

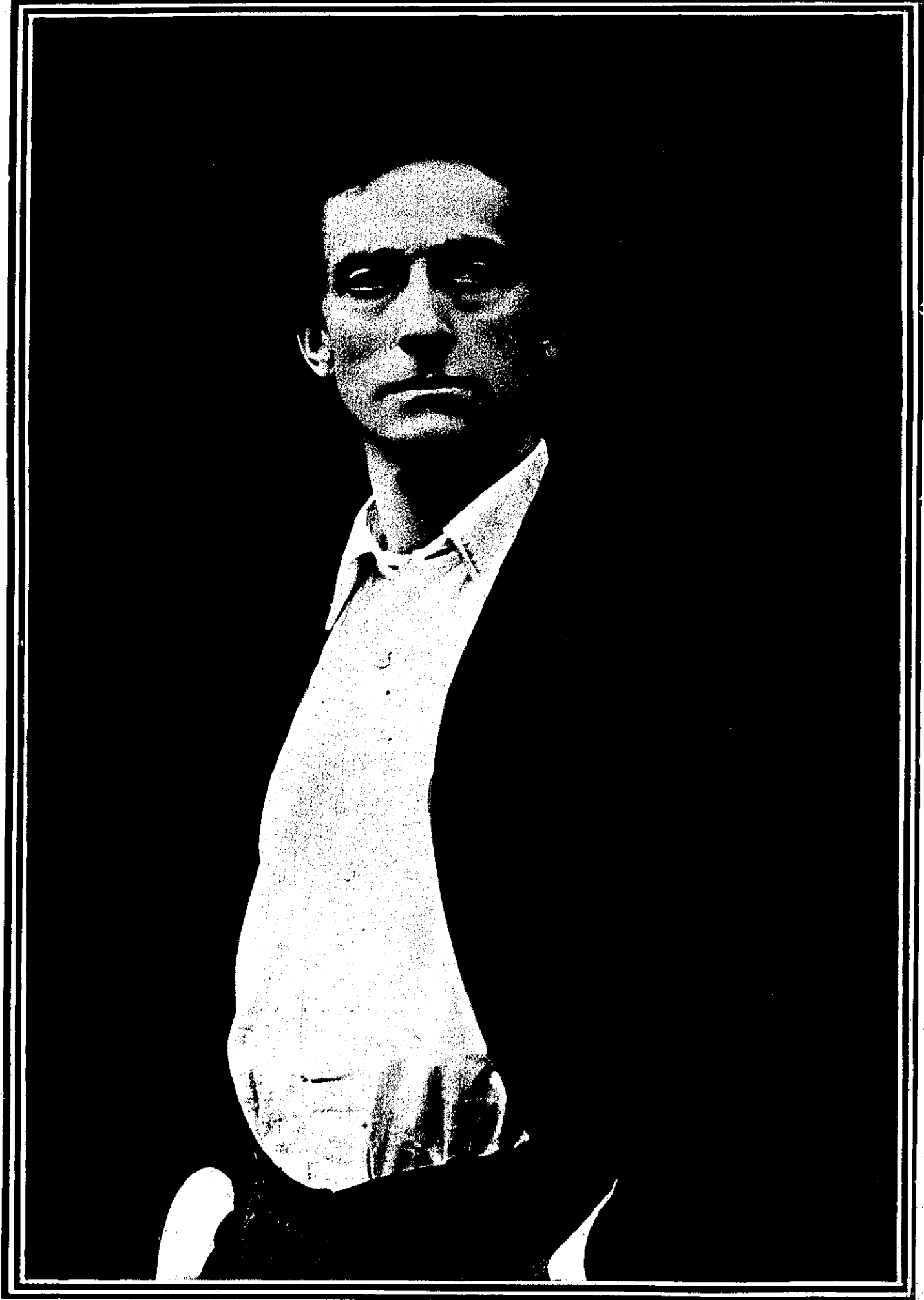
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GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE MEETING, 1907.

FIRST DAY,
SATURDAY, JUNE 1st, 1907.

First Race to start at 12 Noon.
MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE (HANDICAP) of 125sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won a steeplechase of the value of 30sovs, or steeplechases of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Winner of any steeplechase after declaration of weights to carry a 5lb penalty. About two miles and a-half.

MAIDEN WELTER (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. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight, 9st. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Five furlongs.

GREAT NORTHERN HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 500sovs; second horse to receive 75sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs each, with a final payment of 2sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. Over ten flights of hurdles. Winner of any hurdle race after the declaration of weights to carry a 7lb penalty. Two miles and a-half.

MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won a hurdle race of the value of 80sovs, or hurdle races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Over seven flights of hurdles. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Winner of any hurdle race after the declaration of weights to carry a 5lb penalty. One mile and three-quarters.

CORNWALL HANDICAP of 300sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight, 9st. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry a 5lb penalty. Winner of Maiden Welter Handicap to carry not less than 10st. One mile.

JERVOIS 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. Seven furlongs.

LADIES' BRACELET of 100sovs. A Bracelet of the value of 75sovs for the first horse, and a Bracelet of the value of 25sovs for the second horse. For horses that have never won a flat race of the value of 80sovs, or flat races of the collective value of

200sovs at time of starting. Three-year-olds, 10st 6lb; four-year-olds, 11st; five and six-year-olds, and aged, 11st 2lb. No other allowances. All horses to be nominated by ladies. Entrance 2sovs each, to go to the funds. Gentlemen riders. A trophy value 10sovs to the rider of the winner. One mile and a-half.

SECOND DAY,
MONDAY, JUNE 3, 1907 (PRINCE OF WALES' BIRTHDAY).

First Race to start at 12 Noon.
ORAKEI HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. 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. Over seven flights of hurdles. One mile and three-quarters.

RANFURLY WELTER 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. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight, 9st. One mile.

GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE (HANDICAP) of 750sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 3sovs, with a final payment of 4sovs each at the post, to go to the funds. Winner of any steeplechase of the value of 150sovs after the declaration of weights to carry a 7lb penalty. About three miles and a-half.

REMUERA HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs 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 a 5lb penalty. Two miles.

PRINCE OF WALES' HANDICAP of 300sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight, 9st. Winner of the Ranfurly Welter Handicap to carry not less than 10st. Seven furlongs.

TALLY-HO STEEPLECHASE (HANDICAP) of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. About three miles.

HUNTERS' BRACELET HANDICAP of 65sovs. A Bracelet of the value of 50sovs for the first horse, and a Bracelet of the value of 15sovs for the second horse. For horses the bona-fide property of members of any recognised Hunt Club, and which have been duly qualified, during the season of 1906, by a lady member of any such Hunt Club, or by a gentleman member of any such Hunt Club, who is eligible as a gentleman rider under the Rules of Racing. Horses to be ridden by members of Hunt Clubs, who are eligible as gentlemen riders under the Rules of Racing, and who must hand to the Clerk of the Scales a certificate from the Master of the Hunt Club that they have hunted during the current year. Owners must hand to the Secretary a certificate of qualification of their horses at time of nomination. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight, 9st 7lb. A trophy value 5sovs to the rider of the winner. One mile and a-quarter.

THIRD DAY,
SATURDAY, JUNE 8th, 1907.

First Race to start at 12 Noon.
TAMAKI STEEPLECHASE (HANDICAP) of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won a steeplechase of the value of 80sovs, or steeplechases of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. About two miles and a-half.

YORK WELTER HANDICAP of 300sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight, 9st. One mile.

WINTER STEEPLECHASE (HANDICAP) of 250sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs each, to go to the funds. About three miles.

CAMPBELL 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.

FITZROY WELTER 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. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight, 9st. Six furlongs.

FAREWELL 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. Minimum weight, 9st. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry a 7lb penalty. Five furlongs.

LADIES' BRACELET of 50sovs. A Bracelet of the value of 40sovs for the first horse, and a Bracelet of the value of 10sovs for the second horse. For horses that have never won a flat race of the value of 80sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Three-year-olds, 10st 10lb; four-year-olds and upwards, 11st. No other al-

lowances. All horses to be nominated by ladies. Winner of Ladies' Bracelet on first day to carry a 7lb penalty. Entrance 1sov each, to go to the funds. Gentlemen riders. A trophy value 5sovs to the rider of the winner. One mile.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.,
GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE MEETING, 1907.

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 26th, by 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS. — Great Northern Hurdles 1sov, Great Northern Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, Winter Steeplechase 1sov.

FRIDAY, MAY 17th (General Entry), by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES. — Great Northern Hurdles Handicap 2sovs, Great Northern Steeplechase Handicap 3sovs.

NOMINATIONS. — Maiden Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, Maiden Welter Handicap 1sov, Maiden Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Cornwall Handicap 1sov; Jervois Handicap 1sov, Ladies' Bracelet (First Day) 2sovs, Oakei Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Ranfurly Welter Handicap 1sov, Remuera Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Prince of Wales Handicap 1sov, Tallyho Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, Hunters' Bracelet Handicap 1sov, York Welter Handicap 1sov, Campbell Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Fitzroy Welter Handicap 1sov, Farewell Handicap 1sov, Ladies' Bracelet (Third Day) 1sov, Tamaki Steeplechase Handicap 1sov.

FRIDAY, MAY 24th, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES. — Maiden Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, Maiden Welter Handicap 1sov, Maiden Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Cornwall Handicap 2sovs, Jervois Handicap 1sov, Hunters' Bracelet (Handicap) 1sov.

SATURDAY, JUNE 1st, at the Post.
Great Northern Hurdles, 2sovs.

SATURDAY, JUNE 1st, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES. — Oakei Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Ranfurly Welter Handicap 1sov, Remuera Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Prince of Wales' Handicap 2sovs, Tallyho Steeplechase Handicap 1sov.

MONDAY, JUNE 3rd, at the Post.
Great Northern Steeplechase 4sovs

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5th, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES. — Tamaki Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, York Welter Handicap 2sovs, Winter Steeplechase Handicap 2sovs, Campbell Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Fitzroy Welter Handicap 1sov, Farewell Handicap 1sov.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

ON OR ABOUT MAY 11th, 1907.
Great Northern Hurdles, Great Northern Steeplechase.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22nd, in Morning Paper.
Maiden Steeplechase Handicap, Maiden Welter Handicap, Maiden Hurdle Handicap, Cornwall Handicap, Jervois Handicap, Hunters' Bracelet.

SATURDAY, JUNE 1st, by 8 p.m.
Oakei Hurdles, Ranfurly Welter Handicap, Remuera Hurdles, Prince of Wales' Handicap, Tallyho Steeplechase.

TUESDAY, JUNE 4th, in Morning Paper.
Tamaki Steeplechase, York Welter Handicap, Winter Steeplechase, Campbell Hurdle Handicap, Fitzroy Welter, Farewell Handicap.

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- FIRST HANDICAP HURDLES, 70sovs.
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- PARK STEEPLECHASE, 115sovs.
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- TRIAL STEEPLECHASE, 50sovs.
About two miles.
- WINTER OATS HANDICAP, 60sovs.
One mile and a distance.
- WAIKANAE HANDICAP, 60sovs.
Seven furlongs.
- SECOND HURDLES HANDICAP, 70
sovs. Two miles.
- TE HAPARA STEEPLECHASE, 100
sovs. About two miles and a-half.
- FINAL STEEPLECHASE, 50sovs.
About two miles.
- FAREWELL HANDICAP, 60sovs. One
mile.

Weights for First Day, 21st June.
Acceptances, FRIDAY, 28th June, also
Entries for Hack Races (both days).
For full particulars see programme.

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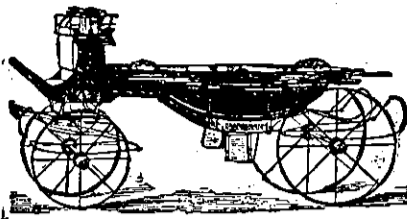
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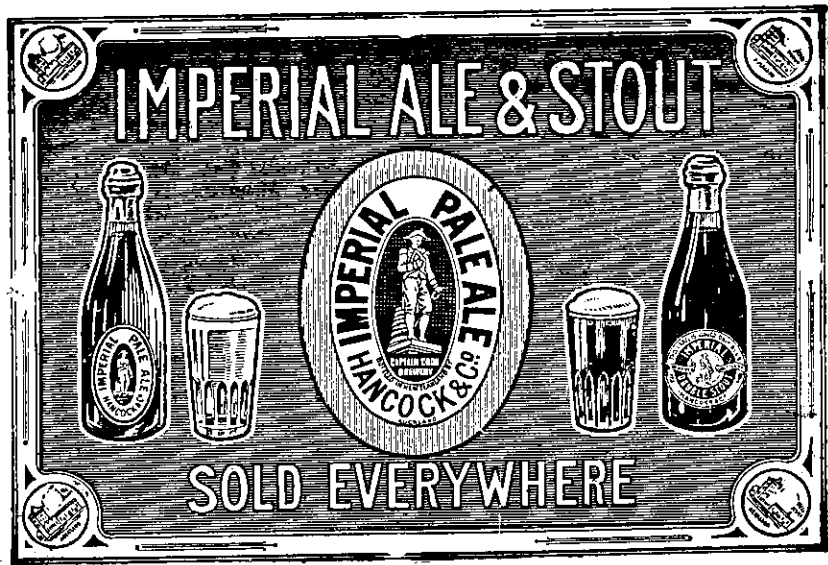
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RACING CALENDAR.

NEW ZEALAND.

FIXTURES.—1907.

June 1, 3, 8—Auckland Racing Club
June 1 and 9—Dunedin J.C.
June 3 and 4—Otaki Maori R.C.
June 19 and 20—Hawke's Bay J.C.
July 20, 24, 27—Wellington R.C.
June 26 and 27—Napier Park R.C.
July 4 and 5—Gisborne R.C.

NOMINATIONS.
June 1—Gisborne R.C.

HANDICAPS.
June 21—Gisborne R.C.

ACCEPTANCES.
June 28—Gisborne R.C.

REMINDERS TO OWNERS.

Nominations for the Gisborne Racing Club's Steeplechase Meeting, which takes place on July 4 and 5, close with Mr. M. G. Nasmith, the secretary, on Saturday, June 1, at 9 p.m.

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THURSDAY, MAY 30, 1907.

THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S
GREAT NORTHERN MEETING.

THE WINTER FIXTURE PRO-
MISES EXCELLENT SPORT.

A FORECAST BY "THE JUDGE."

Next Saturday all the special trains, the trams, the buses, and the cabs will all be crowded with occupants bent on assisting at the great winter festival of the Auckland Racing Club—the Great Northern Meeting. To many it is the best fixture of the year, this applying especially to the non-bettors, who are given something to see in the numerous long-distance jumping events, and who in their hearts abhor the short scurries of other meetings. To win a big steeplechase a horse has to be a good one, for the Eilersie jumping course is one which soon finds out the weeds. The public love a good horse and a hard race, and small blame to them, for, despite what the anti-everything spoil sports tell us, there is nothing so exhilarating as a well-contested steeplechase. If fine weather favours the gathering, and there seems a good chance of it, then it may be taken for granted that patrons will be very numerous, and a record gathering is not an improbability. Special trains will leave Auckland at frequent intervals, while all the other means of reaching the course will be fully utilised. Mr. Hartland and his staff may be depended upon for good arrangements for the smooth running of the meeting, and everything will be in first-class order. The popular double machine will be used in connection with the G.N. Hurdles and Cornwall Handicap. The first race, which starts

at noon, will be the Maiden Steeplechase, two and a-half miles, for which ten have accepted. Judging by recent form at Takapuna, it is not improbable the place-getters may be

- MOOLTAN
- MAWHITI
- SILICA

The Maiden Welter, seven furlongs, follows, and here their looks like being a very big field, for at present twenty-four are listed to compete. It appears a very difficult matter to spot the likely ones, but possibly those which will have most to say are

- TURBINE
- DELEGATE
- CYMRI

Next come the Great Northern Hurdle Race, 2½ miles, in which twenty-six are left in. Even with a number of withdrawals, which are almost certain, there should be a fine field to contest the rich stake. The good deeds of Mahoe at Wanganui cannot be overlooked, and he will be a hot favourite. Cuiragno should run well, and must be dangerous, while of the others Shrapnel, Cavalry, Irish, Nestator, Black Reynard, Uranium, Bonheur, and Le Beau all have chances. The three I like best are

- MAHOE
- SHRAPNEL
- LE BEAU

In the Maiden Hurdle Race, one mile and three-quarters, there are only six candidates. Millie is an unknown quantity over hurdles, and it may be safest to trust to

- BEN JONSON
- CATCH'EM
- YOLETTE

Twenty-one remain in the Cornwall Handicap, one mile, and punters are set a pretty stiff nut to crack. If reserved for this I like Uranium, otherwise the three to catch Mr. Lusk's eye may be

- CELTIC
- SYREN
- TE AROHA

The Jervois Handicap, seven furlongs, has attracted fourteen acceptors. The conditions preclude there being anything of much class represented, but of the moderates the best may be

- DAN LENO
- ROSE LAWN
- GAY PARIS

The Ladies' Bracelet, one mile and a-half, will bring the day's racing to a close. In trying to find the winner one would like to know the gentlemen riders, for some are much better than others. With a good horseman in the saddle the winner may be

LUMINOUS,

with Turbine and Henry Havelock next.

On Monday the principal event will be the Great Northern Steeplechase, three and a-half miles, and with twenty-five acceptances there is material for a very strong field. Quite a number have really good winning chances, but at the weights the best appear to be Nadador, Irish, Waitarere, Nestator, Eclair, Mahoe, Khama, and Mooltan. The pick of these may be

- WAITARERE
- ECLAIR
- NESTATOR

The acceptances are as follows:—

MAIDEN HURDLE RACE of 110sovs. One mile and three-quarters.—Ben Jonson (including 5lb penalty) 11.6, Millie 10.6, Yolette 9.12, Catch'em 9.8, Haeremai 9.8, Loch Fyne 9.4.

MAIDEN STEEPLCHASE of 125 sovs. About two miles and a-half.—Mawhiti 10.7, Sammy 10.5, Silica 10.2, Glasgow 10.0, No Shot 10.0, Lady Lanta 9.7, Fretwork 9.7, Tanglefoot 9.7, Mooltan 9.7, Brigham 9.7.

JERVOIS HANDICAP of 100sovs. Seven furlongs.—Freemount 9.2, Pearl Necklet 8.11, St. Cyren 8.6, Dan Leno 8.2, Dogger Bank 8.1, Keestep 7.10, Nape-nape 7.10, Puhipuhi 7.10, Rose Lawn 7.10, Lallah Rookh 7.10, Manapouri 7.7, Lady Phoebe 7.7, Stromness 7.7, Gay Paris 7.7.

MAIDEN WELTER HANDICAP of 100sovs. Seven furlongs.—Waihuka 10.5, Waitati 9.13, Miss Crispin 9.10, Lady Cressy 9.8, Turbine (including 5lb penalty) 9.7, Delegate 9.6, Inglis 9.6, The Dane 9.6, Hikau 9.6, Dan Leno 9.5, La Cigale 9.5, Devonport 9.5, Dogger Bank 9.4, San Paulo 9.4, Octofoon 9.2, Mighty Atom 9.2, Engraver 9.2, Farouquet 9.1, Lallah Rookh 9.1, Cymri 9.0, Sabine 9.0, Rambler 9.0, Honourable 9.0, Lady Regal 9.0, Freebird 9.0.

CORNWALL HANDICAP of 300sovs. One mile.—Paritutu 11.3, Celtic 10.3, Uranium 9.11, Regulation 9.9, Scotty 9.9, Delania 9.9, Loch Erne 9.9, Certainty 9.7, Lord Seaton 9.3, Syren (including 5lb penalty) 9.5, Lucrece 9.3, Te Aroha 9.3, Loftus 9.2, Omati 9.0, Sir Gilead 9.0, Lady Gladys 9.0, Silver Shell 9.0, Delegate 9.0, Uenuku 9.0, Sweet Alice 9.0, Geordie 9.0.

LADIES' BRACELET of 100sovs. One mile and a-half.—Baltimore 11.2, Castadrift 11.2, Henry Havelock 11.2, Luminous 11.2, No Shot 11.2, Powhiri 11.2, Slow Tom 11.2, Te Taniwha 11.2, Tu 11.2, Vizier 11.2, Aqua Regia 11.0, Rauparaha 11.0, Te Uira 11.0, Peregrine 10.6, Turbine 10.6.

THE GREAT NORTHERN HURDLE RACE HANDICAP of 500sovs; second horse to receive 75sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. Winner of any hurdle race after the declaration of weights to carry a 5lb penalty. Two miles and a-half, over ten flights of hurdles.

Mr. C. Weal's b m Lady Hune, 6yrs, by Cuirassier—Hune	11 13
Mr. T. H. Lowry's br g Creusot, aged, by Torpedo—Aegyptilla	11 0
Mr. W. Foss' br g Cuiragno, aged, by Cuirassier—Lady Agnes	10 13
Mr. S. Darragh's b g Kiatere, aged, by Castor—Victoria	10 13
Mr. A. Barton's br g Evenlode, aged, by King George—Even-dale	10 11
Mr. H. B. Williamson's br g Irish, aged, by Eton—Asthore	10 7
Mr. M. Manton's br g Shrapnel, aged, by The Workman—Element	10 3
Mr. A. Champion's br g Cavalry, aged, by Light Artillery—Sunningdale	10 6
Mr. Jno. Clark's blk g Black Reynard, aged, by Reynard—Brassolls	10 4
Mr. J. Dalton's blk g Romany King, aged, by Gipsy King—Gipsy	10 2
Mr. W. Davies' b g Nestator, 6yrs, by Nestator—Nastator mare	10 2
Mr. W. Davies' b g Haydn, aged, by Sou'-wester—Moira	10 0
Mr. N. Banks' ch m Uranium, 5yrs, by Leolantis—Brownie	9 6
Mr. N. Corrick's b m Bonheur, aged, by Seaton Delaval—Charente	9 4
Mrs. E. Bull's br g Mahoe, 6yrs, by Sou'-wester	9 3
Mr. C. D. Kennedy's br g Florio, 6yrs, by Jet d'Eau—Lady Florin	9 3
Mr. S. G. Lindsay's b m Yolette, aged, by Fabulous—Marjory	9 1
Mr. J. T. McHugh's br g Soult-fish, aged, by Soult—Fishgirl	9 1
Mr. R. McMiken's b g Le Beau, aged, by Leolantis—Belle	9 0
Messrs. A. and F. Douglas' br g Merriwai, 4yrs, by Merriwee—Bubbles	9 0
Messrs. A. and F. Douglas' ch g Needlework aged, by Muskapeer—Dressmaker	9 0
Mr. F. P. Selby's b g Nor'-west, aged, by Sou'-wester—Betty	9 0
Mr. J. O'Driscoll's ch g Recreation, 5yrs, by Sylvia Park—Daisy Clipper	9 0
Mr. F. M. Mill's b g Southern Cross, 6yrs, by Daystar—Tonga	9 0
Mr. G. P. Donnelly's ch g Te Uira, 4yrs, by Gold Reef—(dam unknown)	9 0
Messrs. Worsp Brothers' ch g Cachuca, 5yrs, by Leolantis—Castanet	9 0

SECOND DAY.

THE GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLCHASE HANDICAP of 750sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs out of the stake. Winner of any steeplechase of the value of 150sovs after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. About three miles and a-half.

Mr. S. Darragh's b g Kiatere, aged, by Castor—Victoria	12 13
Mr. W. Davies' b g Haydn, aged, by Sou'-wester—Myra	11 4
Mr. J. Taggart's ch g Slow Tom, aged, by St. Ives—Queen's Bell	11 3
Mr. M. Manton's br g Inniskillen, aged, by Fraternity—Nightingale	10 13
Mr. J. B. Williamson's br g Irish, aged, by Eton—Asthore	10 11
Sir W. Russell's ch m Nadador, aged, by El Drake—Noyade	10 7
Mr. A. Barton's br g Evenlode, aged, by King George—Even-dale	10 4
Mr. J. H. Prosser's blk h Waitarere, 6yrs, by Torpedo—Rivulet	10 4
Mr. W. Davies' ch g Nestator, 5yrs, by Nestator—Nastator mare	10 0
Mr. T. Montalt's br g Narcissus, aged, by Reflector—Nenuphar	10 0
Mr. J. Dalton's blk g Romany King, aged, by Gipsy King—Gipsy	9 12
Mr. W. Hickey's b g Eclair, aged, by Mystical—Makairi	9 11
Messrs. A. and F. Douglas' ch g Needlework, aged, by Muskapeer—Dressmaker	9 10
Mr. J. O'Driscoll's ch g Pharos, aged, by Jet d'Eau—Opawa mare	9 10
Mr. R. Weller's blk g Pawa, 5yrs, by Mahaki—Basilisk	9 9
Mrs. Bull's br g Mahoe, 6yrs, by Sou'-wester	9 9
Mr. R. Hall's b g Khama, aged, by Castor—Valentina	9 9
Mr. C. Thede's br g Loch Fyne, aged, by Lockness—Pikau	9 8
Mr. F. P. Selby's br g Nor'-west, aged, by Sou'-wester—Betty	9 8
Mr. G. F. Moore's b g Sammy, aged, by Sou'-wester—Puss	9 7
Mr. H. M. Corin's ch g Brigham, 6yrs, by Sou'-wester St. Leger mare	9 7
Messrs. Worsp Bros. ch g Cachuca, 5yrs, by Leolantis—Castanet	9 7
Mr. J. M. Steel's blk g Mooltan, aged, by Itepo—Armourer mare	9 7
Mr. H. Connop's ch g Rangitoto, 6yrs, by Rangipuhi—Tarawera	9 7
Mr. D. Morraghan's ch g Silica, aged, by Flintlock—Dream-land	9 7

THE GISBORNE RACING CLUB.

The Steeplechase Meeting of the Gisborne Racing Club takes place on July 4 and 5, and promises to be a very popular fixture. Owners should bear in mind that nominations close with Mr. Nasmith on Saturday next, June 1, for the following events.—Flying Handicap of 60sovs, six furlongs; First Handicap Hurdles of 70sovs, one mile and three-quarters. Park Steeplechase of 115sovs, about three miles; Trial Steeplechase of 50sovs, about two miles; Winter Oats Handicap of 60sovs, one mile and a distance; Waikanae Handicap of 60sovs, seven furlongs; Second Hurdles Handicap of 70sovs, two miles; Te Hapara Steeplechase of 100sovs, about two miles and a-half; Final Steeplechase of 50sovs, about two miles; Farewell Handicap of 60sovs, one mile.

NOTES.

(By "The Judge.")

Despite very indifferent weather the Takapuna Jockey Club put £22,756 through the totalisator in two days—a winter record for the club.

Khama should have more than an outside chance in the big jumping event on Monday. He is very fit just now, and is a bold jumper.

Judging by his appearance and running at Takapuna Inniskillen cannot possibly be fit in time to do himself justice at the A.R.C. meeting.

The cable states that the Manchester Cup, which was run on Friday last, resulted in a win for Mr. J. A. Rothschild's horse Beppo, a four-year-old son of Marco and Pitti.

Mr. John Marshall, the well-known Auckland sportsman, left on Tuesday for a trip to the Islands.

The Wanganui contingent had a rough trip up by the Rarawa, but all the horses landed safely.

The Pakuranga Hunt Club's next meet will be at Sylvia Park on Wednesday. Yesterday the meet was at Orakei.

Returned visitors from Wanganui say that Irish looked a certain winner of the Wanganui Steeplechase when he came down half a mile from home.

Despite her 7lbs penalty Nadador should run well in the G.N. Steeplechase, as she is a proved stayer and a good fencer.

If Mahoe stands up he looks "a moral" for the G.N. Hurdles. There are no patent hurdles at Ellerslie, and it is on the cards he may come to grief, the usual fate of the Century Hurdles winner.

Quite a host of Southern horses have arrived in Auckland to play their parts at the coming meeting.

Although the telegraph man did not let us know at the time, it transpires that Narcissus broke his neck in the Wanganui Steeplechase.

The English Derby will be run for next Wednesday. From the betting it would appear that owing to the absence of Polar Star, the race is a good thing for Slieve Gallion, with Galvani next.

Messrs Duder Bros. had but a solitary representative at the recent Takapuna meeting, a very unusual state of affairs. This was Devonport, who carried the black and gold colours in the final event. The son of Soult was obviously above himself in the matter of condition, and he was in difficulties a long way from home.

A very popular double for the two big jumping races at Ellerslie is Mahoe and Irish. As short a price as 20 to 1 has been freely taken, and there is very little to be obtained of that.

When Moulton turned into the straight for home in the Takapuna Steeplechase it looked a pound to a hay seed on him for a win. Percival, however, stopped riding him at the terraces, always a dangerous thing to do with a tired horse who cannot be got going again quickly, and Haydn, who had been under the whip in the last three furlongs, just got up in time to win. It is not to be wondered at that Haydn's bull dog courage should earn him some hearty applause when he returned to scale.

Duart, who in the easiest possible fashion won the Royal Handicap at Takapuna on the opening day finished absolutely last in the Victoria Handicap on the second day after getting well away. Doubtless the heavy going had something to do with it, but is it any wonder followers of form were astray in their calculations.

In the Royal Handicap on the opening day at Takapuna, Syren, 6.10, was never in the hunt, finishing right back, while on the second day in the big race with 6.8, the daughter of Cyrenian led all the way and won easily, and then put up a penalty in the Welter and won again just as easy.

THE PAKURANGA HUNT CLUB.

Only the very keen enthusiasts attended the meet at Mangere on Saturday for the weather was very wild and wintry, the driving rain squalls making matters very unpleasant. A hare was started on Mr Gavin Wallace's land and she led the field a merry dance, a run of nearly two hours resulting with two or three checks. There were plenty of stone walls and

post and rail fences to be negotiated, and the nine followers all had a capital run. Among those present were Miss West on Pukanui; Mr Ben Myers on Bowler, Mr Virtue on Honey, Mr Dalton on Te Akau, Mr Grant on Doctor, Mr Adams on Brian O'Lynn, Mr Denison on a bay, Mr Selby on Barrister, and the whip on Boxer.

STEVENSON V. FORD.

Mr H. H. Stevenson commenced his second match in Auckland on Tuesday evening, the Albert Hall being packed with spectators. His opponent was the well-known local player, Mr B. Ford, who received 1100 in a game of 2000 up. The latter led off with a nice 40, but the visitor soon got to work and commenced to rapidly close the gap. With runs of 68, 38, 35, 59, 147, and 32, he had put on 492 at the adjournment. In the meantime Ford had not been altogether idle, playing some pretty shots, and he was 1330 when the rest came.

On resuming Stevenson sailed away at a great rate, his top of the table play being a treat to watch. One run of 194 was a particularly fine exhibition. He strung on sequences of 68, 38, 35, 59, 147, 32, 194, 95, 42, and 87, and when the session closed was 1001, while Ford had got no further than 1426. The latter player was right off his game and made but few attempts at losing hazard play, a stroke he has made peculiarly his own. Only twice in the second spell did he reach 30, which in itself shows how much out of form he was. Stevenson's average was 27.9, while Ford's was but 9. An interesting exhibition of fancy shots brought the evening's amusement to a close. The game was concluded last evening after we had gone to press.

BOXING.

The 9st. 7lb. Professional Championship of New Zealand, promoted by the Auckland Boxing Club to take place on Monday, 3rd June, is causing immense interest in boxing circles. The two men entered, Messrs Godfrey and Gault, are both well-known and highly thought of by boxing enthusiasts, and we congratulate the club in bringing together two men with such fine performances. James Godfrey has won prizes to the value of £250, which includes the following championships:—

Won the Feather-weight Amateur Championship of England in 1903. Won the International Amateur Championship between England and France, 1903, took place in Paris. Beat J. Gosling, the unbeaten Champion of New Zealand, 1906. Won the Championship of Auckland, 1906. Won the Championship of New Zealand at Wellington in 1906.

Alfred Gault, who is a native of Auckland, started boxing as an amateur 18 months ago. In his first contest he met E. Whitford, but lost on points. In his next contest with Whitford he won in a round and a-half. Beat McGovern in one round. Beat H. Donovan in one round. Beat E. Sanderson in two rounds on a foul. In his next contest with Sanderson he put him out in one round.

Both men are in hard training, and should be in fine fettle by the 3rd June, so the public may expect to see one of the best exhibitions of skill and endurance that has taken place in Auckland for some time.

COURSING.

(By "THE JUDGE.")

The North N.Z. Coursing Club commenced the May meeting on Saturday. It would be difficult to imagine anything more unpleasant than the weather, frequent heavy rain squalls driving across the ground, while the boisterous south-west gale had a very keen edge to it. Despite these drawbacks a hardy band of enthusiasts sallied out to Otahuhu and were rewarded with some excellent trials. Unfortunately, owing to two or three "no courses" and "undecideds," matters were protracted until too late, the last course being run in the semi-darkness. Mr Coombes had a very cold job of it in the judge's chair, while Mr Brennan had a difficult task with the slips, so many dogs not being sighted owing to the rain squalls. Messrs Tapper and others of the committee worked hard to make matters go well, and all that it was possible for them to do was effected.

In the first round of the Otahuhu Maiden Stake there were eighteen dogs. Mr Harper had to withdraw Don, owing to distemper, and Sneaker had an accidental bye. Equilibrate and Battalion were slipped to a rising hare which they could not reach, both flags going up for a "no-course." In the run off Equilibrate just led up, but smart work and a kill by Battalion just won him the course. Tom Mack led Coo-ee, who had been off his feed, three lengths, and beat him very easily. Golden West led Robin Adair by

three lengths to a strong hare, who gave but little work before she escaped. At Last and Pearlje were unsighted at slips, but enough work was done to give the former a win. Prodigal easily led Te Aroha Lass, and killing, beat the bitch pointless. Fireman led Shy Girl to a tricky hare, but the bitch doing nearly all the work and killing got a narrow verdict in her favour. Disowned led Royal Blue two lengths and won very easily. Lady Rosette led and easily beat Newmarket.

In the first ties Battalion led Sneaker five lengths and won easily. Golden West led Tom Mack two lengths, but if puss had kept out the fawn might have made it interesting, as he was doing good work. At Last and Prodigal had a "no-course" owing to the latter not getting sighted. At the next try Prodigal led three lengths, and his opponent had not scored when puss escaped. Shy Girl and Disowned met the latter leading up, and the former killing, this bringing off the judge's cap for an "undecided." It was almost dark when they came out again. Shy Girl led from slips, but Disowned showing more dash at the finish of the run just got the lead, and killing smartly got the verdict.

In the First Round of the Middlemore All-Aged Stake, Peter Jackson was too fast for Gipsy King, just getting a turn out of a racing hare. Gavotte led Turangarere, but the latter killing smartly, brought off the judge's cap. In the next attempt Turangarere took the lead and won fairly easily. Balbye Gran and Tim Doolan were unsighted from slips, but enough work was subsequently done to justify the judge in giving a decision in favour of the former. Robin Hood led Garryclough nearly two lengths and commenced to work smartly when Garryclough dashed in and killed himself out. Major had a bye.

The particulars were as follows:—

OTAHUHU MAIDEN STAKE. First dog, £18; runner-up, £6; third dog, £3. Two dogs at £2 each.

FIRST ROUND.

Sneaker beat Don (withdrawn).
Battalion beat Equilibrate.
Tom Mack beat Coo-ee.
Golden West beat Robin Adair.
At Last beat Pearlje.
Prodigal beat Te Aroha Lass.
Shy Girl beat Fireman.
Disowned beat Royal Blue.
Lady Rosette beat Newmarket.

FIRST TIES.

Battalion beat Sneaker.
Golden West beat Tom Mack.
Prodigal beat At Last.
Disowned beat Shy Girl.
Lady Rosette a bye.
MIDDLEMORE ALL-AGED STAKES.
First dog, £12; runner-up, £4; third dog, £2 10s.
Peter Jackson beat Gipsy King.
Turangarere beat Gavotte.
Balbye Gran beat Tim Doolan.
Robin Hood beat Garryclough.
Major a bye.

The meeting was brought to a conclusion yesterday afternoon, but the results did not arrive until after we had gone to press.

TRAINING NOTES.

ELLERSLIE.

TUESDAY.

The tracks were very heavy after the recent rain and only moderate work was got through. Celtic alone got to the end of 7 furs nicely. Lord Seaton did a similar task, finishing up strongly. Haydn and Khama worked in company over 18 furs; both horses are in the pink of condition. Bonomiana, Silicia, Shrapnel and Inniskillen got through capital work. Uenuku had a slight advantage of Stromness in a 7 fur flutter in 1.35 1-5sec. Kiatere jumped the schooling hurdles nicely and should beat more than beat him in the G.N. race, the distance should stand to him. Manapouri and Paroquet had a ding dong go over 6 furs in 1.23 1-5secs. After the breakfast interval, Ruaparaha and Waipuna galloped a circle in 2.23-5secs, the half brothers are both very well. Omati finished strongly at the end of 6 furs in 1.21secs. Ben Jonson had Lady Hune in trouble over 9 furs in 2.2-5secs. Geordie and Catch 'Em strode over a round in 2.8secs. Cuiragno had all the best of Soulfish in a round over the battens, the former is very fit and must take no end of beating on Saturday next. Leopold, Lady Lanta, and another were schooled over the steeplechase jumps, and it was a very faulty exhibition, all three making mistakes. Moulton and Tanglefoot jumped the same fences, the latter jumped the stone wall strongly and fell after landing, and when remounted made no further mistakes. Moulton should be very handy in any race he starts in as he is now getting more seasoned. No Shot put in a couple of rounds at three-quarter pace and looks well. A lot of other unimportant work was got through, all the work was done on the sand gallop.

AFTER THE RACES.

THE TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

CONCLUDING DAY.

The Winter Meeting of the Takapuna Jockey Club was brought to a very successful conclusion on Friday (Empire Day). Despite heavy rain showers throughout the night and early morning a very large number of people crossed the water to assist at the fixture. The rain held off all the afternoon, but on the way home there was a big downpour. Despite a wet and heavy track the racing was fairly good, one or two of the jumping races giving rise to some keen contests. The meeting throughout was well managed by Mr. Wynyard and his staff, everything going smoothly. Mr. Ralph's judging was beyond dispute, and Mr. O'Connor was in his best form at the starting barrier. Betting was very brisk, the sum of £12,739 going through the machine. The total of £22,756 for the two days represents an advance of £9098 on last year's figures. The double winners—Syren and Miss Winnie—paid a dividend of £17 19/.

Proceedings were resumed with the Pupuke Handicap (5½ furlongs), and of the lot of moderates Turbine and Cymri were in most demand. The race does not call for much description, for Turbine, getting well away, led the field by two lengths down the back with Freebird next. The latter fell at the bend, and Turbine coming on won without an effort by two lengths from Cymri, who beat Cyreniac in the last little bit by half a length.

Although there were but four runners in the Hauturu Hurdles (1¼ miles), a better race could not have been wished for. Khama was made favourite. From an excellent start Bonomiana went away with the lead, and at the stand the Soult mare was two lengths ahead of Hautapu, with Khama and Yolette following. It was a case of extended order, for the next round, but here Hautapu gradually fell back and was tailed off. In the second round Khama ran up to Bonomiana, while Yolette steadily closed on the pair. At the home bend all three were together, and with heads turned for home the whips were out on the trio. It was anybody's race at the last hurdle, but here Bonomiana made a bad jump, while Khama going to the front, won by a length from Yolette, who was a similar distance in advance of Bonomiana.

Nine turned out for the Britannia Handicap (one mile), punters going for Polycaste, Pearl Necklet, Te Aroha and Syren. The race proved something of a disappointment, being a repetition of "the won-all-the-way" affairs of which there were so many at the meeting. Directly the barrier rose Syren hopped out smartly, and she led past the stand from Millie and Omati. Down the back Syren drew further away, and a long way from home it could be seen the race was in her keeping. Coming on she won by three lengths, Annoyed just beating Te Aroha for second place, with Millie fourth.

For the Victoria Handicap (5½ furlongs) ten carried silk, the popular selection being Certainty, Frederick and Duart. The start was a good one, Celerity immediately taking up the running, with Miss Winnie alongside her. At the bend they were together, but when heads were turned for home Miss Winnie shot to the front with Certainty second. From the distance Ryan brought Soultmaid with a great run, but she could not quite reach Miss Winnie, who won by a head, with Certainty a neck away third, Girtion Girl fourth, and Duart last.

A dozen turned out for the Second Pony Handicap (5½ furlongs), and this gave punters something to think about. Most tickets were rung on Imprimis and Sonoma. Once again the race was a poor one, the winner leading from start to finish. Mighty Atom, as usual, got out of the barrier very smartly, and attended by Forth led down the back. Gradually drawing away from the field the son of Freedom won very easily by three lengths from Sonoma, who caught Forth twenty yards from home, and beat him by a neck, with Imprimis and Manapouri almost in a line.

Of the seven runners in the Takapuna Steeplechase (3½ miles), Haydn was made a hot favourite. A better race could not have been wished for. When Mr. O'Connor sent them away to a straggling start Inniskillin took up the running from Cachuca. At the hill the first time the order was Inniskillin, Cachuca, Silicia, Loch Fyne. The leader soon had enough of it however, and was pulled up. Much the same order prevailed for the next round, when they crossed the water jump as follows:—Cachuca, Haydn, Silicia, Loch Fyne and Mool-

tan. Cachuca was still acting as pilot as they breasted the hill for the last time, with Haydn next. At the water jump Mooltan forged his way to the front, and he died right out. As they rounded the home bend it looked all over, but Julian sent Haydn along in pursuit. At the home bend he was several lengths behind, but the rider of Mooltan, taking things too easily, Haydn got to him thirty yards from home, and a midst great cheering the son of Sou-Wester won by a length, Cachuca was a fair third, Silica close up fourth, and Loch Fyne fifth.

The curtain was rung down with the Welter Handicap (one mile), and with Syren in the race punters were had not gone two furlongs before Devonport was first away, but they had no gone two furlongs before Syren took command, and she led from Lallah Rookh down the back. With heads turned for home Syren drew out and won by two lengths from Lady Gladys, who beat Lallah Rookh in the last little bit.

The particulars are as follows:—

PUPUKE HANDICAP. Five furlongs and a-half.
 Mr. W. Davies' b g Turbine, 3yrs, by Menschikoff—Signet, 8.2 (Ryan) 1
 Mr. D. McKinnon's b g Cymri, 3yrs, 7.4 (Whittaker) 2
 Mr. A. McMillan's ch m Cyreniac, 4yrs, 6.10 (McMillan) 3
 Also started: Roselawn 8.2, Field-Marshal 7.11, Freebird 7.8, Lady Regal 7.8, Cyrettus 7.7, Lady Athol 7.2, Lady Phoebe 7.0, Lallah Rookh 7.0.
 Time, 1m. 17 2-5s. Dividends, £4 1s and £1 9s.

HAUTURU HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
 Mr. R. Hall's b g Khama, aged, by Castor—Valentia, 10.3 (Julian) 1
 Mr. S. G. Lindsay's b m Yulette, aged, 9.2 (A. Grey) 2
 Mr. A. Tooman's blk m Bonomiana, aged, 9.4 (Erwin) 3
 Also started: Hautapu 12.0.
 Time, 3m. 33 1-5s. Dividend, £2 13s.

BRITANNIA HANDICAP of 150sovs. One mile.
 Mr. J. Nelson's b m Syren, 4yrs, by Cyrenian—Torment, 6.8 (Whittaker) 1
 Mr. E. Davis' b m Annoyed, aged, 7.0 (Brown) 2
 Mr. W. Davies' b m Te Aroha, 6yrs, 7.10 (Buchanan) 3
 Also started: Millie 8.6, Polycaste 8.4, Lucrece 8.0, Omati 7.7, Miss Lancelot 6.10, Pearl Necklet 6.7.
 Time, 1m. 52 3-5s. Dividends, £5 14s and £4 19s.

VICTORIA HANDICAP of 100sovs. Five furlongs and a-half.
 Mr. R. Hannon's ch m Miss Winnie, aged, by Leolantis—Winnie, 8.12 (Brady) 1
 Mr. W. Handley's br m Soultmaid, 6yrs, 8.3 (Ryan) 2
 Mr. W. C. Ring's b m Certainty, 6yrs, 8.8 (Gray) 3
 Also started: Frederick 8.9, Celerity 8.2, Duart 7.13, Girton Girl 7.0, San Paulo 7.0, Luresome 6.12, Henry Have-lock 6.9.
 Time, 1m. 17 1-5s. Dividends, £6 11s and £1 19s.

PONY HANDICAP. Five furlongs and a-half.
 Mr. W. C. Ring's br g Mighty Atom, 4yrs, by Freedom—Jewel, 9.6 (Gray) 1
 Mr. R. Thorpe's ch m Sonoma, aged, 8.4 (Ryan) 2
 Mr. R. Hannon's ch g Forth, aged, 9.2 (Brady) 3
 Also started: Waihou 9.0, Storyteller 8.10, Imprimus 8.8, Manapouri 8.0, Glenora 7.12, Ruatamata 7.8, Cyrona 7.7, Merrimanu 6.10, La Annie 6.10.
 Time, 1m. 17 3-5s. Dividends, £9 4s and £1 16s.

TAKAPUNA STEEPLECHASE of 250 sovs. About three miles and a-half.
 Mr. W. Davies' b g Haydn, aged, by Sou-wester—Myra, 11.8 (Julian) 1
 Mr. J. M. Steele's blk g Mooltan, aged, 9.7 (Percival) 2
 Messrs. Worsp Brothers' ch g Cachuca, 6yrs, 9.12 (R. Wilson) 3
 Also started: Inniskillen 11.4, Loch Fyne 10.2, Silica 9.12, Kanaka 9.12.
 Time, 7m. 59s. Dividends, £1 16s and £1 13s.

WINTER HANDICAP. One mile.
 Mr. J. Nelson's b m Syren, 4yrs, by Cyrenian—Torment, 8.3, including 5lb penalty (H. Gray) 1
 Mr. S. G. Lindsay's br m Lady Gladys, 5yrs, 8.0 (Deeley) 2
 Mr. S. Darragh's ch m Lallah Rookh, 6yrs, 7.7 (Brady) 3
 Also started: Geordie 9.0, Devonport 8.10, Freemount 8.10, Paroquet 8.4, Sir Gilead 7.12.
 Time, 1m. 55 2-5s. Dividends, £2 4s and £1 13s.

THE WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

BIG FIELDS AND GOOD RACING.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

The winter meeting of the Wanganui Jockey Club, which was held on the 23rd and 24th inst., must be written down as the most successful steeplechase gathering ever held in Wanganui. In fact, many race-goers state that they have never attended a more enjoyable race meeting anywhere. The weather on the opening day was lovely, but on the second it was showery, and a very heavy shower fell just before the Century Hurdles, whilst a thunderstorm came on as the horses were lined up for the last race. The attendance on the first day was just about a record for any meeting held here, and again on the second day it was very large. The fields were exceptionally large, as may be gathered from the fact that no fewer than 98 horses started in the seven events on the first day and 95 on the second, a total of 193 for the two days, or an average of 13 exactly

for each of the 14 events decided. There were a couple of events in which over 20 horses started, and no fewer than 16 took part in the big Hurdles. The jumping in the leaping events was very good, and some most exciting contests and close finishes were witnessed, so that it is not to be wondered at that the club's patrons were exceedingly pleased with the capital sport provided for them. The arrangements were excellent throughout, and the officials (particularly Mr. Hall, the secretary) were warmly complimented on their able management. The only thing which left room for complaint was the starting, which was done by Mr. J. Coombe, who was certainly not a success, some of the despatches being very bad. True, he had big fields to deal with, but had he displayed more firmness he would have done better.

Of the eleven which faced the starter in the first event, the Borough, Kurawaka was made favourite, but was never prominent, the winner turning up in the St. Clements gelding St. Bill, who got a break on his field early, and, well ridden by E. Murfitt, won nicely from Flimsnap. The winner paid £9. Delamere carried a lot of money, but was never dangerous; in fact, finished last. She appears to have lost her old-time brilliancy, and will shortly be put to the stud.

The good field of eleven started in the big Steeples, the Auckland gelding Irish being made favourite, with Nadador next in demand. They would probably have run first and second had not Irish fell at the second last obstacle when he had a slight lead from Eclair and Nadador, who, with Rangitoto, had been in the van all the way. Nestator stumbled over Irish. The Nestor gelding was going well at the time, and may have got a place. J. Hall, who rode Eclair, lost his whip early in the contest, otherwise the Mystical gelding would have nearly won, as he jumped well throughout, and finished strongly. Westward shaped well for two miles, and then toppled over, whilst Narcissus also came to grief, breaking his neck. Waitarere was handy all through, and made no mistakes. The winner took her fences cleanly, and the way she finished gave the lie to those who reckoned she could not stay out the distance. The time was 6m. 10s, or a second faster than that recorded last year by Eurus. The mare's condition reflected great credit on Verne Collelo, who trains for Sir William Russell, and the daughter of El Draque must take an immensity of beating in the Great Northern, as she is as fit as hands can make her, and is a beautiful jumper.

Gauze was made favourite in the Electric Hack of five furlongs, but could do no better than run third to Toa Tuhi and Motoa. Both the latter are sons of Conqueror, and can gallop fast. There were 22 starters, and the dividends were £7 and £6 11s.

Aqua Regia was most in demand for the May Hurdles, and Mr. Williamson's filly never left the issue in doubt, winning comfortably from Pushful.

Seventeen lined up for the Hack Hurdles, Mahoe being one of the field, and the Sou-wester gelding was backed heavily, carrying £556 out of £1649 on the machine. Getting out in front early Mahoe stayed there all the way, W. Young having nothing to do but sit still on the gelding, which won with the greatest ease, cutting out the mile and three-quarters in 3m. 19s and paying £2. Le Beau beat all the others comfortably.

The Connolly Handicap ended in a win for one of the favourites, Marguerite, King Billy having £1 more on him. It is doubtful whether the mare would have got home only for Charlie Jenkins' superb horsemanship, as Waitapu put in a great run up the straight, and actually headed Marguerite 100 yards from the post. The crack jockey has never been seen to better advantage than in this race, and it was quite a treat to see the finish he rode, getting his mount home by a head. Delania finished a good third, thus adding another to her long list of unlucky performances. St. Joe was well backed, and looked well, but ran badly, as did also King Billy, who got shut in against the rails and could not get out. Armistice streaked off the mark fast, but compounded after going half a mile or so, being a bit above herself yet.

Swimming Belt carried most money in the Purua Hack, but did not get off well, and had a bad run in consequence. However, he finished third—would have been second, indeed, had Jenkins ridden him out to the post. The winner turned out in Irish Rifle, the half-brother to Shrapnel, who galloped well and paid £11 17s, Compass paying £7 13s for second place.

SECOND DAY.

Proceedings on the second day opened with the Winter Oats, for

which 13 toed the mark, Mr. Goodwin's fine colt Volume (the top weight) being made favourite. Getting well away he was racing with King Billy at the head of affairs at the end of two furlongs, when he fell, and fears were entertained that Charlie Jenkins, who had the mount, could scarcely have escaped serious injury. However, it was quite a relief to see the popular jockey get up after a minute or so, having got off with a scratch only. The race ended in a win for Chatterer, who paid £13 7s, from the unlucky Delania. The start was one of the worst ever seen on the course, Armistice, Flimsnap and Waitapu being left at the post and taking no part in the contest.

Only four started in the Grandstand Steeples, in which Waitarere registered a win. The Torpedo gelding appeared to play with his field. Slow Tom jumped well throughout, but the other two starters—Eclair and Hikairoa—both fell.

Waitapu was sorted out as a good thing for the Balgownie Hack Race on the strength of his fine showing in the Connolly Handicap, and justified the confidence reposed in him by winning easily from The Dane.

Then came the Century Hurdles after a half-hour's heavy rain. Jack Pot, Nestator, and Southern Cross were withdrawn, leaving 16 horses in—a splendid field. Out of £2194 on the machine, Mahoe carried £535, Maui being next in demand. The start was a good one, Mahoe on the outside, Black Reynard and Cavalry being the first to show out. The favourite soon got in front, and stayed there, jumping well. Cavalry and Pushful ran well in the early stages, but then gave way to Le Beau, who made a big effort over the last half mile, but never got within striking distance of the winner, who galloped along in front comfortably and cleared the hurdles cleanly, eventually winning easily from Le Beau, who performed well. The surprises of the race were the forward running of Bonheur and the disappointing display given by Aqua Regia. The latter was expected to be one of the hardest horses Mahoe would have to beat on her running in the May Hurdles but she finished second to last. Maui never had a chance, for the reason that he was cut out at the start, and was last at the first jump—a hopeless position in such a field with sloppy going. There can be no question as to Mahoe being quite as good as he was reported to be, and barring accidents he should win the Great Northern Hurdles—in fact, I would not put the double—Hurdles and Steeples—past him, with the Ladies' Bracelet thrown in. At the same time, there were two or three who finished behind him on Friday who will do better shortly. Maui is one, and then there is such a brilliant one as Black Reynard, who did not show his best form here. Aqua Regia will do better probably at Auckland, and it would not surprise me to see Creusot very handy. There is a good race in the big Torpedo gelding yet. Mr. J. Bull threw in for a big stake over Mahoe, having the gelding backed straight out and in doubles and coupled with Nadador, so that he had a nice win.

Top Rose, a half-brother to Rose-shoot, annexed the Rata Hack in fine style, paying the biggest price of the meeting—£21 6s. The Uira finished second, but his rider failed to draw the weight, and Kaipetipeti was placed second.

Rangitoto landed the Final Steeplechase, as he was generally expected to do after running such a creditable second to Nadador in the big money. As on the first day, he jumped well, and won easily. Needlework, a gelding which was looked upon as a likely Great Northern Steeples candidate, was amongst the field, but his form was not very encouraging to those who have backed him for the Auckland event, and he is an unlikely starter.

The Farewell Hack Handicap brought a most successful meeting to a close. Twenty-two horses lined up for the event, which was run in blinding rain victory resting with Waicola, the daughter of Mahaki—Sheet Lightning being splendidly handled by W.H. Mackay, and getting home by a head after a grand finish, from Chicane.

Jack Pot broke down whilst competing in the May Hurdles, which accounted for his withdrawal from the Century Hurdles.

INTER-PROVINCIAL.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

CANTERBURY.

CHRISTCHURCH, May 29.

The unlucky Lapland has at last won a race. Starting the season in the early spring of the year Lapland ran into second place at Ashburton, and right through the season has scored more seconds and thirds than any horse racing in New Zealand. It was up to him to win, and his victory in the Oamaru Cup was perhaps the most popular at the meeting. Considering the amount of racing Lapland has done this season since he ran in the New Zealand Cup it is surprising that he has stood up to it so well. He now deserves well-earned rest, and after having an easy time during the winter we may expect to see him taken up again and prepared for the next Cup.

Next to Lapland Delania has made quite a name for herself for just missing the first place. This mare has, however, run most of her races in Auckland, while Lapland has been running all over the South Island, some of his best performances being recorded at Dunedin in the summer.

Don Orsino, as I predicted, won again at Oamaru, and just missed on the second day. He has the makings of a fair handicap horse and one that will soon be winning in open company.

It is surprising how backers get to know when something good is about. On the first day at Oamaru a commission was worked on Grandstand in the last race. Backers soon got to work and simply poured money into the bookmaker's office. Grandstand did not start and backers began to wonder why. Next day, however, a bigger commission was worked on Grandstand for the last race. Despite a trotting meeting at Plumpton a fair amount of local money was also put on him. The good thing came off and paid £7 odd. What a nice div. for the people behind Grandstand! I am told that horse's party won several thousands over the race.

The favourite combination for the Great Northern Hurdles and Steeplechase is Mahoe and Irish. On making inquiries to-day about the price of this double I was told that all the money had been taken.

Narcissus is the first jumper of the year to come to an untimely end, and let's hope he will be the last. During his racing career Narcissus never got among the first flight of jumpers, but he won some small hurdle races and steeplechases for his popular owner, who is a lawyer in town and a great supporter of cross-country sport.

Slow Tom only started once at Wanganui, when he ran second to Waitarere, giving him a stone and two pounds in the Grandstand Steeplechase. A Christchurch sport who saw the racing at Wanganui did not like the way Slow Tom shaped, and on his running there thinks very little of his chance in the Great Northern Steeplechase.

Returned visitors from Wanganui think Mahoe is a smasher over hurdles, and that he has only got to stand up to win the big hurdle race at Auckland.

Irish, despite his fall in the Wanganui Steeplechase, is also well spoken of, and is expected to do much better over the Ellerslie course.

W. Young's riding at Wanganui is referred to by Christchurch visitors as being of a high order. They were struck with his vigorous horsemanship, and predict high honours for him this winter.

It is freely reported that one of the jockeys who was riding in the race won by Grandstand had a big bet on

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B O X I N G.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 1907.

AT ALEXANDRA PARK—NEWTON V. PARNELL GRAFTON V. PONSONBY AT DEVONPORT—NORTH SHORE V. CITY

KICK-OFF AT 3 P.M. SHARP.

ADMISSION: Ground, 6d; Stand, 6d. LADIES FREE. C. V. LANGSFORD Sec. A.R.U.

the winning horse, his investments netting him a return of over £1000. This jockey has the reputation of being a shrewd and clever gentleman at the game, and when he puts his money up in big sums something generally happens.

The Amberley Steeplechase Club has a balance in hand of close on £160, and will hold its steeplechase meeting on Thursday, August 29.

Two members of Mr. Hobbs' team, Ivanoff and Aimee Soult, went on from Oamaru to Dunedin.

Mango pulled up lame after winning the Clifton Welter Handicap at Oamaru. He will be turned out for a month or two.

Entries for the N.Z. Cup close on Tuesday next. Last year there were 51 entries and 16 starters.

Mr. J. Chadwick has been re-elected handicapper to the Geraldine Racing Club.

There is no foundation in the rumour circulated in the North Island that Lady Annie has gone wrong. The mare is looking well, and her admirers are looking forward to seeing her among the starters for the Winter Cup.

Wild Cat and Strathfillan are a pair of Riccarton-trained horses who should run well at the Dunedin Meeting.

HAWKE'S BAY

NAPIER, May 29.

A meeting of the Petane Hack Racing Club was held on Saturday night when Mr. W. G. Nightingale was unanimously appointed secretary.

Martyrdom, one of the Hon. J. D. Ormond's brood mares, passed away last week at Karamea. Ten days prior to her decease Martyrdom had slipped twin foals to Birkenhead.

Paddy McLaughlin leaves to-morrow for Wellington en route to Sydney. He is taking the black gelding Contender with him, who is well placed, and should add further bullion to his owner's banking account. McLaughlin is journeying over in company with Capulet, who is also being taken over to the other side for racing purposes. The jockeys, A. Oliver and W. Young, are booked to go with Contender and Capulet. During McLaughlin's absence across the Tasman Sea his head lad Neale will be in charge of the Greenmeadows team.

THE FOOTBALL WORLD.

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THE FINANCIAL ASPECT.

A "Review" representative had the opportunity of eliciting some facts on this subject from one of Auckland's best-known exponents of the game, and the other side of the argument, looked at from a professional point of view, is given in the following interview:—

"They say that this tour can't be made a financial success," said the player under interrogation. "Well, there is a guarantee of £3000 to commence with, and even if they don't get a penny above that the team which goes Home will have a very nice trip, and come back with a little to the good. But is there foundation for the allegation? Last season 32 clubs took part in the Northern Union competitions. These would all be played against. Then there would be the big rep. matches, first against each of the four counties, and then a test match against the combined counties. Now the Oldham-Halifax Club match on March 11 last drew a crowd of 22,000. Three inter-club games on March 4 drew 33,000 spectators. Official reports prove that £700 is an Oldham Club match gate, and where a 22,000 crowd is not out of the common in the smaller towns, how would the New Zealanders draw? No, there is nothing in the cry that the venture will not be a financial success."

"Now, another thing worth noting is this—we are going on pretty well the same footing as the Australian cricketers. They were considered amateurs. Yet they drew from £500 to £900 each man out of the different tours. The "All Blacks" went Home and received 3/ per day. The soreness seems to exist in the fact that this professional team is going to earn something more like £3 per day. Does it make one atom of difference in the morals of a player if he receives £3 instead of 3/? In the last issue of the "Review" it was stated to your representative by an 'All Black' that the tour had cost some of them £200. This means that their savings were in the majority of cases swallowed up—and possibly that some of them had to borrow the wherewithal to participate in the tour. Meantime the Rugby Union

Florio will not make the trip to Auckland for the winter venture of the A.R.C.

Mr. A. O'Dowd has leased Dare Devil to Mr. W. Cattanaach.

Toprose, who returned his supporters such a good price in the Rata Hurdles at Wanganui last week, is owned by the well-known Hastings boniface, Mr. C. O'Donoghue. Toprose is a younger full brother to Roseshoot, and, like him, was bred at Te Mahanga Station.

Jack Pots' exertion at the Wanganui meeting last week proved disastrous to him, for the Chainlink gelding broke down, and it will be some time ere he faces the music again.

Kaharawa has been proving so unreliable in his fencing essays while out with the Hawke's Bay hounds that it is unlikely he will be persevered with in that direction.

Electric Light, who was used for stud purposes in the Takapuna district last season by his lessee, Mr. H. Speedy, has been returned to the owner, Mr. G. Hunter.

Mr. T. Allen, one of our local gentlemen jocks, has been engaged by the Messrs. Armstrongs to steer their candidates where the services of gentleman pilots is required.

Olympus, the six-year-old son of Phoebus Apollo, and Aida, who cost Mr. E. J. Watt 375 guineas as a yearling, has been out qualifying with the Hawke's Bay hounds, and his owner, Mr. Gregory, intends to give Olympus a go in the Hunter events. This well-bred gelding (for a half-brother of his in impulse has his name recorded in the winners' list in connection with the New Zealand Cup) shows a great deal of partiality for the "lepping" business.

OTAGO.

DUNEDIN, May 29.

The North Otago Jockey Club held a very successful meeting last week, and their success is well deserved as they are one of the most go ahead clubs we have. Some capital sport was witnessed, and despite the antagonistic weather which was on hand, the financial returns can be safely calculated to make the largest addition which has been added to the club's coffers in recent years.

Mr. R. O. Duncan, of Christchurch, occupied the judge's box at the N.O.

J.C. meeting, and it was a pleasure to note the prompt manner in which he gave his verdicts at the close of the several close and interesting finishes which occurred during the two days.

Fandango and Harita are to be given a spell. Both these horses should prove a bit more than useful when they are again placed in commission.

Grandstand's win in the concluding event at Oamaru was a financial shock to the S.P. merchants. One of our fielders laid 80 chances, and it is understood that the Wellington men will also have reason to remember the race.

By winning the Oamaru Cup Lapland broke a long series of non-successes, and many were pleased to see his trainer Dan Roberts lead him in a winner at last. Lapland has been a frequent place-getter during the year, and was in danger of being a proverbially unlucky performer when he caught the judge's eye as a winner last week. Many were inclined to stand off the Finland gelding on account of the heavy going, but it will be remembered he acted well on a soft track when he won the Hopeful Stakes at Wingatui last season.

Lupulite continued in the winning vein last week by scoring on the first day of the Oamaru meeting, but finished out of a place after stumbling in his race on the second day.

Apollodoris has been the oats winner for the Hon. G. McLean's stable during the fast-dying season, and has been the means of keeping the zetland spots out of an altogether unlucky groove by his consistent form during the past couple of years. The followers of the colours would like to see them carried by another pampero, but there does not appear to be one in sight just at present.

Astrakhan ran a couple of good races at Oamaru. He lost a lot of ground at the start of the Cup, and at one stage must have been about 20 lengths away from the leaders. Still he finished a fairly close second, and on his form he was elected favourite on the second day, but Apollodoris defeated him by a short head after a splendid race.

Don Orsino displayed a continuation of good form by scoring a meritorious win in the Warareka Hack Handicap on the first day of the Oamaru Meeting. He also ran a good

union. The colonial body is to be congratulated on its choice, and in Mr. Avery's hands the executive work will be well done.

W. J. Wallace, the Wellington "All Black," who added to his reputation on the Home tour, has scored to date 261 points for the first fifteen of the Poneke Club, of which he has been captain during the last three years. The way in which he has scored these points is as follows:—Tries, 27; goals from tries, 52; goals from marks, 5; goals from penalties, 18; potted goals, 1. Of the goals from marks three were obtained when a mark goal was worth four points, and two goals when three points obtained.

Wallace first played senior football in 1897, and, as he has since then spent one winter in Dunedin, and another year was laid aside with a broken leg, it will be readily conceded that his scoring abilities proves him to have been a great match-winner for his club. I doubt whether there is or ever has been a player in New Zealand whose tally of points in any way approaches Wallace's. The only Aucklanders whose figures should loom as large is old Bob Whiteside, but, as the old Ponsobylite was a try-getter pure and simple, I doubt if his tally was above 200. The late "Tom" Ellison gathered together 111 for Poneke in his playing days.

Mona Thomson, well-known in Auckland, is not playing this season, but there is just a possibility that he may put the jersey on before the big matches come along.

There are a great number of ex-Aucklanders in Wellington, and, judging by the interest at present being displayed, the "barrackers" will be in a white heat by the time the Auckland-Wellington match is played in September next.

The Wellington representative team will be a pretty good one this year if it is properly selected. It will be exceptionally strong in forwards, in which department of play some fine form is being shown in the championship matches. In Roberts, Wallace, and Mitchinson there is a nucleus of a fine back division, but for the other positions there has been nothing exceptional offering so far.

It is said that the lessee of one of the biggest hotels in Wellington is finding the major portion of the money in connection with the financing of the proposed professional team to tour the Old Country. Also, that a very prominent Wellington player is one of the main promoters of the tour. In the meantime, the ultimatum of the New Zealand Rugby Union has been received in varying manner by the players interested. The declaration is being signed all right by the players, but should they decide to go with the team even after they have given their signatures, what action would the New Zealand Union take? Methinks they would fold their hands and say "We have done our best." So perhaps it would be just as well if the declaration had not made its appearance at all.

O'Meara, the ex-Newton player, gave his best showing in Wellington foot-

race in the Redcastle Welter, considering that he had the steadier of 9.12 on his three-year-old back.

Probable and Fireiron were the chief fancies for the Oamaru Cup, but the heavy going apparently settled the chances of the pair, as both were in trouble fully half a mile from home.

Harvest also ran badly, and was never dangerous at any stage of the race.

The Stepniak filly Miss Gal, the first foal of the New Zealand Cup-winner Tortuela, opened her winning account by scoring in the Trial Plate at Oamaru. She was first out, and ran home in a business like manner, which suggested she may be heard of again.

It is understood that 200sovs. was refused for White Cockade some little time back. The Finland gelding was never in the danger zone in the Trial Plate on the first day, but on the second he came out and won from end to end. White Cockade is a well-bred three-year-old, as his dam was got by Lochiel out of the Grand Flaneur mare Miss Russley. Finland has not been a violent success as a sire, nor has anything wonderful been produced by either Miss Lochiel or her dam; still, White Cockade may be one to help the argument that blood will tell.

The flat racing season will be brought to a conclusion with the Dunedin Club's Winter Meeting. Astrakhan and Ivanoff should run well in the Birthday Handicap, and Silkweb may prove hard to beat in the Tradesmen's Handicap.

WELLINGTON.

WELLINGTON, May 29.

The Wanganui racecourse is a happy hunting ground for the Porirua trainer, J. Prosser, who seldom fails to score a win there. Marguerite had a narrow victory in the Connolly Handicap, Jenkins having to ride a most desperate race to win by a nose.

Waitarere, who was suited for the shorter distance, had an easy victory over Slow Tom in the Grandstand Steeple, and as the galloping will improve Waitarere he is sure to run a good race at Auckland.

Maiu and the remainder of the Porirua horses looked well, but found the oppositon too strong.

ball to date for the Athletic team last Saturday. His play was more nipper than before, and he showed a tendency to run straight.

Mitchinson, the Poneke player, who is considered a certainty in Wellington for the centre-threequarter position in the New Zealand team, did not show his usual good form against the Athletics.

The two brothers Wells—Brook and Albert—sons of "Fred" of that ilk, who has been an institution on the North Shore for how many years I am not going to say, were playing wing-forward for Oriental when they vanquished Melrose in Wellington last week. Albert is reckoned to have a good chance as representative wing-forward in the windy city.

Skinner, who, it is said, comes from Auckland, plays wing-forward for Poneke, but his team would be better served if they played him in the pack. A fine, willing forward, but he knows not the finesse necessary to make a good winger. He is a brother of the wrestler of that name.

There is a football writer in Wellington who delights to tilt at the Management Committee of the New Zealand Rugby Union. Evidently his mana in the football world—which he personally thinks is great—must be on the wane, for, despite his declarations for many weeks of the sins of omission and commission of the colonial body, the whole of the members that offered themselves were re-elected at the annual meeting. The writer will be recognised by Aucklanders if I say he is identical with a gentleman whose photograph was published at one time in connection with an Auckland-Wellington match, the lettering under the picture containing the information that "he was the one man in the colony at the present time fitted to pick a New Zealand team."

A new player in Wellington last Saturday was Eccleton, who, I am informed, had just come from Rotorua. He played five-eighths for Melrose, but did not cause a sensation.

An ex-Auckland player who is showing good form so far is Barclay, who found a place as wing-forward in last year's Auckland "B" team. He is, however, playing on a weak side—the Wellingtons.

Con. Byrne, a Petone forward, who is voted a likely member of the New Zealand team, learnt his football in Waihi.

The following table shows the position of the various teams in the Wellington Rugby Union's senior championship up to and including last Saturday's matches:—

	Matches.				Points.
	P.	W.	L.	D.	
Poneke	5	4	0	1	56
Petone	3	3	0	0	73
Oriental	5	2	2	1	42
Melrose	4	2	2	0	59
Athletic	4	1	1	2	66
St. James'	3	2	1	0	23
Old Boys	5	2	3	0	33
Wellington	5	1	4	0	19
Victoria Col.	4	0	4	0	60

The Hutt-trained trio, Levant, Kaluku and Truthful were also unsuccessful, but may do better at Otaki next week.

Mr. James Bull, owner of the hurdler Mahoe, is having a rare run of luck. In addition to winning a double with Mahoe at Wanganui he is reported to have backed the double, Nadador and Mahoe, for a good stake for the events they won. The metalicians are having a bad time at his hand, as during the last few weeks he has picked no less than five doubles, and on each occasion the sum won from the layers was substantial. Mr. Bull has accepted all the available money on offer (about £2000) about the Great Northern double, Waitarere for the Steeple and Mahoe for the Hurdles.

A number of the locally-owned horses are under orders for Otaki. The Porirua stable will be well represented. A. Davis intends assisting at the meeting with Armamento, Ancyle and Seaman. C. Pritchard and F. Higgott will each send several horses. These, together with the horses from Hawke's Bay and Wanganui, should furnish some interesting racing.

Betting on the Auckland double has been brisk during the last couple of days. Mahoe is a strong favourite for the Great Northern Hurdles, and has been heavily supported with a number of horses in the Steeplechase, Nadador, Eclair and Rangitoto being most in demand.

TROTTING.

THE HUTT VALLEY TROTTING CLUB.

WELLINGTON, May 29.

The fourth annual meeting of the Hutt Valley Trotting Club held at the Petone Recreation Ground on Saturday afternoon, was one of the most successful fixtures of the kind ever held in the district. The attendance numbered about two thousand, and included a large number of ladies. Among the visitors were the Hon. Jas. Carroll and several officials and members of the Wellington Racing Club. The club was fortunate with the weather. The track was heavy and militated against fast times.

The principal event brought out a field of sixteen, including representatives from Hawke's Bay, Marlborough, Nelson, Palmerston, Canterbury and Taranaki. The winner turned up in the local horse Plough Boy, who paid the good price of £14 2/. King George put up a good performance from the back mark. The sum of £2101 was passed through the totalisator. The success of the meeting was in no small measure due to the way in which it had been worked up and advertised.

The results were as follows:—

TRIAL HANDICAP TROT of 25sovs.
One mile and a-half.
Mr. J. Willamson's Kiddy Madge, 14s. (W. Price) 1
Mr. Jones' Slave Galleon, 8s. (W. R. Wilson) 2
Mr. G. H. Hart's Revenge, 8s. (Owner) 3
Also started: Jersey Lady scr., Burnside 8s., Flirty 12s., Rajah 14s., Wainui 16s.

Time 4m. 42s. Dividends, £2 3s and £2 19s.

PETONE HANDICAP TROT of 25sovs.
One mile and a-half.

Mr. J. Williamson's Cast Pearl 18s (N. Price) 1
Mr. Tai Te Tau's Apology, 18s. (McLean) 2
Mr. F. Roe's Peacock, 3s (Owner) 3
Also started: Silver Girl scr., Mountain Maid 2s., Scamper 18s., Rothlin 18s.
Won with something to spare. Time 2m. 57½s. Dividends, £2 3s and £2 19s.

HUTT VALLEY TROTTING CLUB HANDICAP. Stewards Cup winner to receive 40sovs and a silver cup, value 5sovs; second horse to receive 7sovs., and third 3sovs. Two miles.

Mr. Nyhan's Ploughboy, by Era, 38s. (D. Nyhan) 1
Mr. W. Atkins' King George, 4s. (Owner) 2
Mr. W. Morriss' Giggles, 40s (Owner) 3
Also started: Craigarusky 14s., Dick Stevens 18s., Kohine 19s., Imperial Boy 22s., Lotus 24s., Marathon 26s., Silver Cliffe 28s., Huonette 36s., The Hoba 38s., Pylades 40s., Dick G 40s., Jersey Lady 40s. (coupled with Lotus), Miss Rothschild 40s.

The scratch horse overhauled his opponents in great style but failed to reach Plough Boy. Time 5m. 4s. Dividends £14 2s and £7 9s.

LADIES' BRACELET HANDICAP. Nominator of winner to receive a gold bracelet value 15sovs; nominator of second horse to receive a bracelet value 5sovs. Two miles.

Mr. R. Butler's Rothlin 32s. (Owner) 1
Mr. C. J. Carthews' Kohine, scr. 2
Mr. Tai Te Tau's Apology, 31s. 3
Also started: Lotus 5s., Ding Dong 21s., Revenge 21s., Childstone 32s., Flirty 32s.
Won comfortably. Time 6m. 15s. Dividends £10 and £2 2s.

ELECTRIC HANDICAP of 50sovs.
Second horse to receive 10sovs. from the stakes. One mile.

Mr. J. A. Buckland's Francesca, by Fritzsre Vaucleve, scr. (C. P. per)... 1
Mr. A. C. Wright's The Hobo, 19s. (Owner) 2
Mr. C. Thomas' Dick Stevens, 10s. (N. Price) 3
Also started: Craigarusky 8s., Silver Girl 8s., Mountain Ma.d 10s., Peacock 11s., Magnet 18s., Giggles 20s.

At half way the scratch horse had passed everything except The Hobo, who was caught a furlong from home. Time 2m. 37½s. Dividends £2 10s and £1 8s.

TRADESMEN'S HANDICAP of 25sovs.
One mile and a-half.

Mr. Tai Te Tau's Apology, by Rothschild, 30s. (McLean) 1
Mr. W. Atkin's King George, scr. 2
Also started: Dick Stevens 10s., Salvercliffe 17s., Huonette 26s., Slave Galleon 28s., Dick G 28s., Miss Rothschild 28s.

King George got on level terms just before reaching the post but broke. Apology won by a length. Time 4m. 31s. Dividends £6 2s and £1 2s.

FINAL HANDICAP of 25sovs. One mile.

Mr. M. Jones' Slave Galleon 23s. (W. R. Wilson) 1
Mr. G. Hubb tz's Little Carrie, 25s. 2
Mr. T. Rae's Peacock, 11s. 3
Also started: Marathon 13s., Rothelin 23s. Won by 21 lengths. Time 2m. 57s. Dividends £3 6s and 11s.

TURF RESULTS.

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING

The Wanganui Jockey Club's Winter Meeting commenced on Thursday in fine weather. There was a large attendance and sport was good. The fields were exceptionally large and the sum of £11,913 was put through the machine, as against £10,792 for the corresponding day last year, being an increase of £1121. The following were the results:—

BOROUGH HANDICAP of 125sovs. Six furlongs.

Mr. W. W. Christie's b g St. Bill, 5yrs, by St. Clements—Billingsgate mare, 8.4 (E. Murfit) 1
Mr. A. Cameron's ch g Filmsnap, 3yrs, 7.2 (R. Young) 2
Mr. C. H. Smith's ch g Gawain, aged, 7.6 (B. Oliver) 3
Also started: St. Claimer 8.10, Kurawaka 8.3, Intelligence 7.12, Delamere 7.10, Showman 7.6, Chicane 7.3, Maid of Astolat 6.12, Waipuka 6.12.
Won by a length. Time, 1m. 16s. Dividends, £9 and £1 14s.

WANGANUI STEEPLECHASE of 325 sovs. About three miles.

Sir William Russell's ch m Nadador, aged, by El Draque—Noyade, 10.0 (J. O'Connell) 1
Mr. H. Connop's ch g Rangitoto, 6yrs, by Rangipuhi—Tarawera, 9.8 (J. Hercock) 2
Mr. H. Hickey's b g Eclair, aged, by Mystification—Makakiri, 9.13 (J. Hall) 3

Also started: Irish 10.13, Waitarere 10.6, Narcissus 10.2, Nestator 10.2, Pharo 9.12, Roer 9.10, Hikairoa 9.8, Westward 9.7.

Won easily by about two lengths, Eclair being close up third. Time, 6m. 10s. Dividends, £4 9s and £2 8s.

ELECTRIC HANDICAP of 100sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr. W. Lamb's ch g Toa Tuhi 3yrs, by Conqueror—Chainstitch, 7.13 (A. Oliver) 1
Mr. S. W. Carter's br c Mootoa, 3yrs, 7.7 (Lewis) 2
Mr. H. Gaisford's br m Gauze, 5yrs, 8.10 (C. Jenkins) 3
Also started: Waihuka 9.12, Kaihuku 8.12, Fishermid 8.5, Pearlle 8.3, Barley 8.2, Irish Rifle 7.12, St. Killian 7.12, Inaha 7.10, Engraver 7.10, Waicola 7.8, Idealist 7.7, Sedgemoor 7.7, Goldwal 7.5, Catapult 7.3, Tarina 7.3, Burton 7.2, Anecdote 7.0, Lady Rid 7.0, Nofia 7.0.
Won by a length and a-half. Time, 1m. 3 2-5s. Dividends, £7 and £6 11s.

MAY HURDLE HANDICAP of 125sovs. About one mile and three-quarters.

Mr. J. B. Williamson's ch f Aqua Regia, 4yrs, by Salvadan—Cloud, 9.5 (W. Young) 1
Mr. J. B. Adeane's b g Pushful, aged, 10.8 2
Mr. C. D. Kennedy's br g Florio, 5yrs, 9.9 (F. Whitehouse) 3
Also started: Creusot 11.4, Evenlode 11.3, Jack Pot 11.0, Romany King 10.8, Levant 9.11, Bonheur 9.10, Recreation 9.0.
Won by two lengths. Time, 3m. 18s. Dividends, £2 19s and £1 7s.

KAITOKE HURDLE HANDICAP of 100sovs. About one mile and three-quarters.

Mrs. J. Bull's br g Mahoe, 6yrs, by Sou'-wester—Karaka, 11.2 (W. Young) 1
Mr. R. McMiken's b g Le Beau, aged, 11.2 (F. Pritchard) 2
Mr. A. F. Douglas' br g Merriwai, 4yrs, 11.2 (J. O'Connell) 3
Also started: Te Uira 11.1, Southern Cross 10.11, Dalkey 10.4, Aorangi 9.9, Te Kainui 9.6, Truthful 9.5, Top Rose 9.1, Hurimoana 9.0, Lord Uilin 9.0, Rahui 9.0, King Bolt 9.0, Land-o'-Nod 9.0, Toddy 9.11.
Won easily. Time, 3m. 19s. Dividends, £2 and £3 8s.

CONNOLLY HANDICAP of 250sovs. One mile and a distance.

Mr. J. H. Prosser's b f Marguerite, 4yrs, by Stepniak—Huguenot, 8.11 (C. Jenkins) 1
Mr. D. S. Messena's b g Waitapu, 4yrs, 6.8 (L. Lewis) 2
Mr. W. L. Thomson's b m Delania, 6yrs, 7.6 (S. Price) 3
Also started: Paritutu 9.4, Armistice 8.9, King Billy 8.9, Regulation 7.10, St. Joe 7.9, Lyrist 7.8, Chatterer 6.13, Hiro 6.8, Maharani 6.7.
Won by half a head. Time, 1m. 59s. Dividends, £3 12s and £5 15s.

PURUA HACK FLAT HANDICAP of 100sovs. About one mile.

Mrs. P. Scally's ch g Irish Rifle, 4yrs, by Musketry—Element, 7.7 (S. Reid) 1
Mr. P. Coffey's b g Compass, 4yrs, 7.2 (L. Cameron) 2
Mr. H. Gaisford's blk c Swimming Belt, 3yrs (C. Jenkins) 3
Also started: Stayboy 9.2, Turkish Maid 9.1, Gaiety 7.10, Lingerer 7.10, Honyhnhnm 7.9, Somali 7.8, The Dane 7.7, Dear Dolly 7.3, Anemone 7.2, Firstfoot 7.2, Waihone 7.0, Lady Adair 7.0, Lantern 7.0.
Won by two lengths. Time, 1m. 44 3-5s. Dividends, £11 17s and £7 13s.

SECOND DAY.

The Wanganui Jockey Club's Winter Meeting was concluded on Friday in unpleasant weather. The amount put through the machine during the day was £11,140, as against £9387 for the corresponding day last year. The total for the meeting was £23,053, as against £20,179 last year. The following were the results:—

WINTER OATS HANDICAP of 150sovs. One mile.

Mr. Jas. Anderson's br m Chatterer, 5yrs, by St. Andrew—Whisper, 6.11 (T. Jones) 1
Mr. W. L. Thompson's b m Delania, 6yrs, 7.8 (G. Price) 2
Mr. A. Quinn's b m Regulation, 7.9 (A. Oliver) 3
Also started: Volume 9.2, Armistice 8.7, King Billy 8.7, Kurawaka 7.12, St. Bill 7.10, Filmsnap 7.3, Delamere 7.3, Waipaku 6.8, Maharani 6.7, Maid of Astolat 6.7.
Won by a length. Time, 1m. 44 2-5s. Dividends, £13 7s and £1 12s.

GRANDSTAND STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 125sovs. About two miles and a-half.

Mr. J. H. Prosser's blk h Waitarere, 6yrs, by Torpedo—Rivulet, 10.5 (McConnon) 1
Mr. W. J. Taggart's ch g Slow Tom, aged, 11.7 (D. Watt) 2
Mr. H. Hickey's b g Eclair, aged, 10.4 (J. Hall) 3
Also started: Hikairoa 9.8.
Won by 12 lengths. Time, 5m. 11 2-5s. Dividend, £3 6s.

BALGOWRIE HACK RACE HANDICAP of 100sovs. One mile and a distance.

Mr. S. Messena's b g Waitapu, 4yrs, by Gipsy King—Waipuna, 9.3 (W. H. McKay) 1
Dr. T. L. Paget's b g The Dane, 4yrs, 7.5 (R. Hatch) 2
Mr. P. Coffey's b g Compass, 4yrs, 7.9 (R. Cameron) 3
Also started: Nova 9.3, Stay Boy 9.0, Gaiety 7.7, Lingerer 7.7, Anemone 7.0, Firstfoot 7.0, Waihone 7.0.
Won by two lengths. Time, 2m. 3 2-5s. Dividends, £2 11s and £5 10s.

CENTURY HURDLES HANDICAP of 250sovs. About two miles and a distance.

Mrs. J. Bull's br g Mahoe, 6yrs, by Sou'-wester—Karaka, 9.5 (W. Young) 1
Mr. R. McMiken's b g Le Beau, aged, by Leolantis—Belle, 9.1 (H. Pelford) 2
Mr. N. Conrick's b m Bonheur, 6yrs, by Seaton Delaval—Charente, 9.6 (H. Fletcher) 3

Also started: Creusot 11.2, Evenlode 10.13, Maui 10.10, Black Reynard 10.6, Pushful 10.5, Romany King 10.4, Aqua Regia 9.13, Lull 9.7, Levant 9.6, Florio 9.5, Muriwai 9.3, Recreation 9.0, Cavalry 10.8.

Won by two lengths. Time, 4m. 3 1-5s. Dividends, £2 15s and £1 7s.

RATA HACK HURDLE HANDICAP of 100sovs. About a mile and five furlongs.

Mr. C. A. Donoghue's b g Top Rose, 6yrs, by Torpedo—Primrose, 9.0 (F. Whitehouse) 1
Mr. John Clark's br g Kalpetipeti, aged, 10.7 (J. Hall) 2
Also started: Te Uira 10.12, Southern Cross 10.7, Te Kainui 9.2, Truthful 9.2, Hurimoana 9.0, Kingbolt 9.0, Land-o'-Nod 9.0.
Won by two lengths. Te Uira was second, but failed to draw the weight. Time, 3m. 12s. Dividends, £21 6s and £1.

FINAL STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 100sovs. About two miles.

Mr. H. Connop's ch g Rangitoto, 6yrs, by Rangipuhi—Tarawera, 10.5 (J. Hercocks) 1
Mr. W. A. Phillips' b g Roer, aged, 9.9 (G. Wallis) 2
Mr. C. F. Moore's b g Sammy, aged, 9.11 (F. Whitehouse) 3
Also started: Needlework 10.0, Westward 9.7, Lord Uilin 9.7, Concord 9.7, Redshank 9.7, Levant 9.7.
Won easily. Time, 4m. 13s. Dividends, £1 14s and £6 1s.

FAREWELL HACK HANDICAP of 100sovs. Six furlongs.

Miss Messena's blk m Waikola, by Mahaki—Sheet Lightning, 7.5 (McKay) 1
Mr. J. Armstrong's br g Chicane, 3yrs, 8.11 (W. Price) 2
Mr. S. W. Carlius' br c Mootoa, 3yrs, 7.13 (L. Lewis) 3
Also started: Gauze 8.12, Kaiuku 8.9, Irish Rifle 8.9, White Star 8.7, Silver Lead 8.3, Fishermid 8.2, Somali 8.0, Pearlle 8.0, Dear Dolly 7.13, Barley 7.11, St. Killian 7.9, Engraver 7.7, Inaha 7.6, Honyhnhnm 7.6, Sedgemoor 7.3, Gold Wai 7.1, Catapult 7.0, Tariha 7.0, Briton 7.0.
Won by a neck. Time, 1m. 19s. Dividends, £6 9s and £6 4s.

NORTH OTAGO JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

The winter meeting of the North Otago Jockey Club was commenced on Thursday, the weather being wet. The attendance, however, was good and the investments were £3787, an increase of £1297 on last year. The following were the results:—

WAIAREKA HACK HANDICAP.—Don Orsino 1, Sam Weller 2, Offchance 3. Also started: Heorthen, Curiosity, Sahara, Gypsolet, Ard Reigh, Stormont, Stepside, Little Medallist, Design. Won by a short neck. Time, 1m 19½s. Dividends, £2 18s and £3 4s.

TRIAL PLATE HANDICAP.—Miss Gal 1, Royal Shell 2, Petard 3. Also started: Ariadne, Sonia, Methven, Linda, Ganton, White Cockade, Wool, Sailmaker, Flavour, Tom-tit. Won by a length. Time, 51 3-5s. Dividends, £6 4s and £1 14s.

MEMBERS' HANDICAP.—Ivanoff 1, Red Morn 2, Regiment 3. Apollodoris, Tessera, and Grandstand were scratched. Won by two lengths. Time, 1m. 20 2-5s. Dividend, £2 8s.

OAMARU CUP.—Lapland 1, Astrakhan 2, Apollodoris 3. All started. Won by two lengths. Time, 1m. 58s. Dividends, £6 4s and £1 6s.

WAIKAURA TROT.—Prince Randall 1, Osborne R. 2, Darkie Sam 3. Scratched: D.C.L., Ostrey, Necklace, Dandy, Warrigo G., Silverside, Purau. Won by 20 lengths. Time, 2m. 38 4-5s. Dividends, £5 18s and £1 4s.

CLIFTON WELTER HANDICAP.—Mango 1, Bagpipes 2, Tessera 3. All started. Won by three lengths. Time, 1m. 33 4-5s. Dividends, £2 14s and £5 4s.

TOKARAHI HANDICAP.—Lupulite 1, Replete 2, Imaginary 3. Scratched: Red Gauntlet, The Seer, Grandstand, Red Morn, and Little Medallist. Won by a length. Time, 1m. 5s. Dividends, £4 12s and 18s.

SECOND DAY.

The North Otago Jockey Club's races were concluded on Friday in splendid weather. The attendance was large and the sum of £4478 10s went through the machine, making a total of £8266 10s for the two days, or an increase of £2946 on the last winter meeting. The results were as follows:—

PARKSIDE WELTER HANDICAP.—Merrymaker 1, Ard Reigh 2, Sam Weller 3. All started. Won by four lengths. Time, 1m. 21s. Dividends, £5 8s and £1 18s.

SHORTS HANDICAP.—White Cockade 1, Petard 2, Royal Shell 3. Scratched: Wool, Sailmaker. Won by four lengths. Time, 1m. 7s. Dividends, £15 4s and 14s.

TELEGRAPH HANDICAP.—Replete 1, Gwendoline 2, Tessera 3. Aimee Soult was scratched. Won by a neck. Time, 1m. 21 3-5s. Dividend, £2.

VICTORIA HANDICAP.—Apollodoris 1, Astrakhan 2, Lapland 3. Fireiron and Probable were scratched. Won by a short head. Time, 1m. 48s. Dividend, £5 4s.

PUKEURI HANDICAP TROT.—King V. 1, Osborne K. 2, Prince Randle 3. All started. Won comfortably by six lengths.

REDCASTLE WELTER HANDICAP.—Bombastes 1, Royal Shell 2, Don Orsino 3. Also started: Sahara and Rio Grande. Won by a short head. Time, 1m. 21 3-5s. Dividend, £7 18s.

OTEAIKE HANDICAP.—Grandstand 1, Aimee Soult 2, The Seer 3. Red Morn was scratched. Won by two lengths. Time, 1m. 5½s. Dividends £7 18s and £1 10s.

THE TURF IN ENGLAND.

THE MANCHESTER CUP. Run at Manchester, May 24.

Mr. J. A. de Rothschild's br h Beppo, 4yrs, by Marco—Pitti 1
Specular, by Fride—Speculatrix 2
Veno, by Laveno—Iceberg 3



NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.

PRINCE OF WALES' BIRTHDAY, 3rd JUNE, 1907.

Holiday excursion tickets will be issued from any Station to any Station on the Auckland Section from Friday, 31st May to Monday, 3rd June, and from any Station to Auckland from Friday, 7th June to Saturday, 8th June, all available for return up to and including Monday, 24th June.

RACES AT ELLERSLIE, 1st, 3rd, and 8th JUNE.

Trains will leave Auckland for Ellerslie Racecourse at 10.50, 11.10, 11.25, 11.30 a.m., 12.10 p.m., 1.10 p.m., and 2.10 p.m., and a Special Train will leave Auckland for Mercer at 6.55 p.m., arriving Mercer 9.20 p.m.

On Monday, 3rd June, a train will also leave Auckland for Ellerslie Racecourse at 10.30 a.m.

BY ORDER.

CYCLING AND MOTOR NOTES.

A fine record run was recently established by Jarrott (England), who motored from London to Monte Carlo, a distance of about 860 miles in 35 hours, 20 minutes. Jarrott and party left London on a 40 h.p. Crossley car, drove to Folkestone (60 miles), shipped across the English Channel to Boulogne (27 miles), and then drove across Europe (771 miles), beating the previous record held by H. R. Pope by 45 minutes. Jarrott's time works out at an average of nearly 25 miles an hour for the full run, including the trip across the Channel.

When the last English mail left, all arrangements for the great motor race from Pekin to Paris, a distance of over 8000 miles, had been definitely completed. Twenty-eight competitors with different types of cars nominated for the race, which is set down for starting from Pekin on June 10. The Chinese and Russian authorities have authorised the race, the route selected being that outlined in these columns a few weeks back, viz., via Manchuria to Lake Baikal, thence through Irkutsk across the Urals, and then via Moscow, Warsaw, Vienna and Berlin to Paris—practically half way across the globe. The

noyance through a leaky air-tube, but which shows no faults when tested in water in the ordinary way. When this is the case, the cause is generally at the valve, and probably where the valve is secured by a nut. This can usually be detected by blowing up the tube as hard as it is safe, and when under water, bend and turn the valve in all directions. A slight screwing-down of the nut will make it airtight, unless, perchance, the tube itself is porous, in which case it should be replaced with a new one.

Mr. Dooley has been discussing the automobile with his friend Hennessy, expressing himself finally thus:—"I don't want anny autymobill, Hinnessy. I don't want to pay tin thousand' dollars to be onpopylar. I'd rather have th' smiles iv th' poor as I walk amongst thim on me two shapely legs thin rayceive th' brickbats iv th' same in a circus-waggon attached to a cook-stove. If I'm to be arristed at all, fr Hivin's sake let it be fr dhrunkenness."

Not very long ago I read an interesting history of the word "chauffeur" (writes "Tortis"), which, it may be said, has come in for a deal of mispronunciation, and would seem to have merited a period of comparative respite from discussion on that account alone. The first discovery was that the olden time chauffeur was a per-

LACROSSE.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather an interesting practice match took place last Saturday in the Domain Cricket Ground for the final selection of the inter-provincial team. There was a good attendance. In view of the fact that the Wellington Association are sending a team to try conclusions with the local players next Saturday, the selection committee, consisting of Messrs. Walton, Strickland and Nolan, met on Saturday evening and chose the following players as representatives of Auckland:—Goal, Kitching; point, W. J. Nolan; cover-point, Ward; third-man, W. Gummer; right wing defence, F. Brown; left wing defence, H. Walton; right wing attack, A. Walton; left wing attack, H. Brassey; centre, H. C. McCoy; third home, W. H. Graham; second home, N. Strickland; first home, W. Philson. Emergencies, Horspool (2), Choyce and Keen.

With the idea of assisting to defray the expenses of members of travelling teams, the New Zealand Lacrosse Association has decided to make a nominal charge for spectators at next Saturday's inter-city match. Tickets may be obtained from members of the association.

Mr. Noton has been appointed referee for next Saturday's match—an excellent selection, as he has been a keen enthusiast since the game was first started here some years ago. He should suit the billet to a T.

Kitching (late of Melbourne) is one of the best goal-keepers Auckland has yet seen, and should prove a valuable man for next Saturday's match.

W. J. Nolan's ever clever movements are likely to puzzle the attack, as he is a fine all-round player.

McCoy, at centre, should prove of great assistance. His throwing is excellent, and he knows the game thoroughly.

Strickland, of Brisbane, is a finished lacrosse player, and his movements in play are worthy of notice. He should strengthen the side.

Philson, with Strickland, should prove of great assistance at notching goals.

The match against Wellington next Saturday should be well worth watching. Auckland is not so strong as was the case a few seasons ago, but the players can be depended upon to put up a good game. It is a pity that the date clashes with the big Winter Meeting of the Auckland Racing Club, as doubtless many who will be at the latter fixture would otherwise have attended the lacrosse match.

A stands for Asthma, the patient may fret.
B for the Breath he hardly can get;
C for the Cold and the terrible Croup;
D for the Dollars the doctor will scoop;
E for the Ease that one longs for in vain;
F for the "Floo," it is at one again;
G for the Glanc—Great Peppermint Cure;
H for the Health that follows it sure.

HOCKEY.

PONSONBY BEAT ST. GEORGE'S.

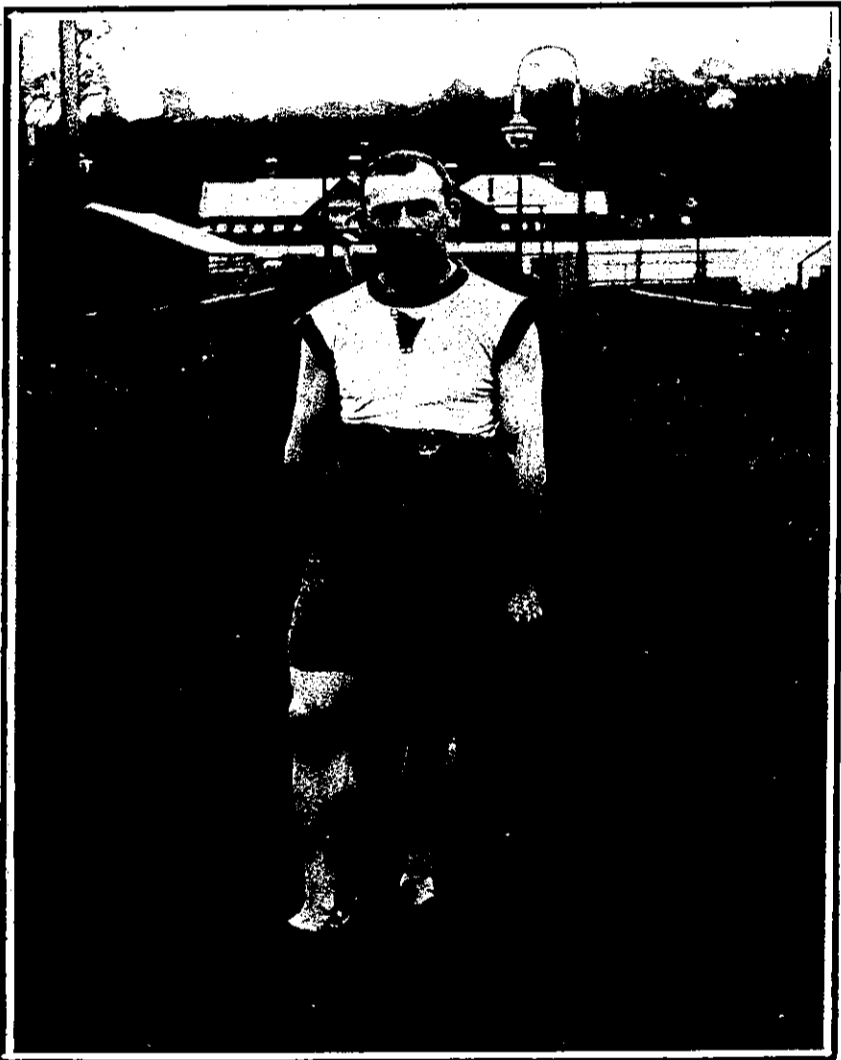
The Hockey Association's Championship matches were continued on Saturday in very unpleasant weather, there being frequent driving rain squalls, while the ground was very heavy. Ponsonby met St. George's on No. 1 ground, and won easily by 6 goals to 3. There were, however, only eight men on the losers' side, while Ponsonby had not the full complement. All six goals were shot by R. Young, the Ponsonby captain, who played a fine game. Stone and Tatley were the scorers for St. George's.

UNIVERSITY GO UNDER TO AUCKLAND A.

Auckland A played University on Saturday, and proved too good for them, winning by 5 goals to 1. Mason, who played a very nice game, shot three goals, while Armstrong and Brooke-Smith also were credited with one each for Auckland. The Varsity team played a far better game in the second half, but the effort came too late to save the match.

The Training College beat St. George's II. by 6 goals to nil.

Epsom II. defeated Auckland II. by ten goals to nil, but the losers were very short-handed.



HARRY GLADDING, A WELL-KNOWN AUCKLAND RUNNER.

caravan route along the Trans-Siberian railway line will be closely followed, and camels laden with petrol and provisions will be stationed at short intervals, where the route is through desert country. There is little doubt but that the forthcoming race will prove of world-wide interest, and should, apart from its sporting element, prove a valuable object-lesson as to the possibilities of the motor car.

T. Robl, the well-known motor pace follower who paid a racing visit to these shores a few years back, recently found breaking an engagement an expensive luxury. Robl, who is still one of the leading attractions in the pace following the game on the Continent, was billed to race at Leipzig. Changing his mind he rode at Steglitz instead, the result being that the proprietors of the Leipzig track sued Robl and got a verdict for £100.

The Humber Cycle and Motor Co. (England) are turning out 1000 bicycles and 80 motor cars per week. It has doubled the estimate formed last September, which is the close of the financial year.

Motorists, like cyclists, only in a greater degree, experience much an-

son far less popular than he is to-day in some quarters. As far back as the year 1795, or thereabouts, there were in France bands of men who, fantastically dressed, with blackened faces, prowled about the country, and way-laid travellers, half strangled them, and then toasted their feet before a fire until they revealed the hiding-place of family treasures, etc. These men became known as "chauffeurs." Later, the term was applied to the soot-begrimed individuals who fed the fires under steam boilers, and eventually was transferred to the driver of any self-propelled vehicle. It may be, after all, considering the above history, that Mark Twain's "mahout," or even the plain Yankee term "driver," carries less opprobrium than the borrowed French, which sounds so well, and means either a scoundrel, according to the ancient, or a hireling in the perverted modern application.

His eyes were red, his nose was blue,
He couldn't speak, he'd just say
"Tchoo!"
And everybody round they knew
And pitied him, he had the "floo,"
At last he gasped "What shall I do?"
And swiftly came the answer, too,
For each one cried "Oh, fool! procure
A bottle of Woods' Great Peppermint
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This week we are overhauling a 15 h.p. Darracq, which we sold to a very well-known gentleman 2 years and 8 months ago. This car, though it is in constant use, for long and short journeys, has never been into any repair shop but our own, so we know for certain of what we say, and it is now over 12 months since we did any work whatever to her.

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BILLIARDS.

(By "Pyramid.")

[The writer of this column will be glad to answer any questions on the game.]

WHERE TO PLAY BILLIARDS.

B FORD'S Waitemata Billiard Club. Custom-street, Auckland. Open to play all-comers on 100 Break. Ford's Unequaled Billiard Pockets, all colours. Post free to any part of New Zealand, 10s 6d.

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RODGERS' Esk-street Billiard Saloon. —Four First-class Tables. Next to Dexeher's Hotel, Invercargill.

T. A. BROWN, Tobacconist and Hairdresser, keeps best brands of Smokers' Requisites. First-class Billiard Saloon at back of shop.—Victoria-street, Hamilton.

W. PERRIN, King-street, Palmerston North, has taken a lease of Jack McKenzie's well-furnished Saloon. Three Wright, Ranish and Co's Tables. Billiards, Snooker, Pool. Everything up to the mark.

COFFEE PALACE BILLIARD SALOON (close to McMahon's Hotel), Whangarei. Two Fine Tables; nicely-furnished room, where visitors can have a quiet game with best attention.—S. CALKIN, Proprietor.

OPOTIKI BILLIARD AND TOILET SALOON—Well-kept Room, two First-class Tables. Quietness and order maintained. Note address, satisfaction guaranteed.—HARRY LAMMER, Tobacconist and Hairdresser, Proprietor.

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J. R. JENSEN, Hairdresser and Tobacconist, Broadway, Stratford. Finest Brands of Tobacco, Cigars, etc. First-class Billiard Saloon, with all accessories. Next Railway Gates, Stratford.

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STEVENSON V. JACKSON.

Despite a particularly wet and cold night there was a really excellent gathering at the Albert Hall on Monday evening, when Mr. H. W. Steven-

son started his all too short season here with a match against Mr. Jackson. Glancing round the rows and rows of spectators it was easy to pick out all our best players and other prominent citizens, who, although not quite so adept, yet had come to see this wizard of the ivories perform. The arrangement of the hall left nothing to be desired, everyone having an excellent view of the game, and this reflected much credit on the management. The only drawback was a leaky roof, fine rain falling inside the hall, while the cloth was not improved by the drips on it.

Stevenson had to give Jackson 600 in 1000, and as the latter is a fine player, it was recognised that the visitor would have to be very consistent to win.

Jackson led off with the usual miss, and Stevenson, who was received with a round of applause, put on 45. A four to Jackson and the ex-champion showed his skill at the top of the table with a very pretty 109. Jackson replied with 21, his doughty opponent promptly adding 61. The balls ran very badly for Jackson, and he was obviously not at ease. Stevenson getting in again at the top end showed some very pretty play. A long string of baby cannons followed, the balls being gradually worked into position for the "anchor stroke," but Stevenson did not take advantage of it, and the break realised 137. A 17 to Jackson was followed by 87 by Stevenson. Jackson then, by a series of very pretty shots, put on 40, his highest break, and at the interval the scores stood: Jackson (in play), 729; Stevenson, 506.

On resuming, Jackson warmed up a bit, making one or two breaks, the highest being one of 39, while Stevenson missed two or three times. He soon got in touch again, however, and with runs of 82, 81, 74, 60, 51 and 52 unfinished went out a winner by 87 points. Stevenson's average was 27.5, while Jackson could do no better than 8.

The visitor was perhaps hardly at his best, a very rough trip up the coast not tending to improve matters. It was at the top of the table he excelled, his position play being very pretty to watch. Jackson played a long way below his best form, and also had by no means the best of the luck, or the result would have been closer.

After some hearty applause for his win, Stevenson gave an exhibition of the cradle cannon, running up 70 cannons in a fraction of a minute, and then knocked off with the remark that it was too silly to continue. Among other trick shots shown were the cannon off four balls, hazards and cannons with the balls in motion,

driving the red out of the basket, steeplechasing and other impossible-looking strokes. He was perhaps hardly as accurate at some of these as we have seen, but the exhibition gave great pleasure to the spectators.

THE NEW SOUTH WALES CHAMPIONSHIP.

The New South Wales Sports Club has brought the championship tournament to a conclusion at Messrs. Heiron and Smith's rooms in Castlereagh-street, Sydney. The games were played on a specially-erected standard table, with bonzoline balls, with Mr. E. J. Boyle as referee.

There were only three competitors—Messrs. H. Rumball (the holder of the title), J. B. Belfield, and W. H. Squires (says the "Town and Country Journal"). First of all the last two played a match of 1000 up, Belfield winning easily. Then over three nights Messrs. Rumball and Belfield met in a game of 2000 up.

In this the challenger also proved to be in excellent form, and he won the match and title by 606 points. The victor played as well as he has ever done, and he made some capital breaks. His highest run was 150—the best of the tournament. On the other hand, Mr. Rumball played with wretched luck. He had few "leaves," generally having to play safety, or try difficult shots. Once he thought he had left the balls safe. The red was in baulk, and the white was close to the side cushion, and Rumball gave a miss in front of the red. Belfield, however, got a cannon by playing on to the bottom cushion first, then coming back, and, striking the red, cannoned on to the white. The spectators cheered the player, who went on, and scored 60.

"Too much is barred nowadays," a well-known amateur remarked the other day (says the "Sportsman.") "Why," he continued, "should not the B.A. provide us with a limited and unlimited game, which we could play at will? The first-class professionals and amateurs could bar the 'anchor' and abolish the spot stroke, but the far larger number who are quite delighted when they have made a 20 break would like to retain both. The whole trend of the legislation of recent years has been to make the game more difficult, and this has been done to suit the professional and increase his gate money. What with standard pockets and only two billiard spot hazards our game is too cramped. The B.A. should provide us with rules for two games, and I do not think such a move would be unpopular. The action could be justified, too, for there is no game played in which the difference between amateur and professional form is so great. In cricket, golf, football, and racing, to mention only a few sports, the paid and unpaid can, and do, compete on equal terms, but in billiards it is impossible. Let the B.A. recognise this and become a popular institution." These remarks by a thoughtful student of the game are finding an echo in other directions, and are, I think, worthy of consideration. I greatly doubt their adoption, however, firstly, because the 20-break amateur would never get the "anchor stroke position," and if he did so by accident he would soon break it up. The same player would not make half a dozen consecutive spot strokes in ten years.

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AQUATICS.

(By "The Reefer.")

THE NEW RULE.

Some time since the committee of the Royal N.Z. Yacht Squadron wrote to all the leading colonial clubs asking for an opinion as to what were considered the best classes under the new rule to adopt. Evidently the 10-metre class is one which meets with approval in the Harbour City, as I notice in a Sydney paper that representatives of the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron and the Prince Alfred Yacht Club have decided that the clubs should encourage a class of 10-metre yachts for class racing, and that any yacht exceeding that rating be not allowed to compete in that class; this rule to remain in force for ten years from the date of adoption; and that both clubs undertake to hold to this rule. Boats already built and at present sailing in Port Jackson to be allowed to compete

in this class on rating allowance, providing their present rating be not exceeded. The proposal, which is for the object of fostering the 10-metre (like Awanui) class of yacht, will be submitted to meetings of both bodies named.

ATHLETICS.

The Victorian amateur boxing and wrestling championships will be held in the Masonic Hall, Melbourne, July 20-30, and a team will be sent to Sydney to compete against New South Wales about August 14.

The proposal to invite a South African team of 10 or 12 men to tour Australasia next season, from about Christmas to March was discussed at a recent meeting of the Victorian Athletic Association. A resolution was carried that the dates suggested were too early to enable proper arrangements to be made, but that a sub-committee, composed of Messrs. Barrett, Croll, Hughes, March, and Parkinson, be requested to prepare an estimate of the cost, and make recommendations, with a view to an invitation being sent for the succeeding season, if practicable.

The match between McLachlan and the Irish runner R. Day, which was to have taken place on Saturday at Dunedin, will be run off on Monday next. A good deal of interest is being taken in the event, as it is felt the runners are evenly matched.

Henry Gladding, whose portrait appears in this issue, commenced running about 15 years ago. He has won handicaps and matches all over New Zealand. One of his best performances was to win a 100yds handicap at Wanganui. He was receiving 5yds from McLaughlin and won by a yard in 9 4-5s. Gladding has won races at Mangaweka, Eltham, Wanganui, Auckland, Dargaville, Thames, and other places. Three years ago he retired, but came out again when the gaslight sports were started in Khyber Pass, and won a 75yds handicap on April 19. He is one of the most popular runners in training.

A cable states that an American runner named Shaw has put up a world's record for the 120yds hurdles, which he covered in 15sec. The previous record of 15 1-5s. was made by A. C. Kraenzleia on June 18, 1898. In discussing this record years ago with Harold Batger, himself a famous hurdler, he said that he was quite convinced the record would eventually come down to 15s., and now his words have come true. There are, however, greater opportunities for a drop in the record for the 440yds hurdles.

GOLF.

A mixed foursomes competition took place on Cornwall links on Friday last, the winners being Miss Stevenson and Mr. Turner. The following were the scores:—Mr. Turner and Miss Stevenson, 58; Dr. Bamford and Miss Richmond, 61; Mr. Colbeck and Mrs. Bloomfield, 63; Mr. MacCormick and Miss M. Richmond, 63; Mr. and Mrs. Ball, 65; Mr. Dargaville and Miss Nathan, 66; Mr. Kettle and Miss M. Towle, 68; Mr. Burns and Miss Reed, 68; Mr. Upton and Miss Martin, 69; Mr. Payton and Miss Clark, 69; Mr. Caldwell and Miss Shuttleworth, 69; Mr. Purchas and Miss P. Gorrie, 69; Mr. Taylor and Miss F. Pierce, 69; Mr. Anderson and Miss W. Cotter, 69; Mr. Lawrence and Miss E. Pierce, 72; Mr. Elliott and Mrs. Payten, 71; Mr. and Mrs. W. Heather, 72; Mr. Macfarlane and Mrs. Ferguson, 72; Mr. Sykes and Miss Draper, 74; Dr. and Mrs. Lewis, 73; Mr. Gillfillan and Miss Buckland, 74; Mr. Mair and Miss Oberlin Brown, 76; Mr. C. Nathan and Miss N. Gorrie, 80; Mr. Foster and Miss Upton, 84; Mr. Owen and Miss Northcroft, 87.

The Hon. Dennys Scott has swept the board at Biarritz, carrying off all the principal prizes, and defeating Mr. G. Allis in the final for the championship. His Majesty King Edward was present watching the play, and, at the conclusion of the competition, he presented the prizes.

The Devonport Golf Club promises to have a very successful season as the membership is the best the club has yet had, and the links are in very fair order, although lost balls run to a big total.

We take pleasure in publishing the following interesting letter from Mr. James Summers, who also very kindly sends his photograph:



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to digest my food, and it made me feel like a new man. I now always have with me a supply of Ayer's Sarsaparilla."—JAMES SUMMERS, North Terrace, Adelaide, S. A.

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THE FOOTBALL WORLD.

(BY "SCRUTATOR.")

As anticipated the Cup match to attract most public attention was the meeting of the North Shore and Parnell teams on Saturday last. Despite the inclemency of the weather, a fair crowd turned out to witness the match, and keen interest was displayed.

Though Parnell had a victory which far exceeded expectations, the game was not devoid of interesting play, and in view of the fact that the ground was as slippery as a week's rain could make it, and a leather like the greased extremity of a porker, it is to the credit of both teams that they were able to sustain the interest of the crowd.

Parnell had the advantage in the pack. In fact, it can safely be said the maroon forwards won the game, for they simply over-ran the opposition. As the season advances the Parnellites are showing much better form and combination, and their forward rushes on Saturday were quite a treat to witness. Amongst the forward division Parnell has some very promising material, and their work in the match against the Shoremen was eminently satisfactory.

North Shore was considerably weakened by the absence of several prominent players. At the same time they put up a keen fight against the maroons, and though out-manoeuvred at every point, battled consistently to the end. They were no match for the



A. FRANCIS, a fine Ponsonby Forward.

fast Parnell forwards, however, and while their defence was not lacking in stubbornness, they had no chance against the superior weight and combination of their antagonists.

The maroon back division played a very consistent game on Saturday. Stuckey was absent at Rotorua, and Smith filled the vacancy. Though somewhat light, he got in some very creditable work. Hogan's work on the wing called for special attention; he missed few chances, and possesses plenty of pace. Mowbray, as usual, played a steady game, missing few opportunities and giving none. Twiname played a particularly brilliant game. His kicking was always sure, and once or twice he got in some clever dribbling work, where an attempt to pick up the slippery ball would have been fatal. One try secured by these tactics was the result of excellent judgment.

L. Todd got in some splendid defensive work on several occasions when the Shoremen penetrated Parnell's base. The clever five-eighths also shone out conspicuously in the several excellent passing runs the winning team managed to operate.

The maroon forwards covered themselves with glory, and bid fair to establish a new name for Parnell seniors. Mears makes an excellent lock, and plays a conscientious game. Pat. Walsh is another grafter, while Kinder and Bamford were responsible for some creditable work.

D. Miller, fullback for Shore, is one of the best players in that position we have in Auckland this season. He plays a heady, reliable game, and his kicking is rarely at fault.

Woodward, on the green and white threequarter-line, has any amount of pace, and put it to good advantage in Saturday's match. O. Miller was particularly adept in his kicking.

Owing to N. Smith's absence N. Todd had to fill the vacancy on the threequarter-line, but in the second half added his weight to the forward division, in the effort to stem the overpowering rushes of the maroon vanguard. Before the game was over, however, Todd received a kick on the ankle which necessitated his retirement.

Mays, as five-eighth, did good service for the Shoremen, while Marshall and Jackson got in some fairly solid work.

Yeoland, who has long been identified with Shore colours, played a solid game, and was ably supported in the forward division by C. Clark.

The Shore failed to notch a single try, while Parnell managed to run up 22 points, Hogan crossing the line twice, and Twiname, Bamford, Fox and Mowbray scoring once each. Todd converted twice.

Newton put up a far better performance against Ponsonby than was generally anticipated would be the case. Ponsonby forwards did not show out with any special brilliancy, while on the other hand Newton, with three juniors in the pack, put up a very solid resistance, and played with any amount of dash and grit.

Wilson, the Ponsonby threequarter, notched a very neat try towards the end of the second half, getting in a great run. Francis made an effort to convert, but failed to add the additional points. In the second half Newton livened up, and played brilliantly, with the result that operations were confined to neutral ground. During the last ten minutes, however, the Ponies worked into Newton's base, and from some loose play Gillet secured and scored. Francis again failed to convert, and the game resulted in a victory for the blue and blacks by six points to nil.

Rowe played a great game for Newton, and it was only sheer hard luck that in the last ten minutes of the game he did not score for his team. Trevarthen and Hayward made a great game of it amongst the forwards. The Ponies seemed to be lacking their usual vim and pertinacity on Saturday, and except for Francis, Cunningham and Nicholson, the forward division did not show up brilliantly at all. The backs, however, were all there, and Gillett, who was stated to have had enough football this season, played an excellent game, handling the wet ball with the greatest coolness, and showing out with his old dash in the open play.

Grafton failed to notch a single try against City on Saturday, and were downed by the crushing score of 27 to nil. Fortunately for the losers, only short spells were played, or the result might have been more like 107.

The Graftonites started off badly this season, no less than half a dozen of their best men going out after the first match. On Saturday they had five or six Maori boys from the Three Kings' College, but the infusion of fresh blood availed them nothing.

The wearers of the black and white put up a good fight, but City was never really out, and the winning team did not at any time exert itself. Smith and Little each scored twice,

and Seeling crossed the line once. Out of five attempts, S. Magee kicked four goals. Smith added a neat field goal, which brought the score up to 27 points, to Grafton's nil.

My goldfields correspondent writes:—The first round of inter-union matches under the Goldfields Rugby Union commenced last Saturday, when Paeroa visited Waihi and suffered defeat at the hands of the local team by 9 points to nil. Paeroa winning the toss, elected to play with the wind behind them, but the first spell ended without any score being registered, although Paeroa had decidedly the best of the game. In the second spell Waihi, with the wind to assist them, clapped on the pressure from the start, and play had not proceeded far when the ball from a long kick crossed Paeroa's line. The fullback was baffled by the direction in which the ball bounded, and Kneebone following up fast, drew first blood for Waihi. The shot at goal failed. Immediately after this the Waihi forwards broke away with a fine rush, and the Paeroa fullback, slipping in the act of taking the ball, Truscott was enabled to score. The attempt at goal resulted in failure. For some time play was confined to neutral ground, but eventually the Waihi forwards swept down the field and registered the third try for Waihi. No goal resulted, the game ending in a victory for Waihi by 9 points to nil.

For Waihi, S. Darby (wing three-quarter) was the best of the backs, playing a heady game, while in the forward division Kneebone and Hamilton were the most prominent. Silcock (on the wing) was of great assistance to the Paeroa team, and Whitmore and Pennell (forwards) were responsible for some good work.

PERSONALIA.

A. Twiname, whose portrait appears in this issue, has long been associated with rep. football. For eight years he has played in senior competitions, and for five years has held the captaincy of the Parnell seniors. He played with the Auckland team which met the "All Blacks" before their departure for the Old Country, and was a member of the Auckland rep. team in the 1905 tour.

The two Wynyards were both missing from the Shore team on Saturday, with the result that the green and white combination was anything but formidable, and fell an easy prey to the Parnellites.

In this issue an excellent picture is reproduced of the crack forward, A. Francis. This is doubly interesting in view of the fact that it is the first time Francis has permitted the camera fiend to tackle him—with what good results is apparent from the etching. He has figured prominently as a Ponsonby rep. for several seasons, and represented Auckland in 1904, 1905, and 1906. Francis was a member of the team which succeeded in recapturing the coveted Ranfurly Shield from Wellington in 1904.

Stuckey did not play for Parnell on Saturday, being away at Rotorua with the King's College cadets, who were encamped there for the mid-winter vacation.

Amongst our portrait gallery this week will be found an excellent likeness of the redoubtable "All Black" forward, W. Cunningham. For several seasons connected with senior football in Auckland, Cunningham has for six years been an Auckland rep; 1903 was the only season he did not figure in representative football. He has established one of the best records as a forward, and this season is playing with as much dash and brilliancy as he did on first gaining a position on Auckland's roll of honour seven years ago.

Mr. D. Gallaher, one of the selectors of the North Island team, returned on Monday from Wellington. It was not until his arrival in Auckland that he learnt of the decision of

the local players not to sign the declaration. He says the action of the Auckland players will cause a sensation in Wellington. At the same time Mr. Gallaher is hopeful that when these players go into the matter and realise all their decision means, they will think better of it.

H. L. Abbott, once well known in Auckland football circles, and one of the immortal "All Blacks," is this season playing for the Pirates, a Wanganui club. Abbott's name was amongst those mentioned in connection with the North Island team, but does not appear amongst the final selections.

"We parted on the Shore," a popular Opera House ditty, was the murmur meted out from Parnell's supporters on the stand last Saturday, when the North Shore team went under to the maroons.

The excellent picture of the Auckland selector, Mr. D. Gallaher, reproduced in this issue, was taken during the tour of the



L. B. TODD, who plays five-eighths for Parnell.

"All Blacks" at Home. No name is better known in the New Zealand football world than that of the "All Black" captain. It was with the Parnell juniors that he first made his appearance, and from thence graduated into the Ponsonby seniors. In 1896 he received his rep. cap, and played with the "Ponies" every season after, with the exception of 1901 and 1902, during which period he was in S' Africa with the contingents. Since his return from England the genial "Davy" has not been seen in the football field, but Rugger enthusiasts will not content themselves to the belief that the last has been seen of New Zealand's foremost wing-forward.

L. B. Todd, whose portrait is reproduced in this issue, is one of the naggiest players in Auckland football. His first appearance was with the junior reps. in 1901, and his reputation as a footballer dates from that time. In 1904 he played senior for Suburbs, and the following season made his appearance amongst the City first juniors. Before the end of the season he had been promoted to the City seniors, and also played in the Auckland reps. Todd's star ascended into the higher football spheres that season, and he was a member of the team which brought the Ranfurly Shield back from Wellington. Last year the brilliant five-eighths pledged his faith to the maroon colours of the Parnell team, and was chosen as one of the City combination to visit Sydney, where he played in two out of the four matches there. This year Todd is vice-captain of the Parnellites.

NEWS AND NOTES.

It is satisfactory to see more than one good team amongst the Auckland seniors this season. Newton's performance against Ponsonby on Saturday was a most creditable one. Likewise Parnell is not going to be at the foot of the Cup competition list this year, as last, but bids to be something more like the old team of ten seasons back, when the maroons were the crack team of the Northern Unions.

The Buller Rugby Union has issued a challenge to Auckland to play for the Ranfurly Shield on July 12. Mr. Vic. Langsford, secretary of the Auckland Union, wired back on Monday that the date mentioned would not suit the holders of the trophy. The Buller Union is situated on the West Coast of the South Island, and is credited with being able to put a strong team into the field.

The following players have been selected to represent the North Island in the North v. South Island match:—Fullback G. Spencer (Wellington); threequarters, Wallace and Mitchinson (Wellington). Dive (Taranaki); five-eighths, Hunter and Mynott (Taranaki); half, Roberts (Wellington); wing-forward, Coleman (Taranaki); forwards, Wilson and Spencer (Wellington), McNae (Manawatu), Bailey (Hawke's Bay), O'Sullivan (Taranaki), Hogan (Wanganui), Emergencies, O'Leary (Wairarapa), and Guscott (Wanganui).

A North Island team without the inclusion of Auckland and Goldfields reps. seems something of a farce, since on last year's form these two unions could put a team into the field



W. CUNNINGHAM, the Ponsonby lock.

which would just about run over the rest of New Zealand.

Something akin to a sensation was caused by the news that the twelve Auckland players called upon to sign the statutory declaration with regard to the professional tour had refused to do so. After the Cup matches on Saturday afternoon the dozen players nominated for inclusion in the North Island team were asked to sign the declaration, and as a body they refused to do so. G. Tyler, Dunning, Seeling, Francis, Nicholson, Cunningham, Trevarthen, G. Smith, R. Wynyard, R. Magee, G. Gillett, and L. Todd were the players who declined to make the affidavit.

The reason given for the refusal was that the declaration was felt to be contrary to all sense of British fair play, and while they were willing to a man to sign the agreement with regard to professionalism, as contained in the Auckland R.U. rules, they declined to accede to an agreement that was arbitrary and unnecessarily binding.

This occurrence casts an undoubted gloom over the football horizon. What is going to happen? Will the delinquents be suspended, and prevented from even participating in the matches between teams to which they belong? The outlook in Auckland would be anything but cheerful, with such a possibility in view. To fill the vacancies such action would

cause in our senior teams with recruits would mean that football would lose half its fascination for the Auckland public.

Another serious view the situation takes is with regard to the Auckland rep. team. With the players above mentioned under suspension, what would be the result? The Ranfurly Shield, of which Auckland is at present the proud possessor, would simply be carried off by the first provincial team that took the trouble to come along and secure it.

Last night a meeting was held by the twelve players in question, and the subject was to be then further considered by them. Possibly after further consideration they will think better of their decision—those, at any rate, who have no intention of making the professional tour. In the case of those who have made up their minds to leave for England, well, they have no option but to hold out. It is to be sincerely hoped, however, that any who are innocent of such motives will reconsider their decision, and make the declaration before incurring the wrath of the Rugby Union, which has powers that are far-reaching, and brooks no insubordination.

The Canterbury players who signed the declaration against professionalism include R. G. Deans and G. T. Harper, of the "All Black" team. Two Dunedin selections for the inter-island match refused to sign as to their amateur status; D. McGregor, the N.Z. rep., has also refused to sign. H. H. Baskiville, of Wellington, refused to divulge what he knew of the professional tour, and has been "passed out" under the rules of the union as regards professionalism.

It is the opinion of Auckland's selector that the back division of the North Island team is all right, but the forwards are practically an untried lot, with the exception of O'Sullivan and Spencer. McNae, for instance, has no performances worth noting, but has a great name in the Manawatu district as a dashing player. As the selector points out, however, the unfortunate contretemps which has arisen gives a number of young players a chance they would never otherwise have had. Mr. Gallaher leaves again on Thursday for Christchurch, to be present at the inter-island match.

The goldfields should furnish a fairly strong forward division this season, but the backs will be comparatively weak.

A meeting is to be held at Karangahake on May 31 (to-morrow night) to discuss the formation of a Goldfields Referees' Association. Delegates from each centre have been invited to attend, and I understand several referees are assisting.

THE PROFESSIONAL TEAM FOR ENGLAND.

A NEW LIGHT ON THE SITUATION.

INTERVIEW WITH AN ENGLISH REPRESENTATIVE.

LOOKED AT FROM A BRITISH STANDPOINT.

At present the most important and most debated of all questions in the football world is that of professionalism in football. With a view to obtaining the opinion of one of the leading English authorities on Rugby, a "Review" representative interviewed Mr. F. C. Belson, who is touring the colony, upon his return from Rotorua, and elicited from him some very interesting expressions of opinion on the view which would be taken in England of a professional team's visit to the Old Country.

Mr. Belson has long been closely identified with representative Rugby at Home, and visited Australia in '99 with Captain Mullineux's team. It can therefore be understood that he takes a keen interest in all matters connected with the game, and is qualified to give an expression of opinion.

Asked what he thought of the proposal to send Home a professional team from New Zealand, Mr. Belson answered emphatically that he hated the thought of professionalism. "When it comes to playing games for money," he said, "it is a retrogressive step, and takes one back to the times of the Gladiators in the old days."

"What are the prospects of this New Zealand team's reception in England?" the "Review" representative asked.

"Their movements would be abso-

lutely confined to the Northern counties," replied Mr. Belson. "They would not be allowed to make an appearance elsewhere, and would simply be compelled to concentrate operations to Lancashire and Yorkshire. After that I don't know what they would do. Admittedly a representative New Zealand team would be a great draw anywhere, such is the reputation the 'All Blacks' established on their triumphant tour, but if the professional team is to play only in Lancashire and Yorkshire—well, I can't possibly see how the enterprise is going to prove a financial success."



MR. D. GALLAHER, the Auckland Selector.

"Would it not be possible for the professional teams to meet on neutral ground, somewhere outside the Northern counties?" was a question put to the English rep.

"No, I do not believe the Rugby Unions of England, Ireland or Scotland would countenance it for one moment. They would never tolerate the use of their grounds by professionals. The same difficulty would present itself in either South Africa or British Columbia. Amateurs is the ruling spirit in both countries, and the Rugby Unions would never acquiesce to any such proposal. It is only necessary to play once against professionals, and ostracism follows. These players who contemplate going to England must simply drop out of the game when they return."

PROFESSIONALISM AT HOME.

"At Home Association football is nearly all confined to professionals, with the exception of the Corinthians and one or two other teams. These professionals are always bought and sold. The leading men are paid so much for their services. One club says 'We will give you £500 for that man's transfer,' and at the price he is bought."

"Professionalism not only kills sport," continued Mr. Belson, "but it has many other disadvantages. For instance, it militates against the improvement of the young man's physique at Home. The big Association matches draw crowds of 20,000 and 30,000 every Saturday afternoon. If the young men who patronised those matches were to devote their time to the game itself, the results would be much more beneficial."

HOW IT WILL AFFECT NEW ZEALAND RUGBY.

"How do you think it will affect Rugby in New Zealand, should this professional team leave for the Old Country?" inquired the interviewer.

"Well, that involves a subtle point. It remains to be seen what effect such a contingency will have. I am sure it is not going to create a favourable impression in Rugby circles at Home. The feeling against professionalism there is very strong. Your Rugby Union has taken a firm and commendable stand, and has done all that it is possible to do under the circumstances. The men who do go will be cutting short their career as footballers. In all parts of the Empire amateur Rugby is gaining ground. South Africa, Canada, and Australia have been making wonderful strides, while it is even improving on the Continent, and France can now put some very strong amateur teams into the field."

AN UNBIASSED OPINION.

"What are your impressions of Rugby in New Zealand?" was the query put to Mr. Belson.

"Well, what can I say?" laughingly replied the English exponent of the

game. "I saw the great match between the 'All Blacks' and Wales. There isn't much need for me to discourse on that great struggle. Enough to say that the high opinion I found then of the New Zealanders has not suffered since I came to the colony. The recent game between City and Ponsonby at Alexandra Park was a most interesting match, and apart from your standard players, of 'All Black' fame, I was able to judge that you have some very fine players. One man who particularly caught my eye in the match referred to was Murray, one of the Ponsonby backs. I should very much like to see the South Africans come out here. I am satisfied there would be some keen struggles, provided that the 'Springboks' always had the good fortune to play on dry ground."

ENGLISH V. COLONIAL TACTICS.

"How does the game strike you here, compared to the principles followed at Home?" was asked of Mr. Belson.

That gentleman laughed a little before replying, and then said that he was prone to admit that the Englishman was a little slow in catching on to any new ideas. Wales, however, was more inclined to open out, and had been experimenting with the New Zealand system of putting seven men into the scrum, with an odd man outside. This idea, he added, is much favoured by Gwyn Nicholls, the famous Welsh player.

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE QUESTION.

VIEWED FROM A PROFESSIONAL STANDPOINT.

ANOTHER INTERESTING INTERVIEW.

FULL PARTICULARS OF THE PROFESSIONAL TOUR.

The "Review" is in a position to place before its readers the first authentic and definite information pub-



A. TWINAME, the Parnell Skipper.

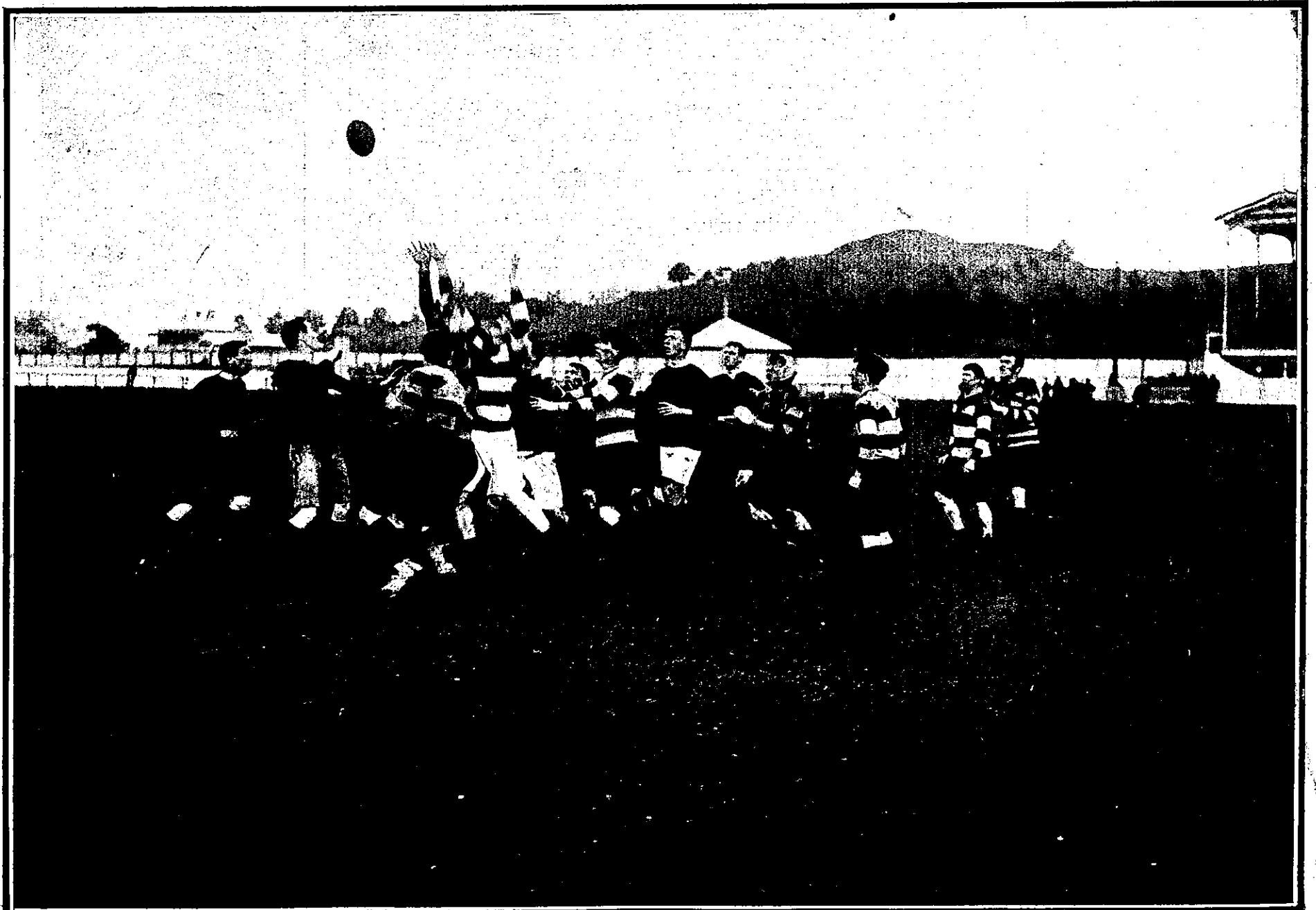
lished with regard to the professional tour of the Northern Counties of England.

A team of 25 men, comprising many of our most prominent footballers, is to leave for England early in July. On Saturday next, June 1, a guarantee of £3000 is to be deposited in England to cover all risks in connection with the forthcoming tour. The tour will extend over eight months, during which upwards of 40 matches will be played; 70 per cent. of the gate money is to be handed over to the visitors, and this sum will be equally divided between the 25 players. The other 30 per cent. goes to the professional unions. Either Blackpool or Salford, near Manchester, is to be the headquarters of the team, and they will tour the Counties of Cheshire, Cumberland, Lancashire and Yorkshire, at least 40 matches being guaranteed. Each player receives a personal guarantee of £50 to cover all initial expenses, the unions augmenting this by putting up the £3000 guarantee mentioned, to be deposited on Saturday next.

THE PARNELL V. NORTH SHORE CUP MATCH.

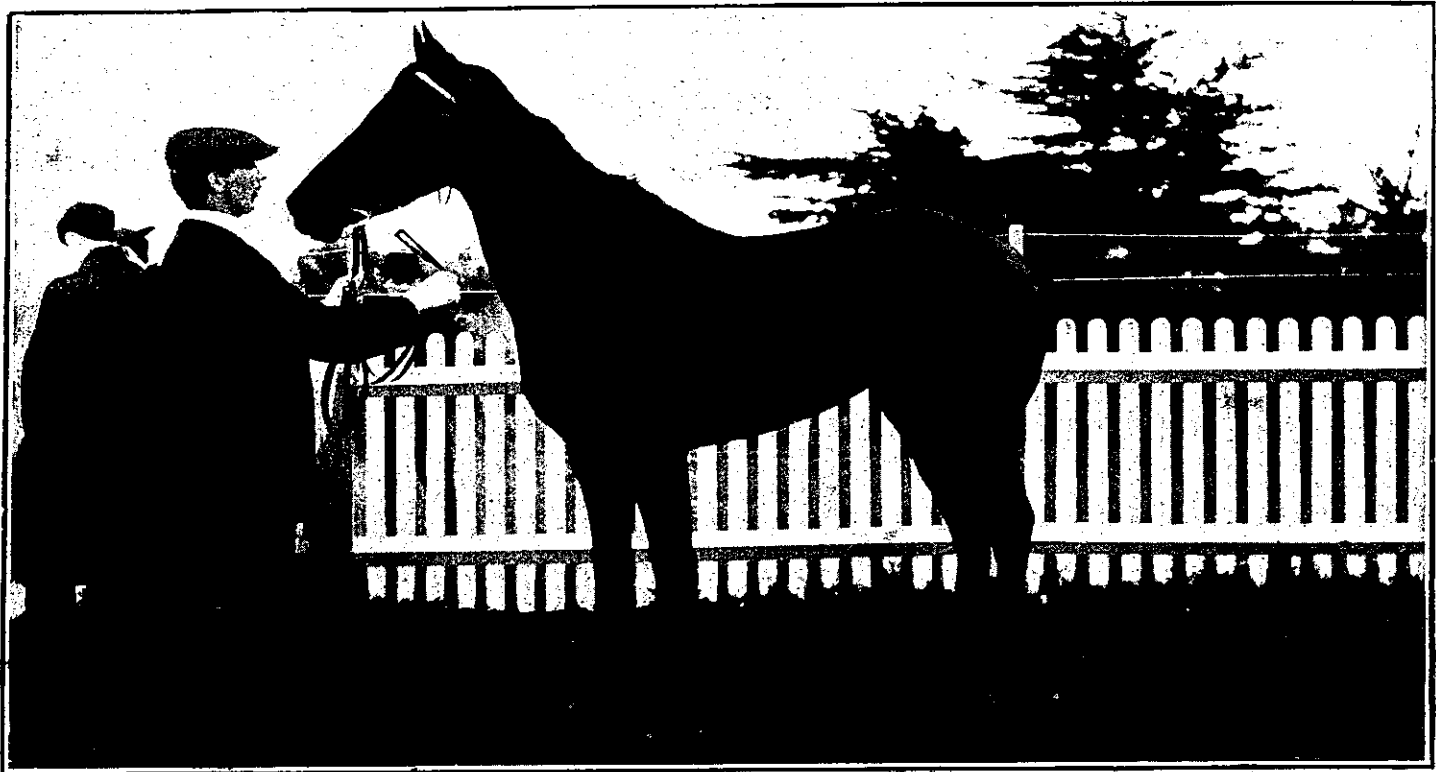


1. A FORWARD RUSH BY THE MAROONS. 2. TWINAME DRIBBLING THE LEATHER DOWN THE FIELD.



A SCRAMBLE FOR THE BALL.

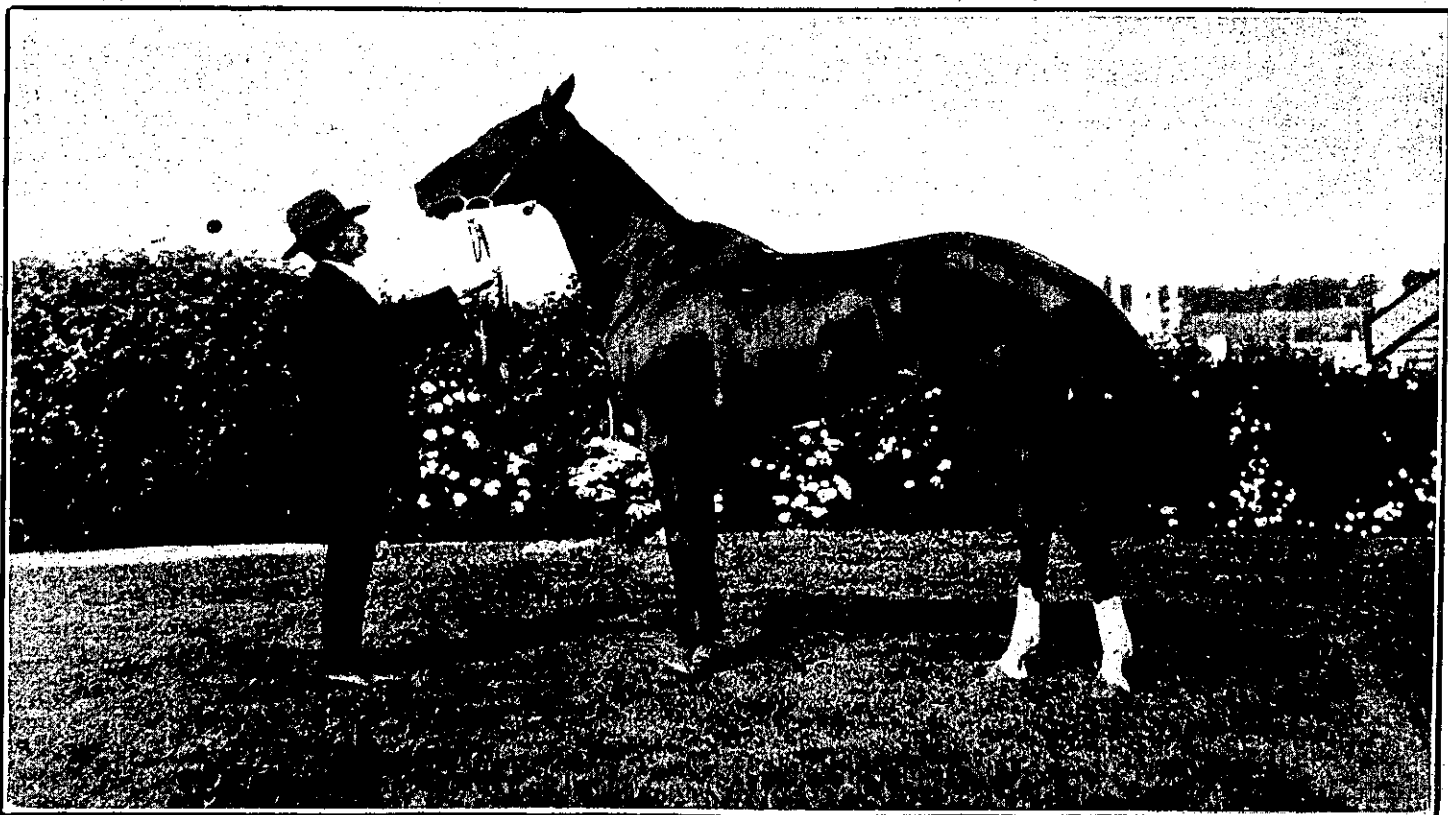
THE TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.



MIGHTY ATOM, WINNER OF THE SECOND PONY HANDICAP.



NO LACK OF PATRONS AT THE MEETING.



MISS WINNIE, WINNER OF THE VICTORIA HANDICAP.



THE STAGE

(By "Footlight.")

OPERA HOUSE.

FULLER'S ENTERTAINERS.

With no counter attraction at His Majesty's, record business is being done at the Opera House. There has been a considerable change in the programme, and a number of new artists are appearing. Miss Nellie Power is a dainty little serio, and sings prettily; "Kate O'Donoghue" was a charming contribution. A decidedly clever piece of comedy business was Mr. Bob Lloyd's "Oh, Mr. Julius Knight." It created quite a furor, and elicited as an encore "We Parted on the Shore," in which Mr. Lloyd invariably scores. Miss Amy Blackie is at her best in a pathetic ballad "Two Little Girls Loved One Little Boy," and aroused the audience to an outburst of appreciation. Mr. George Merton made his first appearance in a comic song "The Jilted London Shoe Black." An artist to make her debut at the Opera House this week is Miss Doris Baker; as a singer she does not call for special mention, but as a clever little dancer she won the complete admiration of the audience. Mr. Ted Stagpoole continues to meet with the most flattering receptions, and deserves the warm approval his turn elicits. He is really very funny, while his gymnastic feats simply convulse the audience, though at the same time their intrepidity astounds them. The dainty little Lewis Sisters are back again, and are a decided acquisition. They appear in a double song and dance. "Good-bye My Honey" is a

reception. Mr. Val Newton is heard in that delightful old song "Queen of the Earth," which, together with the coloured illustrations, is one of the finest contributions to the programme. As an encore he sings "The Colleen Bawn." "Getting a Dinner" is the screaming comedietta which the Stagpooles appear in this week. They are all artists of considerably above a degree of mediocrity, and while they occupy the stage the audience is kept in a perpetual ripple of merriment. The Warwick bioscope shows some interesting pictures of a fox hunt in England, and brings an enjoyable entertainment to a close.

Next Saturday night Opera House patrons renew acquaintance with Slade Murray, comedian, and the Melbourne Meistersingers.

"MARITANA."

St. Patrick's Operatic Society are actively rehearsing for their forthcoming production of "Maritana," which will be one of completeness in every respect. The cast has been arranged as follows:—King of Spain, Mr James Lonergan; Don Jose de Santaum, Mr Cecil Ryan; Don Caesar de Bazan, Mr James Crabtree; Marquis de Montfaine, Mr Allan McElwain; Lazarillo, Miss Madoline Knight; A'cade Mr Owen Pritchard; Captain of the Guard, Mr Richard Johnson; Marchioness de Montfaine, Mrs Nelson; Maritana, Miss Rosina Buckman. Mr Scott Colville will stage manage the production, and Mr Colin Muston will lead the full orchestra. Miss Buckman and Mr Crabtree will arrive from Sydney on July 1st.

According to the "Weekly Press" the Macmahon Dramatic Company having disbanded, the brothers Macmahon have struck out a new line in the shape of "O'Neill's Buckjumpers," which were so successful during the Exhibition season. They will start on an extensive tour of the colony at an early date.

Mr. Dion Boucicault, well known in Australasia in connection with some of the most notable triumphs of the Brough and Boucicault Company, notably "The Amazons," is creating a new part in a new play at the Comedy Theatre, London. The play is called "The Truth," the part being described as a sort of lying old Eccles, and Mr. Boucicault has made quite a success in it.

Mr. Reynolds Denniston, of the Julius Knight Company, is a young New Zealander, who has had a somewhat unique career (says the "Otago Witness"). Before going on the stage he faced the cannon's mouth, for, having abandoned the commercial career intended for him in Dunedin, he went through the Boer War, then, resolving to become an actor, he joined the stage in South Africa, where he had five years' experience under Mr. Edward Sass and Mr. James Nelson. Next he decided to try his luck in London. Six days after his arrival in the world's metropolis he was engaged by Mrs. Clement Scott to play Mike Harbyn in "The Diamond Express," and while in this position he was seen by the Kendals, who engaged him for a tour of Great Britain. While touring in the provinces he met

The Stagpoole trio of comedians, whose portraits we reproduce in this issue, were last in Auckland about two and a-half years ago. Since then they have made a successful tour of the Commonwealth, and wandered as far afield as the Philippines. They are a decidedly clever trio, and are at present on the Fuller circuit.

Mr. Les. Warton, the popular coon singer, is at present appearing under Rickards' management at the Tivoli Theatre, Sydney.

Last night Mr. Julius Knight made his first appearance in Wellington with his new English Company in "Robin Hood."

The Besses o' th' Barn Band has taken Sydney by storm, and is drawing packed houses on every appearance.

The "Human Hearts" Company due here shortly, include Messrs. Edwin Leicester, George R. Montford, Miss Sydney Valentine, Miss Alma Palmer, Messrs. A. Lawton, C. M. Berkeley, Dundas, Wallace, Mesdames Gildford, Quinn, Aggie Grey and May Hesford.

Remarks the Melbourne "Leader":—There was a funny little unrehearsed episode in the play "Leah Kleschna" at Her Majesty's which served to excite amusement and wonderment. The approval of the audience at the close of the third act was manifested by calls before the curtain, and after Miss Brune had appropriated her share there was a demand for Mr. Mervale, which for some reason or other he declined to acknowledge. With an emotional emphasis quite out of place, Miss Brune made an unauthorised and dubious apology on his behalf. After the final scene she was also left to make her responses to demonstrative approval alone. Jealousies behind the curtain should not be allowed to make their appearance in front. Mr. Mervale wrote to the "Argus" to explain that there should never have been any misunderstanding. He thinks that the illusion of a fine scene—it may be even a death scene—should not be destroyed by artists standing mutely, and with the affectation of modesty common on such occasions, in front of the footlights, to receive applause which might just as genuinely be given in their absence.

"Murmur" writes: Why is it that it so often happens we have big companies where there is such a disparity between the merits of the principals? Too often it happens that the leading man is a star, and the leading lady absolutely devoid of histrionic power. Or else it is the leading lady who figures as the prominent member of the company, and the man is a perfect blank. Why? Even in vaudeville it is the same. You will find stars and blanks hopelessly mixed up, some of the latter so second-rate that you wonder what the management can be coming to. Possibly the explanation is that the "stars" will only contract for engagement on the conditional clause that a "blank"—possibly a husband or wife—be also given a place in the cast, or on the bill. Such action as this must in time have a derogatory effect upon legitimate drama and entertainment.



THE THREE STAGPOOLES, WHO GIVE A VERY PLEASING TURN AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

tuneful little coon song, but the real attraction these artists possess exists in their dancing, which is fairy-like in its originality, artisticness and execution. Merton and Manton, eccentric comedians, are in their last week, which is fortunate. Beck is one of the principal attractions at the Opera House just at present. His speciality is lightning sketch work, and he really is a marvel. Within the space of five minutes he paints, upside down, two pictures of undoubted merit, both landscape scenes, which, when completed, and placed upon the easels right side up, provoked the unstinted applause of the audience. Finally Beck, with a few twirls of his brush, and a dab or two of lurid colour, presented a fiery spectacle of "Vesuvius in Eruption." The artist is certainly original in his method of work. Miss Lucy Lavinia is a singer possessing that charm of manner which never palls, with the result that her popularity shows no signs of waning, and her appearance is always hailed with delight. "When the Blue Moon Shines" is the most brilliant of Miss Lavinia's musical gems this week. The "Powerful" dancing trio, Stewart, Bain and McKenzie, are making their final appearance. The Jack Tars meet with a very enthusiastic

Mr Edwin Geach's "Human Hearts" Company will open here in June 10 for a short season.

Mr Anderson has the present dates at His Majesty's Theatre, but has sent no company across to take them up.

The Kelly Gang Pictures which have proved a great success in the South will be due here on June 17.

I am told that the production of "Maritana" by the St. Patrick's Operatic Society will be the best thing of its kind ever seen in Auckland.

Mr Andrew Mack and his Company sailed for Gisborne on Saturday, and opened there on Monday night. Napier, Christchurch, Timaru, Dunedin, and Invercargill follow in that order.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter Pickford, who were here in December last with the Brough-Fleming Co., leave Sydney for England on Saturday next.

The Holloway Dramatic Co. opens at the Palace Theatre, Sydney, on Saturday night.

Mr. Julius Knight, and accepted an offer to return to the colonies. Mr. Denniston is a son of Mr. G. L. Denniston, of Dunedin, and a nephew of Mr. Justice Denniston, of Christchurch.

"Oewa" is the latest production of the Brough-Fleming Co.

According to the touring arrangements mapped out for the vaudeville company which Mr. Harry Rickards is sending to New Zealand, the Dunedin season will open on June 4, and will extend to the 15th of that month. The Christchurch dates are June 24 to July 4, and Wellington from July 6 to July 27, after which the combination will work its way North.

The dancing trio of Jack Tars who are finishing up at the Opera House this week, hail from H.M.S. Powerful, and profitably put in their time at whatever port the warship touches at by taking engagements of the kind. Merton and Manton, who try their hand at the patter comedian business, are also from the Powerful.

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AS OTHERS SEE US.

The New York "Morning Telegraph" recently had an article by Mr Charles Leonard Fletcher, the character actor, who toured Australia recently, on the Australian as he is seen in the theatre. The writer has a good word for Mr J. C. Williamson and Mr Bland Holt. "All of Mr Williamson's productions," he says, "are quite worthy of Broadway, for with his scenic studio, costume department, and his own wigmakers, he can easily afford to imitate American thoroughness and attention to details."

But his acting company, with the exception of Miss Tittell Brune, who claims to be an American, are mostly Australian-born and bred, and are of the rough and uncouth school, and anything but artistic. But they satisfy the Australian taste. Australia claims to have a warm spot in her heart for America, yet it is quite seldom an American actor or actress meets with Australian approval. This is especially true of the American comedian. Nat Goodwin and Willie Collier went over their heads. They were too subtle for the Australian understanding."

"There is a lot of money down here for some enterprising American manager, who will bring a repertoire of the worst plays to be found in America, with a company selected from the Rialto, composed of third-rate actors. Society plays are not wanted here because there is practically no society in Australia. The population is made up of one class of people principally. Everybody seems to have money, and the races, sporting events of all kinds are what the people spend their money on. An attraction at a theatre is the last thing they consider in their pursuit of pleasure and recreation."

"In the theatre they have as little desire for anything artistic or clever as a Fiji Islander. If the American can stoop to the level of the Australian, and hand him dramatic junk, he is hailed an Australian success."

"Knowles was too clever for them. He was not coarse enough. A lot of other clever Americans have had the same experience, and have been told from the gallery to 'get work,' which means 'go back home.' Australians like English pantomimes and stupid English comic singers, with their eternal red noses and double entendre songs, anent the missus and the lodger, etc. And they go wild over the English serio-comic, with abbreviated skirts and naughty manners. The American burlesque shows would do well here."

Curiously enough Mr Fletcher was well liked in Australia, so that he must either be a third-rate actor or else the above farrago of nonsense was the result of an overplus of bile.

My Christchurch dramatic correspondent writes:—Showmen have been giving this flat metropolis a wide berth of late, and all our claw-hammer coats and decollete frocks are laid up in avender until we get another chance of using them. However, on the 3rd prox. Mr J. C. Williamson re-opens the T.R., or rather his touring company does, and joy will be with us once again. The season will last for about a fortnight, and then the Rickards Co. takes up the running for ten nights; after which the Geach Co. will be along with "Human Hearts," and early in August Tom Pollard is due with his new band of "Lilliputians," whose N.Z. campaign opens in Christchurch. The first of a series of winter evening entertainments was to be given at the Choral Hall on "Empire" night, under the alluring alliterative appellation of "The People's Picture Pops." More anon. Fuller's excellent show has been drawing like the proverbial boot since my last. Verne is still with us, and in conjunction with Mr Armstrong, contributes a very popular turn to the present bill. The fair Priscilla advertised recently that she and her theatrical partner required a "sketch" written and offered £10 for one. A chance for our budding dramatists? I don't know who was the lucky winner of the prize, or whether it was won at all. Other favourites with Fullerian audiences just now are Monaghan and Sheehan, musical artists; the Ahbergs, acrobats; the Rose Sisters; Hilda Lane; and A. L. Cropp.

Healy, a pianist in Melbourne, has attempted to put up a record for continuous piano-playing. He was stopped by the doctor's orders after playing for 46½ hours. One feels sorry for the neighbours.

At a recent sale of violins in London the following prices were obtained:—A fine Guadagnini cello, £35; a Joseph Guarnerius filius Andreae cello, dated 1699, £150; a Ruggeri violin, £52; a violin by Guarnerius del Jesu, £175; the famous "Somes Strad," dated 1684, £500.

Mr Harry Rickards is sending what he considers the strongest vaudeville combination to New Zealand. The tour, which commences at Dunedin on June 4, will last three months, and terminate at His Majesty's Theatre, Auckland, August 25. The combination will include Charlene and Charlene, King and Benson, Fred Russell, the famous Ventriquist and his friend "Coster Joe," Miss Cassie Walmer, the "Dusky Princess," and a host of others. Mr Allan Hamilton will be in charge.

Mr Allan Hamilton has arranged with Meynell and Gunn for a New Zealand tour of the famous English dramatic actress, Miss Maud Hildyard, who will open at His Majesty's, Auckland, early in September. The repertoire will include "The Great Awakening" and "A Beautiful Friend," two plays in which Miss Hildyard has made a great name throughout England. An immensely strong company has been selected, and everything will be presented in first-class style.

Mr Allan Hamilton's Dramatic Company is being formed in Australia for a tour of Frank Lindo's famous English domestic drama "Home, Sweet Home," which will commence a Melbourne season early in September, with Tasmania and New Zealand to follow. The new work has had a most successful record in the Old Country, where it has been toured by the author for the past six years with the most gratifying results. Mr Hamilton has already concluded a number of important engagements, and entirely new scenery is to be prepared.

lease of the theatre during the Christmas season.

According to a New York paper, "the grandest grand opera-house in the world, with Mme. Melba actively associated with the management, is a scheme that some of the richest men in New York have in mind. Report in musical circles has it that a meeting has already been held, at which the idea was talked over at length. Mme. Melba is said to have been present at the meeting, and to have contributed some valuable suggestions. Her friends say that she would be willing to make a heavy investment in the project. She is already half owner of the Lyric Theatre in London, and has a fortune sufficiently large to allow her to further enlarge her holdings in theatrical properties. She is said to be anxious to try her hand in a managerial capacity."

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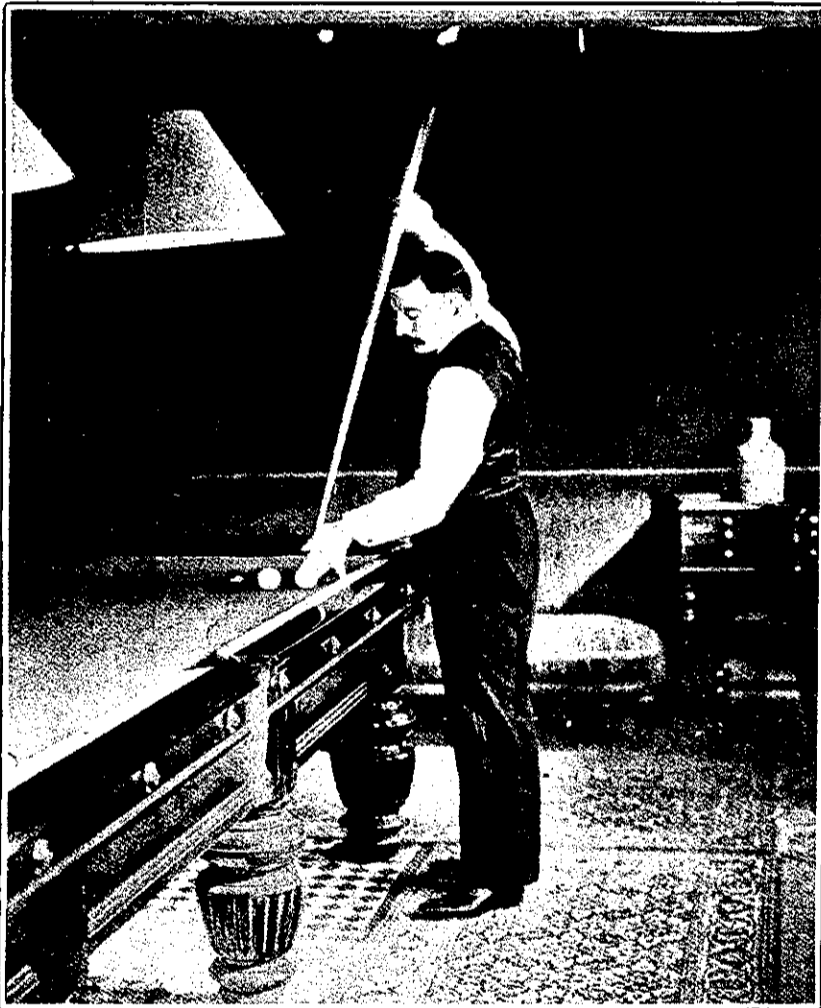
Ellen Terry has entered upon her sixtieth year. This vivacious heroine of a hundred parts began acting when she was only eight years and two months old—her wages, as Mamillius in Charles Kean's production of "The Winter Tale," being fifteen shillings a week. "Do you know," she said, nearly fifty years later, "that my difficulty with Sir Henry Irving was that I could not convince him that I had grown too old for youthful parts?"

had passed over his head in London he was besieged with offers for his services. Now he has secured an American engagement at £500 (some papers say £600) a week, and had he been obdurate the syndicate was prepared to pay him £800. It is only through the kindness of Mr Adney Payne in waiving an existing contract that Lauder has been enabled to consent to go to America for four or five weeks. With one short break in July, 1910, he is actually booked right up to the year 1912, including pantomime engagements for every Christmas season in the interval.

Says the Sydney "Mail," the principal attraction at the Tivoli Theatre this week is the turn supplied by Techow's performing cats, who have had the honour of displaying their intelligence and agility before the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace. There are eleven of them, and they have been highly trained. They spring great distances, walk along the top of rickety skittles and in and out between them without disturbing any. They run with their hind legs perched straight up in the air, walk backwards and forwards on a slack rope, passing and even springing over one another, and one, climbing a pole, springs from a great height into a sheet held by attendants.

With the popularity of living London before them, Messrs J. and N. Tait recently made arrangements for a set of biograph pictures of Scottish and Irish scenes to be taken for them. These films are now in Australia, and a comprehensive tour of the Commonwealth is now being mapped out for exhibiting them.

The Moana, with Miss Marie Hall on board, arrived in Brisbane on time at the beginning of the week (writes the Messrs Tait), and the brilliant young violinist with her pianist, Miss Loue Basch, and her chaperon, has already taken up her residence at Menzies Hotel, Melbourne, where she will rest for a day or two before entering upon the work of rehearsing for her first concert in the Melbourne Town Hall next Saturday (1st June), an event to which all music lovers are eagerly looking forward. The concert, for which Messrs J. and N. Tait have secured the services of the Marshall Hall orchestra, with the assistance of the Professor himself at the conductor's desk, will be a notable one. Either the Max Brusch or the Tschaiikowski concerto will be played, and in addition Miss Hall will be heard in solo work. The following week she is announced to give two recitals, on the 4th and 6th June, and thereafter she enters upon her Australian tour with Adelaide and Sydney as the two cities first on the list.



MR. H. W. STEVENSON, the famous English cueist, who has been giving some excellent displays at the Albert Hall.

The debut of Miss Amy Castles in grand opera in Germany, which was to have taken place this month, has been postponed until the autumn there.

"The Scarlet Pimpernel," which was originally produced at the New Theatre, London, has proved so immensely popular, that the five hundred and first performance of the play was given on the 1st April.

Mr Allan Hamilton has now established permanent Vaudeville shows at his Tasmanian Theatres, the Theatre Royal, Hobart, and Academy of Music, Launceston, both of which are now leased by him. It is intended to run Vaudeville throughout the winter months, while the summer months will be devoted to visits from dramatic and musical combinations as hitherto.

Mr Herbert Flemming will visit England about the end of July. His mission is to secure an entirely new dramatic and comedy company, returning to Australia in time to open at the Princess Theatre, Melbourne, next Boxing night, when "Oliva" will be presented on a scale of great completeness. The Melbourne season will be undertaken in conjunction with Mr Allan Hamilton, who has a


He couldn't see it, and so, after twenty-two years, we parted." And Sir Henry when he heard it, confirmed this explanation, saying: "I never thought Ellen Terry too old for any part she ever played."

The following are the dates booked for the remainder of the New Zealand tour of the "Midnight Wedding" Company:—Felding, May 29th and 30th; Wanganui, May 31st to June 3rd; Hawera, June 4th and 5th; New Plymouth, June 6th to 8th; Stratford, June 10th and 11th; Marton, June 12th; Masterton, June 13th to 15th; Palmerston North, June 17th to 20th; Wellington, June 21st to July 5th.

Mrs Brough and Miss Emma Temple—who have both left the Brough-Flemming Company—are living in a little cottage at Waverley, near Sydney, within sight of Mr Brough's grave. The theatrical profession are placing a fountain in the Sydney Hospital Grounds as a memorial to the well remembered actor.

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Emile Meville is still in harness, and was appearing in New York as Kaede, in "The Darling of the Gods," when the mail left.

Wallace Brownlow was at latest appearing in the opera "Madame Butterfly," at the new Van Ness Theatre, San Francisco.

Two comedies dealing with women as politicians have been prepared for production at Home. On April 9 a play by Miss Elizabeth Robins, relating to the suffragist movement, was to be brought out at the Court. This is described as a "dramatic tract in three acts," the second being laid in Trafalgar Square during a demonstration! The other piece has been written by Mr George Dance, and is called "The Suffragettes." This will be performed in the autumn in the provinces, with Miss Camille Clifford in the part of the heroine.

The Besses o'-th' Barn Band have more than fully confirmed the enthusiastic reports which came from New Zealand about them, and their season in Sydney under Messrs J. and N. Tait's direction has been distinguished throughout by an extraordinarily high level of attendances no less than by an almost unlimited appreciation. One of their finest achievements—as evidence of their exceptional quality—has been their playing of the "Tannhauser" overture, in which all the Wagnerian effects are obtained without any of the strangled instruments which are usually considered indispensable to its interpretation. And yet the Besses give such a performance of it that the late Sir Arthur Sullivan declared that it was the finest rendering of it he had ever heard in his life.

Messrs J. and N. Tait's advices from London bring news of Madame Clara Butt's further successes in her farewell tour. She gave three "phenomenal" concerts in Dublin and Belfast last month, and while in the former city she and her husband were the honoured guests at the Castle. The Lord-Lieutenant entertained them both at a State dinner and a private luncheon, and they were members of the vice-regal party at the Punches' own races—one of the most exclusive social functions of the Dublin season.

Mr J. C. Williamson's new musical comedy company counts among its principals two sisters—the Misses Murphy, from New Zealand—whose joint career is peculiarly like that of the Castles sisters. The elder Miss Murphy, like Miss Amy Castles, has a splendid voice, which she has so far utilised on the concert platform in New Zealand, where she is a

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star of the first magnitude. Miss Dolly Castles' prototype is the younger Miss Murphy, who like the recent favourite in the Gilbert and Sullivan Company has a predilection for the lighter roles and has already made a name for herself as Serpette in New Zealand.

"Mother Goose" is duplicating its Melbourne performance in every particular in Sydney. It will be remembered that the record breaker simply refused to be withdrawn at the end of the time originally fixed for its season, and no less than two extensions of time had to be granted it before it was transferred to Sydney. There it is repeating the achievement. Already one extension has been made and the attendances and appreciation continue at such an exceptional level that Mr J. C. Williamson simply had to arrange for another. In consequence the Pantomime will be given still another week, wherewith to charm Sydney, which it will continue to do until the 6th June, leaving thereafter for Melbourne direct and opening at the Princess Theatre there on June 8th.

The continuation of the Pantomime season in Sydney necessarily postpones the return of the Royal Comic Opera Company to that city until June 8—a postponement which will benefit Brisbane and Toowoomba equally, for the season in the former city will be extended and a brief visit to the latter has been arranged, as the company pass through on their way South.

By the Mongol'a which leaves Sydney to-day (May 25th) (writes Mr George Talis), Mr J. C. Williamson, with Mrs Williamson and their children, will travel to England on a visit of several months duration. Mr Williamson is not going to devote his time wholly to holiday making, but, as usual with him, will keep in close touch with theatrical matters both in Europe and America.

A noticeable feature with regard to Mr Williamson's theatrical arrangements this year, has been the activity displayed in the touring department, and not for some years has the field covered by his companion been such a wide one. Both Broken Hill and North Queensland are to be visited by one of his most important organisations—the Brune Dramatic Company—an event which has not occurred for some considerable time, while the Pantomime is on the eve of embarking upon a tour which, as already stated, will be of a more comprehensive character than has been previously mapped out for any company of its size. Then the Musical Comedy Company is to have its fair share of travelling as well as its metropolitan engagements, and from now until the end of the year both Mr Julius Knight and Mr Andrew Mack will "alternate their attentions" between the large cities and the smaller provincial towns both in Australia and New Zealand.

Mr Andrew Mack will open his Australian tour at Her Majesty's Theatre, Melbourne, on July 6th, with "Tom Moore"—which may almost be termed Mr Mack's "trade mark."

The Waldron-Humphries Dramatic Company supplemented their Perth season with one at Kalgoorlie, and are now on their way back to Melbourne for their "final farewell" visit which commences at Her Majesty's Theatre next Saturday, June 1st.

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his New Zealand tour to-day. He will be in New Zealand for about three months, returning to Melbourne at the end of August for a season at the Princess Theatre. It is worth remarking that one of his pieces, "The Scarlet Pimpernel," which he has still to produce in Australia, passed its sooth performance in London last month.

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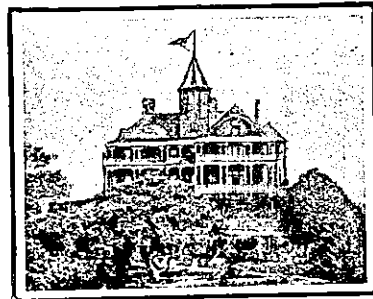
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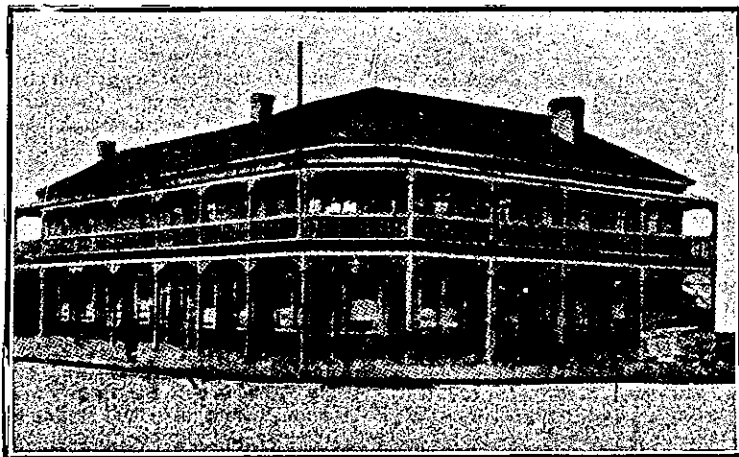
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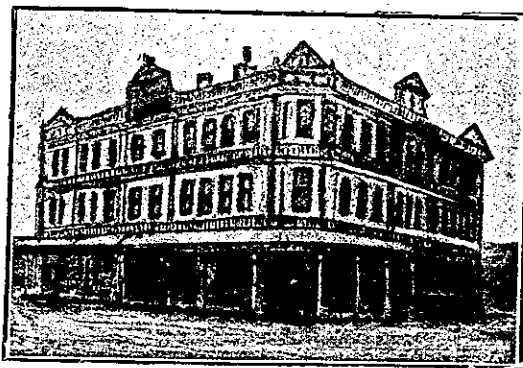


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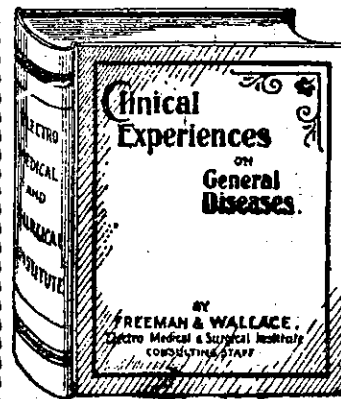
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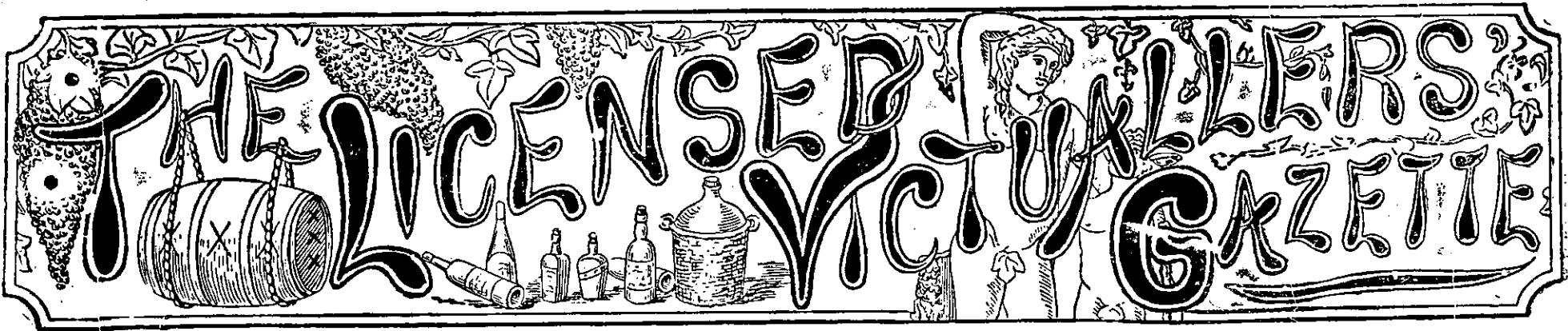
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One of the Otago Acclimatisation Society's inspectors was beguiled by a local fishmonger on Saturday last, says the Dunedin "Star." Seeing a number of black swans hanging outside a fish shop, he entered and spoke words of warning to the shopkeeper. He must beware lest he break the law by selling such game as the black swan. The proprietor, unabashed, offered to sell the inspector one of the birds "just to make a test case of it." After a deal of bargaining the finest swan in the row changed hands at half a crown. In about an hour's time the inspector returned with the black beauty, and demanded his money back, but his request was refused. He had discovered that the fine plump "swan" was stuffed with straw!

Mr Henry Laycock, who has been many years in the hotel at Hikual, Tairua, has disposed of the hotel and his estate of a 1000 acres, to Messrs Faithful, McConnel, Bailey, and Dykes. Mr and Mrs Laycock intend going on a tour round the world. Their many friends in the trade heartily wish them a pleasant journey.

Old Farmer: "No, I don't want any more of your labour-saving machines. I've tried enough on 'em. Look in there. There's a typewritin' machine the missus spent all her egg and butter money on to buy for me, 'cause I ain't so over handy with the pen. Just look at the swindle."

Friend: "What's the matter with it?"

Old Farmer: "Matter! Why, you can't even write yer name with the bloomin' thing unless ye know how to play the planner."

In the Thames Police Court last Monday, an important point was raised by Mr Clendon when defending two men named Samuel Quadri and Kauraria, charged with having committed a breach of the peace in a public place. Mr Clendon admitted that an altercation took place, but said it was confined to the passage of an hotel, and was not in the bar. He contended, and quoted authorities in support of his contention, that the passage was not a public place. The Bench upheld this contention and dismissed the informations. It is understood that an appeal against this decision will be lodged.

Every man in Russia over 15 years of age smokes about 150 cigarettes a week, according to a Consular report on Poland and Lithuania. One pound of tobacco suffices for 1000 cigarettes.

The German used to be reckoned the greatest smoker on earth. He is no longer. The Belgian smokes 6.21lb of tobacco yearly; the inhabitants of the United States 5.4lb; while the German's share is only 3.44 lb. The Briton is really a most moderate smoker; 1.95lb lasts him a year.

There is probably no better hotel on the West Coast than the Grand, at Westport. The hotel possesses every modern convenience, the cuisine is excellent, while the management of the hotel is all that can be desired. During a recent visit to the district the writer was pleased to again meet the genial landlord, Mr D. Leech. Mr Leech takes a great interest in public matters, is a loyal supporter of every kind of sport, and is an enthusiastic bowler. The local bowling club not having a superabundance of funds in hand decided to turn to and lay out the green themselves. Mr Leech was amongst the foremost of these, and with coat off did his share of the work.

The Wallingford Hotel, Temuka, is still under the proprietorship of Mr J. Reilly. This is a most comfortable place at which to put up, with all conveniences and a moderate tariff, and is probably as well patronised by the travelling public as any in the town.

There are occasions when hotel properties are to be picked up cheap, and those who are on the look out for such in the South Is and would do well to consult Mr D. Mahoney, the well-known hotel broker, of Timaru, who has at the present time several good properties placed in his hands for sale.

Visitors to Dunedin should try the Gladstone Hotel, in Maclaggan-street. This is centrally situated, having all modern conveniences, good table, and a moderate tariff. The proprietor, Mr John Collins, makes a most capable host, and is deservedly popular with all classes.

Reefton is a pleasant enough place to live in during the greater part of the year. It has not so wet a climate as some of the other West Coast towns, though in the winter months the fogs are occasionally troublesome. There are several first-class hotels there, and amongst those with a moderate tariff is the Gladstone, which is now a well and favourably known house. Mr R. Dunphy is still the landlord, and those visiting Reefton would do well to put up at this place.

Amongst the hotels in Hokitika, one of the most convenient and most comfortable places to put up at is the Commercial, in Revell-street. This is under the proprietorship of Mr T. Palmer, who understands exactly how to run a good house, and who looks well after the comfort of patrons. Hot and cold baths, good table, all modern conveniences, and a moderate tariff ensure a liberal share of patronage by the travelling public.

In Wellington last week, for breaches of the Cooks and Waiters' Union award fines were imposed on the following:— R. Hunt, Duke of Edinburgh Hotel, seven charges, £10; Mrs O'Shea, Coronation Boardinghouse, four charges, £8; J. Jones, Union Dining-rooms, four charges, £6; G. H. Goodall, two charges, £4; E. Wilson, Albert Hotel, £2; S. Gilmer, Royal Oak Hotel, £1; E. J. Sear, Cuba street, £1; Mrs Muncaster, Freeman's Tea Rooms, £1; S. J. Flewellyn, Club Hotel, £2; P. Hartshorne, Occidental Hotel, three charges, £5. David Palmer, Zealandia Private Hotel, charged with employing a non-unionist, said he was not aware at the time that the girl did not belong to the union. As soon as he discovered the fact he got the girl to join the union. A fine of £1 and costs was imposed. J. Patterson (Arcadia), similarly charged, stated that he gave the man the money (6s) to join the union the day he employed him. The man came back back and said he had joined. It appeared, however, that he did not join until ten days later. His Honor said in this case the Court would simply record a breach, but would not impose a penalty.

In the Magistrate's Court in Wellington last week, Arthur Edwin Haywood, licensee of the Wellington Hotel, admitted selling whisky to a native woman who was not the wife of a European. Sub-Inspector O'Donovan did not press for a heavy penalty, describing the offence as merely an indiscretion. Mr Gray was for defendant, who was fined 40s and costs (9s). Alexander Smith, licensee of the Cricketers' Arms Hotel, was charged with selling beer to John Kiely, the latter being then intoxicated. There was a further charge of permitting drunkenness on the premises. The defence was that the licensee warned the two barmen that Kiely was coming in, and told them to get rid of him. Kiely was refused a drink, but remained on the premises, keeping quiet. Later another man called for two drinks and was served. He gave one to Kiely unobserved by the barman, who was busy. His Worship reserved decision.

The over-planting of the vineyards in the south of France and adulteration in other centres, has caused much local distress. Some rioting has occurred in the vine districts. The Town Hall at Béziers was burned down by an angry mob, because the Mayor obstructed a demonstration.

In the local Police Court last Thursday, before Messrs W. H. Cooper, G. Denby, and D. McDonald, J.P.'s, Hugh Mullins, a middle-aged man, who said he was a fireman, pleaded guilty to assaulting Roach Temple, James O'Brien, and Joseph Kenny, a police constable. Sub-Inspector Gordon said that the accused went to the Criterion Hotel and called for a sixpenny drink, when he had not enough to pay for it. The barmaid refused to give it, and he thereupon caught up a glass of beer and threw it over her, besides slapping her face. He went down the street, but was brought back by a constable. While talking in the hotel Mullins rushed at the licensee and struck him. Constable Kenny then took him outside, and he dealt the officer a blow in the mouth, knocking one of his teeth out. The Bench sentenced Mullins to 48 hours' imprisonment on the first charge and one month on each of the other two, the terms to be cumulative.

A Mr Bowers, a commercial traveller, met with a queer accident a short time ago, says the "Timaru Herald." Driving (ate at night), a buggy and pair, he got on a small railway bridge instead of a road bridge near it. There was a row of planks between the rails, and one horse walked on these for some distance, the other managing to step along the sleepers. The vehicle had got well on the bridge, when the latter horse fell through the sleepers and pulled the other off the planks, and it fell through too. Mr Bowers did not at the moment understand what was wrong, got out of the buggy, and fell through the bridge also. One horse was so badly damaged that it had to be shot. Mr Bowers and the other horse were but little hurt.

Vignerons rioted at Béziers, in the South of France, owing to the Mayor's obstructing a demonstration arising out of their distress, and burned down the Town Hall.

The annual meeting of the Manukau Licensing Committee, originally advertised for June 1, has been postponed until June 13.

At the declaration of the poll for the Eketahuna Mayoralty, Mr Thos. Parsons, a defeated candidate, who only secured 29 votes, said he would like to thank those who did not vote for him. He had left local politics alone for a number of years, and the result of the election showed that the people considered the best place for him was at home. He would take the hint.

The death occurred recently at Grey-mouth of Mr Thomas Gilmer, licensee of Gilmer's Hotel in that town, and formerly of the Victoria Hotel, Petone. Heart failure was the cause of death.

The cost of supplying tobacco to inmates at the Benevolent Institution at Dunedin is said to amount to just a little under £5 a week.

Spurious half-sovereigns are in circulation in Dannevirke.

Last Saturday afternoon a fire broke out in the bar-parlour of the Fitzroy Hotel, Wakefield-street, but with the prompt assistance of the fire brigade the flames were extinguished before serious damage resulted. The origin of the outbreak is unknown, and the damage will be covered by about £10.

In the Port Adelaide Police Court recently, the landlord of the Port Hotel was charged with having failed to keep a door to the bar closed during prohibited hours. The defendant pleaded guilty and was ordered to pay £3 15s.

Last week at the Petone Court, before Dr. McArthur, S.M., and Messrs Inglis and Mothes, Richard Apps, for whom Mr Herdman appeared, was fined £3 and costs, in default fourteen days' imprisonment, for using obscene language in the bar of the Central Hotel. Dr. McArthur commented on the evidence called for the defence.

The Frenchman at dinner will eat more butter than the Englishman, but less meat, and he will eat plentifully of vegetables, which will be well cooked and served hot instead of plain boiled and soured into the cooling gravy of the meat-dish, as the Englishman nine times out of ten eats them.

At the big banquet given to the Colonial Premiers in London in April there were used 40,000 knives, forks, and spoons, 8000 glasses, 16,000 plates, and 2500 entree dishes; 400 waiters served up the dinner.

The smallest coin in circulation is the Maltese grain, a bronze piece the size of an ordinary lead pencil top, and worth one-sixth of a cent.

For some reason, difficult to discover, it has hitherto been impossible to take the sausage seriously. It has been, among all comestibles, the butt of the hopeful humourist. With teute-canine suggestions he has made people laugh, and this class of person has only occasionally ceased smiling when reading of an extra grave case of ptomaine poisoning. Now, however, the "Lancet" is looking solemn. "There is absolutely no legal or authoritative definition of a sausage," hence the frauds frequently practised on consumers. The journal in question admits that the ingredients in sausages nowadays are generally wholesome, but objects to the article which contains 90 per cent of bread or broken biscuit and 10 per cent of meat receiving the same designation as that which boasts fair and proper proportions of each. The 90 per cent bread sausage is a bad fraud on the public, it says, the price of this kind of food per pound being approximately that of the meat from which it is supposed to be made. Therefore, says the "Lancet," the sausage should be standardised, and receive its due legal status.

An arrest was made at the Thames last Friday in connection with a recent robbery of jewellery and money from the Gladstone boarding house, Waihi.

It was reported from Wellington last week that Mr W. H. Field, M.H.R. for Otaki, speaking at a dinner given by Mr A. C. Pearce, Mayor of Karori, said it had been stated that the brewers and publicans would use their influence to bring about a dissolution, with the object of getting another three years' lease of life, but he did not think that the party mentioned would be strong enough to do that.

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Business was again reported good in the booths at Takapuna Racecourse on the second day, and that stocks had run fairly low by the time the races had come to a conclusion.

It is stated that the Utah Legislature has enacted a law making the game of bridge illegal. The penalty is fixed at five years' imprisonment.

In the Wellington Police Court last Monday, Alexander Smith, licensee of the Cricketer's Arms Hotel, was fined £10 on each of two charges of having sold liquor to an intoxicated person, and of permitting drunkenness on his premises. The magistrate also ordered the license to be endorsed.

Podd: I have finally come to the conclusion that blondes are far more dangerous for men than brunettes are.

Purdy: Are they more alluring?
Pod: Well, I can't say as to that; but a blonde hair on a man's coat stands out like a lighthouse.

It was reported from Wellington last week that while detectives were searching premises in Cuba-street recently occupied by Henry Peacock, engraver (who figured among the men arrested for frequenting an alleged "two-up" school in Willis-street on Monday, and who is now in custody on a more serious criminal charge,) evidence was found suggesting the manufacture of spurious coins. Several half-sovereigns and half-crowns in various stages of manufacture, plaster casts, and a crucible and gas fittings supposed to have been used in the business, were discovered. The "gold" coins would appear to have been coloured after manufacture, as "silver" and "gold" pieces are composed of the same metal—a spurious alloy—and the finished coins bear a very fair appearance to the uninitiated of being real.

Teetotal enthusiasts, who had hastily assumed that the medical profession had definitely passed alcoholic liquor as mere poison, will be sorely troubled by the manifesto in its favour published in the "Lancet" by Professor T. McCall Anderson, Sir James Crichton-Browne, and other distinguished doctors. Of course no one is a whole hogger in the cause of alcohol—in theory, at any rate, as distinct from practice; but this manifesto is very clear in favour of its moderate use. In disease it is pronounced "a rapid and trustworthy restorative"; and, as an article of diet, the "universal belief of mankind" that moderate indulgence in alcohol is "usually beneficial" for adults is held to be "amply justified." That we take to be the common experience of the unprejudiced non-medical observer of his own constitution and human nature as seen in others. The difficulty, of course, is in deciding what is meant by "moderate." In practice it is often assumed that, because a man is never obviously the "worse" for liquor in a social sense, he is therefore necessarily a moderate drinker. Medical opinion would certainly not endorse that.

IGNORANCE NO EXCUSE.

The New Zealand "Times" reports that last week in the Wellington Supreme Court, a judgment of some interest to sellers of intoxicants was delivered by Mr Justice Cooper. It was in a case in which Mrs Weiss, who had been convicted by Dr. McArthur, S.M., for the sale of over-proof wine, appealed against that conviction. The appellant had a license to sell wines made from New Zealand fruits of a strength not exceeding 20 per cent. of proof spirit. She sold wine containing appreciably more than 20 per cent. proof spirit, and therefore sold liquor which she was not authorised by her license to sell. His Honor pointed out that the limitation as to the strength was introduced first for the protection of local revenue, the fee for the license being only £1, as against £20 for the sale of any other intoxicating liquor, and, second, to prevent the sale of high intoxicants in unlicensed houses. There were two questions for consideration in the case. First: Was it necessary for the prosecution to prove knowledge on the part of the defendant of the fact that the wine sold was overproof? Second: If it was not, was the defendant excused by her affirmative proof that she had no such knowledge. The answer to each question must be "No." and the conviction must be upheld, and the appeal dismissed, with costs £7 7s.

ANNUAL LICENSING MEETINGS, JUNE, 1907.

Kaipara, Saturday, 1st June, to be adjourned to 28th June, Court House, Dargaville.
Manukau, Saturday, 1st June, to be adjourned to 15th June, Court House, Onehunga.
Marsden, Saturday, 1st June, Court House, Whangarei.
City of Auckland, Tuesday, 4th June, S.M. Court, High Street.
Franklin, Tuesday, 4th June, Court House, Mercer.
Parnell, Wednesday, 5th June, Borough Council Chambers, Parnell.
Waikato, Wednesday, 5th June, Court House, Hamilton.
Ohinemuri, Wednesday, 5th June, Court House, Paeroa.
Bay of Plenty, Wednesday, 5th June, Court House, Tauranga.
Eden, Thursday, 6th June, Epsom Hall, Epsom.
Waitemata, Friday, 7th June, Borough Council Chambers, Devonport.
Thames, Friday, 7th June, Court House, Thames.
Bay of Islands, Friday, 7th June, Court House, Kawakawa.

A PECULIAR CASE.

The correspondence which has passed between the secretary of the Chesham and District Association, the Licensed Victuallers' National Defence League, and the Chief Constable of Bucks, and which has been published under the title of "A Peculiar Case," serves to show the absolute necessity of licensees obtaining independent medical testimony when any charge is brought against them for "permitting drunkenness." A man entered the White Lion at Chesham, and was served with a pint of beer by the landlord. Ten minutes afterwards a police officer entered, and this man was identified as one who had been begging. He was hustled out of the house and taken to the station. About an hour afterwards the officer returned and said the man was drunk. This the landlord denied, and, calling upon a doctor, requested him to accompany him to the lock-up. The inspector, having explained to the landlord that the county was not going to pay for the doctor, permitted an examination, and it was proved to demonstration that the man was sober. Charged then with begging, he was sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment.—London L.V. Gazette.

A BIG GAME.

More than £20,000 changed hands in the greatest game of poker ever played in Chicago, and probably one of the record games of any country. Six professional gamblers took part in it, playing in a room of the Magnet Hotel, North Clark-street. They played for four consecutive days and nights, and stopped only when rumours of the contest got abroad, and threatened to bring an interruption from the police. The game was stopped for meals four times in each twenty-four hours. One man had to drop out for an hour because his eyes failed him, but he resumed play afterwards. The limit was £40; but "jackpots" were opened for their size. One "jackpot" had £1800 in it. The loser had "four of a kind" against a "straight flush."

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BEER EXPORTS FROM ENGLAND.

The London L.V. Gazette says in an April issue that however much the brewers and distillers have to complain about the home trade, both have experienced a better demand from abroad. The exports of beer and ale last month amounted to 49,788 barrels of the value of £152,224, against 43,436 barrels valued at £147,489 in March, 1906. What is perhaps most surprising is the enormous increase in the orders from Australia, 7,267 barrels of the value of £25,991 having been shipped to the Commonwealth last month as against 4,837 valued

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of the value of £17,495, and British South Africa has once more taken less—682 barrels as against 776—which is not surprising in view of the continued depression existing in that country. New Zealand has increased her orders from 651 to 958 barrels, Egypt from 1,735 to 1,937, the Straits Settlements from 989 to 1,253, and the British West Indies from 1,137 to 1,645 barrels.

"OLD PORT" FOUND.

A short time since the librarian and caretaker of the Burra Institute, having received instructions to clear up the cellar under the council chamber for the purpose of stowing away some old papers, came upon a number of bottles of liquor, which upon examination were found to be three of port wine and 12 of porter. There had been more wine there, but the corks had given way and the contents were lost. The oldest inhabitant cannot account for the presence of the liquor, and various surmises have been made. There is no mayor's parlor in connection with the Burra Town Council, and there has been quite a number of total abstainers who have acted as mayor, but there were others, especially in the early days, who were not. Some persons think the intoxicants were left for a welcome given the explorer Forrest, who came through here and was welcomed. At any rate, the wine can be claimed as "old port." At the meeting of the institute committee on Monday it was decided to hand over the wine to the Burra Hospital.—"The Advertiser," Adelaide, S.A.

A QUARTER OF A TON OF SILVER SOLD.

To realise the colossal quantity of the silver plate which was stored in the house of the late Mrs Lewis-Hill, and which was sold at Christie's recently, it will be sufficient to state that its combined weight amounted to just about a quarter of a ton troy—all solid silver, not counting the plated ware, and much of it of considerable age and corresponding value.

Few members of the public put in an appearance yesterday, though large

crowds inspected the furniture, porcelain, and pictures in the outer rooms, and in the space of about two hours practically the whole collection was secured by the dealers.

From the point of view of value the most important item was a handsome James II. monteith by George Garthorne, nearly 45 ounces in weight, which proved the object of a keen contest between Mr Grbble and Mr Crichton, the former only securing it by bidding up to £9 an ounce, or about £404.

The chief lot as regards weight was a service of solid silver plate, comprising nearly 500 pieces and of a combined weight of about 600 ounces, which after a long series of bids was knocked down for £142. Two other services were included in the sale, one of 338 ounces going for 2s 6d an ounce, and another of 221 ounces making a penny less. A colossal pair of candelabra, with four branches for four lights each, weighing 443½ ounces, went for 7s an ounce.

Of the antique silver sold for notable prices, in addition to the monteith, were a pair of William III. candlesticks, which at £8 10s an ounce produced £375; a Charles II. oblong box at £5 2s an ounce totalled £235, and a plain tankard of the same period realised just short of £142.

Towards the end of the afternoon one of the few lots not secured by the dealers, a pair of plated soup tureens, fell to the bid of a lady present on behalf of Lady de Bathe.

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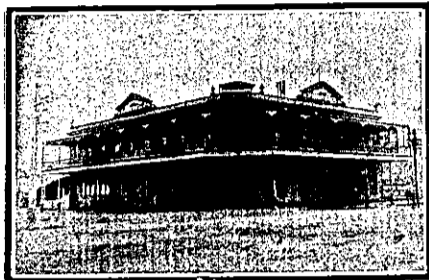
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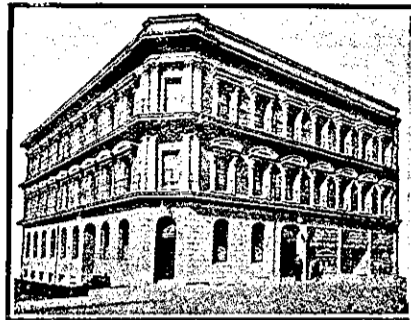
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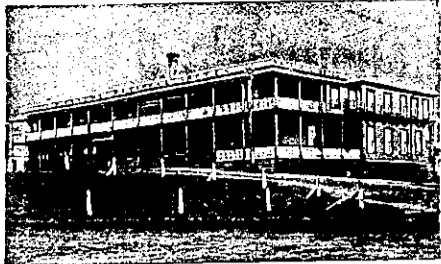
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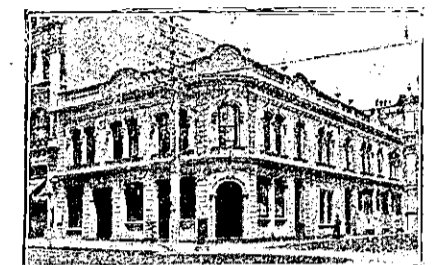
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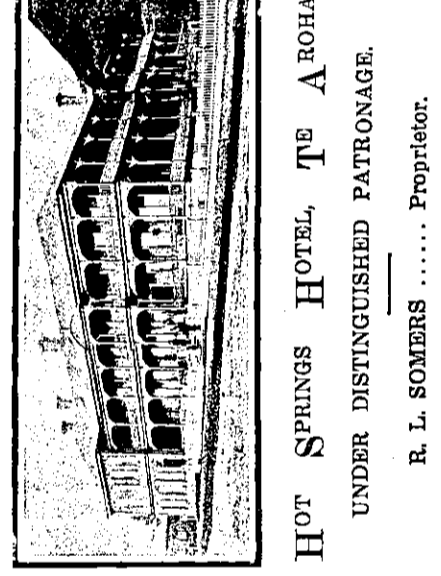


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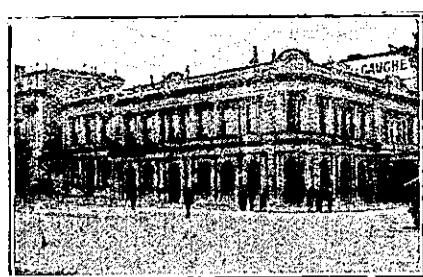
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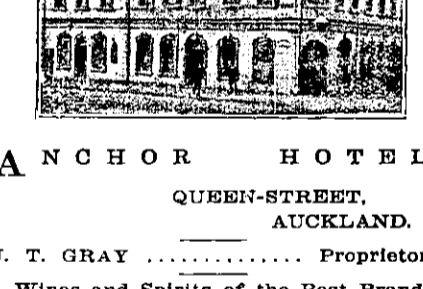
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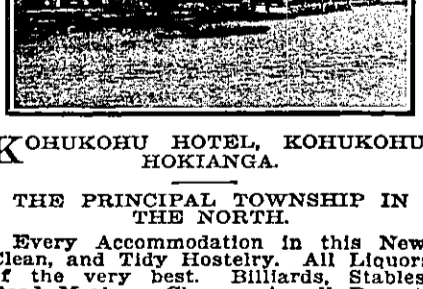


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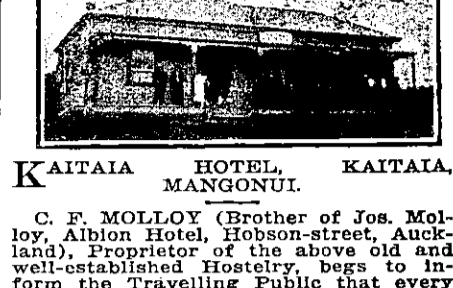
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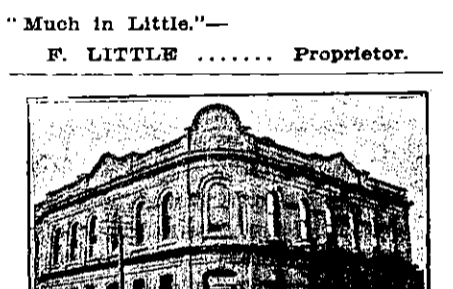
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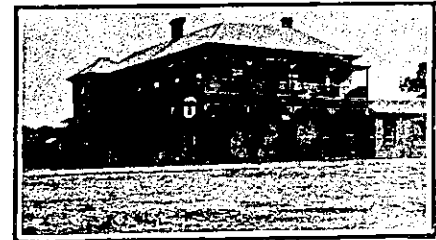


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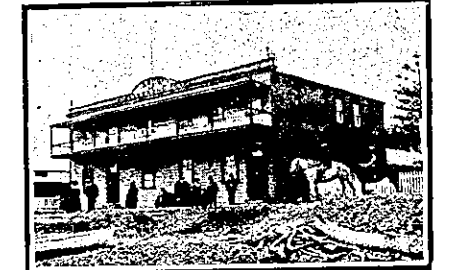
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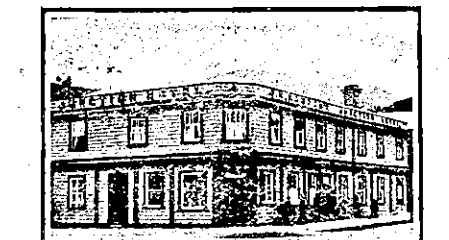


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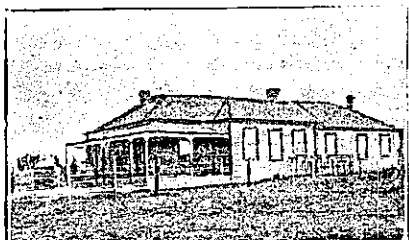
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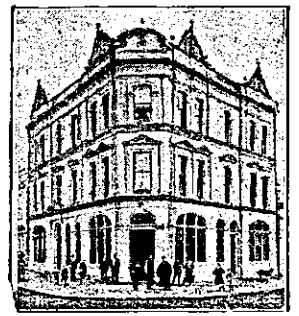
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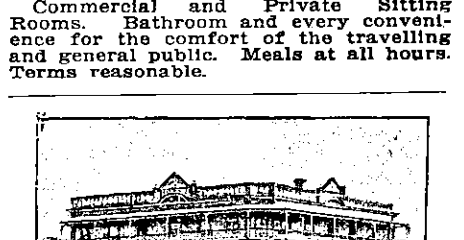
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Notice to Cyclists, Footballers, and others.—Your old friend Thos. McEwin has taken over the above Hotel and will be pleased to see all old faces. Splendid Accommodation and Cuisine. Large Rooms for use of Clubs.

THOS. McEWIN Proprietor.



TRAMWAY HOTEL, KARANGAHAKE.

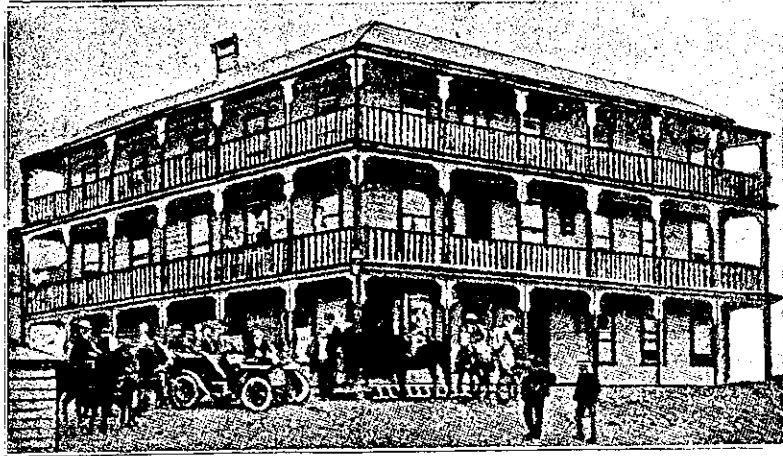
Across the Bridge.

MR. P. CROSBY Proprietor.

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

RISING SUN HOTEL, KARANGAHAPE ROAD.

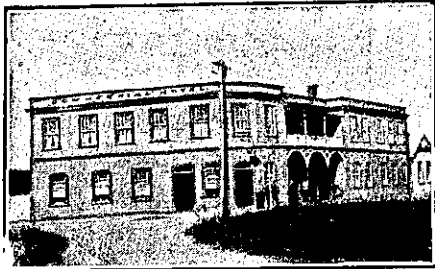
J. McKEANE, so long and favourably known at Panmure in connection with hotel-keeping, wishes to announce that he has taken over the Rising Sun Hotel, Karangahape Road, where he hopes to see all his old and new friends who may pass his way. Superior Accommodation for Boarders. Telephone 1717.



JUNCTION HOTEL, KAWAKAWA.

G. MARSHALJ Proprietor.

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



COMMERCIAL HOTEL, WHANGAREI. W. J. BRAY

Having taken over the above Hotel, has increased the Accommodation and renovated the Premises throughout. Customers can rely on Every Comfort and Attention.

THE BEST BRANDS OF WINES AND SPIRITS KEPT IN STOCK.

Ample Sample Rooms for Commercial Travellers. Good Billiard Table. Stable Accommodation Superior to anything North of Auckland.

H O W I C K.

Visitors to this Beautiful Spot will find everything of the best at the MARINE HOTEL.

A. E. BENNETT Proprietor.

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION. GOOD STABLING.

NOTTINGHAM CASTLE HOTEL, MORRINSVILLE. (Five Minutes from Railway Station).

JAS. GANLEY Proprietor.

This Hotel has recently been renovated and many additions made. First-class Accommodation for the Travelling Public. Meals at all hours. Wines and Spirits of Best Brands only.



WAIHI HOTEL, WAIHI.

The Accommodation is unsurpassed and the Charges Moderate. Sample Rooms for Travellers. Hall for concerts, socials, etc. Terms on application.

Coaches leave the Door for Katikati, Tauranga, etc. Telegrams: "Meyer," Waihi, Box 24. H. E. MEYER Licensee.

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WESTCOURT, HAMILTON (Opposite Railway Station).

PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

TARIFF: 4s 6d PER DAY.

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FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION. TARIFF—MODERATE.

BEST BRANDS OF ALES, WINES, AND SPIRITS, ETC.

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JAMES JACKSON .. Proprietor.

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION. MODERATE TARIFF.

ONLY BEST BRANDS ALES, WINES

UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

NOTICE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

THE CENTRAL HOTEL, DARGAVILLE.

(Close to Wharf and Railway Station).

Is now under the Management of MR. H. H. DYBE,

And the Travelling Public will find it one of the most Convenient Houses in the District.

ALL ACCOMMODATION.

BEST BRANDS OF WINES AND SPIRITS.

Telegrams Promptly Attended To.



THE TOWAI HOTEL, TOWAI.

(On the Main Road to or from Whangarei).

The Proprietor of the above well-known and old-established Hotel, having recently acquired the lease, begs to notify the general public that when they call in all their wants will be especially attended to. WINES, SPIRITS AND BEERS. A Good Table, and something for the Horse. Come and look up an old friend. Only the best of Liquors kept.

E. FERGUSON Proprietor.



MASONIC HOTEL, RAWENE.

Every Accommodation at this old and favourite Hostelry may be found for Commercial Travellers, Tourists and Family Parties.

No Trouble Spared. Good Table Kept. All Charges Most Reasonable. WINES, SPIRITS AND BEERS OF THE BEST.

Billiards, Boats, Stables, etc. J. J. BRYERS Proprietor.

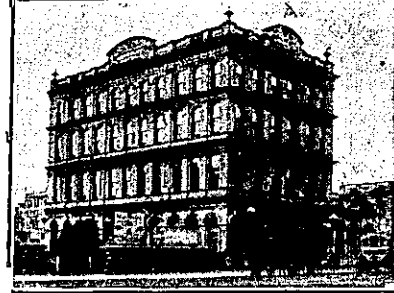
PURIRI HOTEL, PURIRI.

(10 Miles from Thames).

JOHN GANLEY Proprietor.

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION. CHARGES MODERATE.

ONLY BEST BRANDS ALES, WINES AND SPIRITS KEPT.



WAVERLEY HOTEL, QUEEN-STREET, AUCKLAND.

Near Railway Station, Tram Terminus, the Wharf, and Bus Stands.

First-class Table d'Hote. Conveyance meets Steamers and Trains. Tariff: 7s per day; £2 2s per week. Telephone 370.

This Hotel has a beautiful view of the Harbour.

MAURICE O'CONNOR Proprietor.

WAIROA HOTEL, CLEVEDON.

Recently renovated throughout, and under the management of W. G. AB-BOTT, late of N.Z. Railway Refreshment Rooms and Bar, Mercer.

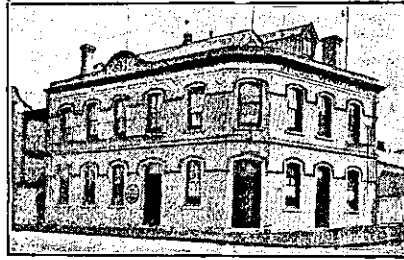
Excellent Accommodation for Anglers, Cyclists, and Motorists. Beautiful Scenery. Native Bush close to Hotel.

Capital Trout Fishing in several streams. Good Shooting. Stabling Accommodation.

EPSOM HOTEL, EPSOM (Opposite Alexandra Park).

GEO. BISHOP Proprietor.

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

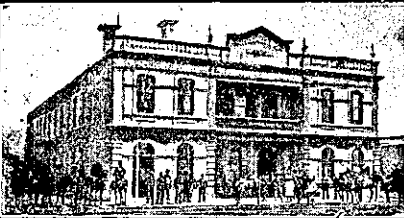


RAILWAY TERMINUS HOTEL (Beach Road, Auckland).

J. A. DOUGLAS Proprietor. (Late of Paeroa)

Wishes to inform his old friends that he has taken over the above Hotel, and would be glad to renew their acquaintance when visiting town.

Only five minutes from Thames Hotel, Queen-street.



WHANGAREI HOTEL, WHANGAREI.

This fine House, just re-built in brick and furnished in up-to-date style, now offers unrivalled accommodation to the Travelling Public.

Sample Room. Hot and Cold Baths. Two minutes' walk from Saltwater Bathing Place.

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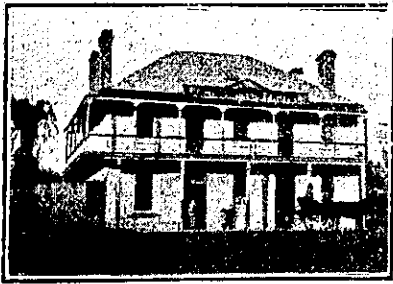


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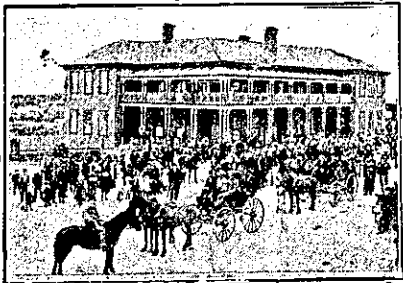
A First-class Family and Commercial Hotel, convenient to all public offices and places of amusement. Letters and Telegrams will receive prompt attention. Telephone Exchange. Sample Rooms. Private Bar. Thos. Cook and Son's Coupons Accepted.

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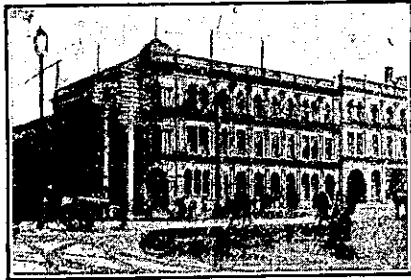
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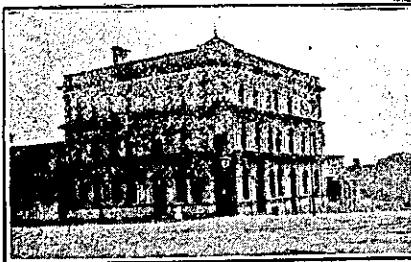
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 Buses and trams pass here on their way to and from Ellerslie Racecourse and Alexandra Park Football Ground.
WINES, SPIRITS AND BEERS—BEST ONLY.
 Give me a Call—
J. COTTERALL Proprietor.



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FRANK PILLING Proprietor.
 Offers Special Accommodation for Tourists, Families and Visitors.
 Commercial Sample Room. Telegrams Promptly Attended to.
 Spacious Bedrooms, Private Parlours.
 Hot, Cold, and Shower Baths.
TARIFF: 35s Per Week, or 6s Per day.
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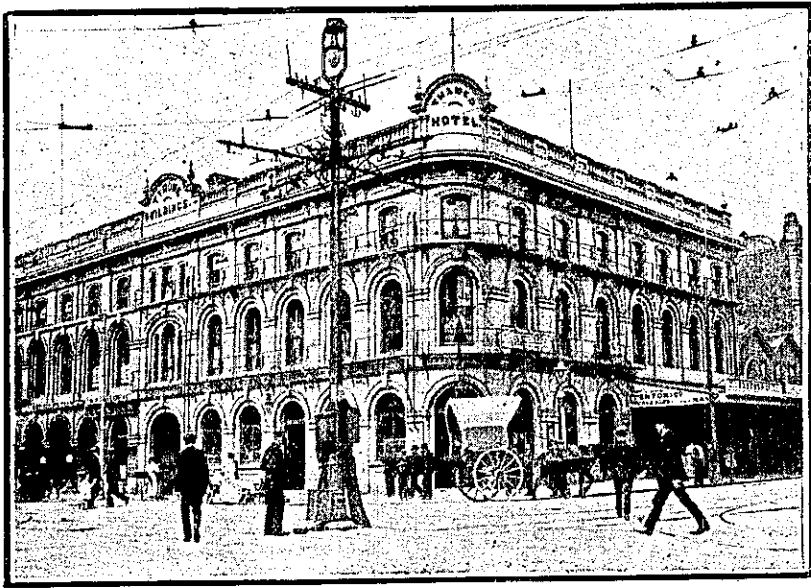
WAITEMATA HOTEL, Cor. QUEEN & CUSTOM STS., Auckland.
 Close to the Wharf and Railway Station.
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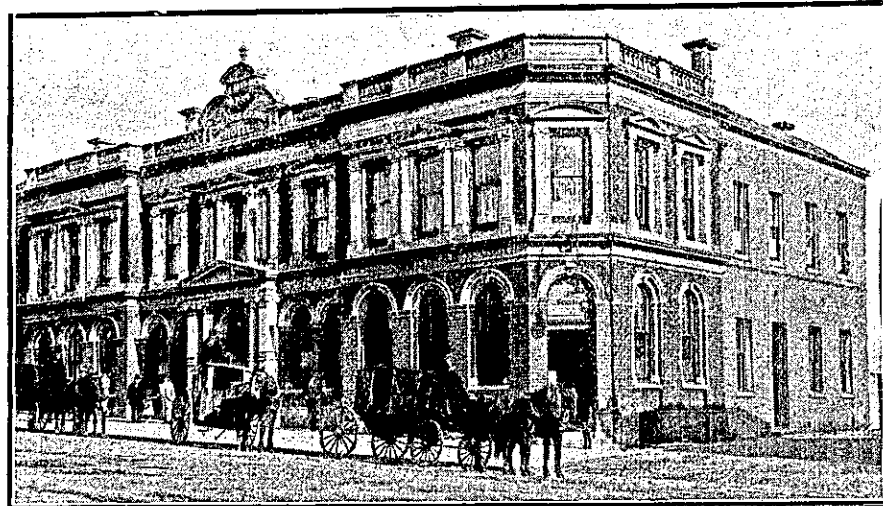
CITY HOTEL, Corner of VICTORIA & HOBSON STS., AUCKLAND.
WALTER STIMPSON
 (Late of the Queen's Ferry), will be glad to welcome Old and New Friends at the above Popular House.
 The Wines, Spirits, Ales and Cuisine will be found to be unexceptionable, while the Accommodation is thoroughly modern.
MANUKAU HOTEL, ONEHUNGA WHARF, Queen-st., Onehunga.
 This Hotel is directly situated on the Onehunga Wharf, and is therefore specially adapted for travellers either leaving or arriving from Wellington and the South via New Plymouth.
 Good Accommodation and Table. Only the Best Brands of Liquor kept. Stabling. Boating and Fishing Parties arranged.
T. MICHAELS Proprietor.

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

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J. MCWILLIAMS,
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 LATEST STYLE AND FIT GUARANTEED.



JAMES HOTEL, QUEEN AND CUSTOM STREETS, AUCKLAND.
MR. T. B. O'CONNOR (late Victoria Hotel) begs to inform the Public that he has taken over the above Hotel. The Hotel has been thoroughly renovated, and now offers Accommodation second to none in Auckland. Handy to Trains, Boats, and Trams. Excellent Table, and only Best Brands of Ales, Wines and Spirits on Stock.
T. B. O'CONNOR Proprietor.



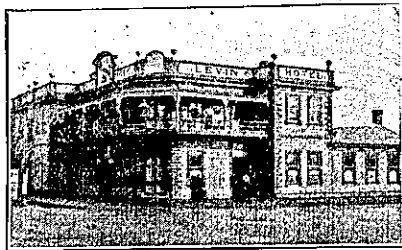
Five minutes' walk from the Post Office.
GROSVENOR HOTEL,
 (Late Governor Browne),
HOBSON STREET, AUCKLAND, N.Z.
E. BULLER, Proprietor.
 This well-known Hotel has been thoroughly Renovated and Refurnished throughout.
 Every Modern Comfort and Convenience for Tourists, Travelers and Families. **FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD TABLE.**
WINES AND SPIRITS OF THE BEST BRANDS ONLY.
TERMS MODERATE. Telephone 1153.

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 If you are interested in Motor Cars, Motor Cycles, or Bicycles in any way, you cannot afford to do without the "New Zealand Motor and Cycle Journal," 3s 6d per annum, posted to any address in New Zealand. Write to **ARTHUR CLEAVE AND CO., Vulcan Lane, Auckland.**

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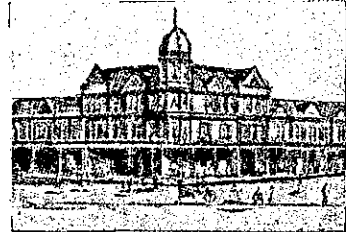
ALBION HOTEL, PATEA.
B. T. BENNETT,
 PROPRIETOR
 (Late of Masonic Hotel, Wanganui).

Having taken over this well-known house, B.T.B. will endeavour to see that Travellers and the General Public will have the very best of everything.



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 Tariff, 6s Per Day. Recommended by its patrons. Best of Wines and Spirits and Speight's XXXX Ale.
HUBERT S. COLLYNS ... Proprietor.

METROPOLITAN HOTEL,
 MOLESWORTH-ST., WELLINGTON.
MRS. JANE ORMSBEE .. Proprietress
 (Late of Clyde Quay Hotel, formerly of Central and Oriental Hotels).
FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION FOR BOARDERS.
 Close to Government and Manawatu Railway Stations. Telephone 1036. Trams stop at door.



RUTLAND HOTEL, WANGANUI.
F. C. FABER Proprietor.
THE HOME OF THE TOURIST.

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



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

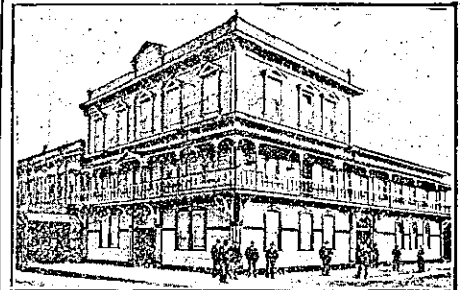
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THE EMPIRE HOTEL
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BARRETT'S HOTEL, LAMBTON QUAY, WELLINGTON.
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 Newly Built in Brick. Over 70 Rooms. All Modern Conveniences. Close to Wharf and Post Office. Excellent Table kept. Day and Night Porters in attendance. Tariff 7s per day, weekly by arrangement. Letters and Telegrams receive prompt attention. Phone 1076.
W. M. KELLY Proprietor.



CENTRAL HOTEL, PALMERSTON NORTH.
 The Central Hotel on Main-st. West in Palmerston is surely the best. The tables good, the bedrooms fine. With best of spirits, beer and wine; Fine sitting-rooms, baths hot and cold. And a welcome sure for young and old. So call on me when next you pass. And w'll enjoy a friendly glass.
A. F. ANDERSON Proprietor.

CLUB HOTEL, PALMERSTON NORTH.
H. B. TUCKER Proprietor.

This Hotel stands on about two acres of land, and includes a large garden and stables, twelve large, well-lighted and ventilated Sample Rooms.
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UNDER THE IMMEDIATE SUPERVISION OF MR AND MRS. H. B. TUCKER.

POST OFFICE HOTEL, FOXTON.

THE LEADING HOTEL OF "FLAXOPOLIS."
 Coaches leave hotel for Shannon and Levin.
BEST OF WINES AND SPIRITS. SPEIGHT'S BEER.

GEO. GRAY Proprietor.

CASEY'S FAMILY HOTEL, LOWER HUTT.

JOHN YOUNG .. Proprietor.
 This hotel offers accommodation second to none in the district. Central position and close to the Post Office. Billiards, Excellent Table, and Best Brands of Wines and Spirits. Only Speight's Beer drawn.
 Good Stabling and Commodious Loose Boxes.

Patronised by His Excellency the Governor.

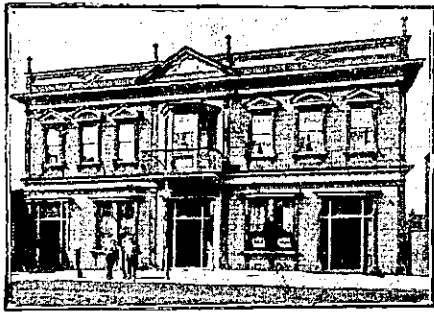
CLUB HOTEL, MASTERTON.

The appointed House for the Commercial Travellers and Warehousemen's Association, Wellington, also Cook's Tourist Travellers.
 All Appointments up to date.
A. C. SCRIMGEOUR Proprietor.

THE NEW RAILWAY HOTEL, (Opposite Railway Station) PALMERSTON NORTH.

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

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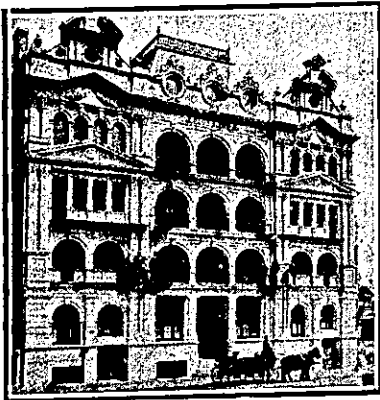
PROVINCIAL HOTEL, WANGANUI. FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION FOR THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC. ONLY THE BEST OF ALES, WINES, AND SPIRITS KEPT IN STOCK. W. TUCK Proprietor.

FOXTON FAMILY HOTEL, FOXTON.

Excellent Accommodation for the Travelling Public at a Moderate Tariff. Best Wines, Spirits, Ales, etc. Good Billiard Table. Ample Stabling and Paddocking. Coaches run twice daily to Shannon. ANDREW LAING (late of Dannevirke) Proprietor.

CLUE HOTEL, MARTON.

R. J. WALTERS Proprietor. First-class Accommodation for Visitors and the Travelling Public. Only the Best Brands of Ales, Wines and Spirits kept. First-class Billiard Room.



HOTEL ARCADIA, WELLINGTON. Most Up-to-date Private Hotel in the Colonies. Smoking Rooms, Writing Rooms, Drawing Rooms and Lounge. Beautiful Roof Garden, reached by electric lift. JOHN PATERSON Proprietor (For 20 Years with U.S.S. Co.).

CALEDONIAN HOTEL (opposite Basin Reserve, Wellington). Trams pass the Hotel every few minutes. One of the best-built Hotels in the Wellington District. First-class Table kept and Reasonable Tariff. Best Brands of Wines and Spirits Stocked. Only Speight's Best Draught Ales on Tap. J. CLULOW Proprietor. (Late of Railway Hotel, Lower Hutt). Footballers, Cricketers, and Athletes specially catered for.



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.



FEDERAL HOTEL, WANGANUI. OPPOSITE UP-RIVER STEAMER WHARVES TAUPO QUAY. WANGANUI. Modern, Brick, Fire-proof, Two-storied Building. Cosily furnished with all home comforts. First-class Table and Moderate Tariff. The Best Brands of Ales, Stout and Spirits always procurable. P. McILVRIDE, Proprietor. NEW FEDERAL HOTEL, Wanganui.

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MASONIC HOTEL, RIVERBANK, WANGANUI.

WM. ABBOTT, Proprietor. (Late of Star Hotel, Otahuhu). EVERYTHING UP TO DATE.

CAFE DE PARIS HOTEL, PALMERSTON NORTH.

MRS. J. ADAMS Proprietress. (Late of Marquis of Normanby Hotel, Carterton).

Apposite Railway Station. Travellers may rely on catching early trains. Speight's Beer.

THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL, PALMERSTON NORTH.

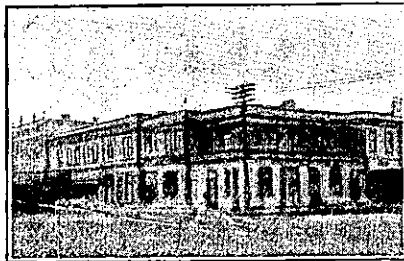
T. CHILDS Proprietor. The proprietor of this conveniently-situated Hotel having had the premises entirely renovated and remodelled, is prepared to receive travellers and the public generally, and guarantees strict attention, the best of Wines and Spirits, and trusts to obtain by these means a fair share of patronage.

WAITOTARA HOTEL, WAITOTARA.

Has been brought thoroughly Up-to-date and offers First-class Accommodation to Travellers. Best of Wines and Spirits. Speight's XXX Ales always on Tap. GEO. McARTHUR Proprietor. (Late of Wellington).

PRINCESS THEATRE HOTEL, TORY-STREET, WELLINGTON.

First-class Accommodation at a Moderate Tariff. Every Attention and all Home Comforts. Wines, Spirits, Ales, etc., of the Best Quality. W. NIDD Proprietor.



ROYAL HOTEL, THE SQUARE, PALMERSTON NORTH.

G. SEARLE (late of Otago and Canterbury), has taken over the above well-known Hotel, and hopes by strict attention to business to receive the patronage of the travelling public and residents of the district. Good accommodation for commercials and families.

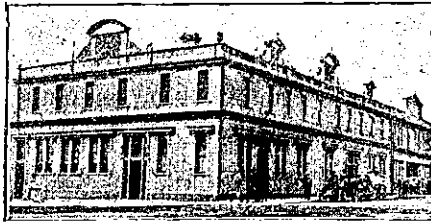
MARTON HOTEL, MARTON.

J. A. PAWSON Proprietor. Mr. Pawson begs to intimate that he has taken over the above Hotel, and the travelling public can rely on First-class Accommodation at a moderate tariff. Only the Best of Ales, Wines, and Spirits kept. Tariff: 4s 6d per Day.

COFFEE PALACE, WANGANUI.

Opposite Railway Station, Wanganui. This well-known House is easily got at from the Railway Station, and Families and the General Public will find every Comfort and Convenience. Terms Moderate. MISS DOBLE Proprietress.

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NEW CRITERION HOTEL, RIDGWAY-STREET, WANGANUI.

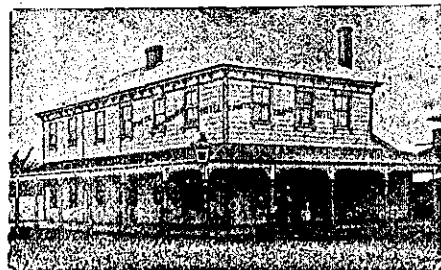
One Minute from P.O. and Railway Station. FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION. EXCELLENT CUISINE. DINNER, 12 TO 2. Tariff, 6s per Day. Phone, 225. P.O. Box 147. T. H. NIXON Proprietor.

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TARANAKI PROVINCE.

THE NEW "TROCADERO" TEMPERANCE HOTEL, EGMONT-STREET, NEW PLYMOUTH.

(One Minute from Railway Station). Every convenience provided for the Travelling Public. Meals, 1s; Beds, 1s 6d. Meals served on arrival of trains and steamers. New Building with brick walls. Complete fire escapes. Commodious and airy bedrooms and sitting-rooms. Hot, cold, and shower baths. Terms: From 4s 6d per day; weekly as per arrangement. HALE & CO., Proprietors.



A COMFORTABLE HOSTELRY.

CHARLES POTTS begs to intimate that he has entered into possession of the BRANCH HOTEL, BRIDGE-ST. ELTHAM. Wines, Spirits and Liqueurs of the choicest quality. The Cuisine is under the management of an Experienced Chef. Hot Lunch Daily from 12.30. Saturday and Sale Days from 12. Tariff, 5s Per Day.

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F. C. BENNETT Proprietor. 36 Bedrooms, Commercial, Smoking, and Sitting Rooms. Large Dining Hall, Hot and Cold Water Baths. Excellent Cuisine. Terms: 4s 6d Per Day. Boarders as per arrangement.

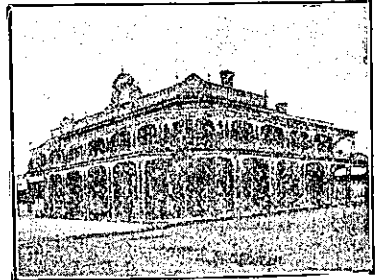
CLARENDON HOTEL, WAVERLEY.

MR. G. W. OAKENFULL begs 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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The EMPIRE is the appointed Hotel to the Wellington Commercial Travellers' Association and N.Z. Cyclists' Touring Club. JOHN CARD Proprietor.

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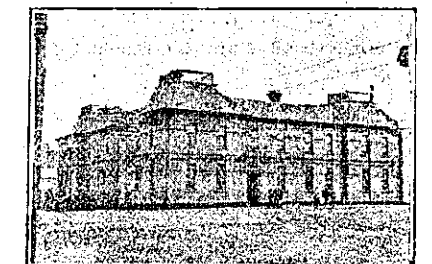
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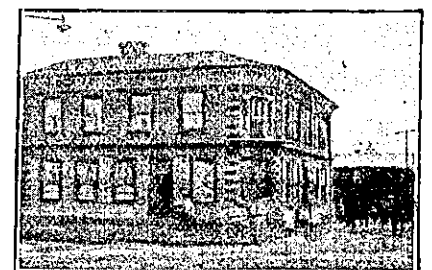
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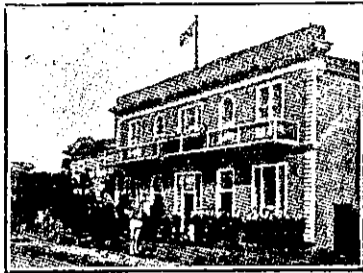
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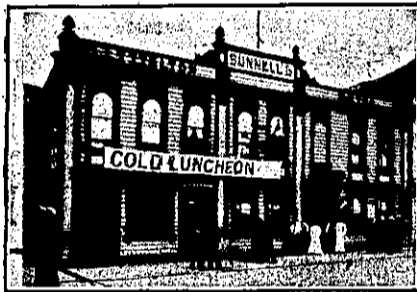
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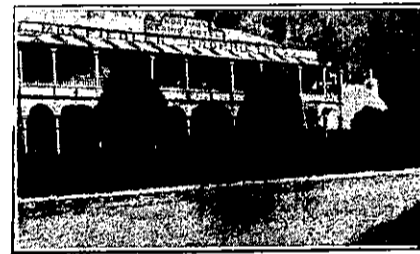


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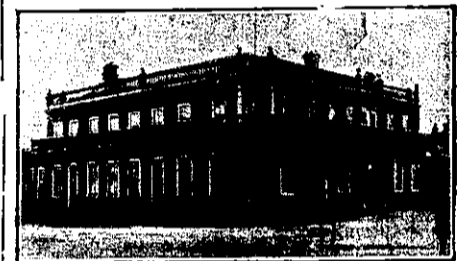
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