience attended to.



WAIHI HOTEL,  
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This Old-established House has recently been taken over by H. E. MEYER, who is thoroughly acquainted with the requirements of the district and the travelling public generally. The accommodation is unsurpassed, and the charges moderate. Sample Rooms for Travellers. Hall for Concerts, Socials, etc. Terms on application.  
Telegrams: "MEYER, WAIHI." Box: 24

H. E. MEYER Licensee.

RISING SUN HOTEL,  
KARANGAHAPE ROAD,

J. C. DUNN, long and favourably known at Onehunga in connection with hotel-keeping, wishes to announce that he has taken over the Rising Sun Hotel, Karangahape Road, where he hopes to see all his old and new friends, who may pass his way.  
Superior Accommodation for Boarders.

Maungaturoto Hotel,  
MAUNGATUROTO.

TOM FOLEY, PROPRIETOR.

Having taken possession of this Hotel, I shall be pleased to see all my old friends and customers.  
First-class Accommodation for travellers.  
Wines and Spirits of the Best Brands.

TOM FOLEY,  
PROPRIETOR.



WAVERLEY HOTEL,  
QUEEN STREET, AUCKLAND.

Near Railway Station, Tram Terminus, The Wharf, and Bus Stands.  
First-class Table d'Hote. Conveyance meets Steamers and Trains. Tarif: 7s. per day; £2 2s. per week.  
Telephone 970.

This Hotel has a beautiful view of the Harbour.  
MAURIOE O'CONNOR Proprietor.



TALISMAN HOTEL, KATIKATI.

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Good Shooting, Fishing and Boating, Thermal Springs, Hot Natural and Swimming Baths within twenty minutes' drive of the Hotel, and an Ostrich Farm within two minutes' walk of the Hotel.

Excellent Cuisine.  
This interesting Pleasure Resort is about two hours' drive from Waihi, and three and a half from Tauranga.  
Livery and Bait Stables in conjunction with the hotel.

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This Hotel is directly situated on the Onehunga Wharf, and is therefore specially adapted for travellers either leaving or arriving from Wellington and the South via New Plymouth.

Good Accommodation and Table.  
Only the best brands of liquor kept.  
Stabling Boating and Fishing parties arranged.

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Best Brands of Wines and Spirits.

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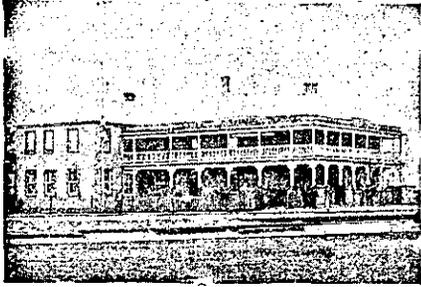
Harp of Erin Hotel  
ELLERSLIE.

GEORGE WRIGHT, Proprietor.

The Proprietor begs to intimate that the new house, which has been erected according to the most modern designs, and is replete with all the latest improvements, is now open for the accommodation of the Public. The stock of Liquors, etc. has been selected with care, and will be found to be of the very best. Excellent Stabling, Loose Boxes, etc.

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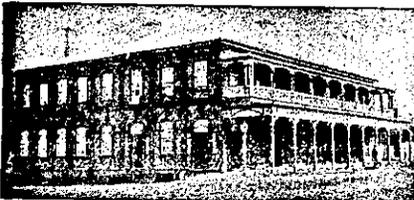
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 (Close to the Railway Station.)  
 Best Brands of Wines and Spirits only kept.  
 FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION.  
 Hot and Cold Baths. Good Billiard Table. Coach  
 leaves for Waingaro Hot Springs twice a week.  
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**ALEXANDRA HOTEL**  
 MANUKAU ROAD, PARNELL.  
 This well-built and admirably situated  
 Hotel is fitted up with all the latest con-  
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 First-class Billiard Table and Large  
 Saloon.  
 Best Brands of Wine and Spirits only  
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 J. R. D. BAKER Proprietor.



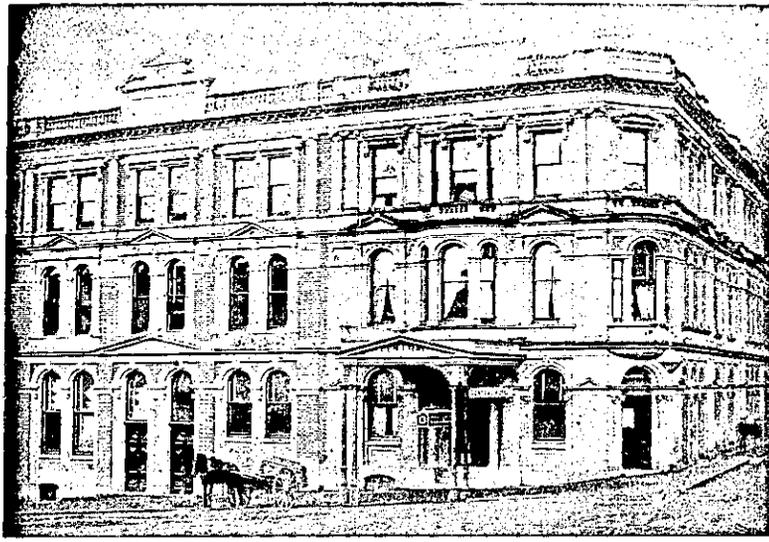
**GRAND HOTEL**  
 TE AROHA.  
 Directly opposite the Sanatorium and com-  
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 Domain.  
 This New and Commodious Hotel is replete  
 with every convenience requisite to the comfort  
 of the travelling public.  
 First-class Cuisine, Hot, Cold, and Shower  
 Baths.  
 Coaches attend all trains.  
 Letters and telegrams promptly attended to.  
 J. W. SHAW Proprietor.  
 Late of Commercial Hotel Paeroa, and British  
 Hotel, Auckland.

**ROYAL HOTEL**  
 VICTORIA STREET, AUCKLAND.  
 PERCY ISAAC Proprietor  
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 TARIFF, from 8/6 per day.

**RAILWAY HOTEL**  
 Mercer,  
 E. HALLETT,  
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This Hotel is now replete with every comfort and con-  
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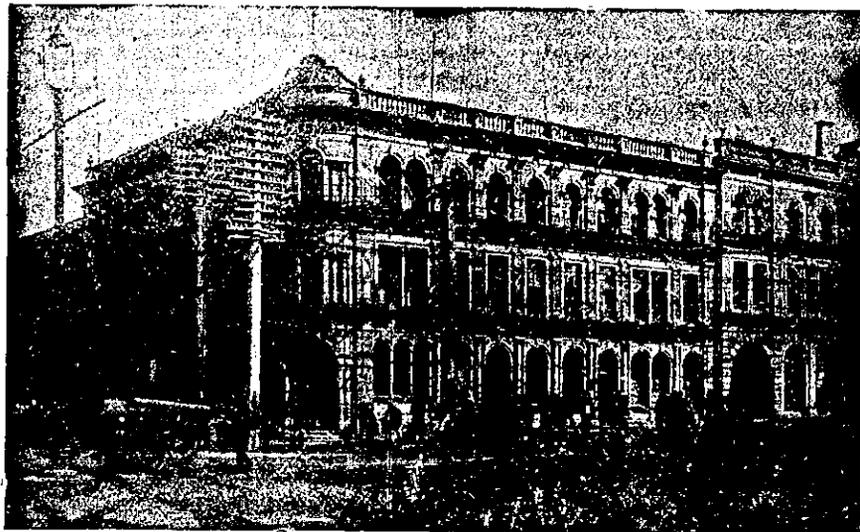
E. HALLETT, Proprietor Mercer  
 Refreshment Rooms.



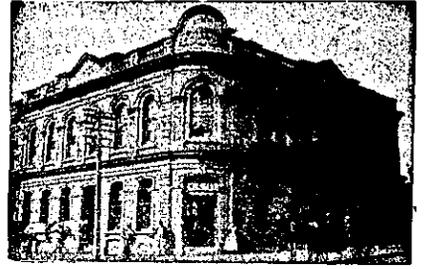
TELEPHONE 490. P.O. BOX 938.  
**CENTRAL HOTEL**  
 VICTORIA STREET EAST, AUCKLAND.  
 J. W. SPFERS Manager.  
 (Late of the Grand Hotel, Rotorua).



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 Close to the Wharf and Railway Station.  
 VISITORS WILL FIND EVERY COMFORT & CONVENIENCE.  
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 Wines and Spirits of Best Quality.  
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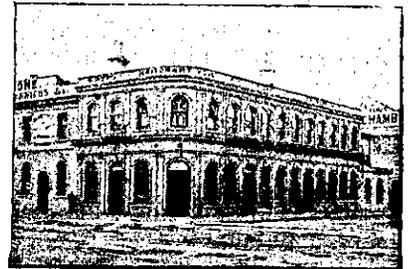


**ROYAL GEORGE HOTEL**  
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 CHRIS. LEEK Proprietor.

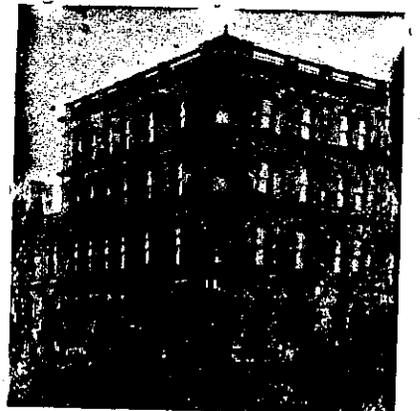
Mr Chris. Leek begs to notify his numerous friends  
 that he has taken the above Hotel, which has been  
 thoroughly renovated, and will afford excellent accom-  
 modation for boarders and country visitors.  
 Buses and trams pass the door every three minutes.  
 Best Brands of Wines and Spirits kept.  
 Terms Moderate.



**WHANGAREI HOTEL**  
 WHANGAREI.  
 This fine House, just re-built in brick and furnished  
 in up-to-date style, now offers unrivalled accommodation  
 to the travelling public.  
 Sample Room. Hot and Cold Baths.  
 Two minutes walk from Saltwater Bathing Place.  
 Stabling Second to None.  
 Best Wines, Ales and Spirits Kept in Stock.  
 SAMUEL McMAHON Proprietor



**BRITOMART HOTEL**  
 CUSTOM STREET.  
 BEST WINES, SPIRITS AND ALES KEPT.  
 WALTER DYER Proprietor



**ALBION HOTEL**  
 CORNER OF  
 HOBSON AND WILLESLEY STREETS.  
 FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION.  
 BILLIARD ROOM.  
 J. MOLLOY Proprietor  
 Telephone 438.

**PAPAKURA HOTEL**  
 PAPAOKA.  
 Notices to Cyclists, Footballers, and others.—Your old  
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 and will be pleased to see all old faces. Splendid Accom-  
 modation and Cuisine. Large Rooms for use of Clubs.  
 THOS. McEWIN Proprietor

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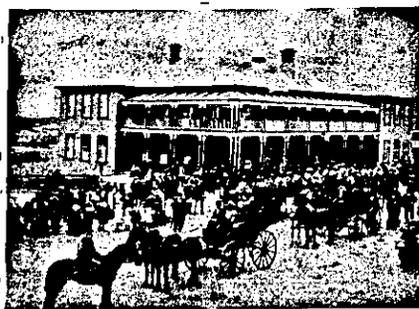
JUNCTION HOTEL, EPSOM

Buses and trams pass here on their way to and from Ellerslie Racecourse and Alexandra Park Football Ground

WINES, SPIRITS & BEERS—BEST ONLY.

Give me a Call—

J. COTTERALL.....Proprietor



PALACE HOTEL,

THE PREMIER HOTEL OF TE AROHA, FRANK PILLING..... Proprietor.

OFFERS SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION FOR TOURISTS, FAMILIES AND VISITORS. COMMERCIAL SAMPLE ROOM.

TELEGRAMS PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO. SPACIOUS BEDROOMS, PRIVATE PARLOURS. HOT, COLD, AND SHOWER BATHS.

TARIFF 35s per Week, or 6s per Day.

THE SPORTING HOTEL OF THE DISTRICT.



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MRS E. PARKER .. Proprietress. Good Accommodation. Best Brands of Wines and Spirits. Secombe's XXXX Beer on Draught. Good Stabling and First-class Paddock. SALE DAYS—Dinner always on an hour previous to commencement of Sale.

EDINBURGH CASTLE HOTEL,

UPPER SYMONDS STREET, (Opposite Khyber Pass), Auckland

ARKELL'S XXXX BEER.

Every Convenience, combined with Civility and Comfort, for Country Visitors and Boarders

FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD ROOM.

GOOD STABLING.

F. QUINLAN..... Proprietor.



CITY CLUB HOTEL

SHORTLAND-STREET, AUCKLAND.

M. WALSH..... Proprietor



Grosvenor Hotel,

Five Minutes' walk from the Post Office.

Hobson Street, Auckland, N.Z.

A. SCHULTZE, PROPRIETOR.

This well-known Hotel has been thoroughly Renovated and Re-furnished throughout. Every Modern Comfort and Convenience for Tourists, Travellers and Families.

First-class Billiard Table.

Wines and Spirits of the Best Brands only.

TELEPHONE 1153.

TERMS MODERATE.



LAKE HOTEL, TAKAPUNA.

JASPER MONTGOMERY desires to intimate that he has taken over the above House, which has been re-painted and decorated throughout. Visitors will find every home comfort, whilst the position of the house and grounds is unequalled in the Colony. Terms have been fixed on a most moderate scale, and no effort will be spared to make visitors' stay most enjoyable. Fresh and Saltwater Bathing, Fishing, etc. Only One Hour's Journey from Auckland.

JASPER MONTGOMERY, Proprietor.

S. W. BUCK.

SUFFOLK HOTEL

PONSONBY, AUCKLAND.

Having taken possession of the above Hotel, I shall be glad to see all my Old Friends and Customers.

Wines and Spirits of the Best Brands only. Billiards.

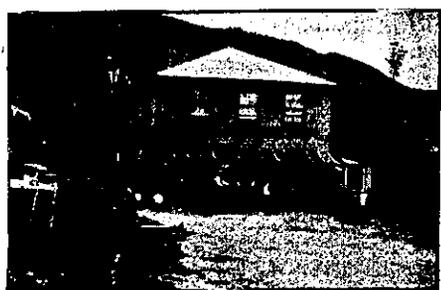
S. W. BUCK ... PROPRIETOR

OWHAROA HOTEL

Main-street, Waikino.

RALPH MONTGOMERY ... Proprietor. RALPH MONTGOMERY (lately Manager of the above Hotel) has taken it over on his own, and trusts to see all his old patrons. Extensive additions are now being made, and when complete the Hotel will be second to none in the district. Don't forget to call on

RALPH MONTGOMERY.



TRAMWAY HOTEL, KARANGHAKE.

ACROSS THE BRIDGE.

MR P. CROSBY ... PROPRIETOR

This is the best hotel in the district, is lighted up by electricity, and has the reputation of only keeping first-class ales and spirits. The table is excellent. Hot and Cold Baths always ready. Attached to the hotel is the well-known Lyceum Hall, which is also lighted up with electricity.

AURORA HOTEL

VICTORIA STREET, AUCKLAND.

MR SAMUEL SARAH

Has taken over the management of this Hotel.

Every Convenience for Boarders. First-class Billiard Room.

Wines and Spirits of the Best Brands only kept

S. SARAH, Proprietor.

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POST OFFICE HOTEL,

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Best Dinner for One Shilling in the Antipodes.

McCarthy's, Staple's, and Speight's Beer.

E. WILSON - Proprietor.

MARTON HOTEL, MARTON.

Excellent Accommodation for the Travelling Public at a Moderate Tariff.

Best Wines, Spirits, Ales, etc.

MRS R. ROBERTS (late of Palmerston North), Proprietress.

FEILDING HOTEL

KIMBOLTON ROAD, FEILDING.

Under Patronage of His Excellency Lord Ranfurly, This favourite hostelry has been renovated and re-furnished throughout. Private and Public Drawing Rooms upstairs en suite. First class Billiard Room. The most commodious Sample Rooms between Wellington and Wanganui. The cuisine is under the supervision of an experienced cook. Noted for best Wines, Spirits, and Beers of any house on the Coast. The Feilding Club have rooms at the above Hotel.

Superior stable accommodation with groom in charge.

D. ZANDER ... Proprietor

POST OFFICE HOTEL,

Main St. (opp. Post Office), Pahiataua.

T. HENLEY (late of the Working Men's Club, Palmerston North) has taken over the above well-known Hostelry, which will now be up-to-date in all its appointments.

Telephone connection. All Wines, Spirits and Ales guaranteed. Stabling accommodation. Terms moderate.

RAILWAY HOTEL,

LOWER HUTT.

(Three Minutes from Railway Station, and close to the Bellvue Gardens.)

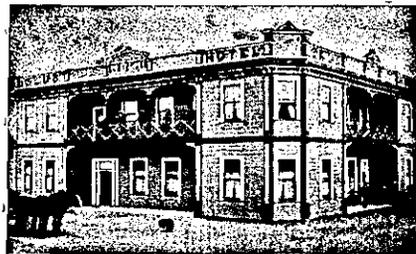
Good Fishing and Shooting to be had within easy distance.

TARIFF REASONABLE. BILLIARDS.

Speight's Beer, and Choicest Wines and Spirits.

EXCELLENT STABLING AND PADDOCKING.

J. CLULOW ... Proprietor.



THE CLUB HOTEL,

CARTERTON.

Has been taken possession of by MR AND MRS E. BUCKERIDGE, Late of Martinborough.

Who have obtained the Freehold of this Hostelry. Being a Free House, none but the Best Ales and Spirits are kept. Speight's, Joel's, Strachan's, Staple's, and Manning's Beer always on tap. Meals and Beds a Speciality. An Up-to-date Billiard-room and Alcock's Billiard Table. The Travelling Public are requested to observe its close proximity to the Railway Station. THE CLUB HOTEL, Belvedere Road, Carterton.

FOXTON FAMILY HOTEL, FOXTON

Excellent Accommodation for the Travelling Public at a Moderate Tariff.

Best Wines, Spirits, Ales, etc. Good Billiard Table. Ample Stabling and Paddocking.

Coches run twice daily to Shannon.

ANDREW LAING (late of Dannevirke).....Proprietor

CASEY'S FAMILY HOTEL,

LOWER HUTT.

MR JOHN YOUNG begs to inform the Public that he has taken over the above. The Hotel has been thoroughly renovated, and now offers accommodation second to none in the district. Central position and close to the Gardens. Excellent table and Best Brands of Wines, Spirits, Ales, etc. Good Stabling and Commodious Loose Boxes.

JOHN YOUNG.....Proprietor.

CLUB HOTEL, MARTON

MR J. NORTHOVER having secured a long Lease of the above, and effected extensive alterations and improvements, is now prepared to cater for the public in up-to-date style.

Brands of all the Best Wines, Spirits, Ales, etc., kept in stock. Ample Stabling Accommodation and Loose Boxes. Charges moderate.

J. NORTHOVER ... Proprietor.

CENTRAL HOTEL, LOWER HUTT

M. J. HODGINS ... Proprietor.

This Hotel is now under entirely new management, and has been thoroughly renovated throughout, affording the best accommodation for the travelling public. Being in close proximity to the Hutt Racecourse, the Hotel offers every facility to visiting owners and trainers. Wines, Ales and Spirits of the best quality only kept in stock. First-class Billiard Table. Letters and Telegrams receive prompt attention. Stabling—eight large and commodious loose boxes.

TARATAHI HOTEL, CARTERTON.

H. McMANAWAY ... Proprietor.

Best Brands of Dunedin Ales, Wines, and Spirits in Stock.

The Best of Accommodation.

Large Stock Paddocks, Stables and Loose Boxes.

PALMERSTON NORTH RAILWAY-STATION REFRESHMENT ROOMS.

W. MOORE ... Proprietor

The railway passengers going either North or South should be acquainted with the fact that at Palmerston Station they can have a good hot luncheon. Railway guards will inform the traveller how much time he will have at Palmerston.

All Express Trains remain ten minutes at Railway Station.

Tea, coffee, sandwiches, cakes and biscuits. Only the best brands of ales, wines and spirits kept.

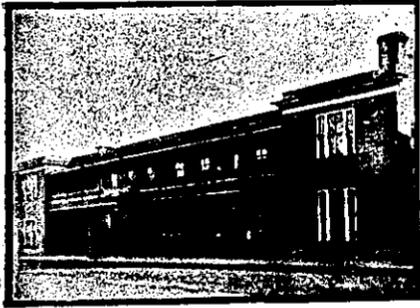
Dunedin and Swan's Ale always on tap.

WHITE HART HOTEL, MARTON

The Leading Family and Commercial Hotel in the District. First-class Accommodation. Nothing but the Best Brands of Wines and Spirits kept. Hotel lighted with Electric Light throughout. Spacious and Well-lighted Sample Rooms.

S. J. GIBBONS ... Proprietor

WELLINGTON—Continued.



EMPIRE HOTEL MASTERTON.

J. CRESS ... Proprietor. This popular house of call is under entirely new management, and is one of the most centrally situated hotels in Masterton.

EMPIRE HOTEL, FIELDING.

MR J. WAREHAM, late of the Club Hotel, Stratford, has taken over the above Hotel, and has had the same thoroughly renovated and re-furnished throughout.



POST OFFICE HOTEL, FOXTON.

This Hotel, having just been Rebuilt and Refurnished throughout, now affords the Best of Accommodation for Travellers, etc.

ALBERT HOTEL, WILLIS STREET, WELLINGTON.

MR GEO. A. ALLEN Has pleasure in intimating that he has taken over the proprietorship of this well-known Commercial and Family Hotel.

LEVIN HOTEL

(To which is attached the Horowhenua County Club and the Levin Aerated Water Factory.)

D. HANNAN ... Proprietor.

The Proprietor wishes to the travelling public that the above well and favourably-known Hotel has recently been enlarged and renovated, making it now one of the Best Hotels in the North Island.

COCKAYNE'S LEVIATHAN,

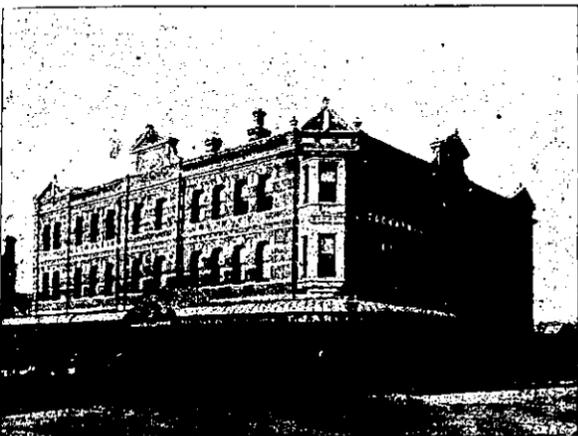
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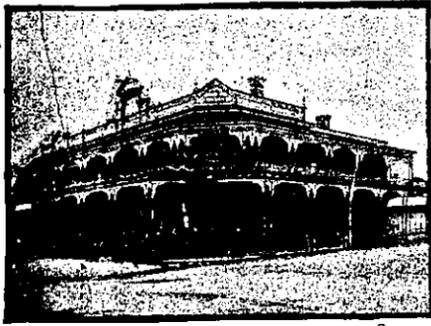
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he will be happy to welcome old friends and  
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The best brands of Ales, Wines, and Spirits  
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All Wines and Spirits stocked of the best  
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Twenty-year-old Guaranteed Liqueur  
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Every Convenience Provided for the Comfort of  
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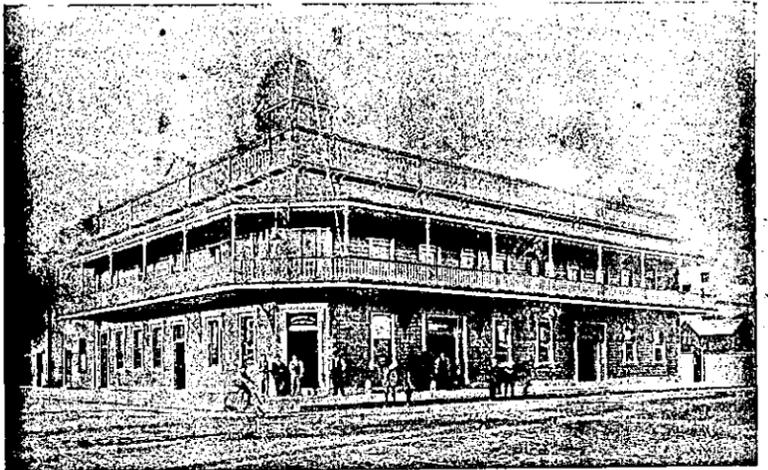
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