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PROGRAMME.

AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY,  
EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 1st, 1907.

First race to start at 12 noon.

**TRADESMEN'S HANDICAP** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. One mile and a-quarter.

**NORTHERN CHAMPAGNE STAKES** of 500sovs; second horse to receive 75 sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. Colt, 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 8lb; geldings, 8st 7lb. By subscription of 5sovs each, payable at the post, unless forfeits are declared as follows:—If struck out by the first Friday in December, 1906, 1sov forfeit; if struck out by the first Friday in February, 1907, 2sovs forfeit; if left in after this date liable for the whole 5sovs. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. Six furlongs.

**EASTER HANDICAP** of 650sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 2sovs, and a final payment of 3sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. Winner of any flat race or flat races collectively of the value of 100sovs after the declaration of the weights to carry 3lb; of 150sovs, 7lb; of 300sovs, 10lb penalty. One mile.

**BRIGHTON HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP)** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Over eight flights of hurdles. Winner of any hurdle race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Two miles.

**EDEN HANDICAP** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Seven furlongs.

**ON SLOW STAKES (HANDICAP)** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds that have never won a race of the value of 50sovs, or races of the collective value of 150sovs, at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

**NELSON HANDICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 50sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 150sovs at time of starting. The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Seven furlongs.

**TRAMWAY HANDICAP** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY,  
EASTER TUESDAY, APRIL 2nd, 1907.

First race to start at 12 noon.

**THE STEWARDS' HANDICAP** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. One mile.

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

**THE GREAT NORTHERN OAKS** of 500sovs; second horse to receive 75 sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. For three-year-old fillies, 8st 10lb. By subscription of 5sovs each, payable at the post, unless forfeits are declared as follows:—If struck out by 9 p.m. on first Friday in December, 1906, 1sov forfeit; if struck out by 9 p.m. on the first Friday in February, 1907, 2sovs forfeit. If left in after this date, liable for the whole 5sovs. One mile and a-half.

**ST. GEORGE'S HANDICAP** of 500sovs; second horse to receive 75sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs, and a final payment of 2sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. One mile and a-quarter.

**HUIA HANDICAP** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov

each, to go to the funds. The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Six furlongs.

**MANGERE HANDICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 100sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. The winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

**AUTUMN STEEPLECHASE (HANDICAP)** of 300sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs each, to go to the funds. About three and a-half miles.

**ELECTRIC HANDICAP** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Five furlongs.

THIRD DAY,  
SATURDAY, APRIL 6th, 1907.

First race to start at 12 noon.

**MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP)** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. Over seven flights of hurdles. For all horses that have never won a hurdle race of the value of 50sovs, or hurdle races of the collective value of 150sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. One mile and three-quarters.

**CRITERION HANDICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won a flat race of the value of 50sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 150sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

**AUTUMN HANDICAP** of 650sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 5sovs each, to go to the funds. One mile and a-half.

**ST. HELLIER'S HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP)** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Two miles.

**AUCKLAND WELTER HANDICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. The winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight, 8st. One mile.

**TOURIST HANDICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 100sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

**BUCKLAND HANDICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Seven furlongs.

**VICTORIA HANDICAP** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.

AUTUMN MEETING, 1907.

With amounts to be transmitted to Secretary A.R.C.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1st, by 9 p.m.  
 SECOND FORFEIT. — Champagne Stakes, 2sovs; The Oaks, 2sovs.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, by 9 p.m.  
 NOMINATIONS. — Easter Handicap, 1sov; Brighton Hurdles, 1sov; St. George's Handicap, 1sov; Autumn Handicap, 1sov; Autumn Steeplechase, 1sov.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15th, GENERAL ENTRY, by 9 p.m.  
 ACCEPTANCES. — Easter Handicap, 2sovs; Brighton Hurdles, 1sov; Autumn Steeplechase, 2sovs.

NOMINATIONS.—Tradesmen's Handicap, 1sov; Eden Handicap, 1sov; Onslow Stakes Handicap, 1sov; Nelson Handicap, 1sov; Tramway Handicap, 1sov; Stewards' Handicap, 1sov; Ellerslie Handicap, 1sov; Huia Handicap, 1sov; Mangere Handicap, 1sov; Electric Handicap, 1sov; Maiden Hurdle Handicap, 1sov; Criterion Handicap, 1sov; St. Heller's Hurdles, 1sov; Auckland Welter Handicap, 1sov; Tourist Handicap, 1sov; Buckland Handicap, 1sov; Victoria Handicap, 1sov.

FRIDAY, MARCH 22nd, by 9 p.m.  
 ACCEPTANCES.—Tradesman's Handicap, 1sov; Eden Handicap, 1sov; Onslow Stakes Handicap, 1sov; Nelson Handicap, 1sov; Tramway Handicap, 1sov.

MONDAY, APRIL 1st, at the Post.  
 Champagne Stakes (Subs.), 5sovs; Easter Handicap (post payment), 3sovs.

MONDAY, APRIL 1st, by 10 p.m.  
 ACCEPTANCES.—Stewards' Handicap, 1sov; Ellerslie Handicap, 1sov; Huia Handicap, 1sov; Mangere Handicap, 1sov; St. George's Handicap, 2sovs; Electric Handicap, 1sov.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2nd, at the Post.  
St. George's Handicap (post payment), 2sovs; Great Northern Oaks (subs.), 5sovs.

TUESDAY, APRIL 4th, by 9 p.m.  
ACCEPTANCES.—Malden Hurdle Handicap, 1sov; Criterion Handicap, 1sov; Autumn Handicap, 5sovs; St. Helier's Hurdles, 1sov; Auckland Welter Handicap, 1sov; Tourist Handicap, 1sov; Buckland Handicap, 1sov; Victoria Handicap, 1sov.

**DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.**

MONDAY, MARCH 11th, in Morning Paper.  
Easter Handicap, Brighton Hurdles, Autumn Steeplechase.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19th, in Morning Paper.  
Tradesmen's Handicap, Eden Handicap, Onslow Stakes Handicap, Nelson Handicap, Tramway Handicap.

MONDAY, APRIL 1st, by 8 p.m.  
Stewards' Handicap, Ellerslie Handicap, Hula Handicap, Mangere Handicap, St. George's Handicap, Electric Handicap.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3rd, in Morning Paper.  
Malden Hurdle Handicap, Criterion Handicap, Autumn Handicap, St. Helier's Hurdles, Auckland Welter Handicap, Tourist Handicap, Buckland Handicap, Victoria Handicap.

J. F. HARTLAND,  
Secretary.

**WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.**

AUTUMN MEETING, 8th AND 9th MARCH, 1907.

**OFFICERS:**

President: Dr. Earle. Vice-president: H. N. Harrison. Judge: W. H. Hartgill. Starter: C. O'Connor. Handicapper: George Morse. Clerk of the Scales: H. M. Speed. Stewards: President, Vice-President, and Treasurer (ex officio), and Messrs. Allan Cameron, E. A. Campbell, D. Camplin, R. Grace, A. Higgle, G. Marshall, and Jas. Watt. Hon Treasurer: J. H. Nixon.

**PROGRAMME:**

FIRST DAY,  
FRIDAY, 8th MARCH, 1907.

- 12 noon.—STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.
- 12.45 p.m.—JUVENILE HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, 6 furlongs. For two and three-year-olds. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.
- 1.30 p.m.—WESTMERE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 175sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, about two miles. Over eight flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Belcher's patent attached to each flight of hurdles. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.
- 2.15 p.m.—TAYFORTH HACK HURDLE RACE HANDICAP of 110 sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. About one mile and three-quarters. Over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Belcher's patent attached to each flight of hurdles. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.
- 3.15 p.m.—WANGANUI CUP HANDICAP of 600sovs; second horse to receive 75sovs, and third horse 25 sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile and three-quarters. In the event of any entrant winning a handicap of the value of 100sovs after the declaration of weights, the handicapper will review that horse's weight, and will raise it or allow it to stand as he thinks fit. It is only winners that will be re-handicapped. If the weight of any horse is altered, the revised handicap will be published on or about Saturday, the 2nd March, 1907. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs on Friday, March 1st, 1907, at 9 p.m.; and 5sovs on Monday, March 4th, 1907, at 9 p.m.
- 3.45 p.m.—PETRE WELTER HANDICAP of 125sovs second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. Distance, one mile and a distance. Minimum weight, 8st. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.
- 4.30 p.m.—WIRITOA HACK RACE HANDICAP of 120sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.
- 5.15 p.m.—FLYING HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 35 sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Distance, six furlongs. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs.

**SECOND DAY.**

SATURDAY, 9th MARCH, 1907.

- 12 noon.—AUTUMN HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Distance, one mile. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.
- 12.45 p.m.—FORDELL HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 150sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs; and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. Distance, about one mile and three-quarters. Over seven flights of hurdles 3ft 6in in height. Belcher's patent attached to each flight of hurdles. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.
- 1.30 p.m.—JACKSON STAKES of 500sovs; second horse to receive 75sovs, and third horse 25sovs from the stake. Distance, six furlongs. For two-year-olds and upwards. Weight for age, with penalties and allowances. Winner after 1st August, 1906, of any race or races collectively of 250sovs to carry 5lb, 600sovs 7lb, 750sovs 10lb, and 1000

sovs 12lb extra. Maiden two-year-olds allowed 3lb, three-year-olds and upwards 7lb. By subscription of 5sovs each, unless forfeit is declared and paid as follows:—1sov if struck out on or before Monday, September 24th, 1906, at 3 p.m., or 2sovs if struck out on or before Friday, November 2nd, 1906, at 9 p.m.; all horses remaining in after latter date to pay the subscription of 5sovs on Friday, March 1st, 1907. Closed with 117 nominations.

4. 2.30 p.m.—OKOIA HACK HURDLE RACE HANDICAP of 110sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. About one mile and five furlongs. Over six flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Belcher's patent attached to each flight of hurdles. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.

5. 3.15 p.m.—HARRISON WELTER HANDICAP of 125sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile. Minimum weight, 7st 7lb. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.

6. 4 p.m.—WANGANUI STAKES HANDICAP of 300sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile and a-half. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs.

7. 4.45 p.m.—MATARAWA HACK RACE HANDICAP of 110sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.

8. 5.15 p.m.—FAREWELL HANDICAP of 120sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.

**PENALTIES.**

The winner of any hurdle race after declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 10lb in a hurdle race, and the winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb, two or more such races 10lb penalty in a flat race. No penalty will be required in an open race for having won a hack race or races.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS ENTRIES, AND ACCEPTANCES  
And amounts to be forwarded to Secretary, Wanganui Jockey Club.

**AUTUMN MEETING,**

8th AND 9th MARCH, 1907.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25th, 1907, at 9 p.m.—

Nominations.—Wanganui Cup, 1sov; Wanganui Stakes Handicap, 1sov; Flying Handicap, 1sov; Stewards' Handicap, 1sov; Juvenile Handicap, 1sov; Westmere Hurdle Race, 1sov; Fordell Hurdle Race, 1sov; Tayforth Handicap Hack Hurdles, 1sov; Okoia Handicap Hack Hurdles, 1sov; Wiritoa Hack Flat Handicap, 1sov; Matarawa Hack Flat Handicap, 1sov; Petre Welter Handicap, 1sov; Autumn Handicap, 1sov; Harrison Welter Handicap, 1sov; Farewell Handicap, 1sov.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16th, 1907 (on or about)—  
Weights for the Cup and Flying Handicaps.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd, 1907—  
Weights for Stewards', Juvenile, Westmere Hurdle Race, Tayforth Hack Hurdles, Petre Welter, and Wiritoa Hack Flat Handicaps.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1st, 1907, at 9 p.m.—  
Acceptances.—Wanganui Cup, 2sovs; Stewards' Handicap, 2sovs; Juvenile Handicap, 2sovs; Westmere Hurdle Race, 2sovs; Tayforth Hack Hurdles, 1sov; Petre Welter Handicap, 2sovs; Wiritoa Hack Flat, 1sov; Flying Handicap, 3sovs.

Subscription.—Jackson Stakes, 5sovs.  
SATURDAY, MARCH 2nd, 1907 (on or about)—  
Revised Weights (if necessary) Wanganui Cup.

MONDAY, MARCH 4th, 1907, at 9 p.m.—  
Final Payment.—Wanganui Cup, 5sovs.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8th, 1907 (on or about) 8 p.m.—  
Weights for Second Day's Handicaps.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8th, 1907, at 10 p.m.—  
Acceptances.—Autumn Handicap, 2 sovs; Fordell Hurdle Race, 2sovs; Okoia Hack Hurdles, 1sov; Harrison Welter Handicap, 2sovs; Wanganui Stakes, 3sovs; Matarawa Hack Flat, 1sov; Farewell Handicap, 2sovs.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS.**

TO WHICH THE ATTENTION OF PERSONS ENTERING HORSES IS PARTICULARLY DIRECTED.

All entries, nominations, etc., will close at the Secretary's office, Wanganui, at 9 p.m., except when otherwise specified.

All entries to be addressed to the Secretary, Wanganui Jockey Club, Wanganui, entrance money enclosed, with the name, age at the time of entry, names of owner and trainer, pedigree, colours of the rider, and in case of handicaps where horses have not previously started on the Wanganui Course, performances of the horse. Entrance moneys go to the funds of the Club.

Entries by telegram must give full particulars of the horse, and must be confirmed in writing at the earliest possible opportunity, otherwise a fine of 1sov may be imposed.

Owners, Trainers and others entering and accepting horses for the W.J.C. Meetings are notified that no entries or acceptances will be received unless accompanied by the necessary amount in cash.

This notification does not apply to Owners and Trainers who have standing arrangements with the Executive. Owners are responsible for all Penalties and Allowances.

All persons intending to withdraw horses are required to give notice to that effect to the Secretary one half-hour before the official time for starting the race. Any person neglecting or refusing to comply with this rule

shall pay a fine, to be imposed by the Stewards, not exceeding 20sovs, to the Race Fund.

Stakes are paid in full.  
All races to be run under the N.Z. Rules of Racing.

Prior to any race, the Stewards may order a parade in front of the stand. Any horse absent from such parade, without the permission of the Stewards, will be fined 2sovs.

No entry will be received under any pretence whatever after the hour named.

WM. HALL,  
Secretary.

**TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB.**

**AUTUMN MEETING,**

FEBRUARY 27th AND 28th, 1907.

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**FIRST DAY.**

WEDNESDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1907.

- 12 noon.—KAWAROA HACK HURDLES (Handicap) of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Over six flights of hurdles, about 3ft 6in high. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a-half.
- 12.45 p.m.—STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 120sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs from the stakes. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Seven furlongs.
- 1.30 p.m.—PUKAKA HACK HANDICAP of 75sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Five furlongs.
- 2.15 p.m.—TARANAKI CUP HANDICAP of 300sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. The winner of any handicap of the value of 250sovs after declaration of weights to carry 7lb; 150sovs, 5lb; 100sovs, 3lb extra. Penalties not cumulative. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 5sovs. One mile and a-half.
- 3 p.m.—WELTER HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stakes. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. One mile.
- 3.45 p.m.—KAITAKE HACK HANDICAP of 75sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile.
- 4.30 p.m.—FLYING HANDICAP of 120sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs from the stakes. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs.
- 5.15 p.m.—TRIAL PLATE (HACKS) of 50sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. Two years old and upward. Weight for age. For horses that have never won a race of the value of 25sovs at the time of entrance. Entrance 1sov. Six furlongs.

**SECOND DAY.**

THURSDAY, 28th FEBRUARY, 1907.

- 12 noon.—PUKOTORI HACK HURDLES of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Over six flights of hurdles about 3ft 6in high. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a-half.
- 12.45 p.m.—GRANDSTAND HANDICAP of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Five furlongs.
- 1.30 p.m.—WHAREPAPA HACK HANDICAP of 75sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.
- 2.15 p.m.—PAUL MEMORIAL (late AUTUMN) HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Seven furlongs. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
- 3 p.m.—SECOND WELTER HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs from the stakes. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Seven furlongs.
- 3.45 p.m.—KAWAU HACK HANDICAP of 75sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile.
- 4.30 p.m.—FAREWELL HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs.
- 5.15 p.m.—FINAL HACK FLUTTER of 50sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Open to horses that have never won a race of any description at time of starting. Weight, 8st 7lb. Entrance 1sov. Five furlongs.

Winners of any handicap after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Winners of any Handicap Hurdles after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra.

Penalties for Taranaki Cup Handicap are published in programme.

DATES OF ENTRANCE, WEIGHTS and AMOUNTS to be FORWARDED to the SECRETARY of the TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING, FRIDAY, 1st of FEBRUARY, 1907, at 9 p.m.—

Entrance, 1sov each.—Kawaroa Hack Hurdles, Stewards' Handicap, Pukaka Hack Handicap, Taranaki Cup Handicap, Welter Handicap, Kaitake Hack Handicap, Flying Handicap, Pukotori Hack Hurdles, Grandstand Handicap,

Wharepapa Hack Handicap, Paul Memorial (late Autumn) Handicap, Second Welter Handicap, Kawau Hack Handicap, Farewell Handicap.

FRIDAY, 15th FEBRUARY (on or about)—

Weights for First Day's Handicaps. FRIDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, at 9 p.m.—  
Acceptances:—Kawaroa Hack Hurdles, 1sov; Stewards' Handicap, 2sovs; Pukaka Hack Handicap, 1sov; Taranaki Cup Handicap, 5sovs; Welter Handicap, 2sovs; Kaitake Hack Handicap, 1sov; Flying Handicap, 2sovs. Entrance:—Trial Plate, 1sov; Final Hack Flutter, 1sov.

WEDNESDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1907, at 8 p.m.—

Weights for the second Day's Handicaps.

WEDNESDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1907, at 10 p.m.—

Acceptances:—Pukotori Hack Hurdles, 1sov; Grandstand Handicap, 2sovs; Wharepapa Hack Handicap, 1sov; Paul Memorial (late Autumn) Handicap, 3sovs; Second Welter Handicap, 2sovs; Kawau Hack Handicap, 1sov; Farewell Handicap, 2sovs.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1907.

**THE STANDING START.**

Those who remember the old days of the flag start and the many vexatious delays and uneven despatches that used to occur so constantly, will readily admit the great improvement the starting barrier has brought about. With such an able man as Mr. O'Connor at the lever we are left with very little room for complaint; but even he must have his patience exhausted by some of the unruly brigade; the result being that occasionally one sees a horse getting a flying start and another left at the post. Going back no farther than the Takapuna meeting Mr. O'Connor had frequently great difficulty in getting his fields away on even terms owing to the horses crowding in together and general misbehaviour when lined up. There are two remedies for this which might well be tried to see whether any improvement could be effected. One of these is to give the starter an assistant to line up the horses, by which method many opportunities of an even despatch now lost would be acquired. The other method suggested is that of the walking start, which finds favour with many. Several English writers strongly uphold this system. For instance, the English scribe "Augur," of the London "Sporting Life," is a bitter opponent of the present system of starting horses from a stand. He has nothing to say against the starting gate, so long as the horse has not to stand with its nose to the tapes before they can start. In support of his attack against the standing start system, the writer went to the trouble of compiling a list of the horses that during the last season in England were left at the post, or whose chance of winning was lost by getting badly away. His list showed 278 names as recorded in the "Racing Calendar." Going through the newspaper reports his figures were increased to 384 horses which during the season had not got a fair start. "Augur's" opinion is "that one of the greatest causes of the trouble is the moving tapes which the horses see just as they are called upon to jump off, and this accounts in most cases for the whipping round, which is nowadays so frequently chronicled. It is a well-known fact that horses are very timid of anything to which they are not accustomed which is moving, and will shy at the sight of a moving rope or leaf or piece of paper, and this nervousness accounts for the many 'hooded' horses seen out nowadays, when 'blinding shutters' worked on a string by the jockey have to be brought into requisition to prevent the horse seeing the dreaded instrument. There is, however, more than this to account for the aversion which so many animals nowadays contract for the starting-gate, and I feel convinced that the attempt to start 'from a stand,' as ordered by the Jockey Club stewards, is responsible for much of the trouble. High-mettled racers cannot be brought to a line and made to stand still with strange companions in the same manner that a troop of trained troopers' horses can be manoeuvred, and long ere this a trial should have been given to some other methods—one that has been frequently suggested being that of a walk-up start to a point a few yards from the barrier. It seems most extraordinary why there should be such an objection on the part of the ruling body to try some more satisfactory means of starting, for it cannot be contended that a method that permits of over 300 unfair starts is at all an equitable or desirable arrangement. And yet, although in the course of the season one hears complaints on all hands, owners do not bring the matter forward, and so we go on year after year, and valuable horses are ruined, and in many cases

badly kicked." A writer in "Bailey's Magazine" also attacks the standing start. It is when we come to write of the starting question and of jockeyship that we may fairly call for reform (he writes). You have only to attentively watch one of the present standing starts, where a dozen or more horses are bunched in front of the tape, and you will hear and see what you wish never to hear and see again—horses lashing out at one another, jockeys cursing; and little wonder, for their limbs, and those of their horses, are in danger; while sitting as they now do on their horses' necks, with their knees almost up to their chins, they are at the mercy of their mounts. Consequently, the moment the tape flies up they crash into one another, and many a good horse is knocked out of his stride before the race is fairly begun, and even then the jockeys, or rather the majority of them, fail to keep their horses straight, and swerving is now the rule instead of the exception. How can it be otherwise with the present style of racing, where the whip is the only means that such monkeys on sticks can use, or the spur can only wound the flap of the saddle? There seems a good deal in the arguments brought forward, and it might be well for the ruling powers to consider whether the walking start should not be given a trial. If it proved a success it could be maintained. If such was not the case we could easily revert to the present method with the addition of an assistant for the starter.

**NOTES.**

(By "The Judge.")

The Middy, who carried a ton of commission money, ran in bandages at Takapuna, and after his preliminary could scarcely keep on his feet.

Mr. D. J. Lynch, who sold Freemount, is in treaty to purchase Autahi from Mr. J. W. Russell, the well-known Vulcan Lane hotel proprietor.

The weights for the Papakura annual meeting came out punctually to time, and Mr. W. Edwards seems to have pleased most of the owners.

Mr. W. J. Lynch has disposed of his Freedom gelding Freemount, who has been purchased by Mr. Deeble, the Thames sportsman. One hundred guineas was paid for the useful looking brown.

Mr. Geo. Hyde, the Grey street boniface, has purchased a colt by Soult—Joan of Arc. The son of Soult is to be added to the list.

Rumour has it that the North Shore sportsman, Mr. E. W. Alison, threw in for a good win over the late T.J.C. Meeting. He is said to have picked the winning double each day, which paid £25, £273 10/, and £144 16/ respectively, besides supporting the winners of the T.J.C. and Summer Handicaps.

By public advice received from Sydney both Apologue and Kilderkin are on the improve, and will be shortly put into active training.

Hautapu was looked upon as an absolute "moral" for the Waiwera Hurdles at Takapuna, and so it proved, for the little son of Mitiora was rever seriously asked to extend himself. On paper Soultfish might have leaten him, but Mr. McHugh's gelding was a bit sore and could not gallop.

Blackford has Black and Go'd better now than the gelding ever was before. Despite the welter weight of 9st 10lb, he made hacks of the field in the Borough Handicap, finishing quite three lengths ahead of Hikua. It would pay to send Black and Gold to Australia, where the dry air would suit him.

Wauchope was made a warm favourite for the Marine Handicap at Takapuna on Saturday, and the good thing duly came off, the son of Freedom winning easily from Messrs. Duder's filly Lira. By the way, I notice the race-books invariably spell this filly's name Leira, which, of course, is incorrect. She is a daughter of Anna, and an anna is an Indian coin worth about one penny. The name Lira, therefore, is a suitable one, as a lira is an Italian coin worth about 9½d.

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**RACING CALENDAR.**

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**FIXTURES.—1907.**

- February 7 and 8—Gisborne R. C.
- February 7 and 8—Maniototo J.C.
- February 7 and 8—Canterbury J.C.
- February 9—Papakura R.C.
- February 13 and 14—Egmont R.C.
- February 14 and 15—Poverty Bay T.C.
- February 16, 20, 23—Otahuhu Trotting Club
- February 20, 21, and 23—Dunedin J.C.
- February 20 and 21—Woodville J.C.
- February 26 and 27—Rotorua J.C.
- February 27 and 28—Taranaki J.C.
- March 2—South Auckland R.C.
- March 5—Akaroa County R.C.
- March 6 and 7—Dannevirke J.C.
- March 8 and 9—Wanganui J.C.
- March 9—Waihi J.C.
- March 13 and 14—Napier Park R.C.
- March 15 and 16—Tologa Bay J.C.
- March 16 and 18—Ohinemuri J.C.
- March 18—Opunake R.C.
- March 18 and 19—Greyouth J.C.
- March 18 and 19—Horowhenua Haek R.C.
- March 20 and 21—Southland R.C.
- March 20—Waipawa County R.C.
- March 21—Waimate R.C.
- March 21 and 22—Masterton R.C.
- March 21 and 24—Thames J.C.
- March 22 and 23—Westport J.C.
- March 30 and April 1—Wairarapa R.C.
- April 1, 2 and 6—Auckland R.C.

**NOMINATIONS.**

- February 8—South Auckland R.C.
- February 22—A.R.C. (special events)
- February 22—Ohinemuri J.C.
- March 11—Patea R.C.
- March 15—Auckland R.C.

**HANDICAPS.**

- February 8—Poverty Bay T.C.
- February 15—Taranaki J.C.
- February 15—South Auckland R.C.
- February 16—Wanganui J.C. (special events)
- February 23—Wanganui J.C.
- March 5—Ohinemuri J.C.
- March 11—A.R.C. (special events)
- March 18—Patea R.C.
- March 19—Auckland R.C.

**ACCEPTANCES.**

- February 9—Poverty Bay T.C.
- February 22—Taranaki J.C.
- February 22—South Auckland R.C.
- March 1—Wanganui J.C.
- March 8—Ohinemuri J.C.
- March 15—A.R.C. (special events)
- March 22—Auckland R.C.
- March 25—Patea R.C.

**REMINDERS TO OWNERS.**

All nominations for the South Auckland Racing Club's annual meeting will close with Mr. R. J. Gwynne, the secretary, at Hamilton, or with Mr. H. B. Massey, Auckland, at 9 p.m. on Friday, February 8.

Nominations for the Easter Handicap, Brighton Hurdles, St. George's Handicap, Autumn Handicap, and Autumn Steeplechase to be run at the Autumn Meeting of the Auckland Racing Club close with Mr. Hartland, the secretary, on February 22, at 9 p.m.

Acceptances for the Easter Handicap Brighton Hurdles and Autumn Steeplechase are due on March 15, on which date general entries for the A.R.C. Autumn Meeting are also due.

Nominations for all events to be decided at the annual meeting of the Patea Racing Club (other than local events) close with Mr. R. W. Hamerton, the secretary, on Monday, March 11, at 8 p.m.

Nominations for all events to be decided at the annual meeting of the Ohinemuri J.C. close with Mr. H. Poland, secretary, Paeroa, on Friday, February 22, at 9 p.m.

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There are nineteen North Island horses in the C.J.C. Easter Handicap and sixteen in the Autumn Handicap.

Odds of from 100 to 1 to 650 to 1 are on offer about the C.J.C. Easter and Autumn Handicaps double.

Royal Blue, the winner of the Pahiatua Cup, is an aged bay gelding by Merrie England from One Eye, by Leos from Elfin Queen by Totara.

The Canterbury Jockey Club's Summer Meeting will be commenced today.

The Carbine horse Wargrave (winner of the Cesarewitch of 1904) is doing stud duty in England this season at a fee of 48sovs.

A Whittaker and H. Gray did the best of the horsemen riding at the Takapuna meeting, each scoring four wins.

The totalisator figures at the Pahiatua meeting showed a falling off as compared with last year of £3023.

Mr. D. Twohill has decided to send his recent purchase, Lady Nannie, over to Sydney to be trained by I. Earnshaw, the successful Randwick trainer.

Handicaps for the Autumn Meeting of the Taranaki Jockey Club are due to appear on the 15th inst. This fixture should prove highly successful.

Makikihi ran very consistently at the Pahiatua Meeting, getting third in the Cup on the opening day and winning the P.R.C. Handicap and the Grandstand Welter on the second day. She is a five-year-old brown filly by St. Cyr from Prioreess.

It was generally thought that when Sir George Clifford purchased Lady Annie the mare would be relegated to the stud, but it would appear that E. Cutts thinks there is another race in Miss Annie's daughter, as she has been put into work.

The Messrs. Duder have taken up Devonport after a very long spell on the "mud farm." He looks as fat as a prize bull, and it will take some time before he gets into racing trim again.

When La Annie got such a big break on the field at the start of the Third Pony Handicap, it looked as though she would win easily, but that extra half furlong found her out, and the Cyrenian mare Cyrona beat her home comfortably, returning the nice dividend of £14 16/.

Messrs. Gabriel Lewis and Co. will offer at their Queen street Auction Mart on Friday, at noon, the privileges in connection with the approaching meeting of the Otahuhu Trotting Club. These consist of the publican's booth, refreshment stall, etc.

On paper Sonoma looked a fairly good thing for the Third Pony Handicap, but a bad start threw her out of court. She ran very gamely under severe punishment, but could never quite reach the two leaders.

Owners should not forget that nominations for all events to be run at the South Auckland Meeting on March 2, close with Mr. R. J. Gwynne, the secretary, Hamilton, or with Mr. H. B. Massey, High-street, Auckland, at 9 p.m. on Friday next.

The Leolantis mare Uranium is evidently very useful. She carried 9st. 2lb, the top weight in the Welter Handicap, but made all the running, and won very easily by nearly three lengths. Quite a long string of victories have gone to the credit of Mr Bank's mare this season. She met with an accident through a collision with a bus when returning to the wharf after the race.

At the Haymarket on Friday at noon Messrs. Alfred Buckland and Sons will offer that exceptionally smart five-year-old mare Lucrece (Soul - Postmistress). Although only a little one she has won many good races in open company, and is as game a pony as ever looked through a bridle. There will also be submitted the four-year-old gelding Lucio, a full brother to Lucrece, a third to come under the hammer being Morahi. All are in good racing trim, and are for absolute sale, as the owner is giving up the game.

Nominations for the South Auckland Meeting are due to-morrow.

J. Rae has taken Stromness and Uenuku to Gisborne.

The Menschikoff colt The Serf will in future be known as Octoroon.

Paritutu, who has been up in Auckland since the Christmas meeting, has been sent back to New Plymouth.

The sum of £32,825 was handled at the totalisator during the Takapuna Meeting, an advance of no less than £7738 on last year's figures.

Acceptances for the first day's races of the Otahuhu Trotting Club close with Mr. F. D. Yonge on Friday at 9 p.m.

Consequent on the operations of the new Anti-Gambling Act in Victoria, Melbourne Tattersall's Club has been wound up.

Loch Fyne made a good attempt to turn the tables on Pierre in the Ponui Steeplechase, but he could not do it, the son of Muskapeer winning by a neck after a fine duel over three miles.

The Devonport Handicap was really a duel between Omati and Miss Winnie. The latter got one of her customary good starts, and she led to within 50 yards of home, where Omati reached her and won fairly easily.

When the Australian horse Fitz-Grafton was beaten by Paddy's Darling in the Cooch Behar Cup at Calcutta, he narrowly escaped falling over a dog half-way down the straight. He struck the dog with such force that it was killed.

Mr. C. K. G. Billings, an American millionaire and trotting enthusiast, recently drove two exhibitions against time in waggon. He drove Major Delmar to a half-mile trotting record in 1m, and Morning Star to a half-mile pacing record in 59½s.

The Indian Grand National Steeplechase, of 7000 rupees, three miles, run at Tollygunge on New Year's Day, was won by the Wallace mare Seclusion (10.2), who beat the dead-heaters Kipling (11.2) and Olynthus (10.0) by a length.

The celebrated English trainer, William Day, is on record as saying: "A good big horse may beat a good little one over a short course, or even at a mile or so; but I think at three or four miles a good little one would beat the best big one I ever saw."

The New Zealand jockey C. O'Neill, continues to have a bad time with his thigh, the bone of which had to be re-broken and re-set. He is still in the Melbourne Hospital, and the doctors are unable to say when he will be fit to leave.

The champion Achilles was bred by Mr. A. W. Nivison at the Tillimby stud, Patterson River, in 1900, and is now in his seventh year. He is by the Tocal sire Medallion from Nereid, by Goldsbrough from Sea Swallow (imp.), by See Saw, and was purchased as a yearling at the Randwick autumn sales on behalf of his present owner, Mr. J. Monk, of New Zealand, for 300 guineas. Up to date Achilles has won between eight and nine thousand pounds in stakes.

At the Auckland Anniversary Regatta held last month in the Speed Motor Boat Race over a 10-knot course, the scratch boat Grey Witch won easily, going round the course in which were eight right angle turns, at a great pace in 39 minutes. Grey Witch gave Baby Lozier 10min. start, and Slim Jim 2min 10sec. Immediately before Grey Witch overtook Baby Lozier and before half the course was run the latter stopped and gave up the race. Slim Jim pluckily stuck to it and finished in fine style about 8½ minutes after Grey Witch. The Grey Witch's time works out at about 18 miles an hour, which is a splendid record considering the state of the weather and the number of turns in the race.

The first of a series of sports by gaslight will be run on Wednesday, February 20, at the new ground opposite Hancock's Brewery, Khyber Pass. A £15 Novice Handicap will be the first event, nominations for which close on Saturday, February 16. Full particulars may be obtained from Mr. W. Riley, the secretary, 15, Coombes' Arcade, Queen-street.

J. Buchanan has gone to Gisborne to ride at the G.R.C. Meeting there.

The hurdler Irish is in work again, swimming being part of the curriculum.

Very good entries have been received for the Poverty Bay Turf Club's Summer Meeting.

The French Jockey Club stewards have started a reform in racing colours, and their technical expert, Branconi, was instructed to prepare a table of colours. The result is a list of 24 different colours with 35 ways of blending them, which permits of 26,950 different sets of silks. Seams, armlets, collars, and other unimportant details of jackets will not be dignified with special colours, nor will vertical halving, with which only one colour is discernible on either side, be permitted. It is understood all owners will shortly be asked to select new colours based on the Branconi plan. Something of the sort is urgently wanted here.

I doubt whether a better finish has ever been seen at Takapuna than in the Summer Handicap. Millie made the running, to 50yds from home when Le Beau passed her. The Leolantis gelding had his head in front twenty yards from home, but on the very post Syren and Landlock beat him, and the judge's verdict was that Syren won by half a head from Landlock, who was half a head in front of Le Beau. Soultmaid was a head further off fourth, and Millie a head behind Soultmaid. If a race-goer wants anything better than that he must be a glutton.

There is an old English saying that nothing is certain but death and the taxes (writes "Martindale"). They are a sure double in every country. When a man goes to the expense and trouble of insuring a racehorse he is acting wisely, but even then there may be a slip, and, if a person is insuring himself, his horse, or his house, my advice is always overhaul the policy with as much care as if you were buying a horse. An instance of how easily it is to lose at the insurance game, when you think that every precaution has been taken, was noted recently in France. It appears that a horse named Red Cedar had been insured for £1000 prior to his taking part in a steeplechase at Auteuil. He fell at a jump, and was so badly injured that his recovery was considered more than problematic. He was, however, not killed on the spot, but died four days afterwards at his stable at Chantilly, where he had been taken in the horse ambulance. The contract was made verbally, but the policy forwarded afterwards contained the words: "The guarantee of the company commences when the horse has gone out on the track, but ceases when he leaves it." Although it was admitted by the defendant company that the death of Red Cedar was solely attributable to the accident, the Court allowed the plea that the horse having been removed from the course, and having died in his trainer's stable at Chantilly, their liability had ceased when he left the course. That owner's luck was dead out.

There is plenty of money to be won by jumpers in France, and between

hurdle races and steeplechases, Mr. E. Frischof won no less than £15,718 in prize-money last year. The most successful horse during the season was Fragilite, whose stake-winnings totalled £8483; then coming Burgrave II., £7583; Violin II., £3887; Dandolo, £3827; Le Venin, £3516; and Ile d'Elbe, £2818. St. Damien did best among the sires, 29 of his progeny winning jumping races of a total value of £19,085; The Quack following with £9709. Both of these horses are English-bred.

After the declaration of the second forfeit nineteen remain in the Northern Champagne Stakes, and seven in the G.N. Oaks. Downfall, Maranui, Lamsdorff, Moriarty, All Red, Bobington, Wallassey and Eona represent Southern stables in the first-named race, while Lady Nell, Martyrium, Mungista and Helen Portland are the visitors in the Oaks.

Handicaps for the Wanganui Cup and Flying Handicap are due to appear on February 16.

The Special Commission on Horse-racing in France has recommended that the percentage of public winnings of a horse going to breeders shall henceforth reach at least 5 per cent. of the total amount of the stakes given in flat-racing; that no two-year-olds shall be raced before the month of June of each year; that on no account shall there be more than two events for two-year-olds at any one meeting; and that under no circumstances shall the distance exceed five furlongs. In the interests of horse-breeding and for the improvement of the horse, the percentage of winnings-system adopted in France is both wise and just. It is an inducement to breeders to maintain first-class studs, as the fear of low prices for promising animals is removed when the breeder is entitled to share in the horses winnings.

THE OHINEMURI J.C. ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual race meeting of the Ohinemuri Jockey Club will take place on the Paeroa Racecourse on Saturday and Monday, March 16 and 18. As usual, a comprehensive list of events has been compiled, particulars of which appear in our advertising columns. The items on the first day include the Shorts Handicap of 30sovs, 4 furlongs; the Hurdles, of 40sovs, 2 miles; the Netherton Welter of 30sovs, 7 furlongs; the Karangahake Handicap of 30sovs, 5 furlongs; the Ohinemuri Cup of 115sovs, 1¼ miles; the Komata Handicap of 25sovs, 7 furlongs; the Paeroa Steeplechase of 50sovs, 2½ miles; and the St. Patrick's Handicap of 40sovs, 6 furlongs. On the second day the events will be the Waitekauri Plate of 35sovs, 5 furlongs; the Wai-kino Welter of 35sovs, 7 furlongs; the District Hurdles of 40sovs, 1¼ miles; Hikutaia Handicap of 25sovs, 6 furlongs; Paeroa Handicap of 80sovs, one mile; Flying Handicap of 30sovs, 4 furlongs; Tally-ho Steeplechase of 55sovs, 3 miles; the Final Handicap of 40sovs, 6 furlongs. This, for a country club, is a particularly well-endowed list, and should certainly draw a good entry. Nominations for all events close with Mr. H. Poland, secretary, at 9 p.m., on Friday, February 22.

MESSRS. BARNETT and GRANT report the following quotations on the Easter and Autumn Handicaps:—

Odds in Square to 1.	Easter Hd'cp.	Autumn Hd'cp.	King Billy, Seal, Rock, Zimmerman, Achilles, Marguerite, Munjeet, Multifid, Cross Battery	Sir Tristram, Eden, Signalman, Pink 'Un, Ghoorka, Blythemaids, Submarine, Armistice	Red Gauntlet, Lapland, Buccleuch, Fontenay, Splendid Idea, Grenade, Moscow	Sea King, Crichton, Thunderer, Stepdancer, Notos, Gazelly	Golden Knight, Chryseis, Zetland	Field Gun, Astrakan, Ondaiform, Ivanoff, Landwern
66	80	100	150	200	250	300	400	500
80	100	110	200	250	300	400	500	600
100	150	200	250	300	400	500	600	750
150	200	250	300	400	500	600	750	
200	250	300	400	500	600	750		
250	300	400	500	600	750			

**PATEA RACING CLUB.**

The annual meeting (for hacks only) of the Patea Racing Club will take place on Easter Monday, April 1. For this an excellent programme has been arranged, particulars of which will be found in this issue. The items are as follows:—The Hurdles, of 70sovs, 1½ miles; the Flying Handicap of 80sovs, 6 furlongs; the Farmers' Plate of 50sovs, one mile; the Patea Easter Handicap of 100sovs, 1¼ miles; the Kakaramea Stakes of 55sovs, 4½ furlongs; the Borough Stakes of 60sovs, 7 furlongs; the Alton High Weight Handicap of 80sovs, one mile; and the Final Stake of 55sovs, 4½ furlongs. This makes an attractive list well worth the attention of owners. Nominations close with Mr. R. W. Hamerton, the secretary, on Monday, March 11, at 8 p.m., except for the Farmers' Plate and Final Stake, which close on March 25.

**THE PAKAPURA MEETING.**

The annual race meeting of the Papakura Racing Club will take place on the old course at Papakura next Saturday. Given fine weather there seems a bright prospect of this turning out a success. The course has been considerably improved since last year, and is in fine order. The nomination list is a lengthy one, and there seems a prospect of good fields, for although the acceptances are not to hand at the time of going to press, yet the handicaps appear to have met with the approval of owners. Six events will be run off, and a special train will be put on to take spectators up to the course, returning after the last race. This will leave Auckland at 1.20, and arrive at Papakura at 2.20.

**EGMONT RACING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.**

Mr. Morse has declared the following weights for the Egmont Racing Club's Summer Meeting:—

**FLYING HANDICAP.**—Pink 'Un 9.10, Ballarat 8.9, Delamere 8.0, Regulation 7.13, St. Clair 7.12, Certainty 7.10, Kitchenmaid 7.10, Flotilla 7.8, Soultmaid 7.7, Rustique 7.5, Glenullin 7.5, Volume 7.3, White Star 7.0, Colleen 6.12, Pylades 6.10, King's Birthday 6.10.

**WHAREROA HURDLES.**—Handsone Rose 12.4, Shrapnel 11.1, Capulet 10.10, Rookby 10.10, Sammy 9.2, Aqua Regia 9.0, Roseplot 9.0, Cassiopea 9.0.

**OHAWHE HURDLES.**—Peruvian 11.8, Sen Sim 11.4, Lull 11.0, Pawa 10.7, Ingledwood 10.5, Le Beau 10.1, Showman 10.3, Hardwork 9.12, Sammy 9.11, Mooshen 9.10, Maidie 9.5, Fretwork 9.5, Aqua Regia 9.4, Westward 9.0, Yeulba 9.0.

**MEREMERE HACK.**—Cyrene 9.6, The Clipper 8.12, Maria 8.10, Pearlle 8.10, Otaroa 8.10, Showman 8.10, Golden Eagle 8.6, Helen Portland 8.6, William 8.5, Tarina 7.12, Catapult 7.12, Integrity 7.10, Small 7.10, Fishermid 7.10, Sedgemoor 7.10, Rio Rio 7.8, Engraver 7.7, Vellevue 7.5, Bobs 7.3, Umhard 7.2, Burton 7.0, Moldavia 7.0, Amal 7.0, Lent 7.0, Daisy 7.0, Paul 7.0, Tambour Major 7.0.

**EGMONT CUP.**—Paritutu 9.0, Scotty 8.12, Polycaste 8.6, Star Rose 8.6, Marguerite 8.4, Ghoorka 7.10, Bourtasque 7.9, Grenade 7.9, Fontenoy 7.5, Makikihi 7.4, Roseal 7.4, Truce 7.3, Geordie 7.3, Claremont 7.0, Pearl Necklet 6.12, Gazelle 6.10, Maharani 6.10, Southern Cross 6.10.

**HAWERA WELTER.**—Waikato 9.10, Rookby 9.0, Makikihi 9.3, Flotilla 9.3, Glenullin 9.0, Rustique 9.0, Motoree 9.0, Volume 8.13, Soultmaid 8.12, The Lark 8.12, Le Beau 8.11, Lady Hune 8.10, White Star 8.6, Kuku 8.4, Silver Shell 8.3, King's Birthday 8.0, Catapult 8.0, Bobs 8.0, The Clipper 8.0.

**WAIPAPE HACK.**—Silver Shell 9.0, Baltimore 8.7, Sen Sim 8.6, Recreation 8.6, Arawa 8.4, Climax 8.2, White Lie 8.2, Otaroa 8.0, Pearlle 8.2, Highlen 8.0, Waitapu 7.13, Pangaroa 7.13, Kaimere 7.13, Lady Sylvia 7.6, Royal Star 7.6, Linger 7.6, Slavey 7.6, The Dane 7.6, Catapult 7.5, Seaman 7.5, Billow 7.3, Stayboy 7.3, Bellevue 7.2, Paul 7.2, Fisher Maid 7.2, Grand Poplar 7.0, Paululus 7.0, Anemone 7.0, Tambour Major 7.0, Ramanui 7.0, Linseed 7.0, Uhlano 7.0, Yeulba 7.0, Muskerrade 7.0.

**CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB'S MIDSUMMER MEETING.**

The following acceptances have been received in connection with the Canterbury Jockey Club's Summer Meeting:—

**HORNBY WELTER** of 200sovs, seven furlongs.—Blythemaid 9.12, Balsam 9.5, De Witte 9.5, Count Gorton 8.8, Reduction 8.5, Ordance 8.0, Farley Grove 8.0.

**GRAVEN PLATE** of 200sovs, seven furlongs.—Stronghold 9.0, Buccleuch 8.7, Aeolus 8.1, Golden Cairn 7.9, Balsam 7.8, Harita 7.3, Tessera 6.12, Don Orsino 6.9.

**LYTTELTON PLATE** of 100sovs, six furlongs.—Rose Noble 8.2, Paragon 8.0, Bonny Glen 8.0, The Libyan 7.3, Willaway 7.0, Mercy 7.0.

**HALSWELL WELTER** of 100sovs, one mile.—Gypsoe 9.5, Count Gorton 9.3, Watershot 9.2, Wild Cat 8.2, Ruapehu 8.0, Salaam 7.13, Disastrous 7.7, Iahu 7.7.

After the payment of subscriptions the following remain in the **MIDDLE PARK PLATE** of 500sovs, six furlongs.—Elevation, The Libyan, Glenculloch, Golden Cairn, Paragon, Gold Crest, William I., All Guns, Ivanoff.

**OHINEMURI JOCKEY CLUB.**

**ANNUAL RACE MEETING.**

To be held on the PAEROA RACECOURSE ON SATURDAY AND MONDAY, MARCH 16 AND 18, 1907.

**OFFICERS:**

President: J. M. Coote, Esq. Vice-president: D. Waddell, Esq. Stewards: The Committee. Judge: Mr. J. Clarkin. Starter: Mr. C. O'Connor. Handicapper: Mr. F. Edwards. Clerks of Scales: Messrs. C. Trezise and H. R. Bush. Clerk of Course: Mr. C. Spaw. Timekeeper: Mr. M. Harris. Hon. Surgeons: Drs. Smith and Cheeseman. Committee: Messrs. A. McGuire, E. Shaw, W. Neil, H. R. Bush, J. Clarkin, W. J. Ellis, J. Hunt, S. Nelson, J. Nathan, C. Trezise, A. Montgomery, and W. G. Nicholls. Treasurer: Mr. W. J. Ellis. Secretary: Mr. H. Poland.

**PROGRAMME:**

- FIRST DAY.**
- SHORTS HANDICAP** of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 12s. Distance, four furlongs.
  - HANDICAP HURDLES** of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 1l. Distance, two miles.
  - NETHERTON WELTER** of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 12s 6d. Distance, seven furlongs.
  - KARANGAHAKE HANDICAP** of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 12s 6d. Distance, five furlongs.
  - OHINEMURI CUP** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of the stakes; third horse 5sovs. Winner of any race of the value of 40sovs after weights have been declared to carry 7lb extra; of 100sovs, 10lb extra. Nomination, 1l; acceptance, 2l. Distance, one and a-quarter miles.
  - KOMATA HANDICAP** of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 10sovs at the time of entry. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 10s. Distance, seven furlongs.
  - PAEROA STEEPLECHASE** of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 30s. Distance, about two and a-half miles.
  - ST. PATRICK'S HANDICAP** of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Winner of the Karangahake Handicap, Shorts Handicap, or Ohinemuri Cup to carry a penalty of 7lb; or of two, 10lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 1l. Distance, six furlongs.

**SECOND DAY.**

- WAITEKAURI PLATE** of 35sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, five furlongs.
- WAIKINO WELTER** of 35sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Winner of any flat race after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 5lb. Lowest weight, 7st 7lb. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, seven furlongs.
- DISTRICT HANDICAP HURDLES** of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 1l. Distance, one and three-quarter miles.
- HIKUTAIA HANDICAP** of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 10sovs at the time of entry. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 10s. Distance, six furlongs.
- PAEROA HANDICAP** of 80sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stakes. Winner of Waitekauri Plate to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 70s. Distance, one mile.
- FLYING HANDICAP** of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, four furlongs.
- TALLY-HO STEEPLECHASE** of 55sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 25s. Distance, about three miles.
- FINAL HANICAP** of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Winner of the Waitekauri Plate or Paeroa Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra (or both, 10lb extra). Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 20s. Distance, six furlongs.

**NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.**

- Nominations for all events close at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 22nd day of February, 1907.
- Weights will appear for First Day's Races on or about TUESDAY, the 5th day of March, 1907.
- Acceptances for all events First Day's Races close at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 8th day of March, 1907.
- Weights for all events of Second Day's Races will be declared on the evening of First Day's Races. Acceptances close at 9.30 p.m. on the same evening.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS.**

- All entries to be addressed to the Secretary, Paeroa, and must be accompanied by the advertised amount of Entrance Money.
- Name, Age, Pedigree, Description and Performance of Horse, and Colours of Rider, to be sent with nomination.
- In the event of two or more horses the property of one owner starting in any race, they will be bracketed on the Totalisator.
- All races to be run under Rules of Racing.
- All stakes will be paid in full.
- All winning horses after declaration of weights are subject to be re-handicapped at the discretion of the handicapper.

H. POLAND, Secretary, Paeroa.

**TRAINING NOTES.**

**ELLERSLIE.**

February 5.

The following work was got through by the Papakura candidates:—Lady Cressy spurted two furlongs in 26 3-5sec, and then cantered round and repeated the dose, knocking off 3-5 of a second. Kola Nip completed a circle on the sand in 2min 3-5 sec. Bonomiana had Master Delaval for a mate in a six-furlong sprint on the tan, finishing together in 1min 17 3-5sec. Sweet Alice and Landlock, after their Takapuna racing, were content with moderate pace work. After breakfast Uhlander outpaced Nerve on the sand for six furlongs in 1min 21sec. Kaitangata did half-pace work on the tan. Duart, who failed miserably at Takapuna, sprinted four furlongs in 56sec, but could have improved the time. Dogger Bank, with a good hold, had Fabricator scratching at the end of half a mile in 52 3-5sec on the sand. Integrity, on the sand, did nine furlongs at an easy pace, and then spurted three-quarters of a mile in 1min 23 sec. Geordie got round the tan in 2min 3-5sec. Freemount will be an absentee, as his new owners have taken him to the Thames.

Others to do easy-pace work were Luminous, Heywood, Omati, The Serf, Waitati, and Master Clements.

The following should run well on their track work:—Cup: Uhlander, Lord Seaton, Geordie. Flying: Omati, Discoverer, Sweet Alice. Railway: Kola Nip, Bonomiana, Lochbuhie. Maiden: Dogger Bank, Lucio, Master Clements. Hack: Dogger Bank, Master Clements and Lady Cressy. As there are no acceptances to hand, there is a certain amount of guess work about picking the various events.

**AFTER THE RACES.**

**THE TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.**

**CONCLUDING DAY.**

The Summer Meeting of the Takapuna Jockey Club was brought to a conclusion on Saturday. The weather, although showery in the early morning, turned out beautifully fine; the result being a large attendance. The fields were small in most cases, but some of the finishes were very exciting, notably the Summer Handicap and the Ponui Steeplechase. Speculation was brisk all day, the sum of £11,777 going through the totalisator, of which £1931 was on the double machine, the successful combination paying £144 16s to the twelve investors. The meeting throughout was well managed by Mr. R. Wynyard and his staff, everything passing off without a hitch.

The ball was opened with the Marine Handicap (four furlongs), for which six faced the starter. Wauchope was a pronounced favourite. The race admits of little description, for Wauchope jumped away in front, led all the way, and won without the whip by two lengths from Levin, who was half a length in front of Ney.

Only three were found willing to contest the Waiwera Hurdles (1¼ miles), for which Hautapu looked something of a moral, being made an odds on favourite. This was another race in which there was not a semblance of an incident, for Hautapu jumping away in front, never gave the other two a look in, leading all the way and winning without the semblance of an effort by four lengths from Silicia, who was a dozen lengths in advance of Soultfish. Miss Winnie was the sole absentee from the Borough Handicap (four furlongs), this leaving nine to face the starter. The popular choice was Black and Gold, but quite a number were fancied. After a short delay the barrier rose to a good start; Black and Gold, who had the outside berth, and Turbine being smartest on their feet.

**GASLIGHT SPORTS.**

**OPP. HANCOCK'S BREWERY, KHYBER PASS ROAD, NEWMARKET.**

£15—NOVICE HANDICAP—£15. 75 YARDS.

First of a Series, To be run on WEDNESDAY NIGHT, FEB. 20, AT 8 P.M.

NOMINATIONS, 2s, close with Secretary SATURDAY, February 16. Acceptances (1s) on ground, 7.45 p.m. Full particulars from Secretary.

W. RILEY, Secretary. 15, Coombes' Arcade, Queen-street.

The two were together to the bend, where Black and Gold forged to the front, and going in great style up the straight won easily by three lengths from Hikual, with Omati third close up, and the rest bunched.

Eight went to the post for the Summer Handicap (one mile), for which Soultmaid and Millie were most fancied. A better race has never been seen on the track. The start was a good one, Millie taking up the running from Landlock and Le Beau, and so they ran down the back where Soultmaid ran up into second place. Nearing the bend Pearl Necklet made a forward move, and the field closed up. At the distance the whips were out on all, and a desperate race resulted. Thirty yards from home Le Beau had his head in front, but Syren and Landlock finishing with the utmost determination, got by on the post, and won by half a head, the same between second and third, Millie and Soultmaid being heads further away.

There were eight runners in the Third Pony Handicap (5½ furlongs), Sonoma being the popular choice, with Mighty Atom well backed. The start was not too good, La Annie getting a fier, and she led down the back by three lengths. She was still in front, and apparently going easily when heads were turned for home. Cyrona set out in pursuit, and getting to the leader inside the distance came on, and won by a length and a half, with Sonoma, who was last all down the back, a neck behind La Annie, Forth being fourth.

Five took part in the Devonport Handicap (5½ furlongs), and of these Miss Winnie and Omati found most supporters. Miss Winnie hopped out in front, and she led Omati by two lengths down the back, with The Middy fast falling back. Omati steadily closed on the leader, and at the distance was alongside. Brady drove the mare along, but she could not choke off the son of Leolantis, who won without the whip by half a length, with Sweet Alice five lengths off third, while the other two were a long way back, the Middy pulling up lame.

The Ponui Steeplechase (three miles) resolved itself into a duel between Pierre and Loch Fyne; for although The Frenchman started he stopped at the first jump. Loch Fyne led all the way with Pierre within striking distance, until the home bend was reached, when Deebie shook up the son of Muskapeer, and a fine race home resulted in a win for the favourite Pierre by a neck, after a stirring finish.

Punters went for a recovery on the Welter Handicap (one mile), the final event on the programme. In this there were ten runners, Claremont being made a strong favourite with Uranium and Agrapus much in demand. From a very fair start Uranium was first to move, and he set the field a merry dance, leading by two lengths round the course, Freemount making a desperate effort to catch him at the home bend. Uranium came sailing home at his ease three lengths ahead of the field, but there was a splendid struggle for second place, Bully beating Freemount by a neck, with Lord Seaton a head away fourth.

The following were the results:—

**MARINE HANDICAP.** For two-year-olds. Four furlongs. Mr. W. C. Ring's b c Wauchope, by Freedom—Black Watch, 7.12 (Gray) ..... 1 Messrs. R. and R. Duder's b f Leira, 7.4 (Holmes) ..... 2 Mr. J. George's br c Ney, 8.0 (Nash) 3 Also started: Port Light 8.5, Caracole 7.0, Waotahi 7.0. Time, 52 2-5sec. Dividends, £2 1s and 1l.

**WAIWERA HANDICAP HURDLE RACE.** One mile and three-quarters. Mr. R. Hannon's b g Hautapu, aged, by Mitiora—Lady Sarah, 11.8 (R. Wilson) ..... 1 Mr. D. Moraghan's ch g Silica, 6yrs, 9.10 (Julian) ..... 2 Mr. J. McHugh's br g Soultfish, aged, 9.6 (Phillips) ..... 3 Time, 3min 20sec. Dividend, £1 16s.

**BOROUGH HANDICAP.** Four furlongs. Messrs. R. and R. Duder's br g Black and Gold, aged, by Cuirassier—Hune 9.10 (Ackroyd) ..... 1 Mr. C. Winder's, jun., b g Hikual, aged, 7.10 (Brown) ..... 2 Mr. C. W. Coleman's b g Omati, 6yrs, 9.4 (Coleman) ..... 3 Also started: Discoverer 8.5, Celerity 8.4, Duart 7.6, Turbine 7.4, Celsipin 7.2, Sweet Alice 6.12. Time, 52 2-5sec. Dividends, £3 13s and £2 15s.

**SUMMER HANDICAP.** One mile. Mr. D. Hughes' b m Syren, 4yrs, by Cyrenian—Torment, 6.10 (Whitaker) ..... 1 Mr. C. W. Coleman's b g Landlock, aged, 8.10 (Cress) ..... 2 Mr. R. McKim's b g Le Beau, aged, 7.3 (Conquest) ..... 3 Also started: Akarana 8.10, Soultmaid 7.12, Millie 7.6, Pearl Necklet 7.5, Henry Havelock 6.7.



# INTER-PROVINCIAL.

## CANTERBURY.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

CHRISTCHURCH, February 6.

In view of the summer meetings of the Canterbury Jockey Club this week excellent trial gallops were done at Riccarton during the past few mornings. The tracks are very fast at present, and with a continuance of fine weather they are likely to remain so. Perhaps the best performance on Thursday last was that done by Buccleuch. This horse was sent for a spin over six furlongs by himself, and, striding along nicely throughout, he was timed to do 1min 14 3-5sec. Monkey Puzzle ran the last six of seven furlongs in 1min 17 2-5sec. Guidwife moved freely whilst traversing seven furlongs at three-quarter pace. Farley Grove and Athena were associated in a sprint over five furlongs, which was concluded in 1min 4sec. Stronghold covered a mile at three-quarter pace, and Chryseis got through a working gallop over a mile and a-quarter. Tahu, who moves in an attractive style, and Fandango ran five furlongs in 1min 5 2-5sec, a distance that Aimee Soult accounted for in 1min 1 3-5sec. Bonny Glen galloped six furlongs in 1min 23 2-5sec, whilst his stable mate, Stepdancer, ran a mile and a-quarter in 2min 16 sec, finishing well. Ruapehu traversed six furlongs in 1min 21sec, and Cross Battery was restricted to half-pace work over two circuits. Lady Zoin dashed over half a mile in 50 1-5sec, and is evidently speedy. Silkweb, with a big advantage in the weights, easily beat Tessera over six furlongs in 1min 18 4-5sec. Idasa and Volodia merely cantered. Harvest ran seven furlongs in 1min 32 sec. Jahangir easily ran half a mile in 52 1/2sec. Blythemaids, Alexis, and Paragon, the two first-named going well within themselves, ran five furlongs in 1min 5sec. The Libyan beat White Shield and Good Sight over five furlongs in 1min 6 2-5sec, and Reduction was fighting for her head whilst galloping half a mile in 53sec. Canterbury ran six furlongs in 1min 18 2-5sec, All Guns and Mercy, who started with him, being pulled off at the distance. Wild Cat, who was the last to work, was extended over seven furlongs.

Elevation arrived on Wednesday and worked on Mr. Stead's private track. Golden Cairn, who looks none the worse for his exertions in the North Island, strode over a mile at three-quarter pace. Watershoot finished two lengths in front of Don Orsino after running seven furlongs in 1min 32 4-5sec. Glenculloch ran a similar distance at three-quarter pace. Lapland beat Somaroff by a length over a mile and a-quarter in 2min 17 2-5sec. Cockleshell spurted four furlongs in 51sec. Rose Noble got over the same ground from an almost standing start in 50 2-5sec.

It was delightfully mild when work commenced on Saturday morning. Water had been laid on the tracks during the night, and as a result they were in first-class order. Guidwife and Cockleshell were the first pair out, and ran five furlongs in 1min 5 1/2 sec, Guidwife showing to most advantage. Monkey Puzzle, Watershoot, and Don Orsino were associated in a

gallop over a mile, which occupied 1min 45sec. Monkey, Puzzle, who had a considerable advantage in weights, defeated her companion by eight lengths. There was little to choose between Glenculloch and Golden Cairn at the end of a spin over six furlongs, run in 1min 15 3-5sec from a trotting up start. Lapland defeated Somaroff over a mile, run in 1min 48 4-5sec, both being pretty fully extended. Disastrous, who started with them, was eased up entering the straight. Signalman and Stepdancer were companions in a gallop over a mile and a-quarter. The pair kept together throughout, and finished abreast, Signalman apparently having more left in him than his companion. The times for the various stages of the gallop were as follows:—First two furlongs 27 3-5s., first six furlongs 1m. 20 2-5s., and the full distance 2m. 14 1/2s. Ruapehu brushed over six furlongs in 1m. 18 1-5s.; Lady Zion, who started with her, being eased up half way down the straight. Alirita strode over 7 furlongs very easily in 1m. 13s. Bonnie Glen ran six furlongs in 1m. 18 1-5s., being fully extended. De Witte merely cantered. Tahu galloped seven furlongs, the last half-mile of which was run in 51 4-5s. Rose Noble defeated Stronghold in a spin over five furlongs, which occupied 1m. 4 4-5s. Elevator, who was unshod, ran a similar distance in 1m. 5s., finishing well. Chryseis alone strode over a mile and a quarter, the last eight furlongs of which occupied 1m. 47s. Vardo, who was assisted by Nikolsky over the first part, ran a mile, the last seven furlongs of which occupied 1m. 31s. Silk Web showed to more advantage than Harvest and Tessera at the end of a spin over five furlongs, which occupied 1m. 4 1-5s. Athena, with a considerable advantage in the weights, could have easily defeated Farley Grove while running six furlongs in 1m. 19s., a distance that Aimee Soult completed in 1m. 16 4-5s.—she was fully extended. The Seer's task was six furlongs at three-quarter speed. Cross Battery dashed over four furlongs in 48 1-5s.; it was a pleasing performance. Idasa and Volodia separately performed light tasks. Ordnance galloped six furlongs, while the Libyan was slightly better than White Shield over five furlongs run in 1m. 4 1-5s. Alexis ran six furlongs up the back, the last four of which occupied 53 4-5s. Reduction brushed over the last half-mile of a medium pace circuit in 52s. with ridiculous ease. Mango cast six furlongs behind him in 1m. 18 1/2s. Gypsobel ran a similar distance in 1m. 18 1/2s., finishing very well. Blythemaids and Paragon galloped six furlongs in 1m. 18 1/2s., finishing together. The former, however, could have easily defeated her companion had the rider desired. Salaam dashed over five furlongs in 1m. 2 1/2s. from a racing start. She tired a good deal at the finish. Tremulous, Mercy, All Guns and Canterbury were associated in a spin over five furlongs, which they ran in 1m. 5 1/2s. The first-named had her companions easily beaten, but was eased up a furlong from the winning post, and allowed Canterbury to finish in front with All Guns several lengths away, and Mercy last. The last-named pair were fully extended. Buccleuch, Willaway and Amboise were worked during the breakfast interval.

Ivanoff, who has been an absentee since Tuesday, is still suffering from the attack of strangles he contracted on the West Coast, and he is an unlikely starter in the Middle Park Plate.

Sunday being an off morning, nothing of importance was recorded on the track this morning, and but few of the trainers put in an appearance with their charges.

E. Griffin, who arrived yesterday with Thunderer, Count Gorton and Balsam had his charges out doing steady pacing. The trio are looking in capital fettle.

The following horses were given light tasks:—Tremulous, Elevation, Disastrous, Signalman, Glenculloch, Guid Wife, De Witte, Golden Cairn, Chryseis and Clanchattan.

Salaam, who ran seven furlongs at Riccarton the other morning in 1min 29 1-5sec, is by Medallion—Salutation. This is the best seven furlongs' gallop recorded at Riccarton.

Lady Annie, who was recently purchased by Sir G. Clifford, arrived at Chokebore Lodge a few days ago, and was at once given easy work. Cutts is confident that he will get a good race out of the mare before long.

Fifty-four horses have been nominated for the Great Easter Handicap

and 38 for the Great Autumn. As usual, North Island owners have supported the two great autumn events right royally.

Acceptances for the first day's racing at the C.J.C. Summer Meeting are not to hand at the time of writing, but the following may run forward in their engagements:—

Trial Stakes: Mango, Don Orsino, Sea King.

Hornby Welter: Aeolus, De Witte.

Filly Stakes: Aimee Soult, Guidwife.

Midsummer Handicap: Signalman, Chryseis.

Lyttelton Plate: Rose Noble, Paragon.

Craven Plate: Buccleuch, Balsam.

Halswell Welter: Salaam, Watershoot.

This morning was fine and mild. The ploughed track, on which all of the work was accomplished having been watered overnight, provided excellent going. At five o'clock McCracken's pair, Alexis and Paragon, trotted across the centre and got away at the six-furlong mark, finishing together. They completed the distance in 1min 18 4-5sec, Alexis finishing the better of the pair. Blythemaids was given a working gallop over seven furlongs, moving freely, while Glenculloch, Golden Cairn and Guidwife were companions in a sound gallop over six furlongs. The first-named finished about three lengths in front of Golden Cairn, while Guidwife, who performed differently, was about 20 lengths behind. The time registered was 1min 15 1-5sec, a satisfactory performance. Signalman, assisted by De Witte over seven furlongs, traversed a mile and a-quarter. He tired at the finish, and his effort was not a pleasing one. The times for the various stages of the gallop were:—First two furlongs, 27 1-5sec; first six furlongs, 1min 19 1-5sec; and the full distance in 2min 14sec. Lapland and Somaroff, together, ran seven furlongs in 1min 33 1/2sec, while Monkey Puzzle, with a light weight up, completed a similar distance in 1min 30 4-5sec. Ruapehu brushed over six furlongs in 1min 17 2-5sec, while Ilarita registered a working gallop over seven furlongs. Elevation had Cockleshell well beaten at the end of a spin over six furlongs, run in 1min 17sec. Rose Noble ran five furlongs, the last four in 49 2-5sec. Submarine was about fully extended in running six furlongs in 1min 16 1-5sec. Taha covered five furlongs in 1min 4sec. Balsam defeated Count Gorton by several lengths over six furlongs, run in 1min 16 3-5sec. He finished well, and his effort was a distinctly creditable one. Chryseis ran a mile very easily in 1min 45sec. Watershoot was slightly better than Don Orsino in a gallop over eight furlongs, which occupied 1min 45 1-5sec. Savoury merely cantered, while Aimee Soult and Fandango were well matched in a spin over five furlongs, which they ran in 1min 4sec. Bonnie Glen ran a similar distance from a standing start in 1min 5sec. Stronghold covered six furlongs in 1min 17 2-5sec. Jahangir,

## SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

CLAUDELANDS, HAMILTON.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1907.

PROGRAMME.

(Passed by A.R.C.)

- 12.45 p.m.—TRIAL HANDICAP of 20 sovs. 7 furlongs. Nomination, 10s acceptance, 10s.
- 1.30 p.m.—HANDICAP HURDLES of 40sovs. 1 1/2 miles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 20s.
- 2.15 p.m.—SOUTH AUCKLAND CUP of 75sovs. 1 1/4 miles. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 30s.
- 2.45 p.m.—CLAUDELANDS HANDICAP of 30sovs. 7 furlongs. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s.
- 3.15 p.m.—HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 60sovs. About 3 miles. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 25s.
- 4 p.m.—TRADESMEN'S PLATE of 50 sovs. One mile. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 25s.
- 4.30 p.m.—DISTRICT HACK RACE of 20sovs. 6 furlongs. Weight, 9st. Nomination, 15s.
- 5.15 p.m.—FLYING HANDICAP of 40 sovs. 5 furlongs. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 20s.

For full programme see "Weekly Press," Cards, and Posters.

CONDITIONS.

Winners after declaration of weights, subject to be re-handicapped. Nominations, 9 p.m., FRIDAY, February 8. Acceptances, 9 p.m., FRIDAY, February 22, with Mr. H. B. Massey, Auckland, or Secretary. Weights appear about FRIDAY, February 15. Bookmakers not allowed on course. Special Trains, returning to all centres after races. R. J. Gwynne, Secretary.

Time, 1min 44 1-5sec. Dividends, £7 12s and £1 17s.

**THIRD PONY HANDICAP.** Five furlongs and a-half.  
Mr. J. Knott's b m Cyrona, 4yrs, by Cyrenian—Etona, 6.10 (Whittaker) 1  
Mr. A. McMillan's b m La Annie, 6yrs, 7.2 (McMillan) 2  
Mr. R. Thorpe's ch m Sonoma, 6yrs, 8.8 (Ryan) 3  
Also started: Forth 7.12, Paul Beaver 7.12, Mighty Atom 7.12, Merrimanu 7.10, Norma 7.7.  
Time, 1min 11 1-5sec. Dividends, £14 16s and £2 12s.

**DEVONPORT HANDICAP.** Five furlongs and a-half.  
Mr. C. W. Coleman's b g Omati, 6yrs, by Leolantis, 9.0 (Cress) 1  
Mr. R. Hannon's ch m Miss Winnie, aged, 9.0 (Brady) 2  
Mr. R. L. Cleland's b f Sweet Alice, 3yrs, 6.12 (Whittaker) 3  
Also started: The Middy 8.0, Lochbuhie 7.12.  
Time, 1min 10sec. Dividend, £3 5s.

**PONU HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.** About three miles.  
Mr. J. Twhill's b g Pierre, 6yrs, by Muskapeer—Delilah, 10.9 (Deeble) 1  
Mr. C. Thede's b g Loch Fyne, aged, 10.12 (Burns) 2  
Also started: The Frenchman 9.7.  
Time, 6min 17sec. Dividend, £1 16s.

**WELTER HANDICAP.** One mile.  
Mr. N. Banks' ch m Uranium, 6yrs, by Leolantis—Brownie, 9.2 (Brady) 1  
Mr. J. Nelson's b g Bully, 6yrs, 9.0 (Mooney) 2  
Mr. D. J. Lynch's br g Freemount, aged, 7.10 (Conquest) 3  
Also started: Claremont 9.0, Lord Seaton 8.10, Pearl Necklet 8.5, Luminous 8.4, Annoyed 8.2, Agrapus 7.12, Wairuhe 7.8.  
Time, 1min 45sec. Dividends, £3 19s and £3.

## THE BETTING MARKET.

Messrs. Ross and Bradshaw (Wellington) report the following business on the

**WANGANUI CUP AND FLYING HANDICAP.**  
600 to 2—Advance and Full Rate  
600 to 6—Achilles and Delamere  
500 to 7—St. Joe and Delamere  
500 to 5—Armistice and Marguerite  
500 to 3 1/2—Riflemid and Full Rate  
300 to 3—Paritutu and Full Rate  
300 to 3—Paritutu and Golden Gate

**GREAT EASTER AND AUTUMN HANDICAPS.**  
1000 to 15—Pink'un and Multifid  
750 to 7 1/2—Marguerite and Seal Rock  
600 to 6—Achilles and Ghoorka  
600 to 6—Cross Battery and Achilles  
500 to 4—Cross Battery and Eden

Messrs. Barnett and Grant (Christchurch) report the following business on the

**EASTER AND AUTUMN HANDICAPS.**  
500 to 7 1/2—Marguerite and Marguerite  
500 to 5—Pink'un and Achilles  
500 to 5—Cross Battery & Armistice  
300 to 3—Munjeet and Achilles



## OTAHUHU TROTTING CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING,  
FEBRUARY 16, 20, AND 23.

ACCEPTANCES for First Day Close on FRIDAY NEXT, at 9 p.m.

F. D. YONGE, Secretary.

## THE HAYMARKET.

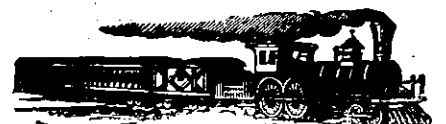
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PAPAKURA RACES.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH, 1907.

A Train, stopping where required, will leave Auckland at 1.20 p.m., Papakura Racecourse arrive 2.20 p.m., returning leaving Papakura Racecourse 6.30 p.m. Auckland arrive 7.35 p.m.

Return fare from Auckland, Onehunga, and Stations en route (including admission to Course): First-class, 5s; Second-class, 3s.

BY ORDER.

G. Lewis.]

[Thos. Davies.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, AT 12 NOON.



## OTAHUHU TROTTING CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING,

To be held at

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On FEBRUARY 16th, 20th, and 23rd.

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who was to have joined him at the five furlongs' post, was left several lengths, and was unable to make up his leeway. Silk Web, with a considerable advantage in weights, defeated Harvest and The Seer somewhat easily in a gallop over six furlongs, the last five in 1min 5 1-5sec. Aeolus had a raking gallop over seven furlongs, going well, and Stepdancer (F. Jones) traversed a mile and a quarter in 2min 14 2-5sec, the first six furlongs in 1min 20 4-5sec. She finished well, and, seeing that she was unassisted, the performance was a satisfactory one. Thunderer and Idasa were companions in a gallop over 10 furlongs in 2min 15 4-5sec. The latter was allowed to finish in front, but neither was fully extended, and both could have improved upon the time. Franc, who was brought up from New Brighton, where he has been given swimming exercise, ran half a mile in 56sec, pulling up lame. Tessera covered a similar distance in 49sec, finishing well, while Cross Battery was given steady pacing.

After breakfast the breeze sprang up from the north-west, which favoured the making of fast times. However, nothing above the average was recorded. Buccleugh galloped seven furlongs in 1min 29 4-5sec, being fully extended, while Amboise and William spurred five furlongs. Ord nance ran seven furlongs in 1min 34sec. Mango defeated Gypsobel by a length and a-half in a gallop over six furlongs up the back, which occupied 1min 21 4-5sec. Farley Grove had Athena beaten at the end of a gallop over six furlongs, the last half-mile in 51 4-5sec. White Shield and The Libyan spurred five furlongs in 1min 3sec, the former appearing to most advantage. Tremulous, with a big advantage in the weights, was slightly better than Canterbury while running five furlongs in 1min 32 3-5 sec. Mercy, who started with them, again performed badly, and finished several lengths in the rear. Good Sight defeated Narcissus by a hundred yards over six furlongs, the last five in 1min 5 3-5sec. Salaam galloped half a mile in 48 4-5sec. Wild Cat easily defeated Fancywork and Nikelsky over six furlongs in 1min 18 1-5sec. Pram, who assisted them over the last half-mile, finished several lengths in advance of the others, who finished in straggling order.

**OTAGO.**

DUNEDIN, Feb. 6.

The excellent nominations received for the Dunedin Jockey Club Cup Meeting, and the splendid manner in which owners have responded to the invitation to nominate at the Tahuna Park Trotting Club's Meeting strongly suggest that local sportsmen should have the chance of assisting at the best "Carnival Week" of sport that has taken place here for many a season past.

The time-honored Dunedin Cup has always possessed a good deal of glamour, and going to see the Cup is a stereotyped phrase often uttered by hundreds of men. Our local meetings have been gradually growing in popularity, despite the fact that in the past bad weather has frequently been a formidable antagonist against success. The financial returns from our meetings suggest that next season should see another liberal increase in prize-money, and where the

money is to be found a liberal attendance of the public is assured. The unprecedentedly long spell of dry weather which we have experienced naturally makes one dubious about large fields being found, but so far the adamant nature of the tracks have not levied a very heavy tax on the list of horses in training whilst the liberal response which has been made for the Easter and Autumn Handicaps suggests that owners have strong hopes of concluding the season with many horses which have been in active commission from the commencement of the season.

Crichton has knocked one of his legs, and he is not likely to be seen out until the back end of the year.

Local quotations on the Easter and Autumn Meetings range from 100 to 4000 to 1.

A sister to Sal Tasker, which was running at her owner's place in Christchurch, broke one of her legs recently, and had to be destroyed.

Jesse, the dam of Sal Tasker, has returned from Melbourne, whither she had been sent on a visit to Abbey Bells.

Petrovna is doing lenient exercise again after her spell.

Master Alix is at present running out in a paddock, and hence it is that his name is missing from the Great Easter Handicap.

H. Goodman severs his connection with Mr. J. Buckley at the end of the month. The latter is going Home on a lengthy tour, and his horses will be either sold or leased.

**TARANAKI.**

NEW PLYMOUTH, February 6.

Splendid nominations have been received for the Taranaki Jockey Club's forthcoming meeting. Already many enquiries have been received for horse accommodation, and there is every prospect of the club having a very successful gathering.

Local horses were successful at the Pahiatua meeting, and made amends for their defeat at Trentham. On the first day Pearlle was a very strong order, bookmakers refusing to take all the money that was offered. The mare, however, only gained second place, and returned a dividend of 15s. On the following day many backers held off, as it was anticipated she would return considerably less than even money, and great surprise was expressed when the dividend was announced as £3 8s.

The Stratford-owned Makikihi has been running very consistently of late, and those who have supported the mare right through her engagements were rewarded with two good dividends on Thursday.

Gilnockie, who has had a season at the stud, has again been put into training.

Mr. Dan O'Brien recently received an offer from Victoria for the purchase of Grenade. The offer was made through an Auckland representative, and a sale was satisfactorily effected, but, evidently through some misunderstanding, it has since been declared off. The price agreed on was 500 guineas.

Albert Rhodes is hacking about a rather good sort of a gelding by Daystar out of a Sou'-wester mare.

Ney was responsible for a very taking performance over four furlongs prior to being shipped to fulfil engagements at the Takapuna meeting, and was consequently well backed here. I have been informed that the youngster will figure as a gelding when he next sports silk.

**HAWKE'S BAY.**

NAPIER, February 6.

Mr. J. Brown, the well-known New South Wales studmaster, who lately did the tour of New Zealand, and who, during his visit to the land of the Maori and Moa, looked up the various breeding establishments, has returned home, and has been giving his views on the stallions he inspected. He gives the award to Birkenhead, who, he says, was an easy first. Mr. Brown, who also saw the totalisator at work, is a great believer in the machine, and is more than ever convinced that it should be introduced into the Commonwealth States if for no other reason than it tends to increase the stake money. The opinion of an observant man like Mr. Brown should be worth attaching some weight to.

Waihuku has left G. Collelo's quarters, San Fran's son now being a pupil of T. Wilson's.

Jack Pot, looking well and hearty, is a regular attendant at the try-out grounds at Napier Park.

Catseye, a full brother to The Seer, will be one of those who will assist at the Woodthorpe meeting next Saturday.

The five Birkenheads that A. Woods has under his tuition for the Hon. J. D. Ormond are proving amenable and docile students. They will shortly be handed over to Stuart. Waddell, who will proceed to give them the second stage of their education—that of an association with the trials and troubles of the training track—as Woods' portion of that schooling only consists of handling, breaking them in, and getting them used to the gear.

One of the regulars at Napier Park is Crackpot, a good-looking son of Crackshot. With time and condition on him he should most assuredly turn out above the average, for he is endowed with a deal of attractive qualities.

Operetta's yearling brother has had the cognomen of Laughter claimed for him.

Oasis, Immolation, Silver Lead, Contender and Mrs. Crauley left here last Friday night for Gisborne with the intention of assisting at the approaching ventures of the Poverty Bay and Gisborne Racing Clubs. L. G. King has been engaged to pilot the members of the team trained by J. McLaughlin—Immolation, Silver Lead, Contender, and Mrs. Crauley.

A meeting of the metropolitan committee of the Jockey Club was held at Hastings on Friday last. A communication was read asking the position of horses that competed at the Ongonga unregistered meeting on January 1st, 1907. It was resolved that under part II. (9) Rules of Racing, all officials, owners, trainers, riders and horses taking part at such meeting were thereby disqualified. It was decided, on the request of Napier Park Club, to post certain defaulters. A number of trainers', jockeys', and gentlemen riders' licenses were granted. The Jockey Club made a profit of about £900 over their summer meeting.

**WANGANUI.**

WANGANUI, February 6.

Frank Lind has taken Kuroki in hand again. The chestnut son of Fiske—Satellite has benefited considerably by the few months' spell he has had since returning from Australia, and when he gets back to form he should win a race or two.

Mr. B. T. Bennett, who has sold out his interest in the Masonic Hotel, tells me that he intends giving Wai-one to Lind to train. The son of Waiuku has improved a lot, and, judging by the way he is galloping, the colt should well repay Mr. Bennett for the care and patience he has bestowed upon his horse, especially with the careful attention he will receive under Lind's charge.

Victoria Park has been sold to a West Coast (South Island) buyer, and the Sylvia Park mare is to leave for her new home after the Woodville meeting. The price is reported at 150 guineas, a sum which she should return to her purchaser very shortly.

It is said that there is some chance of a match taking place between Pink'un and Munjeet over six furlongs for £100 a-side. Whether there is any truth in the rumour or not I do not know, but such a race would be well worth seeing if it did take place.

I understand that Colleen broke a small bone in her leg in the Ruapehu Hack Race, and consequently the daughter of Gossoon and Miss Norah is not likely to race again. If this proves to be the case it is very hard luck for her owner (Mr. G. F. Moore), as the filly gave promise of being a good stake-winner. She demonstrated at Auckland recently that she was very brilliant.

Fred. Tilley has had exasperating luck in Cup races recently. In the Manawatu, Ashhurst, Rangitikei and Wellington Cups Apa filled second place, a position he also occupied in the Wellington R.C. Handicap, whilst Nova acted as runner-up in both the Foxton and Pahiatua Cups. It will be remembered, too, that St. Joe was third in the New Zealand Cup. However, the Fordell trainer's turn may come shortly.

Alf. Shearsby will be strongly represented at the Wanganui Cup meeting. He has engaged six boxes already.

Fishermaid has got over the effects of breaking a blood vessel just prior to the Foxton meeting, and is now bowling along in good style on the local tracks.

The pony Lord Soult is said to be sounder now than ever he was, and such being the case the gelding should further increase his winnings. He cost Mr. J. Symons £80, and he has already placed £800 to his credit.

Waipaku, winner of the Telephone Hack Race at Foxton, is spoken of as being a very promising filly. The daughter of Conqueror is engaged in

the Egmont Sires' Produce Stakes, to be decided on the 14th inst, in which event she will have to meet Flimsnap, the Sylvia Park gelding in Tilley's stable.

Mr. T. Lloyd, who formerly acted as private trainer for Major Babington and Captain Campbell, has taken over the stables so many years conducted by Mr. J. Green at Crofton, Marton.

I hear that an offer of £700 was made for Montigo recently, but was not entertained.

Aorangi, the property of the Hon. W. W. Johnston, and formerly in A. Shearsby's stable, has been sent to A. Attwood, Feilding, to prepare for jumping events.

**WELLINGTON.**

WELLINGTON, February 6.

The heavy investments made with the totalisator during the recent W.R.C. Summer Meeting, did not by any means represent the sum total of the business done over the racing. In several events there was strong runs on particular horses with the town S.P. men. As these "gee-gees" were, it is alleged, the only animals supported, and as they, as a rule, got first past the post, the layers have been pretty hard hit. Seemingly it is only a matter of time when those owners comprising the clever division will break the ring entirely.

The S.P. men deserve no sympathy whatever, as they in their anxiety to obtain business, give unscrupulous backers certain privileges which practically amounts to offering them a premium to fix up the less valuable events, and so relieve the bookmakers of their cash. The latter are continually declaring loudly that these tactics are being adopted; nevertheless they continue to accept no-reply wires ad lib.

The report which was current here re the annulment of the disqualification of the hurdle horse Hydrant and his owner by the V.R.C. is, it transpires, incorrect. Mr. Brown, it seems, recovered through his solicitors the third money in the race for which his horse was disqualified. He then briefly reported to his Wellington friends that he had won his case against the V.R.C., and they quite naturally concluded that he had been successful in getting the ban removed. This, however, is not so, as Hydrant, with owner and rider, are still disqualified during the pleasure of the V.R.C. stewards. Hydrant's owner, who returned to Wellington last week to attend to his business affairs, emphatically protests his innocence. He declares that he was treated with scant consideration by the V.R.C., and was not even permitted to be present when the enquiry was held. He further states that he was not allowed to see his horse weighed either out or in, and as a matter of fact had little to do with Hydrant or his rider after they reached the race-course further than taking 500 to 60 about the horse for the race for which he was disqualified. His solicitors, Messrs. Gaunson and Lore, made a strong appeal for a re-hearing, but this has not up to the present been granted. Hydrant has in the meantime been left in Sydney with the trainer who had him during the V.R.C. meeting.

**NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS AND ACCEPTANCES.**

**NOMINATIONS.**

**OTAHUHU TROTting CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.**

**SECOND DAY.**

**SUBURBAN PONY HANDICAP**, six furlongs and a-half.—Fashionable Lonesome, Paul Beaver, Sonoma, Present, Glenora, Merrimanu, Mataura.

**ALEXANDRA HANDICAP**, four furlongs and a-half.—Inatore, La Annie, Norma, Manoeuvre, Desmond, Lonesome, Paul Beaver, Waihou, Glenora, Mighty Atom, Mataura, Dr. Quest.

**TRIAL TROT HANDICAP**, one mile.—Awhiwhio, Inaha, Dan, Harold Huon, Huon Clair, Rutland, Miss Sage, Jersey Lily, Porangi, Janitor, Merry Kate, Flora Mac, Castaway, Miss Tuxie, Agnes B., Tuxton, Mack.

**SUMMER TROT HANDICAP**, two miles.—Happy, Miss Huon, Duke C., Young McKinney, Miss Dunmore, Stranger, Macquarie, Weary Willie, General Election, Harold Abdallah.

**TRAMWAY TROT HANDICAP**, one mile and a-half.—Cleveland's Pride, Pukerimu, Huon Leal, Huanui, Manxman, Cora Victor, Nat Gould, Flora Mac, Olive, Tableau, Wairere, Avenal, Mauréen, Wilhelmina, Mack, Special Light.

**EPSOM TROT HANDICAP**, one mile and a-half.—Empress, Torpedo II., Young McKinney, Lena G., Weary Willie, Young Salisbury, Special Light.

**HIGH-CLASS TROT HANDICAP**, one mile and a-half.—Typewriter, Young McKinney, Mint, Miss Wilson, Stranger, Specialist, Rosebud, Waite-kauri, Miss Tuxie, Young Salisbury, The Moors.

**TELEGRAPH TROT HANDICAP**, one mile.—Lady Brook, Huon Leal, Colenso,



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THIRD DAY.

WELCOME STAKES HANDICAP, six furlongs and a-half.—Gladys Rose, Fashionable, Lonesome, Paul Beaver, Sonoma, Present, Glenora, Mataura.

MANUKAU HANDICAP, four furlongs and a-half.—Inatore, La Annie, Norma, Manoeuvre, Desmond, Lonesome, Paul Beaver, Waihou, Glenora, Merriman, Mighty Atom, Mataura, Dr. Quest.

PRESIDENT'S TROT HANDICAP, one mile.—Dan, Wee Pony, Harold Huon, Huon Clair, Manxman, Porangi, Mangere, Mayton, Rarawa, Cora Bell, Merry Kate, Flora Mac, Castaway, Agnes B., Royalty, Mack.

SECOND PONY TROT HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Awhlowhio, Cleveland's Pride, Inaha, Plaintiff, Huanui, Miss Sage, Jersey Lily, Seacole, Silver Girl, Fibre, Pakuranga Lass, Romer, Wairere, Agnes B., Polly II., Tuxton, Special Light.

CRITERION TROT HANDICAP, two miles.—Redleaf, Miss Huon, Duke C., Young McKinley, Nat Gould, Miss Dunmore, Stranger, Macquarrie, Rosebud, Weary Willie, General Election, Harold Abdallah.

PAPATOITOI TROT HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Pukerimu, Lady Brook, Huon Leal, Torpedo II., Iago, Manxman, Baxter, Seacole, Cora Victor, Lena G., Olive, Tableau, Avenal, Weary Willie, Maureen, Wilhelmina, Black Rose, Bogey, Daydawn, Mack, Special Light.

FEBRUARY TROT HANDICAP, one mile.—Rober, Bell Boy, Young McKinley, Mint, Miss Wilson, Silver Girl, Stranger, Specialist, Isabel, Rosebud, Waitakauri, Miss Tuxie, Young Salisbury, The Mooress.

DASH TROT HANDICAP, one mile.—Donizetti, Empress, Happy, Colenso, Bert, Baxter, Farewell II., Macquarrie, Specialist, Taihoa, Woodbine, Princess Ena, Miss Tuxie, Polly II., Young Salisbury, Ballot, Olive.

C.J.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

GREAT EASTER HANDICAP of 750 sovs. Seven furlongs.—King Billy, Gazeley, Replete, Isolt, Munjeet, Buccleuch, Fireiron, Savoury, Cross Battery, Apollodoris, Signalman, Clanchattan, Golden Cairn, Sea King, Zetland, Ilarita, Intelligence, Sir Tristram, Zimmerman, Medallist, Balsam, Truce, Moscow, Pink-un, Ghoorka, Exmoor, Achilles, Marguerite, Red Morn, Zero, Don Orsino, Petrovna, Chryseis, Pas Seul, Blythemaid, Ballarat, Lapdwern, Lady Annie, Submarine, Multifid, Fontenoy, Helel, Portland, Splendid Idea, Astrakhan, Tessera, Harvest, Silkweb, Stronghold, Ivanoff, Aimee Soult, Salaam, Quidform, Red Gauntlet, Crichton.

GREAT AUTUMN HANDICAP of 750sovs. One mile and a-half.—King Billy, Gazeley, Seal Rock, Eden, Buccleuch, Cross Battery, Notus, Signalman, Sea King, Zetland, Golden Knight, Sir Tristram, Zimmerman, Thunderer, Truce, Moscow, Pink-un, Ghoorka, Achilles, Marguerite, Lapland, Stepdancer, Munjeet, Chryseis, Blythemaid, Landwern, Submarine, Multifid, Grenade, Fontenoy, Armistice, Splendid Idea, Astrakhan, Ivanoff, Field Gun, Quidform, Red Gauntlet, Crichton.

HANDICAPS.

PAKURANGA RACING CLUB'S MEETING.

PAPAKURA CUP, one mile.—Geordie 9.0, Uhlender 8.11, Nerve 8.11, Lord Seaton 8.4, Freemont 7.12, Bonomiana 7.11, Luminous 7.10, Kola Nip 7.7, Lochbuhie 7.3, Heywood 7.0, Lady Clements 6.12, Fabricator 6.7.

FLYING HANDICAP, five furlongs.—Omali 10.5, Geordie 8.11, Waitati 8.8, Lord Seaton 8.3, Discoverer 8.2, Sweet Alice 8.0, Freemont 7.11, Bonomiana 7.10, Luminous 7.9, Kola Nip 7.6, Lochbuhie 7.3, Lady Clements 7.3, Fabricator 6.7.

RAILWAY HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Dogger Bank 8.0, Lucio 8.12, The Serf 8.6, Master Clements 7.10, Lady Cressy 7.10, Kaitangata 7.8, Reminder 7.8, Star of the South 7.5, Charlie 7.5, Catastrophe 7.0, Sabine 7.0, Fabricator 7.0.

HACK RACE, five furlongs.—Dogger Bank 9.0, Lucio 8.12, The Serf 8.6, Rappara 8.4, Apollonaris 8.3, Master Clements 7.10, Lady Cressy 7.10, Morahi 7.9, Kaitangata 7.8, Desmond 7.8, Butler 7.8, Reminder 7.8, Charles 7.5, Star of the South 7.5, Catastrophe 7.0, Sabine 7.0, Ngahere 7.0.

MANUREWA TROT HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Rosebud scratch, Waitakauri 1sec, Duke C. 1sec, Colenso 7sec, Polly II. 7sec, Miss Huon 9sec, Miss Dunmore 9sec, Seacole 11sec, Cleveland's Pride 13sec, Tableau 16sec, Wilhelmina 17sec, Bridget 18sec, Iago 19sec, Lady Brook 20sec, Black Rose 21sec, Wairere 21sec, Lame Tommy 22sec, Manxman 24sec, Avenal 25sec, Adelaide 25sec.

OTAHUHU TROT CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

OTAHUHU PONY CUP HANDICAP, six furlongs and a-half.—Sonoma 9.0, Mataura 9.0, Present 8.12, Paul Beaver 7.8, Lonesome 7.6, Gladys Rose 7.6, Glenora 6.7.

FLYING STAKES HANDICAP, four furlongs and a-half.—Mataura 9.0, Manoeuvre 8.2, Waihou 8.0, Mighty Atom 7.12, Merriman 7.10, La Annie 7.9, Paul Beaver 7.9, Lonesome 7.7, Desmond 7.5, Norma 7.4, Dr. Quest 7.3, Glenora 6.7, Inatore 6.7.

ELECTRIC HANDICAP TROT, one mile.—Specialist scratch, Princess Ena 2sec, Baxter 12sec, Miss Tuxie 12sec, Ballot 13sec, Colenso 14sec, Happy 14sec, Polly II. 14sec, Bert 16sec, Olive 20sec, Tableau 20sec, Daydawn 21sec, Wilhelmina 21sec, Huon Leal 22sec, Nat Gould 23sec, Black Rose 23sec, Wairere 23sec, Pakuranga Lass (late Jewess) 23sec.

MAIDEN HANDICAP TROT, one mile.—Miss Tuxie scratch, Flora Mac 12sec, Royalty 12sec, Merry Kate 12sec, Harold Huon 12sec, Agnes B. 13sec, Janitor 13sec, Rutland 13sec, Manxman 13sec, Miss Sage 14sec, Mayton (late Little May) 15sec, Pukerimu 15sec, Fofanui 17sec, Inaha 17sec, Weasel 17sec, Cleve 17sec, Tuxton 18sec, Mack 18sec, Huon Clair 18sec, Wee Pony 18sec.

SYLVIA PARK HANDICAP TROT, one mile and a-half.—Bogey scratch, Torpedo II. scratch, Lena G. 3sec, Seacole 4sec, Olive 9sec, Special Light 9sec, Tableau 9sec, Daydawn 10sec, Wilhelmina 10sec, Iago 12sec, Huon Leal 12sec, Nat Goulr 13sec, Cora Victor 13sec, Avenal 18sec, Pukerimu 18sec.

PONY HANDICAP TROT, one mile and a-half.—Silver Girl scratch, Polly II. 3sec, Seacole 7sec, Cleveland's Pride 9sec, Special Light 12sec, Huanui 15sec, Fibre 15sec, Wairere 17sec, Jersey Lily 18sec, Romer 18sec, Agnes B. 19sec, Pakuranga Lass (late Jewess) 21sec, Inaha 24sec, Plaintiff 24sec, Awhlowhio 28sec.

OTAHUHU TROT CUP, two miles.—Mint scratch, Young McKinley 7sec, Rosebud 13sec, Duke C. 15sec, Stranger 15sec, Harold Abdallah 17sec, Weary Willie 19sec, General Election 21sec, Macquarrie 21sec, Redleaf 24sec, Miss Huon 25sec, Miss Dunmore 25sec.

CLASS TROT, one mile and a-half.—Specialist scratch, Miss Wilson 4sec, Young McKinley 6sec, The Mooress 8sec, Rosebud 12sec, Waitakauri 13sec, Robex 13sec, Young Salisbury 13sec, Stranger 14sec, Weary Willie 13sec.

V.R.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

(To be run Saturday, March 2.)

NEWMARKET HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Solution 9.12, Corroborae 9.7, Collarit 9.5, Cuneform 9.5, Step Out 9.4, Banzai 9.2, Menschkoff 9.0, Charles Stuart 8.12, North Head 8.9, Maximize 8.8, Revenue 8.8, Iolair 8.7, Pompous 8.7, Red Streak 8.6, Isaird 8.5, Istria 8.5, Decollete 8.5, Booran 8.3, Sylvan King 8.3, Enchanter 8.3, Melodrama 8.2, Aragain 8.1, Scotland 8.1, Tulkeroo 8.1, Alexis 8.0, Sir Richard 8.0, Ellis 7.12, Fifeness 7.12, Curtain Lecture 7.12, Captain Shannon 7.12, Ebulition 7.11, Lord Fitzroy 7.10, True Scot 7.9, Wandin 7.8, Grenadier 7.8, Prophecy 7.7, Betsy Burke 7.7, Martagon Crosse 7.5, Two Step 7.5, Adroit 7.3, Miss Bobby 7.3, Lady Doris 7.3, Lachlan 7.3, Beresina 7.2, Riversdale 7.2, Newbury 7.2, Tryst 7.2, Dalgety 7.0, Lady Esme 7.0, Mundeio 7.0, Blaaven 7.0, Highland Fling 7.0, Royal Scot 7.0, Position 6.13, Iiad 6.13, Electron 6.13, Cress 0.6.13, St. Peter 6.13, Dora Gray 6.12, Comatawah 6.12, Munus 6.12, Totolo 6.12, Beatrix Avington 6.12, Tom Moore 6.12, Haut Ray 6.11, Elysium 6.11, Omnium 6.11, Whirl 6.11, The Amazon 6.9, Tortive 6.9, Barrenjoey 6.9, Frivolity 6.9, Korea 6.7, Lady Florence 6.7, Conviction 6.7, Orline 6.7, Param 6.7, Apex 6.7, The Desolator 6.7, Katanga 6.7, Ditty 6.7, Montress 6.7, Red Clover 6.7, Heub 6.7, Wood Nymph 6.7, Sleychelles 6.7.

(To be run Tuesday, March 5.)

AUSTRALIAN CUP, two miles and a-quarter.—May King 9.7, Dividend 9.3, Poseidon 9.1, Solution 8.11, Proceeder 8.9, Blue Spec 8.9, Antonious 8.7, Revenue 8.5, Misty Morn 8.4, Collarit 8.1, Proceed 7.13, Charles Stuart 7.12, Ossian 7.12, Tulkeroo 7.12, Putty 7.12, Aragain 7.10, Benbow 7.10, Maximize 7.10, Pompous 7.9, North Head 7.9, Plus 7.7, Sylvan King 7.7, Apologue 7.7, Dyed Garments 7.6, Yabba Gabba 7.6, Iolair 7.6, Booran 7.5, Kaffirpan 7.5, Ellis 7.3, Lord Fitzroy 7.3, Melodrama 7.2, Scorchers 7.2, Rhubarb 7.1, Green Mountain 7.0, Realm 6.13, Delaware 6.13, Dalgety 6.11, Myra 6.9, Charmant 6.9, Heather Lad 6.9, Prestonpans 6.9, Becky 6.7, Tom Moore 6.7, The Desolator 6.7, Solano 6.7, Moani 6.7, Togo 6.7, Graftonite 6.7, Barrenjoey 6.7.

ACCEPTANCES.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

After declaration of second forfeits the following horses remain in their respective races at the A.R.C. Autumn Meeting:—

NORTHERN CHAMPAGNE STAKES of 500sovs. Six furlongs.

Mr. J. E. Thorpe's b c Hierarch, by Cyrenian—Miss Annie  
Mr. J. E. Thorpe's br c Canrobert, by Soult—Hotcherina  
Mr. C. W. Coleman's b f Tunewha, by Cyrenian—Dreamland  
Mr. F. W. Arnold's ch f Cadence, by Cyrenian—Lute  
Mrs. G. Wright's br c Pohutu, by Explosion—Miss Rose  
Mr. T. H. Lowry's ch c Downfall, by San Francisco—Cantatrice  
Mr. D. O'Brien's b c Maranui, by Malatua—Griffin  
Mr. J. McNicol's b f Maheno, by Soult—Lottie  
Mr. C. Weal's br c Campaigner, by Hotchkiss—Aleger  
Mr. C. Weal's br f Port Light, by Bluejacket—Radiant  
Mr. E. J. Watt's b c Lamsdorf by Stepnlak—Shepherdess  
Mr. E. J. Watt's b f Moriarty, by Merriwee—Moirra  
Mr. J. Buckley's b c All Red, by Stepniak—Madder  
Hon. J. D. Ormond's b c Bebington, by Birkenhead—Siesta  
Hon. J. D. Ormond's b c Wallasey, by Birkenhead—Aphrodite  
Hon. J. D. Ormond's br f Eona, by Birkenhead—Eon  
Mr. W. J. Greenwood's br f Lady Ferris, by Phoebus Apollo—Eve  
Mr. J. Hughes' br c Jolly Tar, by Bluejacket—Bangle  
Mr. G. Dunnet's b g Dunborve, by Bluejacket—Lady Peer.

GREAT NORTHERN OAKS of 500sovs. One mile and a-half.

Mr. F. Marshall's ch f Miss Dix, by Phoebus Apollo—Abydos  
Mr. T. H. Lowry's br f Lady Nell, by Birkenhead—Lady Helen  
Mr. C. H. Mooney's ch f, by Phoebus Apollo—St. Amy  
Mr. R. L. Cleland's b f Sweet Alice, by Soult—Princess Alice  
Hon. J. D. Ormond's b f Martyrium, by Birkenhead—Martyrdom  
Mr. G. Hunter's br f Mungista, by Stepniak—Madder  
Mr. G. F. Moore's b f Helen Portland, by Dorchester—Lady Helen

AQUATICS.

(By "The Reefer.")

Mr. C. Bailey, jun., launched on Thursday a handsome launch which he has built to the order of the Auckland Harbour Board. The new boat is 38ft in length, with a beam of 8½ft, and is driven by a 15 h.p. Union engine, the speed realised being about nine knots. The cabin arrangement is somewhat novel, the engine-room being quite separate. Altogether the new boat is one of the finest launches on the Waitemata.

The cutter Thelma has sailed on a fortnight's cruise to the North.

Commodore and Mrs. Whitley's picnic to the members of the N.Z. Power Launch Association was a success. The Kestrel was well filled with visitors, while quite a number made the trip to Pine Island in launches.

The rowing events postponed from the Anniversary Regatta took place on Saturday over a course from Campbell's Point to the wharf. Results were as follows:—Maiden Fours: West End No. 1, 1; Waitemata No. 1, 2; North Shore, 3. Maiden Fours: Auckland, 1; West End No. 2, 2; St. George's, 3. Junior Fours: Waitemata, 1; Auckland, 2; West End, 3. Junior Fours (open): Waitemata, 1; Auckland, 2. Senior Fours (open): Waitemata No. 1, 1; Auckland, 2.

Meteor, 8min, won the All Yachts Race at the Sydney Anniversary Regatta from another Auckland in Sunbeam, which was on scratch.

The Queenslanders swept the board at the Anniversary Regatta in Sydney on January 26, winning each of the four races in which they were engaged, being also second in the two 14-footers' races. The inter-State champion, Violet II., won the 14ft handicap by 1min 39sec from Othello, which had 1min start; but, strange to say, the latter beat the champion in the scratch race by 3min 16sec. Somewhat similarly, also, Iduna won the first 10-footers' race, with Irex unplaced, and Irex won the other, with Iduna unplaced.

Spray won the Manukau Yacht Club's Champion Cup on Saturday by 4¼ minutes from Hilda, which boat was followed in by Endeavour, Edna, and Mascotte in that order.

The same club had a special handicap, which fell to the speedy scratch boat Ngaroma, beating Petrel by 1¼ minutes, after conceding her 40min. It takes a lot to keep Ngaroma from winning, and it is evident she is the champion West Coaster.

The Australasian Swimming Championships held at Christchurch resulted as follows:—100yds Championship: H. Baker (N.S.W.) 1, A. D. Hill (N.S.W.) 2, A. Harrowe (Q.) 3. Won by half a length. Time, 64 1-5sec. 100yds Schoolboys' Championship: R. E. Dodge (Canterbury) 1, R. Nelson (Wellington) 2. High Dive: H. Bennett (W.A.) 1, C. Moore (N.Z.) 2. One Mile Championship: F. W. Springfield (Q.) 1, R. Healey (N.S.W.) 2, A. McMillan (N.Z.) 3. Won by 70yds. Time, 26m. 7 2-5sec. The meeting will be continued to-day.

The long-distance ocean-cruising race of the Royal N.Z. Yacht Squadron took place on Saturday, the prize being a silver cup. The entries and handicaps were: Ariki scratch, Moana 1h. 20m., Ida 1h. 50m., Rangatira 3h. 20m., Huia 3h. 50m., Matangi 4h., Thistle 4h. 5m. The course arranged was: Starting between Queen-street Wharf and markboat, thence around Canoe Rock, thence around the Cow and Calf off Coromandel, thence around Ponui Island, through Sandspit Passage, thence between Crusee Island and Park Point, Waiheke, finishing at Matiatia. The distance taken in a direct line was about 85 knots (96½ miles). Ariki was first over the starting line, followed by Moana, Thistle, Matangi, Ida and Huia, the latter being very late. The wind was light from the south, and when the Rangitoto Reef was abeam all had spinnakers set for the 21-knot run to Canoe Rock. Ariki was first round, followed by Moana, Ida, Thistle and Matangi. Then commenced the long lead of 32½ knots to the Cow and Calf, and with the wind against the tide there was a confused sea running. Thistle which was considered "a good thing" for the race, met with a mishap, and

had to retire. The wind fell very light on the 25½-knot homeward voyage, and near the Sandspit Passage the leading yachts were becalmed for a long time. The sternmost boat, Matangi, got a lift with a northerly slant, and she pulled up to the others. A light northerly brought the yachts along, and they were timed at Matiatia—Ariki 12h. 57m. 10s., Moana 1h. 1m. 15s., Ida 1h. 14m., Matangi 1h. 38m., Huia did not finish. On time allowance the result was Matangi (E. Alison) 1, Ida (C. P. Murdoch) 2, Moana (A. Seccombe) 3.

There was also a Motor Boat Race, the entries and handicaps being—Karoro scratch, Ripple 60m., Geisha 90m. Course: Starting between Queen-street Wharf and markboat, thence around Tiri and Shag Rock, thence off Waiheke, keeping outside of the Noisies and David Rocks, also outside Tarakihi (shag rock), thence Sandspit Passage, thence between Crusee Island and Park Point, Waiheke, finishing at Matiatia, Waiheke. Distance, 56 knots (63¾ miles). Karoro drew well away, Ripple also dropping Geisha. The latter boat, curiously enough, did best in the broken water outside Waiheke, and ultimately saved her time by the narrow margin of 29sec., Karoro beating Ripple by a little over 4m. Geisha has a Standard engine, Karoro a Union, and Ripple a Lozier, and all three ran at top speed without the slightest hitch whatever.

BOWLING.

With the fine weather on Saturday there was a perfect army of bowlers pursuing their favourite pastime on the various greens. It is difficult to say just how many bowlers there are in Auckland, but the number must be very large, more, indeed, I should think, than in any other form of sport.

On the Auckland green, in addition to the ordinary games, many matches were played. Results posted were as follows:

Subscription Fours: Plummer, Colthurst, Lambert, G. A. Buttle (skip), 28, v. Jacobs, Wilson, Gilmour, Thornes (skip), 14; Cooke, Littler, Carlaw, Spreckley (skip), 19, v. Pirie, Steele, Easton, A. M. Myers (skip), 16.

Novelty Pairs: Littler and Oliphant, 31, v. Colthurst and Elliot, 23.

Handicap Pairs: Mewburn and Thornes, 26, v. A. M. Myers and Dean, 15.

Geo. Main Trophy: Ledingham, 23, beat Lambert, 14.

Ross-Ehrenfried Cup: Coldcutt, 21, beat Jacobs, 11; Huddleston, 21, beat Barnard, 18; Craig, 21, beat Steele, 18.

Handicap Singles: Barnard, 21, beat Eversleigh, 17; Craig, 22, beat Oliphant, 13; Huddleston, 21, beat Easton, 13.

In Forsyth, Marchant, Eversleigh, and Barnard, the Auckland Club has a fine team of colts. On Saturday they played an Onehunga first-year team, and ran up a score of 30 to their opponents' 8.

The Carlton green is beginning to show signs of wear and tear this season, and the bald spots are growing in size and number. Recent results posted are as follows:—

Club Fours: Goldsmith, Fookes, Haresnape, Wilson (skip), 11, v. Farmer, Kayll, White, Kilgour (skip), 25. President's Singles: Wrathall, 28, v. Frayling, 23.

First-year Players: Whittaker, 14, v. Gaudin, 17; Fookes, 14, v. Whittaker, 20.

Championship: First game—Wrathall, 26, v. White, 18; Wilson, 20, 14, v. Raynes, 18, 16.

There were fifty-two players on the Remuera green on Saturday. This green is in splendid order, and the club's enclosure, pavilion, and general fixings are the best in Auckland.

Ponsonby gave Devonport a bad beating in a six-rink inter-club match on Saturday, the Shoremen only winning on one rink. The games went as follows:—

At Devonport.

Ponsonby—P. Darby, A. Snedden, W. Jones, G. Webb (skip)—23, v. Devonport—Barr, McKenzie, Armstrong, R. Mitchell (skip)—17.

Ponsonby—E. Harkins, D. Crabtree, A. Parsons, V. Langsford (skip)—25, v. Devonport—R. Reeve, Renshaw, J. M. Croser, Lelievre (skip)—16.



Ponsonby—J. Pascoe, W. Smith, G. Osmond, J. Newell (skip)—19, v. Devonport—M. Taylor, King, Warren, Gardner (skip)—12.

**At Ponsonby.**

Ponsonby—A. Bartlett, J. Buchanan, S. J. Gorman, A. Courtts (skip)—21, v. Devonport—Cooper, E. Broughton, Miller, Kirkby (skip)—22.

Ponsonby—A. Baddiley, J. McLeod, J. Arneil, T. Watson (skip)—19, v. Devonport—Tait, Brookes, Harty, D. Harvey (skip)—16.

Ponsonby—W. Johnson, J. Becroft, W. Swales, K. Ballantyne (skip)—30, v. Devonport—Erickson, F. Mason, Cameron, J. H. Harrison (skip)—12.

Total: Ponsonby, 137; Devonport, 95; majority for Ponsonby, 42.

At Ponsonby W. Oldham, W. Blair, S. G. Lee, and T. Ussher have wrested away the Bartlett Buckles from the holders, Miller's four, by 19 to 17, after a very keen fight.

The chief games at Mount Eden have been the following:—

Final of Club Fours: Wooller, Blomfield, Surman, H. W. Brookes (skip), 28, v. Watkins, Braithwaite, Robins, A. F. Hooper (skip), 14.

Club Championship: Rankin, 22, 21, v. C. C. Baker, 6, 18.

Handicap Singles: Miller, 22, v. Little, 9.

Nicholson Feathers: Holders—Gill, Miller, Tutt, W. Mercer (skip)—13, v. Challengers—A. W. Jones, McStay, Simpson, S. G. Burns (skip)—26.

At Rocky Nook the recent matches include the following:—

Final Champion Fours: Hall, Waddingham, McLeod, J. Bouskill (skip), v. Sneddon, Eady, Taylor, W. Dutton (skip), 17.

Champion Singles: B. A. Kayes, 26, 21, v. Dutton, 14, 17.

First-year Players: Dr. Moir, 29, v. Camping, 13.

Full-rink Club Buckles: Holders—Bryden, Manson, Wakerley, Hodgson (skip)—17, v. Challengers—White, Casey, Butler, Fletcher (skip)—23.

Grattan has defeated Harty in the semi-final of the Devonport Championship by 22 to 17 and 14 to 12.

A good deal of interest is being taken in the Rotorua tournament, which eventuates this month, and several of the Auckland clubs will be represented.

**BILLIARDS.**

(By "Pyramid.")

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Locally there is very little doing in the world of billiards, and there is not much chance of improvement while the hot weather lasts, most people preferring to be out of doors.

In all his brilliant career Stevenson has probably never played a finer game than that against Lovejoy, which was finished just before the mail left. It was a very big task to concede 3000 in 9000 to the ex-amateur, yet Stevenson not only did it, but actually scored his requisite

points whilst Lovejoy was making 3497, so that he travelled nearly three times as fast as did his talented opponent. In these circumstances it is almost needless to write that the winner made a series of splendid breaks, some of his best being 692, 465, 370, 358, and 543. His most extraordinary performance was on the final night, when he only went to the table twice, and, as he had only one completed innings, his average was one of 749.

E. Diggle (rec. 1000) recently played a wonderful game with C. Harveson (rec. 2000) in Borough & Watts' Tournament (9000 up). He won by 1339 points, his best breaks being 628, 420, 396, 381, 351, and 279. Harveson's longest runs were 294, 266 and 203.

In the match of 18,000 up, between C. Dawson and the Australian Champion F. Weiss (rec. 4000), the former won easily by 2756 points.

An interesting game of 1000 up was played at the "Scots Grey" Hotel, Nottingham, on December 12, between F. Lawrence, the young Birmingham champion, and Miss Warren, of Lascoe. The young lady, who is only fourteen years of age, but who, nevertheless, is a player of excellent promise, gave a splendid exhibition, and quite astonished the spectators by her skilful handling of the cue. Lawrence, who conceded Miss Warren 500 start, won by 23 points. This was Miss Warren's first public appearance. She contributed the following breaks—32, 27, 25, 23 (four times), 21, and 20 (twice). Lawrence was in fine form, making runs of 127, 102 66, 64, 62 and 58. Final scores: Lawrence 1000, Miss Warren (rec. 500) 977.

Young Fred Lindrum has once again been knocking the corners off some of the West Australian players (says the "Referee"). In his latest contest he gave an exceptionally fine exhibition, and his improvement is such, since he was over here, that it is safe to say that he sails very close to being the "World's Boy Champion." During a game against W. Dwyer, of Kalgoorlie, the lad compiled a most attractive break of 400, said to be his record break, and a most remarkable feature of this handsome effort was that not once during the break did a ball pass over the baulk-line, nor was a baulk end pocket used. Naturally, the lad received an ovation upon the conclusion of the break. For an eighteen-year-old lad, he gives great promise of becoming a player of exceptional ability, and should he "happen along" at no distant date, which appears a most likely thing to happen, our top-notchers must be on their best behaviour to have anything like a chance with him. His other breaks in this game were 136, 94, 205, and 101 (unfinished).

**ATHLETICS.**

The winners of the provincial championships, Messrs. Henderson, Fisher, Bradbury, Kerr, Halligan and Thonassen, have been selected to represent Wellington at the amateur athletic championship meeting at Christchurch on the 21st and 23rd inst. A committee has been appointed to select six other representatives.

The following team will represent Otago in the New Zealand championships at Christchurch:—100yds Flat Championship: S. Bass, E. B. Fraser, W. J. O'Kane. 220yds Flat Championship: W. J. O'Kane, E. B. Fraser, S. Bass, H. McCorkindale. Half-mile: H. Burk, J. Davie, W. H. C. Patrick, T. R. Gordon, G. Brown. 440yds: Burk, Davie, Patrick, McCorkindale. One Mile: Burk, A. H. Bone, Gordon. Three Miles: Burk, H. Murray, Bone. One Mile Walk: A. Crichton, J. Gow. Three Mile Walk: A. Crichton, J. Gow. 120yds Hurdles: W. J. O'Kane, C. Gilray, T. S. Ruddock. 440yds Hurdles: O'Kane, Gilray, Ruddock. High Jump: R. Mitchell, Ruddock, G. J. Keddell. Long Jump: Keddell, Gilray, R. J. Dansey. Pole Jump: J. McLachlan, Overton, Davie, Dansey. Throwing the Hammer: T. Brydone, Davis, J. McLachlan, E. Casey. Putting the weight: T. Brydone, E. Casey, Walker. It seems a pity that owing to lack of financial support the Auckland Centre will be unable to send a team for the Championships, although individual runners may compete.

The following entries have been received for the four principal pedestrian events, to be run in connection with the Manchester Unity Oddfellows' Premier Picnic at Motutapu on February 16:—

Friendly Societies' Handicap (120-yds): W. Bond, Alex. Twiname, N. Smith, W. T. Wynyard, Fred W. Killip, Robt. H. Killip, C. D. Cowan, T. Cooper, B. Walker, H. Holmes, W. F. McIvor, Chas. Turnbull, P. R. Ness, G. M. Heron, R. Lang, C. E. James, and F. Gorman.

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Steeplechase: A. Parrish, K. M. Thomas, Jas. Willott, F. Dowdle, Alex. Twiname, W. T. Wynyard, C. Cowan, Walter Monds, H. G. Chevis, A. H. Morrison, H. J. Barnes, P. Boswell, H. Grubb, Geo. Stevens, C. Brett, E. Williams, Geo. Heron, S. J. Ashdown, and J. Dowd.

M.U. Members' Race: K. M. Thomas, John H. Waite, Alex. Twiname, Fred W. Killip, Robt. H. Killip, C. D. Cowan, W. Callinan, Alf. Siebert, Percy Miller, W. F. McIvor, D. Callinan, Chas. Turnbull, G. M. Heron, S. J. Ashdown, Jos. B. Morton, C. Carter, and C. E. James.

**CYCLING AND MOTOR NOTES.**

The Paris paper "Le Matin" is promoting a motor race from Paris to Peking, and it is said there will be several competitors.

The reliability contest carried out by the Automobile Club of Australia was brought to a successful termination, when 17 out of the 19 cars which started in the event returned to Paramatta from Bathurst. Although several mishaps occurred on the run to the western city the previous day, the return trip was accomplished by the whole of the cars which undertook the journey without any serious misadventure. Notwithstanding the exacting test imposed upon the machines, five of them gained full points by completing the run to Bathurst and back, a distance of 223 miles,

without the engines being stopped for repairs or adjustment. The run was productive of much excitement and interest, and so close was the contest that at the finish it was impossible to declare a winner, several competitors having tied with an equal number of points in each class. It will therefore be necessary to hold a further run to decide who shall receive the medals and trophies. The cars getting full points were Mr. Knowles' 10 h.p. Darracq, Dr. Pockley's 10 h.p. De Dion, Mr. Winchcombes' 10 h.p. Clement-Talbot, Captain Charley's 24 h.p. Clement-Talbot, Mr. W. G. Dixon's 24 h.p. Clement-Talbot, Mr. Pye's 12 h.p. Innes, and Mr. J. Lawler's 12 h.p. Wolseley, scored 999 points out of the full 1000.

The construction of the great motor race track at Weybridge, England, which is the property of the Brooklands Automobile Racing Club, is now, according to the latest files on hand, nearly completed. The first race meet on the new and only track in England is set down for running in May, when the large sum of £4600 is to be distributed in prizes. This meeting promises to be the most elaborate and ambitious motor racing programme yet framed, and it is evident that the promoting club intend to give automobile racing every chance of becoming popular by placing it before the public on thorough and up-to-date lines.

There returned to Melbourne last week (says Melbourne "Punch") Mr. W. S. Liddle, a young cyclist, who left Capetown, South Africa, more than twelve months ago with a companion, Mr. C. C. Beckett, to cycle round the world. Mr. Beckett is now in Cairns, but Mr. Liddle is as determined as ever. He left Melbourne on June 26 last year, and reached Cairns by way of Bendigo, Echuca, Bourke, Longreach and Hughendon, working his way back to Melbourne down the Queensland coast, touching all the principal seaports to Brisbane and Sydney. Just outside Glen Innes Mr. Liddle's machine was smashed up, the only accident so far on the journey. He could not get it mended in Glen Innes, but he pluckily faced the 600 miles before him, and walked to Newcastle, where the local cycle club assisted him, sent for his machine to Glen Innes, and had it repaired for him. Mr. Liddle carries no money, but relies on the hospitality of the country through which he is passing. In Australia he has been entertained in hotels, private houses, shearers' sheds and mining camps. He has met relatives and friends from his Orkney home in the far north of

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Scotland, and hospitality has only been thrice refused him, a tribute to his manner and our manners. Altogether Mr. Liddle has cycled 11,325 miles, over 3000 miles of these being in Australia. He rides a Royal Enfield machine, and his tyres are charged with miraculum, the puncture-stop. He has had no puncture trouble whatever. Although his tyres are full of puncture holes, they are quite firm.

The motor-omnibus is having a hard time in London. Each vehicle, before a license to ply for hire is issued, must undergo a searching examination, and is also subjected to various trials to determine whether it is sufficiently quiet in its working, whether it emits over-much smoke, whether it leaves a trail of oil behind it, and other similar things. Some are now urging that they are too unwieldy, and are a serious danger to the public, besides depreciating property wheresoever they travelled.

Piet Dickentmann, the pace-follower, who was here with Robl, four seasons ago, and who is again on a visit to Australia, does not intend to race here. He has filled out considerably, and scales close upon 13st. In conversation with him last week (writes "Fortis" in the "Australasian") he said he regretted to see that the sport was not in the same condition as on his first visit here, and he summed up the cause in one word—monotony. The sport in Europe, he said, is held in high esteem; but it is not the same kind of sport as is exploited in this country. Quality is the first consideration, and the Continental promoters are eager to absorb the best talent available, local or foreign. The handicap race, as we know it, has no place there, and the competitors, as they show themselves worthy of it, are well rewarded.

"Why do you not have some change in your racing?" queried Dickentmann. "I will come here next season, and bring my pacing tandems, and will also bring Walthour, the American, and we will show you some fast work. Behind our machines we will go—swish (with a corresponding action of his arms)—and the people will hardly see us! We will break up all your records fine, and there will be something to talk about." Another Continental rider, Hintz, who was with Dickentmann, spoke much in the same strain as regards our racing. He will not race here, because he cannot obtain any direct compensation. Being here on a pleasure trip, he says, he does not feel disposed to take any risks on the off-chance of winning a little, although he has done considerable training. "You have plenty of racers, plenty, plenty, but the people who pay want good

ones. You want some new racing, long racing, six-day racing if you like; but you have not got the best track."

A novel wrinkle to test the condition of bicycle wheel bearings when a second-hand machine is being purchased is given in the following very simple method:—Take a knitting needle or a piece of thin wire spoke and place it with one end in contact with the hub axle and the other end between your clenched teeth. Then get someone to gently revolve the wheel, and you can judge by the vibrations on the wire, or the absence of it, the condition of the bearings. The smoother the running the better state of the ball-bearings.

To judge from the models of the various makes of cars displayed at the recent great motor shows, the pressed steel frame is now the accepted construction for this very important part of a motor-car (writes "Auto.") The full importance of alignment in frame is not always understood by motorists, yet it is essential to the smoothness of working and the durability of engine and mechanism. Stripped of technicalities, the engine is source of power; the gear is the distribution; the rear wheels are the means of giving effect to the power generated. In the course of transmission from the engine to the driving wheels some power is lost through frictional resistance of the various parts of the mechanism. The better the design, make and fitting of these essential parts the smaller is the unavoidable loss through friction during movement. It should be the aim of a motorist to secure a car which loses least of the power, and so get the best result from the engine. This result is termed the mechanical efficiency of the machine. The two styles of transmission in general use are by chains from gear to driving wheels and by bevel gear-shaft drive from gear to drivers. The tendency is now to do away with the chain-drive, and to adopt generally the shaft drive, which has been made almost as flexible, and which can be protected by a casing from dust and mud, and of which the wear to piston is much less than with chains. By the term alignment is understood the setting out of parts in such a manner whereby all possible sources for un-

due friction are removed, and the power is distributed in as direct a way as is possible mechanically. There is a thrust or propelling push in one direct line, and also in a transverse direction. That is to say, at the point where direct action ceases power is transmitted by transverse lines, or, in other words, by the axle which runs at right angles to the centre line of drive. Chains, with their tendency to stretch in use, and their liability to stretch unevenly, cannot be depended upon to correct errors, and within reasonable limits it will. The practice of building the engine and gear-box on a self-contained base is correct mechanically, and is largely followed by the makers of the leading cars. The pressed steel frame possesses the twofold advantage of lightness and great strength, but its flexibility has to be guarded against. This is done by transverse pieces bolted to the side-pieces at carefully-estimated positions, and in one or two cases the whole frame is stamped out of one sheet of steel. But the tubular frame and the wood frames armoured with strips of steel do not keep in alignment, and are now obsolete.

To France belongs the chief credit of having recognised the utility of the bicycle for purposes other than pleasure. In military operations cyclists have long played an important part, and now the municipal authorities of Marseilles have provided each of their Fire Brigades with a cycling section. This detachment is six strong, and acts as the advance guard to the engines. Each machine has its own special equipment, the various articles carried including a folding ladder, a hatchet, a tool box, a length of hose, acetylene lamps, etc. As the wheel section always reaches the scene of a fire ahead of the rest of the brigade, it has already proved its usefulness on several occasions since its formation.

It now transpires that J. Arnst, who with the other four competitors in the recent Enfield Cup race was fined £5 for collusion, although he competed in the event in question, did not enter for the race (says the "Witness.") Baker, Campion, Mehrtens, and Wyatt have paid their fines, and the question now is whether

Arnst can be made to pay, too. The matter will no doubt shortly receive the earnest consideration of the North Canterbury Centre. A humorous side of the mix-up is that the Christchurch Cycling Club is itself, under the league rules, liable to a fine of £5 for allowing Arnst to compete as a free entrant.

The new club rooms of the Christchurch Cycling and Motor Club, which are of a most commodious and luxurious description, are shortly to be ready for the occupancy of club members. The billiard room is 28ft by 70ft, and will contain three tables; the motor garage and bicycle stand is 90ft by 40ft, and a social hall is 40ft by 20ft.

## CRICKET.

The weather left nothing to be desired on Saturday for the continuation of the district championships, and the wickets were in fine order.

North Shore scored the easiest possible three-point win against Ponsonby with a score of 245 for four wickets (innings closed) to 71 and 55. The westerners played a long way below form, and appeared all at sea to Howden and Hussey, the former getting the fine average of seven for 20.

Parnell defeated Eden on the first innings by 136 to 93, thanks in a large measure to Sale, who made 42, the only other two-figure scorers being Olliff (27) and Robinson (23). Going in a second time Eden rattled up 128, Relf being 87 not out, and Shepherd 22, and in a desperate effort to save the match, declared. Parnell wanted 86 for a three-point win, but things went very badly, and when the bell rang had six wickets down for 44.

Grafton's previous Saturday's score of 243 was just sufficient to win the match against City, who, however, got close to it with 223. Towards this Hemus played a chanceless innings of 86, while Caro made 41 and West and MacCormick 22 each. Going in again Grafton lost four wickets for 58.

City II. beat Eden by 145 and 128 to 129 and 123, after a very interesting game.

Grafton II. scored a three-point win over Parnell II. with 136 and 76 for five (innings closed) to 68 and 42.

Eden A beat North Shore II. by 289 for seven to 187 and 119 for three wickets.

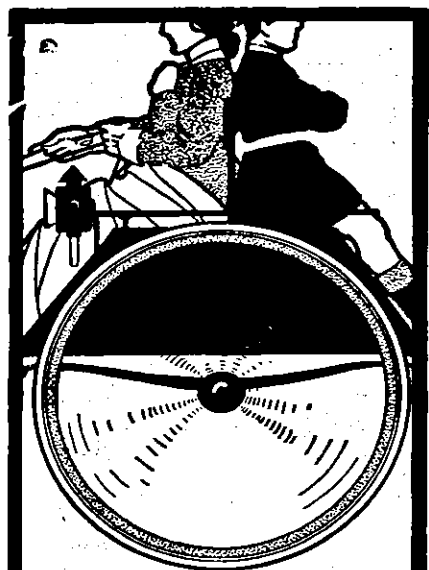
At Wellington the senior cricket on Saturday resulted as follows:—Old Boys v. Newtown: Newtown, first innings (Hodge 38), 107; second innings (Smith 29), 136. Old Boys, who had made 316 in their first innings, thus won by an innings and 73 runs. Wellington v. Gas Company: Wellington, first innings (Richardson 58, Quinn 33, Mahoney 20), 231. Gas Company, second innings, 99 for three wickets. Ashbolt made 42 (not out) and Hawthorne 40.

R. Oram, bowling for Petersham District against Callan Park Asylum (Sydney), at the latter's ground, had 78 runs hit off five overs, most of the runs having been scored by B. J. Folkard (103) and W. S. Duff (70). This must be a record.

The benefit match to S. E. Gregory, New South Wales v. Rest of Australia, is to be played at the Sydney Cricket Ground on February 15, etc. If the best possible Rest of Australia team be got together it should be one of the finest purely Australian games ever played in Sydney.

New South Wales has concluded the inter-State programme of 1906-7 unbeaten, having won all six matches, five of them with an innings and over 100 runs to spare.

Speaking at the presentation to A. A. Lilley, the famous English wicket-keeper, A. C. MacLaren expressed the opinion that the public were apt to expect too much from cricketers. Batsmen were expected to get hundreds every day, bowlers must get a certain number of wickets, and Lilley must stump half a dozen men every innings. These things could not always be done. People were now wondering how cricket could be improved, and there was no doubt it wanted improving. He did not think



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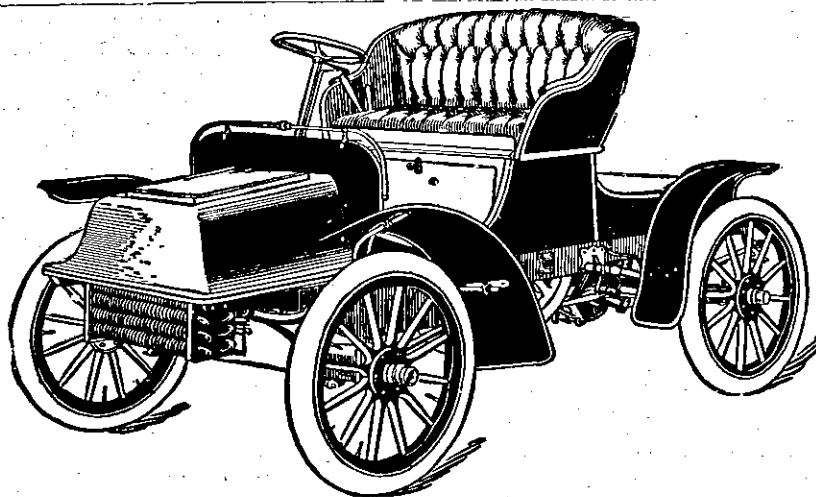
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it was as good as it was seven or eight years ago. It had been suggested that the stumps should be wider, but he found them quite wide enough already. (Laughter.) Five years ago he had asked the Lancashire committee to curtail the number of matches. At present too many were played. Cricketers were looked upon as machines, and it was impossible they could be always at their best. Despite his suggestions for fewer matches he saw that Lancashire were to be engaged next season from May 9 to August 30. He did not see how the team was to get through such an ambitious programme. Warwickshire did not play so many matches, and in this he thought they exercised sound judgment. It was the same with Kent, who were playing the most attractive and aggressive cricket of the day, simply because they were not over-worked. There were three men he would walk a hundred miles to see play cricket, and they were Dick Lilley, the wicket-keeper, Charlie Turner, as a bowler, and William Gunn. As a batsman Lilley had proved of the greatest assistance to him in Australia, making the captaincy of the side much easier than it would otherwise have been. Lilley had never let England down, and on many occasions had helped materially to secure a victory. Referring to English fielding generally, MacLaren described it as very bad, and said that while all the Australians could return well, there were few English players who could in this connection. He mentioned that one of the best things he had ever seen on the cricket field was the way in which, at Leeds, Lilley gathered, with one hand, a return at least a couple of yards wide, and put down Clem Hill's wicket.

Very few men who excel in any branch of athletics have suffered more from ill-health than Ranjitsinhji. At present the famous batsman seems to be undergoing a particularly painful experience. "Thanks to asthma and the liver complaint, I have been living on milk for over a month now," is the way he describes his condition in a recent letter to an English friend. "Ranji" was then staying with his mother and half-brothers at Carodar, in Kathiawar awaiting the final decision of the India Office with regard to his claim.

In sending a cheque for £3105 to J. T. Tyldesley as a result of his benefit match, the committee of the Lancashire County Club forwarded a framed letter in graceful terms, as follows:—"This is a striking tribute by the cricketing public to the splen-

did services you have rendered to Lancashire cricket. They hope it will be regarded as an indication of the general desire that those services may be continued for many years to come. In forwarding the cheque to reach you on this, the thirty-third anniversary of your birthday, the committee desire to wish you 'Many happy returns of the day.'"

The return match between the M.C.C. Eleven and Canterbury resulted in the decisive defeat of the latter by 237 runs. The Englishmen batted first, and put together the useful score of 305, Canterbury replied with 221, Orchard making 68 and H. B. Lusk 49. Going in a second time most of the visitors got into two figures, Page top scoring with 78, while Branston made 46 and Burns 43. With the total at 260 for nine wickets the innings was declared closed. This gave Canterbury 345 to get to win the match, and as the wicket was good it seemed probable that a draw would be the result. Thanks to good bowling by Douglas, Simpson-Hayward, and May, all were out for 108. Patrick did best with 32, while Bennett was not out with 32.

The result of the return match between Canterbury and the M.C.C. Eleven rather bears out the statement of the Englishmen that the Auckland team was the strongest they had met during the tour. On the play seen so far the Northern city is entitled to at least three representatives in the New Zealand match. These should be Hemus, Haddon, and Hussey or Sale.

The conference of delegates to the New Zealand Athletic Union extended over two days and two nights (says a Southern exchange). A good deal of routine business was gone through, and a number of additions and improvements to the rules were effected. A deputation from the council of the New Zealand Amateur Athletic Association waited on the conference with a view of entering into a reciprocal agreement with the union. The deputation, which consisted of Messrs. Atack (president), Aschman and Green (secretary), laid their views before the conference, and expressed the opinion that some agreement should be come to between the union and the association. They suggested that the terms as thrown aside by the union should be reconsidered. The only term which might appear rather hard was the one which provided that an amateur should stand down 12 months before being allowed to run for cash. Mr. Atack explained that a cash runner had to stand down two years before he could be admitted to the amateur ranks, except on certain conditions. He also explained that amateur bodies were allowed to place cash events on their programmes if they so wished. After having answered several questions, the deputation withdrew, and it was eventually decided to agree to the proposed reciprocal agreement, with slight alterations. The union will not agree to an amateur having a clean record being debarred from running for cash, without having to stand down 12 months. They further insist on the amateur governing council making it clear to all affiliated clubs that they may put on cash events on their programmes if they so wish. Also that, excepting having their own handicapper, and a consul present to watch the amateur interests, the races set aside for amateur runners must be under the direct control of the officials of the society holding the sports. The terms of the altered agreement will be sent to the New Zealand Amateur Association, and there is every reason to believe that it will be accepted by them. The next conference and championship gathering will be held in Napier early next year.

Jack Johnson, the champion American boxer, who arrived in Sydney recently, and who is accompanied by A. A. MacLean, is a fine specimen of manhood, being tall and built in proportion, while his features are more regular than those of the average American negro. His manager has a great opinion of him, and will not hear of his defeat (says "Town and Country Journal"). As Jeffries has repeatedly refused to meet Johnson, he claims the title of champion of the world. Speaking of Jeffries' refusal to meet Johnson, Maclean said it had only lately come to the white champion's turn to draw

the colour line. The fact was that Jeffries was afraid of being beaten. Three years ago Johnson boxed Jack Jeffries, a brother of the champion, at Los Angeles, California, Jim being in the corner. Johnson won in five rounds, and his style so impressed Jim that when Johnson challenged him, he declined to make a match on the ground of colour.

Johnson is particularly anxious to meet Squires; but the latter when spoken to said he could not agree to a match, as he was off to America. The announcement caused Johnson to say that Squires was side-stepping. Squires, who is in Melbourne, however, denied he was doing what the American reckoned, and to show his bona fides, he was prepared to box the coloured man if a substantial wager could be put up. On this point Johnson said there would be no difficulty. As much money would be put up as Squires' backers would care to cover, and Squires could make his

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**ANNUAL MEETING.**

(For Hacks Only).

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 1st, 1907.

Judge: Mr. E. Derrett. Starter: Mr. C. H. Chavannes. Handicapper: Mr. J. E. Henrys. Stewards: Messrs. W. Gower, Jas. Paterson, J. R. Paterson, G. W. Booth, T. Jones, W. Jackson, L. G. Bremer, S. Gilligan, A. Pearce, Thos. Campbell, and G. Williams.

**PROGRAMME:**

- 11.30 a.m.—HANDICAP HURDLES of 70sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 1 1/4 miles, over six flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in high. The winner of any hurdle race after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 10lb. Nomination 20s, acceptance 30s.
- 12.10 p.m.—FLYING HANDICAP of 80sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stakes. Distance, three-quarters of a mile. Nomination 20s, acceptance 40s.
- 12.40 p.m.—FARMERS' PLATE of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stakes. Distance, one mile. Entrance 40s on general entry night. For all horses that have never started for any other race (Farmers' Plates excepted), and the winner of those barred; and welter weight for age; open to all horses trained in, and the bona-fide property of residents within the boundaries of Patea, Hawera, Eltham, and Stratford counties for the three months prior to the date of starting.
- 1.40 p.m.—PATEA EASTER HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 1 1/4 miles. Nomination 30s, acceptance 50s.
- 2.20 p.m.—KAKARAMEA STAKES of 55sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about 4 1/2 furlongs. Weight, 8st. Winner of any race to carry 14lb extra. Entrance 40s on general entry night.
- 3 p.m.—BOROUGH STAKES HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 7 furlongs. Nomination 15s, acceptance 25s.
- 3.40 p.m.—ALTON HIGH WEIGHT HANDICAP of 80sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 1 mile. Minimum weight, 8st 7lb. Nomination 20s, acceptance 40s.
- 4.10 p.m.—FINAL STAKES of 55 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about 4 1/2 furlongs. Open to any hack not nominated for any race at this meeting (Kakaramea Stakes and Farmers' Plate excepted), and winners of these to carry 14lb extra. Weight, 9st. Entrance 40s on general entry night.

Dates of Nominations, Acceptances and General Entries:—Nominations up to 8 p.m. on Monday, 11th March, 1907; weights declared on or about 18th March, 1907; acceptances and general entries up to 8 p.m. on Monday, 25th March, 1907.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS.**

1. Definition of a Hack.—A Hack is a horse that has not at any time prior to the time of entry, won a race of the value of £100 to the winner, or races of the aggregate value of £250 to the winner.
2. The winner of any flat race, after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lb, and of every additional race 5lb extra in all handicap flat events.
3. Entries by telegram must give full particulars of the horse, and must be confirmed in writing at the earliest possible opportunity.
4. Owners, trainers, and others entering and accepting horses for this meeting are notified that no entries or acceptances will be received unless accompanied by the necessary amount in cash.
5. The Stewards reserve the right to alter the time or date of nominations, weights or acceptances.
6. The name of the trainer must in all cases be supplied at the time of nomination.

NOTE.—The Post Office closes at 5 p.m., Telegraph Office at 7.30 p.m. The Secretary will receive money for investment on the totalisator.

R. W. HAMERTON, Secretary.

Approved by the Taranaki Jockey Club this 25th day of January, 1907. MUSSEL FLEETWOOD, Secretary.

own terms—the winner to take a percentage or the lot.

After this it was expected there mawsoqlhae ttaoin shrdlu cmfwypxx would be no trouble about arranging a match, and Mr. Brennan, of Sydney, who brought Johnson from America, intended leaving for Melbourne to arrange matters with Mr. Wren, the principal supporter of Squires. A telegram from the southern capital on January 28, however, said that Mr. Wren states that he has taken legal opinion in connection with the agreement that exists between him and Squires, and finds that he will be unable to match his man against the American.

Johnson has been giving some exhibitions in Sydney, and judges regard him as one of the cleverest boxers they have seen.

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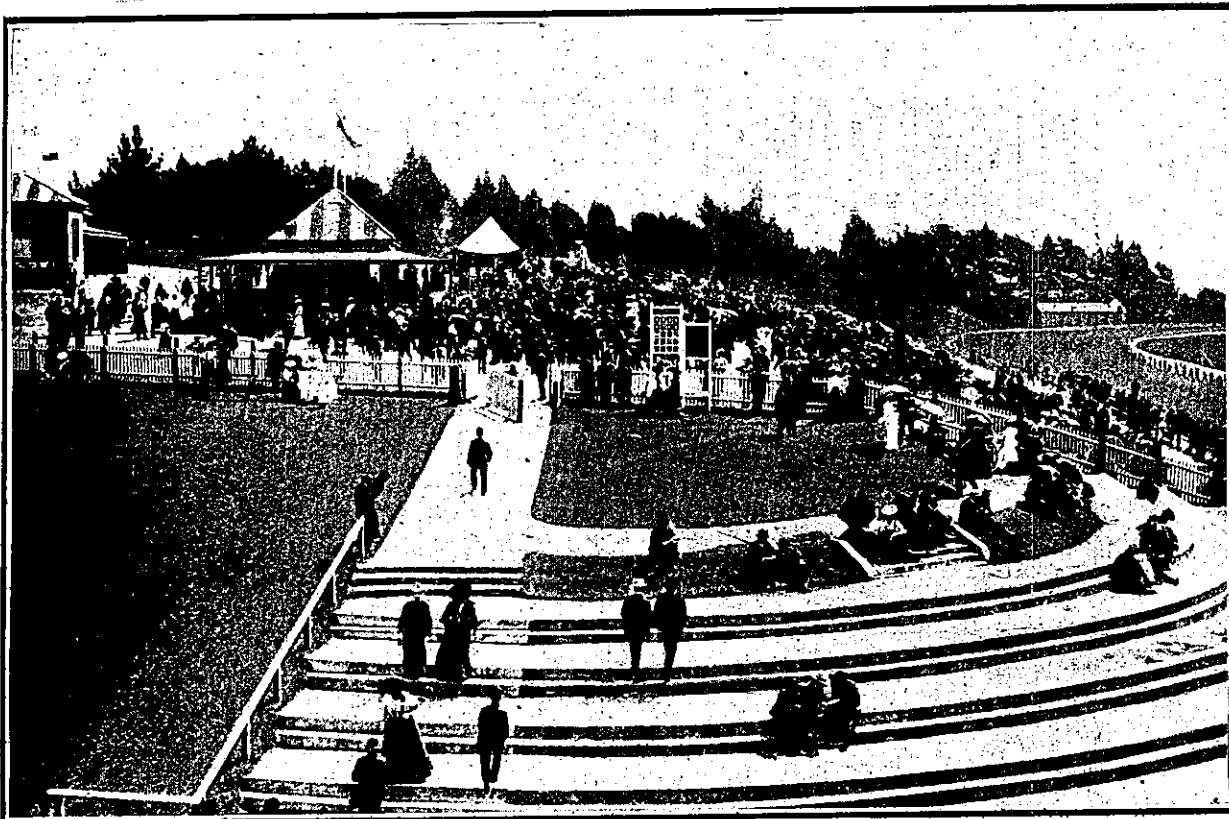
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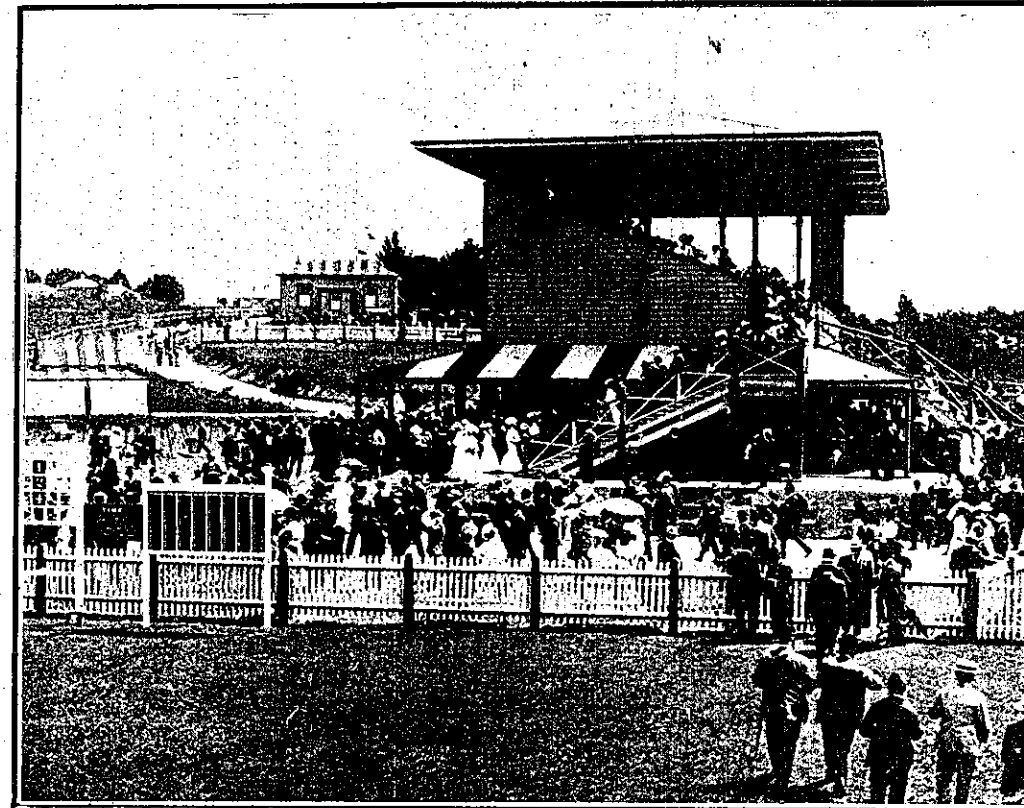
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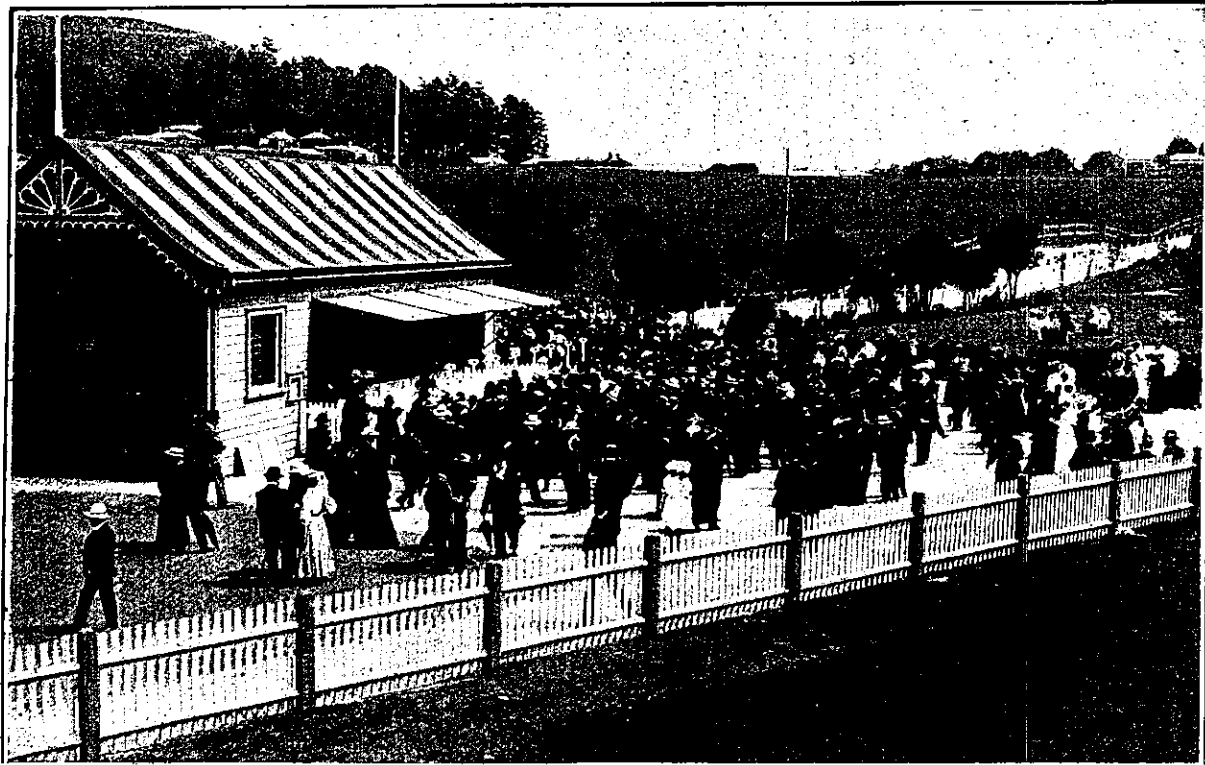
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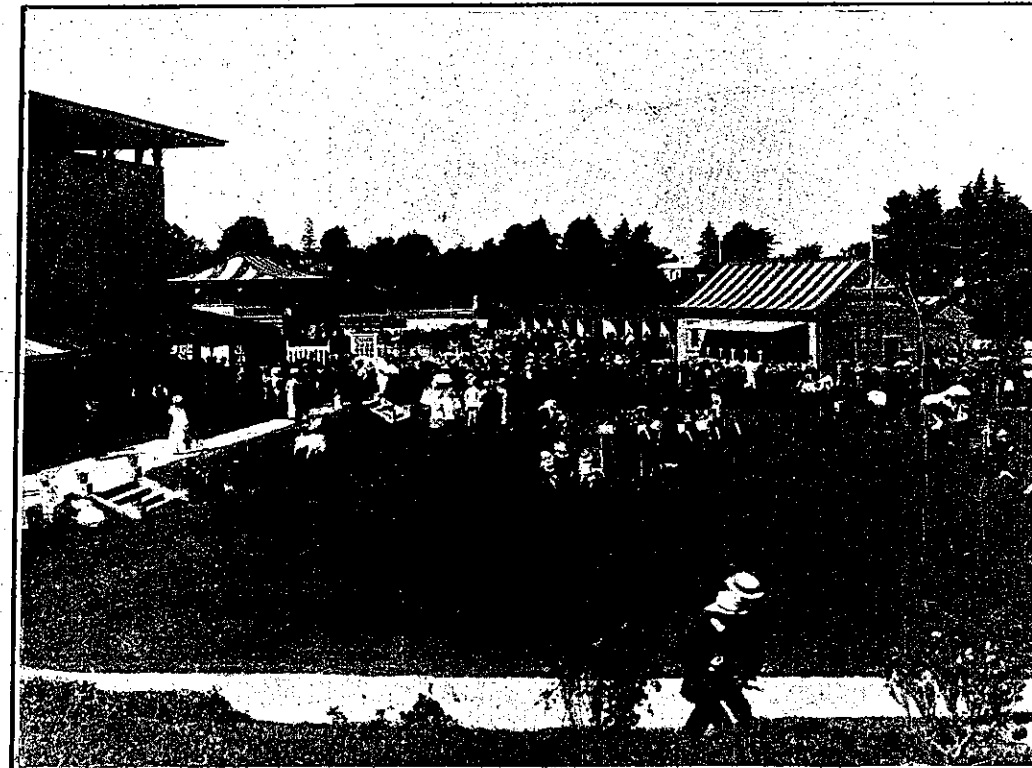
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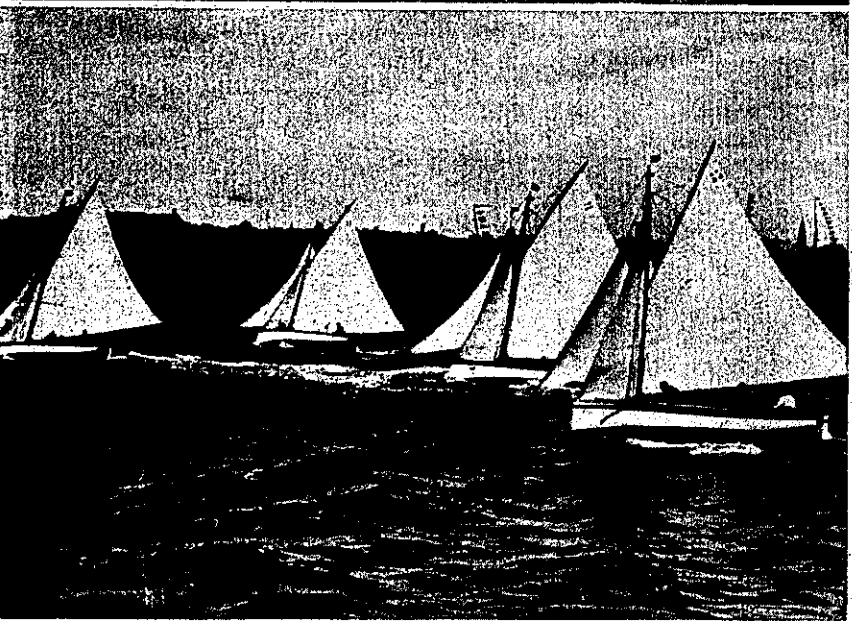
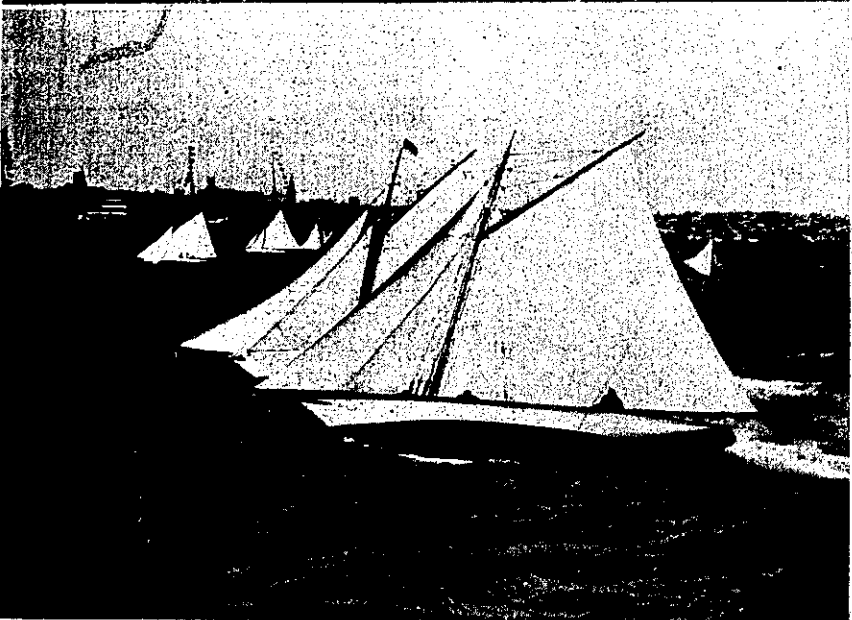
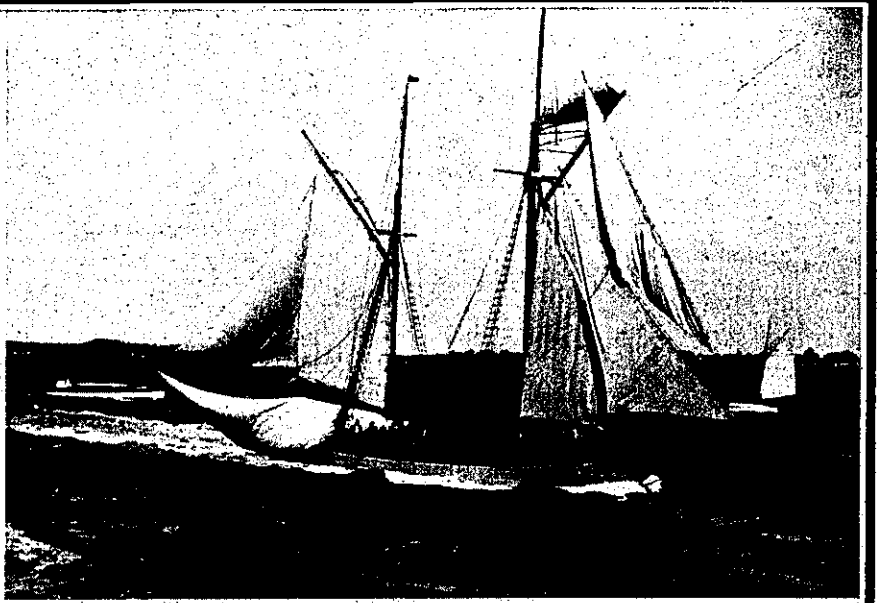
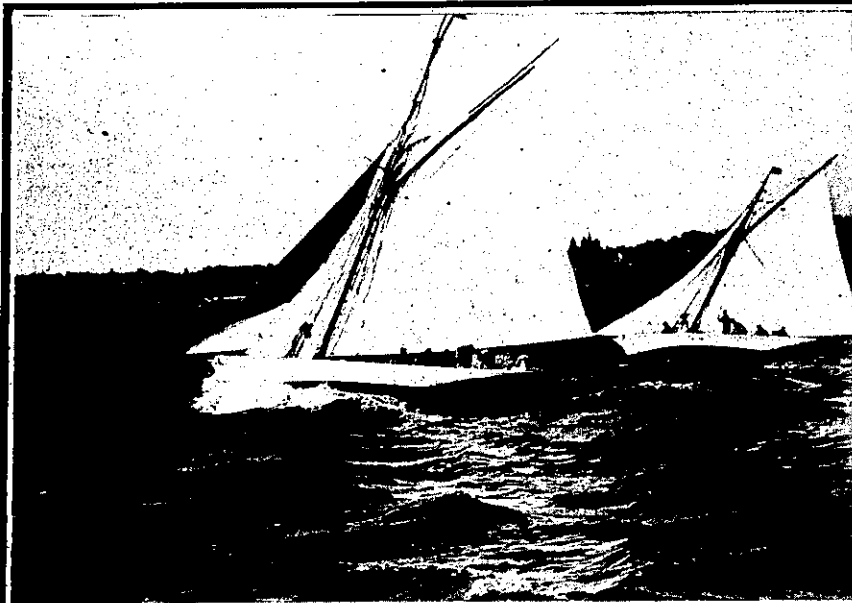
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# Snapshots at the Anniversary Regatta.



1. Start of the First-class Race.—2. Vesper finishing in the Traders' Race.—3. The speed launch Baby Lozier.—4. Patikis.—5. Windward and Rangitira in the Cruisers' Race.—6. Wairiki finishing.—7. Start of the 22-footers.—8. The 16-footers.

# THE STAGE

(By "Footlight.")

## HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

### "THE CINGALEE."

On Thursday evening before a large audience, the Royal Comic Opera Company staged "The Cingalee." The piece differs from "The Orchid" in that it may be described as a comic opera, whereas its predecessor was a musical comedy. It has a rather more coherent plot, although this is not aggressively obtrusive, while there is no lack of local colouring. Indeed, if fault there be, it is that there is too much of Ceylon, and there is therefore an absence of contrast and a consequent loss of light and shade. Perhaps one gets a little weary of dusky tea girls and copper-coloured men, and a change would have been welcome in the second act, where a golden opportunity was seemingly missed of humorous results when introducing the Cingalee into London society. There is a big advance on "The Orchid" in the quality of the music, and although it lags behind in humour and bright dancing, it compensates for this with many pleasing ballads and some particu-

larly fine choruses. Miss Alma Barber took the role of Nanoya, the Cingalee, and a very charming character she made of it, while her rendering of those two dainty melodies, "My Cinnamon Tree" and "Sloe Eyes," left nothing to be desired. Miss Connie Milne made a great success of the part of the Polly Sabine, the governess. Although a little weak vocally she acted in a very spirited fashion, while her charming frocks caused many sighs of envy. In the ludicrous "Gollywog" duet, Miss Milne was particularly good. Miss Olive Godwin did good work as Lady Pat, her beautiful soprano voice being heard to splendid effect in the fine duet with Mr. Crane, "You and I," while the song, "My Heart's at Your Feet," was given with much spirit, both items being re-demanded. Miss Evelyn Scott had the comparatively unimportant role of Naitooma, a tea girl, but made the most of it, the "Tea" song and chorus going splendidly.

Mr. George Lauri's make-up as Chambuddy Ram, a baboo lawyer, was excellent, and, as usual, he did much towards making the piece go. True, he has been seen to greater ad-

vantage in other roles, but this was due to the limitations of the part, and not to any falling away on the part of the comedian. Possibly in the "Gollywog" duet he was at his best, while his song, "London Conversation," was very cleverly given.

Mr. W. S. Percy was only fairly successful as the Anglo-Indian Commissioner, the part being made too much a replica of others. There is a tendency with this undoubtedly clever comedian to get into a groove which he would do well to avoid. Mr. Ralston was cast for Harry Veriker, and he acted with plenty of spirit. On the opening night he was in poor voice, and the songs entrusted to him, such, for instance, as that vocal gem, "The Pearl of Sweet Ceylon," were not done justice to. Mr. Arthur Crane was heard to advantage in the amusing song, "Four Little Girls of Ceylon," and also did well in another solo, "The Ladies," while he was associated with Miss Olive Godwin in the duet, "You and I." Altogether it was one of the best things Mr. Crane has yet given us. Mr. C. R. Bantock had a congenial role as Boobhamba, a sort of Pooh-Bah-Rajah of Bong kind of individual. Mr. Fred. Les-

lie, in a "devil dance," gave a clever exhibition of terpsichorean whimsicality, and was heartily applauded. "The Cingalee" was handsomely mounted, the local colouring being highly effective. It drew good houses for five nights, but was replaced last night by the popular "The Country Girl," one of the very best of the various types of "girls" which have been staged during recent years. This will be followed by "The Belle of New York" and "La Mascotte."

## THE OPERA HOUSE.

### FULLER'S ENTERTAINERS.

Excellent business is being done at the Opera House—even eclipsing that of holiday seasons. A fairly good combination, headed by several stars, is proving a big draw, despite strong counter-attractions. An artist making her appearance for the first time is Miss Beattie Macdonald, whose song, "The Coonville Coloured Band," secured for her a good reception. The Four Rosebuds are especially good in their celebrated "Lazy Moon" song and dance, and provide a most interesting turn. Never has the Opera House management presented a more successful draw than has been evidenced by the appearance of Mr. Fred Graham and Miss Nellie Dent. Such was the appreciation shown last week of their musical comedy sketch, "The Lady Sport," that the management was prevailed upon to bill an unchanged run of another week. The songs have been altered a little, and nightly the doings of the demure Rev. Titus Gee and the fascinating lady sport, Mrs. Blake-Montrose, send crowded houses into roars of laughter. Mr. Graham is inexpressibly funny, Miss Dent delightfully pliant in her acting, and the singing a musical treat. Mr. A. L. Cropp has two good songs this week in "The Bandalero" and "Three for Jack." Lesso and Roberts, the unrivalled comedy ambidexterologists, continue to amaze people with their wonderful feats of dexterity. With Messrs. Sam Wilson, Arthur Taucher, Andy Roberts and Slade Murray to provide amusement in the comedy line, the Opera House is at present a veritable fun manufacturing establishment. Miss Eileen McLeod, Miss Florrie Leigh, and Miss Rubie Illingworth assist in making up a very attractive programme.

On Saturday evening Miss May Wallace, serio, Miss Ida Berridge, serio, Harry Linden, comedian, and Master Norman Mudford, Auckland's boy vocalist, make their appearance at the Opera House.

### "THE SQUAW MAN."

A play, the production of which at His Majesty's is being eagerly looked forward to, is "The Squaw Man." All through Australia this fascinating play has proved a perfect gold mine, for there has been a very general desire to see it, and many have not been contented with one visit. The same story is to be told of the tour in the South of this colony, where "The Squaw Man" has drawn splendid business, winning its way by sheer intrinsic merit. The opening night in Auckland has been fixed for Monday, the 18th inst.

### MADAME BLANCHE ARRAL.

A brilliant and famous prima donna in Madame Blanche Arral, will appear at the Choral Hall on Monday night next, the season being limited to four performances. Madame Arral is in appearance a typical Frenchwoman—short, plump, and extremely vivacious. Her facial expression is wonderfully like that of the famous Patti, and in Belgium, where she first studied music, she was generally known as "La Petite Patti." She is a good linguist, and speaks several of the European tongues, but English is not as yet her most successful effort. Referring to her career she said:—"I am half French and half Belgian, my father was a Frenchman and my mother a Belgian, and, strange to say, neither of them was



MADAME BLANCHE ARRAL, THE FAMOUS PARISIAN DIVA, WHO GIVES HER FIRST CONCERT AT THE CHORAL HALL ON MONDAY NEXT.



musical, yet all us children, of whom there are 17, are fond of music. But my grandfather was a celebrated organist, and I suppose it was from him that we inherited our musical abilities. As far back as I can remember I was always able to sing." At the early age of 10 Madame Arral won the first prize both for pianoforte and singing at the Brussels Conservatoire, and continued her studies there for some years under distinguished professors. This was succeeded by a course of study at the famous Conservatoire of Paris, and for some time she was a favourite pupil of the celebrated Madame Marches. At the end of a three year's course at this institution she secured the first prize for singing and stage deportment. The opera Comique of Paris, where the lighter serious operas, such as "Mignon," are sung, have the right to choose their stage recruits from the prize-winners each year at the Conservatoire, and after this success Madame Arral was at once engaged. She made her first appearance in the title role of Ambroise Thomas's well-known opera "Mignon," and therein scored a great triumph. For three years she remained at this theatre, and sang the leading roles in "Carmen," "Faust," "Manon," "Romeo and Juliet," "Herodiade," "La Dame Blanche," "Lakme," and other works. During this engagement at the Opera Comique, M. Millocker secured her to create the role of Laura at Paris in his opera "The Beggar Student." She was specially lent to the composer by the direction of the Opera Comique, and the work was so successful that it ran for 150 nights. At the expiration of her engagement at the Opera Comique the French prima donna went to the Gaité Theatre, where she continued her success, and she subsequently appeared at many of the leading theatres of France. She sang in nearly 30 different works and various houses, and many of the lighter ones were written especially for her. After these years of hard work, and wishing for a change of scene, Madame Arral accepted an engagement to go to Russia under the direction of the celebrated Raoul Gunsburg, the director of the opera at Monte Carlo. She scored a great success at St. Petersburg and Moscow, which culminated in her being engaged as one of the principal artists at the Imperial Theatre in the former city. This lasted for two years, and during that period the clever French soprano sang several times by invitation at the private theatre of the Royal Family at the Krasnoe Selo Palace, and was decorated by the Czar with the Order of Oldenbourg. After leaving Russia she sang at Cairo and Alexandria for a season, and was decorated by the Khedive with the Order of Medjidie, which is said to be a rare honour. On returning to Paris she was engaged by the famous American impresario Maurice Grau for the Metropolitan Opera Company, of New York, where she appeared in many of the best known works of our time. She subsequently made a tour of the States as a member of a concert party

which included such great artists as Ysaye the Belgian violinist, Psigné, the French pianist, and Gerardy the cellist, who is well known in this city. After a holiday in Paris, Madame Arral did a six months' engagement under the direction of the French Government at the theatre at Tonkin, where she proved immensely popular. This theatre was destroyed by a typhoon, and wishing to continue her tour around the world the distinguished artist proceeded to Shanghai. Visiting all parts of interest, she continued her journeyings through China and India, where she was induced to change her plans and to come to these States by an Australian gentleman. She brings with her an enormous wardrobe containing costumes for all the numerous roles that she enacts, which are described as being both beautiful and costly. The Box Plan for the season is now open at Wildman and Arey's.

**WIRTH'S CIRCUS AND ZOO.**

**OPENS AT AUCKLAND, FEBRUARY 26.**

The annual visit of Wirth Bros' circus and menagerie of performing wild animals has again come round. The circus has grown to such a size that the proprietors have adopted a policy of uniting a number of different kinds of entertainments under one management, for the one ticket. They not only give a genuine circus, but more than a circus, a combination of seven shows, viz.—a circus, a hippodrome, museum, vaudeville, menagerie, huge elephant herd, and grand oriental parade. Newly imported star artists have arrived from America and Europe, including the world's greatest exponent on the tight rope or corde elastique, Hugh Lloyd, and it is useless to attempt to describe what he can do. It would be easier to ask what can he not do, for he turns somersaults, jumps through hoops, and seems safer on the ropes than most people do on terra firma. He uses no balancing apparatus, and concludes a marvellous performance by turning somersaults while playing the violin, which does not cease playing. We can only say, go and see him. Roars of applause greet his performance everywhere. Middle Phillipina, the only somersault rider and boundary jockey in the world; Miss May Ringling, an equestrienne of unusual daring. The aerial department is in the hands of the world renowned "Flying Herberts," the human skyrockets, and the Leon Sisters, aerial dental performers. In the hippodrome highly schooled horses and world's champion high jumping ponies, camel races, etc., will take place. The museum contains many interesting curious freaks of nature. The Vaudeville, which is a new departure, will produce jiu jitsu wrestlers, Spanish dancers, musical comedy acts, wire walkers, equilibrists, and others in a bewildering jumble, for as many as nine different acts are going on simultaneously at times. High jumping horses and ponies, including Playmate, 13 hands, the champion



SCENE FROM "THE SQUAW MAN," OPENING HERE ON THE 18TH INST.

high jumping pony of the world, and Maori, the New Zealand champion, in exciting contests. The menagerie, which includes many trained wild animals, is now one of the largest travelling in the Australian States. The elephant herd is a feature this year, performing wonders for such ungainly beasts.

and the Bicknell's performance was so much appreciated the house would hardly let them go. The clever pair are off to South Africa directly, so that it is to be feared we shan't see them in this colony again for a long time to come.

My Christchurch Dramatic Correspondent writes:—The walls of the new Theatre Royal are beginning to rise. Some time before the present year of grace has run its course, I suppose, the Theatre now in course of erection will be formally opened by His Worship the Mayor, or Sir Joseph Ward, or somebody, and the usual speeches will be made, and the usual healths will be "honoured." And then the present T.R. will retire into the background and take a back seat for ever more. Some interesting memories cluster round the old house, too. It was there that the late Wm. Hoskins reigned, once upon a time, away back in the dim and distant seventies. This colony has never seen the equal of Hoskins as an actor, and possibly never will see it. The chronicles of the ancient building, which now does duty as a Theatre Royal, would make interesting reading. Since my last the MacMahons have inaugurated another season at the Royal, with the much-advertised and be-postered "Price of Sin." This piece is in four acts, and all of them as brimful of sensation as a to-be-continued-in-our-next. As the virtuous hero our old friend Chas. Blake has a congenial part. How, as a young officer who has charge of regimental trust-moneys to the value of £200, he is tempted by the wicked Boothman to squander the same in horse-racing, and how (as a matter of course) he backs the wrong 'un; how the villainous Boothman then tries to give him away for sealing the money entrusted to his keeping; how the bewitching heroine (Miss May Granville) refunds the misappropriated coin and so saves the hero from penal servitude, and foils that bad Boothman; how the latter is eventually clean bowled (lbw), and shot dead (in the last act), all this and a heap more the plot of the piece reveals, and when the curtain falls for the last time the audience gives a long sigh of relief, and rejoices that virtue is rewarded in the good old fashioned way, and that vice is vanquished, as it invariably is (in melodrama). On Friday night there will be a change of bill, when "The Rogue's Daughter" will go on. This is the Adelphi drama the Australasian rights of which are held by the Messrs Macmahon, and report speaks very highly of it. More concerning it anon. I dropped in to the Opera House last Saturday evening just in time to hear the fag-end of a ditty by Mr Bob Lloyd, and the applause which greeted the singer on his exit. Miss Millie Bertoto followed with "My Merry Automobile," which the little lady sang with any amount of vivacity and "go." Miss Millie has greatly improved since I last had the pleasure of hearing her. Miss Rosie Bertoto sang something sad (and rather long), but appeared to please her audience. Then came the popular Percy Denton, whose make up as a Scotchman (in a black face and carrot hair), set the house laughing at once. He was recalled until he declined to come on any more. Master Norman Mudford, a young shaver of about ten years of age, sang the ballad "Teach Me to Forget," very prettily. Percy Denton's illustrated song "Just a Little Rocking-Chair and You," went splendidly, the pit-boys joining heartily in the chorus. Then "The Apollo Belvidere" appeared, and posed as "The Dying Gladiator," "Atlas," "Mercury," and a heap of others. Billed as "The Living Bronze Statue," the Apollo's turn is modelled on that of "the Modern Milo." The Driscoll's met with a great reception,

Writes my Hawke's Bay correspondent:—Do the public like melodrama? and the answer is easily given, in the affirmative, judging by the excellent houses that the Holloway Dramatic Company drew during their three-night season here at the Theatre Royal this week. The pieces staged: "The Coal King," "Shadows of a Great City," and "Under Remand" were all produced with strict attention to all matters of detail, and showed convincingly that the hand of a past master in the art had been assiduous in his efforts, though Mr C. Holloway did not face the music. Signs of his work were apparent in the productions, as is the case with all melodramas, there was a terrible number of improbabilities opposed in the construction and development of the plots. But still the good old public cheered, and consequently appreciated the exponents of the various characters; what always puzzles me, and I suppose will do so to the end of my time, is why are all the villains addicted to wearing black hair, and the comic men red ditto; this is a fallacy, which does not find room to rest in the every-day life, for some of the hardest lots I have ever struck were men with hair of a light hue, and some of the few of mankind were of the clan whose hair and whiskers were of an inky hue. As regards the latter's breed, they were real white fellows, the only thing that was black about them being their hirsute appendages. But this departure is only by the way. Miss Beatrice Holloway as usual was charming, her sweetness of manner and artistic displays drawing forth hearty recognition from patrons, though other leaders of the Company Misses Conroy, Russell, and Gourlay ably assisted in the support of Miss Holloway. Mr R. nman was an ideal juvenile lead, his fine voice and good figure helping to fill the picture with good effects. Messrs Godfrey Cart, Jefferson Tait, Frank Kennedy, Milton Welch, and J. Hesford, all did yeoman service in their different portrayals. It set me guessing when I saw Mr Hesford appear—guessing this way—to think how old he was, for it is quite 32 years ago since I first saw Hesford in the old Princess Theatre, Dunedin, and though I was only a youngster then, he at that time gave the appearance of well set man.

Great tales are told of Wonderland—William Anderson's latest venture in the theatrical line. Thousands were spent in the outlay, but the management is credited with having cleared initial expenses within the first two weeks. A large scope on the Bondi beach, Sydney, has been given up to the mysteries of Wonderland. Business people, on leaving the city, flock out to Bondi, where their families await them; Gipsy teas are partaken of in the grounds, and then the whole evening is spent in viewing the wondrous sights. Even then people depart without having seen half there is to see. Manly is deserted, except for continental bathing purposes, and Wonderland draws the crowd like a magnet. Mr. Anderson's latest move to satisfy Sydney lovers of the romantic and sensational is the engagement of the scion of Russian bureaucracy and her amorist, over whose adventurous flight from the Czar's dominions the Australian papers have been making such a fuss.



MISS ALMA BARBER AS NANOYA, AND MR. J. RALSTON AS HARRY VEREKER IN "THE CINGALEE."



The new theatre in Christchurch has been registered under the Companies Act, with a proprietary of three. Of these Mr G. G. Stead possesses an interest of £8334, Mr R. M. McDonald £8333, and Mr P. A. Herman £8333.

Mr Dudley Clinton, here some time since under contract to Mr George Musgrove, has been specially engaged by Mrs Fiske, the famous American actress, for her New York season, to play the Rev. Matthew Phillimore in Langdon Mitchell's comedy "The New York Idea," which has obtained a phenomenal success.

Says Mr David Belasco, the well known American manager: "The secret of stage greatness is listening with your eyes; opportunities are always to be seen by the man whose eyes are wide open."

The Court of Appeal has dismissed the appeal made by Mr Harry Rickards against the judgment of the Court of King's Bench in the action brought against him by Ferdinand Glinseretti, manager of a troupe of acrobats, for breach of contract. In this case it will be remembered that Mr Rickards was charged with breach of contract because he refused to carry out an agreement on the ground that the troupe referred to was not in all respects the same as when he engaged it. A verdict was given against him, and damages were assessed at £50.

In connection with the strike on the part of music-hall artists, musicians, and employees, three halls have been hired in London by the strikers, who propose to provide star entertainments. Nightly performances are being given in 14 of the barred halls.

It is a remarkable fact (writes Mr George Tallis) that every successive week of "Mother Goose" at Her Majesty's Theatre, Melbourne, has been better, from a box office point of view, than the preceding one. Never during the whole of the period has there been enough room in the theatre for all those who applied for admission, and people are turned away at every performance. It seems a pity to interrupt such a notable run before it has reached its legitimate end, and Mr J. C. Williamson is therefore endeavouring at present to arrange for a postponement of Mr Julius Knight's opening at Her Majesty's Theatre (which was originally fixed for next Saturday) for a week or so in order that the season of "Mother Goose" may be prolonged.

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tion have prevailed since Christmas, "Parsifal" has entered upon its final performances. For the rest of Miss Tittell Brune's successful season in that city some of her most peculiar revivals will be staged until the pantomime succeeds to the tenancy of Her Majesty's Theatre. Miss Brune herself will be occupied during March with a round of visits beginning with Hobart from the 4th to the 15th of that month, after which she will make her first appearance at Bendigo (from the 16th to the 23rd). On the 25th, 26th, and 27th she will be at Ballarat and thence she will go to Melbourne for an eight or ten weeks season, beginning at Her Majesty's Theatre on Easter Saturday.

Mr Julius Knight has arrived in Melbourne and received quite an ovation when he appeared in the dress circle at Her Majesty's Theatre in the evening. His company, with whom rehearsals for "Robin Hood" have already commenced, consist of the following players from England:—Misses Marion Gray, Katherine Elbert Orton, Dorothy Sidney, Mary Godfrey, Messrs Leslie Victor, Reynolds Denniston Hubert Willis Gordon McIntosh and Herbert Bentley. In addition to these Mr J. C. Williamson has engaged several Australian actors to support Mr Knight during the tour, chief among whom is the popular Mr Harry Pimmer, who has been transferred specially for the purpose from "The Squaw Man" Company.

The popularity of the Waldron-Humphries Company in New Zealand continues to be maintained at a remarkably high level. "The Squaw Man" in particular proving a very certain drawing card. The company are due back in Sydney on March 16th for a seven-night season of "Cigarette" at the Theatre Royal there. Eastertime will see them at His Majesty's Theatre, Brisbane, as the holiday attraction, and after a short season there they travel round to Adelaide.

"Peter Pan" seems to be a wonderful money maker, for the latest advices from London indicate that its third revival there at the end of December was a huge success. Though the piece had scarcely begun its run at the time the theatre was already booked right up to February, and so great was the rush to see it that a course of daily matinees had to be initiated. At the same time the shops had taken note of the boom and everywhere in London Peter Pan toys, crackers, and postcards were to be seen prominently displayed in the windows of the retail houses.

Mr Andrew Mack is leaving San Francisco on his Australasian tour on the 20th of this month (February), so that he will arrive in New Zealand in ample time for his opening at Wellington on Easter Saturday. He is bringing a full company, which he describes as even stronger than the previous one, and several new plays including "Miles Aroon" and "Eileen Ashore," as well as all the established favourites in his repertoire.

At a meeting of the leaders of the dramatic profession at the Garrick Theatre, in London, Mr John Hare, who presided, said that the suggestion to endow an Irving Theatre would necessitate a public subscription of £50,000, and prominent members of the profession were agreed that that was impossible. He proposed that a statue of Irving should be erected—there was an almost definite promise of a site in one of the chief thoroughfares of London—by subscriptions from the managers, actors, actresses, and dramatists of the United Kingdom and America. This was agreed to. Miss Ellen Terry, however, is not satisfied with this, and has received much influential support for her plan to establish a national memorial in the shape of a museum, library, and picture gallery on the lines of the Shakespeare memorial at Stratford-on-Avon.

Miss Priscilla Verne, the Australian comedienne, who has been in America for three or four years, returned to Sydney by the Sonoma the other day. She has the acting rights of several musical comedies and other pieces, the production of which she will endeavour to arrange for locally.

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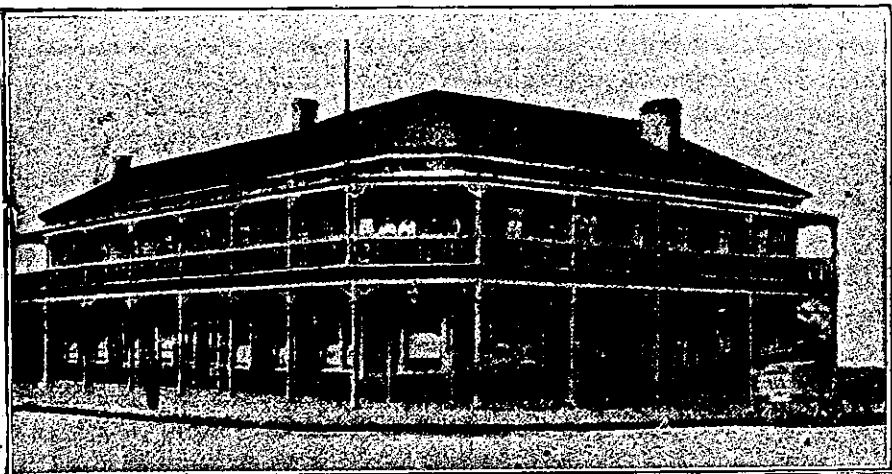
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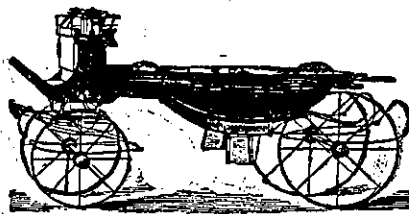
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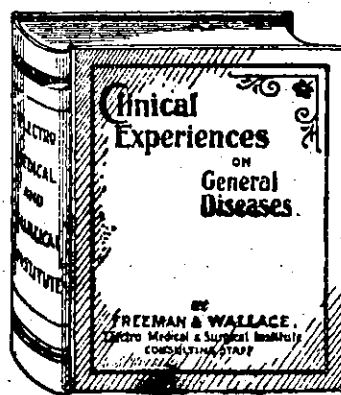
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# THE LICENSEE AND WAITERS GAZETTE

In Wellington recently a man with a bad record was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for stealing an overcoat from a hotel at Levin.

In 1813 the five-pound Bank of England note was worth only 73s in gold.

Still another honour has been conferred upon Messrs James Buchanan and Co., of the Black Swan Distillery, Holborn, they having just been appointed by Royal Warrant to supply Scotch whisky to His Majesty the King of Spain.

By the Victorian Act a licensee may refuse to serve any person with liquor, whether a bona fide traveller or not, during prohibited hours.

"What you again? Always begging!" exclaimed a suburban landlady. "I'm so hungry, lady." "Wait a bit; I'll fetch my husband." "What's the use? I ain't no cannibal."

At Waihi recently, H. Deverill, coach proprietor, running between Tauranga and Waihi, was fined for supplying liquor to a Maori at Katikati. Defendant explained that he knew nothing of the contents or nature of the consignment, which he simply delivered in the usual way.

The daughter of Mr Manfred McMahon, hotelkeeper at Tararu, Thames, had a narrow escape from being killed last week. She was struck on the forehead by a bullet from a pea-rifle, the bone being splintered.

During the hearing of a breach of a prohibition order case at the Magistrate's Court, Waihi, last week, an unusual point cropped up, the question being whether a brewery with a wholesale license was licensed premises under the Act. Mr Bush decided to adjourn the case to decide the point next Court day.

The adjourned hearing of a case for claim of commission on the sale of the Kentish Hotel, at Waiuku, brought by Messrs J. M. and J. Mowbray, against Mr W. Abbott, as executor of the estate of Mr C. Jones, was continued last Thursday. Mr C. C. Kettle, S.M., has reserved his decision.

The privileges of the publicans booths in connection with the Papakura Racing Club's annual meeting, to be held on the 9th inst., were purchased by Mr J. Mollooy for £35.

At the respective meetings early next month, applications will be made to the Parnell and the Waitemata Licensing Committees to grant permanent transfers of the licenses of the Newmarket Hotel, and the Esplanade Hotel, in the first instance from J. Gillander to J. R. D. Baker, and in the second from E. H. White to J. M. Franklin.

Detective McIlverney of Invercargill, has been appointed chief-detective in the office of the Commissioner of Police. His duty will be to investigate special cases from all parts of the colony.

The beer duty collected in Auckland in January last year amounted to £1749 17s 8d, as against £1802 8s 7d for the month of January this year.

The Wairoa "Guardian" states that owing to the change in the electorate the original plans for the re-building of the Clyde Hotel have been abandoned. An addition of twenty-five rooms will be made to the present building. The owners have taken this step owing to Judge Cooper's recent decision that a licensing committee cannot force a license to rebuild.

The Representation Commissioners have decided upon a slight adjustment of the boundaries of the Rangitikei electorate. They have also agreed to reinstate the name extinguished in the district of Tuapeka by substituting it for "Mount Ida" in a more northerly district. The name of Geraldine has also been reinstated instead of "Temuka," as it was proposed to call Mr Flatman's constituency. These are the only alterations

of any consequence that will appear when the boundaries are finally gazetted.

In the local police court last week a middle-aged man named Henry Robinson, pleaded guilty to using insulting language to Mr M. Walsh of the City Club Hotel, Shortland-street. The accused had gone to the hotel under the influence of liquor, and when refused a drink, made use of insulting language. Accused was sentenced to 48 hours' imprisonment.

The application for the permanent transfer of the license of the British Hotel, Queen-street, from Mr T. J. Buxton to Mr J. H. Pagni will be heard at the quarterly meeting of the City Licensing Committee on the 5th of March.

A recent visitor to San Francisco was amazed at the progress he found on all hands. Debris is being removed from the more valuable business sites, and although many people were still living in tents, there was an air of prosperity on all sides, and much money was being spent in luxuries. As to the smart clubs, these are amusements, jewellery, wine, and other "boarded out" in such fashionable residences as escaped the great catastrophe. Thus, the Pacific Union is quartered in the residence of the well-known banker, Mr Borel, and pays £200 a month rent. The Bohemian Club is established in the house of Mr Boardman, an enormously rich broker, at a rental of £100 a month. The temporary abode of the Bohemian, by the way, is up near Lafayette-square, where lines of tents give one the illusion of a Nevada mining camp rather than the heart of what was only a few months ago a mighty metropolis.

Imperial Tokay is about the most costly of wines. It is usually reserved for the Austrian Royal family. It has sold at £3 a bottle.

The United States Consul at Funchal (Madeira) reports that an Italian chemist there, Professor Pagisci, declares that the juice of the fig under proper treatment can be converted into a wine of excellent taste. The professor states that its flavour is agreeable, that it is very rich in phosphate matter, and almost wholly destitute of tannic acid, qualities that render it specially nourishing to invalids and children.

The Chateau vineyard at Dookie, Victoria, was damaged by a fire, which broke out a few days ago in the engine room, and destroyed the distilleries.

There is no doubt that people in want of an enjoyable holiday often rush off to a distance and are disappointed with the result, when the very thing they require is to be found more closer home. Take for instance Clevedon, an ideal spot for anyone wanting a change from town. There is an excellent hotel, the Wairoa, which Mr W. G. Abbott (late of the N.Z. Railway Refreshment Rooms, Mercer) has taken over and renovated throughout. Everything of the best is kept, and the comfort of visitors made a special study. Then there is some capital trout fishing in several streams, good shooting, some highly picturesque bush scenery, and in fact everything to be wished for when taking a holiday. Why not try it?

At the next Licensing Court, Mr T. E. Hallett will apply to have the license of the Waipa Hotel, Ngaruawahia, transferred to Mr Samuel Draffin, late of Waitetaki.

Under a new order about to be adopted in Austria, persons convicted more than twice for drunkenness will lose the right of voting for two years.

At Aldershot recently an instruction has been received from the War Office, directing medical officers in charge of military hospitals to prescribe whisky instead of brandy in cases where a stimulant is deemed necessary. The reason is that there is a large stock of very old whisky of fine quality on hand at Woolwich, which, it is said, is in almost every respect the equal to brandy from a medicinal point of view. The quality of the hospital whisky promises to soften the rigour of hospital routine, and no doubt many will be anxious to try it.

In connection with the Wynyard Arms Hotel burglary, the grand jury at the Supreme Court last Monday found no bill against Adam Swallow.

In the Supreme Court last Monday a sentence of three years imprisonment was passed on William Thompson for stealing a portmanteau belonging to G. E. Cowling from the Thames Hotel.

At the Thames Police Court last Friday, W. H. Laycock, licensee of the Tairua Hotel, was fined £5 and costs for selling liquor on Sunday. Three men who were found on the premises at the time were each fined 5s and costs. At the same court charges of having broken the licensing laws brought against Henry Brownlee of the Salutation Hotel, were dismissed.

A Wellington paper states that the aerated water manufacturers have been threatened prosecution if they continue to make hop beer as at present, as the Customs contends that its manufacture is against the Beer Duty Act. A deputation waited on the Minister of Customs recently, and was promised that an amendment to the Act would be considered.

Mr C. J. Philips, town traveller for The Campbell Ehrenfried Coy., left for Sydney last Monday on a holiday trip.

Last Monday in the local police court, on the application of Mr Mays, an adjournment until Friday was granted in the case of Timothy O'Connor, who was charged that on December 15, being the licensee of the Victoria Hotel, he permitted drunkenness on the premises, and further that he sold beer to James Moylan, a person already in a state of intoxication.

Snakes, although plentiful enough in Australia, are not common visitors to the central business area of Sydney. Mr John Cassidy, who is in charge of the temporary bar of the Dungate Hotel, now in course of erection at the corner of Liverpool and Castlereagh streets, Sydney, however, had an unpleasant experience with such an intruder. He saw a black snake, measuring over five feet long. He was dozing on a stretcher on the floor of the bar when he was startled at the sight of the reptile crawling up alongside his temporary resting place. Jumping on the other side of the bed, he seized a broom handle, and proceeded to attack the intruder. The snake, however, got behind some boxes, which were against the wall. Arming himself with another stick, Cassidy forced the reptile from its hiding place, and getting it into a corner, succeeded in killing it. Where it came from is a mystery, although it is surmised that it may have escaped from a box about the place that recently came down from the country.

## ENDORSEMENT NEXT TIME.

At the Thames Magistrate's Court last Friday, W. H. Laycock, licensee of the Tairua Hotel, was charged with selling liquor to Michael Tobin on a Sunday. Mr Fallon, on behalf of the Crown, stated that whilst an endorsement was not asked for, he would submit that a heavy penalty should be inflicted, seeing as the hotel was in an isolated district, and, therefore, not under such close police supervision as hotels in towns. It was the duty of the licensee to exercise stricter supervision in the conduct of his business. Mr Clendon, for the defence, stated that the man to whom the liquor had been supplied had obtained it on a misrepresentation, he having told the girl, who was at the time supplying liquor to boarders, that Mr Laycock said he was to have a drink, whereas he had not done so. His Worship fined the defendant £5 and costs, and notified him that on the next offence he would endorse the license. Charges were brought against Thomas Duffy, Hugh Mulgrew, and M. Tobin, for being on the licensed premises of the Tairua Hotel during the hours such premises should be closed, and they were each fined 5s and costs.

## HOTEL SERVANTS.

The hotelkeepers of Wellington, sitting in conference recently, discussed the recent recommendations of the Conciliation Board with reference to cooks and waiters in hotels, and passed resolutions affirming that the recommendations were impracticable in some particulars, and offered a premium for constant friction between employers and employed, with results diametrically opposed to the purposes of conciliation; that every effort should be made to obtain the consent of the union to the removal of such anomalies, in order that employers may be able to carry out the terms of the agreement forced upon them; and that the union be asked to agree to certain stated modifications or situations as to hours of work, holidays, etc. It was suggested that delegates of the union should confer with employers' delegates this week.

## INTERESTING COIN.

The coins recovered from the wreck of the steamer Elingamite by the late Mr E. J. Harper, show very marked evidence of their having been lying under twenty odd fathoms of water for over four years. Some twelve hundred odd pounds in half-sovereigns have been recovered, all of which are not much the worse beyond being somewhat tarnished. The silver has turned quite black, and in many instances is quite encrusted with sand. An interesting find was also made in the shape of a large piece of iron, evidently part of the ship's strong room, this is thickly covered with rust, in which can be plainly seen, embedded many coins, including half-sovereigns. Many of the coins are seemingly welded together, no doubt the pressure of water having had this effect. Curious to relate that out of some two thousand odd pounds recovered, there has only so far been one penny brought to light.

## THE CURSE OF THE DOLLAR.

Mr Andrew Carnegie, speaking on the wealth problem before the New York National Civic Federation, said that he accepted Mr Gladstone's view that an income tax made a nation of liars. He regarded no tax as so pernicious, both economically and morally, and maintained that the nation would never regret anything so much as the attempt to collect a tax upon business men. He cordially approved of a heavy tax upon inheritance, and of graduated taxation as the best means of redistributing wealth. Lawmakers should compel every citizen to pay taxes in proportion to his ability. His experience had taught him that young millionaires were generally far from being the creditable American citizens that children of the poor are. "I would as soon leave a curse to my boy," he declared, "as the almighty dollar." Mr Carnegie said that the English income tax system could not be followed here owing to the different conditions prevailing. This was because the English leisured class was represented in the Civil Service, and every English business man's secrets were kept inviolate. Such a Civil Service system, however, it would be impossible to establish here in a hundred years. Mr Carnegie advocated the passage of a law requiring a-half of big fortunes to revert to the people upon the death of their possessors.

## CHARGES DISMISSED.

At the Thames Magistrate's Court last Friday, Henry Brownlee, licensee of the Salutation Hotel, Thames, was charged with having kept his premises open for the purpose of sale, also with having exposed liquor for sale, during such time as the premises should be closed. In connection with the same case two men, named Miller and Gerrarty, were charged with having been on licensed premises after the hours of closing. Mr Fallon, who appeared for the prosecution, alleged that on the night in question the police visited the Salutation Hotel and found the men Miller and Gerrarty on the premises after the hours of closing. The bar was open, and there were evident signs of liquor having been supplied. Evidence was given by the police bearing out the statement. For the defence it



was submitted by Mr Clendon that the men, though not permanent boarders at the hotel, were staying there. They had stopped at the hotel the previous night. Evidence was given to this effect by several witnesses, and eventually His Worship dismissed the information, holding that the evidence for the defence showed that the men were staying at the hotel, and therefore no offence was disclosed.

**ENGLAND'S INCREASING TRADE.**

With one solitary exception the monthly Board of Trade Returns ever since the beginning of the year have shown a gratifying and, in some instances, a most remarkable increase, and when the figures for 1906 are made up at the end of the present month they will show a record trade of which England may feel justly proud. It is not alone this country that has been forging ahead. The distant possessions of the Crown, save and except South Africa—which has been in a state of political unrest, and cannot be expected to settle down until the Transvaal elections are over—have all being doing well. Canada and Australia were never in a more prosperous condition than they are to-day, and next year, when the Colonial Conference takes place, London is expected to be full of wealthy Colonists from all parts of the Empire. This should be good news for English, Irish, and Scottish hotel keepers, for our visitors from abroad, as a rule, make a point of seeing all the "beauty spots" in the kingdom before returning to their colonial homes, and there will be plenty of entertaining. Meanwhile it is satisfactory to note that an additional £3,367,000 has been put on to our exports, and a further £2,602,000 on to our imports during the past month, making an increase of nearly £6,000,000 in our oversea trade.—"London L.V. Gazette."

**ALL THE LUCK.**

"Some people 'as all the luck," said the gloomy man with the heavy jaw, as he read the paper in the window.  
All the bloomin' luck. 'Ere's a girl gets a gold watch for bein' the millionth visitor to the exhibition. Just does nothin' but wander in, same as I might wander in ter a pub. Gets a gold watch, an' a 'and-shake from Mr Munro."  
"Sir George Munro now, ain't 'e," said the little man with the thin beard.  
"E might be. Some people as all the bloomin' luck. Wot do I get when I breasts up anywhere. I just bin in the pub on the corner. 'Hout yer go," says the barman, an' hout it was. W'y? Well, 'e said I was number thirteen—bin me thirteenth trip ter see if they 'ad a spare beer that wasn't workin'. Some blokes just simply 'appen inter luck—can't 'elp it. If I'd bin goin' in the gate just behind the nine ninety nine thousand nine ninety ninth bloke, what 'ud 'appen? W'y, that bloke 'ud drop dead an' I'd be pushed through just ahead of time. An' I'd apaid me bob, too. Yes, some blokes 'as all the luck. I couldn't ever be the millionth anything. I was number 321 once, and it was 'ard mozzle, too."  
"Wot was it? A Tatt's ticket?" asked the little man.  
"No, up on the Terrace."  
—"Touchstone" in the N.Z. "Times."

**FOLLOWING HIM UP.**

The strange story of a publican who has had his license taken from him three times, through no fault of his own, is told by a gentleman who recently visited the South Island. The hotelkeeper in question was in business in Ashburton, when he was closed up by the carrying of no-license. He moved to Invercargill and started again; but once again was deprived of his license in the same way. Woodlands was the next town he took a hotel in, and here for a time all went well. The Representation Commission got to work, however, and altered the boundaries down there, and now he finds himself in the Mataura district, another no-license region. This means that he will be closed up again as soon as the present license expires.

**THE COLONY'S BREWERIES.**

The number of breweries in the colony shown in the census returns for 1906 was somewhat fewer than that returned ten years previously in 1896, but the hands employed were more numerous and the quantity of beer manufactured considerably greater.  
While in the year 1895 there were 5,249,278 gallons brewed, the output for 1905 amounted to 7,634,362 gallons, being nearly 2,400,000 gallons of increase in a ten-year period. The money value rose from £336,734 to £572,579.  
The quantities of beer on which excise duty was paid for consumption were, for 1895, 4,936,400 gallons, and 7,796,160 gallons for 1905. These quantities are in

close agreement with those returned in this census as manufactured.

The imported beer entered at the Customs for home consumption only increased in quantity from 201,770 gallons in 1895 to 218,270 gallons in 1905 which tends to show that the colonial made beer is by degrees displacing the beer brought from abroad. In the year 1892 261,394 gallons were brought into New Zealand, when the population was only 650,433 persons. The consumption of beer per head of population, which was 7,421 gallons in the year 1895, reached 9,150 in the year 1900, since when it has been almost stationary, the figures for 1905 being 9,212.

	1906.	1896.
Breweries .....	72	85
Hands employed .....	731	465
Amount paid in wages .....	£92,308	£57,327
Value of land .....	£82,590	£51,533
Value buildings .....	£156,541	£115,033
Value machinery and plant .....	£95,800	£63,850

	1905.	1895.
	gals.	gals.
Quantity .....	7,634,362	5,249,278
Value .....	£512,519	£336,734

**COMMISSION CLAIMED.**

Further hearing of the claim for £80 commission by J. M. and J. Mowbray against W. Abbott, as executor of the estate of Mrs Catherine Jones, was continued before Mr C. C. Kettle, S.M., last Thursday. The amount was claimed as commission upon an alleged sale of the Kentish Hotel, Waiuku. Mr R. McVeagh appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr Brookfield for the defendant.

John Mowbray, one of the plaintiffs, said he was present when Mrs Jones told his brother to find a purchaser for the Waiuku Hotel. She mentioned £3000 as the price of the lease, furniture and goodwill. Questioned by Mr Brookfield, witness said that the late Mr Jones had borrowed money from the Great Northern Brewery Co., of which witness was managing director. He agreed that it would be more satisfactory to himself if the new tenant was prepared to put himself in Jones' shoes and take his beer from the Great Northern Brewery.

Archeus Thomas, licensee of the Criterion Hotel, Otanuhu, stated that in November, 1905, he called at Mr Mowbray's office to tell him that in a note was on his books for sale he would like to know. He received a telegram in December from Mr Mowbray, and in consequence went to Waiuku, where he saw Mrs Jones at the hotel. He offered £2500 for the property, apart from the bar stock, but Mrs Jones said she would not take less than £3000. When he reached Auckland on his way back to Thames he made an offer, through Mowbray, of £2750, and he was informed subsequently by wire that the price had been accepted. He went to Auckland so that the purchase could be completed, and found that a Mr Schultz had bought the hotel.

Cross-examined by Mr Brookfield, witness said he did not see Mrs Jones more than once, but it was generally understood that the price included everything but stock.

Mr Brookfield submitted that the plaintiffs ought to be non-suited, because on Mr Mowbray's evidence the contract was to pay him £100 if he made a sale, whereas he was not the person who effected the sale. Mr Jones or Mrs Jones had not accepted the contract of Mr Thomas.

His Worship remarked that so long as the agent had the purchaser bound so that he could be forced to make the purchase he had succeeded, and on the letters produced there was a contract.

Mr Brookfield contended on behalf of the defendant that the plaintiffs were not entitled to commission from Mrs Jones because they acted in the interests of Mr Thomas.

Mr McVeagh (for the plaintiffs) said it was shown on the evidence that the contract was to find a purchaser, which was done. On the lowest ground his clients, having had their authority to sell revoked, were entitled to be recompensed for any expenditure they had undertaken.

Evidence for the defence was then taken.

Robert L. H. Biss, solicitor, said he acted professionally for Mr and Mrs Jones. On January 4th Mr Schultz came to him with the object of getting particulars of the lease held by Mr Jones. The lease was purchased on that date, and witness went to Mr Mowbray for the documents. He was referred to Mr Mowbray's solicitors. The contract with Schultz dropped through, but the hotel was sold to a Mr Molloy.

William Abbott, executor of Mrs Jones' estate, and defendant in the action, said that, although the Schultz transaction fell through, Thomas did not renew his offer.

His Worship reserved his decision.

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**MEDICAL MEN AND ALCOHOL.**

(Concluded From Last Week.)

Another side of the question as to the value of alcohol was presented in the therapeutics section of the American Medical Congress, when the usefulness of the drug in medicine and surgery came up for discussion.

Dr. Blackader, Montreal, said that the value of alcohol as a stimulant had been over-estimated, but under certain conditions it was useful and was a food.

Dr. Meitzler, New York, declared the facts as known to-day were favourable to a judicious use of alcohol, as it had a distinct action, which might be utilised in the treatment of disease.

"There is no Imperialism without its concomitant Puritanism." From this text Dr. Emil Reich argues that teetotal nations go to the wall, while moderate-drinking ones survive.

In an interview with a "Daily Mail" representative he replied to Sir Victor Horsley's statement that alcohol is practically worthless as food or medicine, basing his arguments on grounds of physiology, history, statistics, and personal experience, and incidentally commenting on the Shoreditch coroner's obiter dictum that no moderate drinker ever becomes a teetotaler.

"The whole process of nutrition," said Dr. Reich, "is more or less a mystery. Neither we nor the doctors understand it. How, then, can medical men, no matter how high their position, presume to talk with such dogmatic assurance on a subject of which nothing can be surer than that they know little or nothing?"

"Look at the emphatic refutation of

Sir Victor Horsley's opinion given by history. All the great nations of antiquity and of modern times—the Greeks, Romans, French, English—have been moderate drinkers—that is, as nations; each nation had, of course, exceptions, the few who totally abstained. The Greeks, the wisest of all nations, preferred moderate drinking even to moderate eating, and, save the Spartans, who abstained, all Greece drank in moderation. On the other hand, look at the record of two great nations which were practically teetotalers, if not entirely so—the Mahomedans and the Spaniards of Europe. It is a fact that the Mahomedans are lower in the scale of civilisation; and the Spaniards to-day are not among the first nations of Europe.

"Where does this fearful wave of teetotalism come from? In my opinion it is only a part of that indispensable Puritanism without which no Empire has ever been made. Puritanism when it first arose took the religious or theological form. It existed furiously through generations; but now, somehow the religious aspect does not seem to be able to maintain the hold it once had; it has dropped the theological and adopted the physiological with the same intensity of emotion and purpose.

"The Greeks made fun of teetotalism as a kind of puritanical desire to browbeat Nature, which indeed it really is. Puritanism always condemned the pleasures of man—the theatre, gaiety, dancing, the love of woman and man; now Puritanism is fanatical on teetotalism. The Spartans were the Imperialists of ancient Greece; the Carthaginians were Imperialists too, and also, like the Spar-

tans, teetotallers. Those peoples went down, the one before the moderate-drinking Thebans, the other before the moderate-drinking Romans. The Greeks had their class called Stoics, who wanted to thwart and penalise every natural feeling and aspiration and appetite; our Stoics are the teetotallers.

"I do not, however, deny that teetotalism in the British Empire is legitimate enough, as an inseparable concomitant of Imperialism. I am convinced that teetotalism, or some other form of the Puritan passion for brow-beating Nature, must be allowed for in any form of Imperialism. But what I absolutely deny is that modern science has disproved the value of alcohol.

"Now, as to statistics, how can any teetotaler account for the fact that of all nations of Europe the French have the best chance of longevity after the age of 45, although not 1 per cent. are total abstainers? No Frenchman, so far as I ever heard, ever touches water neat. The same thing can be said to a great extent of the German.

"The moderate drinker in England, confronted with a noisy, puritanical teetotalism, is almost afraid to admit that he drinks at all; he is ashamed of the fact. This leads to hypocritical acquiescence in doctrine which is really hateful. Puritanism is a compound of unreasonableness, hypocrisy, wrong-headedness, and the suppression of all that is most pleasing in life. Our body needs stimulation, exhilaration, just as our mind needs it. Far better commence a crusade against the terrible abuse of spices in the English cuisine. This would be far more conducive to the public health than all this talk against drinking in moderation. More people die of bad cookery and the improper choice of food than were ever slain by the abuse of alcohol. Nothing is more beneficial to the human body than the gentle stimulation, the soothing, pleasing effects of good liquor used in moderation.

"The teetotal nations have been failures, have been utterly smashed and spoiled by the moderate drinkers. This is the phenomenon which history presents to the student; it cannot be ignored. But what is the use of arguing with militant Puritanism? Take away wine, make all men sober, and drink no more;

Puritanism would pounce on the fearful scourge of pepper or some other condiment. Puritanism attacks smoking, drinking, dancing, the theatre, amusements; it denies all Nature's unwritten laws. In England to-day it is considered not quite the thing to praise even the host's choicest wine. To say at table, 'Ah, excellent wine!' is to produce embarrassment all round. It is no longer a delicate compliment paid to the host's taste; there may be teetotallers present; hence silence must be maintained.

"The puritanical itch to suppress something natural cheated whole generations of English people out of the pleasures of Shakespeare's works—the Covenanters, Ireton, Prynne, and their precious crew condemned everything outside the Old Testament as sinful. Sir Victor Horsley, I fear, is simply old Prynne over again. Prynne grounded his beliefs and tyrannies on theology; Sir Victor on physiology. The Liberal party with its goody-goody, peace-loving-at-any-price policy, will not, in its perversity, see what is ahead of this nation—that inevitable conflict with Germany; it is a party animated by the spirit of Fox, Penn, Wesley, and Whitfield, each of whom bequeathed to his time and posterity a fresh puritanical shiver. The Quakers, the Shakers, and the like have provided shivers, and now it is the teetotal shiver.

"I find the 'temperance' drinks most deleterious in their effects; coffee and tea are infinitely worse in their effects on my organism than alcohol; I believe they are so on most organisms. Neither Sir Victor Horsley nor anybody else can decide the question as to what is best for this or that person; he must find it out himself. I cannot endure alcohol as a beverage; it agrees well with many.

"History in the Court of Humanity must be recognised as the senior counsel, and physiology as the junior counsel; then those whose passion for 'shoe-kingitis' runs away with their reason will be better understood, and the facts of historical evidence duly appreciated."

**BEER DRINKING AND DRINKERS.**

Since the days of the Tudors, beer, good and very often bad, has never gone out of fashion as the standard liquor of Britain. The influence of Puritanism—which clipped off the noses of some saints,

which caused the fine arts to hide themselves in dark cellars, and the names and glories of the Globe and the Fortuna to be almost forgotten, and which sent the sprightly Coranto, the Saraband, and the Gavotte flying across the Channel—never had power sufficient to banish the "black jack" from the table of the then suffering Briton. The Lord Protector himself was an open ale-drinker. "Good, singing beer," as different from the sweet, sickly forms of mead of an earlier date, began to be universally popular throughout the length and breadth of Europe during the days of Wallenstein, Tully, the Piccolomini, and their comrades or enemies; indeed, there was always something of military sentiment about this taste for beer-drinking. Our dandy Guardsman, even at the beginning of the present century, although he could rough it on a fowl and a bottle of champagne, would have nothing to do with the foaming pewter. Powder patches and macaroni bucks of the Byron epoch left beer to the "masses." The fashion for ale-drinking, although Trumpington and Adruitt still flourished at the seat of learning, never became really popular among the better-to-do until it was exported from our Indian Empire. Wealthy nabobs, returning to spend their declining years in Hanover-square red-bricked, narrow-windowed mansions, brought back with them their taste for East India pale ale. The liquor, which was once on'y drunk by the Anglo-Indian, soon became the drink of the Anglian pure and simple. To the lower middle-class, also, there was a smack of "quality" about this pale ale drinking which helped to make it peculiarly attractive. In some of the earlier Dickens' sketches a naughty young cousin is assumed to be aiming at the reputation of a man about town, from the fact that he is given to drinking "pale ale." Within the last few years, however, the gentility of "bitter" has somewhat waned before his rival lager. There is a foreign air about this lager-drinking, a look of the citizen of the world about it, which is highly attractive to the youth of the middle class. It smacks of cheap tours on the Continent. With a glass mug of it before him, and an indifferent Havana between his teeth, the humbler apostle of swiftness recalls the glories of the "Biergarten"—its officers with swords stuck between their skirts; its band playing, in smart time but brassy tones, the latest of Strauss or Kela Bela. Yet we, on the other hand, have no right to be angry with our continental neighbour for having foisted his new beer trade upon us. There is hardly a decent cafe in a capital town in Europe where "Scots whisky"—good, although 10 or 15 years ago 75 centimes a petit verre was by no means thought to be exorbitant. As to English,

Irish, and Scotch bottled beer, the corks can be heard popping from the Bucharés: boulevard to the Winter Gardens at Moskowa. English beer and English drinks can more than hold their own on the Continent. With regard to beer-drinking, there is no doubt whatever that its popularity among the well-to-do classes has decidedly increased, rather than decreased. To drink beer is certainly not vulgar. We live in an age when many members of the highest classes openly boast that they ride second-class, because there does not happen to be a third. Good beer is better than cheap claret, infinitely better than bad claret. Again, the old tradition about beer being invariably bile-making has altogether exploded. The man who takes plenty of smart exercise never need fear, any more than his ancestors did, whether Cavalier or Roundhead, the terrors of the "Black Jack."—"The Australian Brewers' Journal."

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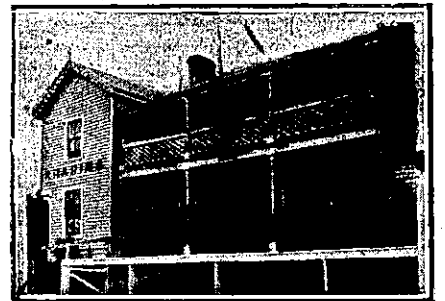
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**A CONVERSATION.**

Q. I have been feeling very poorly lately, and have just been told by my doctor that I am suffering from uric poisoning. I shall be glad if you will tell me just what uric poisoning means. Is it a serious matter?

A. Uric poisoning is caused by the retention in the blood of various substances which should leave the body in solution. The retention of these substances is due to a diseased or inactive condition of the kidneys. When the kidneys are working perfectly, they filter and extract from the blood of the average individual about three pints of urine every day. In this quantity of urine should be dissolved various waste material produced by the wear and tear of the tissues of the body. This is dead matter, and its presence in the blood is poisonous. The three pints of normal urine should contain about ten grains in weight of uric acid, an ounce of urea, together with other animal and mineral matter varying from a third of an ounce to nearly an ounce.

Q. Then I am to understand that the substances you mention when not eliminated from the body in the natural manner constitute what is known as uric poisoning. What are the usual symptoms by which the presence of these poisons is manifest?

A. Now you are asking rather a large question. Many complaints which are commonly called diseases are not actually diseases in themselves. For instance, Rheumatism, Gout, Neuralgia, Lumbago, Sciatica, Gravel, Stone, and Bladder Troubles are all caused by uric poisons. Indigestion, Anaemia, Persistent Headache, and General Debility are often solely due to the same cause. In fact, if the kidneys are doing their work freely and thoroughly, none of the complaints mentioned could trouble us as the causative poisons would be absent.

Q. I had no idea that so much depended upon the efficient action of the kidneys. I suppose that when anyone is suffering from Rheumatism, Gout, Neuralgia, Sciatica, Gravel, Stone, Bladder Troubles, Anaemia, Debility, Persistent Headache, or Indigestion the scientific method of effecting a cure would be to directly treat the patient for the kidneys?

A. Exactly. In fact, that is the only way in which a radical and permanent cure can be effected. The kidneys must be restored to health and activity, so that they may be enabled to remove the daily production of poisons in the body, or the patient must continue to suffer.

Q. I have always been under the impression that the liver had a great deal to do with the maintenance of our general health, but it seems that the kidneys are the chief cause of most of the disorders from which we suffer?

A. The work done by the liver is of the utmost importance and is closely associated with the work done by the kidneys. Indeed, when anything is the matter with the liver the kidneys are almost always directly affected, and the contrary is likewise true. In the liver various substances are actually made from the blood. Two or three pounds of bile are thus made every day. The liver takes sugar from the blood, converts it into another form, and stores it up so as to be able again to supply it to the blood, gradually, as the latter requires 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.

Q. As the functions of the kidneys and liver are so intimately related, I gather that if there is reason to suspect that either organ is not doing its work efficiently, a curative agent should be employed which would act equally upon the kidneys and liver?

A. Yes, that is the case, and it was the realization of this important fact which led to the discovery of that invaluable medicine Warner's Safe Cure. About thirty years ago, certain medical men, knowing that if they could find a medicine which would beneficially affect alike the kidneys and liver, they could control most of the common disorders, devoted themselves to the search for such a remedy. After many disappointments, their efforts were rewarded, and a medicine now known as Warner's Safe Cure was proved to possess the required properties in the fullest degree. Warner's Safe Cure has a marvellously stimulating and healing effect upon both the kidneys and liver, and by restoring those vital organs to health and activity, it necessarily cures all disorders due to the retention in the blood of urinary and biliary poisons, such as

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| <b>NEURALGIA</b>  | <b>INDIGESTION</b>     | <b>BLADDER TROUBLES</b> |
| <b>LUMBAGO</b>    | <b>BILIOUSNESS</b>     | <b>GENERAL DEBILITY</b> |
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Manawatu	3	3 0	35
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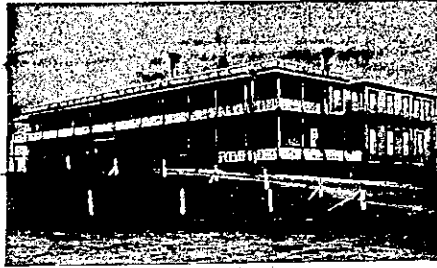
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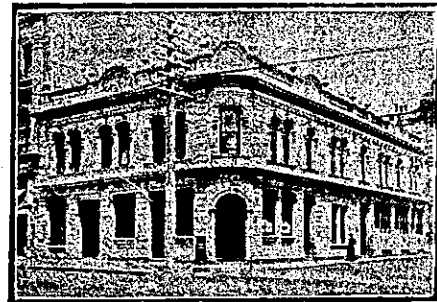
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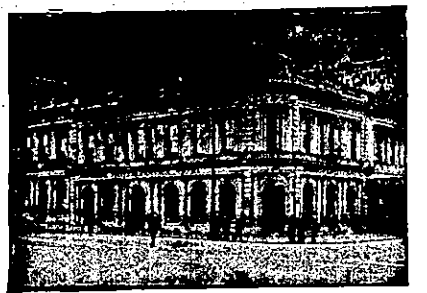
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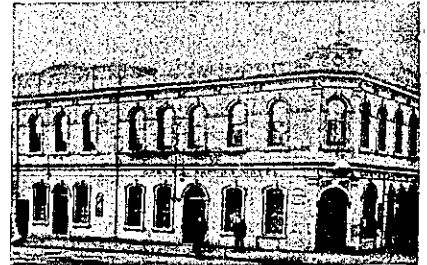
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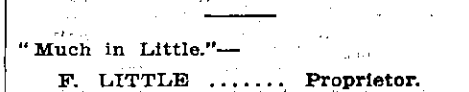
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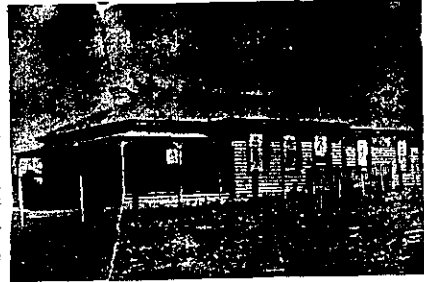
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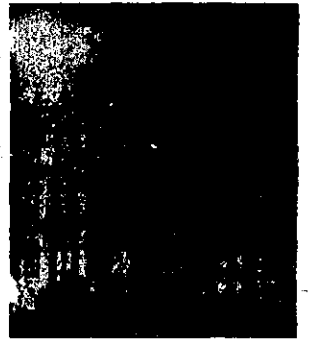
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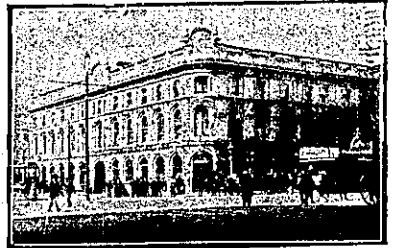
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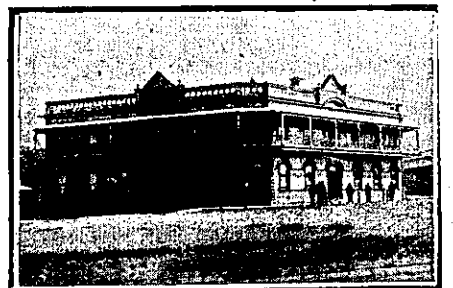
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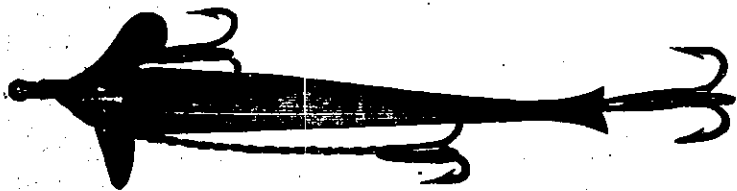
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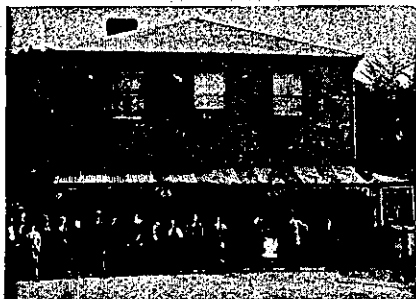
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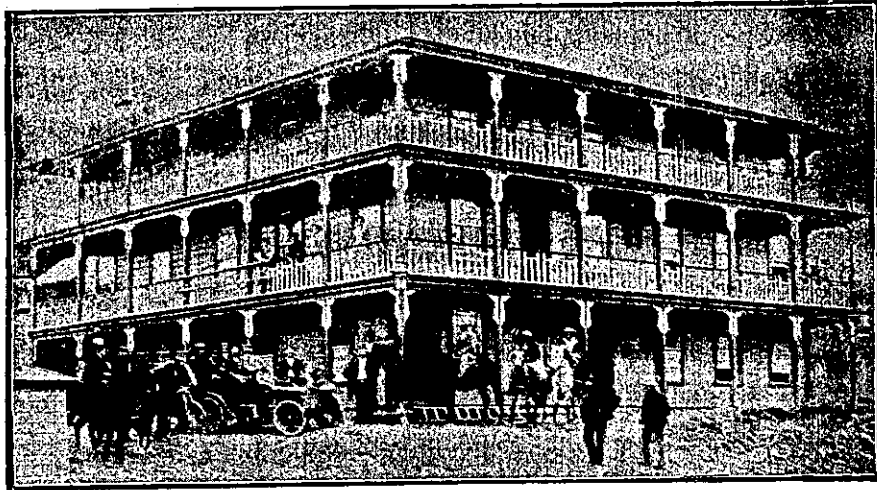
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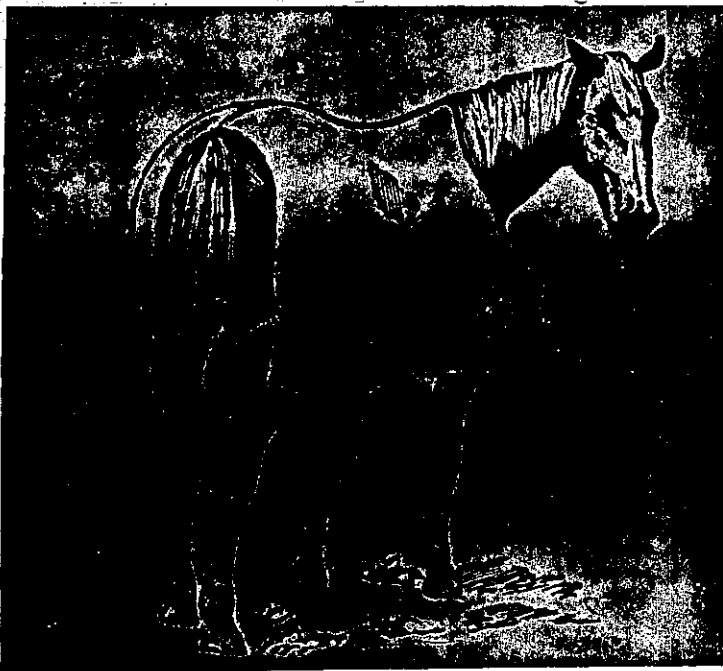
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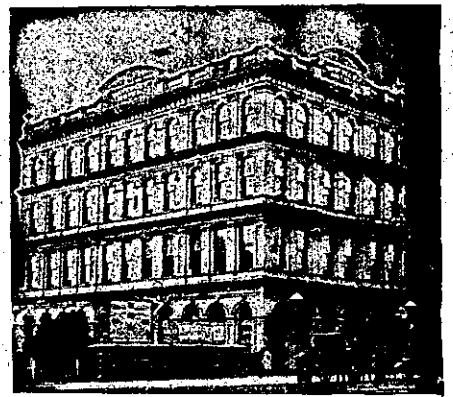
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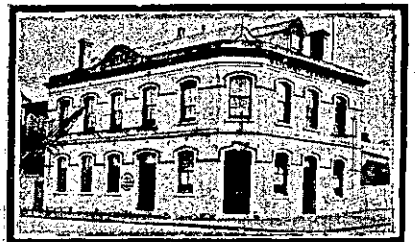
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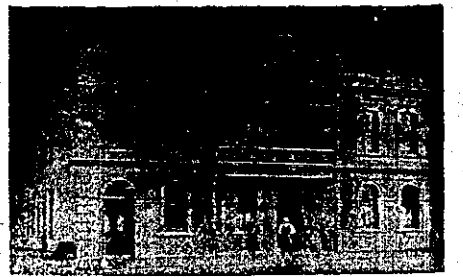


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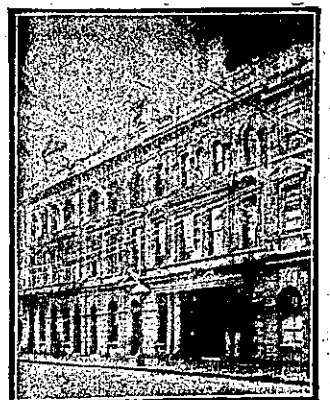
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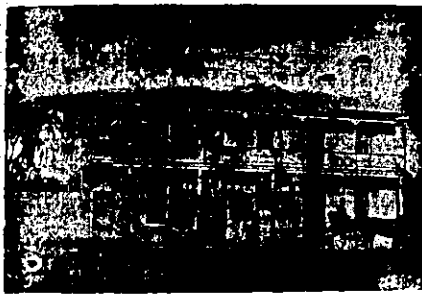
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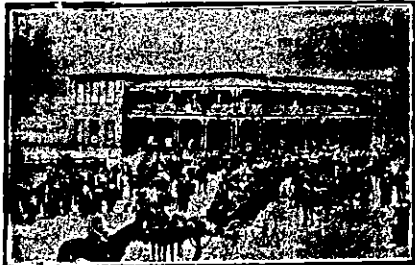


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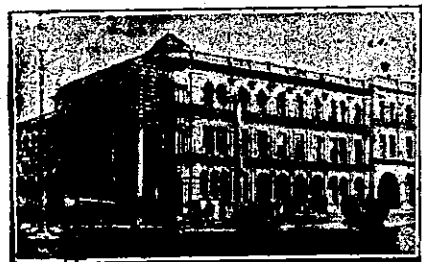
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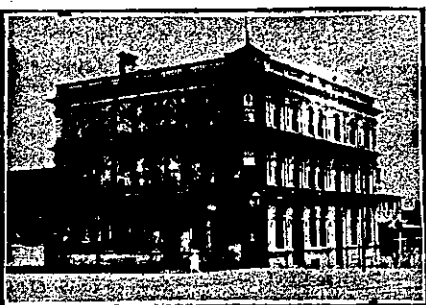
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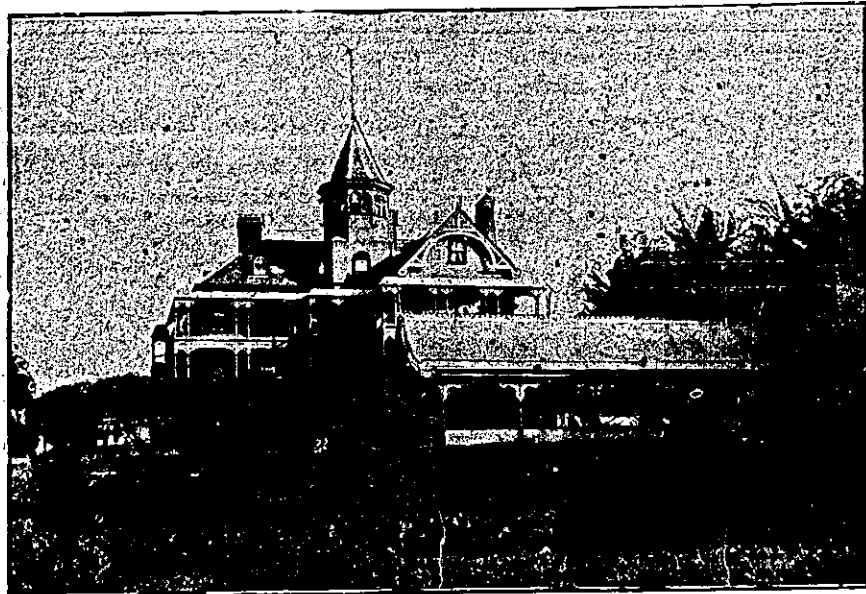
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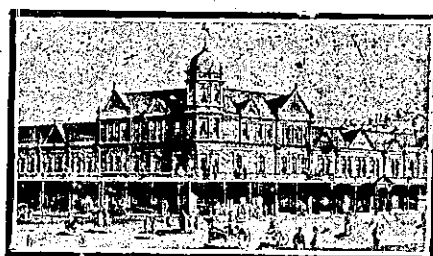
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PROPRIETOR.

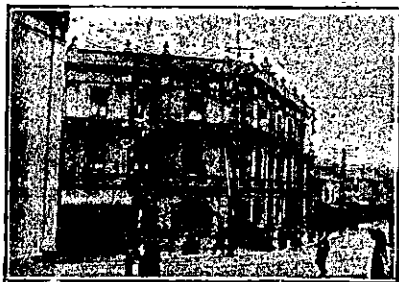


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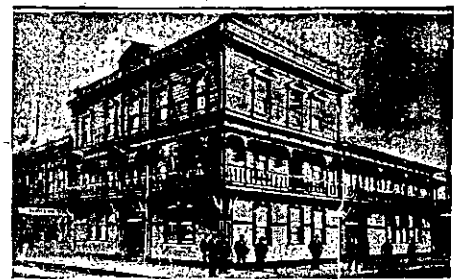
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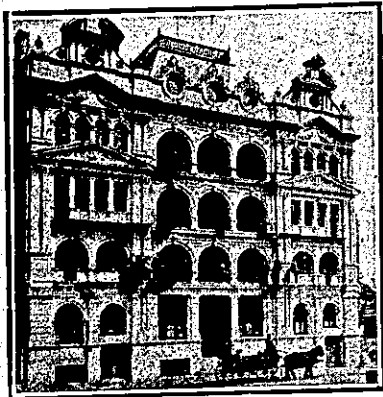
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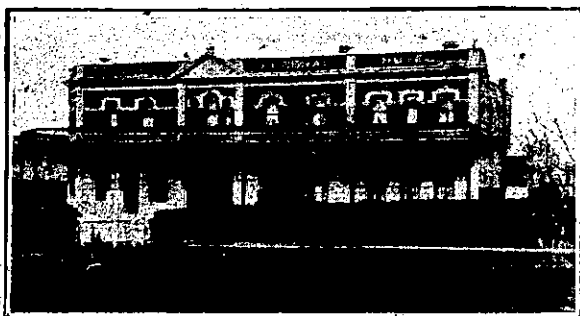


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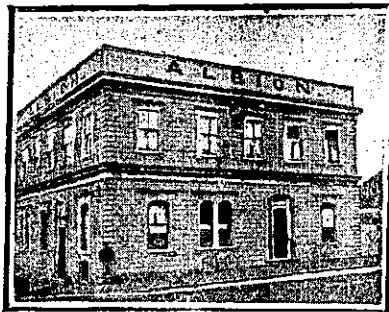


CENTRAL HOTEL, MASTERTON. MR. F. S. COOPER, late of the Empire Hotel, Hawera, and formerly of Wellington, wishes to inform the Travelling Public that he has taken over the above well-known house. This hotel offers superior accommodation to travellers, and is a First-class Family Residence in every respect. The rooms are well ventilated, lofty, and comfortably furnished. Good Table, Best of Wines, Ales, etc. Telegrams and Letters will receive prompt attention. F. S. COOPER Proprietor.



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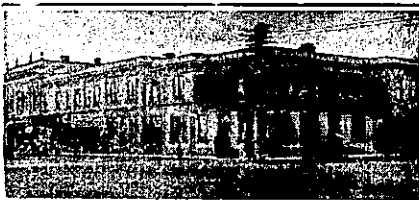
ROGERS' ALBION HOTEL, WANGANUI. Phone 434. Box 210. Corner of Ridgway-street and Market Square, opposite Public Library and Courthouse. This Hotel offers Superior Accommodation to the Travelling Public at a rate within reach of all. Tariff from 5s 6d per day. Cuisine a speciality. Boarders' Reading-room. Hot and Cold Baths. Excellent view. Loose boxes for racehorses. First-class selection of Wines and Spirits. Three minutes' walk from wharf and station. A. H. ROGERS Proprietor. (Late of Wellington).

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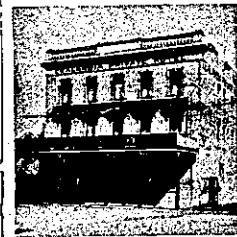
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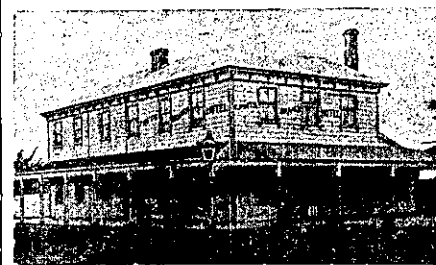
RAILWAY HOTEL (Opp. Railway Station), MARTON JUNCTION. W. CLARKE Proprietor.

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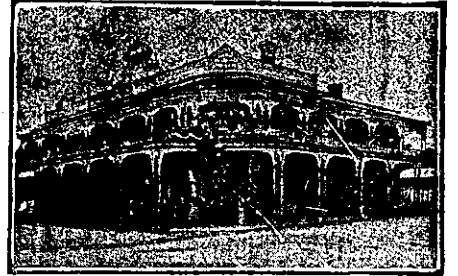
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MR. G. W. OAKENFULL Began to inform the travelling public and residents of Waverley that he has taken over the Clarendon Hotel. He hopes that with strict attention to the comfort of his guests, a good table, and the best of Ales, Wines, Spirits, etc., to be favoured with their patronage.

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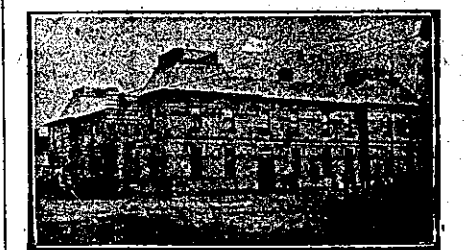
MRS. TODD begs to announce that she has purchased Mr. McLennan's interest in the above hotel, and that she intends to run it on up-to-date lines. The house is being thoroughly renovated, and patrons may rely upon getting comfortable rooms. Only the best wines and spirits are kept in stock. A first-class table. Tariff: 4s 6d a day. MRS. TODD (late of Railway Hotel, Palmerston), Proprietress.

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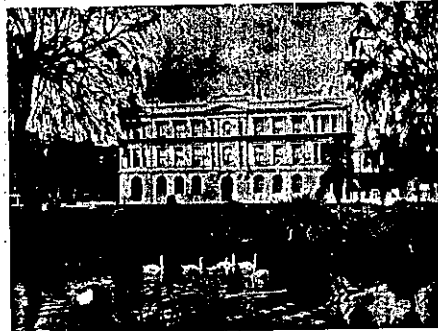
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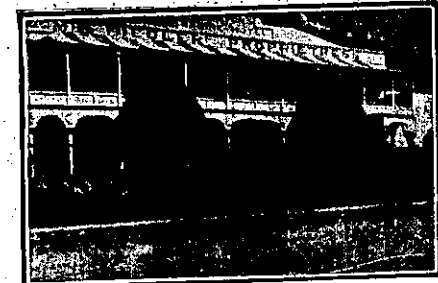
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