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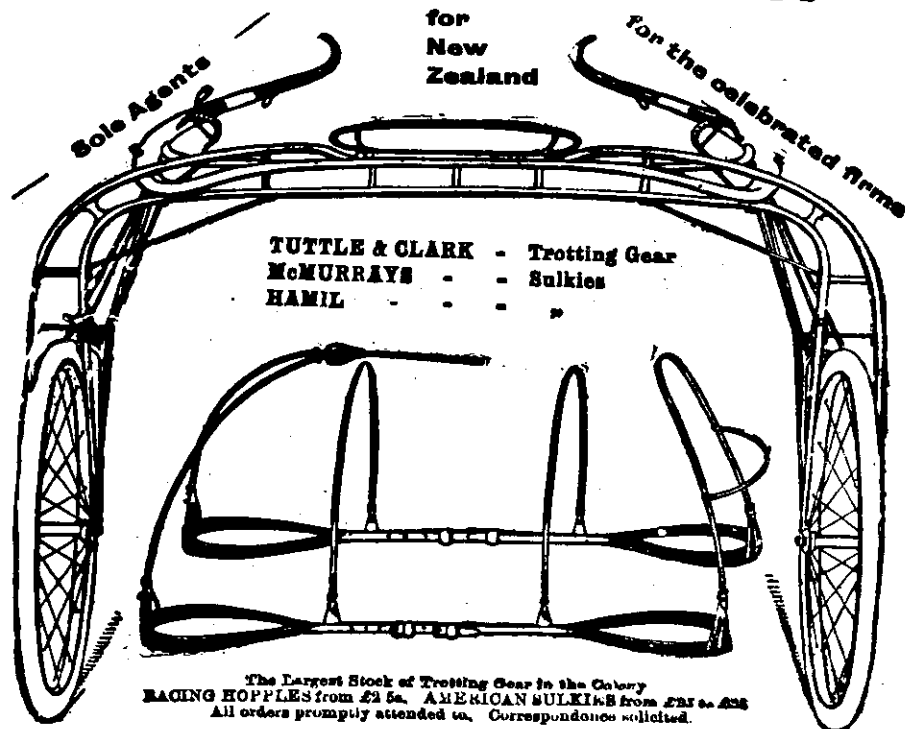
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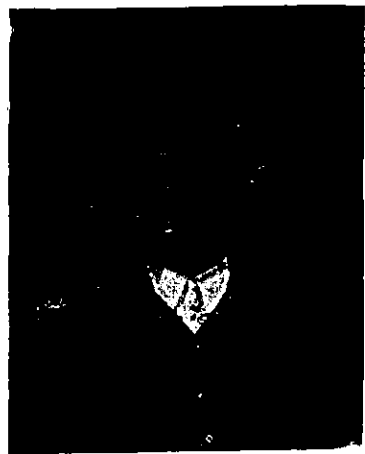
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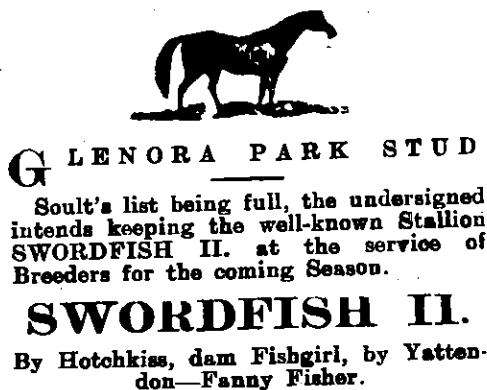
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FIXTURES—1905-06.

Jan. 4 and 5—Westland R.C. Summer  
Jan. 12 and 13—Whangarei R.C. Summer  
Jan. 20 and 22—Wellington R.C. Summer  
Jan. 23 and 23—Foxton R.C. Annual  
Jan. 27, 29, and Feb. 3—Takapuna J.C. Summer  
Jan. 29 and 30—Nelson J.C. Annual  
Jan. 31 and Feb. 1—Pahiatua R.C. Annual  
Feb. 8 and 10—Canterbury J.C. Summer  
Feb. 1 and 2—Maniatoto J.C. Annual  
Feb. 8 and 9—Gisborne R.C. Summer  
Feb. 14 and 15—Egmont R.C. Summer  
Feb. 15 and 16—Poverty Bay T. C. Annual  
March 1 and 2—Wanganui J.C. Autumn

NOMINATIONS.

Jan. 5—Takapuna J.C.  
Jan. 6—Gisborne R.C. Summer  
Jan. 13—Poverty Bay T.C. (special events)  
Jan. 26—Wanganui J.C.  
Feb. 3—Poverty Bay T.C. (special events)

WEIGHTS DECLARED.

Jan. 5 Takapuna J.C. (special events)  
Jan. 12—Takapuna J.C.  
Jan. 20—Gisborne R.C. Summer (special events)  
Feb. 9—Poverty Bay T.C.  
Feb. 17—Wanganui J.C.

ACCEPTANCES.

Jan. 8—Whangarei R.C. Summer  
Jan. 19—Takapuna J.C.  
Jan. 30—Gisborne R.C. Summer  
Feb. 10—Poverty Bay T.C.  
Feb. 23—Wanganui J.C.

**REMINDERS TO OWNERS.**

Nominations for all events to be run at the Summer Meeting of the Gisborne R.C. close with Mr M. G. Nasmith, the secretary, on January 6 at 9 p.m.

Nominations for all events to be run at the Autumn Meeting of the Wanganui Jockey Club must be made to Mr F. Moffatt, the secretary, on or before Friday, January 26, at 9 p.m.

General entries for the Takapuna J.C. Summer Meeting close with Mr R. Wynyard, the secretary, on January 5, at 9 p.m.

Nominations for special events to be run at the annual meeting of the Poverty Bay Turf Club close with Mr J. Walker Bain, the secretary on January 13, at 9.30 p.m. Entries for events in which there is no acceptance close on February 3.

Acceptances for the third day's events of the Auckland Trotting Club close with Mr C. F. Mark, the secretary, on January 4th, at 9 p.m.

Nominations for the following events to be decided at the Summer Meeting of the Takapuna Jockey Club will close tomorrow (Friday) evening with Mr R. Wynyard at 9 p.m.:—Handicap Maiden Plate 1 sov, Calliope Handicap 1 sov, Zealandia Handicap 1 sov, Ferry Handicap 1 sov, Orewa Handicap Hurdles 1 sov, First Pony Handicap 1 sov, Stewards' Handicap 1 sov, Moana Handicap 1 sov, Maiden Handicap Hurdles 1 sov, Suburban Handicap 1 sov, Second Pony Handicap 1 sov, Hobson Handicap 1 sov, Anniversary Handicap 1 sov, Marine Handicap 1 sov, Waiwera Handicap Hurdles 1 sov, Borough Handicap 1 sov, Summer Handicap 1 sov, Third Pony Handicap 1 sov, Devonport Handicap 1 sov, Ponui Handicap Steeplechase 1 sov, Welter Handicap 1 sov.

Acceptances for the first day's races of the Whangarei Meeting close at Mr R. J. Dent's office, Whangarei, or with Mr H. B. Massey, High-street, Auckland, on Monday, January 8th, at 9 p.m.

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**THE AUCKLAND CUP.**

Another Cup day has come and gone, and the name of Putty has been inscribed on the ever-lengthening list of winners, surely the worst named animal appearing upon it. The son of St. Leger owned his victory in a very large measure to two contributing causes, these being splendid condition and able horsemanship. The chestnut son of St. Leger and Ellerslie was in great buckle to take on the big contest, and during his whole career he has never looked better, this reflecting great credit upon his owner. This stood to him during the closing stage of the big race, when Deeley asked him the question, for he answered in the most resolute fashion to his rider's call. At the same time the opinion has been fully expressed that if Buchanan had allowed Mahutonga to run along in front, instead of having a battle with the Quilt gelding for the greater part of the journey, he would have repeated his victory of the previous year. On that occasion Mahutonga was allowed to run his own race, with such successful results that with but two pounds more in the saddle to carry there does not seem much reason to have altered the tactics. However this is idle argument, and the fact remains that whether he was lucky or not Putty has won the Cup, and he makes the fifth son of St. Leger who has pulled off the big event, the previous ones being St. Hippo (1892), Nestor (1896), Buejacket (1899-1900), and St. Michael (1901).

It is safe to say that of those who stood round the ringside at Sylvia Park in 1899 and heard poor Jim Philson trying to extract bids for Putty not one imagined for an instant that the youngster they were then regarding somewhat disdainfully was eventually to be cheered as an Auckland Cup winner. The Hon. Hugh Mosman bought the yearling for seventeen guineas, and gave him his present absurd name. Proving a failure, he was sold to Mr. T. A. Williams for a slight advance, and scored his first win in such an unimportant event as the Third Hack Handicap at Avondale, in which he beat eight others. He followed this up by winning the Maiden Plate at the A.R.C. Spring Meeting, and then put down a fair field in the Trial Handicap at the subsequent summer gathering. Another winning bracket was scored in the Ohinemuri Cup, which he won by a nose from that bete-noir of the pressman, Matamataharakiki. Next Putty was seen home in the van in the Tradesmen's Handicap at the A.R.C. Autumn Meeting, while another win went to his credit in the York Welter, when he defeated a strong field. It will thus be seen that as a four-year-old Putty ran very creditably, but as a five-year-old he went right off, and in thirteen starts never won a race. He started the ball going again last season by winning the Goldfields' Cup at the Thames, and then annexed the Takapuna Jockey Club Handicap, beating Paritutu at a difference of four pounds. A long run of non-successes followed until he came home first in the Empire Handicap at Takapuna, and the next day pulled off the Britannia Handicap at the same meeting. This season, with an Avondale Cup and an Auckland Cup to his credit, Putty has done well. Mr. Williams can have no great reason to regret his original outlay of twenty-five guineas for the chestnut, for his stake earnings alone up to the Cup race have totalled the respectable sum of £2515, while by his victory in the big race the stable is credited with having had a good win.

**NOTES.**

(By "THE JUDGE.")

Acceptances for the first day's events of the Whangarei meeting close on Monday next. The fixture will be held on Friday and Saturday, January 12 and 13, and reports from the pretty northern township indicate the probability of a record meeting.

There were two or three surprises on the final day of the A.R.C. Meeting, some of the supposed good things going down. Heroism paid £19 10s for second place in the Grandstand Handicap, Certainty returned a dividend of £17 19s in the Newmarket Handicap, while Merry Delaval paid £20 5s in the final event, the Pony Handicap.

I doubt whether there was a sportsman in Auckland who was not pleased to see Nonette on the winning list again. He was first home in the Rangitikei Cup, and followed this up on the second day by annexing the Greatford Stakes.

The sum of £16,307 was handled at the totalisator during the two days of the Rangitikei meeting.

Nominations for the Takapuna J.C. Summer Meeting will have to be attended to to-morrow evening. The programme is a good one and should have the effect of drawing a very large entry.

The summer meeting of the Auckland Trotting Club will be brought to a termination next Saturday. Although the acceptances close after we go to press these are indications of some good sport being provided.

Boris was in a winning vein at the Wairarapa meeting, as he pulled off both big events, the Cup and the Railway Club Handicap.

Lady Warwick's trip North has proved a profitable one, as she won the Pony Handicap at the A.R.C. meeting and the Pony Cup and the Christmas Handicap at the A.T.C. meeting. The Torpedo mare was in great form, and it seems something of a mystery how she lost the Pony Cup at Ellerslie.

Mr. Walters had no reason to regret refusing an offer of five hundred guineas for Wairiki's yearling brother a few weeks ago, as he was purchased for eleven hundred yesterday. No finer-looking colt has ever been raised in Auckland. A very handsome yearling brother to Marshal Sout should not be dear at 520 guineas, for he looks like making a great sprinter.

Nervine was one of the unlucky ones at the A.R.C. meeting, the Phoebus Apollo gelding running third on three occasions. He was finishing so well each time that it looked as though he might have pulled off a race had he been brought a little sooner.

Deeley and Hewitt each rode five winners at the A.R.C. meeting, the local rider doing his best work on the opening day, whereas Hewitt's score was chiefly made up on the concluding day.

Landlock was in great form at the A.R.C. meeting, winning the Summer Cup, the Glasgow Handicap, and the Grandstand Handicap, besides being beaten by a short head in the County Handicap.

With the absence of the bookmakers from Ellerslie and fine weather prevailing, it was only to be expected that there would be a heavy increase in the totalisator figures. For the four days no less a sum than £84,272 was machined, this representing an advance of £15,852 on the amount handled during the corresponding meeting last year.

Some have argued that Cuneiform's win in the Royal Stakes was a very easy one, but with this I do not agree, as Hewitt appeared to be riding the son of Multiform very vigorously inside the distance. Multifid seemed to be going the faster at the finish, and if he had been closer to the leader at the entrance to the straight might have made it interesting for the winner. His finishing run was left a trifle too late.

The largest horse ranch in the United States is in Oregon. It comprises a piece of country 200 miles in extent along the Columbia River, and is owned by John and Jade Switzler, who have 11,000 horses on the ranch. It is said there are 600 stallions among them. All are practically wild horses. They are sold for about £4 a head.

M. Blanc heads the list of winning owners in France this season with £60,000 to his credit.

Of the 50 mares mated with the pacing champion B'blonwood last season, 45 proved in foal.

Lord Gerard, who rode the winner in the match which brought about the disqualification of Mr. De Wend Fenton in England, has announced that the money he won over the event, reported to be about £3000, will be given to Newmarket charities. Lord Gerard's horses, which have hitherto been in charge of Marsh, who trains for King Edward, are to be sold.

Touching on the warning off of Mr. de Wend-Fenton, an English paper remarks that had Pitch Battle won the match, which was for £100, at Sandown, a curious question would have arisen. Mr. de Wend-Fenton gave £500 for the horse, a further sum of £100 to be paid the first race he won. Formerly a match was not considered a race, and the ordinary Rules of Racing did not apply to it; you might have what distance you liked and what weights you liked. Now, however, a match is a race, and thus if Pitch Battle had won, so far from Mr. de Wend-Fenton benefiting by it, he would have had to hand over the £100 to Mr. Ellam. If, therefore, he had won nothing in bets, he would have been out of pocket by the victory.

Full Cry's form at the A.R.C. meeting was very consistent, and his win in the Goodwood Handicap on the concluding day was fully deserved. He had previously run second to Leonator in the Trial Handicap, second to Starshoot in the Alexandra Handicap, and fourth in the Glasgow Handicap, won by Landlock.

Mr. J. O'Driscoll's visit to Auckland was a profitable one. He won the Grafton Hurdle Race with Waiwera, and the Ponsonby Hurdle Race and Auckland Steeplechase with Pharos. Three victories in four starts reads like good business.

Kirriemuir was not pulled out for the Royal Stakes, a fact which was generally regretted by sportsmen, as the go between Sir George Clifford's beautiful filly and Cuneiform would have proved well worth seeing.

The Ellerslie course was in splendid order on all days of the recent meeting, and some very fast times were recorded. Multifid beat the record in the Derby, Nightfall's gallop in the Plate was a clipping good one, Cuneiform ran the six furlongs of the Royal Stakes in 1min 14 2-5sec, a record for the race; while Ranaana was found capable of a two-mile hurdle race in 3min 45sec.

Multifid won the Derby in 2min 36 4-5sec, which is the fastest time the race has ever been run in so far as New Zealand is concerned. Nevertheless Nightfall clipped three-fifths of a second off it in the Auckland Plate.

The Derby winner Multifid was bred by Mr. Dan O'Brien, and was got by Multiform from Heriot, by Grafton from Graf, by Carbine, so is a grandson of the owner's old favourite.

The ex-Auckland Numa has been sold to Mr. Stead, jun., of Christchurch, for £90.

The starting of Mr. C. O'Connor at the recent Ellerslie meeting was particularly good, there not being one ragged despatch in all the thirty-two races.

Submarine ran second in the Rangitikei Cup, but failed to draw the weight, and was accordingly ruled out in favour of Ropa.

It is somewhat difficult to understand why there should be a second dividend if there are but four runners, providing the race be a classic one. The absurdity of the rule was clearly shown in the race for the Royal Stakes, when of the four starters three returned dividends of a sort. In races other than classic events there have to be seven starters before a second dividend can be declared, and there does not seem to be any clear reason why any alteration should be made in classic events. No doubt the idea was to secure a larger field, but as it does not appear to have this effect the rule should be amended.

The duel between Mahutonga and Nightfall in the Auckland Plate was rather interesting, but the mare had the measure of the son of Quilt some distance from home. He seemed a trifle jaded with his previous exertions, and was certainly the unlucky horse of the meeting.

**AFTER THE RACES**

**THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.**

**SECOND DAY.**

The A.R.C. Summer Meeting was resumed on Friday, when a south-west gale, bringing clouds of dust in its train, did much to spoil the enjoyment of those present. The racing, however, proved interesting, and otherwise matters passed off pleasantly. Being an off day there was, of course, not such a rush at the totalisator, but the sum of £15,903 10s was machined, which represents an increase of £1494 10s on the figures for the corresponding day last year.

Racing was resumed with the Alexandra Handicap, seven furlongs, and this provided a very pretty race. There were seven runners, of which Starshoot was the popular pick. Full Cry jumped away very quickly, and he led from The Lark and Starshoot down the back and into the straight, where the field closed up. It was anyone's race at the distance, but Starshoot finishing in good style, drew out and won by a length and a-half from Full Cry, who was that distance in front of Nervine, heads only separating the latter from The Lark and Delania.

Next came the Ponsonby Hurdles, one mile and three-quarters, and with five runners punters were not long in making up their minds that Hautapu was the right pea. This judgment, however, proved faulty, for after the son of Mitiora had shaken off the persistent attentions of Seabird, he was unequal to respond to a strong challenge by Pharos, who won very comfortably by four lengths.

With but a trio taking part in the Criterion Handicap, six furlongs, the betting was very light, but what there was of it favoured Cambrian, who was made an odds on favourite. Pylades was quickest to move, but Ryan soon had Cambrian in front, and there he remained, despite a resolute challenge from Loongana at the distance, the Cyrenian colt winning by two lengths, with Pylades a dozen lengths behind Loongana.

Armistice was the only absentee from the Summer Cup, the big race of the day, this leaving a field of ten. The result was regarded as being open, but most money was forthcoming for Mahutonga and Putty. After some delay at the start Mr. O'Connor let them go well together, and as they turned out of the straight Landlock, Jewellery and King Billy were the leading trio. Down the back Melodeon went up from nearly last into second place, while Putty, who had been having a bad passage, made a forward move, as did Mahutonga. Landlock was still in front as they swept into the straight, where Putty issued a challenge, but failed to sustain it. Scotty came very fast from the distance, but could not reach Landlock, who won by two lengths, with Putty just clear of a bunch, and Melodeon last.

A nice field of fourteen turned out to do battle in the Salisbury Welter, one mile, and after his double win on Tuesday the public soon had Leonator in the position of favourite. This was a correct summing up of the situation, for after Lovelink had made play for six furlongs, the favourite went to the front, and, never giving anything else a chance, won very easily by three lengths from Apologue with Polycaste a moderate third.

Nothing but Lady Warwick would go down for the Pony Handicap, six furlongs, the Torpedo mare going to the post a red-hot favourite. Dr. Quest was first away, and Girton Girl last. Dr. Quest piloted the way into the straight, but here Lady Warwick came with a long run and won without an effort by three lengths from Dr. Quest, with Girton Girl third.

Celtic was a strong order for the Visitors' Plate, five furlongs, which was competed for by half a dozen moderates. When the barrier rose Primo hopped off very smartly, and led all the way, having just enough steam left to stall off the favourite's finishing rush.

The day's programme concluded with the Waitemata Handicap, for which The Raven carried the most money. He was in front for over a mile, when the outsider, Lady Gladys, passed him, and coming away she won very easily by three lengths from Hiro, who beat Bromide by a similar margin.

**THIRD DAY.**

Pleasant weather conditions prevailed on Monday, when the third day's events of the summer meeting were disposed of. Although not so large as on Cup day, the attendance, nevertheless, was decidedly good, and the sport shown in many cases very exciting. His Excellency the Governor and party were again present. Speculation proved very brisk, and the arrangements at the totalisator proved

far more satisfactory than on the opening day. The sum of £24,125 10s was handled during the day. The only untoward incident was the mishap to Marchant, when Sol fell with him in the Hurdle Race, the rider being picked up in an unconscious state and conveyed to the hospital, where he still lies.

The opening event was the Glasgow Handicap, seven furlongs, and out of a field of fourteen Landlock and Full Cry were the most fancied. As usual, Starshoot showed fractiousness at the post, causing some delay, but eventually the barrier rose on a good start, the first to show being Lovelink, Avalanche, and Bonomiana. They had not gone far before Landlock dashed to the front, and the son of Flintlock piloted the field into the straight. Holding his own with ease all the way home, Landlock passed the post two lengths ahead of Starshoot, who had an opening on the rails, and got up in time to beat Lovelink for third place. Delania was a head away fourth, and Full Cry a similar distance further off fifth.

Waiwera was a very hot pot for the New Year's Hurdle Race, two miles, with Sol most in demand of the other four. Supporters of the latter were soon out of suspense, for the Soult gelding came to grief at the second hurdle. Khama and Seabird made matters very willing for a mile and a-half, with Waiwera a long way off last. Three furlongs from home Ranaana went to the front, and, drawing away, won very easily by four lengths from Khama, with Seabird a moderate third, and the favourite last.

The Thirty-second Great Northern Derby was the next event, the defection of The Raven leaving six competitors. These were closely scrutinised, the general opinion being that the horses were hardly up to the usual Derby class. Multifid was an exception, and he also looked the fittest. His admirers rallied to such an extent that he went out a pronounced favourite, with King Billy and Clanchattan supported in that order. When Mr. O'Connor started them, contrary to expectation King Billy and Multifid dashed away, and at a six-furlong gait carried the well-strung-out field past the stand and round the top turn. Here King Billy seemed to stop, and the field closed up very quickly. Multifid kept sailing away in front, but Master Delaval set out in chase. He could never get to within striking distance of Multifid, who romped home four lengths ahead, with Apologue seven lengths behind Master Delaval. That there was no loafing on the way may be judged from the fact that the time, 2min 36 4-5sec, constitutes a record.

Duart was a pronounced favourite for the Midsummer Handicap, five furlongs, for which there were but five runners. Pylades, who was the outsider of the quintette, hopped off the mark very smartly, and although Duart made an effort to catch him, he could never get within three lengths of the Menschikoff colt, while Loongana was a moderate third.

A nice field of fourteen carried silk in the County Handicap, six furlongs, and of these on the strength of his three wins Leonator was made a better favourite than Landlock, who had the services of Hewitt. Te Aroha had the luck to draw the inside berth, and she was smartest away, and accompanied by Certainty and Noteoni, drew out a good lead, while Landlock was a long way back. Te Aroha led into the straight, where the field closed up somewhat. Landlock came up with a well-sustained run, but could never quite get up. Te Aroha winning by a short head, with Nervine, who came very fast from the distance, in third place a length behind, and then followed Leonator.

When the A.R.C. Handicap, one mile and a-half, was called on for decision, it was found that all the eight on the programme were ready to try for the rich stake. Scotty was made a strong favourite, with Gladstone, Paritutu, and Armistice in almost equal demand. As the barrier rose Scotty dashed away, and he led past the stand from Paritutu, Gladstone, and Mahutonga, with Armistice last. Scotty continued to make strong play, but was passed by Melodeon, who was in front three furlongs from home. Here he was challenged by Paritutu, and immediately quitted. Mr. George's gelding was first into the straight, and at the distance was just clear of a line of five horses. A great finish saw Paritutu home by half a length from Mahutonga, with the fast-finishing Armistice a good third.

The Pony Handicap, six furlongs, followed, Lady Warwick carrying more tickets than Luresome. Forth was smartest on his feet, and he led from Sonoma and Dr. Quest. Before the home turn was negotiated Storyteller and Luresome were in the van, and the latter coming away, won comfortably by two lengths from Storyteller, with Lady Warwick a fair third.

Ben was served up fairly warm for the concluding event, the Maiden Handicap, one mile and a-quarter, for which there were a dozen runners. Pukekohe was first away, and attended by Hiro he led down the back. As the straight was reached Monoform made a forward move, and as heads were turned for home he reached Hiro. The latter struggled on gamely, but could not hold his own with Monoform, who won by over two lengths, with Bromide a fair third.

FOURTH DAY.

Nothing could well have been more unpleasant than the weather on the morning of the concluding day of the meeting. A strong nor-wester was in evidence, raising blinding clouds of dust, which fairly smothered everything. Before the time came to decide the third event, rain commenced to fall heavily, and this scotched the dust fiend, and the wind falling, things finished up under better conditions. The attendance was fairly good under the circumstances, and the sport interesting. The sum of £19,809 10s was machined, this bringing up the total to £84,272 for the meeting, an advance of £15,852 on the corresponding figures last year.

A field of a dozen went to the post for the Goodwood Handicap, one mile, and of these Leonator and Jewellery were generally considered the pick. They were got away well together, Leonator leading the field, but before they had gone far Lucrece was out making play from Leonator, Bonomiana, and Full Cry. After going six furlongs the pony had shot her bolt, and Leonator was just in front of Bonomiana when heads were turned for home. Coming strongly up the straight the latter looked like getting home, but Hewitt brought Full Cry with a good run and he just got up in time to win by a head, with Leonator two lengths behind Bonomiana.

Cambrian was a hot pot for the Sylvia Handicap, six furlongs, for which there were but four starters. The race does not merit much description, for Conductor jumped off in front, and although Cambrian tackled him in the straight he could never get Conductor fairly at it, the latter winning fairly easily by a length and a-half, with Celtic, who finished very fast, a similar distance off third.

A baker's dozen went out to try their luck in the Grandstand Handicap, one mile and a-quarter, and of these Scotty had more invested on his chance than Landlock and Armistice, who were more fancied of the others. There was a considerable delay owing to the rain, but when eventually the barrier rose on a good start the first to show out were Landock, Starshoot, Paritutu, and Scotty. Landlock immediately assumed the role of pacemaker, and he led right round the back, his nearest attendants being Starshoot and Scotty. Holding his own all the way up the straight he ran home a fairly easy winner two lengths ahead of Heroism, who beat Starshoot in the last little bit, Scotty finishing fourth.

There was a very full use of the scratching pen in the Royal Stakes, six furlongs, and of the fourteen figuring on the programme it was found that only a quartette were prepared to take on the contest. The Yaldhurst representative, Cuneiform, was, of course, sorted out as a real good thing, and he went an odds on favourite. Glenowlet got under way very smartly, and she showed the way to the favourite to the distance, where Hewitt shook up Cuneiform, and he drew out and won by a length, while Multifid got up in time to make a dead heat of it with Glenowlet for second place.

Inniskillen and Pharos were the most fancied for the Auckland Steeplechase, three miles and a-half, for which half a dozen carried silk. Hautapu made the running in the early stages from Inniskillen, but after a bit the latter took on the lead. In the last round Pharos was given his head, and simply romping over the opposition, won without an effort by twenty lengths, with Hautapu close up third. McGregor came off The Swimmer at the back of the course, but remounted and finished the race.

Next came the Newmarket Handicap, six furlongs, and of the dozen runners Hohoro, Lady Annie, and Carl Rosa were the most stoutly supported. When the tapes went up Miss Winnie dashed away, and was in front as they headed for home. Here Hohoro, Carl Rosa, Nervine and Certainty closed up, and the latter showing more foot in the concluding stages, won by half a length from Carl Rosa, who was a neck in front of Nervine.

Although Sir Gilead and Apologue were saddled up for the Auckland Plate, one mile and a-half, the race virtually resolved itself into a match between Mahutonga and Nightfall, the latter being an odds on favourite. Directly the four got going Nightfall took on the role of pacemaker, and she led past the stand

and to the back, where Mahutonga ranged up alongside. The pair came away together, and at the entrance to the straight there was not much to choose between them. At the distance Buchanan drew the whip on Mahutonga, despite which Nightfall opened out, passing the post a length and a-half in front, with Apologue ten lengths off third.

The final event of the meeting, the Pony Handicap, five furlongs, attracted a field of a dozen, and punters went strongly for a recovery, the choice picks being Sonoma and Dr. Quest, who formed the advance guard in the earlier portion of the race, but when in a line for home Merry Delaval and Storyteller joined issue, and a desperate encounter all the way up the straight followed, the outsider, Merry Delaval, winning by a neck from Sonoma, who was a similar distance in advance of Storyteller, the latter being just clear of a bunch.

The particulars were as follows:—

SECOND DAY.

THE ALEXANDRA HANDICAP. Seven furlongs.

- Mr. E. J. Watt's ch g Starshoot, 5yrs, by Hotchkiss—Crescent, 8st 2lb (F. Dav's) ... 1
Mr. A. Champ'on's b g Full Cry, aged, by Reynard—Vienne, 8.7 (Hewitt) ... 2
Mr. A. Telfer's br g Nervine, 4yrs, by Phoebus Apollo—Eve, 7.4 (Brown) ... 3

Also started: Delania 7.10, The Lark 7.0 (including 7lb over), General Average 7.3 (including 8lb over), Vivandel, 6.7. Won by two lengths. Time, 1m n 30sec. Dividends: Inside, £1 11s and 19s.

THE PONSONBY HURDLE HANDICAP. One mile and three-quarters.

- Mr. J. O'Driscoll's ch g Pharos, aged, by Jet d'Eau—Opawa mare, 9.0 (McGregor) ... 1
Mr. R. Hannon's b g Hautapu, aged, by Mitiora—Lady Sarah, 11.0 (Walsh) ... 2
Mr. J. McNicol's ch m Seabird, aged, by Ben Godfrey—Hnemoa, 10.3 (McIntosh) ... 3

Also started: Loch Fyne 9.2, Lerida 9.0. Won by five lengths. Time, 3min 21 2-5sec. Dividend: Inside, £4 10s.

THE CRITERION HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

- Mr. F. W. Arnold's b c Cambrian, by Cyrenian—Miss Ann'e, 9.4 (Ryan) ... 1
Mrs. Walter Davies' br g Loongana, by Soult—Curacao, 8.4 (Deeley) ... 2
Mr. A. H. Lennard's ch c Pylades, by Menschikoff—Marjorie, 8.13 (Sceats) ... 3

Won by two lengths. Time, 1min 18sec. Dividend: Inside, £1 15s.

THE SUMMER CUP HANDICAP. One mile and a-quarter.

- Mr. C. W. Coleman's b g Landlock, aged, by Flintlock—Dreamland, 7.7 (Sparkes) ... 1
Mr. D. Stewart's b g Scotty, aged, by St. Leger—Janet, 8.5 (Ryan) ... 2
Mr. T. A. Williams' ch g Putty, aged, by St. Leger—Ellerslie, 8.5 (Deeley) ... 3

Also started: Mahutonga 9.6, King Billy 8.6, Paritutu 8.3, Melodeon 7.7, Zuleika 6.13, Jewellery 6.10, Master Delaval 6.9. Won by two lengths. Time, 2min 9 4-5sec. Dividends: Inside, £9 12s and £1 19s.

THE SALISBURY WELTER HANDICAP. One mile.

- Mr. L. Coleman's ch g Leonator, 4yrs, by Leolantis—Natator mare, 9.2 (Phillips) ... 1
Mr. R. Cleand's br c Apologue, 3yrs, by Phoebus Apollo—Miss Gladys, 8.10 (Marchant) ... 2
Mr. F. McGovern's b m Polycaste, 4yrs, by Nestor—Nightingale, 8.4 (Sparkes) ... 3

Also started: Franklin 9.10, Waikato 8.13, Heroism 8.10, Lovelink 8.9, Monoform 8.9, King Paul 8.8, Lady Hune 8.7, Le Beau 8.4, Yoette 8.2, Takaroa 8.0, Baltimore 8.0. Won by two lengths. Time, 1min 42sec. Dividends: Inside, £2 9s and £2 10s.

THE PONY HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

- Mr. S. Humphries' b f Lady Warwick, 4yrs, by Torpedo—Lady Lorne, 8.10 (F. Davis) ... 1
Mr. J. B. Williamson's br g Dr. Quest, 6yrs, by Soult—Nelsorina, 6.13 (including 5lb over) (Deeley) ... 2
Mr. B. Armitage's ch m Girton Girl, aged, by Medallion—Equation, 9.10 (Cotton) ... 3

Also started: Storyteller 8.2, Forth 8.1, Little Mabel 6.12, Rapid 6.11 (including 4lb over). Won by three lengths. Time, 1min 17sec. Dividends: Inside, £1 7s and £1 13s.

THE VISITORS' PLATE. Five furlongs.

- Mr. C. Lovett's b f Primo, 2yrs, by Phoebus Apollo—Lena, 7.4 (Gray) ... 1
Mr. M. McLean's ch g Celtic, 2yrs, by Seaton Delaval—Margaret, 7.6 (Deeley) ... 2
Mr. B. Armitage's br f Dear Dolly, 3yrs, by Brigadier—Dolly, 8.2 (Julian) ... 3

Also started: Peregrine 9.0, Inglis 7.9, Le Mascotte 7.9. Won by over a length. Dividends: Inside, £5 2s; outside, in each case half the inside amount.

THE WAITEMATA HANDICAP. One mile and a-half.

- Mr. S. G. Lindsay's br m Lady Gladys, 5yrs, by Rampart, 7.7 (Brown) ... 1
Mr. A. Morgan's br c Hiro, 3yrs, by Cyrenian—Epine, 8.4 (Ryan) ... 2
Mr. J. McGlashan's b g Bromide, 5yrs, by Insomnia—Minnie, 7.13 (Deeley) ... 3

Also started: Pukekohe 9.0, Silicia 8.9, Pearl Necklet 8.4, The Raven 8.2, Lady Clements 7.11, Haeremai 7.10, Kereru 7.7, Silkie 7.7. Won by three lengths. Time, 2min 42 3-5sec. Dividends: Inside, £26 4s and £1 9s.

THIRD DAY.

THE GLASGOW HANDICAP. Seven furlongs.

- Mr. C. W. Coleman's b g Landlock, aged, by Flintlock—Dreamland, 8.12 (Cotton) ... 1
Mr. E. J. Watt's ch g Starshoot, 5yrs, by Hotchkiss—Crescent, 9.4 (F. Davis) ... 2
Messrs. Williamson and Currie's b h Lovelink, 4yrs, by Castor—Bangle, 7.2, including 5lb over (Gray) ... 3

Also started: Geordie 9.0, Full Cry 8.7, Waipuna 8.5, Franklin 8.3, Avalanche 7.10, Ironmould 7.10, Delania 7.5, Waikato 7.5, Nervine 7.0, Polycaste 6.13, Bonomiana 6.7. Won by two lengths. Time, 1min 28 2-5sec. Dividends: Inside, £3 1s and £1 15s.

THE NEW YEAR'S HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP). Two miles.

- Mr. A. Hughes' b g Ranana, aged, by Australian—Calliope, 10.2 (Fergus) ... 1
Mr. B. Armitage's b g Khama, aged, by Castor—Valentina, 10.4 (R. Hall) ... 2
Mr. J. McNicol's ch m Seabird, aged, by Ben Godfrey—Hnemoa, 10.0 (McIntosh) ... 3

Also started: Waiwera 11.10, Sol 10.12. Won by four lengths. Time, 3min 45sec. Dividends: Inside, £10 19s.

THE THIRTY-SECOND GREAT NORTHERN DERBY. One mile and a-half.

- Mr. D. O'Brien's br c Multifid, 3yrs, by Multifid—Heriot, 8.10 (Hewitt) ... 1
Mr. W. Foss' b c Master Delaval, 3yrs, by Seaton Delaval—Campania, 8.10 (Julian) ... 2
Mr. R. Cleand's br c Apologue, 3yrs, by Phoebus Apollo—Miss Gladys, 8.10 (Cress) ... 3

Also started: Clanchattan 8.10, Gay Spark 8.10, King Billy 8.10. Won by four lengths. Time, 2min 36 4-5sec. Dividends: Inside, £2 2s and £3 11s.

THE MIDSUMMER HANDICAP. Five furlongs.

- Mr. A. H. Lennard's ch c Pylades, by Menschikoff—Marjorie, 8.4 (Sceats) ... 1
Mr. M. McLean's b c Duart, by Soult—Drudge, 7.13 (Ryan) ... 2
Mrs. Walter Davies' br g Loongana, by Soult—Curacao, 8.3 (Deeley) ... 3

Also started: Conductor 8.3, Primo 7.2 (Gray). Won by two lengths. Time, 1min 42 5-5sec. Dividends: Inside, £12 8s.

THE COUNTY HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

- Mr. W. Davies' b m Te Aroha, 5yrs, by Seaton Delaval—Lottie, 8st 3lb (Deeley) ... 1
Mr. C. W. Coleman's b g Landlock, aged, by Flintlock—Dreamland, 8st 13lb, including 5lb penalty (Hewitt) ... 2
Mr. A. Telfer's b g Nervine, 4yrs, by Phoebus Apollo—Eve, 6st 11lb (Erickson) ... 3

Also started: Hohoro 9.9, Glenowlet 8.4, Leonator 8.2, Noteorini 7.9, Miss Winnie 7.8, Carl Rosa 7.5, Certainty 7.3, General Average 7.0 (including 4lb over), Lucrece 6.10 (including 3lb over), Le Beau 6.7, Stepmar 6.7. Won by a head. Time, 1min 16 4-5 sec. Dividends: Inside, £10 2s and £1 1s.

THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB HANDICAP. One mile and a-half.

- Mr. J. George's b g Paritutu, aged, by Castor—Yattaghan, 8.2 (Gray) ... 1
Mr. Lionel Williams' ch g Mahutonga, 5yrs, by Quilt—Melinite, 9.10 (Buchanan) ... 2

Mr. G. F. Moore's br m Armistice, 6yrs, by Mahaki—Melinite, 7.9 (McKay) ... 3

Also started: Scotty 8.9, Gladstone 7.13, Melodeon 7.5, Zuleika 6.9, Jewellery 6.9.

Won by half a length. Time, 2min 37 2-5 sec. Dividends: Inside, £4 9s and £1 15s; outside (10s tickets), £2 4s 6d and 17s 6d.

THE PONY HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

- Mr. W. A. Scott's b m Luresome, 3yrs, by Seaton Delaval—Lissadurn, 8.2 (Gray) ... 1
Mr. P. James' b m Storyteller, 5yrs, by Leolantis—Fairy Tale, 7.13 (Buchanan) ... 2
Mr. S. Humphries' b f Lady Warwick, 4yrs, by Torpedo—Lady Lorne, 9.12 (Davis) ... 3

Also started: Sonoma 9.9, Kilderkin 9.5, Orange and Blue 7.13, Forth 7.11, Dr. Quest 7.3, Resurgam 7.3. Won by a length. Time, 1min 17 3-5 sec. Dividends: Inside, £3 16s and £3 9s.

THE MAIDEN HANDICAP. One mile and a-quarter.

- Mr. E. W. Alison's ch h Monoform, 4yrs, by Hotchkiss—Formo, 9.0 (Ryan) ... 1
Mr. A. Morgan's br c Hiro, 3yrs, by Cyrenian—Epine, 8.9 (Davis) ... 2
Mr. J. McGlashan's b g Bromide, 5yrs, by Insomnia—Minnie, 8.2 (Buchanan) ... 3

Also started: Pukekohe 9.0, Silicia 8.8, Kola Nip 8.6, Lord Seaton 8.4, Pearl Necklet 7.13, Ben 7.10, Soultmaid 7.10, Lady Clements 7.8, Silkie 7.4. Won by two lengths. Time, 2min 12 3-5sec. Dividends: Inside, £4 5s and £1 8s; outside (10s tickets), £2 2s 6d and 14s.

FOURTH DAY.

THE GOODWOOD HANDICAP. One mile.

- Mr. A. Champion's b g Full Cry, aged, by Reynard—Vienne, 9.0 (Hewitt) ... 1
Mr. A. Tooman's b m Bonomiana, 5yrs, by Soult—Eileen Bawn, 6.7 (Jones) ... 2
Mr. L. Coleman's ch g Leonator, 4yrs, by Leolantis—Natator mare, 9.0 (Phillips) ... 3

Also started: Akarana 8.9, Jewellery 8.5, Zuleika 8.5, Lady Hune 7.3, Lucrece 7.0, Bromide 6.12, Yolette 6.10 (including 2lb over). Won by a head. Time, 1min 40 3-5 sec. Dividends: Inside, £4 9s and £9.

THE SYLVIA HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

- Mr. C. Weal's b c Conductor, by Cyrenian—Melodian, 7.11 (Sparkes) ... 1
Mr. F. W. Arnold's b c Cambrian, by Cyrenian—Miss Annie, 9.5 (Ryan) ... 2
Mr. M. McLean's ch g Celtic, by Seaton Delaval—St. Margaretta, 6.9 (Brown) ... 3

Also started: Duart 8.0. Won by half a length. Time, 1min 17 4-5sec. Dividends: Inside, £4 19s.

THE GRANDSTAND HANDICAP. One mile and a-quarter.

- Mr. C. W. Coleman's b g Landlock, aged, by Flintlock—Dreamland, 8.6 (Hewitt) ... 1
Mr. A. Champion's b g Heroism, 6yrs, by Grafton—Graftin, 6.7 (Parramore) ... 2
Mr. E. J. Watt's ch g Starshoot, 5yrs, by Hotchkiss—Crescent, 8.5 (Davis) ... 3

Also started: Paritutu 8.7, Scotty 8.6, Gladstone 7.10, Armistice 7.8, Geordie 7.6, Waipuna 7.4, Te Aroha 7.3, Delania 6.9, King Paul 6.7, Monoform 6.7. Won by two lengths. Time, 2min 10 2-5sec. Dividends: Inside, £4 8s and £19 10s.

THE ELEVENTH ROYAL STAKES. Six furlongs.

- Mr. G. G. Stead's b c Cuneiform, 3yrs, by Multifid—Bluefire, 8.10 (Hewitt) ... 1
Mr. D. O'Brien's br c Multifid, 3yrs, by Multifid—Heriot, 8.13 (Davis) ... 2
Sir G. Clifford's b f Glenowlet, 3yrs, by Clanranald—Madowla, 8.13 (Cotton) ... 3

Also started: Apollonaris 6.10. \*Multifid and Glenowlet ran a dead heat for second place. Won by a length. Time, 1min 14 2-5 sec. Dividends: Inside, Cuneiform £1 3s, Multifid 8s, Glenowlet £1 1s.

THE AUCKLAND STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP. About three miles and a-half.

- Mr. J. O'Driscoll's ch g Pharos, aged, by Jet d'Eau—Opawa mare, 9.7 (Fergus) ... 1
Mr. H. Waldron's br g Inniskillen, 6yrs, by Fraternite—Nightingale, 11.8 (Howard) ... 2



Mr. R. Hannon's b g Hautapu, aged, by Mit'ora—Lady Sarah, 9.12 (Walsh) ... 3  
 Also started: Nor-west 10.12, The Swimmer 10.5, Loch Fyne 9.7.  
 Won by twenty lengths. Time, 8m 12sec. Dividends: Inside, £3 15s.

**THE NEWMARKET HANDICAP.**  
 Six furlongs.

Mr. W. C. Ring's b m Certainty, 5yrs, by Sabretache—Offchance, 6.12 (Gray) ... 1  
 Mr. A. H. Lennard's b g Carl Rosa, 3yrs, by Seaton Delaval—Vieux Rose, 7.3, inc. 3 b over (Seats) ... 2  
 Mr. A. Telfer's b g Nervne, 4yrs, by Phoebus Apollo—Eve, 7.1, inc. 4lb over (Ericksen) ... 3  
 Also started: Hohoro 9.10, Lady Annie 8.11, Frank n 7.12, Clancha tan 7.12, Black and Gold 7.10, Noteorin 7.6, Miss Winnie 7.3, Le Beau 6.7, Ben 7.0.  
 Won by half a length. Time, 1m 16 4-5sec. Dividends: Inside, £17 19s and £1 13s.

**THE AUCKLAND PLATE.** One mile and a-half.

Mr. G. G. Stead's ch m Nightfall, 4yrs, by Multiform—La Noche, 8.11 (Hewitt) ... 1  
 Mr. Lionel Williams' ch g Mahutonga, 5yrs, by Quilt—Maude, 9.1 (Buchanan) ... 2  
 Mr. R. Cleand's br c Apologue, 3yrs, by Phoebus Apollo—Miss Gladys, 8.0 (Brown) ... 3  
 Also started: S'r Gilead 9.4.  
 Won by a length. Time, 2m 36 1-5sec. Dividends: Inside, £1 15s.

**THE PONY HANDICAP.** Five furlongs.

Mr. W. Handley's ch f Merry Delaval, 3yrs, by Seaton Delaval—Merry Maid, 6.11, inc. 2lb over (Ericksen) ... 1  
 Mr. L. B. Harris' ch m Sonoma, 5yrs, by Seaton Delaval—Maratea, 9.4 (Speakman) ... 2  
 Mr. P. James' b m Storyteller, 5yrs, by Leolantis—Fairy Tale, 7.13 (Buchanan) ... 3  
 Also started: Lady Warwick 9.13, Luresome 8.9, Inspiration 8.3, Whakapoto 7.5, Dr. Quest 7.4 (inc. 4lb over), Resurgam 7.3 (inc. 3lb over), Eto 6.11, Rapid 6.9 (inc. 2lb over), Little Mabel 6.7.  
 Won by a neck. Time, 1m 5 3-5sec. Dividends: Inside, £20 5s and £1 18s.

**DUNEDIN JOCKEY CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.**

The Dunedin Jockey Club opened their Summer Meeting under favourable circumstances, there being fine weather, good sport, brisk speculation, and a good attendance on the first day, but on the second day heavy rain was responsible for making the attendance the smallest ever seen on the course. Nevertheless, the Club will make a profit of about £500 over the fixture, and with decent luck in connection with their Autumn and Winter fixtures, it is to be hoped that the Metropolitan will see their way clear to make a material increase to their prize money list for next season.

Convoy was in rare order and won the Otago Handicap in good style after leading from end to end, and his stable companion, Master Alix, won the chief short distance after one of the finest races ever seen at the track. The Stepniak gelding's condition stood him in good stead, and he just managed to beat Zealand by the narrowest of margins.

Neither Convoy or Master Alix were started on the second day on account of the heavy state of the track, and the principal event went to the diminutive Apolodorus, who won nicely. The Phoebus Apollo colt is only a pony, but he is a good one for his inches. More than one have been after him probably with a view of racing him amongst the lilliputians, but the price asked has been deemed prohibitive, it is understood that £500 has been asked for the colt.

Makaroff got a bump when running in the Otago Handicap, and that accounted for his bad showing in the race, but he gave a disappointing display in his race on the second day.

De Witte, the son of Stepniak and Illusion, who won both two-year-old events on the programme, is a shapely colt, and is closely related to Menschikoff. Most of the youngsters he beat, however, did not show their best form, and were backward in condition.

Chivalry's form in the Federal Handicap was questioned by the Stewards, but after the rider and owner had been interrogated the explanation given was deemed quite satisfactory.

Vladimir was not amongst the starters at the meeting, but he is looking well and shaping satisfactorily on the tracks at present.

The Sir Lancelot colt Abusive won his race on the second day, and is a prom-

ising sort, who should be heard of again. Garsfield, who ran in the first two-year-old race on the programme, is the first two-year-old that Southland has sent up to race in Dunedin for many years past. It is to be hoped that his appearance on the course may be taken as an indication that the breeding of thoroughbreds is becoming more popular in the South of this Island.

The Stepniak filly, Sonia, ran well in her race after being badly away at the start, and another promising youngster sent out is The Raparee, a son of Stepniak and British Queen.

Catherine Gordon won both hurdle events; but she was opposed by a bad lot of hurdlers.

**SALE OF THOROUGHBRED YEARLINGS AT CAMBRIA PARK.**

**CAMBRIA AND GLENORA PARK STOCK.**

The unreserved sale of thoroughbred yearlings, the produce of the Cambria and Glenora Parks, took place on Wednesday afternoon. The New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co. (Mr H. O. Nolan) conducted the sale.

There was a fair attendance and bidding was brisk, especially for the brown colt by Soult—Rose and White, which was started at 500 guineas, and rapidly rose in 50's and 20's to the good price of 1,100 guineas, at which figure it was knocked down to Mr Archie Yuille.

The competition was also keen for the brown colt by Soult—Hotcherina, being knocked down to Mr J. Thorpe, at 520 guineas. Another high-priced one was the beautiful black colt by Soult—Lady Emmeline, which found a purchaser in Mr Archie Yuille, at 450 guineas.

Amongst those present we noticed Sir Robt. Lockart, Sir Geo. Clifford, Major Pitt, Hon. Carrol, Archie Yuille (Melbourne), A. Kidd, M.H.R., F. Lawry, M.H.R., Dr. Newman, Messrs M. McLean, Percival, Wynyard, M. Mills (Taranaki), Dunnett, R. Duder, J. Chadwick, D. McKinnon, J. Thorpe, B. Armistage, F. Earle, W. Handley, W. Adams, E. R. Macrae (Hawera), S. Bradley, J. Lennard, Cutts, J. Sewell (Oamaru), and D. Stewart.

The sale realised the fine sum of 3,810 guineas.

**CAMBRIA PARK.**

- Lot 2.—Bay colt, by Eton—Bequest: Mr. Cooper, Masterton, 15 guineas.
  - Lot 3.—Hurt. Not offered.
  - Lot 4.—Bay filly, by Cyrenian—Anna: Duder Bros., Devonport, 95 guineas.
  - Lot 7.—Bay filly, by Eton—Rap d: Mr. Gisborne, 30 guineas.
  - Lot 9.—Bay filly, by Eton—Guinevere: F. Macmanamin, 50 guineas.
  - Lot 10.—Bay colt, by Cyrenian—Miss Annie: J. Thorpe, 320 guineas.
  - Lot 13.—Bay colt, by Eton—Irma: Martin Kelly, 145 guineas.
  - Lot 14.—Chestnut filly, by Cyrenian—Lute: Koss Eaton, 100 guineas.
  - Lot 16.—Bay filly, by Cyrenian—Dreamland: Chas. Coeman, 165 guineas.
  - Lot 19.—Black filly, by Soult—Satanella: Mr A. Kidd, M.H.R., 250 guineas.
- Total of Cambria stock, 1170 guineas.

**GLENORA PARK.**

- Lot 1.—Bay colt, by Seaton Delaval—St. Edith: Mr. Dog, Wellington, 35 guineas.
  - Lot 15.—Brown filly, by Soult—Chiara: Geo. Robinson, 145 guineas.
  - Lot 16.—Brown colt, by Soult—Gold Web: Mr. Fred. Edwards, 50 guineas.
  - Lot 8.—Brown colt, by Soult—Rose and White: Archie Yuille, 1100 guineas.
  - Lot 11.—Brown filly, by Soult—Mause rne: C. Dwan, Wellington, 50 guineas.
  - Lot 12.—Brown colt, by Soult—Inamorata: Mont. Mills, Taranaki, 100 guineas.
  - Lot 15.—Brown colt, by Soult—Hotcherina: J. Thorpe, 520 guineas.
  - Lot 17.—Black colt, by Soult—Lady Emmeline: Archie Yuille, 450 guineas.
  - Lot 18.—Bay colt, by Cyrenian—Sprite: J. Sewell, Oamaru, 40 guineas.
  - Lot 20.—Brown filly, by Eton—Lady Agnes: Geo. Tighe, 55 guineas.
  - Lot 21.—Dead.
  - Lot 22.—Chestnut filly, by Cyrenian—Anadgome: Wm. Handley, Devonport, 35 guineas.
  - Lot 23.—Brown filly, by Soult—Merry Maid: Dr. Newman, Wellington, 60 guineas.
- Total of Glenora stock, 2640 guineas.
- Lot 3.—Brown colt, by Soult—Lady Musket, hurt; not offered.
  - Lot 21.—Brown colt, by Soult—Elf, dead.

Lot 24 (on account of owner).—Brown mare Inamorata, withdrawn from sale.

Lot 25.—Stallion Swordfish, withdrawn from sale.

Lot 26.—Chestnut mare Lancewood, by S'r Lancelot—Spruce, with colt foal by Eton, and served by Eton; was also withdrawn.

The colt Hiro, by Cyrenian—Epine, raced at the A.R.C. meeting, was also offered, but failed to reach the reserve, and was withdrawn.

**INTER-PROVINCIAL.**

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

**CANTERBURY.**

CHRISTCHURCH, January 2.

With so many trainers away in the North Island and various parts of the South, things at Riccarton are practically at a standstill. Only a few two-year-olds and horses without any engagements are at headquarters. Auckland, Manawatu, Dunedin and the West Coast have taken a large number of horses away from Riccarton, and up to the time of writing many of them have been successful in capturing a fair share of the prize money.

Kirriemuir's win in the Foal Stakes at Auckland is the best win registered so far. This filly has now given Northerners a taste of her quality, and there is no doubt that she is the smartest two-year-old seen out this season.

Quarryman's poor showing in the Auckland Cup came as a severe disappointment to Canterbury sportsmen, who were quite prepared to see the Bill of Portland horse win outright. His breakdown in the race is a serious loss to Sir G. Clifford, who will probably be deprived of the horse's services for the remainder of the season.

The biggest surprise, however, of the racing on Boxing Day was the downfall of Savoury and Eden at Manawatu. This pair had been backed down to 14 to 1 for the double—Manawatu Cup and Awapuni Handicap—and when the news came through that neither had won, many staunch supporters of the Yaldhurst stable were anxious to know what really had happened. Savoury apparently ran well, but met a better horse on the day; but Eden, on the other hand, gave a poor display, and is evidently not worth much. She has cost many backers more money than any horse in Mr. Stead's stable.

The Ballaret people had, I hear, a good win over the mare's victory in the Awapuni Handicap, but this was only the expected when anything in the same stable wins. Some of the bookmakers are again talking of fixing a limit on horses in a certain Northern stable.

The Stepniak—Illusion colt De Witte, in F. Holmes' stable, after making a good showing in the two-year-old events at the Christchurch meeting, went down to Dunedin and pulled off the double. De Witte is a very promising youngster, and should score well this season.

Catherine Gordon, as was generally expected, proved too good for the hurdle opposition. Holmes had the mare very fit, and as a result she had very little difficulty in winning both hurdle races. Rongoa, who acted as runner up on each occasion, had bad luck in bumping against Catherine Gordon when that mare was in her tip-top form.

Pas Seul let backers down heavily over her failures at Manawatu. Very few people thought Ingeneuk capable of beating the Soult filly in the Juvenile Handicap at a difference of only 6lb. Ingeneuk is very fast over five furlongs, but tires badly over the longer distance.

Royal Crown, Speculate, Ability and Leaside each won a race at the Reefton meeting, but the dividends were small in each case.

At the Rakaita races on Boxing Day, the highly-bred Great Gun won the Ladies' Bracelet and got second to First Shot in the Cup. First Shot got second in the Somerton Handicap, won by Silent Member, a horse evidently named after the member for the district. Orkau won the Domain Handicap from Bouncing Bob and Iroquois.

Bookmakers occupying offices in Christchurch received a New Year surprise party yesterday afternoon. A small band of three men, consisting of one detective and two policemen, made a raid on the various offices between three and four o'clock, and were successful in securing a good bag at Barnett and Grant's. The two principals were arrested, as was Mr. Livingstone and J. Ross at Ross' establishment. A batch of eight or ten men were also captured, the charge being that they were on the premises of a common gaming house. All the accused were bailed out and came before the Court this morning. The cases were adjourned for a week.

At two other establishments word was sent round that the police were "on the

job," and as a result there was no one on the premises when the strong men of the law put in an appearance.

At the Huranui races on Boxing Day Mr. W. O. Rutherford's Myrtle Berry won the Cup and Waitohi Stakes.

E. Redmond rode the winners of four flat events.

The Tinwald Racing Club held its annual race meeting on New Year's Day in fine weather before a capital attendance. The Tinwald Cup was won by Thundering Bob was second and Cassabianca third. Thunderer, who started at 6 to 4 on, won easily.

Contest, a five-year-old gelding by Mannlicher—Contention, beat a fair field in the Maiden Plate, First Event being second.

Gold Reel, by Gorton, beat Cassabianca in the Welter Handicap, Sunset being third.

The raid on the bookmakers put a stop to betting yesterday, and very few persons appear to be taking any risks today. What little money is being invested locally is being telegraphed away.

**WANGANUI.**

WANGANUI, January 2.

The result of the Auckland Cup race came somewhat as a surprise to the majority of local backers, though not a few fancied Putty a bit. Paritutu was the one generally regarded as most likely to score, and a deal of money was invested on the Castor gelding. Armistice was also well backed, and consequently the books had the best of matters over that event. Paritutu's poor showing came as a great surprise. According to some accounts received here Armistice did not have the best of luck, otherwise the daughter of Mahaki might have been very troublesome to the winner. She is a most consistent mare, and is very game.

The Palmerston North-owned and trained Archlight, which won the Nursery Handicap at the Manawatu meeting, is a very fast filly. She is by Merriwee—Dazzle, and should make a name for herself on the track. She was ridden a fine race in the above-mentioned event by G. Price, who also scored on Barca in the Hack Flat, and Ballarat in the Awapuni Handicap the same day, so that he had the pleasure of riding the winners of three races in succession. His brother, W. Price, also scored on Auratus in the big money, while D. Price won on Apa in the Maiden and Mussel in the Grandstand Handicap, so that the three Wanganui boys had a good innings for one day. W. Young, another Wanganui lad, landed the big hurdles on Miss King.

**LATE BOWLING.**

Mt. Eden team win the Te Aroha Bowling Tournament Gold Medals.

The fours tournament held on the Te Aroha green during the New Year holidays resulted in a win for Mt. Eden, No. 2 team—Simpson, Surman, Young, S. G. Burns (skip), 18, v. Te Aroha, No. 1 team—Stanley, Wallace, Dalton, Power (skip), 15.

The game was well-contested throughout, the winning skip, Burns, putting in some excellent work.

In England there has been a movement for some time past among owners of racehorses to combine for purposes of mutual interest, after the manner of the bodies that have sprung into existence in New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia. It has taken definite shape in the registration of what is called the Racehorse Owners' Association under the Companies Act. According to an exchange there are already 50 prominent owners in the union, and the intention is to use discretion about the admission of others who may wish to join in so far that they must be approved by the council. The objects may be gleaned sufficiently by the following extracts from the articles of association:—(1) To consider all questions affecting the interests of racehorse owners and to watch over matters affecting the rights, position, and liabilities of racehorse owners, and to initiate and promote improvements in law and in any local rules, regulations, or ordinances directly or indirectly affecting racehorse owners. (2) To support and protect the interests of racehorse owners who are members of the association. (3) To negotiate and effect arrangements with railway companies, racecourse proprietors, local authorities, and other persons with whom members of the association are brought into relation, and in particular to negotiate and effect arrangements for the improved treatment and accommodation in regard to the transport, lodging, and protection of racehorses, jockeys, and attendants."

I understand that Snip continues to shape well in his schooling over the hurdles, and with such a clever mentor as Frank Lind, there is every likelihood of Mr. Peter Hartshorne's fine-looking Sou'-wester gelding placing a win or two to his credit before long.

Kurok is another which will probably be seen out again at Foxton, as I believe it is intended to start the Fiske-Satellite gelding at the fixture named.

The many friends of George Powell were sorry to read of the nasty accident which befell him in the Handicap Hurdles at the first day of the Taranaki meeting. It is to be hoped that George will make a speedy recovery from the injury sustained.

Walter Raynor took the bay gelding Science up to the Taranaki meeting, but the four-year-old half-brother to Shrapnel failed to catch the judge's eye either day, though he got third in the Mangotuki Handicap, run over a mile, on the second day. Science, who was sired by Somnus, has demonstrated on the local tracks that he has a lot of pace, and it is predicted that he will, all going well, place a win or two to the credit of his owner, Mr. S. L. Parsons.

Glenullin, the handsome brown Lochiel colt, will soon be seen in open company, and judging by the form he has recently displayed he should hold his own, as there can be no shadow of doubt as to this colt being a really good one.

Fred. Tilley took eight horses down to Palmerston from Fordell from the Manawatu meeting, including Solution, Nova, St. Joe, Delamere, St. Albert, Martello, Fusio and Apa. Delamere won the Summer Handicap the second day while Apa had no difficulty in winning the Hack Flat on the opening day, and should be heard of again shortly.

Local visitors to the Manawatu meeting were much impressed with the form displayed by Auratus in the Cup, and some anticipate that the son of Gold Reef will take a power of beating in the Wellington Cup. Martian and Savoury both had bad luck in the big race, and it will be strange indeed if they do not both secure winning brackets before long.

Those who regarded Nonette as a light of other days were surprised at the running of the son of Seaton Delaval at Ashhurst and Rangitikei.

The programme for the autumn meeting of the Wanganui Jockey Club has been published, and is framed on lines identical with that of last year. Owners and trainers should bear in mind that nominations for the Wanganui Cup, Wanganui Stakes, Flying Handicap, Stewards' Handicap, Juvenile Handicap, Westmere Hurdle Race, Fordell Hurdle Race, Tayforth Hack Hurdles, Okoia Hack Hurdles, Writoa Hack Flat, Matawaha Hack Flat, Petre Welter, Autumn Handicap, Harrison Welter, and Farewell Handicap, is over each, close with Mr. F. Moffatt, secretary, on Friday, January 26, at 9 p.m.

Martello added another unplaced performance to his credit at the Manawatu meeting. The surprising part of it is that the Hotchkiss and Rose of Wellington colt is said to show exceptional pace occasionally in private. It is to be hoped for the sake of his connections that he will come to light in public at an early date, as he must have cost them a hot full of money.

WELLINGTON.

Wellington, January 2.

Local racegoers have not lacked the opportunity of indulging in their favourite sport during the past week. The metallicians report that there was much spirited wagering over the Manawatu, Ashhurst and Auckland meetings. The layers received some heavy reverses, but in the end had the best of the week's transactions. Putty's victory in the Auckland Cup upset a lot of doubles as Mahutonga, Quarryman and Paritutu were heavily supported with Mr Watt's pair, and had either of the above mentioned Cup trio prevailed there would have been some big winners amongst the Wellington punters.

Mahutonga's prominent position at the finish of the Cup was a surprise to his connections here; their latest from El-Jerjic was not of a reassuring description, and a number of the Quilt horse's followers backed Paritutu, whose chance was wired down as second to none. The treble win of the ex-Wellingtonian, Mr. J. O'Driscoll, was well received here. A number of old Waiwera admirers supported the pair, and the latter's stable companion Pharos was selected to

do battle on the second day by the astute owner of the pair he also received solid support. The liberal price Pharos paid fairly astonished the s.p. men. His victory in the Steeplechase came as something of a surprise.

The Ashhurst meeting was spoilt through inclement weather. The Cup dwindled down to ten starters, Martian, Black Reynard, Regulation, Auratus and Chryseis being amongst those withdrawn. Mussel served by his lenient impost, which included 10lb penalty, and the heavy going scored easily from Nonette, whose return to something like form must be gratifying to his plucky owner, Mr E. Stevenson.

The Dunedin-owne mare Ailsa scored her first win, the Pohingia Handicap, since joining the Porirua team, and as she seems to thrive on the Porirua sea air she may do her owner, "Mr J. Brett" a good turn ere the end of the racing season. The class opposing Ailsa were not first-class, Captain Shannon and Recoil filling the places.

The Ashhurst Guineas was considered a good thing for the Porirua-trained colt Aorangi; the latter started a red-hot favourite and looked all over a winner at the distance post, but despite careful nursing by Jenkins he failed to stay the mile out, and was defeated by Mr D. H. Roberts' Tangaroa, by Son of a Gun-Sally.

Mr A. Deanes' useful hurdler Pushful gave Jenkins a winning ride in the Komako Welter, although Togos was going the faster of the pair at the finish. The meeting should pan out alright, although the totalisator turnover was £2226 less than last year.

The training track at Trentham will be available for galloping on next week. An army of carpenters have been engaged building loose boxes and accommodation for trainers and their assistants, while quite a number of Trentham settlers have erected loose boxes, and some fearing they will lack patronage are advertising in the local press. The club's secretary, Mr Whyte, has several tons of straw stacked on the course, and nothing necessary for the convenience of owners will be neglected.

The erstwhile Auckland-owned Numa was submitted to auction during the second day of the Manawatu meeting. His owner instructed the auctioneer to sell if he only received a bid of a five, and after some competition he was knocked down to Mr Stead, junr., of Christchurch, for the sum of £90.

The stewards of the Manawatu R.C. evidently considered the rider of Luli (in the Second Hack Hurdle Race) was not sufficiently vigorous. A. Fall, the trainer of Apiti was asked to interview the stewards at the conclusion of the day's racing. No action was, however, taken. Fall's explanation that he staked on Lull being considered satisfactory.

TURF RESULTS

HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

The Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's Summer Meeting was commenced on Monday at Hastings. The weather was beautifully fine, and the attendance was a record for a summer meeting, about 5000 to 6000 people being present. The sum of £7572 was invested on the totalisator, an increase of £2049 over the total for the first day last year. The following were the results:-

MAIDEN HACK HANDICAP. Five and a half furlongs.

Mr W. Stone's blk m Te Hauke, by Torpedo-Watercolour, 5yrs, 9.0 (Kirk) 1 Messrs W. J. and A. F. Douglass' Lord Rosebery, 8.8 (Hodder) 2 Mr E. Kemp's Merriwing, 8.0 (Kemp) 3 Other starters: Queen's Messenger 8.0, Flower Girl 8.0, Concession 7.12, Lebecca 7.12, Limerick Rose 7.12, Te Whini 7.12, Rawhiti 7.12. Won by two lengths. Time, 1min 11 1-5 sec. Dividends, £3 15s and £2.

CHRISTMAS HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

Mr A. J. Ellingham's b g Hippocrota, by St. Hippo-Girofla, 4yrs, 8.0 (Kemp) 1 Mr J. A. Harding's Scouting, 8.2 (Kirk) 2 Hon. J. D. Ormond's The Stake, 8.2 (Gallagher) 3 Other starter: Scotch Reel 7.5. Won easily by over a length. Time, 1min 16 2-5sec. Dividend, £1 19s.

WELTER HACK HANDICAP. One mile.

Mr H. H. Pharazyn's b g Oryx, by Apremont-Fawn, 8.13 (Kemp) 1 Mr F. King's Pantaloon, 8.7 (Griffiths) 2 Mr G. Carrington's Heywood, 9.5 (Kirk) 3 Other starters: Barca 9.12, Merriwai 8.11, Mataika 8.7, Benair 8.6, Flower Girl 8.3, Grey Goose 8.2, Nukumaratia 8.2, Cinque 8.0, Electric Gun 8.0, Reservoir 8.0. Won comfortably by a length. Time, 1min 46sec. Dividends, £4 1s and £4 18s.

PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP. One and a quarter miles.

Hon. J. D. Ormond's b g Lyrlist, by The Officer-Lyre, 5yrs, 8.11 (Gallagher) 1 Mr H. H. Pharazyn's Operetta, 7.3 (Butler) 2 Mr W. Murray's Whakawehi, 8.9 (Lord) 3

These were the only starters. Time, 2min 11 2-5sec. Dividend, £2 3s.

MARAOKAKAHO HANDICAP HURDLE RACE.

One mile and three-quarters. Mr G. D. Kennedy's br g Florio, by Jet d'Eau-Lady Florin, 5yrs, 9.5 (Whitehouse) 1 Mr G. F. Armstrong's Lady's Link, 9.12 (Hamon) 2 Mr J. E. Rollo's Monarque, 9.12 (Watt) 3 Other starters: South Star 10.11, Lady Raven 10.0, No Shot 9.7. Won by two lengths. Time, 3min, 20sec. Dividends, £6 5s and £1 1s.

TWO-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP. Four furlongs.

Mr F. Armstrong's br f Chicane, by The Possible-Fortior Hope, 7.2 (Jansen) 1 Hon. J. D. Ormond's Golden Gate, 8.1 (Gallagher) 2 Mr C. D. Kennedy's The Squatter, 7.10 (Williams) 3 Other starters: Eons (coupled with Golden Gate), Grand Slam 7.10, Whakawiria 7.10, and Ikon (coupled), Sir Benson 7.8, Ruataumata 7.8, Corozon 7.7, The Duchess 7.7, Cantata 7.7, Pluck 7.2. Won by three-quarters of a length. Time, 50 2-5sec. Dividends, £46 18s and 12s.

FLYING HACK HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

Hon. J. D. Ormond's br f Mobility, by The Officer-Montread, 3yrs, 8.8 (Gallagher) 1 Mr J. E. Rollo's moral, 7.9 (Kemp) 2 Mr J. E. Rollo's Oasis, 7.10 (McKinnon) 3 Other starters: The Seer 9.0, Martyrfield 7.12, Flower Girl 7.7, Spark 7.6, Moata 7.5, Lunklock 7.4. Won comfortably by a length. Time, 1min 16sec. Dividends, £3 7s and £1 5s.

NEW YEAR HANDICAP. Seven furlongs.

Mr J. E. Rollo's br m Polyanthus, by The Possible-Violet, 4yrs, 8.0 (Kemp) 1 Mr J. E. Rollo's One's Gold Seal, 8.8 (Williams) 2 Hon. J. D. Ormond's Outer, 7.2 (Lowe) 3 Other starters: Ballyneety 8.3, Sylvie 7.2. Won easily by two lengths. Time, 1min 31 2-5sec. Dividend, £2 6s.

SECOND DAY.

The Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's Summer Meeting was concluded on Tuesday. The attendance was large for a second day. The totalisator put through the sum of £2043, making a total of £14,085 for the two days, an increase of £3894 on last year's figures. The following were the results:-

ACRES HANDICAP HURDLE RACE. One and three-quarter miles.

Mr J. E. Rollo's b g Monarque, by Marquis-Furina, aged, 5.10 (J. Watt) 1 Mr C. D. Kennedy's Florio, 10.9 (E. Whitehouse) 2 Mr G. F. Armstrong's Lady's Link, 9.13 (J. Hercock) 3 Other starters: Faro 9.7, Gold Duit 9.3, No Shot 9.3. Won comfortably by three lengths. Time, 3min 20 1-5sec. Dividends, £2 3s and £1 8s.

GRANDSTAND HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

Hon. J. D. Ormond's b g Medallist, by The Officer-Target, 5yrs, 8.5 (J. Gallagher) 1 Mr J. A. Harding's Scouting, 8.2 (W. Kirk) 2 Mr P. J. Quirke's Sylvie, 7.2 (Butler) 3 Other starters: Hippocrota 9.0, Gold Seal 9.12. Won by a long neck. Time, 1min 17 1-5 sec. Dividend, £3 1s.

SCURRY HACK HANDICAP. Five furlongs.

Hon. J. D. Ormond's br f Mobility, by The Officer-Montread, 3yrs (Gallagher) 1 Mr H. Heaney's Flower Girl, 7.6 (Kirk) 2 Mr J. E. Rollo's Oasis, 7.11 (McKinnon) 3 Other starters: The Seer 8.13, White Lie 7.11, Spark 7.6, Merriwing 7.2, Moata 7.2, Forest Girl 7.0, Concession 7.0, Queen's Messenger 7.0, Limerick Rose 7.0, Te Whini 7.0. Won by a length. Time, 1min 6sec. Dividends, £2 12s and £3 4s.

SUMMER HANDICAP. Once round.

Mr P. D. O'Sullivan's br g Ballyneety, by Sou'-wester-Little Primrose, 5yrs, 7.6 (Kemp) 1 Mr H. H. Pharazyn's Operetta, 6.10 (Lowe) 2 Hon. J. D. Ormond's Lyrlist, 9.0 (Gallagher) 3 Other starter: Heywood 6.7. Won by nearly a length. Time, 1min 54 sec. Dividend, £6 9s.

NURSERY HANDICAP. Five furlongs.

Mr J. E. Rollo's b g Grand Slam, by The Possible-Scota, 7.6 (Kemp) 1 Mr E. J. Watt's Fuka, 7.2 (Butler) 2 Mr C. D. Kennedy's The Squatter, 7.9 (Williams) 3 Other starters: Golden Gate 8.13, and Idaus 7.9 (bracketed), Ruataumata 7.6, Wai Ariki 7.3, Corazon 7.2, The Duchess 7.2. Won by three-quarters of a length. Time, 1min 6sec. Dividends, £3 16s and £1 7s.

EPSOM HANDICAP. Once round.

Mr G. Fairbrother's b m Cinque, by Saracen-Duadine, 4yrs, 10.7 (Mr O. Stead) 1 Mr H. H. Pharazyn's Oryx, 11.12 (owner) 2 Mr J. McKay's Martyrfield, 10.10 (Mr A. Hyde) 3 Other starters: Paika 10.10, No Shot 10.7. Won all out by a bare length. Time, 1min 58sec. Dividend, £5 12s.

MATAPAIRO HACK HANDICAP. Seven furlongs.

Hon. J. D. Ormond's ch g Tonderghie, Daunt-Fleta, 4yrs, 8.7 (Gallagher) 1 Mr F. King's Pantaloon, 8.0 (Griffiths) 2 Mr W. Stone's Te Hauke, 8.0 (Kemp) 3 Other starters: Loiret 8.0, Floral 7.10, Electric Gun 8.0, Mataika 7.0. Won by a length. Time, 1min 30 1-5sec. Dividends, £2 10s and £1 15s.

JANUARY HANDICAP. Seven furlongs.

Mr J. E. Rollo's br m Polyanthus, by The Possible-Violet, 4yrs, 8.2 (Kemp) 1 Hon. J. D. Ormond's The Stake, 7.6 (Horne) 2 Mr P. J. Quirke's Sylvie, 6.17 (Lowe) 3 These were the only starters. Won comfortably by a length. Time, 1min 31 2-5sec. Dividend, £1 10s.

HANDICAPS.

AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

THIRD DAY.

Table with columns for Trial Handicap Trot (One mile and a-half), Second Pony Handicap Trot (One mile), and New Year Handicap (Six furlongs and a half). Lists names of horses and their respective positions and dividends.

Table for President's Handicap Trot (Two miles) and Park Handicap Trot (One mile and a-half). Lists names of horses and their respective positions and dividends.

Table for High-Class Trot Handicap (One mile and a-half) and Grandstand Handicap (Five furlongs). Lists names of horses and their respective positions and dividends.

Table for Telegraph Handicap Trot (One mile). Lists names of horses and their respective positions and dividends.

Table for UPERA HOUSE. Lessees: John Fuller and Sons. A PERFECT FUREOR OF ENTHUSIASM. Created by the New Change of Programme. Last Three Nights of MR HARRY RICKARDS' NEW TIVOLI VAUDEVILLE STARS.

Table for THE COMEDIANS DE MEMPHISTO CO. KELLY AND AGNES. THE THREE GIBSON GIRLS. FANNY POWERS. NITA LEETE. GEORGE BENTLEY. WALLACE ASGOT. TWO COLLIERS. MABEL LYNNE. 3s, 2s, and 1s. Early Doors and Reserves at Wildman's, 6d extra.

Table for SATURDAY NEXT at 2.30—Last Matinee. HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE. Lessee: Mr C. R. Bailey.

Table for MESSRS BROUGH AND FLEMING. Business Manager: Allan Hamilton. Advance Manager: C. H. Whaitoe. EVERY EVENING AT 8. TREMENDOUS RECEPTION OF THE BROUGH-FLEMING COMEDY COMPANY.

Table for TO-NIGHT (THURSDAY), JANUARY 4th. THE WALLS OF JERICHO. THE WALLS OF JERICHO. An Original Play in Four Acts, By Alfred Sutro. (Presented by arrangement with Arthur Bourchier, Esq., Garrick Theatre, London.)

Table for MR BROUGH as HANKEY BANNISTER. MR HERBERT FLEMING as JACK FROBISHER. MISS BEATRICE DAY as LADY ALETHEA.

Table for BOX PLAN AT WILDMAN AND AREY'S. Prices—5s, 3s, 1s. Early Doors (7-7.30). Sixpence extra. Day Sale Tickets at His Majesty's Cafe and The Toreador. Children under 8 not admitted.

Table for THE NATIONAL BANK OF NEW ZEALAND (LIMITED). Incorporated under the Companies Acts and the New Zealand Act, 1873.

Table for AN INTERIM DIVIDEND for the Half-year ended 30th September last at the rate of Ten (10) Per Cent. per annum. has been declared by the Directors, and will be paid to Shareholders on application at any of the Branches in the colony on and after the 3rd January, 1906.

Table for JAMES COATES, General Manager. Wellington, 20th December, 1905.



**TROTTING.**

**AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.**

**SECOND DAY.**

Although a trifle on the breezy side, the weather proved pleasant for the second day of the Auckland Trotting Club's Summer Meeting on Saturday, and in consequence there was a goodly gathering of sportsmen at the reinsman's rendezvous, Alexandra Park. All means of reaching the course were freely availed of, the result being that the muster was something above the average. Affairs were very ably handled by Secretary C. F. Mark and his staff, the result being that everything passed off without a hitch. During the afternoon the sum of £3262 was paid in at the totalisator. This total would have been considerably increased but for the fact that but two started in the Pony Race, which generally proves one of the best betting races of the day.

Mr. J. Hill was in the judge's box, while Mr. C. O'Connor acted as starter, both officials carrying out their duties most efficiently. The programme opened with the Second Maiden Trot, for which Norval was a fractional better favourite than Eureka, but the latter had a little too much foot for his antagonist, winning rather easily by twenty yards from the favourite, with Cleveland's Pride in third place.

Prima Facie was a strong tip for the Ladies' Bracelet Trot, 1½ miles, but Eureka, despite his previous win, got home without much apparent effort by forty yards from Macquarrie, with Farewell II. in third position.

The Christmas Handicap 6½ furlongs, proved something of a fiasco, for there were only two starters, and the betting was virtually nil, Lady Warwick having five tickets on her and Gladys Rose but three. The race proved a soft snap for Lady Warwick, who won by two lengths.

A nice field of eight turned out for the Summer Trotting Cup, 2 miles, most investments being forthcoming for Typewriter and Bell Car. Withington, who was on the limit, made the running during the early stages, but broke badly, and Happy assumed the lead. Going down the back for the second time Typewriter passed Happy, who hung on well, but was beaten home by ten yards, with Bell Car just beating Harold Abdallah for third place.

J.P. was a warm favourite for the Tramway Trot, with Lissie Bheg next in demand. Day Dawn, favoured by a lenient handicap, got right away, and although the favourite came very fast at the end, he could not reach the outsider. Day Dawn, who won easily by fifteen yards, with Little Paul in third place.

Young McKinney was fairly rushed in the Class Trot, the scratch horse going out an odds on favourite. Bell Car was in front during the early stages, but Young McKinney trotting in very fine style throughout, gradually cut the field down and won by ten yards from Mistle, who went very well indeed from the mark.

Orange and Blue carried most tickets in the Epsom Handicap, five furlongs, with Inspiration also in good demand. The race was a good one, the latter mare winning by two lengths from Solitary, who beat the favourite by nearly two lengths.

Proceedings terminated with the Dash Trot, one mile, for which Peacock was made a strong favourite. The race proved a most exciting one, and gave rise to a great finish. Farewell II., Happy and Colenso ran home together, the judge being unable to separate the first-named pair, while Colenso was less than a yard away third.

Particulars of the events are as follows:—

**SECOND MAIDEN HANDICAP TROT.** One mile.

Mr E. J. Williamson's ch g Eureka, by Electioneer—Nellie, 6yrs, 11sec (Williamson)	1
Mr W. McFarlane's b c Norval, 3yrs, 4sec (Orange)	2
Mr C. Hannigan's b g Cleveland's Pride, 6yrs, 11sec (Hannigan)	3

Other starters: Minus 4sec, Iago 7sec, Monica 7sec, Red Wilkes 11sec.  
Won easily by six lengths. Time, 2min 46 2-5sec. Dividends, £1 4s and 9s.

**LADIES' BRACELET HANDICAP TROT.** One and a-half miles.

Miss Williamson's ch g Eureka, by Electioneer—Nellie, 6yrs, 11sec, 10sec penalty (Williamson)	1
Mr May's b g Macquarrie, 5yrs, 3sec (Webb)	2
Mrs L. Davidson's b g Farewell II., aged, scratch (Knight)	3

Other starters: Mangonui 6sec, Minus 10sec, Prince Tuxie 12sec, Fibre 16sec, Hiron Léal 24sec.  
Won by ten lengths. Time, 4min 21 2-5sec. Dividends, £2 16s and 17s.

**CHRISTMAS HANDICAP.** Six and a-half furlongs.

Mr S. Humphries' br m Lady Warwick, by Torpedo—Lady Lorne, 4yrs, 9.10 (F. Davis)	1
Mr E. Hussey's b m Gladys Rose, aged, 7.0 (Brown)	2

These were the only starters. Won easily by two lengths. Time, 1min 26 2-5sec. Dividend, 14s.

**SUMMER TROTTING CUP HANDICAP.** Two miles.

Mr C. Baker's b m Typewriter, by Albert Victor—Coronella, aged, 11sec (Baker)	1
Mr G. Robinson's b g Happy 22sec (Moore)	2
Mr M. Julian's ch g Bell Car, 6yrs, 20 sec (Hird)	3

Other starters: Harold Abdallah 7sec, Mint 9sec, Duke C 11sec, Lady Love 11sec, Withington 22sec.  
Won by a length and a-half. Time, 5min 9 2-5sec. Dividends, £1 9s and £1 7s.

**TRAMWAY HANDICAP TROT.** One and a-quarter miles.

Mr D. May's b g Day Dawn, by Judge Beldon—unknown, aged, 21sec (May)	1
Mr J. Dailey's b g J.P., aged, 10sec (Head)	2
Mr F. Brady's br g Little Paul, 6yrs, 10sec (Brady)	3

Other starters: Eric 12sec, Black Rose 13 sec, Minus 15sec, Empress 15sec, Lissie Bhg 16sec.  
Won easily by four lengths. Time, 2min 32sec. Dividends, £6 12s and 6s.

**CLASS HANDICAP TROT.** One and a-half miles.

Mr John Teddy's br h Young McKinney, by McKinney—Kate Brady, 4yrs, scr. (Duncan)	1
Mr W. McFarlane's b m Mistle, 6yrs, scr. (Orange)	2
Mr C. Baker's b m Typewriter, aged, 3sec, 4sec penalty (Baker)	3

Other starters: Taihoa 9sec, Rosebud 9 sec, Bell Car 15sec.  
Won by two lengths. Time, 3min 41 1-5 sec. Dividends, 18s and 19s.

**EPSOM HANDICAP.** Five furlongs.

Mr D. Assist's b m Inspiration, by Freedom—Happy Thought, aged, 7.9 (Gray)	1
Mr W. Gall's ch m Solitary, aged, 7.7 (Deeley)	2
Mr H. Barr's b m Orange and Blue, aged, 7.12 (Barr)	3

Other starters: Sonoma 9.9, Whakapoto 8.2, Lady White 8.0, Eru 7.8, Rapid 6.7.  
Won comfortably by two lengths. Time, 1min 6sec. Dividends, £1 19s and 19s.

**DASH HANDICAP TROT.** One mile.

Mrs L. Davidson's b g Farewell II., by Yankee—unknown, aged, 10sec (Scott)	*
Mr G. Robinson's b g Happy, by Imperious—Woodbine, aged, 13sec (Moore)	*
Mr Geo. Herbert's b g Colenso, aged, 11sec (Herbert)	3

\*Dead-heat.  
Other starters: Le Rosier 4sec, Harold Abdallah 4sec, Rosebud 6sec, Little Paul 13sec, Dan Tracy 15sec, Miss Huon 15sec, Peacock 15sec.  
A most exciting finish. Times: Farewell, 2min 41 3-5sec; Happy, 2min 44 3-5sec. Dividends, £3 8s and £1 18s.

The meeting will be brought to a conclusion on Saturday next, and this will fittingly conclude the summer carnival of sport in Auckland. With the prospect of some good sport in store, the attendance should again be large, and there is every prospect of some first-class trotting and pony racing being witnessed.

**BLOODSTOCK SALES**

**THE WELLINGTON PARK DISPERSAL SALE.**

The dispersal sale of the famous Wellington Park Stud took place on Saturday last, and it had the effect of attracting buyers from all parts of the colonies. Messrs. Alfred Buckland and Sons conducted the sale, and when Mr. C. G. Brookes mounted the rostrum the attendance was a large and representative one. Among those present at the ringside were Sr George Clifford, Hon. G. McLean, H. Hosman, Messrs. J. McDonald, A. Yuille, G. G. Stead, H. Friedlander, J. B. Reid, J. F. Reid, G. P. Donnelly, P. Campbell, Newton King, Dr. Newman, and E. J. Watt, besides most Auckland sportsmen of prominence. The sale itself cannot be deemed a satisfactory one, and many of the lots were quitted at considerably under their value, this being notably the case with the stallions, who might have been expected to fetch double the amounts given. In all, the sum of £9763 was realised for the stud, the particulars being as follows:—

Chestnut filly, by Hotchkiss—Coal-scuttle: Mr. A. Aitken	10
Chestnut filly, by Cyrenian—Sparkling Water: Mr. A. Aitken	55
Brown colt, by Menschikoff—Problem: Mr. G. G. Stead (Canterbury)	300
Bay colt, by Bluejacket—Lady Peer: Mr. Geo. Dunnet	65
Brown filly, by Menschikoff—Cressy: Mr. Parker (Gisborne)	40
Bay filly, by Hotchkiss—Sister Francis: Mr. R. Sands	40
Brown colt, by Hotchkiss—Golden Shine: Mr. A. Aitken	35
Chestnut filly, by San Francisco—Campania: Mr. G. Currie (Wanganui)	90

Bay filly, by Menschikoff—Armilla: Mr. W. Ryan (for Mr. Griffiths, of Melbourne)	280
Brown colt, by Hotchkiss—First Love: Mr. E. Coleman	50
Brown filly, by Phœbus Apollo—Eve: Mr. W. J. Greenwood	30
Brown colt, by Bluejacket—Bangle: Mr. C. Coleman	35
Bay colt, by Menschikoff—Sunningdale: Mr. W. Ryan (for Mr. Ellis, of Melbourne)	210
Chestnut filly, by Hotchkiss—Miss Delaval: Mr. W. Ryan (for Mr. Musgrave, of Melbourne)	305
Chestnut filly, by Bluejacket—Lady Emily: Mr. A. Aitken	55
Bay colt, by Menschikoff—Apparition: Mr. Ellis (Melbourne)	60
Brown colt, by Bluejacket—Jennie: Mr. A. Aitken	15
Brown filly, by Hotchkiss—Edith Cureton: Mr. G. G. Stead (Canterbury)	75
Brown filly, by Hotchkiss—Simonias: Mr. G. F. Moore (Wanganui)	95
Black colt, by Menschikoff—Cuiralba: Mr. A. Yuille (Melbourne)	75
Bay filly, by Menschikoff—Field Rose: Mr. J. McDonald (New South Wales)	105
Chestnut filly, by Hotchkiss—Nannie: Mr. H. O. Nolan (for New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co.)	30
Chestnut filly, by Bluejacket—Yataghan: Mr. Dawson	40
Bay filly, by Menschikoff—St. Amy: Mr. Hogg (Wanganui)	35
Brown colt, by Menschikoff—Jeanie Deans: Mr. J. C. Colbeck	45
Brown filly, by Hotchkiss—Chrysolite: Mr. Hogg (Wanganui)	65
Brown colt, by Hotchkiss—Aleger: Mr. M. Harrison (Waikato)	130
Brown filly, by Bluejacket—Radiant: Mr. M. Harrison (Waikato)	45
Black colt, by Phœbus Apollo—Brown Alice: Mr. F. Holmes (Canterbury)	60
Brown filly, by Menschikoff—Castorlace: Mr. B. Armitage	40
Brown filly, by Bluejacket—Young Polish: Mr. Dawson	50
Brown filly, by San Francisco—Athel: Mr. C. Parker (Gisborne)	115

Total for 32 lots ... 2680

**THE STALLIONS.**

Seaton Delaval, by Me-ton—Rose-dale: Mr. E. Coleman	500
Bluejacket, by St. Leger—Antelope: Mr. H. O. Nolan (for New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co.)	150
Menschikoff, by Stepanak—Pibroch: Mr. J. B. Reid (Canterbury)	320

Total for three lots ... 970

**THE MARES.**

Chestnut mare St. Mary, by St. Leger—Weazel, with foal by Menschikoff, and served by Menschikoff: Mr. Peacock	27
Chestnut mare St. Amy, by St. Leger—Hazel, with foal by Menschikoff, and served by Menschikoff: Mr. E. J. Watt (Hastings)	65
Chestnut mare Chrysolite, by Castor—Onyx, with filly foal by Menschikoff, and served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. H. O. Nolan (for New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co.)	90
Brown mare Cissy, by Musket—Fratly, with foal by Menschikoff, and served by Menschikoff: Mr. G. G. Stead (Canterbury)	120
Brown mare Brown Alice, by Nordfeldt—Ouida, with foal by Seaton Delaval, and served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. E. J. Watt (Hastings)	130
Black mare Cuiralba, by Cuirasser—Albatross, with filly foal by Menschikoff, and served by Menschikoff: Mr. J. B. Reid (Canterbury)	145
Brown mare Yataghan, by Yattendon—Ecstasy, served by Bluejacket: Mr. Parker (Gisborne)	35
Chestnut mare Nannie, by St. Leger—Rangi, with filly by Menschikoff, and served by Menschikoff: Mr. Parker (Gisborne)	55
Bay mare Lady Peer, by Muskapeer—Miss Brunette, with foal by Bluejacket: Mr. Taylor (Wanganui)	25
Bay mare Edith Cureton, by Castor—Fratly, with filly foal by Seaton Delaval, and served by Menschikoff: Mr. Hogg (Wanganui)	260
Chestnut mare Crescent, by Castor—Punzawerawera, with colt foal Hotchkiss, and served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. Parker (Gisborne)	150
Bay mare Armilla, by Castor—Necklace, with filly foal by Menschikoff, and served by Menschikoff: Mr. J. F. Reid (Canterbury)	310

Brown mare Aleger, by St. Leger—Brown Alice, served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. C. Weal	50
Brown mare Formula, by Hotchkiss—Formo, with colt foal by Seaton Delaval, and served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. G. P. Donnelly (Hawke's Bay)	1050
Chestnut mare Lady Augusta, by St. Leger—Brown Alice, with foal by Seaton Delaval, and served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. Parker (Gisborne)	110
Bay mare Problem, by St. Hippo—Elerslie, with foal by Seaton Delaval, and served by Menschikoff: Mr. G. G. Stead (Canterbury)	340
Brown mare Real Blue, by Hotchkiss—Sapphire, with colt foal by Seaton Delaval: Mr. J. McDonald (N.S.W.)	420
Bay mare Simonias, by Simonian—Boyne, with filly foal by Seaton Delaval, and served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. Parker (Gisborne)	130
Chestnut mare St. Elyn, by St. Leger—Lady Evelyn, with colt foal by Hotchkiss, and served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. A. Yuille (Melbourne)	700
Bay mare Miss Delaval, by Seaton Delaval—Campania, with foal by Hotchkiss, and served by Menschikoff: Mr. A. Yuille (Melbourne)	220
Chestnut mare Harpist, by Hotchkiss—Lyrelinus, with colt foal by Seaton Delaval: Mr. E. A. Price	115
Brown mare Lady Cureton, by Goldsborough—Mingera, with foal by Bluejacket, and served by Bluejacket: Hon. J. Carroll (Gisborne)	85
Brown mare Antelope, by Apremont—Miss Kate, served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. E. W. Alison	16
Bay mare Bange, by Musket—Locket, served by Bluejacket: Mr. Potts (Waikato)	13
Brown mare Gannett, by Anteros—Albatross, served by Bluejacket: Mr. Robert Graham	10
Chestnut mare Formo, by Sterlingworth—Pulchra, served by Menschikoff: Mr. Parker (Gisborne)	40
Chestnut mare Forma, by Hotchkiss—Formo, served by Bluejacket: Mr. Huddlestone	42
Brown mare Castorlace, by Castor—Necklace, served by Menschikoff: Mr. E. J. Watt (Hastings)	25
Chestnut mare Lady Emily, by Castor—Lady Wellington, served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. Potts (Waikato)	46
Brown mare Miss Gladys, by Cuirasser—Sybil, served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. J. McDonald (N.S.W.)	410
Chestnut mare Campana, by Robinson Crusoe—Campanilla, served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. A. Yuille (Melbourne)	150
Brown mare Cricum, by Phœbus Apollo—Cissy, served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. Carrington (Gisborne)	35
Bay mare Sunningdale, by Hampton—Sally Port, served by Menschikoff: Mr. L. J. Bagnall	31
Brown mare Janet, by Castor—Cissy, served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. J. B. Reid (Canterbury)	190
Chestnut mare St. Evelyn, by St. Leger—Lady Evelyn, served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. G. Currie (Wanganui)	210
Chestnut mare Lady Mar'on, by Malua—Wanda, served by Bluejacket: Mr. H. T. Gorrie	30
Black mare Moonga, by Goldsborough—Kernel, served by Menschikoff: Mr. B. Armitage	40
Brown mare Radiant, by Robinson Crusoe, served by Bluejacket: Mr. W. Brown	5
Bay mare Eve, by Brigadier—Jit, served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. L. J. Bagnall	22
Bay mare Repulse, by Castor—Aida, served by Menschikoff: Mr. S. Bradley	26
Bay mare Athel, by Muskapeer—Bay Bess, with colt foal by Exposition, and served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. Chaytor (Te Puke)	85
Chestnut mare Lady Gertrude, by Cadogan—No Name, served by Seaton Delaval: Mr. V. Kerr-Taylor	10

Total for 44 lots ... 6113

Total for stud ... 9763

The brown mare Hilda having died since the catalogue was compiled, her foal by Seaton Delaval was sold, going to Mr. Toxward, at 32 guineas.

**MISCELLANEOUS LOTS.**

The Wellington Park catalogue having been completed, miscellaneous lots were disposed of on behalf of various owners.

## Sport in Australia.

(By "ATLAS.")

SYDNEY, December 28.

Once more we are enjoying the festivities of Christmas time. The midsummer racing campaign was started at Randwick on Saturday, when the weather was beautifully fine, and it has remained so during the holidays up to date. The racing was fairly interesting, and was started by the fairly easy victory of Steel Trust (7.8) in the Trial Handicap, with Calala (7.0) second and Levee (7.13) third. There were nine starters, and Levee was favourite at 5 to 2, Steel Trust being second in demand at 3 to 1. She is a three-year-old by the imported horse Dalmeu out of Cast Steel, and is no doubt smart, as she saddled up in the Holiday Handicap, one mile and a-quarter, and won easily, carrying 7.3, while Bromine (8.6) was second, and Clyde (7.3) third. In this event the winner went out at the remunerative price of 12 to 1 in a field of ten. Kaffirpan, who did not get a place, was the most fancied at 5 to 2. Perhaps the most interesting race of the day, although there were only half-a-dozen starters, was the Grandstand Stakes, weight for age, one mile one furlong. For this event that good mare Marvel Loch was made a 7 to 2 on favourite, although she had to carry a 5lb penalty, which brought her weight up to 9.3. Royal Arthur made the pace for seven furlongs, when Marvel Loch ran up to him, and the race was virtually over, the mare winning easily by two lengths from Elvo (8.12), and Obverse (8.12). The Marvel Loch party rejoiced and seemed to think the Summer Cup was over, but subsequent events showed them the glorious uncertainty of anticipating the result of a horse race. There are a lot of two-year-olds in work just now, and a field of seventeen started for the Nursery Handicap. Although there was not much public form to guide them, backers seemed to know that Antonious, trained by Tom Payton, who has not had much luck of late years, was a cut above the others, and he was backed down to 5 to 2, with Lady Evelyn and Maori Girl next in demand at 4 to 1. Lady Evelyn got a substantial break on the field, and soon had a lead of half a dozen lengths, but it was no good to her, as the favourite caught her twenty lengths from home and won by three lengths, Barrenjoey being third. The winner is an attractive-looking colt by the imported horse Sir Foote out of Antonia.

The summer meeting of the A.J.C. at Randwick on Boxing Day was favoured by fine weather, but the attendance, although good, was not up to that of last year. After Grafton Lass had opened up proceedings by winning the Christmas Handicap, the Villiers Stakes, one mile, came on for consideration. The big field of 19 saddled up, and Birido, the full sister of that good performer Emir, was made favourite, starting at 4 to 1, the best backed of the others being Fashoda 5 to 1, and Refrain 8 to 1. The last-named was the only one of the trio to justify the confidence of backers. The real issue at the finish was between Cake-walk (7.0) and Refrain (7.0). The former had the advantage at the distance, but Refrain came at him gamely, and won a great battle by a head. Zythos (7.13) being third six lengths away, and Birido fourth. The mile was cut out in 1m'n 40sec. Refrain is a three-year-old filly by the imported horse Positano out of Chorus. She has been coming on quickly of late, and her trial gallop is reported to have been a good one. Cake-walk's forward position is suggestive of the thought that he could not have been doing his best at recent meetings. The other big event of the day was the Summer Cup, a sweep of 10sovs each, with 500sovs added, one mile five furlongs. Fifteen faced the starter, the best backed being Marvel Loch 5 to 2, Ossian 9 to 2, Grama and Cockney Boy 7 to 1 each. Marvel Loch swept into the straight together with Elvo and Ossian at her heels. Chaperon soon after retired, leaving the favourite just clear from Ossian and Elvo, and Marvel Loch's victory was loudly proclaimed, but as they neared the distance Ossian, on the inside, challenged the mare, and although she responded gamely, Ossian wore her down and won a great race by a neck. Elvo was third three lengths away, Nahpro, Kaffirpan and Chaperon following in the order named. Ossian, who is by Grafton out of Robina, has often been fancied for big events, but has never done much. He is owned by the sporting politician, the Hon. W. P. Crick, who is at present under committal for trial for alleged acts of corruption when he was

Minister for Lands. Crick followed up his success by winning the very next race, the Nursery Handicap, with Collaret, a colt by Hart Brion out of the Auckland-bred mare Collarette. Antonious gave further proof that he is a wonderfully good colt by winning the December Stakes in handsome fashion, and he should be well worth watching in future.

At the Victorian Amateur Turf Club's meeting on Monday, the Hopetoun Cup, one mile and three furlongs, was carried off by the consistent Proceeder (9.3), Postique (7.9) second, and The Palmist (8.10) third. The last-named was favourite, while the winner was at 3 to 1.

At the Queensland Turf Club's meeting on Boxing Day the principal event, the Newmarket Handicap, one mile and a-half, attracted a field of six only, The Master (9.12) being made favourite at 2 to 1, while the starting price of the winner, Sir Patrick (8.6), was quoted at 33 to 1. Sir Patrick ran to the front at the distance and won by two lengths from The Master, Wheatbella (7.4) being third. The winner paid a dividend of £10 4s on the machine.

The leading event at the Port Adelaide races was the Christmas Handicap, one mile, Mont Pelee (8.11) first, Spero (9.0) second, and Danny Man (8.10) third. The winner paid a dividend of £3 9s 6d.

The annual meeting of the Western Australia Jockey Club, at which liberal prize-money is provided, was commenced on Boxing Day. The Perth Stakes of 400sovs, one mile and a-quarter, was won by Finners (9.3), The Snail (9.3) second, and Czarzewitch (9.3) third. There were eight starters, and the winner started at even money, but he was all out to win by a neck. For the W.A.T.C. Derby there were eleven starters, and New Zealanders will be interested to know that the winner turned up in the New Zealand-bred Peata, by Castor—Radiant, and he won like a tradesman from Scorchers second, and Flora Mac third. They think a lot of Peata in the far-away west, and he was backed down to 6 to 4 on.

Small country meetings on Boxing Day were held all over Australia.

The New Zealand pony Vulpine started in the 14.3 Handicap at Kensington on Wednesday, but although she was fancied by backers, she failed to get a pace.

The inter-State cricket match between New South Wales and Victoria is in course of progress. The scoring has been something tremendous. When the Victorians made 367 runs in the first innings it was thought they had done well, but that score has been completely eclipsed by their opponents, who, up to date, have registered 796 for eight wickets. For the Victorians the principal scorers were Warne 115, Christian 98, Armstrong 43, and McAlister 40. For New South Wales Noble made 281, Mackay 194, Gregory 73, Cotter 68, Carter, not out, 67, and Waddy 50.

At the Apsendale Park races on Saturday the Cup was won by The Palmist (8.4), Corroboree (8.12) second, and English Rose (7.2) third. The Steeplechase was won easily by Evening Star (10.2), but the opposition was very weak.

Long before this you will have heard of the sad death of young Kieran. The news, which was telegraphed from Brisbane, where he had undergone an operation for appendicitis, caused a profound sensation in the metropolis, and the feeling was almost as intense as it was when the great sculler, Searle, died in Melbourne. The body of the young swimmer was brought to Sydney on Christmas Day, and taken to the boy's mother's home at North Sydney. There was an immense attendance at the funeral on Boxing Day, and all sections of the community bore testimony to the general sorrow felt. The remains were interred in the Gore Cemetery.



### LEASES IN ROTORUA TOWN.

NOTICE is hereby given that 89 Lots in the TOWN OF ROTORUA will be submitted for Leasing for a term of 99 years at the Courthouse, Rotorua, on FRIDAY, the 26th January, 1906, at 10 a.m.

The Lots are generally 1 rood in area, and the upset annual rents range from £4 to 6 per lot.

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JAMES MACKENZIE,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

## CRICKET.

(By "YORKER.")

### THE REPRESENTATIVE TEAM.

WANGANUI, December 27.

Auckland had an easy victory in their match with Wanganui, winning by an innings and 68 runs. The Wanganui men in their first innings made 134, and several batsmen showed fair form. H. B. Cave, in particular, played nice cricket—somewhat of the slow, steady order, but very correct. His long stand and 35 runs were invaluable to his side. He watched all the bowlers very carefully, and made no mistakes until he was clean bowled by Stemson, who beat him with a slow hanging ball on the off stump. Cave was a little too soon for it, and paid the penalty.

I regret to say the next best man for the Wanganui side was Mr. Extras—30—a result which was the consequence of the wicket-keeper's inability to take McNeill's fast stuff, which at first was somewhat erratic. This bowler, however, sent down some very good overs once he got his length.

Another batsman who showed out was F. Beaven, whose 18 (not out) was really nicely made. His runs were made by good free cricket, mostly in off drives which were kept well along the carpet.

G. Marshall, who has the reputation of being a very good bat, and made 70 odd against the English team at Wanganui, was manifestly out of form. He was caught in the slips off Oliff in the first innings for next to nothing and in the second was caught behind the wickets off Stemson. He was never at home to the latter bowler, who concealed his pace very effectively. Churchill, another double figure man, partnered Cave in the first real stand of the innings. His strokes were effective, but somewhat rough.

Auckland's first pair were Hemus and Lusk. Both batsmen opened fairly confidently, Hemus especially getting to work very quickly and scoring eight off the first over. This batsman monopolised the bowling, and continued to make good use of his opportunities, cutting, driving, and glancing. His 49 was a brisk and attractive contribution, and augurs well for his chances of success in the more important engagements in the South.

Lusk started well, but was caught at the wickets before he got fairly going.

Wanganui's wicket-keeper, Sykes, though not a top-notch, was no slouch in the position, and no liberties could be taken by the batsmen.

D. Hay filled Lusk's place, but after running a dozen or so runs for Hemus, who continued to score rapidly, he lifted one to Broad in the long field and retired with a single on the score-sheet.

Haddon was the next Auckland to join Hemus, and shortly after his arrival 50 appeared on the board. That Hemus was responsible for 41 of the total gives some idea of the rate he was scoring at.

Haddon went a bit "gingerly" at the start, but soon settled down into his stride, and anything loose, especially balls on the short side, were severely dealt with.

Just when there appeared to be good prospects of an attractive and fruitful partnership Hemus was caught by Churchill off Luxford at square leg.

Wanganui's ground fielding was not of a very high order, but they made few mistakes in the air.

Little Oliff was the next on the list. He opened in his usual business-like manner, and was soon helping Haddon to pile on the runs. Unfortunately when his score was 24 he had a misunderstanding with his partner and was run out.

Auckland's skipper filled the gap, and stayed with Haddon until play closed for the day.

Haddon's innings was not of the same order of merit as his North Shore performance a few weeks back, but it was, nevertheless, an extremely useful contribution, and his 75 runs were well made.

The wicket was really good, but it struck me somewhat slow for Haddon.

The stroke which struck me most—and he has a fair number—was a forcing drive which he frequently made off short and good length balls past mid off to the boundary. It doesn't strike one as being particularly safe, but made by the player it is extremely effective and attractive. All his strokes were kept well down, his pulls included.

Haddon ended up yesterday with 70, but only succeeded in getting five more on starting again this morning.

Elliott played very steadily, and was successful in increasing his overnight score of 24 to 42.

After Haddon's downfall Elliott was joined by his clubmate, Brooke-Smith. Smith made 24 before he was bowled by Broad, who chucks down a fairly good ball with an occasional curl in the air. He was batting nicely, and looked like making a score when his end came.

The balance of the runs were practi-

cally made by Stemson. His 49 were chiefly completed during his partnership with Elliott, the latter being satisfied to let the runs come from Stemson's end. Included in his score was the only sixer of the match, a hit clean over the fence.

Auckland's 293 was only a fair total, all things considered. The wicket was a very good one—very like the North Shore pitch, though not so fast. The Wanganui bowling was only moderately good, and lacked variety.

The game was continued on the Wednesday, with the weather looking threatening. The opening day had been beautifully fine, the light being perfect. Play began at 11.30 on the second day, and the rain held off until about one o'clock, when a light drizzle started and continued until about three p.m., when play was again started with Wanganui in for the second time. The grass, of course, was wet, but the wicket was little affected, and runs should have come quickly. The batsmen seemed afraid of the bowling, which, notwithstanding the wet ball, was really good. There was, of course, no work to be got, but Stemson and McNeill both kept a good length and sent down some splendid overs.

Brooke-Smith, of Eden, was given a trial in McNeill's place at the last of the innings, and came out with the fine average of 2 overs 3 wickets 1 run.

The ball he took his second wicket with was a clinker, coming back from the off like a streak.

The fielding of the Auckland team was good. Some good catches were made, and only one missed, a return to Lusk off his own bowling, which that player elected to take in one hand when both were available. The same player took two nice catches in the slips.

Owing to sickness on the trip down Sammy Jones was not well enough to play, and Selector Ohlson filled his place for the occasion.

Ohlson made very few runs, but fielded well, making two good catches. One was an especially good piece of work at cover, a one-handed catch when the ball appeared to be well out of reach.

Jones is now recovered, and the team, which picks up Hussey at Wellington, should be in full force against Otago. Jones stood umpire during the match.

Our cricket correspondent with the Auckland team wires from Dunedin re the Otago match as follows:—

There was a good wicket, on the slow side, but rather easy. The weather was overcast, with occasional light showers, but there was not sufficient wet to damage the wicket. Wilson, the ex-Victorian rep., played a soid game all round the wickets, being especially severe on leg stuff. He got in several real old leg hits clean over the boundary. Jones missed him early in the innings off Stemson, otherwise it was a faultless display.

Graham's 44 was a lively and characteristic innings, with beautiful cuts through the slips. Austin and Howden shaped nicely, the latter especially being very stylish. With the exception of a catch missed early in Graham's innings, and the one above mentioned, Auckland fielded very fairly, although the placing of the men was noticeably bad.

Hemus and Lusk made a good start, both batting confidently. The feature of Hemus' 57 was the nice late cuts, off Downes and others through the slips. Lusk scored mostly by pulling and off driving, and both watched the bowling well. Haddon batted confidently all the time, and made several very sweet strokes. Stemson's bowling was consistently good, and he had two chances missed. The Auckland men are all shaping well at practice, and in good fettle.

There has hardly been the usual amount of holiday cricket, but some very good scores were made. Playing for Auckland College and Grammar School v. Helensville little Forster, a brother of the Grafton senior, got 126 in a very attractive manner, only giving one difficult chance off a leg stroke. Next day he paid a further tribute to Jones' coaching by making 49 against the bowling of Sloman, Hay, and Greville. Mulgan got 61 very nicely out of Grammar School's total of 308.

Sloman and Eastgate did some good bowling while away with the Grafton team, who defeated both Papakura and Maungatawhiri. They were very pleased with their treatment on the trip.

Kallender, who has not played for a couple of months, did some big hitting during the holidays. May there be more to follow, as all enjoy watching the big fellow make runs.

I am informed that at their annual prize-giving the St. John's boys were presented with a cup for winning the secondary schools' championship. As they didn't win the competition, some explanation is needed, which I hope to furnish later on.



The annual Otago and Canterbury game was played last week, and furnished an unpleasant incident over the wicket on the third day, the umpire expressing the opinion that it had been tampered with. No particulars are yet to hand, but as Canterbury were batting, and to protest, presumably an attempt had been made to improve the pitch. Details are awaited with interest.

Otago got 155 and 208 to Canterbury's 122 and 159, and thus won by 82 runs. Graham got 60 and 47, and Siedeberg 90, while the best scores on the losers' side were Orchard's 33 and Calaway's 31.

Playing against Marlborough, Taranaki put together the high score of 380 for three wickets.

## LAWN TENNIS.

(By "THE JUDGE.")

Some really good practice has resulted on all the club lawns during the splendid holiday weather, and the result should show individual improvement in many players.

Sporting interest has been centred round the doings of the Aucklanders who visited Wellington for the Association's annual meeting. Miss P. Gorrie worked her way to the semi-final, when she was defeated by Miss Powdrell. Nearly all the other competitors fell at the "first fence," Dr. Bamford only succeeding in winning his match; but the second fence proved his downfall.

Miss A. Stewart succumbed to Miss Ward. The latter went right through to semi-final, where she met Miss Nunneley.

In the Men's Championship Doubles H. A. Parker and R. Swanston (Wellington) beat Dickie and Wallace (Taranaki), 6-0, 14-12, 6-1. The score points to a hard struggle by the Taranaki pair in the second set, but the first and third sets tell a tale. In this event neither of the Auckland pairs survived their first match, but W. A. Brown and Dr. Bamford scored a set against Aishley and Wilson.

In the Ladies' Championship Doubles Mrs. Holmes and Miss Jackson, after defeating the Misses Stewart (Auckland), also won against the Misses Gorrie, two sets to one.

It is to be hoped that when the meeting is next held in Auckland, our local competitors will be able to win further through the rounds.

Particulars of the championships are as follows:—

Championship Singles (semi-final round): Dickie beat Swanston, 6-1, 1-6, 6-3, 7-5, 6-4; Parker beat Laishley, 6-1, 6-4, 6-3. Final: H. A. Parker (Wellington) beat C. J. Dickie (Taranaki), 6-1, 6-0, 6-2.

Ladies' Championship Singles (third round): Miss Powdrell beat Miss Campbell, 6-3, 6-1. Semi-final round: Miss Nunneley beat Miss Ward, 6-2, 6-3; Miss Powdrell beat Miss P. Gorrie, 6-0, 6-1. Final: Miss K. M. Nunneley (Wellington) beat Miss L. Powdrell (Taranaki), 6-3, 6-2.

Combined Championship Doubles (first round): Fisher and Miss Ward beat Redward and Miss Robinson, 7-5, 6-1; Laishley and Miss Marchant beat Grady and Miss Cook, 6-3, 6-1; Parker and Miss Nunneley beat Stewart and Miss E. Stewart, 6-0, 6-1. Second round: Aitken and Miss Williams beat Goss and Miss Jameson, 6-2, 6-3; Parker and Miss Nunneley beat Kiver and Miss Berkeley, 6-2, 6-3; White and Miss Campbell beat Young and Mrs. Holmes, 6-1, 6-3; Bauchop and Mrs. Goldie beat Bamford and Miss P. Gorrie, 6-4, 6-4; Fisher and Miss Ward beat Laishley and Miss Marchant, 10-8, 6-4. Third round: Swanston and Miss Powdrell beat Smythe and Miss Jackson, 6-4, 6-4; Borrie and Miss Van Stavern beat Bauchop and Mrs. Goldie, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3; Parker and Miss Nunneley beat White and Miss Campbell, 6-3, 6-3. Semi-final round: Parker and Miss Nunneley beat Borrie and Miss Van Stavern, 6-0, 6-0. The winners play off to-morrow with Swanston and Miss Powdrell.

The Auckland championships close on January 4 with the secretary or any member of the Match Committee.

The death is reported by cable from San Francisco of Mr. Arthur Brabant, of Auckland. He was formerly a member of the West End Club, and one time won the Auckland championship. He was undoubtedly a very fine player, although just lacking the necessary brilliancy to make him a real champion.

## BOWLING.

(By "THE SKIP.")

Bowlers were fortunate in having another glorious day on Saturday last, but the high breeze bowling somewhat interfered with the course of the bowl and made it somewhat difficult to draw a shot with accuracy.

In this issue we publish a photo. of Mr. John W. James, president of Mount Albert Bowling Club. Mr. James is well known to Aucklanders, and was a few years back one of its most successful builders. On retiring from business, Mr. James made his home at Mount Albert, and has been a strong supporter of the local club. He is quite an enthusiast at the game of bowls, and is one of the most good-natured and jocular skips it is possible to meet.

The general topic on the bowling greens just now is, Are you going to Wellington? or, Has the Rotorua tourney of next month (February 28) secured your patronage? The latter trip is certainly more attractive from a scenic point of view, and to those who have not yet seen this wonderland of thermal activity it is sure to prove a fascinating draw against that of Wellington.

Entries for the rink match at Rotorua Tourney (prizes, four gold medals), close on February 26 with the secretary, and in the case of Auckland competitors may be handed to Mr. G. F. Brimblecombe, the Rotorua Club's town representative, at any time prior to the time mentioned. Entries for the pairs match will close during the tournament. Players are recommended that fours may be composed of members of different clubs outside the Auckland province, but in case of clubs in the provincial district of Auckland players constituting a team must all be members of the same club. Pairs must be composed of members of the same club. The club officials for the present season are as follows:—Patron, Mr. W. H. Herries, M.H.R.; president, Mr. D. Gardner; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. L. Jones and W. Seeley; committee, Messrs. T. E. Pearson, C. E. Kusabs, R. C. White, F. P. Hoyes, J. Baldy, J. W. Wrigley, and W. McFarlane.

Auckland Club are sending the following eight to compete for the Northern Bowling Association flag and shield at Wellington Tournament: Dingle, Craig, Lyons, Hancock (skip), and James, Thornes, Carlaw, Ledingham (skip). This is considered a very strong combination, and a few lines re the players will not be considered out of place.

Dingle: A first-class drawing man. Has represented his club in many positions for years past. Toured Great Britain with the New Zealand bowlers a few years back. Won the Crystal Palace fixed jack competition against all-comers.

Craig: A young player. Has a good knowledge of the finer points of the game. Skipped the first-year players for his club. Places well and can "lift" a shot when required.

Lyons: A left-hand player. Can draw and drive well. Thoroughly acquainted with all points of the game.

Hancock: A solid player. Never gets excited. Knows all points of the game. Very deadly with the "running shot."

James: A tip-top leader. Has won the championship of his club, also championship singles against champion of champions. Can play in any position.

Thornes: A steady drawing man; seldom falls short of the jack. Plays the "yard gone shot" with judgment.

Carlaw: A veteran as far as tournaments are concerned. Thoroughly acquainted with all points of the game. Has been in winning teams for his club in all positions. Can skip if needed. Draws and drives well.

Ledingham: The same remarks as regards Carlaw apply to Ledingham. He is a solid determined player, and is never beaten until the last bowl is played. Very deadly on an open jack.

Priestley (Mount Eden) is showing very good form, and skipped a four against Brimblecombe with marked success. The scores were 20 to 12.

A game of more than ordinary merit was played between the following teams:—Gill, Myers, Esom, Hooper (skip), 22, v. Noton, Dacre, Tutt, Robins (skip), 23. The leading was fair, Gill having the advantage. Both the seconds played sound

bowls. The thirds placed well, and were answerable for some very clean-drawn shots, while the skips were kept constantly busy wresting the shot or playing firm bowl into some dangerous-looking wood. The game was an exciting and well-contested one from start to finish.

A team from Remuera Club played a friendly game (31 heads) on Auckland green on January 1. The teams and scores were:—Dingle, Easton, James, Ledingham (Auckland), 36, beat Lennox, Stephenson, Gamble, Clerk (Remuera), 21.

Kissell and Ross made a big recovery in the Mount Eden Club Pairs against Walton and C. C. Baker. At the 13th head the latter pair led by 21 to 11, but by real hard play Kissell and Ross scored 19 points while their opponents added but 7, thus winning the game by 30 to 28.

Watkins, quite a young player, still shows to advantage on the Mount Eden rinks. Downing is another beginner who can draw a shot with most of them on the lead.

Bob Jackson has taken to bowls and joined the Carlton Club. Bob has made a name for himself by playing a first-rate game in a fours for the club's challenge wickets.

The Auckland Club members had the pleasure of playing on the large green, which has recently been reaid and improved in every way. "The time, labour, and money has been well expended." This is the verdict of all who have had the pleasure to play a bowl over its rinks. Mr. Hancock (green superintendent) and all those who had the responsibility of the work on hand, are to be complimented on the results of their efforts.

Two rinks from Ponsonby were playing at Auckland on Saturday last, the rinks being skipped by Messrs. Ledingham and Hancock (Auckland) and Messrs. Osmond and Quin (Ponsonby). The games were very evenly contested throughout, and some clean and clever play displayed on both sides. The following were the teams:—

Easton, Choyce, Carlaw, Ledingham (Auckland), 19, beat Buchanan, Court, Neil, Osmond (Ponsonby), 15.

Dingle, Craig, Lyons, Hancock (Auckland), 16, beat Arey, Jones, Ifwerson, Quin (Ponsonby), 15.

The following eight will represent Rocky Nook at the Northern Bowling Association Tournament to be held in Wellington:—Wakerley, Ellidsen, Fletcher Bouskill (skip); Dutton, B. A. Kayes, Rathbone, Cutler (skip). Emergency, J. McLeod.

Congratulations were meted out to Jack Garlick on skipping his team home in the Mount Albert champion fours. Although Jack is a most consistent player, I hear this is the first time he has annexed a trophy of this kind.

During the week the following trophy competitions were played on the different bowling greens:—

CARLTON.  
Championship Singles.—Kayll, 17, v. Vaughan, 16; Sawbridge, 20, v. Laurie, 24; Carey, 16, v. White, 14; Raynes, 20, v. Murray, 22.

Consolation Singles.—Legge, 26, v. Maguire, 11; Raynes, 19, v. Wrathall, 24.

MOUNT EDEN.  
Championship Singles (best two out of three games).—Brookes, 22 and 23, v. Robins, 5 and 17.

Handicap Singles.—Gill, 16, v. Tutt, 21; R. Burns, 19, v. Rankin (owes 7), 30; Davis, 7, v. Mercer, 27; Myers, 15, v. Brookes (owes 8), 29.

Club Pairs.—Walton, C. C. Baker (skip), 28, v. Kissell, Ross (skip), 30; Bakston, Garland (skip), 8, v. Watkins, Rankin (skip), 24.

ROCKY NOOK.  
Champion Fours.—Jenkins, Kayes, McDougall, Ellidsen (skip), 13, v. Kretschmar, Garret, Wakerley, Bouskill (skip), 19.

Champion Pairs.—Newbegin (sub.), McLeod (skip), 18, v. Blakey (sub.), Scott (skip), 19; Blakey (sub.), Haselden (skip), 20, v. Jenkins, Dutton (skip), 17; Butler, Cutler (skip), 24, v. Wakerley, Bouskill (skip), 20; Hall, Scott (skip), 19, v. Shove, McLeod (skip), 28.

Championship Singles.—Haslett 18 and 15, v. McDougall, 23 and 14; Pollard, 12, 16, and 20, v. Hirst, 29, 15, and 16; Garratt, 8, 16, and 16, v. Kretschmar, 13, 15 and 17; Small, 21, 15 and 24, v. Dutton, 12, 16 and 9.

Handicap Singles.—Manson, jun., 21, v. Tattersall, 17; Bouskill, jun., 28, v. Hutson, 16; Newcastle, 24, v. Waddingham, 8.

DEVONPORT.  
Club Pairs.—Bennett, J. M. Crosher (skip), 25, v. R. H. McCallum, W. T.

Crosher (skip), 16; Reeve, and Brook (skip), 13, v. P. McCallum and Armstrong (skip), 19.

Dawson Bowls Handicap.—Mason, 24, v. Stewart, 10.

Championship Singles.—Grattan, 23 and 23, v. Lelievre, 22 and 10.

PONSONBY.  
Club Pairs.—E. East, A. Bartlett (skip), 19, v. J. Preston, J. C. Robertson (skip), 8.

Championship Singles.—E. Darby, 6, v. A. Parsons, 28; E. H. Roney, 16, v. G. Webb, 22; A. Littler, 26, v. E. Harkins, 11; J. Buchanan, 16, v. A. Parsons, 20.

ONEHUNGA.  
Championship Singles.—J. J. Shaldrick, 13, v. M. H. Harvey, 20.

Champion Pairs.—The second round was commenced, when A. Brown and M. H. Harvey met and defeated Jas. Robb and W. N. McIntosh by 13 to 11.

MOUNT ALBERT.  
Handicap Singles.—Herbert, 23, v. Jamieson, 21.

Championship Singles (best two out of three games).—Mansell, 27 and 17, v. Wright, 15 and 12; James, 23 v. Harrison, 15 (first game).

AUCKLAND.  
Handicap Singles.—Ledingham (scratch), 21, v. Littler (5 points), 13.

## CYCLING.

(By "PETROL.")

Emile Bouhours, the old-time French champion, who flashed a surprise on his friends last month by successfully essaying Bauges' long-standing 100-kilometre and 10-mile road records. Paced by Raoul le Boucher, the young French wrestler, who piloted a 35 h.p. car, Bouhours covered the first-named distance in 1hr 37m'n 53sec (previous best 1hr 48min 51sec) and the 100 miles in 2hr 45min 30sec (previous best, 3hr 7min). The road chosen was between Orleans and Nierzon.

Max Schiffler returned to Berlin, after touring round the world by bicycle (says a telegram from Berlin). He started in 1898, and cycled through Germany, Holland, England, Scotland, Ireland, the United States, Japan, eastern provinces of China, Australia, India, Persia, Asia Minor, the Balkan States, and Austria homewards. The distance travelled was 44,000 English miles, during which Schiffler used up six bicycles. One of these was presented to him in India by Lord Curzon. Schiffler, who took 5000 photographs, says he will start on a second tour in February, covering Denmark, Scandinavia, England, the Southern American countries, Manchuria, Siberia, and Russia homewards. He expects to return to Berlin in 1912.

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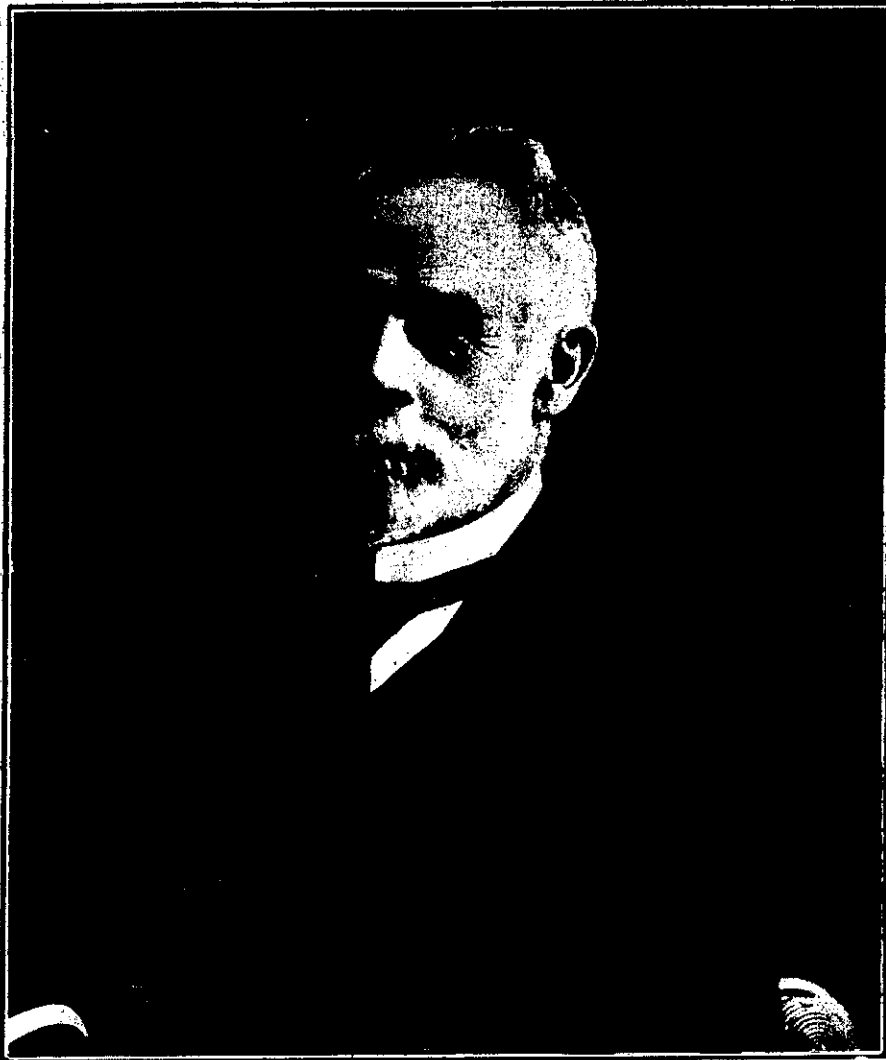
# FOOTBALL.

## THE NEW ZEALAND FOOTBALLERS

### RECORD OF THE TOUR.

The New Zealanders have played 32 matches in the Old Country, and have won 31 and lost one. They have scored 829 points, while the points scored against them number 39. Their average score per match is just on 26 points, and the total score is made up of 96 goals, one field goal, 109 tries, and six penalty goals, while the 39 points registered against them consist of two goals, five tries, two field goals, and two penalty goals. The result of the tour are given below:—

- September 16: Against Devon County.— Won by eight goals, four tries, and one penalty goal (55 points) to a potted goal (4 points).
- September 20: Against Cornwall.— Won by four goals, seven tries (41 points) to nil.
- September 23: Against Bristol.— Won by seven goals, two tries (41 points) to nil.
- September 28: Against Northampton.— Won by four goals, four tries (32 points) to nil.
- September 30: Against Leicester.— Won by five goals and one try (28 points) to nil.
- October 4: Against Middlesex.— Won by five goals, three tries (34 points) to nil.
- October 7: Against Durham.— Won by two goals, two tries (16 points) to a try (3 points).
- October 11: Against Hartlepool.— Won by nine goals, six tries (63 points) to nil.
- October 14: Against Northumberland.— Won by two goals, seven tries (31 points) to nil.
- October 19: Against Gloucester City.— Won by seven goals, three tries (44 points) to nil.
- October 21: Against Somerset.— Won by two goals, three tries, and a penalty goal (22 points) to nil.
- October 25: Against Devonport Albion.— Won by three goals, two tries (21 points) to a penalty goal (3 points).
- October 28: Against Midland Counties.— Won by three goals, two tries (21 points) to a goal (5 points).
- November 1: Against Surrey.— Won by one goal, two tries (11 points) to nil.
- November 4: Against Blackheath.— Won by four goals, three tries, one penalty goal (32 points) to nil.
- November 7: Against Oxford University.— Won by four goals, nine tries (47 points) to nil.
- November 9: Against Cambridge University.— Won by three tries, one goal (14 points) to nil.



MR. JOHN W. JAMES, President Mount Albert Bowling Club. Bartlett, Photo.

- November 11: Against Richmond.— Won by four tries, one goal (17 points) to nil.
- November 15: Against Bedford.— Won by four goals, six tries, one penalty goal (41 points) to nil.
- November 18: Against Scotland.— Won by four tries (12 points) to a field goal and a try (7 points).
- November 22: Against West of Scotland.— Won by two goals, four tries (22 points) to nil.
- November 25: Against Ireland.— Won by three goals (15 points) to nil.
- November 28: Against Munster.— Won by three goals, five tries, one penalty goal (33 points) to nil.
- December 2: Against England.— Won by five tries (15 points) to nil.
- December 6: Against Cheltenham.— Won by three goals, one try (18 points) to nil.
- December 9: Against Cheshire.— Won by two goals, eight tries (34 points) to nil.
- December 13: Against Yorkshire.— Won by five goals, five tries (40 points) to nil.
- December 16: Against Wales.— Lost by a try (3 points) to nil.
- December 20: Against Glamorgan: Won by three tries (9 points) to nil.
- December 23: Against Newport.— Won by a try and a penalty goal (6 points) to a penalty goal (3 points).
- December 26: Against Cardiff.— Won by two goals (10 points) to a goal and a try (8 points).
- December 30: Against Swansea.— Won by a field goal (4 points) to a try (3 points).

The final match played by the New Zealanders in the Old Country, that against Swansea, was a very close call, our men getting the verdict by four points. (a dropped goal by Wallace) to a try scored by Scrine. The visitors were on the defence the whole time, and must be deemed fortunate in getting a win, even by so narrow a margin.

# AQUATICS.

(BY "THE REFER.")

The Lyttelton Regatta took place on Monday, and once again there was a very large attendance, the special trains being crowded. Practically all the events were rowing races.

Waiheke Regatta took place on Monday, and, as usual, there was a goodly gathering of yachts at Cowes Bay, while the excursion steamers were crowded. Commodore Murdoch's cutter *Ida* acted as flagship, and a very interesting programme of sports was got through. *Flora* won the yacht race from *Thistle* and *Moana*, while *Iris* pulled off the yacht race (under 25ft) from *Poneke*, with *Wairere* and *Zealandia* a dead heat for third place.

Cruising has, of course, been the order of the day during the holidays, and there is not a bay within reach of Auckland that has not been visited by one or other of the white-winged fleet.

Mr. Hennings changed his intention at the last minute of sailing the *Volunteer* down to Suva. A cable was received from the Islands which necessitated his prompt attendance, and he left by the *Navua* on Thursday last. The big yawl will consequently remain for some time at her new anchorage, off St. George's Bay.

Mr. Eva and party had a rather narrow escape during the holidays. They started for a cruise down the gulf in a patiki, a very unsuitable type of boat for such a trip. Meeting something of a sea the patiki capsized, and the occupants had a long swim and were much exhausted before they were picked up. The boat, gear, and everything in it were lost.

Matarek and Waiomo had a run up as far as the Ohinemuri River and Te Aroha at Christmas. Members of the crews speak very highly of the trip, and it seems curious that such an expedition is not more popular.

Mr. C. A. Whitney's new speed launch *Gray Witch* is now afloat, and Messrs. Lane and Sons appear to have turned out a very fast boat.

Commodore J. B. Graham, of the Devonport Yacht Club, has purchased the smart cruiser *Ladye Wilma*.

Matangi is in commission once again, and has been away cruising.

The second cruising race of the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron will take place on January 20.

The committee of the Anniversary Regatta are working most assiduously to make that fixture a big success, and there seems every reason to believe that this will prove the case, especially if a suitable flagship can be secured. Funds are coming in fairly well, but a good deal more is yet required to make up the prize fund.

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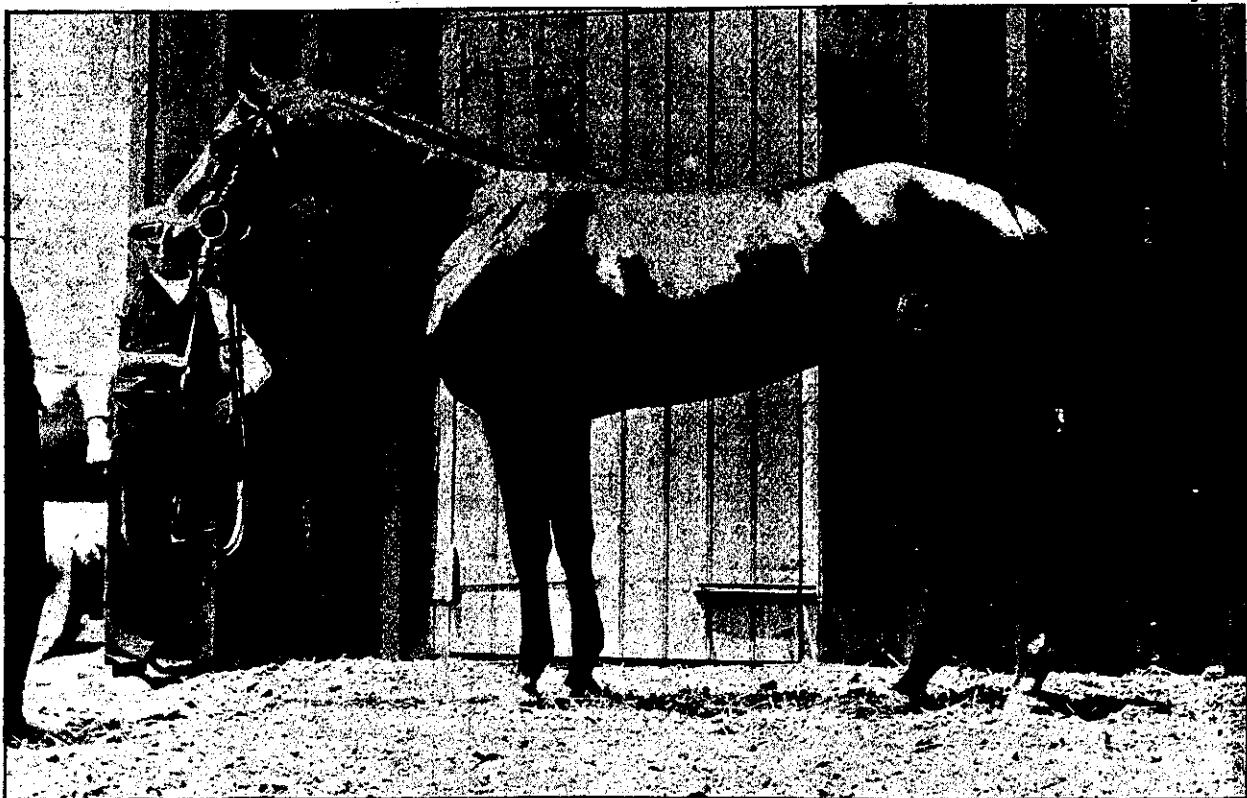
(By "PETROL.")

The English 1903 Motor Car Act expires this year, and there is a great deal of speculation regarding what form any new regulations will take. This depends, of course, almost entirely on the recommendations that will be made by the Royal Commission that is now sitting. Motorists are very hopeful that some of, if not all, their grievances will be adjusted; but even the most optimistic (according to London "Sportsman") does not really believe that the speed limit will be relaxed in any way, if at all. Nevertheless, it may be likely that police tactics in trapping motorists and the tendency of county magistrates to inflict exorbitant fines will receive a check.

There has been a large increase in England of late years in the number of cars fitted with brougham type bodies, arranged so that the passengers can travel with the greatest amount of comfort irrespective of what the weather may be. This, in the opinion of an exchange, may possibly explain the big demand there is at present for high-powered touring cars, for such bodies are very heavy and not suitable for placing on light chassis.

Many Auckland motorists have been away touring during the holidays, and these report a pleasant time, the roads being for once in a while in good order, although the dust nuisance still prevails.

The Austrian Government having received satisfactory assurances that the Vienna Daimler Company could turn out a desirable war-motor vehicle, recently had one equipped. Every portion of the motor, especially where the inmates would be enclosed, is protected by heavy steel plates, the wheels of the car even being sheltered to within a foot or so of the ground. The only weak-looking part in the turnout is in front, the bonnet seemingly being very poorly protected. The wheels also in front are exposed, the designers relying on their being covered on the outside by sheet steel discs. On the back portion of the car is a little turret, in which are studded several holes, where the muzzle of a rifle may be inserted in case the inmates wish to fire at an enemy.



Mr. E. J. Watt's STARSHOOT, winner of the Alexandra Handicap.

According to the latest files the road motor buses, employed for two years past as feeders to the Great Western Railway, England, carried in that time 1,436,071 passengers, and ran 667,640 miles. Throughout the entire period of running not a single fatal accident of any kind occurred to the passengers, the public, or the servants of the company.

One of the latest important English firms to turn its attention to the manufacture of motor buses is the Scott, Stirling Company, of Twickenham. The firm is at present executing an order for 100 buses for the London Power Omnibus Company, Limited. Each vehicle will be of the double-decked variety, and will be of British manufacture throughout. The car will seat 36 passengers. The engine will have four cylinders, and will give out 22 h.p. at 750 revolutions a minute. The power will be transmitted from the motor to the road wheels by

means of an internal expanding parallel clutch of special design, thence through the variable speed-gearing, and lastly to the differential box, which is mounted on a new combination axle. The gear box has three forward speeds and one reverse, the approximate ratio being 4, 8, and 12 miles an hour. The tyres are of the twin type, with a 3 1/2 inch section.

The final match of the New Zealand footballers, that against France, resulted, after what is described as an amusing match, in a victory for the visitors by 38 points to six.

The Management Committee of the Rugby Union have decided to accept the offer of the New Zealand Government to pay the cost of the return of the football team through Canada and the United States. It is possible that matches may be played in those countries, and the team will leave San Francisco for Auckland on February 15.

The result of the cricket match between Otago and Auckland is not to hand up to the time of going to press. Otago made 279 in the first innings, towards which Wilson contributed 137. Auckland started well, but the tail wagged feebly, and the first innings closed for 215. Going in again Otago made 238, Wilson again top-scoring with 88. Auckland want 302 runs to win, a task which seems a little beyond them.

Canterbury beat Wellington after the latter had a great winning chance. In the first innings Canterbury only made 71, to which Wellington replied with 152. Canterbury in the second innings did better, knocking up 166, and then the Wellington men giving a very feeble exhibition were all out for 50, and were thus defeated by 35 runs.

Hawke's Bay has beaten Poverty Bay by seven wickets.

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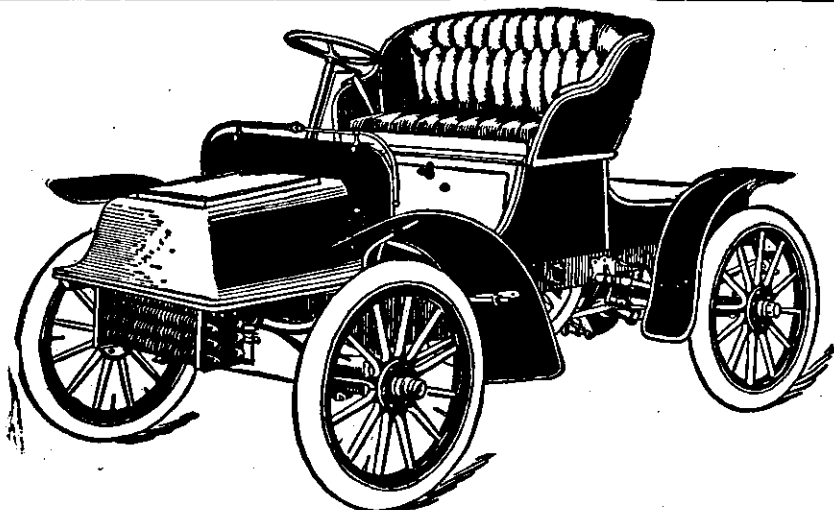
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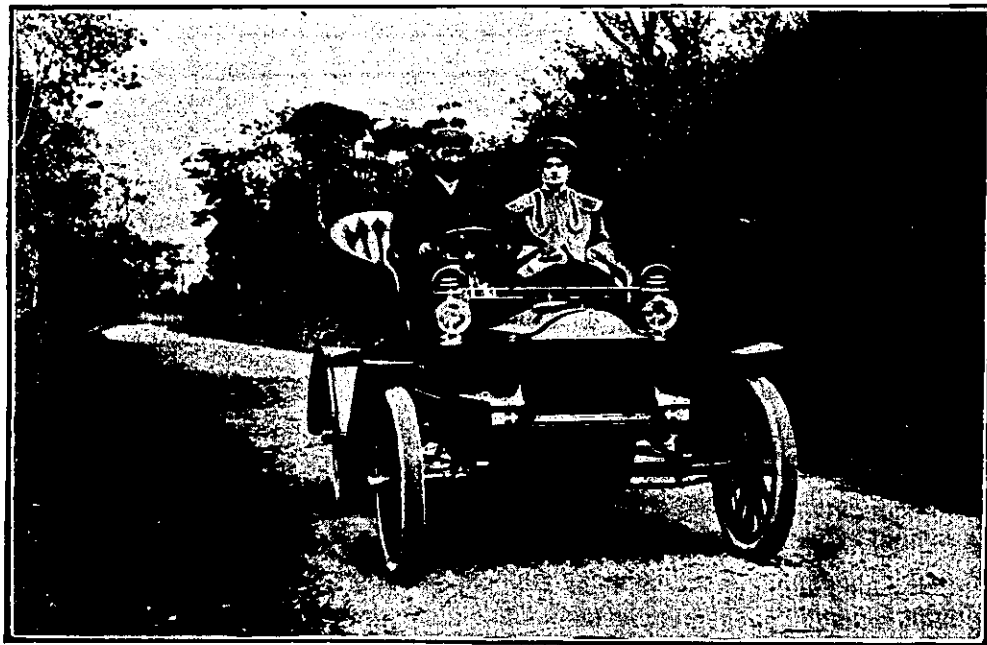
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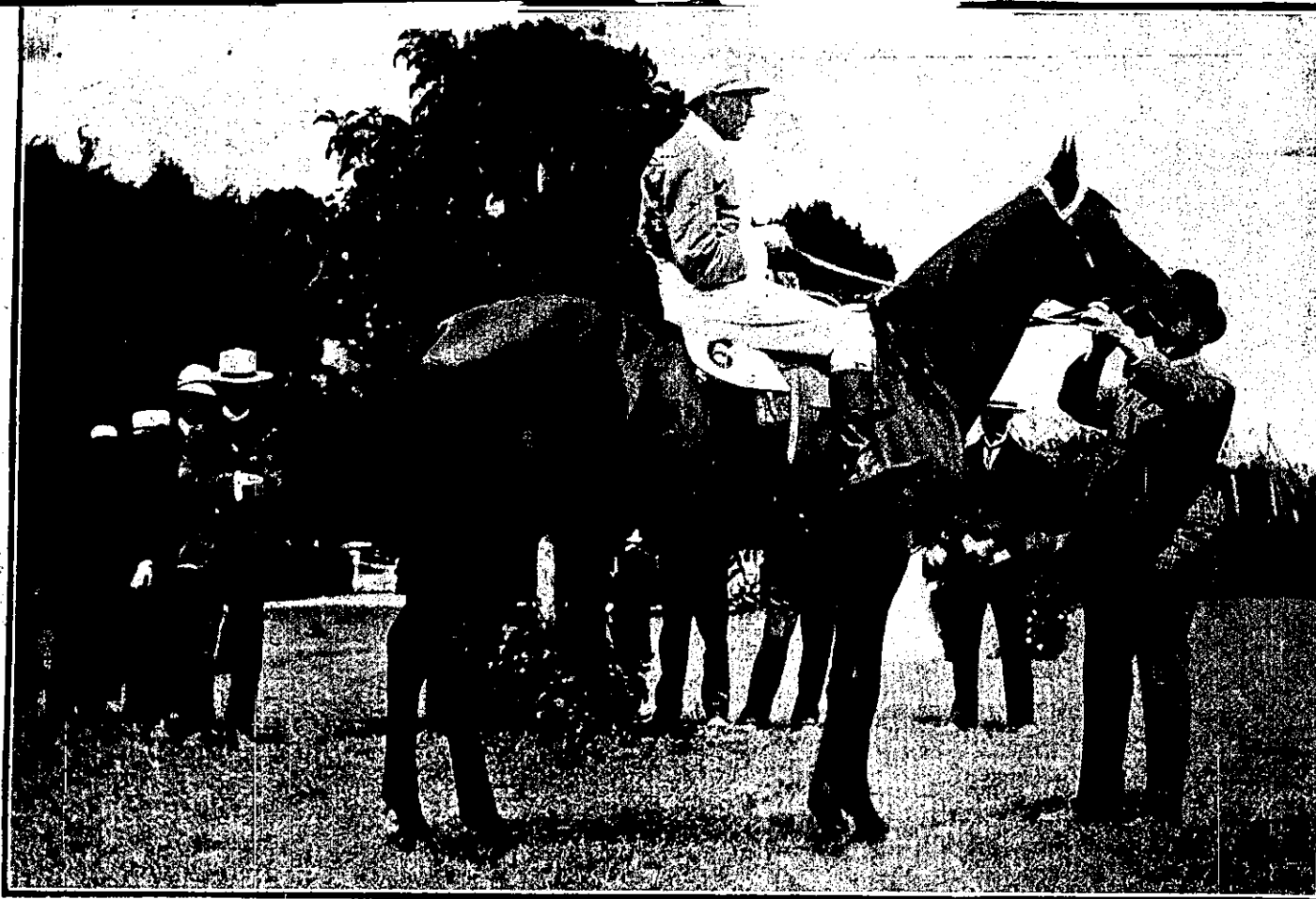


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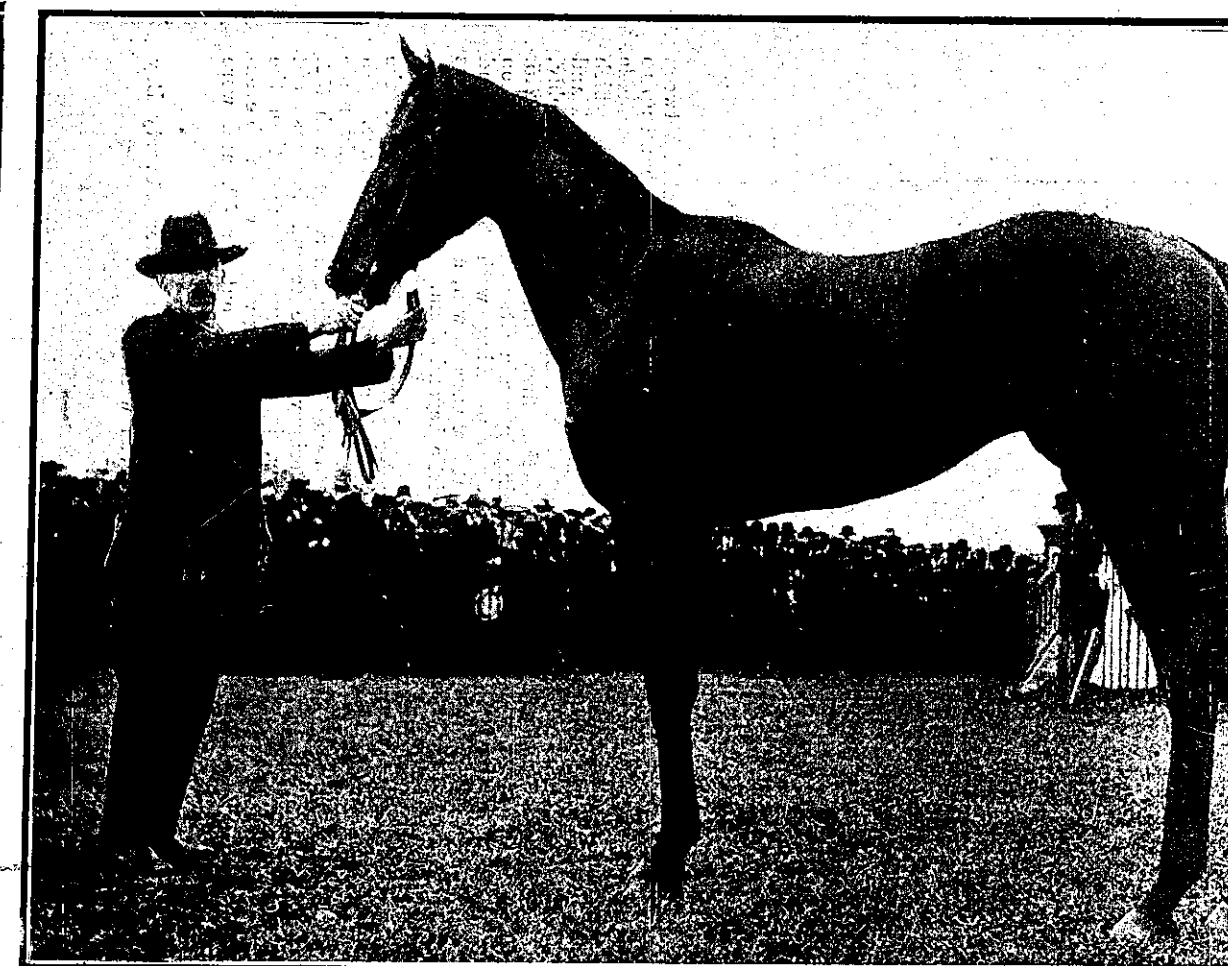
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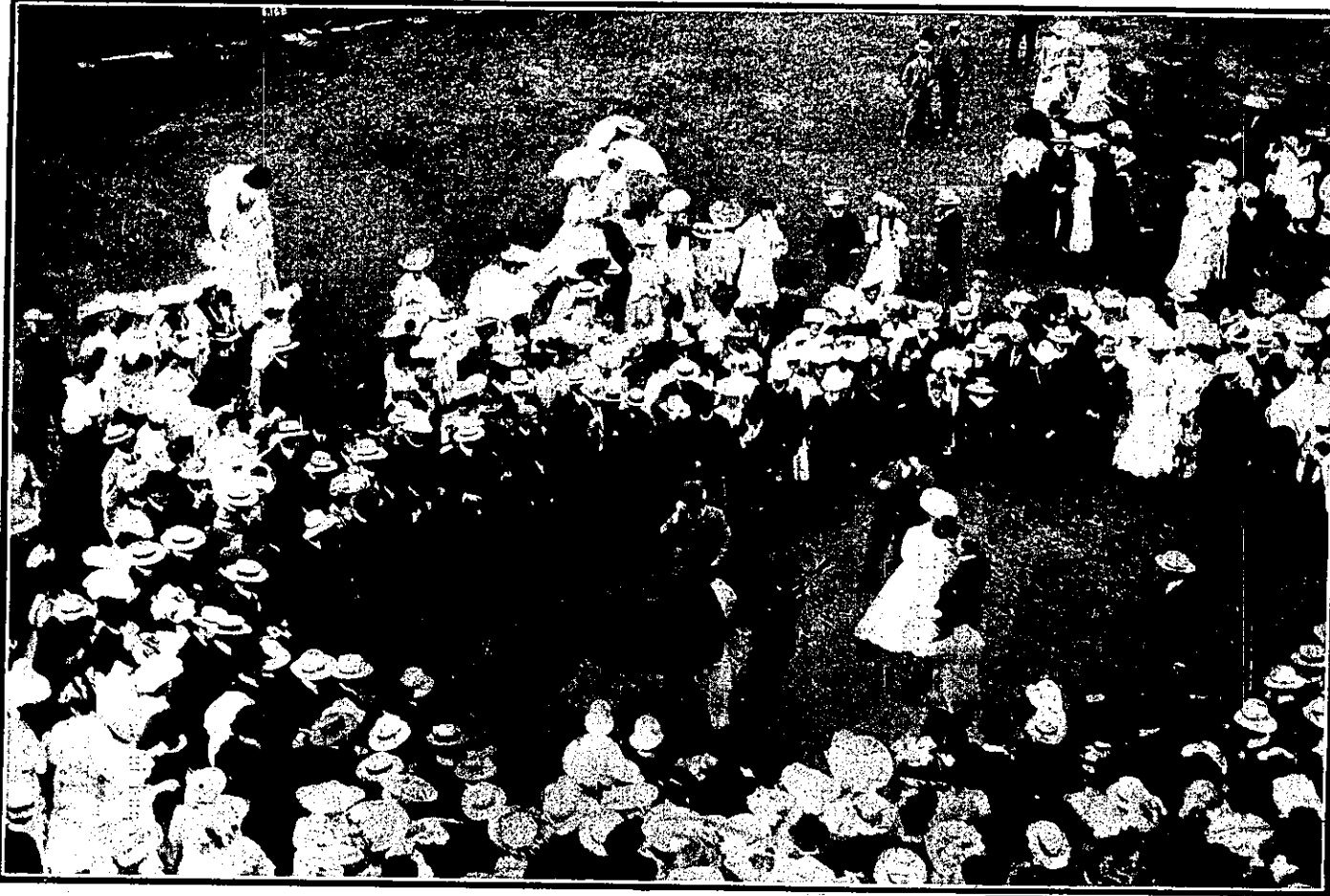




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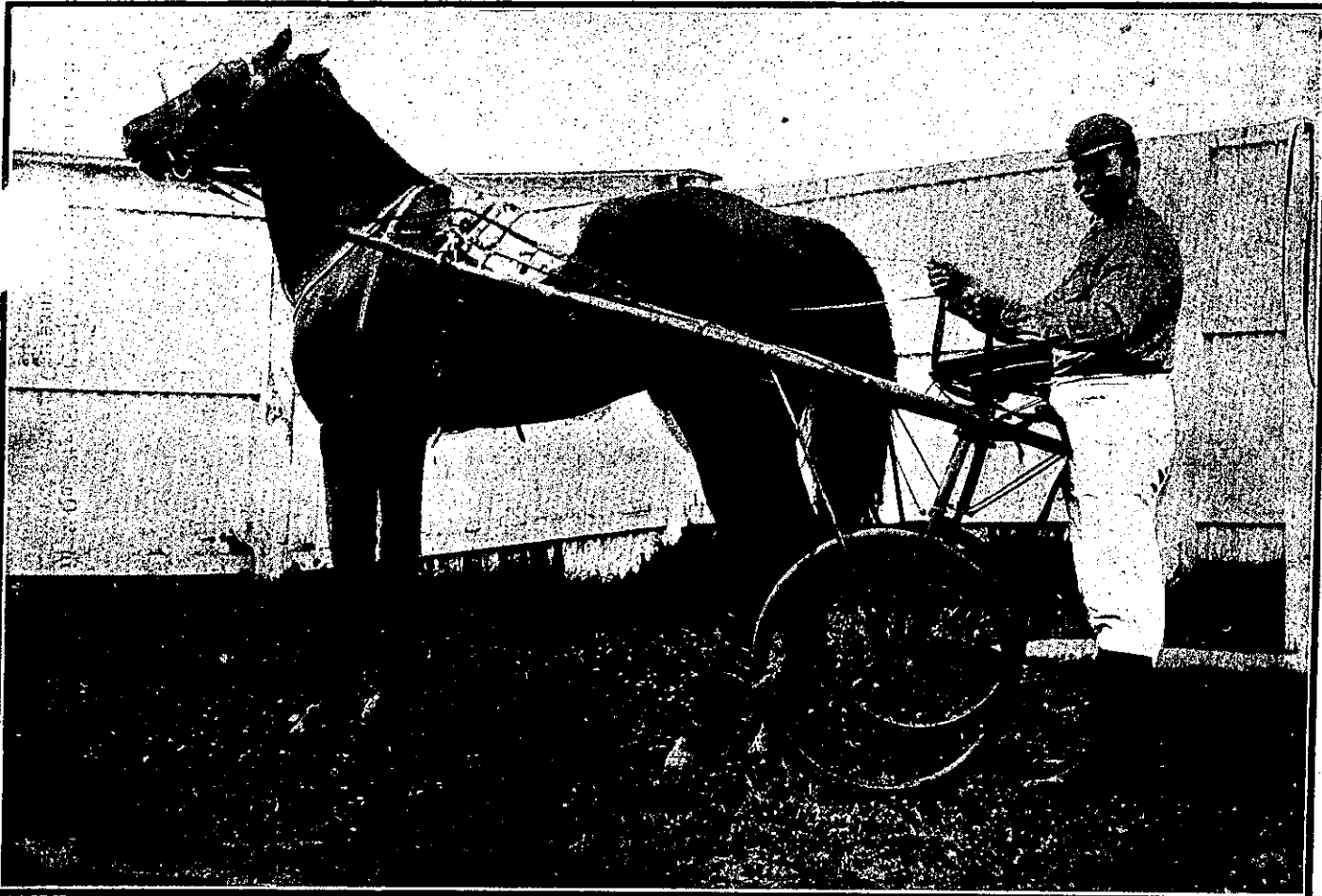


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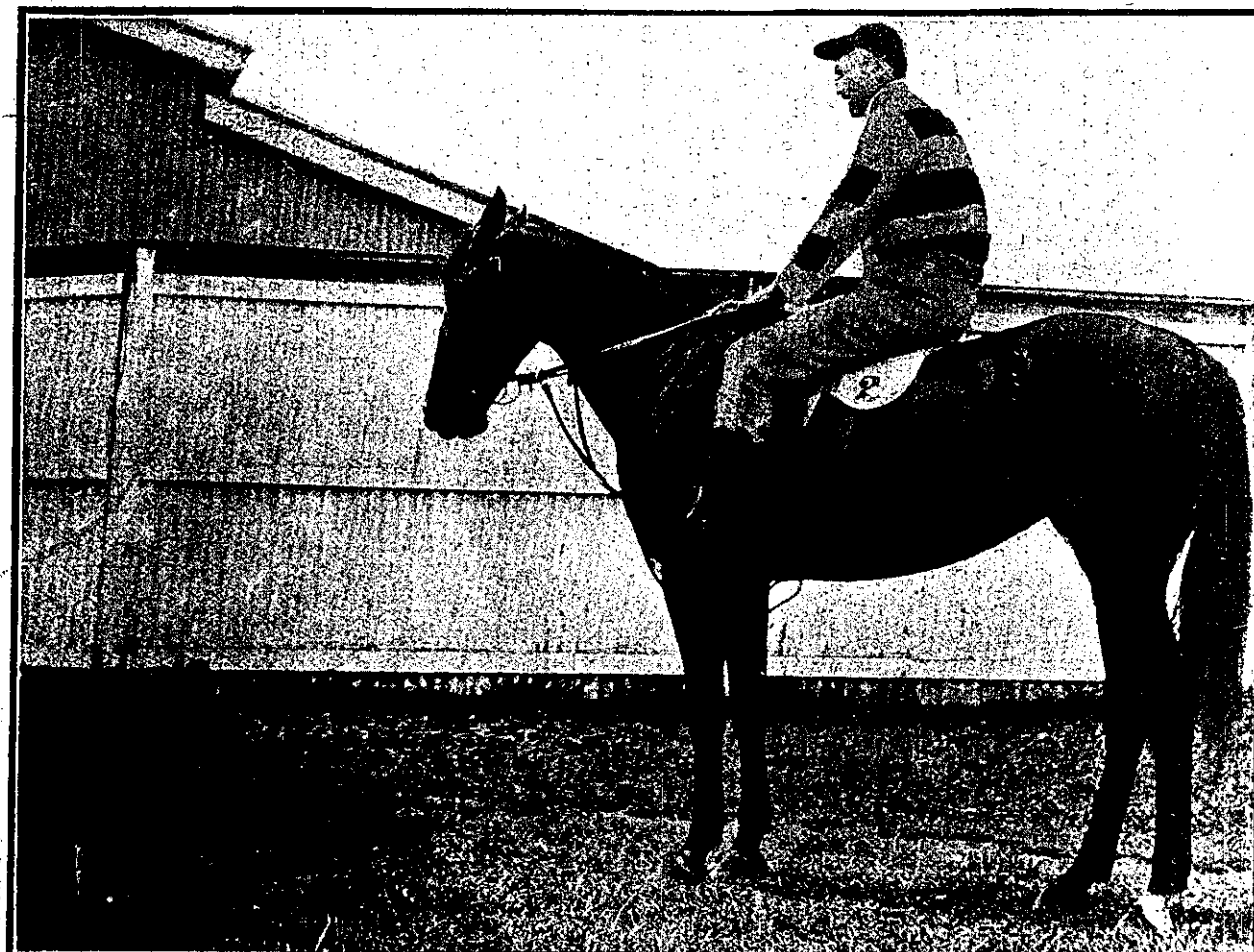


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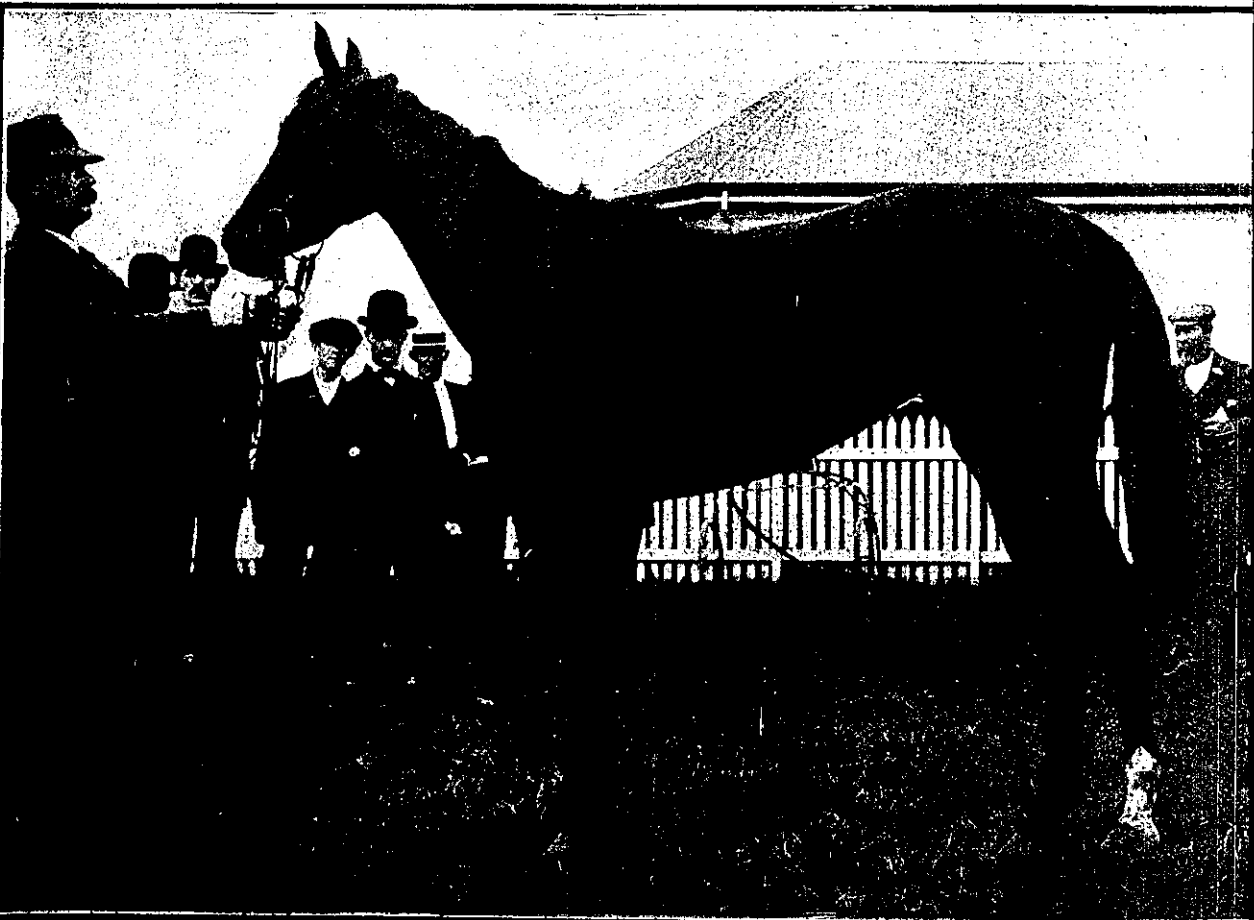
W. C. Watts' LE ROSIER, winner of the Auckland Trotting Cup.



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# THE STAGE

(By "FOOTLIGHT.")

## HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

### "THE WALLS OF JERICHO."

#### CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Hankey Bannister.....Mr. Brough  
 Jack Frobisher.....Mr. Herbert Flemming  
 Marquis of Steventon.....Mr. E. B. Payne  
 Lord Drayton (his son).....Mr. D. Walker  
 Harry Dallas.....Mr. Carter Pickford  
 Bertram Hannaford.....Mr. Philip Leslie  
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 James.....Mr. John Wilson  
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 Lady Westbury.....Miss Emma Temple  
 Lady Parchester.....Miss Kate Gair  
 Duchess of Skye.....Miss Bessie Major  
 Miss Mornington.....Miss Gordon Lee  
 Miss Wyatt.....Miss Mary Milward  
 Mary.....Miss Olive Dudley  
 Lady Alethea Frobisher.....Miss B. Day

On Monday "Beauty and the Barge," which had enjoyed a successful run of five nights, was replaced by Alfred Sutro's play, "The Walls of Jericho," and as much had been heard of the piece a very large audience assembled to see it. Although comparisons are somewhat unfair in the present case there probably would not be one dissenting voice from the opinion that it is a far finer play than the opening production. The latter was amusing enough, but being of the very light and frothy variety hardly seemed to satisfy, whereas with "The Walls of Jericho" the reverse is the case, and a strong play is given, full of sparkling dialogue, and one withal which leaves food for thought. Briefly, it tells the story of one Jack Frobisher, who, having made his pile in Australia, goes to London, where he falls in love with and marries Lady Alethea Derenham, eldest daughter of the Marquis of Steventon, an impoverished nobleman of the "guinea-pig" variety. Frobisher finds that his wife cannot escape from the meshes of the smart set in society, while he himself, a very strong man in the colonies, bids fair to become a nonentity. The climax is reached when he discovers Harry Dallas, an unprincipled man-about-town, making violent love to Lady Alethea, when the strong man asserts himself. In a powerful speech (in which he fairly carried the house with him) Jack Frobisher exposes the shams of society, ending it by ordering a return to Queensland. Lady Alethea refuses to go, but ultimately her love for her husband prevails, and the curtain falls on the reconciliation of the two.

In "The Walls of Jericho" Mr. Alfred Sutro has ostensibly attacked merely a minute section of society, that very limited portion of the English aristocracy who live purely for pleasure and selfish gratification and by their actions proclaim that they have altogether forgotten that there can be no excuse or justification for an exalted social station unless those holding it put duty before self-indulgence and are an aristocracy in reality as well as in name. Mr. Sutro's comedy may, however, be regarded not merely as an exposure of a happily small fraction of highly-placed English society, but also as an object-lesson for all those who to the best of their opportunity set themselves to follow its example. In "The Walls of Jericho" Australia is depicted as a country where a true conception of manhood and womanhood is in the ascendant, and where the life led by the "smart set" of Mayfair would not be tolerated. While generally speaking that conception is justified (says an Australian writer), not even the most ardent eulogist of Australia and the Australians would affirm that the vices against which the playwright has directed his artillery are altogether unknown. The mercenary woman who regards marriage purely as a business transaction in which she endeavors to gain as much as she can and to give as little as possible in return is the monopoly neither of a single country nor of a single class. She is to be found in every land and in every walk of life.

Mr. Herbert Flemming takes the part of Jack Frobisher, giving a manly rendering of the character which found great favour with the audience, whose sympathies were with him from start to finish.

Especially did he rise to the occasion when in a very strong scene he remorselessly attacks the hollow shams and vapid frivolity, the unblushing selfishness and self-indulgence of the smart set, this fairly rousing the house, while all through his acting was consistently good. Miss Beatrice Day essayed the role of Lady Alethea, playing the part to the life. Very cleverly did she bring out the main features of a character which, although somewhat marred by superficial faults, yet which at bottom is true gold. Taken all through it was a very accurate conception of the part. Mr. Brough as

Laughing," which caused much amusement and applause. He was followed by the two Colliers, who appeared in a most attractive double song and dance, "Hallelujah Sisters," which gained them hearty applause. Mr. Victor Kelly, who keeps the audience in a summer of amusement from the rise of the curtain up to the time he takes the boards, gave a comic song and eccentric dance that fairly brought down the house. Kelly's extraordinary tumbling fairly astounded the audience, who burst into a storm of applause at the conclusion of his turn. Miss Nita Leete, who next appeared, sang a

ballad most attractively, and was warmly applauded. She was followed by the three Gibson girls, whose triple song and dance item, "Mandy," proved a fine feature of the evening. The three danced most daintily, and received hearty applause and a peremptory recall. The first half of the programme concluded with a farce by Kelly, Bentley, and Wallace Ascot.

The second half was opened with a dainty song and dance item by the Collier Sisters, who appeared in Chinese costumes. They were followed by Miss Nita Leete, who scored a complete success in her illustrated songs, "The Man with the Ladder and the Hose" being especially good. The next item, that given by Le Roy, Talma, and Bosco, scored another triumph for these mysterious magicians, who succeeded in mystifying the audience completely. Bosco kept the fun going from start to finish, his disappearing dog causing great amusement. His trick with the rooster and the duck was also highly astounding and diverting. Le Roy, Talma, and Bosco next placed a large box on a table on the stage, the interior of the box being filled with a great variety of costumes. The audience were then called upon to name any country they pleased, and upon Japan being demanded a lady in full Japanese costume sprang from the box. Equally bewildering was the act entitled "The Garden of Sleep," in which Madame Talma was made to vanish into thin air. Finally the three appeared amid the audience, producing endless packets of cards, handfuls of half-crowns, and all manner of articles from the pockets of the unsuspecting and astounded onlookers. The three undoubtedly give a very fine exhibition of their powers, and should on no account be missed during their short season in Auckland. Miss Fanny Powers gave some very good imitations of different variety artistes, and was well received. She was followed by Kelly and Agnes, who gave a most amusing sketch. Kelly, who gives a small taste of his capabilities



MR. HERBERT FLEMMING, of the Brough-Flemming Company.

Hankey Bannister, a life-long friend of Jack's, played quietly, his love scene with Lady Alethea's younger sister, causing much amusement. Miss Winifred Fraser was very bright as Lady Lucy, the light-hearted but mercenary sister of Lady Alethea. Miss Emma Temple gave an entirely natural rendering of the part of the good-natured Lady Westbury; Miss Gordon Lee made a vivacious Miss Mornington; Mr. Edgar Payne hardly made the most of the part of the Marquis of Steventon, the avaricious old aristocrat who is prepared to sacrifice his daughters for the sake of gold, the conception being rather weak throughout. Mr. Carter Pickford was too stiff and formal as Harry Dallas, although the part does not give much chance to the actor. The minor parts were well filled, and the mounting of the piece was decidedly good, while a special word of praise must be given to the dresses, some of which were really beautiful. "The Walls of Jericho" has been running to excellent business during the week, and is well worth seeing.

### OPERA HOUSE.

#### THE RICKARDS VAUDEVILLE COMPANY.

Everyone visiting the Opera House during the present season must admit that Mr. Fuller has played a trump card in introducing the Rickards Company to Auckland audiences. Packed and enthusiastic houses have been the rule every night, which is in itself sufficient guarantee of the excellence of the programme submitted. On Tuesday evening the Opera House was filled to overflowing, standing room being at a premium long before eight o'clock. A full orchestra, under the able conductorship of Mr. Frank Crowther, played the curtain up with a stirring overture, when the company gave a good opening chorus that went with a swing. Mr. Wallace Ascot then sang "Doreen," being heartily applauded. He was followed by Miss Mabel Lynne, who gave an exceptionally bright serio and dance item, "Down by the Old Bull and Bush." She was loudly recalled for this, giving a semi-patriotic song as an encore that was well received. Mr. George Bentley gave a very good comic song, entitled "I Burst Out



MISS FINNIFRED FRASER, in "Quality Street," the next production of the Brough-Flemming Company.

in the first half of the programme, does some wonderful tumbling, and appears to be able to balance himself on any corner of his anatomy with the greatest ease. Appearing unexpectedly throughout the turn, he kept the house in roars of laughter from start to finish. The three Gibson girls, who next appeared, danced most charmingly, and won hearty applause for their turn. The programme concluded with a series of biograph pictures lately imported from London, and the curtain fell on an evening's entertainment that speaks volumes for the enterprise of Mr. John Fuller in his successful catering to Auckland audiences.

At the end of the week the Opera House is to be closed for a fortnight, when an entirely new company will appear. On January 20th Czerny, the magician, is billed to appear in a sensational programme, which on February the 7th the great Thurston, who has been mystifying Australian audiences for some time past, makes his appearance at the Opera House.

Miss Nellie Stewart passed through Auckland on Friday last by the mail steamer Sierra, bound for San Francisco. By the same steamer Messrs. George and Harry Musgrove and the "Sweet Nell" Company were passengers. Everyone in the colonies will wish the company every success during their tour of the States.

Mr. Harold Ashton left for America on Friday. Rumour has it that he is on a roving commission for novelties.

Mr. J. C. Williamson has every reason to be gratified at the results of the past year's work in the various operatic and dramatic combinations under his control (writes Mr. George Tallis). As might have been expected, the first places in these divisions were gained by the Tittell Brune Company and the Royal Comic Opera Company respectively. The former "went big" wherever they appeared, and the popularity of the young American actress has now extended through the length and breadth of Australasia. The New Zealand tour in particular was a remarkable one, and the returns showed a substantial increase above those of any former company sent to that colony by Mr. Williamson. The Royal Comic Opera Company was also entirely successful throughout the year, especially in the really phenomenal season they had in West Australia. The chief pieces essayed by them during the year were "The Cingalee," "The Orchid," and "Veronique," the first-named holding the week's record for any theatre in Australia. The Knight-Jeffries Company experienced their accustomed satisfactory conditions of appreciation until the illness of Mr. Julius Knight interfered with their plans, but matters resumed their usual course when he returned to duty. The short seasons of the Gilbert and Sullivan Company throughout Australasia were productive of excellent receptions everywhere, and the approval with which the talented company were greeted has persuaded Mr. Williamson to maintain it as a permanent combination even after the present popularity of the Gilbert and Sullivan revivals has waned. Among the visiting companies, that headed by Mr. Andrew Mack was easily first, and an uninterrupted career of prosperity accompanied his representations of Irish comedy from Melbourne, where he commenced it, to Auckland, where he ended it.

The production of "Pinafore" by the Gilbert and Sullivan Company at the Princess Theatre, Melbourne, on December 23 was welcomed by a large and enthusiastic audience. The five years' interval which has elapsed since the opera was last staged in Melbourne has dulled remembrance, so that the piece was almost like a new one, an effect increased by several incidental numbers introduced in the second act, chief among which was a graceful juvenile ballet. "Princess Ida" will follow "Pinafore" as the first of the four operas added to the company's repertoire since it was last seen in Melbourne. It has already been played in Sydney, where it was exceptionally well received, and Mr. Henry Bracy, who was in the original cast at the Savoy Theatre, London, and has seen every production in Australia, speaks of it as the best all-round performance of the opera that has been staged in this country. Later on, probably on January 13, "Utopia Limited," which is to be the "feature" of the season, will be put on.

The universal popularity which Miss Tittell Brune enjoys in the eyes of Melbourne playgoers was well exemplified in the demonstrative reception she was accorded when she made her entrance in "Merey Mary Ann" before a packed house at Her Majesty's, Melbourne, on Boxing night. Her season there will be an extended one, and Mr. Williamson will in all probability take the opportunity of adding one or more new pieces



SOME PROMINENT ENGLISH ACTRESSES.—Miss Gabrielle Ray, Miss Marie Stndholme, Miss Billie Burke, Miss Lena Dare, Miss Gertie Millar, Miss Hil da Antony.

to her repertoire, besides giving her admirers further chances of seeing her in roles which a ready rank among her successes. "Leah Kleschna" will, of course, be the next new piece staged, though a revival or two may intervene between that event and the end of the run of "Merey Mary Ann."

The Royal Comic Opera Company, after a long and successful run in Melbourne, went back to Sydney last week, opening with "The Girl from Kays" at Her Majesty's Theatre on Boxing night. It is perhaps needless to add that the welcome accorded to the individual members was of the most entirely cordial description, and that the enthusiasm displayed was, if anything, greater than that which has attended any previous night.

Mr. J. C. Williamson's generosity on behalf of the Theatrical Charities' Fund is well known, but the latest instance of it is perhaps the most striking. To curtail the season of two most extremely popular companies by several days and thereby obviously to reduce the box office receipts by the amount which would have been received on the idle days, is an example of philanthropy that even Mr. Williamson has seldom bettered. He had his reward, however, in an unequalled success which attended the open air fete at Princes' Court on December 21, at which it is computed that 16,000 persons were present.

Mr. J. C. Williamson has been fortunate to secure the services of Mr. Gerald Coventry, who for the past few years has been recognised as one of the most able stage managers in the United States, where he has been engaged in the various interests of Messrs. Schubert Bros. Mr. Coventry will be remembered out here as the manager of "The Belle of New York," "The Casino Girl," and other musical comedies. He will arrive here very shortly, and brings with him the latest impressions of "The Spring Chicken," "The Little Michus," "Veronique," "The Blue Moon," "The Catch of the Season," "My Lady Madcap," and others of Mr. Williamson's latest acquisitions, all of which he took the opportunity of seeing in London before he left for Australia.

Mr. R. G. Knowles leaves Capetown today (January 4) for his Australasian tour under engagement to Mr. J. C. Williamson. The bright little entertainment, "Trifles that Trouble the Traveler," will be seen first in Melbourne early in February.

Mr. Edmund Payne, the London Gaiety comedian, had the unhappy experience the other night of being "hissed" every time he appeared on the stage. The "hisser" gave as his reason that "Mr. Payne reminded him of someone he'd not like."

Mr. Weedon Grossmith says the London public wants legs, not brains.

A theatrical expert in a London paper has given it as his opinion that what the public want nowadays is "something with a story in it." Having regard to the number of stories constantly told behind the scenes, there should be no difficulty whatever in supplying this requirement to the full.

According to the "British Australasian," the sweet Miss Winchester, who made a fortune on the Paris sugar market, is shortly to appear in London. She has the largest repertoire of "dresses" of any artist, and as for jewels—well, even the heels of her boots are studded with diamonds.

The editor of the Russian paper was threatened with death by an actor, who thought himself insulted by an editorial criticism. Next issue the editor wrote:—"I have received a communication from the celebrated actor, M. Dalsky, in which he categorically declares his intention of killing me. I beg M. Dalsky for the one favour of fixing the day upon which his punishing hand shall strike me, so that I may have time to settle my affairs, and to prepare myself properly for the journey to the best of all worlds, where there are no diseases, no newspapers, and no famous actors."



It is stated that as soon as the leases of the four shops adjacent to the Rotunda Building in Bourke-street, Melbourne, expire, which is very shortly, a new and up-to-date theatre will be erected on the ground occupied by the old building and shops. There can be no doubt that if the statement is correct, the theatre would pay from its opening date, for another theatre in Melbourne is badly wanted. Many managers at present have to pass this city by or book the Bijou, and in the latter case it is generally a losing game. "It is cheaper," as a well-known manager recently expressed himself, "to lay your company up for a time than to pay the £60 per week rent at the Bijou, with its unsavoury approaches and wretched surroundings."

A lively campaign has been going on in Rome. A body of young men have made it their business to go constantly to the theatres, and when there to remonstrate with ladies whose large hats, however beautiful in themselves, effectually prevent their neighbours from enjoying the play. The public, which has been much tried of late by the want of consideration shown by some ladies, was almost universally on the side of the grumblers. At last their efforts have been crowned with success. The Perfect of Rome has issued an order to the attendants at theatres to allow only ladies without hats in the stalls, the dress circle, and the pit.

Mr Edmund Payne, who is playing in "The Spring Chicken" at the London Gaiety, was naturally considerably impressed at a recent performance by the fact that some man in the upper circle hissed him every time he appeared. The stranger was politely shown the door, and was then asked the reason for his conduct, when he explained that it was because Mr Payne had reminded him of a man he didn't like. In amused comment on this circumstance, in a letter to the "Daily Express," Mr Payne remarks:—"Such an argument opens up a wide field for the Hissing Brigade. The next time I am hissed at I shouldn't be surprised to hear from the hisser that it was because I wore the same size in boots as a man who owed him money and wouldn't pay."

# CARSTAN

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Since the demolition of the Lyceum as the headquarters of the British drama Mr Beerbohm Tree has been regarded as the metropolitan of the theatrical profession in this country (says the "Licensed Victuallers' Gazette"), and by his election as president of the Theatrical Managers' Association in succession to the late Sir Henry Irving he has been installed as the official "chief" by the unanimous voice of the London and provincial executive. It was universally recognised that no other choice was possible, and it was a significant fact that no other name was submitted to the meeting of the Association held recently. After Sir Henry Irving no other actor in England has done more than Mr Tree for dramatic art (coupled with the name of Shakespeare), for the actor, and for the playgoer. During a long but not unsurpassed period of responsible management he has never faltered in his high sense of his duty as a custodian of art. He has had his failures, but he never produced anything that was intrinsically unworthy of success. He has risked his commercial solvency on behalf of the home drama, and on one occasion when the seriousness of his risks were urged upon him he made the historic reply in defence of his decision: "But what a splendid play it is to go bankrupt over!" In this spirit, backed by unequalled power of imagination and a thorough knowledge of the technique of his medium, he has made Shakespeare the daily food of human nature, and has taught the public that poetic drama is a thing to be desired. And his influence in the behind-the-scenes part of the theatre has been no less important, if less apparent, than what he has effected in the sight of the public. His Majesty's has always been the best school of acting and the most successful class for dramatists in London. He has taken in writers

for the stage and turned out playwrights; he has engaged the raw histrionic material and fashioned it into the proved and workmanlike article. The public have long since recognised Mr Tree's work at its proper value, and if you talk of the players who have served under his banner and the dramatists who have been through his hands, you will understand why the profession could have no other head than the manager of His Majesty's Theatre.

A recent item on the programme at the St. George's Hall, London, was "The Artist's Dream," written by the late Mel. B. Spurr.

It is stated in well-informed circles that Mr Harry Rickards has secured a half-interest in the Cremorne Gardens, Perth, W.A.

"It is quite possible," says a London exchange, "that the biography of the late Sir Henry Irving will be written by his two sons, Messrs H. B. and Lawrence Irving. The compiling of such a work could not be in better hands, if they decide to carry it out."

Keith Kennedy, a talented young Australian violinist of fourteen years of age, is to tour New Zealand shortly. He has successfully toured Australia, and during his coming visit to this colony will be supported by a company of artists.

Mrs Israel Zangwill, wife of the well-known author and playwright, has entered the literary world, and has published a novel entitled "The First Mrs Mollivar." It is said to be full of dramatic incident, and it is understood that it will shortly be adapted for the stage.

The "Municipal Journal," speaking of municipal theatres in Germany, says that no town caring for its reputation is without one; the promotion of dramatic art is part of the duty of the public authority. Municipalities lend the theatres to lessees, rarely charging rent, but dividing profits; the town's percentage rarely covers interest, and a subsidy is frequently added to maintain the house. Cologne maintains an old theatre, as well as a new opera house; the latter cost—building £122,600, stage equipment £27,000, decorations and costumes £29,000. The restaurant attached cost £19,600. The object being to popularise theatrical performances as a counter-attraction to beer-gardens, the charges, arranged in three grades according to the length of the run, are fixed so as to give all classes an opportunity of seeing the same piece. Most towns have several Shakespearian performances every season. Plays by leading contemporary dramatists are produced as soon as possible.

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Mr R. G. Knowles, who will visit the colonies under Mr Williamson's management next year, is appearing with much success in South Africa. His own performance includes music, dancing and anecdote, while he is assisted by Mrs Knowles, who plays the accompaniments and does wonderful things on the banjo, and some fine pictures shown by Mr E. C. Coates with the biograph.

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A new play by Stephen Phillips, in which Nero will be the central figure, is likely to be produced in London early in this year. The paragraphs published on the subject make it appear that the dramatist has set himself to whitewash in some degree the character of the infamous Emperor. Mr Phillips has set forth his theme in a prologue and three acts, and he would certainly (the London "Daily Telegraph" observes) be the first to acknowledge the material assistance he has received in the construction of his drama from Mr Tree, who, having steeped himself in the atmosphere of the period, has throughout worked hand in hand with the author. The three leading characters in the play have been assigned as follows:—Nero, Mr Tree; Poppoe, Miss Constance Collier and Agrappina, Mrs Tree. In drawing the character of the Roman Emperor, Mr Phillips has been at pains to bring into relief the wonderful versatility of the man, who was at once artist, poet, musician, and ruler. On the other hand, he has been careful to relegate to the background the more cruel aspect of his hero's disposition. In other words, Mr Phillips strives to show that Nero was a murderer by accident rather than design.

Judging by large houses and unvarying applause, "The Girl from Kay's" achieved substantial popularity in Melbourne, and leaves behind many pleasant impressions (says the "Australasian"). Miss Florence Young, as the bright, bustling young milliner who fascinated the impressionable millionaire, Hoggenheimer, has added another effective character to her repertoire. She played the part with much dramatic spirit and humour, while her tuneful songs were rendered with artistic finish and cheerful abandon. Her melodious description of the "customers at Kay's" was a very sprightly sketch. "Love at the Door" and "Mrs Hoggenheimer" were also delightful vocal efforts. Miss Margaret Thomas, as Norah Chalmers, made an enduring impression. There was never a more dainty bride, and her sweet voice gave charm to the musical numbers allotted to her. Miss Rose Musgrove was promptly made a favourite. Her impersonation of the pert lady's maid was an embodiment of archness and good humour. Her dancing was graceful and exhilarating, her comic songs droll and entirely entertaining. Mr Haigh Jackson, as the bridegroom, was notably good in song and dialogue, and Mr Percy made much out of little in his delineation of the vague, drawing young man, Fitzthistle. Mr George Lauri, as Hoggenheimer, inevitably suggested comparison with the earlier Hoggenheimer. Mr Huntley's presentation of the vulgar millionaire was specially good in the matter of German accent. Mr Lauri, however, never fails to amuse, and he is such an indefatigable artist that he will probably yet grapple successfully with the German-English dialect. The "Maxixe" dance, by Mr Fred. Leslie and Miss Tilly Woodlock, was a strikingly successful sensation. Mr Leslie's eccentric gyrations provided a very fanciful interlude in the prosaic duties of a hall porter in a fashionable hotel, and Miss Woodlock's exuberant movements were delightfully unconventional.

At the King's Theatre, Hammersmith (London) recently, where "It's Never Too Late to Mend" was being performed, the fireproof curtain, which weighs ten tons,

could not be drawn up, and the audience waited patiently for three-quarters of an hour while strenuous, but hopeless efforts were made to raise it, the house finally being emptied and money returned at the doors. No doubt many among the disappointed audience had the title of the piece in their minds as they returned to their homes.

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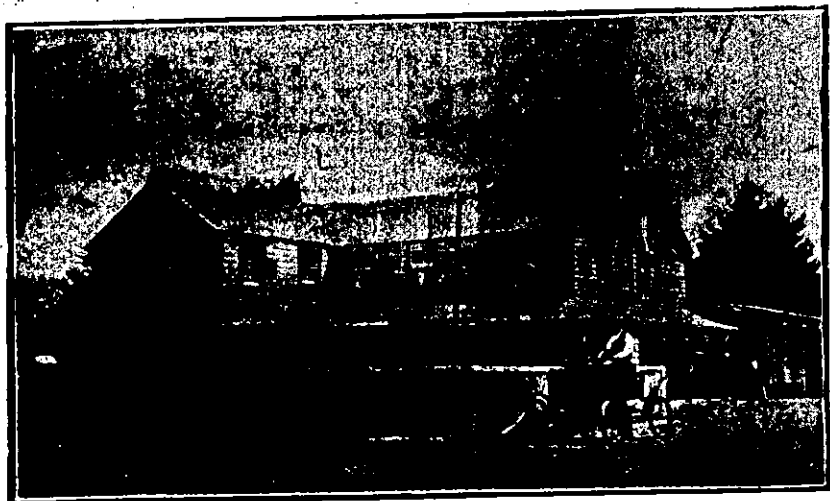
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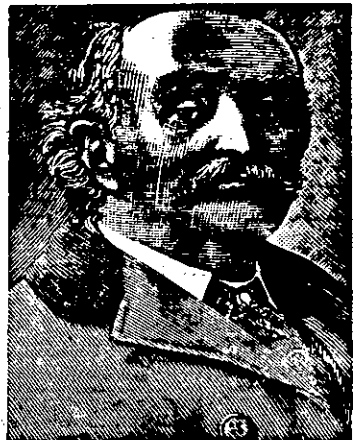
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# THE LICENSED VICTUALLERS' GAZETTE

## Trade Topics

Mr T. B. O'Connor, of the Victoria Hotel, has the publicans' booth at Alexandra Park for the Auckland Trotting Club's Meeting.

The Government are sending Mr J. G. Gow, late Commissioner in South Africa, to Japan to arrange for the Eastern nations being represented at the Christchurch Exhibition.

The Ellerslie booth holders did splendid business at the Boxing Day and New Year races, the first day being especially good.

The time for receiving tenders for the building a new hotel for Mr E. T. Bain, of Rangiriri, has been extended until the 5th inst.

Damages amounting to £500 were awarded in the Supreme Court against Mr Tim Kenealy, the well-known hotel-keeper, late of Te Puke. The action was brought by a Maori, who had sustained injuries by a shot from a pea-rifle fired by Mr Kenealy's son.

Many of the public-house proprietors of London have come to the conclusion that a restaurant pays better than a billiard saloon, and as a result billiard tables have been displaced to make room for the smaller and more profitable dinner tables.

The recount from Kaiapoi gives it that reduction has been lost by one vote. The previous declaration was that reduction had been carried. The recount gives continuance 1725, reduction 2056, and no-license 2368 votes.

At the meeting of the Invercargill Chamber of Commerce the result of the local option poll in Invercargill was mentioned by some members, with reference to a letter published locally from the Home and foreign buyers at the wool sales, who said that in the absence of licensed houses they would use their influence to have the wool sales removed to Dunedin. Diverse opinions on no-license were expressed, and the matter dropped.

The Oamaru hotelkeepers have decided, in view of the loss they will sustain through the carrying of no-license and the closing of the bars, that from the Christmas holidays all meals and beds will be charged for at the rate of 2s each. This tariff was, of course, already existing in some hotels. The previous determination to charge what was practically a prohibitive tariff has not been proceeded with, such action being deemed ill-advised.

The Grey Lynn borough authorities are alarmed at the great quantity of water that is now being used, but what is it going to be like after the 30th June next.

The quantity of British and Irish spirits exported to Australia for the nine months ending September, 1905, was 1,246,941 gallons, and to New Zealand during the same period 330,068 gallons. There is a steady increase in the quantities sent to Australia, whilst New Zealand shows a slight decrease.

A good election story is told at the Taieri (says the Marlborough "Herald"). It seems that a prominent lady member of the temperance party, with a feminine anxiety to mark what she wanted, struck out the bottom line of the voting paper. On leaving the booth and being shown her mistake, she was inconsolable until she learned that a well-known hotel-keeper, who is somewhat short-sighted, had accidentally turned his paper bottom upwards before striking out the two bottom lines, with the result that he voted for no-license only.

The transfer of the license of the Putaruru Hotel from William Regan to Joseph Miller has been granted.

Mr G. E. Tait, manager of Messrs Grey and Menzies' mineral water manufactory at Whangarei, died suddenly last week.

The new Grand Hotel, to replace the one burnt down at Rotorua, was formally opened just before Christmas.

The Cosmopolitan Club, at Wanganui, applied to the Licensing Committee to have its license extended to 11 o'clock during carnival week. The committee decided that it had no power under the Act to grant the extension.

A man named G. J. Prendergast has been remanded on a charge of stabbing a man who refused to "shout" in the bar of His Lordship's Hotel, in Christchurch.

The hotel boxes in Wellington collected £32 7s 10d during last year in aid of the Wellington Hospital.

Weiss, the Australian billiard champion, in a game of 7200 up, conceded Cook 1500 points, and beat him. Cook scored 5481.

Mr Oldham, manager for Messrs L. D. Nathan and Co., at New Plymouth, came up to Auckland for the Christmas holidays.

The Hon. C. C. Louisson, and Mrs and Miss Louisson arrived just before Christmas from Christchurch on a holiday visit.

The recount of the Invercargill licensing poll has added two to the no-license majority, making it ten and three-fifths. It is said that the magistrate allowed votes which the returning officer had considered doubtful, the Government stamp having been omitted.

The railway and tramway traffic during the holidays constitute a record.

A man named Michael Lawson is under remand from the local Police Court on a charge of having assaulted Mrs Schultze, of the Governor Brown Hotel, by striking her in the face.

Mr Harold W. Hudson, secretary of Messrs L. D. Nathan and Co., Ltd., has entered Woodside private hospital for the purpose of having an operation performed for appendicitis.

The largest cigars ever manufactured have arrived in London from Havana. Each cigar measures 16 1/2 in length and 6 in circumference, weighs a-quarter of a pound, and entails payment of 1s 6d duty. The factory price in Havana is £1000 per 1000.

Late Home advices go to show that the price of whisky at the Irish and Scottish distilleries has been raised by from 1d to 2d per gallon.

Mr John Ashton, the general secretary of the United Licensed Victuallers' Association of New South Wales, leaves for New Zealand early in February next for a pleasure and business trip combined. During his short stay in New Zealand Mr Ashton will explain his scheme for the affiliation of the wholesale, retail, and allied liquor trades to the various Licensed Victuallers' Associations, and deliver a series of lectures on the subject.

The steady stream of immigrants from the Old Country is now becoming noticeable. Out of a total passenger list of 532 booked in London by the Shaw, Savill liner Athenic, which arrived in Wellington last week, only 28 were for Capetown and Australia. The number booked for Auckland stands at 117.

In reference to the sudden death of Mr G. E. Tait, manager for Messrs Grey and Menzies, at Whangarei, the medical evidence went to show that the cause of death was heart disease.

### NO ATTACHED STATEMENT.

In the Magistrate's Court, at Ashburton recently, Percy Harcourt, a cellarman employed in the Eclipse Brewery, at Sydenham, was charged with having delivered a keg of beer, being aware that it was being taken to a no-license district, without attaching a statement that the keg contained spirituous liquor. He was also charged with failing to notify the authorities of the sale. A fine of 40s was imposed on one charge, and a conviction recorded on the other.

### WORSE THAN DRINK.

At a conference of the W.C.T.U., held in Ballarat, Mrs Crawford McDowell, well known in Melbourne as Sister Ruth, said the drug habit prevailed among the women of Victoria. It was on the increase, and was worse than the drink evil. She knew of a lady in Melbourne who was so addicted to chlorodyne that she took three bottles of it per day, at the rate of a full bottle per dose, so greatly had she acquired the habit. A Melbourne chemist told her that a great number of women went into his shop for narcotics. In a Melbourne home they had drug patients who were wrecks of humanity. People who persisted in taking the drugs found themselves in the lunatic asylum before they knew the power which the drug had on them.

### WHAT MR. DINNIE SAYS.

Mr Dinnie, the chief of the New Zealand police, who was in Sydney on a flying visit, has given an "Evening News" representative some interesting information regarding the operation of the liquor law in that colony.

The facts, as outlined by the Commissioner, afford food for thought, seeing that the new Liquor Act, which contains the "no-license" provision in vogue in New Zealand, came into force in Sydney on January 1. They show that "no license" is not an unmixed blessing.

"It is difficult to say," explained the Commissioner, when asked if the New Zealand Act had a good effect. "In the prohibition districts it certainly has had the effect of keeping drunken persons off the streets, and there is no riotous conduct."

How many prohibition districts are there?—Not many. By prohibition I mean "no-license." I should say about five or six.

In the prohibition States of America persons who want drink will get it by hook or by crook, and I suppose a similar state of affairs exists in New Zealand?—There is a good deal of sly grog-selling. For instance, in Ashburton, in the Otago district, during twelve months I had forty prosecutions for sly grog-drinking and there was a great deal of trouble in proving the cases, and perjury was committed right and left to escape convictions. A lot of people, of course, think they should not be prevented from obtaining drink, and, though convictions mean heavy fines, and even imprisonment, still they try.

With regard to the club question, how was the law operated?—That has brought

about a great improvement, by bringing the clubs into line with the hotels. They have to close at the same hour, but, of course, there are cases of trying to evade the law, by keeping liquor in lockers.

### GRAND HOTEL, ROTORUA.

On the site of the old Grand Hotel, at Rotorua, which was burned down last year, a magnificent new hotel has been erected by Messrs L. D. Nathan and Co. and Messrs Hancock and Co. It is said to be one of the most up-to-date hotels in the colony. Prior to the opening ceremony, which took the form of an elaborate dinner recently, a large number of the rooms had been already engaged. Mrs E. Robertson, a wonderful old lady, 81 years of age, and the oldest resident of Rotorua, in declaring the hotel opened, expressed herself delighted in having lived to see such a beautiful building erected. She said that fine as the previous edifice had been, the present building was superior in many respects, and was a credit to the hotel proprietary, architects, builders, and furnishers. At the conclusion of her speech Mrs Robertson presented Miss May Seddon with a beautiful shower bouquet, after which Miss May Seddon signed her name first in the visitors' book. Among those present at the ceremony were Mrs L. D. Nathan, Miss Roie Nathan, Mr David Nathan, and Mr E. Davis.

The hotel contains about 70 rooms, of which about 40 are bedrooms. In addition to a large square entrance lounge, there are well arranged commercial, reading, and club rooms, ladies' drawing-room, etc., and an extensive dining-room, measuring about 40 feet by 84 feet, with accommodation to seat 22 people comfortably. The hotel is lighted throughout by electricity, which is installed on the very latest principles. Mr J. Currie, of Auckland, has been the architect for the new building, Messrs Lye and Sons the builders, Mr Salinger was the contractor for the electric lighting, and Messrs McLeod and Green for the plumbing. The handsome furnishing was mostly done by the D.S.C. and Tonsen Garlick Company. The popular licensee, Mr McMath, remains in charge, with Mr Winter, lately from the Royal Hotel, at Auckland, as manager. Rotorua residents may well be proud in the possession of such a fine hotel and such splendid accommodation for tourists.

### THE KAIAPOI POLL.

In reference to the Kaiapoi licensing poll the demand for a recount alleges no irregularities. The request was lodged by Mr Van Asch, on behalf of the licensed victuallers. A most important point affecting the polling in Kaiapoi, as well as other districts, says a Christchurch contemporary, lies in the fact that apparently there is no provision in the electoral Act allowing permits to absent voters to be exercised in the licensing poll. In the electoral Act only a permit is provided for which would be exercised in the electoral poll, and would be attached to the electoral ballot paper. There is no provision for a second per-

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mit being issued for the licensing poll. In the Kaiapoi ballot there are forty-nine valid permits taken. Of these thirty-five voted for no-license, and fourteen for continuance. If these permits are illegal in the Kaiapoi poll, where reduction was carried by one and a-half votes, the position will be reversed, and by the disallowance of thirty-five votes, reduction will be lost by nine votes.

**INVERCARGILL.**

It was reported last week that a petition was in circulation praying for an inquiry regarding the Invercargill local option poll. It alleges that there were irregularities that tended to defeat the fairness of the poll. The question whether invalid votes cast for the Parliamentary election should affect the local option votes of the same persons is being discussed. It is said that members of a religious body made their votes informal on principle, and if so these were lost to the local option count. The continuance party, therefore, hold that the figures used as the basis of calculation for the local option poll, did not represent all the voters whose votes were recorded. No-license was carried by eight votes.

**NO-LICENSE AND POLITICS.**

"The Outlook" says:—"The net result of the local option polling has been to postpone indefinitely what promised to be the beginning of the abolition of the licensed traffic in alcoholic liquor. The first cause of defeat would appear to be the intrusion of the no-license issue into the purely political domain, for how else can be regarded the rejection of almost every candidate who based his claim to the suffrages of the electors upon the grounds that he was an advocate of no-license. The fact stands out clear and plain that the average elector resents the making of the no-license battle a factor in the struggle for party. The most significant factor, however, still remains to be reckoned with. It was confidently assumed that the young people who for the first time exercised their electoral rights would form a block vote for no-license. We fear that an analysis of the voting would prove exactly the opposite, or, at any rate, that a very large proportion of the young electors threw the weight of their votes in favour of continuance."

**BENEFITS OF ALCOHOL.**

Dr. Gordon Stables, M.D., R.N., who is also an author, and whose works have made him well known, writes very firmly in favour of the use of wines and spirits. The following is from his pen:—  
A vast majority of medical men are well aware that in the treatment of many diseases alcohol, in some form or other, is one of the best medicines we possess. Those "intellectuals" who deny this are few and far between. Some of these men have a private history that, if known, would go far to explain their readiness to denounce, in the face of facts, the use of alcohol in moderation. We are told, on the other hand, that total abstinence is an impossibility, because every article of food we eat, whether animal or vegetable, contains alcohol, and many ripe fruits a large proportion. Well, that is true enough; still, if a man refrains from taking wine, spirits, or beer, or what is generally known by the general name "drink," he

has a perfect right to call himself a teetotaler. but here are one or two other facts about these stimulants: not only do they assist in curing disease when nicely prescribed and used, but they help to prolong life in the aged and the infirm. They also assist the nervous to live in greater comfort, and it would even seem that for some constitutions Nature demands alcohol. Another fact we who pray for the spread of true temperance have to face, is that alcohol taken with the food, and in small proportions, not only assists digestion, but is in itself a food.

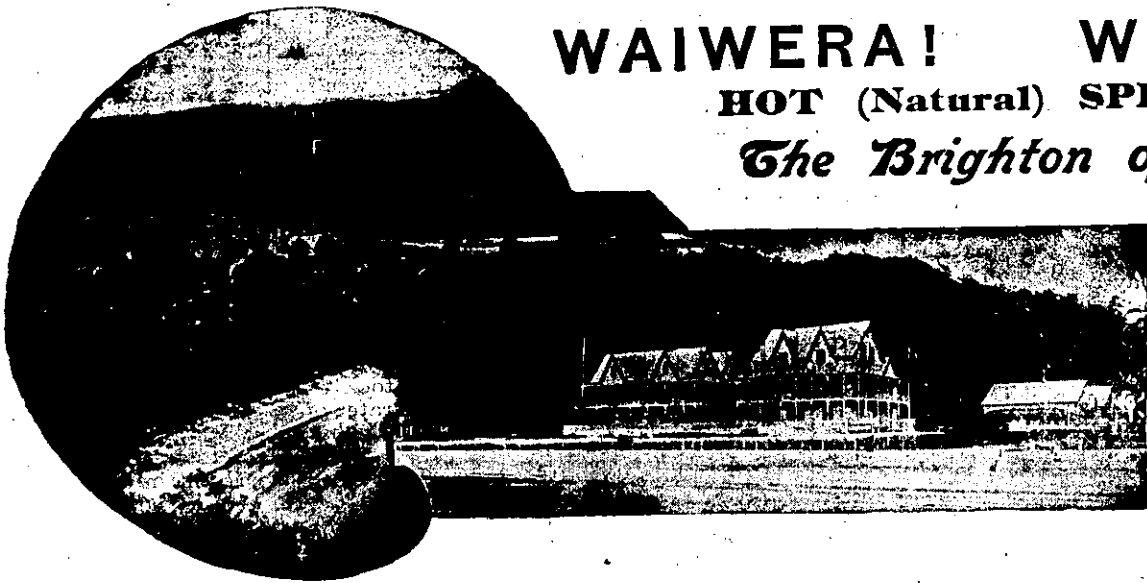
**REFRESHMENTS IN DISGUISE.**

There is at any rate one advantage which people who are not abstainers have over teetotalers. As they roam about the country they can gather many curious old-fashioned terms used by our beer-drinking forefathers. In Pembroke-shire, for instance, you meet with "sleevers." A sleeper, the landlord will tell

you while serving you with one, is an illegal measure, and contains the third of a quart.

Then in Bristol you call for a "gauger" (a pint), or a "blue of old George's," served in a blue earthenware mug. At Ilfracombe you learn what a "schooner" is. At Swansea, the labourers who board the steamers inquire anxiously for "tops and bottoms"—that is, everything that has been left undrunk in the passengers' glasses and saved up; or will even drink "legs and arms"—beer with no body in it. In Manchester you get a "hen" that is guaranteed twenty years old, or a "chicken" warranted ten. In Worcestershire a "joey of liquor" is worth twopence. A curious contrast to the value placed on a "Joey" in Warwickshire.—("The Daily Chronicle.")

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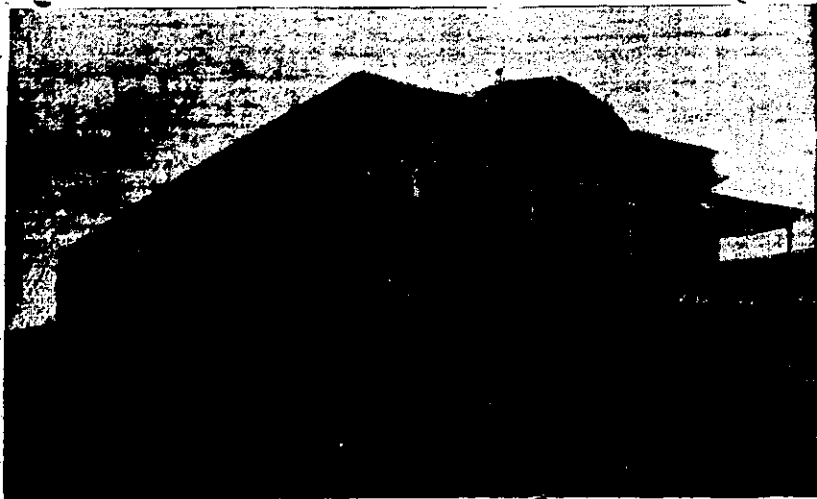
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**A GIANT WINE CASK.**

"Casell's Magazine" recently describes a giant wine cask or barrel that is in the wine cellars at Belvoir Castle, in Leicestershire, the seat of the Duke of Rutland. This cask is capable of holding 1300 gallons of liquid. Twelve persons are said to have dined within it at one time. Compared, however, with a cask at Rheims, possessed by Messrs Pomeroy, of champagne fame, it is a mere midget. Indeed, the Rheims cask can claim the distinction of being the largest cask ever made. It has a diameter of 26 feet, and when finished was filled with 6000 quintals of good Meissen wine, valued at £6000. It took years to make the cask, and it is hardly necessary to add that it was built more as an advertisement than for any practical purpose.

**CHAMPAGNE VINTAGE REPORT.**

Mr Charles Heidsieck, in a letter to the "Daily Mail," states that the prospects of a fine champagne this year seems out of the question, as owing to storms and hail in the middle of July and part of August, great damage was done to the vines in many districts. During the gathering, which is now nearly over, bad weather prevailed, necessitating the exercise of great care in selecting the grapes. Only a very light wine is expected to be the result of the 1905 vintage. The 1904 vintage, which was put into bottle this summer, is developing very well, and gives great promise. The last good vintage, he concludes, from this source was in 1900, and this is being sent over to England, where it is in great demand. Previous good champagne vintages were gathered in 1898, 1895, 1893, and 1892—the last named being exceptionally fine. Vineyards of other wines seem to have considerably suffered from the ravages of the weather, which has caused in many instances the three vine diseases dreaded by all grapegrowers—"phylloxera" or vine pest, an insect which kills the root of the plant; "peronospora," a fungus growing on the berries; and "mildew" of the leaves. The Bordeaux crop is more abundant than was at first expected. The Medoc is better than other districts, as owing to its sandy soil the ground is not so damp.

Which nation smokes the most tobacco per head? According to the Bureau of Statistics at Washington, which has been investigating this problem, the answer, in pounds, for the most recent year available is as follows:—Belgium, 6.21lb; United States, 5.40lb; Germany, 3.44lb; Austria, 3.02lb; Canada, 2.74lb; Australia, 2.59lb; Hungary, 2.42lb; France, 2.16lb; United Kingdom, 1.95lb; Mexico, 1.39lb; Russia, 1.10lb. The statistics take no account of the quality of the tobacco smoked, nor of course of the amount chewed. In the latter accomplishment the working classes of the United States undoubtedly "lead the world."

When we come to consider the quantity of drink consumed by our forefathers in the good old days when the foundation of the mighty fabric of this great nation was being built by those sturdy empire-makers, we must perforce regard the still and vat with feelings akin to homage, for those heroes who have given us the great legacy of nationality which we enjoy to-day were drinkers deep and strong. For instance, at the feast given by the Archbishop of York at his installation in the reign of Edward IV., three hundred tuns of ale and one hundred tuns of wine were consumed to wash down the more solid comforts of the prelate's hospitality. From a household book of the Earl of Northumberland, in the reign of Henry VIII., we learn that "on flesh days through the year breakfast for my lord and lady was a loaf of bread, two manchetts, a quart of beer, a quart of wine, half a chine of mutton, or a chine of beef boiled. On Meagre days, a loaf of bread, two manchetts, a quart of beer, a quart of wine, a dish of butter, a piece of salt fish, or a dish of buttered eggs. During Lent, a loaf of bread, two manchetts, a quart of beer, a quart of wine, two pieces of salt fish, six baconed herrings, four white herrings, or a dish of sprouts or sprats." Poor souls! Such ascetic fare must have earned them full toll to heaven.

Mr Smith, who keeps a public-house, hired a new barman. After he had been working there for about a week, Mr Smith asked his barman if he took any money out of his register, as his receipts were smaller than they ever were before. The barman answered "No."

Mr Smith said, "You must be taking money out of my register?"  
"Oh," exclaimed the barman, "I take out my car fare every night."  
"Well," said Mr Smith, "where the dickens do you live?"

**THE BUMPER HOP CROP.**

That the year 1905 is the best the hop industry has ever experienced in this neighbourhood is proved by the enormous quantity of hops conveyed to Ledbury Station by the various hop-growers in the district. The quantity was 6000 pockets, weighing in the aggregate over 500 tons, the largest quantity ever sent from Ledbury Station, to say nothing of those sent from Colwall, Ashperton, and Stoke Edith Stations from the adjacent hopfields. — "Worcester Chronicle."

**TEETOTALLERS' STATISTICS.**

It will be remembered that in July last Mr John Vale, the well-known teetotal lecturer, made a statement to the effect that the "Drink bill of Canada only amounted, for a population of over a million and a-half more than Australia, to £2,583,609. His authority for this, he stated, was the "National Temperance League's Annual" for 1905, page 105. The figures were challenged in a letter to the "Argus" by Mr R. Lemon, secretary of the Liquor Trades' Defence

Union, who, from the materials he at the time possessed, estimated the amount of Canada's "Bill" at £11,127,497. Mr Lemon has just received, through the courtesy of Mr Ross, the Commercial Agent for Canada in Victoria, all the official documents bearing on the subject for the year 1904, and from a cursory perusal of same he finds that the Dominion's "Drink Bill," calculated on the same price basis as Mr Merson's Victorian "Bill," amounted to considerably over £15,000,000! as against the Australian account of £14,873,588. We hope next month to be in a position to give the exact figures, and in the meantime are curious to know what Mr Vale has to say on the matter. Whether he has as yet obtained from sources of an unpartisan character the corroboration of his statement, or whether he will acknowledge his error, or that of his authority, is a matter of interest to the community generally.—("A.B. Journal.")

**AS OTHERS SEE US.**

We recently came across the following remarkable paragraph in a back number of a prominent American magazine—no less, indeed than "Harper's New Monthly Magazine":—"Among the most curious developments of modern brewing are the frozen beer of Tasmania and the compressed beer of Switzerland, both made for export. The British colonies are fast learning to brew for themselves instead of depending on the Mother Country, and Tasmania, which has the best reputation for its beer, ships it to India and Australia in frozen blocks, so that in Calcutta they suck their beer instead of sipping it. The Swiss process consists in evaporating beer during the stage of fermentation or after the completion of that process, until the residuum is as thick as condensed milk, occupying from an eighth to a twelfth of its original bulk. The alcohol which distils over with the water is separated from the latter, and is afterwards mixed with the syrupy extract of beer. The condensed beer, which is shipped in tins, is said to stand exposure to the air in almost any climate. When it is to be used, the proportionate amount of

water is added, and fermentation is again started by adding some less or ordinary beer, and it is claimed that the result is a good table-beer."—("A.B. Journal.")

**A GLARING INCONSISTENCY.**

It must be obvious to those who study the numerous cases constantly arising under the Licensing Acts of the various States that peculiar evidence, and scarcely less strange decisions, occasionally vary the monotony of police court proceedings. Recently at a Brisbane police court a bench fined a man £5 for "being found drinking in an hotel" on Sunday, and acquitted the licensee of the hotel on a charge of selling on that day. It may not be generally known that under the Queensland Licensing Act the customer who is found drinking in an hotel on Sunday is frequently fined heavily. In the case under notice two incidents really formed part of one transaction, and apparently if one party was guilty, the other was fortunate in being esteemed innocent. The strange part of the conviction of the supposed drinker was that it was not proved that he had, as a matter of fact, drunk anything. He may have intended to drink, but he said he did not, and the foaming tankard at his elbow was accounted for by the statement that it had been drawn for the hotel cook. He was undoubtedly on the premises, but there was no evidence that he had actually imbibed. Under those conditions, how could he be said to have

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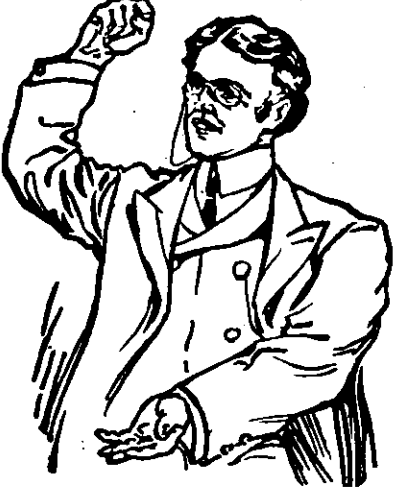
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been "found drinking?" If that particular decision had gone forward for review, it would have taken very strong argument to induce the Full Court to hold that a man who has drunk nothing can be said to be "found drinking." The bench, however, having convicted the unfortunate man, proceeded to acquit the licensee, thereby conveying their belief in the story about the cook. The supposed drinker, who drank not, was punished for drinking a pot of beer drawn for somebody else, who, for aught that was shown to the contrary, was entitled to it, and actually got it; and the licensee who supplied the drink, the drinking of which would have constituted one offence, and the supplying of it would form another, was pronounced innocent. The law is a wonderful thing, but its luminosity pales before the phosphorescent glow of magisterial logic.—"Austrian Brewers' Journal."

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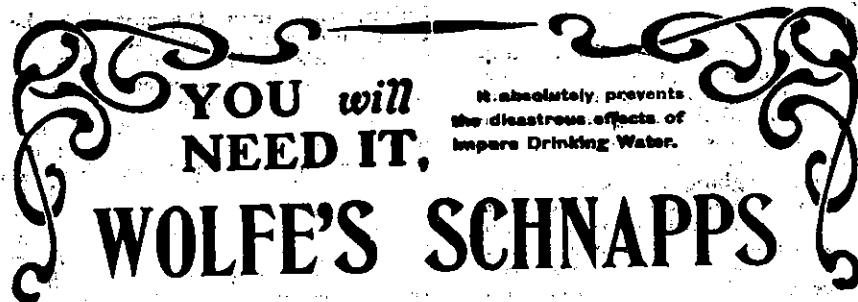
Tobacco blending is the Admiralty's latest undertaking. Hitherto sailor's tobacco has been issued in the leaf, and the men have had to make it up into rolls themselves. Moreover, all has been of a strong Virginian kind. Now, however, the Admiralty have decided as an experiment to supply the men with a new mixture consisting of Colonial and Virginian leaf. This will be manufactured in two strengths, mild and full flavoured, and be sold at one shilling per pound, the same price as is now charged for the leaf.

#### THE LUCKY COAL LUMPER.

Although the lot of the coal lumper is, like that of Gilbert's policeman, perhaps not altogether a happy one, particularly in regard to long hours and the fatiguing nature of the work, there are, in the opinion of the President of the Sydney Arbitration Court, compensating advantages. Judge Heydon set out some of them in his judgment, delivered the other day. "There is," he said, "smoke-oh," which gives them a half-hour's rest at short intervals, for which rest they are paid. Then, when their work is done out in the stream, their time includes the period during which they are on the

launch, going to and fro from work, probably about 20 minutes in all. If the collier is shifted from one side of the vessel to the other, or from one vessel to the other, there is an intermission, for which they are paid. If it rains, the men can stop when they like, and are paid for the period of waiting to see whether the rain is likely to cease. If the shoot into the bunker becomes choked, work stops until it is cleared, and only a few men work at clearing it. Two men, at least, are always put on to carry, though the distance may be only a step or two, so that sometimes the carriers take it in turns to sit down. If, after a stoppage of half an hour or an hour, through rain, the men resume work at a 'smoke-oh,' they will get double time for the 'smoke-oh.' All these things operate to reduce the average of four hours 48 minutes for which the men are paid, to considerably less than that period of actual work, and it seems probable that the real cost to the stevedore in wages to the coal-lumper for an hour's work is not less than 1s 10d or 1s 11d, instead of 1s 8d. Moreover, in the year 1900, an Act was passed limiting the size of the baskets to be used in coal lumping, and reducing them from about 10 to the ton, to about 11½ to the ton. This made the work decidedly easier for the men. It also made the work so much slower, and consequently more expensive, that the stevedore's claimed, and were allowed by the colliery owners, a higher rate per ton."

When you are growling about your work, think of the poor fellow who has none.



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#### IMMIGRANTS FOR NEW ZEALAND.

A Hobart telegram to the Sydney Evening News, of December 11, states.—"By every steamer from London to New Zealand hundreds of immigrants are proceeding there, taking advantage of the offer of the Government of that colony to come out on a £10 passage, providing they have £50 besides. By the Ionic 550 were passengers for New Zealand, and an "Evening News" representative spoke to several of them, and inquired what inducements had been offered. They spoke in eulogistic terms of the way in which the colony was being advertised in England, its possibilities, etc., being couched in flowery language. Every assistance was given to intending immigrants in the way of supplying information, and by meeting them as regards their passages out. They asserted that Australia, with all its Agents-General, was not reaching the people for immigration. There were thousands only waiting a fair opportunity to come out to settle on the land, but they could not hear anything about the country. They had only heard of Tasmania, they said, by means of geography books."

#### THE RETORT COURTEOUS.

Aunt Tabitha dearly loved her pipe, and could not be persuaded to give it up. She was a pious old soul, too, but argued that her mother and grandmother before her had smoked in the same chimney corner, and if it was right for them it was right for her.

A young minister came to the town, and one day as he was walking about he stumbled upon Aunt Tabitha's hut at

the foot of a hill, 'way up in the woods. He walked in, and found the old woman smoking. He at once thought who she was, as he had heard of her, and deemed it his duty to remonstrate with her about the use of tobacco.

"Aunt Tabitha," he said, "don't you know that the Good Book says that nothing unclean can enter into the Kingdom of Heaven? What will you do when you are refused admittance because of your breath polluted with tobacco? What have you to say to that?" he sternly concluded.

Aunt Tabitha puffed away while she looked the minister calmly over. Then taking the pipe from her mouth she answered, "What I say to that, young man, is that I spects to leave my breath behind when I goes to Heaven."—"Harper's Monthly."

#### WHERE IS HE?

"Art galleries and exhibitions," said a well-known collector the other day, "are interesting places to haunt. I wish I had noted down all the odd comments I have heard in them."

"Only last week I stood behind two young women from the country in a picture gallery. One of them called the other's attention to an animal piece.

"Two Dogs: After Landseer," she read from the frame. 'I can see the two dogs, but where is Landseer?'

"The other young woman studied the painting closely.

"Where is he?" she said. 'I suppose this must be one of them puzzle pictures.'"

The Republic of Costa Rica do an immense export banana trade, the principal consumer being the United States, with Great Britain as a good second. In 1900 the number of bunches exported amounted to 2,804,103, in 1904 it had risen to 5,760,000, or more than double.

The three postal officials, Willis, Larcombe and West, who figured prominently in the voucher fiasco, have been dismissed from the service by the Government. Lundon, a fourth official connected with the matter, will have his increment stopped for one year, and he will be reprimanded and transferred from Christchurch to another station.

## RESTORATION TO HEALTH.

(By "SANO.")

One of the supremest joys of life is the experience of full-blooded health after one has suffered bodily pain for a lengthy period, especially when the illness has been of such a nature that nearly all hope of recovery has been abandoned. In these days of strict attention to hygiene, diet, and physical culture, the maintenance of good health has been reduced to a science, and it is comparatively easy to remain well and fit when once in proper form, whilst there are a large number of disorders that afflict humanity which now can be avoided, or readily cured, if the origin of such disorders is understood. It is quite common, still, to regard Rheumatism, Gout, Neuralgia, Lumbago, Sciatica, Gravel and Stone, Bladder Troubles, Bilioussness, Indigestion, Jaundice, Sick Headache, Anaemia, General Debility, and most blood disorders as being of a specific nature, each calling for independent treatment, when, in fact, all of these disorders have their origin in an inefficient action of the kidneys and liver. The importance of the work which nature has apportioned to the kidneys and liver will be more fully realised by a short account of their respective functions.

The kidneys of the average person filter and extract from the blood about three pints of urine every day. In this quantity of urine should be dissolved about an ounce of urea, ten or twelve grains in weight, of uric acid, and other animal and mineral matter varying from a third of an ounce to nearly an ounce. If the kidneys are working freely and healthily, all this solid matter leaves the body dissolved in the urine, but if through weakness or disease, the kidneys are unable to do their work properly, a quantity of these urinary substances remains in the blood and flows through the veins contaminating the whole system. Then we suffer from some form of uric poisoning such as Rheumatism, Gout, Lumbago, Backache, Sciatica, Persistent Headache, Neural-

gia, Gravel, Stone, and Bladder Troubles. A simple test to make as to whether the kidneys are healthy is to place some urine, passed the first thing in the morning, in a covered glass, and let it stand until next morning. If it is then cloudy, shows a sediment like brick-dust, is of an unnatural colour, or has particles floating about in it, the kidneys are weak or diseased, and steps must immediately be taken to restore their vigour, or Bright's Disease, Diabetes, or some of the many manifestations of uric poisoning will result.

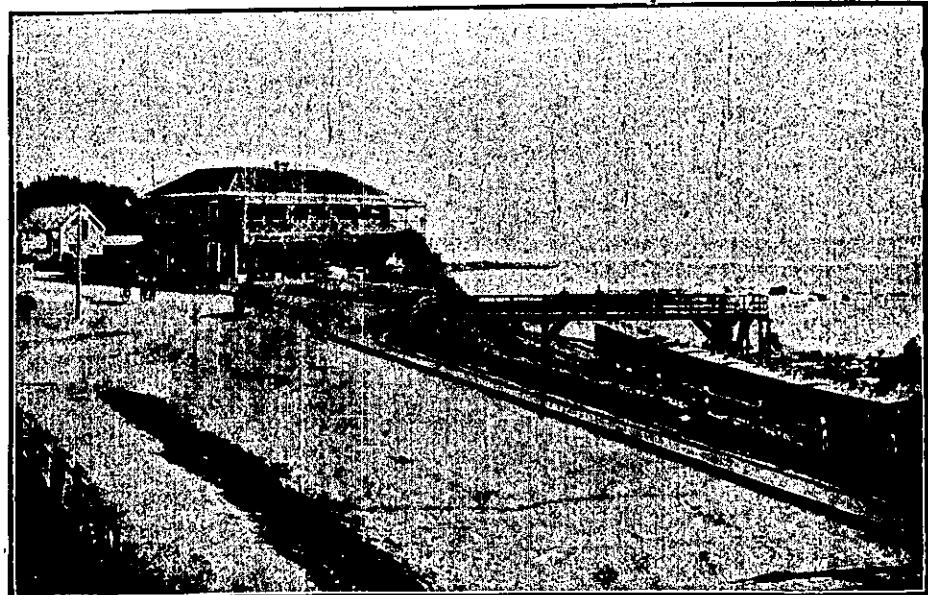
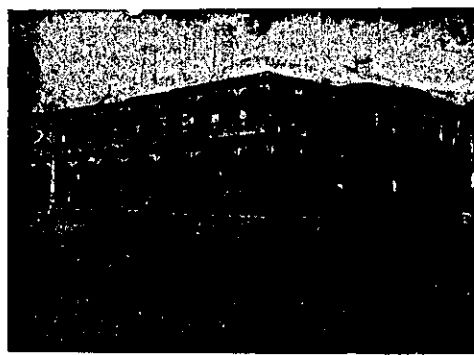
The liver is an automatic chemical laboratory. In the liver various substances are actually made from the blood. Two or three pounds of bile are thus made by the liver every day. The liver takes sugar from the blood, converts it into another form, and stores it up so as to be able to again supply it to the blood, as the latter may require enrichment. The liver changes uric acid, which is insoluble, into urea, which is completely soluble, and the liver also deals with the blood corpuscles which have lived their life and are useful no longer. When the liver is inactive or diseased we suffer from some form of biliary poisoning such as Indigestion, Bilioussness, Anemia, Jaundice, Sick Headache, General Debility, and Blood Disorders.

So intimate is the relation between the work done by the kidneys and that done by the liver, that where there is any failure on the part of the kidneys, the liver becomes affected in sympathy and vice versa. It was the realisation of the importance of this close union of the labour of those vital organs which resulted in the discovery of the medicine now known throughout the world as Warner's Safe Cure. Certain medical men, knowing what a boon it would be to humanity if some medicine could be found which would act specifically on both the kidneys and liver, devoted themselves to an exhaustive search for such a medium, and their devotion was eventually rewarded by their success in compounding a medicine which possesses the required quality in the fullest degree. Warner's Safe Cure exhibits a marvellous healing action in all cases of functional or chronic diseases of the kidneys and liver, and restoring them, as it is able to do, to health and activity, it, of necessity, cures all complaints due to the retention in the system of urinary and biliary poisons. A vigorous action of the kidneys and liver naturally eliminates the poisons and troubles due to the presence of the poisons cease. Cures effected by Warner's Safe Cure are permanent simply because they are natural.

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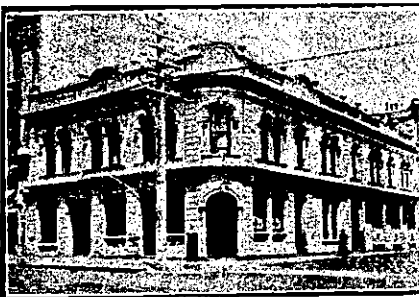
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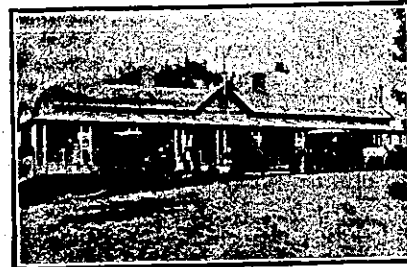
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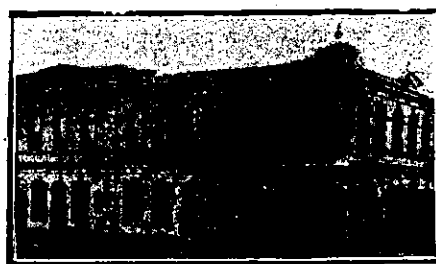
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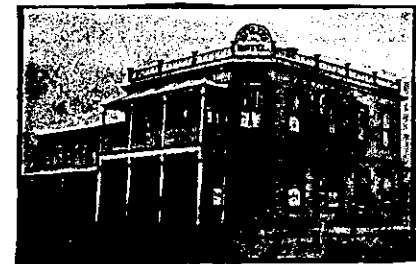
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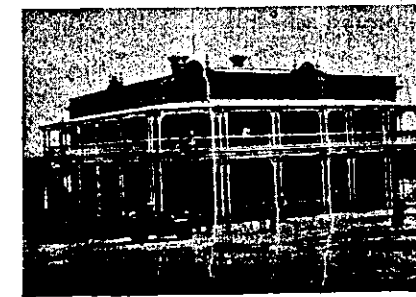


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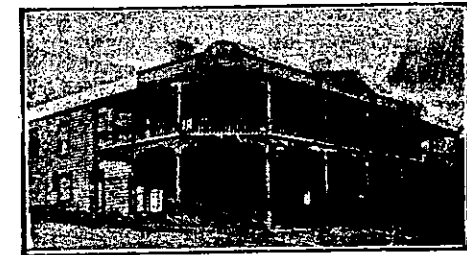
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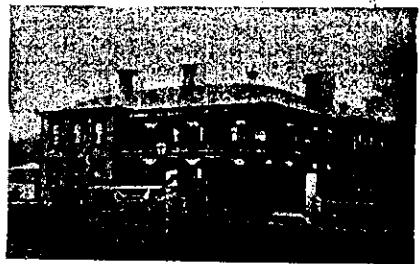
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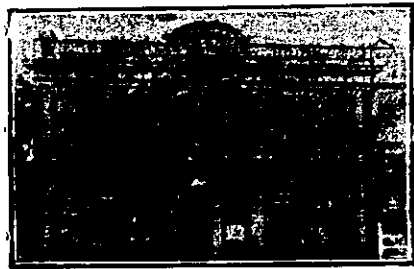
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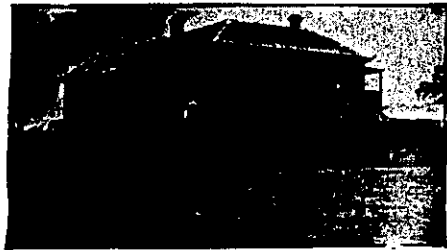
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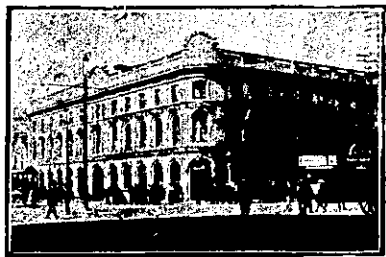
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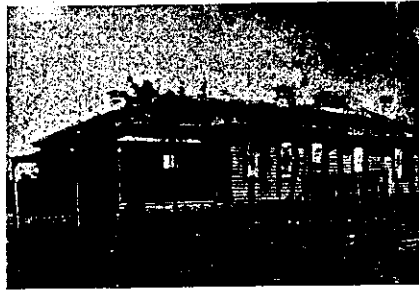


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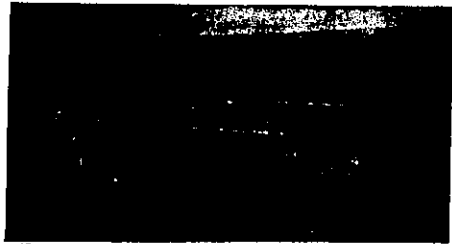
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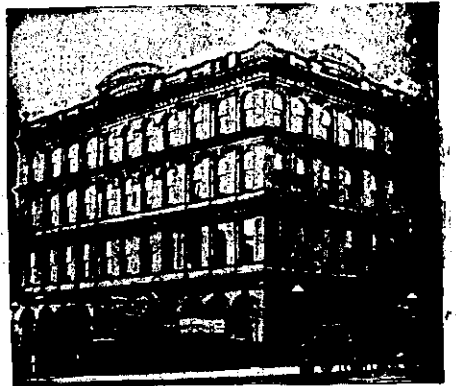
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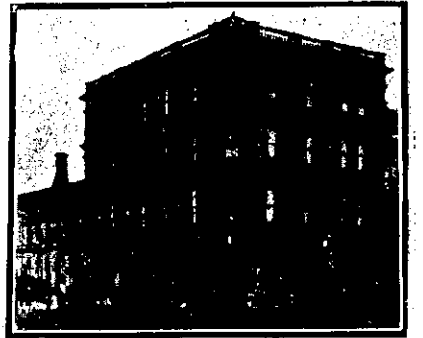
Secombe's Sparkling Ale on Draught.



WAVERLEY HOTEL, QUEEN STREET, AUCKLAND.

Near Railway Station, Tram Terminus, The Wharf, and Bus Stands. First-class Table d'Hote. Conveyance meets Steamships and Trains. Tariff, 7s. per day; 22s. per week. Telephone 370. This Hotel has a beautiful view of the Harbour.

MAURICE O'CONNOR, Proprietor.



ALBION HOTEL, Corner of HOBSON AND WELLESLEY STREETS.

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION. BILLIARD ROOM.

J. MOLLOY, Proprietor. Telephone 459.

MACKAYTOWN HOTEL.

Situate on the Road between Paeroa and Karangahake.

MR W. WOODWARD, late of the Pacific Hotel, Thames, desires to inform the public of Thames and Ohinemuri Districts that he has taken over the proprietorship of the above well-known and popular hostelry. The Dining-room will be under the control of Mrs Woodward, which is a sufficient guarantee of its efficiency. Don't forget to give "Rock" a call when passing.

SALUTATION HOTEL, MARY-STREET, THAMES.

This popular Hotel has been taken over by Mr. H. Brownlee, who hopes by strict attention to the requirements of patrons and keeping only the best Ales and Liquors in stock to receive and maintain a fair proportion of public patronage. Speight's Celebrated Dunedin Beer. Always on Tap.

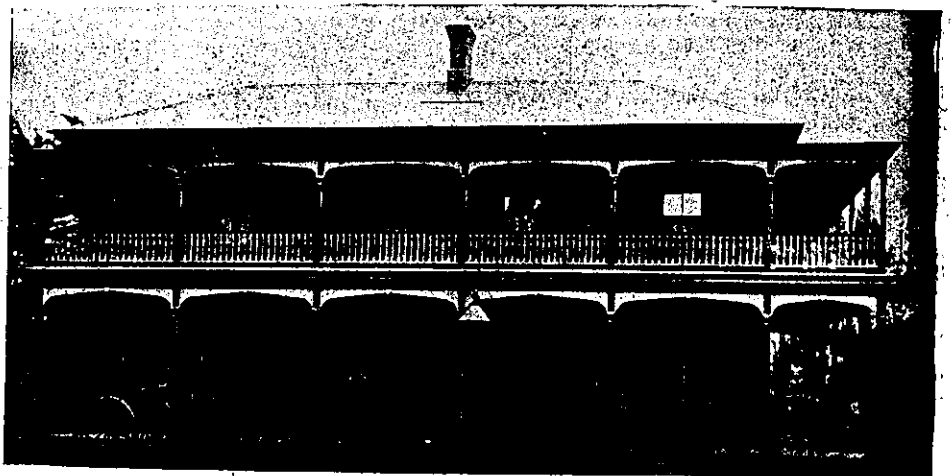
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HARRY BROWNLEE, PROPRIETOR.

EPSOM HOTEL, EPSOM (OPPOSITE ALEXANDRA PARK).

H. A. LLOYD (late of Kamo) PROPRIETOR.

Secombe's Sparkling XXXX Ales on draught. Wines and Spirits (of all brands) of the highest quality. Telephone 1143.



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.

IF YOU ARE GOING FISHING YOU REQUIRE GOOD TACKLE!!



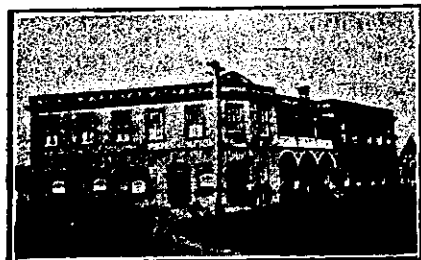
WE can supply you with everything needed at reasonable prices. Over 75 pages Illustrated List tells what we Stock.—It is yours for the asking, Post Free.

WILLIAM H. HAZARD, Gunmaker and Fishing Tackle Manufacturer, AUCKLAND.

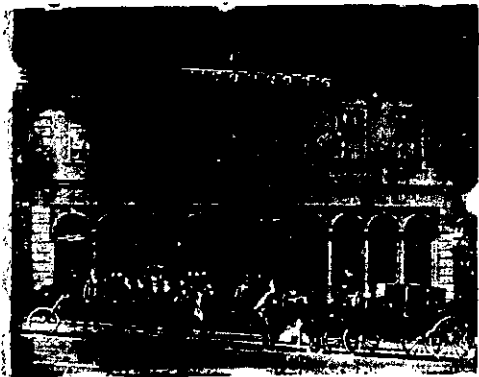
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**AUCKLAND PROVINCE.—Continued**

**STAR HOTEL,**  
 KARANGAHAPE ROAD NEWTON.  
 (Opp. Ponsonby Reservoir.)  
 FINEST BRANDS OF BEERS, WINES  
 AND SPIRITS.  
 T. W. WATTS ..... Proprietor.



**COMMERCIAL HOTEL, WHANGAREI.**  
 W. T. BRAY  
 Having taken over the above Hotel, has in-  
 creased the accommodation and renovated  
 the Premises throughout. Customers can  
 rely on Every Comfort and Attention.  
**THE BEST BRANDS OF WINES AND  
 SPIRITS KEPT IN STOCK.**  
 Ample Sample Rooms for Commercial  
 Travellers. Good Billiard Table.  
 Stable Accommodation Superior to any-  
 thing North of Auckland.



**VICTORIA HOTEL,**  
 VICTORIA STREET, AUCKLAND.  
 Wines and Spirits of the Best Brands.  
 First-class Accommodation for Visitors.  
 Splendid Billiard Table and Appointments.  
 R. R. O'CONNOR ..... 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.

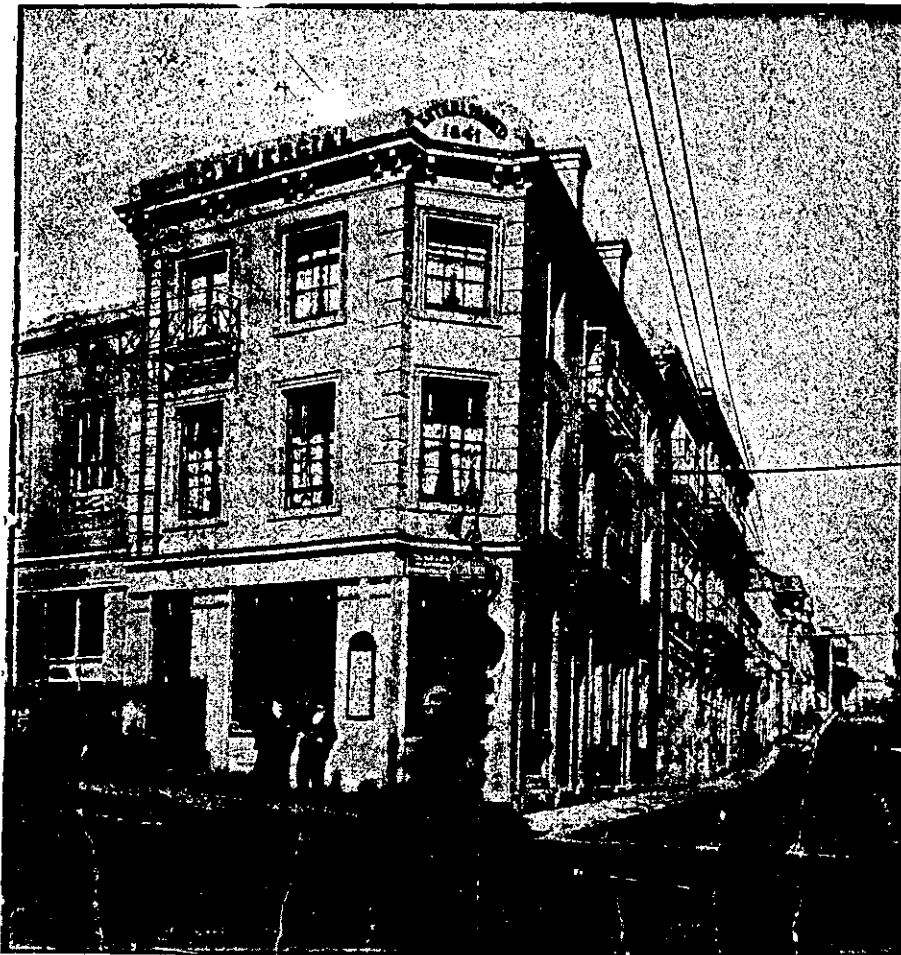
**PAPAKURA HOTEL,**  
 PAPAKURA.  
 Notice to Cyclists, Footballers, and others.—Your old  
 friend Thos. McEwin has taken over the above Hotel  
 and will be pleased to see all old faces. Splendid Accom-  
 modation and Cuisine. Large Rooms for use of Clubs.  
 THOS. McEWIN ..... Proprietor.

**The Farthest North.**  
 JOSEPH EVANS, JUNR.  
 PROPRIETOR  
**THE HOHOURA HOTEL**  
 HOHOURA,  
 MANGONUI COUNTY.  
 Every Accommodation can be had here.  
 CHARGES MODERATE.  
 LIQUORS OF THE BEST.

Don't Forget—  
**Joseph Evans, Junr.**  
 Proprietor.

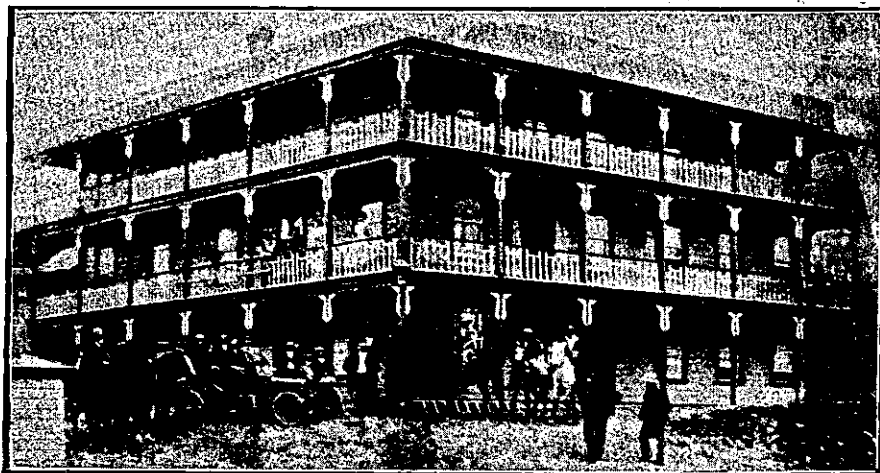
**RISING SUN HOTEL,**  
 KARANGAHAPE ROAD.

J. McKEANE, so long and favourably  
 known at Panmure 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. Tel. 1717.



**Kidd's Commercial Hotel**

S. J. ATKINS, Proprietor.  
 SHORTLAND & HIGH STREETS.

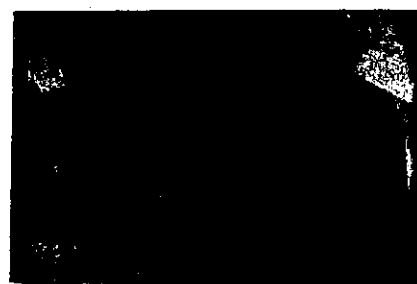


**THE JUNCTION HOTEL**

KAWAKAWA.  
 G. MARSHALL, PROPRIETOR.

The Proprietor begs to acquaint the numerous friends  
 of the above well-known favourite and spacious hos-  
 tel, that he has become lessee, and hopes by strict  
 attention and civility to customers, to merit a con-  
 tinuance of the liberal support accorded to the house  
 in the past.  
 Wines, Spirits, and Beers of the First Quality.  
 Billiards. Buggies, etc. Sample Rooms.  
 The Best of Accommodation. A Good Table kept.  
 CHARGES MODERATE.

**HAIG & HAIG**  
 Three Star  
**SCOTS WHISKY**

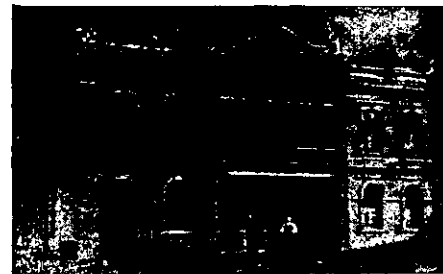


**HOBSON HOTEL,**  
 Corner of  
 HOBSON AND VICTORIA STREETS,  
 AUCKLAND.  
 Wines and Spirits of Best Quality.  
 M. FOLEY ..... Proprietor.



**ROYAL & GEORGE HOTEL,**  
 NEWMARKET.

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.

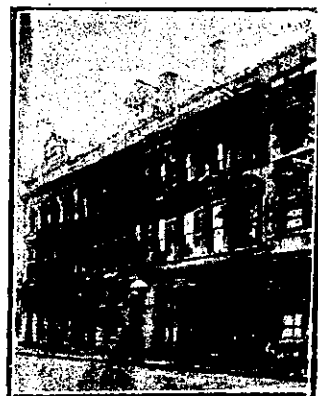
This fine House, just re-built in brick and furnished  
 up-to-date etc. now offers unrivalled accommodation  
 to the travelling public.  
 Sample Room Hot and Cold Baths.  
 Two minutes walk from Saltwater Bathing Place.  
 Stabling Second to None.  
 Best Wines, Ales and Spirits Kept in Stock.  
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



**PANMURE HOTEL,**  
 PANMURE,  
 AUCKLAND.

GEORGE HYDE.....Proprietor.

MR HYDE, the well-known amateur rider,  
 begs to announce that he has taken over  
 this popular hotel, and the public can ac-  
 cordingly rely upon everything being on  
 most up-to-date lines.  
 Only the best brands of Ales, Wines, and  
 Spirits kept  
 A fine Social Hall is available for enter-  
 tainments, etc.



**IMPERIAL HOTEL,**  
 FORT STREET, AUCKLAND.

A First-class Family and Commercial Hotel convenient  
 to public offices and places of amusement. Letters  
 and telegrams will receive prompt attention. Telephone  
 Exchange. Sample Rooms. Private Bar. Thos. Cook  
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T. PEARCE ..... Proprietor.

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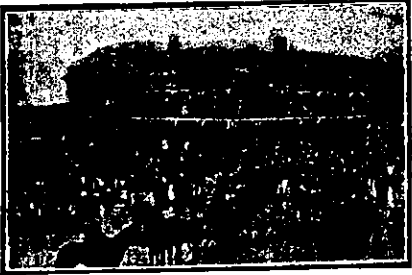


JUNCTION HOTEL, EPSOM.

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.

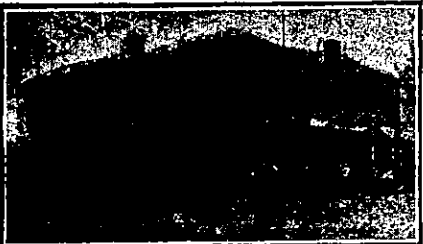
THE PREMIER HOTEL OF TE AROHA.

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: 85s per Week, or 6s per Day.

THE SPORTING HOTEL OF THE DISTRICT.



OHAEAWAI HOTEL, OHAEAWAI BAY OF ISLANDS.

GEORGE CLARK PAYNE, Proprietor (Late of the Duke of Marlborough Hotel, Russell)

Begs to state that having got the "Corner" into thorough working trim, no effort will be spared to Cater for Visitors of all Classes. Suffice to say that Cleanliness, Civility, a Good Table, and Moderate Rate shall be a Strict Rule as heretofore. Best Wines and Spirits Only Kept. Ehrenfried's XXXX Beer on Draught. The Best of Beers. First-class Stabling, Paddocking and Billiards.



CITY HOTEL, CORNER OF VICTORIA AND HOBSON STS, AUCKLAND.

WALTER STIMPSON (Late of the Queen's Ferry)

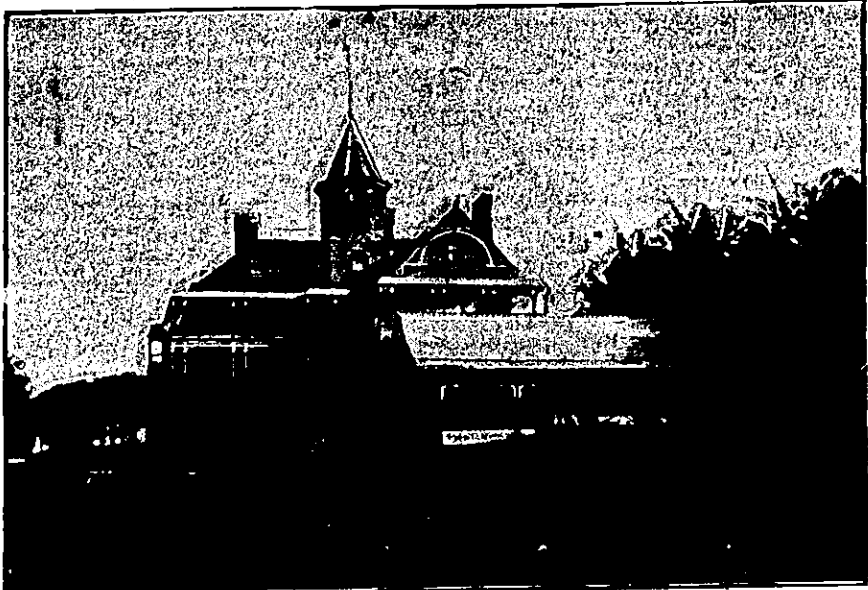
Will be glad to welcome old and New Friends at the above Popular House. The Wines, Spirits, Ales and Cuisine will be found to be unexceptionable, while the Accommodation is thoroughly modern.

MANUKAU HOTEL, ONEHUNGA WHARF, QUEEN-ST, ONEHUNGA.

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. T. MICHAELS Proprietor.

HUNTLY HOTEL, HUNTLY. L. B. HARRIS Proprietor.

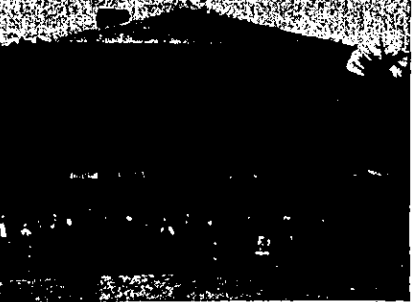
This Hotel is now one of the largest in the Waikato. All trains stop at Huntly, and the Hotel is a few yards from the Station. First-class Accommodation and Excellent Table.



LAKE HOTEL, TAKAPUNA.

MR. H. S. BOOKER 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 the 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.

H. S. BOOKER Proprietor.



RAILWAY HOTEL, KARANGAHAKE 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.

OWHAROA HOTEL, MAIN-STREET, WAIKINO.

RALPH MONTGOMERY Proprietor.

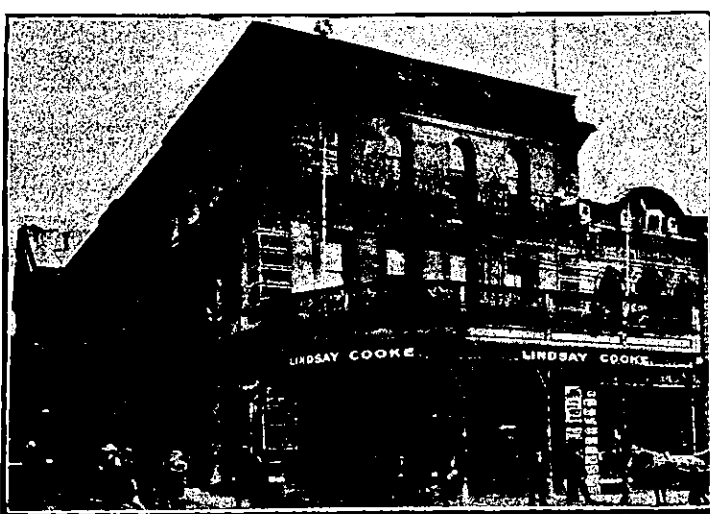
RALPH MONTGOMERY (lately manager of the above Hotel) has taken it over on his own, and trusts to see all his old patrons. Extensive additions are now being made, and when complete the Hotel will be second to none in the district. Don't forget to call on RALPH MONTGOMERY.

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.



METROPOLITAN HOTEL, QUEEN STREET, AUCKLAND.

LINDSAY COOKE Proprietor.

The new proprietor has much pleasure in announcing that this popular House has been thoroughly renovated and re-furnished throughout and now offers accommodation equal to any other in the colony. Entirely New Stock of Wines, Spirits, and Ales have been laid down, and the Cuisine is Unexcelled.

**China & Glassware.**

We hold the most up-to-date Stock of Lines required by Hotels, Clubs, Restaurants, Boarding Houses, etc. We quote Special Prices to the Trade.

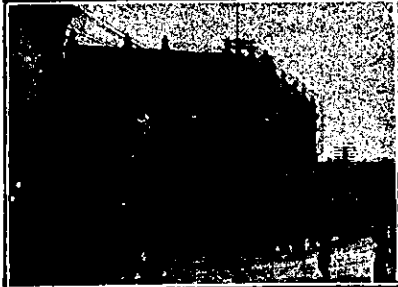
We make a Speciality of Wedding Presents, New Epergnes, Pots and Pedestals, Vases, Ornaments.

NOTE.—We hire, for special occasions, China, Glass, Cutlery, etc.

**TANFIELD, POTTER & CO., RETAIL, 242 Queen St.**

Wholesale Dept. Lorne St.

WELLINGTON PROVINCE.



DUKE OF EDINBURGH HOTEL, WELLINGTON.

Having purchased the interest of Mrs Isaacs in the above well-known hostelry, I trust that by carefully studying the comfort of the travelling and general public, a continuance of former patronage will be extended to the present proprietor, who for many years has conducted well-known hotels in other parts of the province. This hotel offers superior accommodation to travellers, and is a first class family house in every respect. Every attention and excellent meals, and only best meals, and only best drinks on tap.

ROBERT HUNT (late of Marton), Proprietor.

ALHAMBRA HOTEL, CUBA-STREET, WELLINGTON.

MR S. J. FLEWELLYN (late of the Clarence, Christchurch), has taken over the above popular hostelry, which will be found thoroughly up-to-date. The bars are as bright and cosy as to be found anywhere and are stocked with the best liquors procurable.

S. J. FLEWELLYN Proprietor.



CENTRAL HOTEL, QUEEN-STREET, MASTERTON.

The Best-Appointed and Most Up-to-date Inland Hotel in the Colony. Tourists Specially Catered for. First-class Chef.

R. J. HODGINS Proprietor.

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 Well-lighted Sample Room.

S. J. GIBBONS Proprietor.

BARRETT'S NEW HOTEL, LAMBTON QUAY, WELLINGTON.

THIS Hotel has just been completed and furnished throughout in the best style, making it a hostelry second to none in the colony. Its close proximity to the wharf, trains, and trams renders it an excellent and convenient Hotel for visitors and travellers to be accommodated. The general features of Barrett's New Hotel will be found to be thoroughly up-to-date in every way. Best of everything for permanent boarders, visitors, families, and the travelling public, at moderate rates. Nothing but the finest quality of Wines, Ales, and Spirits stocked. Civility and attention to all patrons.

J. J. KELLY Proprietor.



RUTLAND HOTEL, WANGANUI.

F. C. FABER Proprietor.

THE HOME OF THE TOURIST. The above hotel has just been rebuilt and newly furnished throughout in an up-to-date style. The reading, writing and smoke rooms are replete with every convenience. The greatest care is taken to maintain a reputation for home comfort. Dark room for photographers.

CASBY'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.

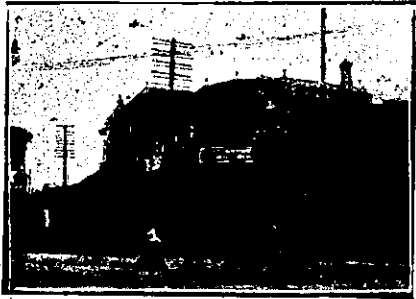
CLUB HOTEL, MASTERTON.

The appointed house for the Commercial Travellers and Warehousemen's Association, Wellington, also, Cook's Tourist Travellers.

All Appointments up-to-date. A. C. SCRIMGEOUR Proprietor.



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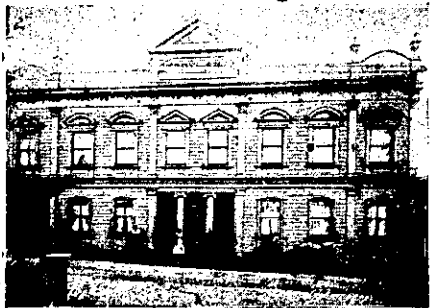


ALBERT HOTEL, WILLIS STREET, WELLINGTON.

MR D. P. BARRETT Has pleasure in intimating that he has taken over the proprietorship of this well-known Commercial and Family Hotel, and trusts that his long experience in first-class hotel-keeping will add to the comfort of visitors. Suits of Rooms and all first-class Accommodation for Tourists and Boarders. Excellent Table kept.

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 Paddockings Coaches run twice daily to Shannon. ANDREW LAING (late of Dannevirke).....Proprietor



PRIVATE HOTEL, No. 70, INGESTRE-STREET, WELLINGTON.

First-class Accommodation. Good Table. All Up-to-date conveniences. Terms Moderate. Tel. 1053. JOSEPH ROSS ... Proprietor.

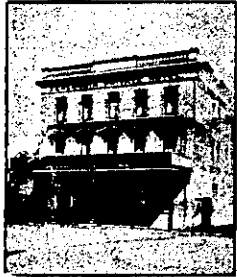
CLUB HOTEL, MARTON.

R. J. WALTERS ... Proprietor. First-class accommodation for visitors and the travelling public. Only the Best Brands of Ales, Wines and Spirits kept. First-class Billiard room

CLUB HOTEL, LAMBTON QUAY, WELLINGTON.

First-class accommodation at a moderate tariff. Every attention and all home comforts. Wines Spirits, Ales, etc., of the Best Quality. E. SHERATT ... Proprietor

ZEALANDIA PRIVATE HOTEL, CAMBRIDGE TER., WELLINGTON. (Opp. Clyde Quay School). Tel. 1656.



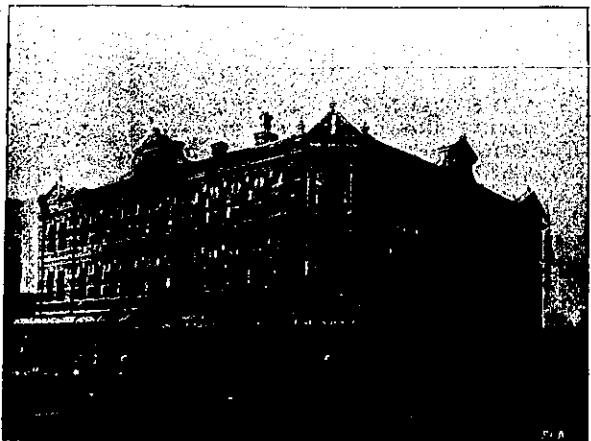
First-class Accommodation for Boarders and the Travelling Public. GOOD TABLE. MODERATE TARIFF. Baths: Hot, Cold and Shower. Trams to all parts of Town and Suburbs at corner.

This New and Commodious Building comprises 45 Rooms, and its Accommodation is equal to any in Wellington. MRS E. BUSHETT ..... Proprietress.

COCKAYNE'S LEVIATHAN, MANCHESTER and ST. ASAPH STREETS, CHRISTCHURCH.

Visitors to Christchurch should secure accommodation at the Leviathan. It offers all the advantages of an up-to-date home, and is furnished throughout in such a manner as to provide the Best Accommodation for Boarders, Visitors, and Travellers. PRIVATE ROOMS FOR LADIES. Hot and Cold Baths, Fire Escapes, etc.

Within Five Minutes' Walk from Christchurch Railway Station. TARIFF: 4/6 PER DIEM. 30/- PER WEEK. Comfort, Cleanliness, and Civility Guaranteed. Letters and Telegrams Receive prompt attention. TELEPHONE 747.



WELLINGTON—Continued.

DEVINE'S EMPIRE HOTEL, MAIN STREET, PALMERSTON NORTH.

Patrons can rely on being supplied with all leading brands of Whiskies, Wines and Brandies. Special feature: First-class luncheon from 12 o'clock to 2 p.m. for One ... Upstairs and dining-room under supervision of Mrs Devine. Up-to-date Billiard Room, under capable management. W. DEVINE (Late of Marton Hotel).....Proprietor

CALEDONIAN HOTEL, OPPOSITE BASIN RESERVE, WELLINGTON.

Trams Pass the Hotel every few minutes. I beg to announce that the house, which has only lately been rebuilt and refurnished, is now open to the travelling public. Good table kept at a reasonable tariff None but the best brands of Wines and Spirits stocked, and only Speight's best draught Ales on tap. GEO. A. ALLEN, Late of the Albert Hotel, Wellington, Proprietor.

PRINCESS HOTEL, TERRACE END, PALMERSTON NORTH.

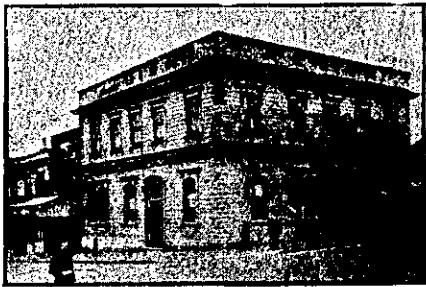
The travelling public can rely on being supplied with the best liquors, comfortable bedrooms, and first-class table. Finest Billiard Room and Table on the Coast. Terms moderate. C. J. BARFORD .. Proprietor.

GRAND NATIONAL HOTEL, PETONE, WELLINGTON.

MR JOHN PYKE (late of the Cambridge and Imperial Hotels, Wellington) begs to notify his friends and the public generally that he has taken over this old-established and popular hostelry, which will be found replete with every modern convenience, and liquors of the best brands obtainable. Excellent stabling, loose boxes, and paddocking. JOHN PYKE - - - Proprietor.

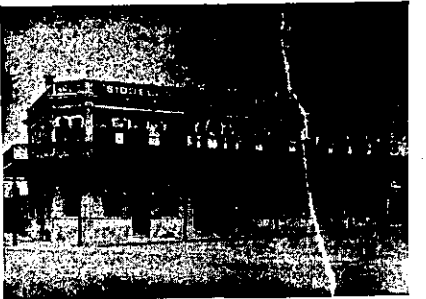
THE NEW RAILWAY HOTEL, OPPOSITE RAILWAY STATION, PALMERSTON NORTH. J. HURLEY ..... PROPRIETOR.

Forty-five Rooms, 4 Bathrooms (hot and cold water), newly-furnished throughout. Up to date in every respect. First-class Table. Best Liquors only. Terms Moderate.



ALBION HOTEL, WANGANUI. (Opposite the Courthouse and Public Library).

PETER HARRISHORN Desires to intimate to friends and the public generally that he has had the premises thoroughly renovated and refurnished throughout. The Best Wines and Spirits stocked. Speight's and Swan's Ales always on tap. Cuisine a Speciality. Luncheon from 12 to 2 o'clock. Excellent Accommodation for Boarders. Every convenience. Telephone PETER HARRISHORN ... Proprietor.



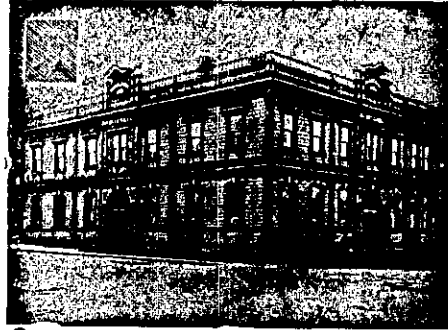
SIDDELLS FEDERAL HOTEL, WANGANUI.

Opposite the Up-river Piers and Wharves and Boat-sheds. Three minutes' walk from Railway Station and Post Office. The beautiful and well-laid-out Moutoa Gardens across the road. First-class accommodation at reasonable tariff. Patrons can rely on Wines, Spirits, etc., being A1. Stock only Best Brands. Dunedin and Local Beer always on tap. CHAS. SIDDELLS ... Proprietor.

RAILWAY HOTEL (OPPOSITE RAILWAY STATION), MARTON JUNCTION.

W. CLARKE .. Proprietor. All trains stop sufficient time at station to enable passengers to obtain refreshments. Good accommodation for the travelling public; also good stabling.

WELLINGTON—Continued.



METROPOLITAN HOTEL, WANGANUI. B. T. BENNETT ... Proprietor.

This commodious and well furnished family and commercial hotel is almost opposite railway station and town wharves. It has a lovely promenade of which commands a splendid view of the town. The cuisine is in charge of an experienced chef. Mr Bennett's name is sufficient guarantee that nothing but the best of wines and spirits will be kept. Night Porter always in attendance. Visitors can rely upon getting the best of attention together with civility. Letters and telegrams promptly attended to. P.O. Box 138 Telephone 84.



CRITERION HOTEL, WANGANUI

This well-known hotel is in close proximity to the railway station, thereby offering great facility to the travelling public of being able to leave by the early trains. Guests may depend upon being called in time, a porter being kept for that purpose. The bedrooms are well and comfortably furnished, and the fittings and accommodation throughout are all that can be desired. The wines and spirits are all of the choicest and best brands. Table d'ote daily from 12 to 2, and meals at all hours for travellers. W. H. BLEASEL ... Proprietor.



PROVINCIAL HOTEL, WANGANUI.

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION FOR THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC. ONLY THE BEST OF ALES, WINES, AND SPIRITS KEPT IN STOCK. W. TUCK ..... Proprietor.

THE COMMERCIAL PRIVATE HOTEL, FEILDING.

Recently opened. Has been built in the most up-to-date style, and offers superior accommodation, together with the comforts of a home. Excellent Cuisine. Hot, Cold, and Shower Baths. Moderate Tariff.

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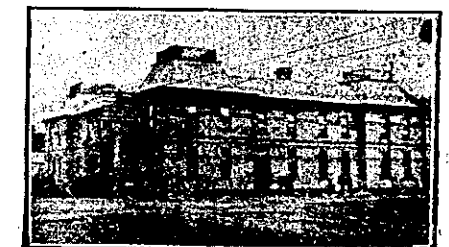
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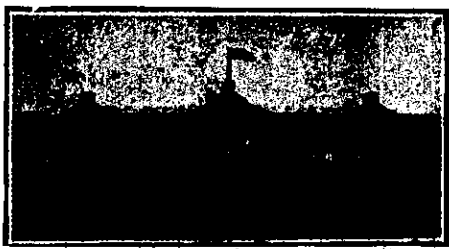
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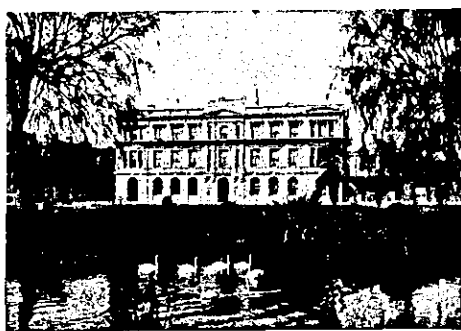
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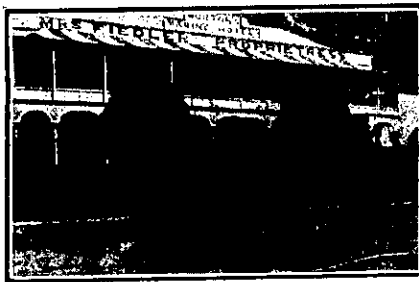
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