

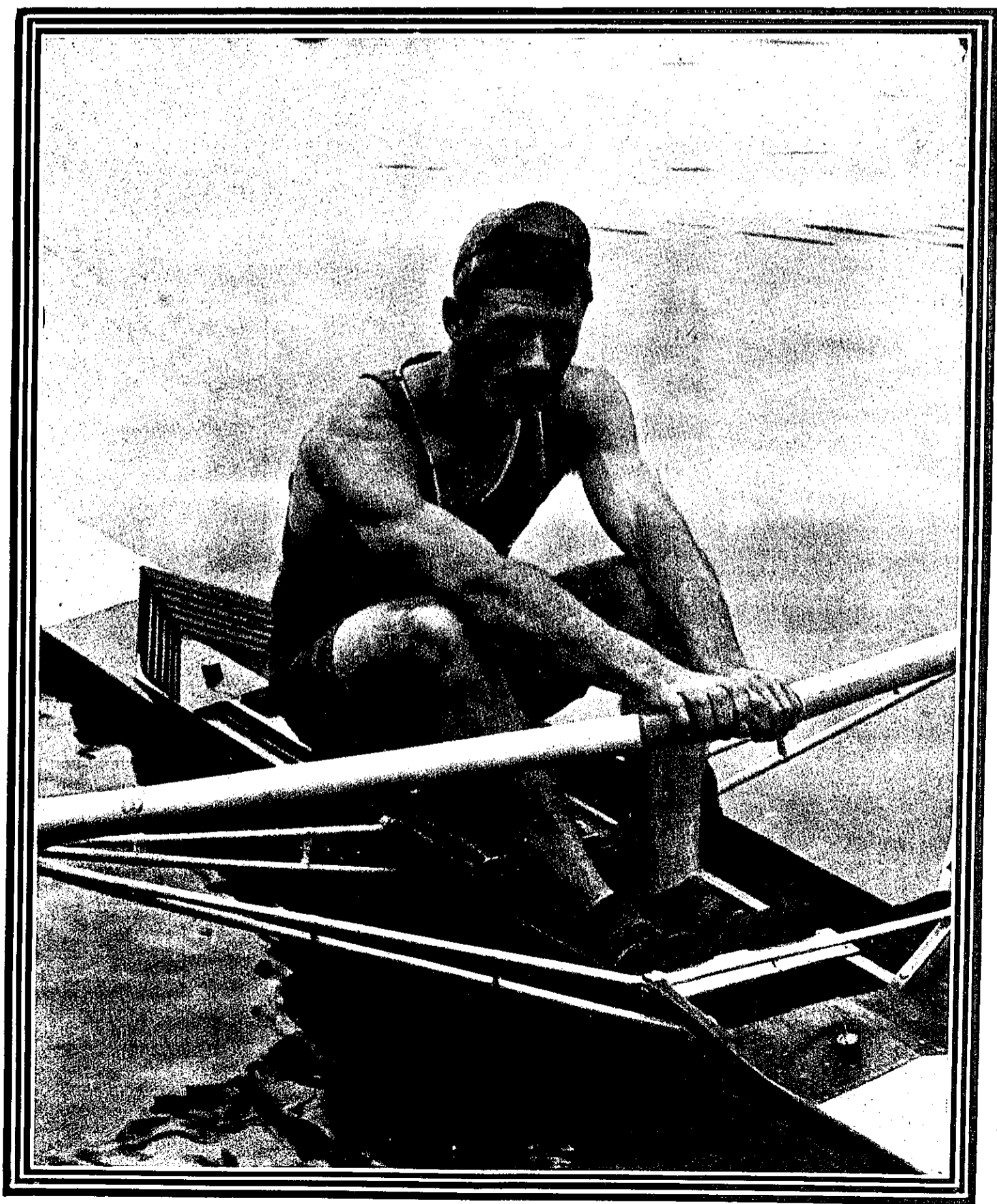
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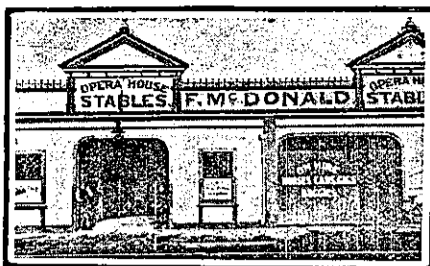
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FIXTURES.

March 6 and 7—Wanganui J.C.
 March 6 and 7—Westport J.C. Autumn
 March 11 and 12—Dannevirke J.C.
 March 13 and 14—Tolaga Bay J.C. Annual
 March 16 and 17—Ohinemuri J.C.
 March 17 and 18—Greymouth J.C.
 March 17 and 18—Napier Park
 March 21—Mauku R.C.
 March 21—Thames J.C.
 March 25 and 26—Taranaki J.C. Autumn
 March 26—Waipawa County
 March 27, 28—South Auckland R.C.
 April 4, 8, 11—Auckland Trotting Club
 April 18, 20, 21—Auckland Racing Club Autumn
 April 20—Patea R.C.
 April 20 and 21—Feilding J.C.
 April 29, May 2—Avondale J.C.

NOMINATIONS.

March 5—Mauku R.C.
 March 6—Third Feilding Stakes
 March 6—Thames J.C.
 March 6—South Auckland R.C.
 March 13—Auckland Racing Club (special events)
 March 14—Taranaki J.C. (hack events)
 March 20—Auckland Trotting Club
 March 27—Auckland Racing Club (general entries)
 March 30—Patea R.C.
 April 3—Avondale J.C. (special events)
 April 17—Avondale J.C. (general entries)

WEIGHTS ARE DUE.

March 9—Taranaki J.C. Autumn
 March 9—Ohinemuri J.C.
 March 12—Mauku R.C.
 March 13—South Auckland R.C.
 March 13—Thames J.C.
 March 23—Auckland Racing Club (special events)
 March 23—Auckland Trotting Club
 April 3—Auckland Racing Club (first day)
 April 6—Patea R.C.
 April 6—Avondale J.C. (special events)
 April 20—Avondale J.C.

ACCEPTANCES.

March 12—Ohinemuri J.C.
 March 13—Mauku R.C.
 March 14—Taranaki J.C. Autumn
 March 19—Thames J.C.
 March 20—South Auckland R.C.
 March 27—Auckland Trotting Club
 April 13—Patea R.C.

THE NEWMARKET HANDICAP.

A great field of thirty turned out on Saturday to contest the big sprinting event of the Victoria R.C. meeting. New Zealand had several representatives, these being Munjeet, Dusky Morn, Grenadier, and Captain Shannon. The English horses Antonio, Traquair, Bright Steel, and So-kinsha were there, while the remainder hailed from the Australian States. Traquair, a great sprinter when at his best in England, was first away, and he led for a furlong. Then Scotland commenced to work his way through, with Dusky Morn and Grenadier close handy. Coming home in great style, Scotland passed the judge's box two lengths ahead of Grenadier, with Akim Foo three-quarters of a length further away. The time, 1m. 14½s., although fast, has been beaten on five occasions, viz., by Cranbrook (1888), Carlton (1897), Amiable (1898), Sir Foote (1902, the record), and Playaway (1905). Scotland's victory was by no means unexpected, as he was very well handicapped, and had been backed to win a lot of money. He is a five-year-old bay son of that successful stallion Wallace, from Key, and runs for Mr. J. Brennan. Grenadier, the second horse, who made such a bold showing, was bred at Glenora Park, being by Soult from Hotcherina. This was the second big event in which he had acted as runner-up for within a few days. Akim Foo, the third horse, is a four-year-old brown gelding by Bobadil from Alice, who has been showing good form recently.

THE AUSTRALIAN CUP.

The Australian Cup, which is run over the long distance of two and a quarter miles, was decided at Flemington on Tuesday. With the presence in it of the ex-New Zealanders Apologue (who had top weight), Putty and Delaware, rather more interest than usual was taken in the event by sportsmen on this side of the Tasman Sea. The first-named horse, despite a welter weight of 9st 11lb, was well fancied, but found the burden too great. Ganymede, Delaware and Enchanted States made most of the running, the latter being

Apologue made his effort, but failed to in front at the home bend. Here maintain it. Delaware looked to have a chance at the distance, but failed to see it out, and Peru, who had been in a handy place throughout, came through and won by a length from Tulkeroo, with Enchanted States a similar distance off third. The time, 4m. 0¼s., has been beaten on five occasions, viz., by Dreadnought (1890), Idolator (1896), Dreamland (1901), Lord Ullin's Daughter (1905, record), and Tartan (1906). Peru hails from New South Wales and runs in the colours of the Hon. Agar Wynne, who bought him as a yearling for 280 guineas, and gave him to the veteran Tom Payton to train. But for Mountain King the colt would have been hailed as the winner of the V.R.C. Derby and St. Leger, as he filed second place behind the champion each time. Peru is a three-year-old black colt, and was got by the Galopin horse Grafton from Silver Coin, a daughter of Napoleon and Silverhair. Tulkeroo, the runner-up, is a five-year-old son of Simmer and Myall Queen, while the third horse, Enchanted States, is an aged gelding by Malvolio—The Enchantress.

PAPAKURA RACING CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING.

Last Saturday the Papakura Racing Club held its annual meeting under very pleasant weather conditions. The special train required no less than fourteen coaches to carry visitors from Auckland, quite 700 going up from town by rail. All had to undergo a tedious wait at the start. It appears that owing to a shortage of engines the 12.45 train, an unusually long one, was sent away with insufficient hauling power. The inevitable result was a stick-up near the tunnel, and this delayed the departure of the special for over half an hour. This meant that the races were started nearly three-quarters of an hour late, but Mr. F. Yonge, the secretary, and his staff hustled things along and finished up in time to catch the return special. Thirty-one bookmakers, licensed at a fee of three guineas each, were calling the odds, and business was fairly brisk. The racing proved interesting, although it might have been expected that with such large nominations the fields would have been bigger.

This did not apply to the opening event, the Maiden Plate, six furlongs, for which eleven saddled up. Mr. Scott's gelding Explosive (Explosion—Nellie) was made favourite, a good selection, as he was in front all the way, and won handily by a length from Epsom Lass, who was brought too late, but finished very fast. Three Kings was third.

A trio contested the Flying Handicap, five furlongs, and once again punters dropped on to the good thing. This was Mr. Irwin's Cyrenian gelding Lochbuhie, who jumped off smartly, paced the others throughout, and defeated Waihou by a length. San Paulo was beaten off.

There were five contestants in the big race, the Papakura Cup, one mile. Cyrettus jumped away smartly with Landlock next and Le Beau last. Before the straight was reached Landlock moved up into the lead, but with heads turned for home Le Beau came with a rush, Ryan getting the Leolantis gelding home by a length.

Seven weighed out for the Hack Race, four furlongs, and this gave rise to a very pretty finish. Confide made the early running, attended by Engraver and Flint Island. Below the distance the latter was in front, but Whittaker, bringing Ngapuka with a great rush, landed Mr. Wallace's gelding a half-length winner from Flint Island, with Tua Kitua third.

On the strength of his previous win, Lochbuhie was made a strong favourite for the Railway Handicap, six furlongs, and, as it turned out, backers were on the right track once more, but it was a fairly close call. Lochbuhie and Epsom Lass were at it all the way round, but at the end the favourite had a little more steam left than his opponent, and, drawing out, he won by nearly a length. Land-

lock seemed unable to pace it with the other two, and finished well back.

There were four runners in the Welter Handicap, seven furlongs, and the result seemed open. Sonoma got off the mark very smartly, and she led into the straight. Philosopher and Cyrettus made unavailing efforts to catch the pony, who got home by a length from Philosopher, with Cyrettus third and Kapakapa last. This brought an enjoyable afternoon's sport to a close.

THE WANGANUI J.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

The autumn meeting of the Wanganui Jockey Club will be commenced to-day and brought to a termination on Saturday. Everything appears to point to a highly successful gathering, for the fixture is a popular one and the acceptances are first-class. There are eleven horses still left in the Cup, including two Auckland Cup winners in Zimmerman and Master Delaval, and the result appears remarkably open. On the second day Elevation's half-brother Gravitation will through down the gauntlet to Sir George Clifford's Glenculloch and Millionaire, and this should be a race worth watching. All the other events have drawn good acceptances, so that with fine weather those who assist at the fixture should witness some high-class sport. Those left in the Cup are—

Zimmerman 9.4, Master Delaval 8.13, Marguerite 8.8, Gold Crest 8.5, Moloch 7.13, The Lark 7.12, Tangimoana 7.12, Waitapu 7.6, Saga 6.9, Signor 6.9, Uhlando 6.8.

THE A.R.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

The time for holding the big autumn meeting of the Auckland Racing Club is rapidly getting nearer, held, as it is, during the Easter week. The programme, always an interesting one to peruse, will be found in another page of this issue. From this it will be noted that while general entries are not due until the 27th inst., yet those for certain of the big events, viz., the Brighton Hurdles, Easter Handicap, St. George's Handicap, Autumn Steeplechase and Autumn Handicap, close with Mr. Hartland on Friday, March 13, by 9 p.m.

THE THAMES MEETING.

The autumn meeting of the Thames Jockey Club takes place on Saturday, March 21, and for this a good programme has been arranged, which will be found in another column. Mr. W. H. Potts reminds owners that all nominations close to-morrow (Friday), March 6, at 8 p.m. To suit the convenience of local owners, Mr. H. B. Massey, 10, High-street, Auckland, has also been empowered to take entries.

THE MAUKU RACING CLUB.

The Mauku Racing Club will bring off the annual meeting on Saturday, March 21. The programme, which has been approved by the A.R.C., consists of the Hurdle Race of 8sovs, 1½ miles; the Maiden Handicap of 6sovs, 6 furlongs; Mauku Cup of 15sovs, 1 mile; the Flying Handicap of 8sovs, 4 furlongs; the Hack Handicap of 8sovs, six furlongs; Patumahoe Handicap of 9sovs, 5 furlongs; Welter Handicap of 6sovs, 7 furlongs. The course is some three miles from Pukekohe station, and coaches meet the trains. Owners must note that nominations close with Mr. F. E. Simpson, the secretary, Patumahoe, or with Mr. F. D. Yonge, Durham-street, East, Auckland, at 9 p.m. this (Thursday) evening.

THE NAPIER CARNIVAL.

The great Carnival week at Napier will commence on March 16, and with no less than £2500 to be given in prize-money all the events should fill well. There will be a Regatta, Bowling Tournament, Motor-car Gymkhana, Tennis Tournament, Swimming Races, Military Competitions, Horse Racing, and numerous other sports. In fact, Napier intends to fairly spread itself and have a real good time. Mr. A. E. Eagleton, the secre-

tary, desires attention drawn to the fact that the time for receiving entries has been extended for certain events. For the swimming championship entries close on March 7, for the Champion Rowing Races on March 14, Motor-car events on March 2, Bowling Tournament on March 6, Military Tournament on March 10, Tennis Handicap events on March 7, and Champion Events on March 12. There should be a lengthy list of nominations in all events. If visitors cannot enjoy themselves at Napier when the carnival is in full swing, then indeed they will be difficult to please.

AUSTRALIAN VERSUS ENGLISH HORSES IN INDIA.

For many years Indian owners have looked to Australia, and, in a measure, New Zealand, to supply the best racehorses. This was not to be wondered at, because the whalers, as they are called, have earned for themselves countless laurels. It would appear, however, that the colonial-bred animal is no longer to have matters all his own way, and the English-bred ones are becoming very formidable competitors. Take, for example, the big events of the recent great meetings at Calcutta, and this is how they resulted:—

Burdwan Cup (hurdles, R.C. and dist.), Mallard (Australia).
 The Trials (1 mile), Stirabout (England).
 The Viceroy's Cup (1½ mile), Fitz-Grafton (Australia).
 The Calcutta Plate (6 furlongs), Golden Glean (England).
 The Grand Annual (2 miles, hurdles), Marmalade III, (England).
 The Sandown Park Plate (5 furlongs), Sermon (England).
 The Cooch Behar Cup (1½ mile), Ball-lark (Australia).
 The Chowringhee Plate (6 furlongs), Annamulloch (England).
 The Macpherson Cup (St. Leger course), Amplify (England).
 The Tally-ho Plate (2 miles, hurdles), Marmalade III, (England).
 The Metropolitan Plate (6 furlongs), Sea Spray (England).
 The King's Plate (R.C.), Misty Morn (Australia).
 The Prince of Wales' Plate (1 mile), Paddy's Darling (England).
 The Merchants' Plate (1½ mile), Footprint (England).
 The Hooghly Plate (5 furlongs), Ferndown (England).
 Steeplechases.—The Indian Grand National (3 miles), Mallard (Australia); the Tollygunge Plate (3 miles), Seclusion (Australia).

Writing on the subject, the Indian correspondent to the "Australasian" says:—Whilst Australia has sent the winners of the blue ribands of both the flat and cross-country events, and has also supplied the Cooch-Bihar Cup and King's Plate winners, the English horses have put up a very big score all round, and have shown both over hurdles and on the flat that they are yearly becoming more and more a factor for the Australian dealer to reckon with. England has appropriated all the principal sprint races, and both of the two big one-mile events, the trials, and the Prince of Wales' Plate, and this bears out the argument that Indian buyers find that they can get better value for their money for this class of horse in England than they can in the colonies. These results I think are worthy careful consideration at the hands of Australian sellers, as the Indian "nabob" who goes to Australia from the country of "rajahs and rice" is beginning to debate within himself whether he is not being asked rather too high prices!

BUYING YEARLINGS.

Investing in young thoroughbreds may be likened to searching for gold in new country. In both cases it is long odds against you striking it rich, but there is always the chance, and one good "find" makes up for a lot of "duffers." And so the prospector for the precious metal and the investor in yearlings are not dismayed by one, two or many disappointments. They go on while the funds last, in the hope that on one happy day the pick will expose a "jeweller's shop," or a bid secure a Mountain King. Then, when that lucky hour arrives, you can afford to forgive the past, and view the future with something like contentment. But how rare are "jeweller's shops" and Mountain Kings?

A great authority once gave it as his opinion that to the whole of the British Isles no more than three horses of the highest class are produced in any season. The average is probably less. It has been admitted that in some seasons in England it is difficult to even find one performer on the Turf entitled to be put in the "front row" if judgment is made by the highest standard. There have been Derby winners that proved to be quite ordinary animals when pitted against the best form of the day. Sir Visto was a case in point. It must, though, be admitted that the winning of a race like the Epsom Derby generally carries a certificate of high merit with it, and, as a rule, the colt or filly that gains the Blue Riband of the English Turf manages to confirm the form in subsequent tests of speed and stamina.

If the percentage of the best class of horses is so low in any given year in England, how much less must it be in Australia? For, at a rough guess, there are probably four foals that see the light every year in England to the one in Australia. So it will be seen that the chance of having a Mountain King knocked down to you at the ring-side is very remote, especially as in every season many of the most promising yearlings do not come under the hammer at all, but are withheld from sale. Mountain King himself, for instance, was not offered for public competition. He is still owned by his breeder, who from the first in all likelihood looked forward to the gigantic chestnut making a sire some day. Had he entered the ring as a yearling, Mountain King would, no doubt, have made a lot of money. And it often pays to go to a high figure for a yearling, though it often happens that the most costly are not the best in this connection.

There are high-priced failures every season, while "cheap lots" are sometimes more than useful, but "the man with the money" is often rewarded for enterprise at the yearling sales as elsewhere. There was talk of "the fool and his money," etc., when Sievier gave ten thousand for Sceptre as a youngster, but it turned out one of the most profitable speculations ever made in horseflesh. Still, the "little man" need not despair altogether. His "hundred" occasionally brings in a good winner, while the thousands of the "capitalists" miss the mark. Remember Newhaven, for one. There were several more expensive yearlings than the Newminster colt sold on the same afternoon; in fact, he was one of the comparatively cheap lots. Yet he won the Maribyrnong Plate, Derby, Melbourne Cup, and other races in Australia, and then went to England and landed, amongst other events, the City and Suburban Handicap. And there may be a Newhaven to be picked up at the same price, or less, at the sales this Autumn. It is mostly a lottery, and one never knows what the "lucky bag" may send forth.—"Melbourne Sporting News."

THE SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

The handsome sum of £600 is to be distributed in stakes at the annual race meeting of the South Auckland R.C., which will take place on Friday and Saturday, March 27 and 28. Mr. W. I. Conradi, the secretary, notifies owners that nominations for all events close at the Hospital Chambers, Hood-street, Hamilton, or with Mr. H. B. Massey, High-street, Auckland, at 9 p.m. to-morrow (Friday), the 6th inst. No doubt the list of entries will be a good one.

ENGLISH HORSES IN AUSTRALIA.

The last few years have seen a number of English horses brought out to Australia as racehorses. Referring to this, the "Australasian" says:—At the time Mr. W. R. Wilson practically opened up the Australian trade in racehorses with England by sending home Merman, it was a rare thing for an English horse to come here to race. We had Panic sent out by "Bruni" to Mr. Blackwell, of Tasmania, in the early sixties. He ran second in a Melbourne Cup with roset. Nemesis, drowned or killed soon afterwards on the City of Melbourne, won the Metropolitan of 1876, and a few others, such as The Englishman, raced with some success, but turfmen, until the saw Merman, Maluma, Paris, Newhaven, etc., doing well in England would not hear of imported horses for racing. Ten years ago Positano showed the erroneousness of this idea. Then came Sir Foote, Playaway, and others. Now it is quite the fashion to buy up young horses in England and send them out here to race. Provided the price is not exorbitant, the speculation should pay. If they fail at racing, the importations may do well at the stud. What effect on the breed all these St. Simon horses will have, remains to be seen. There can be no two opinions about the

modern English horse being faster than the average Australian. Some years ago that keen observer, Mr. Joseph Thompson, wrote "Terlinga"—"It is no use sending Australian sprinters here. Ours are better than yours. Good stayers are all right. We have not got many of them." There you have the position in a few words. These English sires are likely to dominate the position, and they will cause time records to be beaten, but if breeders neglect the good old hard strains, Australia's reputation for breeding sound weight-carrying horses that can get a distance may be damaged. We must say we do like to see the names of Panic, Yattendon, and Musket in a pedigree. We hope the name for soundness and stamina will never be lost to Australia. As far as type is concerned the talk about deterioration in the thoroughbred is all nonsense. Thirty years ago eight and a half inches of bone was considered rare. Now nine inches is not so uncommon. Anything the old horse of the sixties could do over a distance the Carabines, Abercorns, and Wakefuls could eclipse by seconds. We are all right so far, and in comparison with other countries we do not sin to excess in sprinting—but there may be trouble ahead.

There is a great race in Australia between Grafton and Wallace for first place on the list of winning sires. Wallace got a big lift at Flemington, his descendants winning the St. Leger, Newmarket Handicap, and Sires' Produce Stakes. Not to be outdone, Grafton's progeny have annexed the Brunswick Stakes and the Australian Cup. At present Wallace has a very slight lead.

Auckland owners do not seem to relish for their horses the steamer trip between Onehunga and New Plymouth. Very few from the North have been entered for the Taranaki meeting, but the fixture has been freely supported from other centres.

A number of Auckland sportsmen have gone South to assist at the Wanganui meeting. Among the number is Mr. Hayr, secretary Avondale Jockey Club.

Lochbuie was in good form at the Papakura meeting, winning a double in good style.



DICK ARNST, WHO HAS CHALLENGED WEBB FOR THE SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE WORLD. Denton, Photo.

NOTES.

(By The Judge.)

Entries for the Third Feilding Stakes of 500sovs close with Mr. E. Goodbehere at 8.30 p.m. to-morrow (Friday).

The Waipa R.C. will hold a meeting at Te Awamutu on April 1.

Hallow Eve, who last week won the English Waterloo Cup, is a red bitch belonging to Mr. E. Hulton. Originally known as Forrest Kitten, she was got by Pateley Bridge (a son of Mellor Moor from the great Thoughtless Beauty) from Forest Fairy, by Under the Globe, from Fantine. Silhouette, the runner up, belongs to the Earl of Sefton, and is by Strange Mystery from Slish. By a curious coincidence this year's winner is a litter sister to last year's Waterloo Cup winner Long Span.

In answer to "Wager," Pretty Polly did not start in the Derby of 1904. In that year the runners were:—St. Amant (1), John of Gaunt (2), St. Denis (3), Andover, Henry I., Coxswain, the French horse Gouvernant, and Lancashire. Pretty Polly won the Oaks at the same meeting.

Mountain King and Antonio will measure strides again to-day in the All-aged Stakes at Flemington, but this time the conditions are more in favour of the three-year-old champion.

Landlock seems to have lost his once great sprinting abilities. He ran fairly well in the Papakura Cup, but couldn't pace it with Lochbuie in the Railway Handicap.

Although Apologue won the Essenden Stakes very easily, the opposition was not very strong. Tulkeroo, who finished second, occupied a similar position in the Australian Cup. In the Essenden Stakes he was meeting Apologue on even terms, but in the Cup the ex-Aucklander had to concede the son of Simmer 23lb.

Lord Seaton beat Le Beau in the Ohaupo Cup, but in the Papakura Cup positions were reversed.

Next year it would be better if the special to Papakura was started an hour earlier, and the meeting commenced at two p.m. Racegoers like to be back in town by six p.m., and there is no reason why they should not be after the Papakura meeting.

There are eight horses in the Waihi Cup, to be run on Saturday. Sweet Alice is top weight with 9st.

Sonoma showed a glimpse of her old form at Papakura when she annexed the Welter Handicap.

Mr. W. Walters, of Glenora Park, was a passenger to New Plymouth by the Rarawa on Tuesday, Wanganui being his destination.

The Dannevirke R.C. autumn meeting takes place on March 11 and 12.

Good nominations have been received for the Ohinemuri Jockey Club's meeting on March 16 and 17. Handicaps are due on Monday.

Bookmakers are to be charged £7 10s. for betting at the Ohinemuri Meeting, with 10s. a day for clerks. So as to defeat the syndicate method of betting, if there are six or less bookmakers they will be charged £20 a day.

Mountain King's time for the St. Leger has only been beaten twice, viz., by The Officer (1897) and by Bobadil (1899).

Gold Crest has been given top weight of 9st in the Napier Carnival Cup.

The Huntly-Kimihia Racing Club has been formed, and will hold the initial meeting on May 16. Mr. J. McIntosh is secretary.

Mountain King had a very soft snap in the V.R.C. St. Leger, beating Peru in a canter by four lengths. As the latter two days later won the Australian Cup, it will be seen that "the King's" claim to being the fastest horse ever seen in Australia is based on some solid ground, tall though the order may seem.

The Royal Artillery mare Pearlle won three races at the Shannon meeting last week.

Elevation is to make his next appearance under silk in the Manawatu Stakes.

Master Delaval is reported to have done some sound gallops on the Wanganui track, and is very well for the Cup race to-day.

Handicaps for the first day of the Ohinemuri meeting are due on Monday next.

Weights for the first day's events of the Taranaki J.C. meeting are due to appear on Monday.

The Wanganui Cup meeting commences to-day.

Entries for the Auckland Trotting Club's autumn meeting close on the 20th inst.

Victoria has beaten Tasmania at cricket by 337 and 258 to 302 and 235.

The Englishment scored 404 in their first innings against South Australia, the consistent Gunn getting another century. After the match the visitors leave for England, playing a match against West Australia en route.

Ben Deeley further added to his long list of wins by getting Lochbuie first past the post on two occasions at Papakura.

The rising two-year-old colt by Eton from Anadyomene, died on Saturday from tetanus.

The other day Mr. Sol Green offered 5,000 guineas for Mountain King, contingent on delivery prior to the Futurity Stakes. Mr. McDonald declined.

A London paper announces the death in Paris of Mr. T. R. Hennessy, the well-known sportsman and owner of racehorses. He was a great pigeon shot, and had won several big prizes at Monte Carlo, Paris, Dieppe, Deauville, etc., but of late years he had not been very successful on the turf.

If any trainer in Australia has cause to review the past 18 months with pleasure it is I. Earnshaw, as during that period horses from his stable have accounted for two Derbies, two St. Legers, two Melbourne Cups, two Caulfield Cups, a Carrington Stakes, and a Futurity Stakes, to say nothing of other events.

With the present scarcity of food, the following is a hint from an American paper worth quoting:—A farmer has found a way by which he can make his horses use up to a good advantage the poor hay raised on the ranch. He learned that horses could be made to eat poor hay with great relish if it were sprinkled over with a little cheap molasses and water. He tried it, and has made a great success. The horses no longer waste the hay, but clear up every whisp of it that is thrown in the manger, and look well. This has been tried in the southern part of California, where hay is scarce and where cheaper qualities of food have to be used.

No more forcible evidence of the sensational progress that has been made in the development of the trot-

ter and pacer can be had than a comparison of the number of extreme speed performers at both gaits at the close of the racing season of 1908 and those at the present time—a period of ten years. At the close of 1898 the world's trotting champion was Alik, 2.03¾, and only two other trotters had taken records of 2.05 or better, these being Nancy Hanks 2.04 and Azote 2.04¾. The list of pacers with records of 2.05 or better numbered twenty-two, and of these only four had records faster than 2.03, namely, the champion Star Pointer 1.59¾, John R. Gentry 2.00½, Joe Patchen 2.01¼, and Robert J. 2.01½. So that ten years ago the total number of trotters and pacers in the 2.05 list was just twenty-five. At the close of the racing season of 1907 we find no less than 107 members of the 2.05 list, thirteen trotters and ninety-four pacers.—'Stock Farm.'

Poor George Dixon, the one-time feather-weight champion of the world, is dead. Alone and friendless, he passed away in the alcoholic ward of Bellevue Hospital, New York, on January 6. Inflammatory rheumatism and heart disease, following a protracted bout with John Barleycorn, was the immediate cause of death.

The publishers of "The Argus" and "The Age" were proceeded against in the District Court last Thursday for publishing betting information contrary to the Gaming Act. The alleged offences took place in October last. The publishers of both papers were also charged with having published information as to the drawing of Tattersall's sweep on the Caulfield Cup. The charges were withdrawn on the defendants paying costs and giving an assurance that they would not offend again. It is a pity (says the "Referee") that the papers did not see the thing through. The odds are long that even if a conviction had been recorded by the lower Court, it would not have held good in a higher Court.

INTER-PROVINCIAL.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

CANTERBURY.

CHRISTCHURCH, March 4.
Glencloch and Millionaire, who will represent Sir Geo. Clifford in the Jackson Stakes at Wanganui, left for the scene of the race last night. The three-year-old has been responsible for some attractive work at Riccarton lately, having recovered from recent ailments, and should give a good account of himself in this week's classic event. Millionaire is a promising colt, but I do not anticipate that he will be able to beat his older stable companion, who should be difficult to beat.

Munjeet, who finished fourth in the Newmarket Handicap, was well backed in Christchurch, the stable party being quietly confident that she would be capable of pulling off the big event. I did hear that they were only afraid of the winner, Scotland.

St. Joe and Leaside returned from Tasmania last week, the hurdle racer being the only stake-earner. St. Joe ran much below his best form in the races he started in.

M. Dunn, a leading Tasmanian jockey, has come over to New Zealand to try his fortune. He is at present located at Riccarton, but he talks of making his headquarters at Trentham. He wants to have a good look round before settling anywhere.

The Ashburton Club has decided to give £800 in stakes at its autumn meeting on March 13 and 14.

Murray Hobbs, accompanied by Mrs. Hobbs, left for a trip to England last week. They expect to be away for some considerable time.

C. Hack will ride Saga in the Wanganui Cup. He left on Friday, and on his return will do the principal riding for Mr. J. C. N. Grigg's stable.

The Akaroa Racing Club has received excellent entries for its annual meeting on Tuesday next. Mr. J. H. Buchanan, one of the club's best supporters, has given a handsome cup for the winner of the Peninsula Cup.

The Ashburton Cup this year will carry with it a cup valued at 30sovs, given by Mr. J. C. N. Grigg.

Some of the principal events at the smaller race meetings have now been endowed with trophies well worth winning.

The Seer has been sent to the North Island, and he will in future be trained by A. White at Waipawa.

All Guns, who was recently purchased by "C. Machell," is being prepared by W. McDonald.



NO. 5.—MR. ARTHUR SELBY.

One of the first men we meet when visiting Ellerslie to assist at any meeting there is Mr. Arthur Selby. Everybody knows the lengthy spare form clad in the most immaculate hunting toggery, the long Dundreary whiskers, now, alas! getting all too white, the ruddy complexion, and the kindly blue eyes. And on seeing him it is impossible to avoid the thought, "Here's one of the old school, the typical fox hunter of our father's day." It was at Seven Oaks, in the hop county of Kent, that Arthur first saw the light just sixty-three years ago. A love of hunting was ingrained, and as quite a kiddy he used to turn out



and follow the beagles on foot. Later on he saw some exciting runs with the Surrey staghounds, a pack the writer has often seen at work. Then for some years Mr. Selby hunted regularly, mostly with the Mid-Kent Stag Hounds and West Kent Fox Hounds. Twenty-three years ago he left the Old Country for New Zealand, but it was not until 1893 that Selby

Nancy Stair, who was in M. Hobbs' stable prior to his departure for the Old Country, has been placed in G. Matthew's hands.

Harvest, who has not raced since last Oamaru up meeting, is in active work again. With the tracks a little softer than they are at present, Harvest ought to stand another preparation.

Fleetfoot, Buccleugh, Tremulous, Hilarity and Ivanoff have been regular attendants on the tracks, and should all be seen out at the autumn meeting.

The steeplechaser Eurus and hurdle racer Ability are both doing long, steady exercise in view of the coming season.

Petrovna has been having an easy time since the Dunedin meeting, but in a few days she will be joining the sprinting brigade. It is marvellous how this mare retains her brilliancy.

OTAGO.

DUNEDIN, March 5.
With the conclusion of the Dunedin Cup meeting and the Tahuna Trotting meeting, comes a lull in local racing. The Clutha Hack meeting, however, takes place on Friday next and no doubt will attract a few sports from Dunedin.

The Wanganui Cup meeting is set down for Thursday and Saturday of this week, but no other meeting of much consequence takes place until March 19, when the Waimate Racing Club's gathering, which promises to be unusually attractive this year, is to be held.

The South Canterbury meeting takes place on March 25 and 26, and on April 8 and 9 the Southland meeting will be the only gathering of local interest to separate us from the C.J.C. Autumn meeting.

A conspicuous feature of the Tahuna Park meeting was the capable starting of

came to Auckland, where he has resided ever since. With the Pakuranga Hunt Club in full swing, he promptly joined that institution, and has been closely identified with it ever since, having held the position of huntsman for fourteen years. In fact, the hounds without the Selbys (a son, Mr. C. Selby, is the whip) would be like Hamlet without the ghost, only much more so. Hunting has been Selby's hobby all his life, and if he lives to a century he will still be found on the back of something that can jump. He has had some good animals under him from time to time, the best, perhaps, being the Opawa horse Defamer, who lived to a great age, and Nor-west, one of the most popular animals that ever carried silk in Auckland. Although Nor-west was considered done when Mr. Selby purchased him, yet, in addition to hunting him, a few good races were picked up by the aged son of Sou-wester and Betty. Among these were the Onehunga Steeplechase, in which the old fellow came home in front of Swimmer and Hinemoa. His sudden death after winning another jumping event at Ellerslie in which he had been cheered to the echo is fresh in everybody's mind. As Mr. Selby stood beside his dead favourite, if ever a man looked sorry, he did then. Somehow that one-time favourite hunting song, "The Place Where the Old Horse Died," fluttered through one's memory, for here, as in the song, a game horse had gone to his death rather than know defeat.

Mr. Selby has judged at numerous agricultural shows and ridden in many events. It is quite a treat to see the veteran taking a big fence sitting his horse like some Centaur of old. Many of our younger amateur horsemen might well take Selby as a pattern when going across country. Straight as the crow flies, with never an inch of daylight between himself and the saddle, Selby still shows us that the old brigade know how to ride. Fond of all outdoor sports, Selby has a penchant for cricket, and is, indeed, a very fair bat, a free hitter, and generally good for runs even now. As a fearless, straight goer and a thorough good sportsman, Selby will always be esteemed by those who know him.

Mr. L. C. Hazlett, who ranks in the writer's estimation as the most capable starter of the light harness horse ever seen at work in this country. Mr. Hazlett is also a capable man with the runners.

Eight Birkenhead yearlings, purchased by Mr. Cox, of Brisbane, from the Hon. J. D. Ormond, passed through to Melbourne by this week's boat. They are out of Camelot (Sir Launcelot—Trentalto), Industry (Nautilus imp—Elizabeth Villiers) Dryad, (St. Leger—Wood Nymph, Miss Never (Dunlop—Straight Shot), Miro (Dreadnought—Spinaway), Spot (Albany—Zelica), Aphrodite (Apremont—Water-sprite) and Agony (Dreadnought—Martyr).

In addition to the yearlings which are all colts, there is also a four-year-old gelding by Birkenhead—Sabra, in the shipment.

The writer has been informed that Ouidaform, the brother to Beneform, who was shipped to Australia several weeks back, has since been sold at 450 guineas. Ouidaform is a well-bred son of Multiform and should have been valuable as a sire as apart from a scarred back he was a good looking sort with plenty of size and quality.

Scotland, the winner of the Newmarket Handicap is a son of Wallace and the Padlock—Governess mare, Key. Governess, the second dam of Scotland, also threw Jane Eyre, who was a good performer here, but has produced nothing of note at the stud.

Weight is of paramount importance in flat racing, but some trotting men think nothing of sending a horse out with two or three stone overweight. What is a stopper to the runner is also a stopper to the trotter, but some people are particularly slow in waking up to that fact. At Tahuna Park it is not an uncommon sight to see a rider up who ever fills a 28lb saddle.

Cocoanu: went the 4min 54.2-5sec she put up in the Telephone Handicap in good

style and appeared to be waiting on Franciscan who was her pacemaker for the first 12 furlongs. The Prince Imperial mare also showed good grit when she followed Durbar home on the first day when in receipt six seconds from a 4min 47.3-5sec. winner.

Durbar, with a smaller bit of good luck and driven with that object in view, would not have much difficulty in making a track record.

We have had few trotters in the colony like the champion Friez and it is a matter of regret that he was not left a stallion. His brother Franz has showed himself by getting Franciscan a sire of speed. Franz evidently promises to keep this family name alive and on that account desires a "pat on the back."

Secretaries of racing clubs should note the dates of the British football team matches as it would be advisable for them to steer clear of these fixtures.

HAWKE'S BAY.

NAPIER, March 5.
Zimmerman and Bairoma were railed to Wanganui from Hastings on Monday.

Mr. Cox, of Queensland, has purchased another batch of Birkenhead's progeny from the Hon. J. D. Ormond. The pack, nine in number, were railed from Te Aute last week to Wellington, en route for their new home. With the exception of a three-year-old gelding out of Sabra, the lot were all yearling colts, the dams responsible for their production being Spot, Aphrodite, Agony, Dryad, Industry, Miro, Camelot and Miss Herot. A well-grown bunch—its odds in chance on appearances that they will prove hard to settle when their time arrives to enter the racing arena.

Ballyneety is stated by her owner to be as sound as a bridge cylinder, and it is more than probable that the little Irish mare will shortly be seen on the cantering grounds again.

A. Wood has finished breaking in the yearling sons of Guilda and Banjo. Both youngsters proved very tractable and the brace are now comporting themselves like old hands in their studies.

J. Rae is a daily visitant to the trying out grounds at Napier Park with the members of Mr. G. P. Donnelly's string, eight in number.

Nero, a Turquoise gelding who showed fair form in his efforts at Petane and Woodthorpe, has been taken in hand by J. Rollo.

Catvee is being treated to a holiday.

Dexterous, a half sister by Torpedo to that one time good performer Dexterity, is now an inmate of P. Raynor's establishment at Greenmeadows. She is not a beauty to look at by any means, but sometimes these ugly ducklings can gallop with the best of the pretty ones.

Pretty Maid, who is also a pupil of Raynor's, looks big and bright and apparently her maternal troubles have not affected her in the least.

The other occupants of the boxes Winderbohm and the Squatter give evidence that their mentor has been attending to their wants and requirements in his usual capable manner.

Hapuka has been placed under George Colletto's control.

W. Stone is imparting the first rudiments of their education to a three-year-old full brother to Probable and a 2-year-old full sister to Comedian and Operetta.

Prizeman (Birkenhead-Torpedo) and consequently a half-blooded relative to Medallist and Outer, has been acquired by Mr. Hamish Wilson, of Rangitikei from the Hon. J. D. Ormond.

Notwithstanding the extremely dry weather that has been in evidence here for weeks past, Caretaker O'Halloran has the tracks at Napier Park in good order.

SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.
To be held on the
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HAMILTON.
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, MARCH
27 AND 28.

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NOMINATIONS for all Events close with the Secretary at the Hospital Chambers, Hood-street, Hamilton, or H. B. Massey, High-street, Auckland, at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, March 6.

WEIGHTS declared for First Day about FRIDAY, March 13.

ACCEPTANCES for First Day's Races to 9 p.m. FRIDAY, March 20, with Secretary, or Mr. Massey, at above addresses.

WEIGHTS, Second Day, at 8 p.m. on FRIDAY, March 27. ACCEPTANCES with Secretary to 10 p.m.

Nominations and Acceptances to be accompanied by necessary cash.

For full programme see "Referee" of February 26.

Full programme (pocket) sent to any address on application to
W. I. CONRADI,
Secretary.

his avidity for work and general courtesy to all who come into contact with him being household words at the Meadows and it is refreshing to know that all interested in this gentleman appreciate his efforts to give satisfaction.

San Fernando is in active commission again.

Mr R. Tait, the Hon. J. D. Ormond's manager at Te Hauke, is using as a hack, a half sister by Birkenhead to Hoity Toity a sweet stamp of a filly endowed with quality of a high grade. She is certain to prove more than ordinary when the period arrives for her to carry the colours.

WANGANUI.

WANGANUI, March 5.

Irish Rifle has been doing such good work on the local tracks that many are looking forward to his meeting with the cracks in the Jackson Stakes with great interest. Walter Raynor has the Musketry gelding in capital fettle, and it seems a pity that he was not engaged in some of the handicap events at the Wanganui Meeting.

I hear that the owners of Irish Rifle were approached the other day by someone anxious to purchase, but the price asked for the gelding (£400, I believe) was considered too much. However, such a brilliant customer only requires to keep sound to win a few good races yet.

It is stated that £600 was offered for Maniapoto, but the owner of the son of Soul would not part with the horse for that.

The Warrigate Jockey Club have received excellent nominations, I hear, for the various events at their annual meeting, to be held on the 22nd March.

Jimmy Peachey has three horses under his care in Wanganui now, viz., Mahoe, Belario, and Taramea, the latter a two-year-old by Mahaki out of Karaka (Mahoe's dam).

Dusky Morn failed to run into a place in the Newmarket Handicap, though many down this way liked his chance very much. In fact so much was he fancied that it can safely be said that an amount well over five figures would have come to Wanganui had Mr F. G. Moore's horse got home.

Though there was not the same amount of betting indulged in over the big boat race here last week, that has been recorded in many such races over in Australia, still there were several good winners here, and a deal of money has been left in Wanganui by Australian and other visitors over Webb's victory. What with the money spent in the town over the boat race and the amount which will be left behind by visitors to the races this week, it is doubtful if ever before so much has been circulated in a fortnight in Wanganui.

Given fine weather the Wanganui Jockey Club ought to score a big success with their Autumn Meeting, starting on (Thursday) and to be concluded on Saturday. The acceptances received are eminently satisfactory, and it is particularly pleasing to note that no fewer than 13 have been paid up for in the Wanganui Cup, whilst the Flying should be a slashing race, as there are 15 left therein. In both these events the class is really good, and some splendid racing is assured.

Since last meeting the Club have had a new members' and press stand erected, and a very fine structure it is. On the ground floor is situated the secretary's office, together with the weighing room, the handicapper's and the jockeys' room. On the first floor is the stewards' meeting room, leading out on to a balcony, the press room (also leading out on to the balcony from where a fine view of the races can be obtained). Then behind is another room for the stewards for luncheon, etc., with all conveniences. On the top floor is the members' room, also leading out on to a balcony, whilst on top is a turret or look-out station, from where the handicapper or stipendiary stewards (when such are appointed) can get an unobstructed view of the whole of the course. A number of new looseboxes have been built, and other improvements effected including the erection of birdcages for the horses. Altogether the club can now fairly claim that its appointments are equal to the best in New Zealand.

King's Birthday has had to be turned out for a lengthy spell. He struck himself some time ago, and though every care has been taken with the son of Sou-wester, the injury has led to his enforced retirement for the present. Mr E. G. Roddy, who has had the horse under lease, has just had a colt by Phaeton out of Splinter's dam taken up. The colt, which is only two years old, was bred by Mr Roddy himself, and should be able to gallop. The same owner has another likely looking colt by Nestor, which has not yet been handled.

Walter Raynor has a team of seven in his charge now. He had taken in hand recently a fine looking two-year-old full brother to Seaman.

WELLINGTON.

WELLINGTON, March 5.

The result of the Newmarket Handicap was looked forward to with considerable interest by numerous local sports, and the fact that amongst the runners this year there were several New Zealand bred horses whose form was familiar to followers of racing, in some measure tended to attract the attention of Maorilanders. Munjeet, however, appeared to be the only animal whose prospects of winning were seriously entertained, and the daughter of Stepniak received a moderate amount of support from local followers of form. Dusky Morn's newspaper reputation had apparently so intimidated the Commonwealth anti-post bettors, that when some intrepid followers of Mr Moore's gelding cabled for quotations, the Australian metallicians, anticipating another Solution, replied offering to lay absurd odds against Dusky Morn. Needless to add, no business resulted and the gelding's admirers have reason to thank more turf scribes who exaggerated his few moderate performances and thereby instigated the Australian layers to offer such prohibitive odds.

Past form and track work pointed to the Victorian horse Scotland as an animal that would be hard to beat in the big Flemington sprint event. The weight adjuster had thrown him in to the handicap with 8st 4lb (only one pound more than he awarded our hack racer Dusky Morn). Scotland's followers were in consequence not slow to step in and back him heavily. A local sport received advice from a leading member of the Australian ring that "should Scotland keep right he was sure to win the Newmarket." This information reached several Wellington backers with the result that Scotland was a very bad horse for local starting price men operating on Saturday last.

The Porirua trainer, J. Prosser, has left for Wanganui with Marguerite, Gold Crest, Swimming Belt, Taitoki, Kurawaka, and the hurdlers Maui and Atahua. All these horses are reported in excellent health and should play a prominent part in the events for which they claim engagements.

W. Davis's pair Ballara and Yosami have been brushed along during the week and have also left for Wanganui.

A Sydney metallician, who assisted at the recent Dunedin race meeting refers somewhat disparagingly to the "canny Scotchmen" he met on the Wingatui racecourse. According to him they stood and stared at the layers like people viewing monkeys at the zoo; but it apparently never entered their heads to ask the odds or make a bet with the licensed book-makers.

Metallicians operating at Dunedin got hit up pretty badly over the victory of Armamento in the Cup. His owners, a couple of layers, took all the odds on offer. That they won a fair stake is evident from the fact that when Armamento subsequently finished amongst the also starters on the concluding day, his party did not even trouble to ask for quotations. Probably they won enough over the Cup.

Apparently the prohibitive license fee imposed by the Woodville Racing Club was resented by the metallicians with the result that co-operation was resorted to, and a syndicate appointed to do business on the Commonwealth basis. It is reported that upwards of £250 was divided after the close of the meeting amongst those who pooled.

The President of the Wellington Racing Club, Mr J. B. Harcourt, leaves for Europe shortly. His Wellington friends

met at Trentham on Saturday last and entertained him at a "send off" lunch. Mr Harcourt will be absent for seven or eight months.

NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS AND ACCEPTANCES.

HANDICAPS.

NAPIER PARK RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

MARCH 17 AND 18.

OMARANUI HACK HURDLE ARCE, one mile and three-quarters. — Taura 11.0, Reservoir 10.4, Atahua 10.3, Matakokiri 10.2, Papatawa 9.13, Te Kainui 9.9, Commander 9.8, Concussion 9.6, The Clipper 9.4, Land-o-Nod 9.3, Cavalcade 9.0, Bushranger 9.0, Haurangi 9.0, Boadicea 9.0.

ESK HANDICAP, five furlongs. — Gold Thread 9.0, The Squatter 8.8, North Head 8.7, Dan Leno 8.5, Wharekura 8.3, Ikon 7.13, Hydraulic 7.6, Sand Stream 7.5, Yosami 7.4, Maiora 6.13, Niwaru 6.13, Wonderbohm 6.12, Waihuka 6.9, Robin Link 6.9, Papuke 6.7, Ngahere 6.7, Mistletoe 6.7, Spark 6.7.

NAPIER CARNIVAL CUP. One mile and a quarter. — Gold Crest 9.0, Marguerite 8.12, King Billy 8.5, Mystification 8.2, Tangimoana 8.1, Hipporofa 8.0, Douche 7.11, Sir Tristram 7.9, Loiret 7.9, Downfall 7.8, Chatterer 7.7, Aeolus 7.7, Uenuku 7.7, Aberration 7.5, King's Lynn 7.3, Splendid Idea 7.2, Kurawaka 7.0, Arc Light 6.10, Chicane 6.10, Kairoma 6.9, Oasis 6.7.

WELTER HANDICAP, seven furlongs. — Gazeley 10.13, Hipporofa 10.12, Aeolus 10.6, Martyrium 9.13, Pantaloon 9.0, Pretty Maid 8.13, Prize Bloom 8.10, Oakburne 8.9, Lord Bobs 8.7, Olympus 8.7, Fairland 8.7.

SAPLING STAKES HANDICAP, five furlongs. — Aborigine 8.13, Chanteuse 8.3, Kautuku 8.0, Chantress 7.8, No Trumps 7.7, Contendant 7.6, Gold Lace 7.4, Berengaria 7.4, Splash 7.0, Lady Menschikoff 6.12, Steady 6.9, Remission 6.9.

REDCLIFFE HACK WELTER HANDICAP, six furlongs. — Dan Leno 9.9, White Lie 9.5, Waikaraka 9.4, Bluebell 9.0, Sand Stream 8.10, Ruabon 8.9, Maku 8.8, Anceyle 8.8, North Pole 8.6, Goldfield 8.6, Lansdorff 8.6, Seaton Dale 8.5, Wonderbohm 8.4, Crackpot 8.4, Rose Lethe 8.3, Waihuka 8.3, Robin Link 8.2, Lord Bobs 8.2, Osiris 8.0, Turque 8.0, Mistletoe 8.0, My Darling 8.0, Blackwater 8.0, San Jose 8.0.

FLYING HANDICAP, six furlongs. — King Billy 9.0, Moriarty 8.8, Ballarat 8.6, Contender 8.3, Oton 7.13, Splendid Idea 7.10, Tarina 7.9, Finery 7.8, Chicane 7.2, Chrysopraxe 7.2, Martyrium 7.0, San Fernando 6.13, Gold Thread 6.12, Taitoka 6.12, Maid of Astolat 6.7, Chamois 6.7.

ACCEPTANCES.

WAIHI JOCKEY CLUB'S RACES.

MARCH 7.

BOROUGH HANDICAP. — Manapouri 9.0, Waihou 8.8, Foremost 8.4, Royal Soul 8.4, Dardanus 7.12, Leonette 7.4, Field Marshal 7.4, Frontino 7.3, Keep Step 6.10.

WAIHI CUP. — Hautapu 8.5, Pukenui 7.8, Yolette 7.8, Dardanus 7.3, Aristocrat 7.3, Stepey 6.10.

PUBLICANS' PURSE. — Hikuai 9.10, Waihou 8.7, Miss Crispin 8.3, Alba Rose 8.3, Waiotahi 7.8, Azoff 7.5, Memo 7.2, Waihoihoi 6.13, Waihekerua 6.13, Rosewood 6.12, Keep Step 6.12.

HURDLES. — Tui 10.12, Yolette 10.9, Pukenui 10.4, Tarakihi 10.0, Anna Lombard 10.0, Pukekohe 9.5, Streamer 9.0.

MAIDEN HANDICAP. — Rosavere 9.3, Freebird 9.0, Royal Soul 8.10, Nulla Nulla 8.6, Pukekohe 8.6, Waiotahi 7.13, Lord Crispin 7.9, Cyreniac 7.8, Kaitangata 7.6, Waihoihoi 7.6, Rosewood 7.5, Lady Aroha 7.3, Hard Rock 7.3, Silvermere 7.2, Agincourt 7.0, Miss Dawson 7.0, Streamer 7.0, Sporting Life 7.0, Fremantle 7.0, Banshee 7.0.

MEMORIAL STAKES. — Manapouri 8.7, Hautapu 8.3, Foremost 7.13, Pukenui 7.9, Dardanus 7.9, Aristocrat 7.5, Leonette 6.12, Stepey 6.12, Miss Dawson 6.10.

COUNTY HACK HANDICAP. — Rosavere 9.2, Freebird 8.12, Royal Soul 8.9, Tui 8.8, Anna Lombard 8.6, Nulla Nulla 8.6, Field Marshal 7.12, Waiotahi 7.12, Azoff 7.10, Kaitangata 7.4, Lady Aroha 7.4, Hard Rock 7.3, Minna 7.2, Dainty 7.0.

FLYING HANDICAP. — Hikuai 9.8, Waihou 8.6, Alba Rose 8.2, Miss Crispin 8.0, Confide 7.13, Dardanus 7.10, Memo 6.13, Cyreniac 6.13, Sporting Life 6.10, Keep Step 6.10, Banshee 6.10.

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

WANGANUI CUP (one mile and three-quarters). — Zimmerman 9.4, Master Delaval 8.1, Maniapoto 8.10, Marguerite 8.8, Gold Crest 8.5, Moloch 7.13, The Lark 7.12, Tangimoana 7.12, Waitapu 7.6, Nova 6.10, Signor 6.9, Saga 6.9, Uhlendo 6.8.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP (one mile). — Mahuta 9.0, Armistice 8.9, Waipaku 7.6, Dear Dolly 6.13, Gleam 6.10.

WIRITOA HACK HANDICAP (one mile). — Moscow 9.1, Wee Trinket 9.0, Belario 8.5, Daisy Paul 8.5, Carissima 8.5, Yosami 7.9, Somali 7.9, Mallet 7.3, Anemone 7.2, Moose 7.0, Lingerer 7.0, Te Kuiti 7.0, Watershed 7.0.

JUVENILE HANDICAP (six furlongs). — Bunyan 9.0, Taitoko 8.5, Vasa 7.3, Prism 7.3, Gold Lace 6.11, Lady Menschikoff 6.9.

PETRE HACK HANDICAP (six furlongs). — Kareroa 8.13, Carissima 8.7, Waikaraka 8.6, Yosami 7.12, Miss Vera 7.6, Contour 7.4, Mania 7.0, Alpigene 7.0.

TAYFORTH HACK HURDLES (about one mile and three-quarters). — Claremont 11.8, Xavier 10.12, Immolation 10.12, Star Rose 10.2, Aorangi 10.2, Atahua 10.0, Bagatelle 9.13, English 9.0, Cloudy Morn 9.0, Waterworks 9.0.

JACKSON STAKES (six furlongs). — Irish Rifle 8.11, Helen Portland 8.11, Carissima 8.11, Bunyan 8.8, Glenculoch 8.8, Millionaire 7.2, Gravitation 7.2, 6.7.

WESTMERE HURDLES (about two miles). — Cachua 10.9, Maui 10.7, Moe-raki 10.4, Pantaloon 9.10, Cassiopea 9.0. FLYING HANDICAP (six furlongs). — Gold Crest 9.4, Full Rate 8.8, Ballarat 8.3, Mootoa 7.12, Kitchenmaid 7.10, Splendid Idea 7.8, Kairoma 7.7, Helen Portland 7.7, Swimming Belt 7.6, Cyrene 6.12, Gold Thread 6.11, Rangipapa 6.10, Waihuka 6.10, Toa Tuhi 6.9, Mon Ami

TURF RESULTS.

THE TURF IN AUSTRALIA.

THE V.R.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

The following are the results of the principal events of the V.R.C. Autumn Meeting:—

THE ST. LEGER STAKES, a sweepstake of 20 sovs each, with 500 sovs added; the owner of the second horse to receive 100 sovs, and the owner of the third 50 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds; colts or geldings, 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 7lb. One mile and three-quarters.

Mr. J. McDonald's ch c Mountain King, by Wallace—Bonnie Rosette 1
Hon. A. Wynne's br c Peru, by Grafton—Silvercoin 2
Mr. C. L. McDonald's br f Lady Rylstone, by Grafton, Lady Trenton 3
Won by four lengths from Peru, who was six lengths in front of Lady Rylstone. Time, 3m, 6 3/4s.

THE NEWMARKET HANDICAP, a sweepstake of 25 sovs each, with 1000 sovs added; the owner of the second horse to receive 200 sovs, and the owner of the third 100 sovs out of the stake. Six furlongs.

Mr. J. Brennan's b h Scotland, 5yrs, by Wallace—Key, 8st 4lb (Hood) 1
Mr. W. Kennedy's br g Grenadier, 5yrs, by Soult—Hotcherina, 7st 12lb (King) 2
Mr. W. Filgate's br g Akim Foo, 4yrs, by Bobadil—Alice, 6st 7lb (Bolton) 3

Also ran: Collarist, 9st 10lb; Antonio, 9st 6lb; North Head, 9st; Step Out, 9st; Melodrama, 8st 13lb; Munjeet, 8st 13lb; Ebullition, 8st 13lb; True Scot, 8st 10lb; Traquair, 8st 8lb; Decollette, 8st 5lb; Knox, 8st 4lb; Tangaroo, 8st 4lb; Dusky Morn, 8st 3lb; Miss Bobby, 8st 3lb; Master Foote, 8st 2lb; Curtain Lecture, 7st 9lb; Bright Steel, 7st 8lb (including 10lb penalty); Lord Carlyon, 7st 8lb; Lord Cecil, 7st 4lb; Captain Shannon, 7st 2lb; Fille Fogi, 7st 1lb; Verence, 6st 12lb; Currandooley, 6st 12lb; Munus, 6st 12lb; Send Off, 6st 11lb; Sokinsha, 6st 9lb; Medaglia, 6st 9lb.

Won by two lengths; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time 1m 14 3/4s.

V.R.C. SIRE'S PRODUCE STAKES, a sweepstake of 15 sovs each, with 400 sovs added and 140 sovs subscribed by owners of sires; the owner of the second horse to receive 80 sovs and the owner of the third 40 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds; colts, 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 7lb. Geldings' allowance as per rule at time of running. Six furlongs.

Mr. J. V. Smith's ch f Mother Goose, by Wallace—Morisca 1
Messrs. R. Armstrong and C. Quinn's ch c The Brewer, by Malster—Idalla 2
Mr. E. E. D. Clarke's b f Kuban, by Bobadil—The Geisha 3
Barley Brew also started.
Won by a head.

THE ESSENDON STAKES, a sweepstake of 10 sovs each, with 550 sovs added; the owner of the second horse to receive 110 sovs and the owner of the third 55 sovs out of the stake. Weight-for-age. One mile and a-half.

R.R.S.'s b h Apologue, 5 yrs, by Phoebus Apollo—Miss Gladys, 9st 3lb 1
Mr. J. McLaurin's br h Tulkeroo, 5 yrs, by Simmer—Myall Queen, 9st 3lb 2
Mr. W. Murray's b h Booran, 4yrs, by Grafton—Melema, 9st 3
Thackeray, 9st 3lb, and Lady Diffidence, 7st 12lb, also ran.
Won by four lengths. Time, 2min, 37 1/2sec. (run in rain).



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SECOND DAY.

THE AUSTRALIAN CUP, a handicap sweepstakes of 25sovs each, with 1000sovs added. The owner of the second horse to receive 200sovs, and the owner of the third 100sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Two miles and a-quarter.

THE PAPAURA B.C. ANNUAL MEETING.

This popular function was held in fine weather, the attendance being good. The results were: MAIDEN PLATE of 15 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stake. Six furlongs.

OHAUPO RACES.

The Ohaupo Meeting took place on Wednesday, when the attendance was good. The following were the results: HANDICAP HURDLES.—Mr. S. Darragh's Tarakihī 1, Good Faith 2, Hillflower 3. Also started: Reckless and Myra. Won by two lengths.

MAUKU RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING Will be held on the MAUKU RACECOURSE SATURDAY, MARCH 21st, 1908.

Patron: Mr. W. F. Massey, M.P. President: Mr. A. B. Barter, Vice-presidents: Messrs. J. Marshall, T. Watson, T. B. Bailey, J. Molloy, J. Graham, W. Howard, L. Zinzan, S. E. Pilgram, J. Finlay, J. McFayden. Judge: Mr. A. Robinson. Starter: Mr. C. O'Connor. Handicapper: Mr. F. W. Edwards. Clerk of Scales: Mr. W. T. Cotter. Clerk of Course: Mr. F. W. Kavanagh. Stewards: Messrs. T. A. Kemp, J. Muir, H. Irwin, W. Finlay, W. Howard, T. Watson, D. Pirani, E. C. Cuff. Committee Messrs. A. B. Barter, W. Howard, W. T. Cotter, T. Watson, T. A. Kemp, W. Finlay, F. W. Kavanagh. Treasurer: Mr. J. Boden.

PROGRAMME

(Approved by the A.R.C.)

- 1. HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 8 sovs; second horse to receive 1sov out of stake. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination, 4s; acceptance, 4s. Distance, 1 1/2 miles. 2. MAIDEN HANDICAP of 6sovs; second horse to receive 1sov out of stake. Nomination, 4s; acceptance, 2s. Distance, 6 furlongs.

NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC. Nominations will close with the Secretary, and with Mr. F. D. Yonge, Durham-street East, at 9 p.m. on THURSDAY, March 5th, and must be accompanied by nomination fee, age, and pedigree of horses, and colours of riders. Weights will appear in "Herald" about March 12th. Acceptances close with the Secretary, and with Mr. F. D. Yonge, Durham-street East, at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, March 13th.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Winners after declaration of weights subject to be re-handicapped. All horses to be ridden in colours as entered. The decision of the Stewards to be final in all cases, and jockeys will be required to produce their certificate if necessary on weighing out. Bookmakers' Fee: One Guinea.

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AUTUMN MEETING, 1908. SATURDAY, MARCH 21st.

PROGRAMME.

Officers.—President: Hon. Jas. McGowan, Vice-president: Mr. A. Burns. Treasurer: Mr. C. J. Winder. Judge: Dr. Barclay. Handicapper: Mr. R. Wynyard. Starter: Mr. E. Hankins. Clerk of Scales: Mr. W. Taylor. Clerk of Course: Mr. A. Bateman. Timekeeper: Mr. D. Twohill. Committee.—Chairman of Committee: Mr. A. Bruce, Mr. C. J. Winder, Mr. E. J. Milnes, Mr. A. Burns, Mr. W. Taylor, Mr. J. Loughlin, Mr. J. S. Hope, Mr. J. Inglis, Mr. G. E. Buckland, Mr. D. Stewart, Mr. J. Connolly, Mr. D. Twohill.

- 1. MAIDEN PLATE of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stakes. Distance, six furlongs. For three-year-olds and upwards who have never won a race of the value of 25 sovs at the time of starting. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. 2. HURDLE RACE of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stakes. Distance, one mile and three-quarters, over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 20s.

Waikato, Piako, Ohinemuri, Bay of Plenty, Thames, and Coromandel, and that have been the bona-fide property of nominators two months previous to the day of nomination. Distance, five furlongs. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. 8. WELTER HANDICAP of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stakes. Minimum weight, 8s 7lb. Distance, seven furlongs. Winner of Maiden Handicap, Shorts Handicap, and Railway Handicap to carry 5lb penalty. Autumn Stakes, 7lb penalty. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

Nominations will be received up to FRIDAY, 6th March, at 8 p.m. Weights will be declared on WEDNESDAY, 18th March, at 8 p.m. Acceptances will be received up to THURSDAY, 19th March, up to 8 p.m.

REGULATIONS.

All Stakes paid in full. Owners responsible for all penalties. Penalties not cumulative unless otherwise stated. All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, P.O. Box No. 7, Thames, or to Mr. H. B. Massey, 10, High-street, Auckland. Entrance money must be enclosed with name, age, pedigree, name of owner, and colour of rider. Any jockey riding except in the colours entered will be fined one guinea. All disputes, claims, protests, and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by a majority of the stewards, or whoever they may appoint, and such decision on all points shall be final. In no case will tickets of admission be issued to trainers or jockeys unless on production of licenses to the Secretary. The Rules of the Thames Jockey Club will be strictly adhered to. WILLIAM H. POTTS, Secretary, Box 7, G.P.O.

OHINEMURI JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING. To be held on the PAEROA RACECOURSE, On MONDAY AND TUESDAY, MARCH 16 AND 17, 1908.

PROGRAMME FIRST DAY.

- 1. SHORTS HANDICAP of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 7s, 6d.; acceptance, 12s, 6d. Distance, four furlongs. 2. HANDICAP HURDLES of 40 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s.; acceptance, 1s. Distance, two miles.

SECOND DAY.

- 1. WAITEKAURI PLATE of 35 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 10s.; acceptance, 15s. Distance, five furlongs. 2. WAIKINO WELTER of 35 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Winner of any flat race after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 5lb. Lowest weight, 7st 7lb. Distance, seven furlongs.

- 3. DISTRICT HANDICAP HURDLES of 40 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination, 10s.; acceptance, 1s. Distance, one and three-quarter miles. 4. FLYING HANDICAP of 30 sovs.; second horse to receive 5 sovs. out of the stakes. Nomination, 10s.; acceptance, 10s. Distance, four furlongs.

NOMINATION, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

1. Nominations for all events close at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 21st day of February, 1908. 2. Weights will appear for First Day's Races on or about MONDAY, the 9th day of March, 1908. 3. Acceptances for all events First Day's Races close at 9 p.m. on THURSDAY, the 12th day of March, 1908. 4. Weights for all events of Second Day's Races will be declared at 8 p.m. on the evening of First Day's Races. Acceptances close at 9 p.m. on the same evening. H. POLAND, Secretary, Paeroa.

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.

President: John Bolland, Esq., M.H.R. Vice-president: A. M. Myers, Esq. Judge: John Bolland, Esq., M.H.R. Stewards: Messrs. M. Foley (chairman), John Bolland, M.H.R., Robert Duder, Donald McLeod, Chas. Grey, Jos. May, J. W. Russell, A. Davis, C. S. H. McKinney, Dr. Sharman. Starter: Mr. C. O'Connor. Handicapper: Mr. Robt. Wynyard. Treasurer: Mr. A. Davis. Clerk of Course: Mr. A. Selby. Clerk of Scales: Mr. F. W. Marks. Hon. Vets.: Messrs E. D. Halstead and Chas. Halstead. Secretary: Mr. H. H. Hayr.

AUTUMN MEETING.

(Passed by the Metropolitan Club).

FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1908.

MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race exceeding 50sovs in value, or races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, six furlongs. HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 80sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, two miles. OAKLEY HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, five furlongs. JUVENILE HANDICAP of 70sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, five furlongs. AVONDALE HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of stake. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs. Distance, one mile and a-quarter. FIRST PONY HANDICAP of 50sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For all ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, five furlongs. CHEVALIER HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race exceeding 50sovs in value, or races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, four furlongs. RAILWAY HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Win-

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ner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

SECOND DAY, SATURDAY, MAY 2, 1908.

MAIDEN HANDICAP HURDLES of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For all horses that have not won a hurdle race of the value of 80sovs, or races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, one mile and three-quarters. FLYING HANDICAP of 80sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of stake. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, four furlongs. SECOND PONY HANDICAP of 50sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For all ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, five furlongs. AUTUMN HANDICAP of 130sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. Distance, one mile. NURSERY HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, six furlongs. HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, about three miles. MOUNT ROSKILL HANDICAP of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race exceeding 40sovs in value, or races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, six furlongs. WAITAKEREI HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Winner of Flying or Autumn Handicaps to carry 5lb extra. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC. AUTUMN MEETING. With amounts to be transmitted to Secretary A.J.C.

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1908, by 9 p.m. NOMINATIONS.

Avondale Handicap 1sov. Autumn Handicap 1sov. Steeplechase Handicap 1sov. Railway Handicap 1sov.

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

Maiden Plate Handicap 1sov. Handicap Hurdles 1sov. Oakley Handicap 1sov. Juvenile Handicap 1sov. First Pony Handicap 1sov. Chevalier Handicap 1sov. Maiden Handicap Hurdles 1sov. Flying Handicap 1sov. Second Pony Handicap 1sov. Nursery Handicap 1sov. Mount Roskill Handicap 1sov. Waitakerel Handicap 1sov.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24, by 9 p.m. ACCEPTANCES.

Maiden Plate Handicap 1sov. Handicap Hurdles 1sov. Oakley Handicap 1sov. Avondale Handicap 3sovs. First Pony Handicap 1sov. Juvenile Handicap 1sov. Chevalier Handicap 1sov. Railway Handicap 1sov.

THURSDAY, APRIL 30, by 9 p.m.

Maiden Handicap Hurdles 1sov. Flying Handicap 1sov. Second Pony Handicap 1sov. Autumn Handicap 2sovs. Nursery Handicap 1sov. Handicap Steeplechase 1sov. Mount Roskill Handicap 1sov. Waitakerel Handicap 1sov.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

ON OR ABOUT MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1908.

Avondale Handicap, Railway Handicap.

ON OR ABOUT MONDAY, APRIL 20.

Maiden Plate Handicap, Handicap Hurdles, Oakley Handicap, Juvenile Handicap, First Pony Handicap, Chevalier Handicap.

THURSDAY, APRIL 30, Morning Paper.

Maiden Handicap Hurdles, Flying Handicap, Second Pony Handicap, Autumn Handicap, Nursery Handicap, Handicap Steeplechase, Mount Roskill Handicap, Waitakerel Handicap.

HARRY H. HAYR, Secretary.

TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

President: Captain Mace, N.Z.C. Vice-President: Mr. A. Standish. Stewards: The President, Chairman of Committee (Mr. F. Watson), Judge and Treasurer (ex officio), and Messrs. Thos. Elliot, E. Elliott, A. Hill, N. King, C. M. Lepper, S. McGuiness, W. L. Newman, Hon. O. Samuel, M.L.C., A. Standish, C. H. Weston, D. S. Wylie. Judge: Mr. A. W. Budge. Starter: Mr. C. O'Connor. Handicapper: Mr. G. Morse. Clerk of the Scales: Mr. Ab. Goldwater. Assistant: Mr. W. C. Weston. Clerk of the course: Mr. G. W. Heslop. Hon. Surgeon: Dr. Fookes. Timekeeper: Mr. F. Stohr.

FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY, 26th MARCH, 1908.

- 1. 12 noon.—KAWAROA HANDICAP HACK HURDLES of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Over six flights of hurdles about 3ft 6in high. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. One mile and a-half. 2. 12.45 p.m.—STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance, 1sov. acceptance, 1sov. Five furlongs. 3. 1.30 p.m.—PUKAKA HACK HANDICAP of 65sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Six furlongs.

4. 2.15 p.m.—TARANAKI CUP HANDICAP of 300sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. In the event of any horse winning a handicap of the value of 100sovs or over, after the declaration of weights, the handicapper may, if he thinks fit, re-handicap each winner. If the weight of any horse is altered, the revised handicap will be published on or about Friday, the 20th March, 1908. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 4sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

- 5. 3 p.m.—FIRST WELTER HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs from the stakes. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. One mile. 6. 3.45 p.m.—KAITAKE HACK HANDICAP of 65sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance, 1sov. acceptance, 1sov. One mile. 7. 4.30 p.m.—FLYING HANDICAP of 110sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. Six furlongs. 8. 5.15 p.m.—HACK SCURRY of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stakes. Weight, 8st. For horses that have never won a race of the value of 25sovs at the time of entrance. Entrance, 1sov. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY, THURSDAY, 26th MARCH, 1908.

- 1. 12 noon.—PUKETORI HANDICAP HACK HURDLES of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Over six flights of hurdles about 3ft 6in high. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. One mile and a-half. 2. 12.45 p.m.—GRANDSTAND HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Five furlongs. 3. 1.30 p.m.—WHAREPAPA HACK HANDICAP of 65sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Six furlongs. 4. 2.15 p.m.—PAUL MEMORIAL HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stakes. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs. One mile and a distance. 5. 3 p.m.—SECOND WELTER HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs from the stakes. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Seven furlongs. 6. 3.45 p.m.—KAWAU HACK HANDICAP of 65sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. One mile. 7. 4.30 p.m.—FAREWELL HANDICAP of 80sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Entrance, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Six furlongs. 8. 5.15 p.m.—FINAL HACK FLUTTER of 50sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Open to horses that have never won a race of any description at time of starting. Weight, 8st 7lb. Entrance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

Winners of any Handicap after declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra, except the Taranaki Cup. Winners of any Handicap Hurdles after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra.

DATES OF ENTRANCE, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

Nominations for the following Handicaps will close on FRIDAY, 28th February, 1908 at 9 p.m., 1sov each:—Kawaroa Hack Hurdles, Stewards' Handicap, Pukaka Hack Handicap, Taranaki Cup Handicap, First Welter Handicap, Kaitake Hack Handicap, Flying Handicap, Puketori Hack Handicap Hurdles, Grandstand Handicap, Wharepapa Hack Handicap, Paul Memorial Handicap, Second Welter Handicap, Kawau Hack Handicap, Farewell Handicap.

WEIGHTS for the First Day's Handicaps will be published on or about MONDAY, March 9th, 1908.

ACCEPTANCES for the Kawaroa Hack Hurdles, 1sov; Stewards' Handicap, 1sov; Pukaka Hack Handicap, 1sov; Taranaki Cup Handicap, 4sovs; Welter Handicap, 1sov; Kaitake Hack Handicap, 1sov; Flying Handicap, 2 sovs; and

ENTRIES for the Hack Scurry and Final Hack Flutter, 1sov each, will close on SATURDAY, 14th March, 1908, at 9 p.m.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

All Entries will close at the Secretary's Office, New Plymouth, at 9 p.m., except when otherwise specified.

All Entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, Taranaki Jockey Club, New Plymouth, entrance money enclosed, with the name of horse, age at time of entry, pedigree, name of owner, colours of the rider, and name of trainer.

Every Gentleman Rider or Jockey must produce his license to the Clerk of the Scales.

All Races to be run under the N.Z. Rules of Racing.

MUSSELL FLEETWOOD, Secretary.

AUCKLAND TROTting CLUB.

(Under the Rules of the New Zealand Trotting Conference).

AUTUMN MEETING

To be held at ALEXANDRA PARK, EPSOM,

On

SATURDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SATURDAY,

APRIL 4th, 8th, and 11th, 1908.

Patrons: Hon. Major Harris, M. Armstrong, Esq., J. H. Greenstone, Esq., M.H.R., Hon. Thos. Thompson, P. M. Hansen, Esq. President: John Rowe, Esq., J.P. Vice-presidents: J. G. Rutherford, Esq., Capt. S. C. Caulton, Chas. Bailey, Esq., Wm. Adams, Esq., A. R. Harris, Esq., J.P. Judge: I. Hill, Esq. Handicapper: Mr. F. W. Edwards. Starter: Mr. C. O'Connor.

Timekeepers: Messrs. Geo. Read and F. W. Edwards. Clerk of Scales: Mr. H. B. Massey. Clerk of Course: Mr. T. Brown. Treasurer: Mr. W. Adams. Auditor: Mr. W. H. Churton. Pony Measurers: Messrs. G. Tansley, F. W. Edwards, W. Adams. Stewards: Messrs. Lindsay Cooke, John Morrison, J. G. Rutherford, A. Hughes, John McColl, J.P., F. Wells, R. P. Kinloch, T. Crawford, George Foster, and T. Grey. Bankers: National Bank of New Zealand, Ltd.

PROGRAMME

FIRST DAY,

SATURDAY, APRIL 4th.

- MAIDEN TROT HANDICAP of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake, Limit, 2.54 to the mile. For all horses that have never won an advertised trotting race exceeding 20sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, one mile and a-half. TROTting HANDICAP of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For trotters only. Limit, 2.48 to the mile, Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile and a-half. AUTUMN HANDICAP of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, six and a-half furlongs. STEWARDS' HANDICAP TROT of 60sovs, second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. All horses will be rehandicapped to trot 5.18 or better. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, two miles. MIDDLE-CLASS HANDICAP of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For all horses that have never won a race at better than 2.39 to the mile. All entrants will be handicapped to trot 2.48 or better to the mile. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile and a-half. CORNWALL HANDICAP TROT of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.37 or better. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile. FLYING HANDICAP of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. The winner of the Autumn to receive a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, five furlongs. ELECTRIC TROT HANDICAP of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.45 or better. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile.

SECOND DAY,

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8th.

- NOVEL TROT HANDICAP of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake, Limit, 2.54. For horses that have never won an advertised trotting race exceeding 20sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, one mile. HILL TROT HANDICAP of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake, Limit, 2.48. For trotting horses only. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile. MANUKAU HANDICAP TROT of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. All horses will be handicapped to trot 5.18 or better. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, two miles. APRIL HANDICAP of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches or under. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, six and a-half furlongs. AUTUMN TROT HANDICAP of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.44 or better to the mile. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile and a-half. SHORTS HANDICAP of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. The winner of the April Handicap to receive a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, about four furlongs and a-half. CLASS TROT HANDICAP of 50sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Placed horses on the first day may be entered for this race. Such additional nomination must be made on or before the night previous to the handicaps being declared. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.36 or better to the mile. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, one mile.

THIRD DAY,

SATURDAY, APRIL 11th

- TRIAL TROT HANDICAP of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For all horses that have never won an advertised trotting race exceeding 15sovs in value at time of entry. Limit, 2.54. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, one mile and a-half. CAMPBELL HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Limit, 2.16 or better. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1 1/2 sovs. Distance, two miles. PARK HANDICAP of 35sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, six and a-half furlongs. INNOVATION HANDICAP TROT of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For all horses that have never won a race at better than 2.36 to the mile. All entrants will be handicapped to trot 2.48 or better. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile and a-half. HIGH-CLASS TROT HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Limit, 2.35. Placed horses at the meeting may be entered for this race. Such additional nomination must be made on the night previous to the handicaps being declared. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1 1/2sovs. Distance, one mile. BARN HANDICAP of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches

and under. The winner of the Park Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, five furlongs. FAREWELL HANDICAP of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. Limit, 2.45. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile.

CONDITIONS.

No Pony shall be allowed to race under the Club unless a certificate of height has been previously obtained from a measurer appointed by the Club. Ponies may be measured with or without shoes, and may be re-measured at the pleasure of the Stewards. No protest or dispute will be allowed in regard to the height of any pony after being passed by the Club's Measurer or Measurers.

Any Horse After Winning may be Re-Handicapped.

STAKES PAID IN FULL.

The order of running is subject to alteration. All Trotting Races Saddle or Harness. By the entry of, or endeavouring to enter, a horse, every person having, or subsequently acquiring, any interest in such horse, shall be deemed to accept all the conditions and restrictions imposed or implied by these Rules, and to be barred from questioning the action of the Club or other body holding a sports meeting or of any official of the Club or such other body in respect of such horse, or of any person connected therewith otherwise than is provided for in Part XXX of the Rules.

NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS for all Events Close on MARCH 20, at 9 p.m. HANDICAPS for the First Day appear on MARCH 23. For the Second Day on April 6. For the Third Day for all races on April 9. ACCEPTANCES for the First Day Close on March 27 at 9 p.m. For the Second Day on April 6 at 9 o'clock p.m. For the Third Day, April 9, at 9 o'clock p.m.

C. F. MARK, Secretary.

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

OFFICERS:

President: Dr. Earle. Vice-President: H. N. Harrison. Timekeeper: A. E. T. Nixon. Judge: W. H. Hartgill. Starter: —. Handicapper: George Morse. Clerk of Scales: H. M. Speed. Clerk of Course: G. T. Lynch. Hon. Surgeon: Dr. Hatherly. Hon. Veterinary Surgeon: Maxwell Edgar. Stewards: President, Vice-President, and Treasurer (ex officio), and Messrs. Jas. Watt, A. Higgie, E. A. Campbell, G. Marshall, James Higgie, D. Campion and Allan Cameron. Committee: E. A. Campbell (chairman), President and Hon. Treasurer (ex officio), and Messrs. Allan Cameron, D. Campion, James Higgie, H. W. Hole, G. Marshall, James Watt, J. F. Cutfield, H. M. Speed, R. Russell, G. G. Russell, and A. Higgie. Hon. Treasurer: J. H. Nixon. Secretary: W. Hall.

FIRST DAY.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1908.

First race starts at 12 noon.

- 1. STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. 2. PETRE HACK HANDICAP of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. 3. WESTMERE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 175sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10 sovs from the stakes. Distance, about two miles, over eight flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. 4. TAYFORTH HACK HURDLE RACE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. About one mile and three-quarters, over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. 5. WANGANUI CUP HANDICAP of 600sovs; second horse to receive 75 sovs and third horse 25sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile and three-quarters. In the event of any entrant winning a handicap of the value of 100sovs after the declaration of weights, the handicapper will review that horse's weight, and will raise it or allow it to stand as he thinks fit. It is only winners that will be re-handicapped. If the weight of any horse is altered, the revised handicap will be published on or about Saturday, the 29th February, 1909. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs on Friday, February 28th, 1908, at 9 p.m.; and 5 sovs on Monday, March 2nd, 1908, at 9 p.m. 6. JUVENILE HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. For two and three-year-olds. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. 7. WIRTOA HACK RACE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5 sovs from the stake. Distance, one mile. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. 8. FLYING HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs.

SECOND DAY.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 1908.

- 1. AUTUMN HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. To start at 12 noon. 2. MATARAWA HACK RACE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to

receive 15sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.

- 3. JACKSON STAKES of 300sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes, Distance, six furlongs. For two-year-olds and upwards. Weight-for-age. By subscription of 5sovs each, unless forfeit is declared and paid as follows: 1sov if struck out on or before Friday, April 26th, 1907, at 9 p.m., or 2sovs if struck out on or before first acceptance night, Spring Meeting, 1907. All horses remaining in after latter date to pay the subscription of 5 sovs on first acceptance night, Autumn Meeting, 1908. Closed with 52 nominations.
4. FORDELL HURDLE RACE of 150sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from the stakes. Distance, about one mile and three-quarters, over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.
5. OKOIA HACK HURDLE RACE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. About one mile and five furlongs, over six flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.
6. WANGANUI STAKES HANDICAP of 300sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile and a-half. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs.
7. HARRISON HACK HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile and one-quarter. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.
8. FAREWELL HANDICAP of 120 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.

PENALTIES.

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

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

AUTUMN MEETING.

5th AND 7th MARCH, 1908.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1908, at 9 p.m.:-

NOMINATIONS.—Stewards' Handicap 1sov, Petre Hack Handicap 1sov, Westmere Hurdle Race 1sov, Tayforth Handicap Hack Hurdles 1sov, Wanganui Cup 1sov, Juvenile Handicap 1sov, Wiri-toa Hack Flat Handicap 1sov, Flying Handicap 1sov, Autumn Handicap 1sov, Matarawa Hack Flat Handicap 1sov, Fordell Hurdle Race 1sov, Okoia Handicap Hack Hurdles 1sov, Wanganui Stakes Handicap 1sov, Harrison Hack Handicap 1sov, Farewell Handicap 1sov.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1908 (on or about):-

WEIGHTS for Cup and Flying Handicaps.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, 1908.—WEIGHTS for Stewards', Petre Hack, Westmere Hurdle Race, Tayforth Hack Hurdles, Juvenile, and Wiri-toa Hack Flat Handicaps.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28th, 1908, at 9 p.m.:-

ACCEPTANCES.—Stewards' Handicap 2sovs, Petre Hack Handicap 1sov, Westmere Hurdle Race 2sovs, Tayforth Hack Hurdles 1sov, Wanganui Cup 2sovs, Juvenile Handicap 2sovs; Wiri-toa Hack Flat 1sov, Flying Handicap 3sovs.

SUBSCRIPTION — Jackson Stakes 5sovs.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29th, 1908 (on or about):-

REVISED WEIGHTS (if necessary) Wanganui Cup.

MONDAY, MARCH 2nd, 1908, at 9 p.m.:-

FINAL PAYMENT—Wanganui Cup 5sovs.

THURSDAY, MARCH 6th, 1908 (on or about) 8 p.m.:-

WEIGHTS for Second Day's Handicaps Friday, March 6, 1908, at Noon.

ACCEPTANCES.—Autumn Handicap 2sovs, Matarawa Hack Flat 1sov, Fordell Hurdle Race 2sovs, Okoia Hack Hurdles 1sov, Wanganui Stakes 3sovs, Harrison Hack Handicap 1sov, Farewell Handicap 2sovs.

WM. HALL, Secretary.

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AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY,

SATURDAY, APRIL 18th, 1908.

First race to start at 12 noon. TRADESMEN'S HANDICAP of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs,

and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. One mile and a-quarter.

BRIGHTON HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 36sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Over eight flights of hurdles. Winner of any hurdle race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Two miles.

NORTHERN CHAMPAGNE STAKES of 500sovs; second horse to receive 75 sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 8lb; geldings, 8st 7lb. By subscription of 5sovs each, payable at the post, unless forfeits are declared as follows:—If struck out by the first Friday in December, 1907, 1sov forfeit; if struck out by the first Friday in February, 1908, 2sovs forfeit; if left in after this date liable for the whole 5sovs. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. Six furlongs.

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

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

VICTORIA HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. FOR TWO-YEAR-OLDS, Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Winner of Champagne Stakes to carry 10lb penalty. Five furlongs.

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

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

SECOND DAY,

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 20th, 1908.

First race to start at 12 noon.

THE STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. One mile.

ELLERSLIE HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. FOR TWO-YEAR-OLDS, Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Six furlongs.

THE GREAT NORTHERN OAKS of 250sovs; second horse to receive 35 sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. For three-year-old fillies, 8st 10lb. By subscription of 5sovs each, payable at the post, unless forfeits are declared as follows:—If struck out by 9 p.m. on the first Friday in December, 1907, 1sov forfeit; if struck out by 9 p.m. on the first Friday in February, 1908, 2sovs forfeit. If left in after this date, liable for the whole 5sovs. Winner of any race not a handicap since August 1st, 1907, of the value of 300sovs, 5lb; of 500sovs, 7lb; or of the collective value of 1000sovs, 10lb penalty. Maidens allowed 7lb. One mile and a-half.

ST. GEORGE'S HANDICAP of 650 sovs; second horse to receive 100 sovs, and third horse 50sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 6sovs. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. One mile and a-quarter.

HUIA HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Six furlongs.

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

MANGERE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 100sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250 sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Six furlongs.

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

THIRD DAY,

EASTER TUESDAY, APRIL 21st, 1908.

First race to start at 12 noon.

MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 110sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of the stake. Over seven flights of hurdles. For all horses that have never won a hurdle race of the value of 100sovs, or hurdle races of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. One mile and three-quarters.

GORE-BROWN HANDICAP of 100 sovs; 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 100

sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Six furlongs.

ONSLOW STAKES (HANDICAP) of 110sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stake. FOR TWO-YEAR-OLDS that have never won a race of the value of 50sovs, or races of the collective value of 150sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Five furlongs.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 650sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 6sovs each. One mile and a-half.

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

BUCKLAND HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Seven furlongs.

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

AUCKLAND WELTER HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35 sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Minimum weight, 8st. One mile.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.

AUTUMN MEETING, 1908.

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7th, by 9 p.m. SECOND FORFEIT.—Champagne Stakes 2sovs, The Oaks 2sovs.

FRIDAY, MARCH 13th, by 9 p.m. NOMINATIONS.—Brighton Hurdles 1sov, Easter Handicap 1sov, St. George's Handicap 1sov, Autumn Steeplechase 1sov, Autumn Handicap 1sov.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27th, General Entry, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.—Brighton Hurdles 1sov, Easter Handicap 3sovs, Autumn Steeplechase 2sovs.

NOMINATIONS.—Tradesmen's Handicap 1sov, Eden Handicap 1sov, Victoria Handicap 1sov, Nelson Handicap 1sov, Tramway Handicap 1sov, Stewards' Handicap 1sov, Ellerslie Handicap 1sov, Hui Handicap 1sov, Electric Handicap 1sov, Maiden Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Gore-Brown Handicap 1sov, Onslow Stakes Handicap 1sov, St. Helier's Hurdles 1sov, Buckland Handicap 1sov, Tourist Handicap 1sov, Auckland Welter Handicap 1sov, Mangere Handicap 1sov.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10th, by 9 p.m. ACCEPTANCES.—Tradesmen's Handicap 1sov, Eden Handicap 1sov, Victoria Handicap 1sov, Nelson Handicap 1sov, Tramway Handicap 1sov.

FINAL PAYMENT.—Easter Handicap 3sovs.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18th, at the Post. Champagne Stakes (sub.) 5sovs.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18th, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.—Stewards' Handicap 1sov, Ellerslie Handicap 1sov, St. George's Handicap 6sovs, Hui Handicap 1sov, Mangere Handicap 1sov, Electric Handicap 1sov.

MONDAY, APRIL 20th, at the Post.

Great Northern Oaks (sub.) 5sovs.

MONDAY, APRIL 20, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.—Maiden Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Gore-Brown Handicap 1sov, Onslow Stakes Handicap 1sov, Autumn Handicap 6sovs, St. Helier's Hurdles 1sov, Buckland Handicap 1sov, Tourist Handicap 1sov, Auckland Welter Handicap 1sov.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

MONDAY, MARCH 23, in Morning Paper.

Brighton Hurdles, Easter Handicap, Autumn Steeplechase.

FRIDAY, APRIL 3rd, in Morning Paper.

Tradesmen's Handicap, Eden Handicap, Victoria Handicap, Nelson Handicap, Tramway Handicap.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18th, by 8 p.m. Stewards' Handicap, Ellerslie Handicap, St. George's Handicap, Hui Handicap, Mangere Handicap, Electric Handicap.

MONDAY, APRIL 20th, by 8 p.m. Maiden Hurdle Handicap, Gore-Brown Handicap, Onslow Stakes Handicap, Autumn Handicap, St. Helier's Hurdles, Buckland Handicap, Tourist Handicap, Auckland Welter Handicap.

J. F. HARTLAND, Secretary.

97, Shortland-street, Auckland.

PATEA RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

(FOR HACKS ONLY).

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 20th, 1908.

Patron: Mr. G. Williams, President; Mr. H. O. Clarke, Vice-Presidents; Messrs. S. Gilligan and G. V. Pearce, Judge; Mr. A. Pearce, Starter; Mr. Coombes, Handicapper; Mr. R. E. McRae, Clerk of Scales; Mr. J. Paterson, Assistant Clerk of Scales; Mr. T. Jones, Clerk of Course; Mr. P. Eastbury, Timekeeper; Mr. G. Williams, Treasurer; Mr. G. W. Booth, Hon. Surgeon; Dr. W. T. Simmons, Stewards; Messrs. G. W. Booth, L. G. Bremer, T. Campbell, S. Gilligan, W. Jackson, T. Jones, J. A. McKenna, A. Pearce, Jas. Paterson, J. R. Paterson, and G. Williams.

PROGRAMME:

1. HANDICAP HURDLES of 70sovs;

second horse to receive 15sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 1 1/2 miles, over six flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in high. The winner of any hurdle race after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 10lb. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 7s. To start at 12 noon.

2. 12.40 p.m.—FLYING HANDICAP of 30sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 3/4 mile. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 30s.

3. 1.10 p.m.—FARMERS' PLATE of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Distance, 1 mile. Entrance, 30s, on general entry night. For all horses that have never started for any other race (Farmers' Plates excepted, and winners of those barred); welter weight for age; open to all horses trained in, and the bona-fide property of residents within the boundaries of the Patea, Hawera, Eltham, and Stratford Counties for the three months prior to the date of entry.

4. 2 p.m.—PATEA EASTER HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs and the third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 1 1/4 miles. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 40s.

5. 3 p.m.—KAKARAMEA STAKES of 55sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about 4 1/4 furlongs; weight 8st. Winner of any race to carry 14lb extra. Entrance, 30s on general entry night.

6. 3.30 p.m.—BOROUGH STAKES HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10s out of the stakes. Distance, 7 furlongs. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 20s.

7. 4.10 p.m.—ALTON HIGH-WEIGHT HANDICAP of 80sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 1 mile. Minimum weight, 8st 7lb. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 30s.

8. 4.40 p.m.—FINAL STAKES of 55 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about 4 1/4 furlongs. Open to any hack not nominated for any race at this meeting (Kakaramea Stakes and Farmers' Plate excepted), and winners of these to carry 14lb extra; weight, 9st. Entrance, 30s, on general entry night.

Dates of Nominations, Acceptances and General Entries.—Nominations up to 8 p.m. on MONDAY, 30th March, 1908. Weights declared on or about MONDAY, 6th April, 1908. Acceptances and General Entries, up to 8 p.m. on MONDAY, 13th April, 1908.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1. Definition of a Hack.—A Hack is a horse that has not at any time prior to the time of entry, won a race of the value of £100 to the winner, or races of the aggregate value of £250 to the winner.

2. The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lb, and every additional race 5lb extra, in all handicap flat events.

3. Entries by telegram must give full particulars of the horse, and must be confirmed in writing at the earliest possible opportunity.

4. Owners, trainers, and others entering and accepting horses for this meeting are notified that no entries or acceptances will be received unless accompanied by the necessary amount in cash.

5. The Stewards reserve the right to alter the time or date of nominations, weights, or acceptances.

6. The name of the trainer must in all cases be supplied at the time of nomination.

NOTE.—The Post Office closes at 5 p.m.; Telegraph Office at 7.30 p.m.

R. W. HAMERTON, Secretary.

Approved by the Taranaki Jockey Club this 20th day of January, 1908.

MUSSELL FLEETWOOD, Secretary.

FELDLING JOCKEY CLUB.

SPRING MEETING,

NOVEMBER 30th, 1908.

THIRD FELDLING STAKES of 500 sovs; second horse to receive 100 sovs, and the third horse 50sovs out of the stakes. Five furlongs. For horses two-year-old and upwards at time of starting. Weight for age, with penalties and allowances. Winners after March 1st, 1908, of any race or races of the collective value of 250sovs to carry 3lb extra; of 500sovs 5lb; of 750sovs 7lb; of 1000 sovs 10lb extra. Maiden four-year-olds and upwards at time of starting allowed 10lb; three-year-olds 7lb. By subscription of 5sovs each, unless forfeits are declared and paid as follows, namely:—1sov if struck out by 1st August, 1908; 2sovs if struck out by 1st November, 1908. All horses remaining in after this date must pay the total subscription of 5sovs on a day to be named. Entries close with the Secretary at Feldling on Friday, the 6th day of March, 1908, at 8.30 p.m.

The Committee of the Feldling Jockey Club reserve the right to withdraw this event in case that no more than 50 entries are received for same.

NOTE.—No money required at time of entry.

EDMD. GOODBEHERE, Secretary F.J.C.,

February 10th, 1908, Feldling.

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CRICKET.

THE AWARD OF HONOUR.

The Mayor of Auckland has presented each of the team which won the Plunket Shield with a gold medal. In making the presentation, Mr. Myers said the victory had placed Auckland in the front in senior cricket in the Dominion. For some years past Aucklanders had been successful in other branches of sport, but somewhat unfortunate in cricket. He considered that sport of this kind had a good effect in building up a spirit of good citizenship. New Zealand was forging ahead in sport, and he wished specially to express his gratification that the world's championship for sculling still remained in the Dominion. (Applause.) He trusted that in the future they would be able to compete successfully against both English and Australian elevens. Although the climate in Australia might be better, the conditions were, on the whole, fairly even. He spoke of the value of coaches. He further expressed pleasure at the selection of an Auckland as a Rhodes scholar, showing that Auckland possessed mental, as well as physical, prowess. The medal has on the obverse side a shield, enclosed in a laurel wreath, with the monogram of the Auckland Cricket Association and a set of wickets, bat, and ball. On the reverse side is inscribed: "Presented by Mr. A. M. Myers to the winners of the Plunket shield, 1907," with the player's name underneath.

NORTH SHORE DO WELL AGAINST PARNELL.

The eighth round of the District Cup Championship was commenced on Saturday. Considering that the wickets were in good order and the afternoon fine, the batting was particularly bad. Parnell led off against North Shore, but could only make 90, and of these Andrea scored 29 and Forster 20. It was a wretched exhibition of tame cricket. North Shore have lost three wickets for 83 (Dacre 24), so should win easily.

GRAFTON SHOULD BEAT CITY.

City batted first in the match against Grafton, and against weak bowling did badly. Hemus, as usual, top-scored, making 35, but the display by the others was feeble, the innings closing with 119. As Grafton have 110 on the slate for three wickets, they should win easily. D. Hay is 29 (not out) and Graham 26 (not out).

A BAD START BY PONSONBY.

Ponsonby led off against Eden, but the batsmen could do nothing against Relf, whose "good-bye" performance was the taking of seven wickets for 35 runs. Sixty runs was all the side could manage, Woods making 28. Thanks to a free innings by Brock-Smith (he got one 6 and six 4's in a score of 43), Eden have notched 76 runs for five wickets, so should win. White bowled very finely, taking four wickets for 16 runs.

A GREAT SCORE BY WELLINGTON OLD BOYS.

The Wellington cricket championships were continued on Saturday. Old Boys, in their first innings, made 509, and Midlands, in their first innings, scored 56 for three wickets. Petone, in the first innings, made 190, and Phoenix in the second innings, 150 for the loss of six wickets. Wellington, in the first innings, scored 339 (Naughton 119) against Gasworks.

THE GAME IN DUNEDIN.

At Dunedin, the cricket matches were continued on Saturday in fine weather. Carisbrook B defeated Carisbrook A by 54 runs on the first innings. The former made 141, and 199 for five wickets (Thomson 52 not out, Austin 17), while the latter responded with 87 (Fisher 30). Grange secured a three-point win over Dunedin, the former making 117 and 101 for nine wickets, while the losers compiled 68 and 148 (Bannerman 42). Albion made 123 and 139, and defeated Opoho (124 and 59) by 79 runs.

CHRISTCHURCH CRICKET.

The seventh round of the various competitions was brought to a conclusion on Saturday, when the weather was fine and the wickets good. The results were:—West Christchurch, 320 and 32 for one wicket, beat Riccarton, 292 and 57. Sydenham, 263, and 18 for two wickets, beat St. Albans, 146 and 129. Linwood, 284, beat East Christchurch, 94 and 41.

A CLERICAL CHAMPION.

The Rev. E. F. Waddy has completed 1000 runs for New South Wales in representative cricket, averaging 43 runs per innings. His recent performances in big cricket have been excellent. He is a hitter.

WONDERFUL!

A phenomenal individual performance took place on Saturday, February 22, in a match at Balmain, Sydney. N. Gillies scored 125 out of 179, and secured all ten wickets for 29, out of 76, besides performing the hat-trick, for Balmain Earlsbrae v. Rozelle, the former being the leading "B" grade, and the latter the leading "A" grade in the Balmain and District Association's competition.

LEFT-HANDED BATSMEN.

The left-handers have achieved no little success against the Englishmen this season (writes "Not Out" in the "Referee"), as indeed is generally the case in the first-class matches out here. H. Moses was a veritable thorn in the path of the English professional teams of twenty years ago, when great bowlers were not so scarce and wickets did not last as they do now. W. Bruce, too, was a brilliant performer in the classic games. Like Bardsley, he takes a high grip of the bat, which he uses like a whip to lash the ball. At his best Bruce was risky, but elegant and brilliant, and delightful to watch.

J. Darling and C. Hill, each great in his own way, are difficult types of left-handers. The former has a not unusual grip, but Clem Hill in this respect is a law unto himself. He grips firmly with the hand very low, and an unusual space between the hands; it helps him in some of his characteristic and practically unique on-side shots.

Amongst the younger left-handers, V. Ransford has an easy, natural grip of the bat. M. H. Blaxland takes a higher grip than Ransford, yet not so high as Bardsley.

Clem Hill has scored 160, 104, 87, 61; V. Ransford, 102, 54, 51, 44, 33; and W. Bardsley 108 and 19 against the Englishmen.

AMONG THE JUNIORS.

Grafton II. scored 274 against Eden A. D. Hill playing a splendid innings of 107, Robinson getting 90. Eden lost two wickets for 44.

Parnell A made 226 against Eden B, who lost seven wickets for 39.

Parnell B made 68 to City's 133 for nine wickets.

ATHLETICS.

THE AUSTRALASIAN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

NEW ZEALAND VICTORIOUS.

SOME GREAT PERFORMANCES.

The annual Australasian championships took place at Hobart on Saturday and Monday. There was an excellent attendance on the first day, but a lesser one on Monday. Some of the performances registered, notably in the pole vault and 440yds Hurdles, were very fine indeed. The result was a victory for New Zealand with 7 wins, N.S.W. scoring 4½ wins, Victoria 1½, Tasmania and Queensland 1 each. There was a remarkable result in the 120yds Hurdles. Davis (Victoria) and Stewart (N.S.W.) ran a dead heat, and in running it off on Monday again dead-heated. It was thought that N.S.W. would win, but Barker, their mainstay, although performing grandly, had too much to do. The results were as follows:—

100YDS CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Barker (N.S.W.)	1
Morgan (T.)	2
Fay (Q.)	3
Won by six inches. Time, 10 1-5s.	
ONE MILE WALK CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Kerr (N.Z.)	1
Stubberfield (N.Z.)	2
Smith (N.S.W.)	3
Won by 10yds. Time, 7m. 23 3-5s.	
RUNNING HIGH JUMP CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Orbell, 5ft 10in (N.Z.)	1
Maher, 5ft 9in (Q.)	2
Scott, 5ft 8in (N.S.W.)	3
ONE MILE RUNNING CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Clemes (T.)	1
Burrows (V.)	2
Retford (N.S.W.)	3
Sharp (N.Z.)	4
Won by less than a foot. Time, 4m. 38s.	
120YDS HURDLE CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Stewart (N.S.W.)	*
Davis (V.)	*
Murray (N.Z.)	3
A dead heat twice. Time, 16 1-5s, and 16 2-5s.	
PUTTING SHOT CHAMPIONSHIP.	
O'Reilly, 38ft 10in (N.S.W.)	1
Kearney, 35ft 1in (Q.)	2
Maher, 34ft 9in (V.)	3

440YDS CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Barker (N.S.W.)	1
Davis (V.)	2
Fisher (N.Z.)	3
Won easily by 10yds. with 3yds between second and third. Time, 51s.	
ONE MILE WALK HANDICAP.	
Ford (T.), 30s.	1
Rose (T.), 20s.	2
Stubberfield (N.Z.), 10s.	3
Won easily, 15yds between second and third. Time, 8m. 4s.	
THREE MILES RUNNING CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Sharp (N.Z.)	1
Clemes (T.)	2
Blake (V.)	3
Won by 1½yds. Time, 15m. 36s.	
POLE JUMP CHAMPIONSHIP.	
McKay (N.Z.), 11ft 1in	1
Frawley (Q.), 11ft	2
McKay beat the Australasian record by ¾in, held by Hori Eruera, of Auckland, N.Z.	
THREE MILE WALK CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Kerr (N.Z.)	1
Stubberfield (N.Z.)	2
Time, 23m. 55 3-5s.	
220YDS CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Barker (N.S.W.)	1
Morgan (V.)	2
Fay (Q.)	3
Fay and Morgan dead-heated for second place, but in the run-off Morgan beat Fay. Time, 22 3-5s.	
THROWING HAMMER CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Kearney (Q.), 125ft 7in	1
O'Reilly (N.S.W.), 124ft 11in	2
Frawley (Q.)	3
BROAD JUMP CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Davis (V.), 20ft 9in	1
Barker (N.S.W.), 20ft 2½in	2
McKay (N.Z.), 19ft 10½in	3
880YDS CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Trembath (N.Z.)	1
Barker (N.S.W.)	2
Fisher (N.Z.)	3
Won by four yards. Time, 2m. 1-3s.	
440YDS HURDLE CHAMPIONSHIP.	
Murray (N.Z.)	1
Davis (V.)	2
Stewart (N.S.W.)	3
Time, 59 2-5s. Equals Australasian record, held by G. W. Smith, of Auckland, N.Z., and only 1-5s, outside world's record, held by G. Shaw, of England.	
330YDS HANDICAP.	
Wise (T.)	1
Parke (N.S.W.)	2
Gregory (N.S.W.)	3
Won by a foot. Time, 33 1-5s.	
MILE HANDICAP.	
Smith (N.S.W.)	1
Morgan (T.)	2
Time, 4m. 40 4-5s.	

NEW ZEALAND UNION CONFERENCE AT NEW PLYMOUTH.

The New Zealand Athletic Union's conference commenced at New Plymouth on Thursday, delegates being present from every centre in the Dominion. Mr. George Woods (president) said the new Gaming Act had abolished proprietary athletic gatherings. A forward move had been made by the sports governing bodies in forming a New Zealand sports federation, of which the Athletic Union is a member. The application of the New Zealand Axeman's Association, that the union should recommend its entrance to the sports federation, was refused pending amended rules giving affiliated societies fair representation. It was decided to remove the disqualifications inflicted in connection with the Scottish Society of Christchurch Games, applications to be made personally. It was agreed that registration fees should be allotted at 1s for union centres and 1s 6d for competitors suspended to date in connection with proprietary sports, who will be eligible to compete after July 31, 1908. The Winton Quilts Club was granted the New Zealand championship for 1908. The protest from the Southland centre against the Southland Caledonian Society, which allowed a disqualified competitor to compete at their meeting on New Year's Day, resulted in the society being requested to make good the deficiency between the first and second prize money. The society was also fined 1 guinea, to be paid within three months, the moneys and medals won to be returned. Steps were taken to form a centre in Auckland province. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mr. G. W. Woods (Invercargill); vice-presidents, Messrs. Duncan (Wellington) and Clark (New Plymouth); auditor, Mr. J. Kennedy (Geraldine); secretary and treasurer, Mr. J. Corcoran (Dunedin); committee, Messrs. R. Smith (Pahiatua), Good (Christchurch), Keast (Dunedin), and Perkins (West Coast). The Otago centre was allotted the next conference, and a championships record book and standards were recommended to be drawn up by the executive.

CYCLING AND MOTOR NOTES.

NAPIER V. FIAT.

There is a likelihood of some very fast motor-racing being seen on the Brooklands track shortly, owing to the fact that the F.I.A.T. Motor Co., of Italy, has accepted the broadcast challenge of Messrs. S. F. Edge and Co., of England, to race the Napier cars, of certain horse-powers, and over certain distances, against all-comers.

A BIG TRACK.

A scheme is on foot in America to build a motor-racing track—a duplicate of that at Brooklands, England—only better, of course. Its location is to be near Philadelphia, and it will be two miles in circumference, with a width of 100ft ordinarily, and 125ft at the turns, which will be banked to an angle of 30deg. A company, known

as the American Motordrome Incorp., has been formed, with a capital of £100,000, and has secured a tract of land some 200 acres in extent. It is proposed to build the track proper of cinders and cement, and, "if matters progress satisfactorily," it is to be opened in June next.

THE MELBOURNE-TO-ADELAIDE RECORD.

Having placed the Melbourne-to-Sydney motor record in a very safe place, Messrs. C. B. Kellow and H. B. James intend shortly to reduce the best motor time from Melbourne to Adelaide if it is at all possible (says the "Australasian.") The record at present stands at 28h. 40min., but as the distance is shorter than the Sydney route, the motorists believe they can materially reduce the figures. After their experience in this kind of sport, they are desirous of taking along a third driver, in order that they may conserve their energy and perhaps a little sleep en route, and have asked Mr. James Moffatt to accompany them. The car to be used will be the same as driven across to Sydney—a 15 h.p. Tabot. The route for the greater part is over fair to good roads, but where it is bad it is very, very bad, as the Cooroong sand patch, in South Australia, about 85 miles in length, will have to be negotiated. At certain times this track is worse than others, and much depends on the state of the weather at the time or immediately previous to their tackling it whether they have a comparatively easy or difficult passage.

ROUND THE WORLD RACE.

A cablegram states that the contestants in the great motor race around the world from New York to Paris (17,000 miles) are as follows:—Godard, 30 h.p. Motobloc (French); Pons, 15 h.p. Sizaire-Nandin (French); St. Chaffray, 30 h.p. De Dion (French); Sirtori, 28-40 h.p. Zust (Italian); Mass, 40 h.p. Portos (German); and Roberts, on a 60 h.p. Thomas (American).

Considerable disappointment will be felt owing to the absence of Prince Scipio Borghese's name from amongst the list of starters. The winner of the Pekin-Paris contest entered for the Round the World Race, and it was assumed that he would be a starter. His absence will rob the event of a lot of interest. In M. Godard and Pons the contestants include two other Pekin-Paris drivers—Godard completing the trip on a Spyker (Dutch) car, after surmounting terrible hardships. Pons attempted to get through on a Tri car, but failed to negotiate the Gobi Desert. If pluck and perseverance will overcome the difficulties of the New York Paris route, then Godard is the driver one would pick for the arduous undertaking. The ingenuity and resource-

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fulness of this driver was such that he engineered and financed his trip across Asia and Europe without any funds. Borghese found the trip a terrible one, even when backed up by the influence of the Russian and Italian diplomatic service and unlimited wealth, but to overcome worse difficulties than Borghese met—on mere bluff and what he could borrow—stamps Godard as a driver who will not easily be frightened by the privations and difficulties of the journey through Alaska and Northern Siberia.

BOWLING.

REMUERA BEAT AUCKLAND.

The inter-club match between Auckland and Remuera resulted in a win for the latter by 158 to 147. This was largely brought about by the good play of Sanderson's team, which beat Hancock's four by no less than 28 to 9. Hancock had a "Sydney four"—viz., Coldicott, Robertson, Carlaw, and himself—and on paper the team looked a strong one, but it was simply outplayed. Lambert made a strong effort to balance matters, finishing 9 up against Masefield, while Easton had a narrow win, but Remuera finished 13 ahead on their own ground. On the Auckland green the result was remarkably close. At the interval Remuera were a long way ahead, owing to bad play by Douglas's four. The veteran afterwards recovered some of the lost ground, and Gilmour's team, also forging ahead, left Auckland 2 up at the close, but down by 11 on the aggregate.

PONSONBY GIVE GREY LYNN A BAD TIME.

Ponsonby played an inter-club match against Grey Lynn, but the latter seemed all at sea on the Ponsonby ground, and did badly. Indeed, the scoring for the teams (including the Star team) was almost a record. Hemus simply piled on the points against Wilkinson, and Veale easily beat Mills. Ponsonby four also played Grey Lynn for the Edwin Stars, and had a picnic. If the figures given are correct, the score for the three games was 104 to 34. On their own ground Grey Lynn did much better, winning both games against Ponsonby, and finishing 19 up—a very good performance indeed. The inter-club figures were: Ponsonby, 93; Grey Lynn, 74.

MT. ALBERT DEFEAT PONSONBY.

A two-rink match was played on Saturday between Mt. Albert and Ponsonby. Each side won a game, but Ashton's team had a big majority against Bushman, much more than was sufficient to balance Garlick's defeat, and the side won by 44 to 29.

PONSONBY BEAT EPSOM.

Ponsonby played a two-rink match against Epsom, the older club winning both games. Newell beat Rice by 21 to 14, and Lee beat Craig by 22 to 15.

CARLTON TOO GOOD FOR ONEHUNGA.

Carlton and Onehunga had an 8-ring go, four playing on each green, and in both out and home games the champions came out on top. At Carlton the score was Carlton 87, Onehunga, 64, while at Onehunga the figures read, Carlton 93, Onehunga 65. The latter club was then beaten on the aggregate by 180 to 129. Laurie had the biggest win, the Carlton Club taking four events to their opponents' three.

The Rotorua tournament is now in full swing, sixteen teams playing. The following clubs are represented: Rotorua, four teams; Mount Eden, three teams; Onehunga, two teams; Rocky Nook, two teams; Tauranga, two teams; Grey Lynn, one team; Ponsonby, one team; Carlton, one team.

FOOTBALL.

The New Zealanders have left on their way back to the Dominion. They are on board the P. and O. liner Mongolia.

Ireland has beaten Scotland at Rugby by 16 points to 13.

Among the English Rugby team to sail for New Zealand next month are Williams, Gibbs, Thomas (Cardiff), Green (Neath), Jackett (Cornwall), Smart and Griffiths (Swansea).

AQUATICS.

THE DEVONPORT YACHT CLUB.

Rainbow, 1½m., won the cruising race of the Devonport Yacht Club on Saturday. The winner gave a 7½m. handicap and a 2½m. beating over the Rocky Bay course to the smart new cutter Waione. Pandora was close up third. Emerald won the "in side" race from Gladys and Maru. There were four starters in the motor launch race, Snowflake (25m.) winning rather easily from Banshee, with Edna third and Shadow fourth.

THE NORTH SHORE YACHT CLUB.

The North Shore Yacht Club sailed off four handicaps on Saturday, the finishing spot being at Drunken Bay. Queenie, which has been sailing well this season, won the Class I. event by 12 seconds from Thistle, with Wairere third. Seagull took the Class II. event, with Olympia and Hilda in the places. The placed boats in the Class III. event were Hilda, Mei, and Phyllis, only 5 seconds separating the leaders. Kaho won the Class IV. race, with Colleen second and Val-dora third. A big fleet was at anchor in Drunken Bay on Saturday night.

THE MANUKAU YACHT CLUB.

There were seven starters for the Manukau Yacht Club's special race on Saturday. Heather crossed the finishing line a long way ahead, but on time paces went to Manola, Malinga and Heather.

MAGGIE WINS THE "SMALL SCOWS" RACE.

On Saturday was sailed off the race for trading vessels under 25 tons, originally on the programme of the Anniversary regatta. The entries were:—Edna, scratch; Pukapuka, 45m.; Maggie, 59m.; Tuahine, 77m. Edna just led Maggie at the Rangitoto mark, and the latter boat was still hanging on at the Chosen mark, being then only 2½m. behind the scratch boat. Edna could get away very little from Maggie in the second round, and never had the faintest chance of giving away the rather absurd handicap. The finishing times were: Edna, 4h. 40m. 30s.; Maggie, 4h. 44m. 5s.; Pukapuka, 5h. 7m. 25s. On time allowance Maggie won very easily by 35 minutes from Pukapuka, which beat Edna by 18 minutes. Tuahine was not timed, being right out of the race.

FOUR-OARED RACING AT ROTORUA.

In connection with the Rotorua Regatta on Saturday, a number of interesting four-oared events were rowed. These resulted as follows:—

Carnival Junior Fours (open weights) one mile and a-half.—West End, 1; North Shore, 2; Ngaruawahia, 3. An exciting and close finish. A protest was lodged through West End fouling Ngaruawahia, and the committee decided to disqualify West End. The race was rowed between North Shore and Ngaruawahia on the following morning. From the start both crews kept together for the half-distance, when North Shore won easily by six lengths. Novice Fours (one mile).—Waitemata 1; Rotorua No. 2, 2; North Shore, 3. These were the only starters. Won by two lengths and a-half.

Maiden Clinker Fours (open weights), for Dewar Shield (one mile).—West End, 1; Waitemata No. 1, 2; Auckland, 3. The only starters. Rotorua No. 1 and North Shore were late at the start, and did not compete. A great race all the way, won by three yards; a length between second and third.

Senior Fours (open weights), two miles (best-and-best boats).—North Shore, 1; West End, 2; Waitemata, 3. The only starters. Won by a length, three lengths being between second and third.

Maiden Fours (10st and under).—North Shore, 1; Waitemata, 2; Hamilton, 3. Also started: Rotorua, North Shore No. 3, and West End. Won by a length; a similar distance between second and third.

Country Club Fours (clinker), one mile.—Hamilton, 1; Ngaruawahia, 2; Rotorua No. 2 also started. Won by two lengths, Rotorua being swamped 200 yards from the start.

A number of local events were also contested, the regatta being a great success.

Miss Beaurepaire, of Melbourne, has broken the 100 yards record for ladies, doing the distance in 70 secs.

Webb and Tressider each received £200 from steamer fares, etc., after the big sculling race.

The Waitemata Dinghy Club intend holding the first race shortly, this being for dinghys not exceeding 15ft in length and 5½ft beam.

A motor yacht, which is easily the finest vessel of her kind ever built south of the line, will shortly be completed in Sydney. Bronzewing V., which is being built to the order of Mr. Samuel Hordern, at a cost, it is

rumoured, of between £10,000 and £12,000, is to be luxuriously fitted up throughout.

Mr. W. E. Alexander, the power boat handicapper to the R.N.Z.Y.S., writes drawing attention to an error in our last issue with reference to the long-distance race. I had taken it for granted that the power boats had gone the same course as the yachts, but for some reason or other this was evidently not the case. The course actually traversed was 54 knots instead of 71½. As Winsome took 9h. 33m. to complete it, her speed was 5.65 knots per hour. This, of course, destroys my argument that Matareka could not possibly have conceded the handicap. It also proves what a leisurely jaunt Winsome had round the course by herself.

BILLIARDS.

NOTABILITIES WHO PLAY.

England's present Premier is a billiard enthusiast. Gladstone did not play billiards, but Lord Rosebery handles a cue with average skill. Mr. Balfour plays occasionally, but the best billiard player in Parliament, probably, is Mr. George Wyndham, who plays a very good game indeed. The Prince of Wales is a very good player, and the duels between him and Prince Arthur of Connaught are usually very keen indeed. In fact, nearly all the members of the Royal Family handle a cue with dexterity, Queen Alexandra playing a very fair game indeed.

THE VALUE OF TRAINING.

The professional players of a past generation used to train as hard for their money matches as competitors do for athletic sports, boxing or other violent forms of exercise (says the "New World of Billiards.") To be fit and well they knew to be the half-way road to success. It is all that with some, and to others even more. Plenty of practice on the table, regular living, pedestrian exercise morning, afternoon and evening in pure country air, and an "early to bed and early to rise" regime, was the programme for weeks before the event was due. The stress of a thousand up with the short interval then in fashion, was very exacting, and it was long odds on the player best fitted to last out the game. Scoring conditions were not so easy as they now are, and a thousand up used to average a good five hours. It would occupy less, perhaps, nowadays, and yet throw the same strain on the contestants. Billiard-playing, in all respects, is not so much to the naturally gifted as to those who prepare themselves by untiring zeal to answer all requirements. The painstaking players of less aptitude than some rivals will inevitably arise superior to them if a similar course is not adopted, in their individual ways, making for steady improvement.

INMAN IN FORM.

In a letter to the Sydney "Referee," Melbourne Inman states that he is having a royal time in Calcutta, where he has been excelling in his billiards. He is doing so well there that he anticipates being in a position, when he returns to Sydney, to offer a good sum for the High Commissionership. His style of play has been greatly admired in his many exhibitions, and as a result presents are so numerous that to get back to Sydney he thinks it will be necessary to charter the Orizaba. In one game he gave 650 in 1000 to an amateur and won by no less than 278 points, making excellent efforts of 316, 107, and 285 unfinished. In another game he conceded a similar start and won by 194 points, making runs of 152, 118, 115, 115, and 104 unfinished. He played a most remarkable game against one H. Ahmed, who was in receipt of a start of 650 in 1000. Inman was in exceptionally

fine form, and topped off 1000 points in just 75 minutes, a really rapid performance when one considers that the greater portion of his breaks resulted from "hazards," and not "nursery cannons."

MEMMOTT READY FOR A MATCH.

The Australian champion, Memmott, is well. He is doing some practice daily, and is quite prepared to give Frank Smith the yearned for opportunity of endeavouring to wrest the title from him. Memmott will play in either Melbourne or Sydney for £50 or £100 a-side, at the Sydney's option.

STEVENSON TO MEET INMAN.

The "Sporting Age" (Bombay) of January 19 reports that Stevenson and Inman were matched to play a game of 9000 up (Inman with 2250 points start) at the Calcutta Concert Hall, commencing on 27th ult. On recent form this seems a warm proposition for Stevenson to take on.

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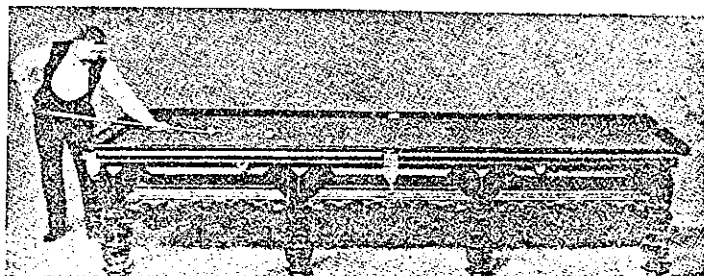
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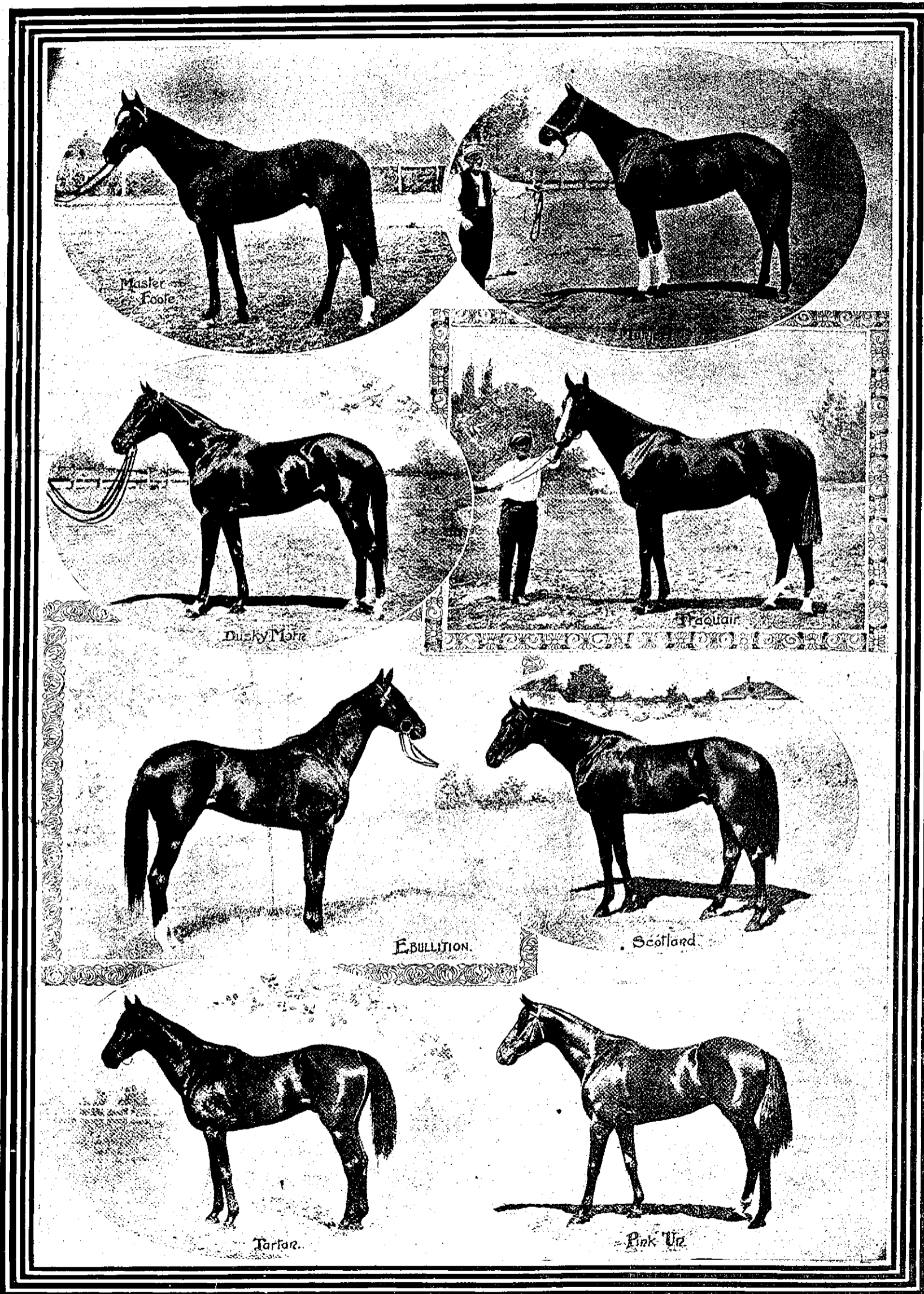


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"PETER'S MOTHER."

After a run of four nights "The Red Lamp" was replaced on Thursday last by Mrs Henry de la Pasture's charming play "Peter's Mother." This was a really excellent production, the plot being interesting and the acting a long way above the average. The story tells of a young wife whose natural impulses towards gaiety are constantly checked by an elderly husband and, on his death, by her son. It contains a strong lesson against the unconscious selfishness with which many people treat their relatives. Here this son, well meaning enough even if somewhat of a prig, returns from South Africa to find his father dead, and at once commences to make arrangements for his mother to continue on her humdrum existence at home, while he sees more of life. The mother, however, has fallen in love with a cousin of her dead husband, and is keenly anxious to see for the first time, something of the world as his wife. Peter is utterly horrified when he learns this, but is ultimately reconciled to the idea by his fiancée. Miss Beatrice Day has often shown evidence before that she is a strong emotional actress, but as Lady Mary Crewys (Peter's mother) she gave a rendering which must surely entitle her to be considered one of the finest dramatic artistes that have ever visited the Dominion. Nothing better could be imagined than her conception of the trying role. At the close of the first act, when Lady Mary is torn by the conflicting emotion of love and duty desiring above all things to say farewell to her idolised son, who is leaving for the war; yet compelled by duty to remain by her husband who is to undergo a very serious operation, Miss Day was simply magnificent. She was indeed no longer the actress, but the heart-broken woman with the tears streaming down her face, checked, as she had been all her life, from doing what she wanted, yet responding nobly to duty's call. Truly it was a great triumph. Mr A. S. Homewood gave a very fine portrayal of the role of John Crewys, Q.C. His great chance came in the last act in which he points out to Peter the utter selfishness with which he has treated his mother. Here the great lawyer, after incisively giving the points to be said on either side, passionately pleaded the cause of the woman he loved, the actor thoroughly deserving the outburst of applause which followed. Mr Aubrey Mallalien, although somewhat silted, did well as Peter. Mr Winter Hall gave a clever study of the elderly husband Sir Timothy Crewys, Mr J. Forde was admirable as Canon Birch, Mr Montgomery well suited the part of Dr Blundell. A vein of pure comedy was imparted by Miss Nellie Mortyn and Miss Joan Blair as Sir Timothy's sisters, the constant wrangling for precedence being most amusingly done. Miss Guildford Quin was somewhat too artificial in the ingenuous role of Sarah, while the other characters were well placed. The piece was admirably put on and it seemed more than a pity such a really fine production could not have been staged for more than two evenings.

"OLIVIA."

On Saturday, Mr Herbert Fleming's Company produced "Olivia," Mr W. G. Wells' dramatisation of the Vicar of Wakefield. This classic was the favourite play of the late Sir Henry Irving and one can well imagine what he would have made of the role of the kind-hearted but sorely-tried cleric. Everyone has read the book, or they ought to have done so, and therefore it is quite unnecessary to give the plot. Its theme is one on which countless plays have since been written, the luring from home of an innocent country girl by a wicked young man whose villainy is ultimately confounded and a happy ending brought about. In this story, however, the villain is a very half-hearted specimen of the kind who repents of his misdeeds and endeavours to make full reparation. Mr Herbert Fleming, of course, essayed the role of Dr Primrose, giving a particularly impressive study. His make up as the dignified white-haired old clergyman was excellent and the per-

formance was one of great merit, the only flaw being an occasional lapse of memory as to his lines. Miss Beatrice Day was always in drawing as Olivia. She is ever to be relied upon for a thoroughly sound rendering of any role entrusted to her, so that, although somewhat inferior to her previous great effort, Miss Day gave a rendering of the title role which was eminently satisfactory. Mr A. S. Homewood lent valuable assistance as the profligate Squire Thornhill, giving a very consistent rendering of a somewhat thankless part. Mr Winter Hall, as Sir William Thornhill, was perhaps a little too cold for the warm-hearted friend of the family, but withal was a prime favourite with the audience. Miss Nellie Mortyn gave a capital character study as Mrs Primrose, while Miss Elsie Carens as Sophia, Mr Varna as Farmer Plumbrough, Mr Forde as Gipsy Leigh, Miss Guildford Quin as Mary, Mr Mallalien as Moses and others of the company all lent valuable aid.

A special feature of the production was the dressing and mounting, which showed an attention to detail unfortunately all too rare. The orchard scene was a beautiful set, while in the library scene there were the old spinnet, the antique high-backed chairs, the silhouette portraits, the cuckoo clock, the lattice window and other

in an immensely amusing fashion. The bout was responsible for the carrying out of a number of some exceedingly funny hits which had the effect of sending the audience into roars of merriment. The popular artists, Watts, and Lucas, are seen in an Irish speciality, which is both clever and original, and draws forth much applause. Their comic gags are of a high order, and in the hands of the talented pair cannot do other than make a hit. Mr Joe Watts' Hungarian dance is deserving of special praise, while Miss Lucas gives a decidedly creditable exhibition of contortion. The comedy jugglers Lesso and Rexo, are held in high favour by Opera House patrons, and this week sees the skilful duo accomplish a number of new and difficult feats. Their display of cushion throwing is a particularly expert piece of work. Mr. Tod Galloway enjoys unbounded popularity as a result of his comic items, which he sings in his usual able manner. The Franklins (Will and Ruby) meet with a fair measure of success with their comedy act, the acrobatic feats introduced into the performance by Mr. Will Franklin fairly bringing down the house. Their singing and dancing items are good, but the fault lies in the fact that their witticisms are for the most part old and of a character hardly calculated to "catch on."



MR. TOD CALLAWAY, COMEDIAN, NOW APPEARING AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

things beloved of our forefathers. Altogether "Olivia" with its quaint old-world flavour, made a most charming play which found great favour with Auckland audiences.

Last night (but too late for review in this issue) was produced William J. Locke's four-act play "The Morals of Marcus," this being the first time it has been seen out of England. It will be repeated on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, when the season comes to a close.

OPERA HOUSE.

FULLER'S ENTERTAINERS.

The programme being presented by Messrs. Fuller at the Opera House this week is one of exceptional merit, and is attracting large audiences nightly. It is doubtful, indeed, whether anything more humorous than the turn in which the negress, Miss Eva Lee and her two picanninies, make their appearance has ever been witnessed in Auckland. Miss Lee sings a coon song in good style, after which she directs the picanninies in their quaint antics and novel boxing act. Donning the gloves the dark-skinned juveniles, after going through the customary preliminaries of the prize-fighter, step into their corners, and commence to do battle

Francisco at the time of the earthquake, but fortunately received no injury. Leaving Frisco, they journeyed to Japan, and whilst there visited Yokohama, Kobe and Nagasaki. The trip to China was then made, and among the towns they stayed at were Shanghai, Chefoo, Tientsin, Hankow and Peking. From there they went to the island of Hong Kong, thence to Siam, and afterwards visited the French settlement of Saigon. The Malay States formed the next move, after which Penang, Java and Sumatra were visited in turn, and the voyage back to Australia made. It is interesting to note that when in China Mr. Watts obtained a one cent. British Guiana stamp from a Russian Count, and it has since transpired that he is one of the only two individuals who can number that particular kind of stamp among their possessions.

CARTER, THE MAGICIAN.

Next Monday, Carter the Magician will commence a short season at His Majesty's Theatre, when he will give exhibitions of modern magic. His chief items are the Chinese Wizards the Mysteries of the Yogi, the Magical Divorce, Flyto, Corinne's Impersonations, the Astral Hand, the Mystery of L'Hasa, all of which are said to be particularly clever. The box plan is now open.

CHRISTCHURCH CHATTER.

OPENING OF THE THEATRE ROYAL.

My Christchurch dramatic correspondent writes:—The new Theatre Royal was opened on Tuesday evening last, 25th February, and seems to have pleased everybody present. It is certainly a fine theatre, probably the best in the Dominion. The house was packed from floor to ceiling, "The Blue Moon" being in itself an attraction, although the opening of the new place of amusement doubtless was responsible to some extent for the extraordinarily large audience. The advance booking for the opening night was very heavy, people assembling as early as 5 o'clock outside the box-office on the morning the booking of seats began, and by 9 a.m. there was quite a large crowd of persons anxious to secure places. The boxes, circle and stalls of our new temple of the drama, are upholstered in dark green plush, and the back stalls in brown leather. The seats are separate and distinct, and every seat commands a fine view of the stage. The dome is beautifully decorated in the scenes from "A Midsummer Night's Dream." The acoustic properties of the house are excellent. Miss Daisy Wallace as "Millicent Leroy" made a great hit, her song "She Didn't Know" was encored three times. Miss Wallace's dancing too, is of a very high order of merit. Miss Celia Ghioni, who has rendered such good service in the Gilbert and Sullivan operas, and in scores of other pieces, was as good as "Lady Brabashan" as the part allowed her to be—but she had no songs! Miss Alma Barber as "Evelyn," made a success of the character, and sang "Sometimes" very pleasingly. Miss Amy Murphy made a satisfactory "Chandra Nil," but might have been a little more "forceful," perhaps. Mr Victor Gouriet was the life and soul of the piece, and divided honours with Miss Daisy Wallace. There will be frequent changes of bill during the short remainder of the season.

Wirths' Circus, located at the huge King Edward Barracks, is drawing enormous houses, the seating capacity of the house, large as it is being taxed to the utmost nightly. Mr S. Batty gives a wonderful performance with wild beasts, and shows how completely he has got his savage pupils under control. The Flying Herbers are perhaps one of the cleverest companies of acrobats the Dominion has seen. Their trapeze performance is thrilling. The performing elephants, under Captain Burrows, contribute one of the best "turns," and other notable items are those given by "Tomato" (foot juggler), Osado, a Japanese contortionist, and the Ozzipardi Trio. The menagerie is much larger than usual in circuses, combining as it does the best animals from Fitzgerald's circus, Woombuell's circus, and several others. The Messrs Wirth are to be congratulated on

GLOBE-TROTTERING FOR A LIVING.

Prior to their New Zealand engagement, the clever pair of artists, Watts (Joe) and Lucas (Madge), at present successfully appearing at the Auckland Opera House, completed a three years' tour, which was not, however, unattended with exciting experiences. They were stationed in San

their wonderful show. It is indeed "big-ger and better than ever."

The return of Mr John Fuller to Christ-church, after a long absence, and his welcome re-appearance on the local Opera House boards deserve to be chronicled. John rendered "Ally in our Alley," and "Geraldine," as attractively as of yore, and our only regret is that he did not make a longer stay in the City of the Plains. But he is off on his world's tour and only called in here, en route.

TO TOUR THE DOMINION.

Mr Edwin Geach is sending his "Lured o London" Dramatic Company on a tour of New Zealand, opening in Dunedin at Easter. The company is a strong combination of dramatic talent, and includes, amongst others, such artists as Miss Harrie Ireland, late of Bland Holt's Company. Miss Ethel Buckley, and Miss Helen Fergus, who was known as "Baby" Ogden, and no longer "Baby" Ogden, but a well-developed woman. Apropos, Miss Helen Fergus. During the Tittell Brune season in Dunedin, the American star was one night, in L'Aiglon, seized with a sudden illness, and literally at a moment's notice Miss Fergus played the part from the big dramatic scene in the third act to the finish, and even the manager of the company was at a loss to detect any alteration in the cast. Other well-known artists with the company are Mr Godfrey Cass, Mr J. P. O'Neill, Max Maxwell, and Jefferson Tait.

BRAVO MAY!

Miss May Beatty appears to have scored an immense success in the pantomime of "Dick Whittington," at the Tyne Theatre, at Christmas time. The "Northern Journal" in noticing her performance says: "Miss May Beatty, the Australian recruit to the limited force of our 'principal boys,' will be a sure favourite. She is fitted in every way for the exacting role, and in songs descriptive or sentimental she was equally happy. In short, Miss Beatty is an ideal 'Whittington.'" The "Daily Chronicle" says: "The ladies are all remarkably clever. Miss May Beatty, who takes the title role, is vivacious and happy; she sings admirably, and infuses into everything she does an energy that carries everybody with her. Miss Beatty has a charming voice." The "Echo" says: "Amongst all that wild extravaganzas, Dick Whittington, Miss May Beatty, moves attended by the faithful Cat. Miss May Beatty is likely to make a great success with Newcastle audiences. There was no doubt as to her reception last night. Her singing is especially pleasing. With a sweet voice, and an attractive presence, she is one of the best principal boys seen in Newcastle in recent years. The "Northern Athlete" says: "You couldn't find anywhere a more fascinating and dainty representative of the wayward Dick than that handsome comedienne. Miss May Beatty, who combines in an exceptional degree all the requisites for 'first boy,' golden youth, pleasing stage presence, and vocal abilities of a quality seldom found in pantomime. This young lady came to us as a stranger, but she has already won her place in the warm regard of all—old and young."

WHAT GILBERT THINKS.

"What" (asked a "Daily Chronicle" scribe of Sir W. S. Gilbert), "is the tendency of the modern stage?"

"Forward! Distinctly forward. In fact, from the very first, from the days of Thespis, there has been a continual development of a better class of play. There have, of course, been periods of set-back; times when all seemed to be on the down grade; but such variations occur in the development of every art. For instance, we used here in England to be largely, it not wholly dependent on French plays. Indeed, in the past many of our great plays took their inspiration from foreign sources. For instance, I remember John Oxenford, the famous critic of the 'Times,' telling me that 'She Stoops to Conquer' was taken from a German one-act play, and that the scene in 'The School for Scandal' was adapted from a scene in one of the plays of Calderon."

"How about the modern French plays?"
"The French players are better than the plays. I do not care for the spirit which seems to animate the modern French dramatists—most of them, at all events. Their work is almost invariably founded on breaches of the Seventh Commandment. But the players are superb."

Asked his opinion of the coming vogue of plays—comedy, ragedy, drama, or what, the famous writer said:

"Tragedy is hopeless; drama has better prospects; comedy better still; farce best of all. I speak, of course, of the comparative probability of success, not of actual merit. The different forms of comedy are easier of fulfilment. We have at present a considerable number of fine comedians, but few, if any, tragedians."
"How do you account for that?"

"Supply and demand. Everybody wants comedy, but no one wants tragedy. They go to see Shakespeare's tragedies because a certain knowledge of his work is properly held to be essential to people of education. People like to be on a sort of nodding acquaintance with his plays, and so they go to see them, because to witness a performance of his plays is the easiest and the pleasantest way of acquiring a superficial knowledge of them. But in reality in ragedy it is the actor who draws. But as the world wants comedy it has it, and fairly good comedy, too."

AS GOOD AS CHARLEY'S AUNT.

"When Knights were Bold," has fairly caught on in Australia and evidently we are in for a treat when it comes this way. The dramatist is Mr Charles Marlowe, and he has done his work well, albeit the idea of putting back the clock and taking the characters into another and unfamiliar time is not new. "An Old Fogey," "A Yankee at the Court of King Arthur," and other ingenious stories, are on the same lines of contrast between two dissimilar ages. Mr Marlowe makes his contrast between the twentieth century and seven centuries back.

As an artistic contrast he selects the past age of Richard of the Lion Heart, and, indeed, models all his old-time characters

a mill-wright, a cartwright, or a ship-wright. We never hear of novel-wrights, or poem-wrights, or essay-wrights; why, then, of play-wrights? There is a convenient word, 'dramatist,' that seems to describe fully one who devotes his time to writing dramas, taking the word 'drama' in the broadest sense."

THEY WILL BE WELCOME.

Messrs Meynell and Gunn's Comic Opera and Musical Comedy Company were to sail from Tilbury last Saturday by the Omrah. The company is 26 strong, including Mesdames Ruth Lincoln, Everline Orford, Alice Russon, Hellen Rose, and Messrs Edwin Brett, William Cromwell, Arthur Appleby, Tom Payne, C. N. Wenman, Victor Champion, Vernon Davidson, and Roland Bottomby, with Mr C. St. John Denton as general manager. They will play "Miss Hook of Holland," "The Girl Behind the Counter," and "The Belle of Mayfair." The company is due to open at the Theatre Royal on April 18.

A great sale of musical autographs took place at Berlin on November 4 and 5 of last year. Beethoven's pianoforte sonata in E (op. 109) realised £800, and his string quartet in F (op. 135) £735. The next highest price was obtained for Schu-

formance. Several couples have already made application to be wedded under the "Lake," in full view of the audience.

Miss Lillian Digges, who was a member at one time of J. C. Williamson's No. 2 Musical Comedy Co., has made a big hit as principal girl in the Dublin pantomime.

Mr Arthur Collins was asked the other day, about the rumour which had currency that a ghost haunted the stage of Drury Lane, at midnight, when the lights are low. Mr Collins replied:—"There is a ghost at the Theatre, and he walks every Friday. He has never been known to fall for the past 28 years at Drury Lane"

An actor of the old school recently walked with two friends into a pub, in the Strand, and ordered Scotches and sodas. The bar-lady was, however, busy arranging a week-end up the river with her best boy, and when she did condescend to serve the trio gave them the cold and haughty stare. "I have observed," said the actor, in a voice that made her gold teeth rattle again, "in my peregrinations throughout the country, that, in places where they have pretty barmaids the drinks are invariably rotten. I should think we would get a very decent drop of Scotch here!"—"The Performer."

After "Humpty Dumpty," "Mother Goose" will be revived in Melbourne, then "Brewster's Millions" will be transferred from the Princess to Her Majesty's, its place being taken by "Blue Bell in Fairyland." "Humpty Dumpty" will visit Victoria provinces, then Adelaide, opening at Her Majesty's, Sydney, on Easter Saturday.

Our old friend, Fred, Rivenhall, who has been appearing in vaudeville in America, has been engaged by Charles Frohman for an important role in "The Little Cherub."

Florence Young, who has been out of the cast of "Humpty Dumpty" for some time, has gone into a private hospital for a slight operation on her throat, and on recovery rejoins the Comic Opera Company.

The J.C.W. Musical Comedy Company returns to Sydney on April 11, and during the Easter season will play "The Catch of the Season," the Australian rights of which have recently been acquired by Mr J. C. Williamson.

For the production of "Peter Pan" at the Melbourne Princess's at Easter, Weston, a great American animal impersonator, has been engaged, his part being that of the dog Nana.

The Carl Rosa Opera Company is showing at Covent Garden—their first appearance since 1879, when they produced Diarmid by the then Marquis of Lorne—now Duke of Argyll. They have staged Tannhauser, Carmen, Il Trovatore, Faust, I Pagliacci, Cavalleria Rusticana, Lohengrin and La Nozze di Figaro.

Mrs Walter Bentley is still touring Scotland as Helen Macgregor. She must have been playing it for nigh twenty years, night on end. John Clyde plays the dauntless freebooter. By the way, when Walter Bentley revived Rob Roy here in 1892, Julius Knight played Rashleigh; J. B. Cathcart was the Baillie; Armes Beaumont, the Francis; Jenny Watt Tanner, the Helen; and Eloise Juno the Matty.

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THE WRONG NAME.

"In the recent 'Honour List,' says Sir William Gilbert, "I found myself politely described by some Court flunkey as 'Mr Giber,' play-wright." Nine times out of ten, when a dramatic author is referred to by a newspaper man he is described as a 'playwright.' The term 'wright,' is properly applied to one who follows a mechanical calling, such as a wheel-wright.

bert's variations for pianoforte and flute (op. 160), for which £229 was paid.

Dr Richer has discovered a wonderful boy pianist in Ernest Lenggyel von Bagota, a Vienna boy of 14 years of age, and has introduced him to London. He played Liszt's Concerio in E flat and Bach's Chromatic Fantasia and Fugue with extraordinary effect.

The British National Anthem was first sung in America at a benefit concert given in New York to Mr William Tuckey, on April 21, 1769, "by particular desire."

The Julius Knight Company opens in Auckland on Easter Monday with "The Scarlet Pimpernel." The repertoire includes "Claudian," "The Prisoner of Zenda," "A Royal Divorce," "Monsieur Beaucaire," and one or two other pieces.

Miss Olive Morrell, appeared for a short time in Sydney in "Mother Goose." She did not set the harbour alight and promptly returned to London after anathematizing the colonies. Now she has married Mr W. H. Kelly, a Sydney man and is coming back. Her new brother-in-law married Miss Mollison, well remembered over here.

A real wedding under the waters of the Hippodrome "Lake" is to be a London sensation of a curious character. The Moss Empires directors are giving £100 as a wedding present, and other gifts will amount to £500. The strange ceremony is to be gone through at an afternoon per-

GOING FOR A RECORD.

Record-making, what with cricket, motor cars and other adjuncts to present day civilisation, is popular just now, and so the Melbourne public are exhibiting a kindly interest in the course of "Humpty-Dumpty" at Her Majesty's Theatre there. Over three-quarters of the journey towards the much deserved "hundredth" performance have already been negotiated and the pantomime is still running so strongly and so well within itself that there seems every probability of its accomplishing its self-imposed task. Tonight (Thursday, March 5) it will be played for the 85th time in Melbourne. Since it was first produced on December 21st, 1907, a continuous succession of crowded houses has been the rule with the result that over 150,000 people have already seen the pantomime.

THE ROYAL COMICS.

The Royal Comic Opera Company have evidently pleased Sydney playgoers as much with "The Dairymaids" as they did with "The Girls of Gottenberg." Her Majesty's Theatre there has been full to overflowing ever since the new piece went up. "The Lady Dandies" is in the meantime fast approaching the stage of final polish to be ready for the change, which however appears to be a long way off yet.

PERENNIAL "PETER PAN."

There seems to be a perennial fascination—some spell of eternal youth about "Peter Pan," in which Miss Tittell Brune is to be welcomed back to Australia at the Princess Theatre, Melbourne on Easter Saturday. This year marks its third revival at the Duke of York's Theatre, London—or four productions all told—and yet by all accounts, the public are just as keen as ever in their desire to renew acquaintance with "the boy who wouldn't grow up." J. M. Barrie's delightful phantasy gives its hero perpetual boyishness—it has apparently given itself perpetual youth.

DUDLEY CLINTON BACK AGAIN.

On board the Ophir, which completed its outward journey this week is Mr Dudley Clinton, the sterling character actor who is returning to Australia to take up work with the Julius Knight Company. Since leaving here two years ago, Mr Clinton's knowledge of the United States must have grown like Sam Weller's knowledge of London—"extensive and peculiar" for he not only toured the States in Mrs Minnie Maddern Fiske's Dramatic Company, but also on his own account, covering it thoroughly and accumulating a fine store of interesting experiences.

"THE CATCH OF THE SEASON."

J. C. Williamson has just acquired the Australian rights of the "The Catch of the Season," a musical comedy by Seymour Hicks and Cosmo Hamilton, the lyrics by Charles H. Taylor and the music by H. E. Barnes and Evelyn Taylor. It has a London record of a three years' run, from 1904 to 1906 and will doubtless be listed for early production on this side of the world.

J.C.W. RETURNS.

Mr J. C. Williamson is returning to Australia on board the new Orient steamer Asturias, which is due to reach Fremantle this week. His visit to old world theatres and to the United States has been particularly productive of interesting engagements promising a most attractive theatrical time in Australasia for a year or two to come. The first of the "new things" he has acquired for this country is of course "Peter Pan," the final arrangements for the production of which in Melbourne at Easter time, he only concluded a few months ago. Among other people engaged for it is Mr Carlton, already well on his way out from America to act as stage manager. He comes with the strongest recommendations from Mr J. M. Barrie and Mr Charles Frohmann both standing sponsors for his ability to Mr Williamson.

A NEW PLAY FOR AUSTRALIA.

In Melbourne, playgoers are always alive to the coming of a new addition to the serious drama of the day, and are therefore looking forward with more than ordinary interest to the first production there on March 7th, of "John Glayde's Honour," that fine study of modern temperaments which Mr Alfred Sutro wrote as the result of his observations on American money hunger.

HE BOBBED UP SERENELY.

An obituary notice is one of those things that the man it concerns never sees, but there are exceptions to the rule, and Mr Bert Gilbert is one of them. It was at Plymouth that the "accident" occurred which gave him the opportunity of reading what other people thought of him. He had gone for a row, and returning unnoticed to his hotel, had fallen asleep. The chambermaid, sent to his room at the instance of the manager of the company who missed him at 7 o'clock, found it in darkness, and immediately jumped to the conclusion that he was drowned—she never thought of looking on the bed which was behind the door. The news quickly got around and when Gilbert awoke at nine o'clock he was greeted as he rushed

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down to the theatre by the shouts of the evening paper sellers crying "Fatal accident to Mr Bert Gilbert." All his associates in the theatre had given him up but the gloom which overspread the performance gave place to rejoicing, not unmixed with consternation when he made his appearance supposedly from the dead.

WITH A GRAIN OF SALT.

News of a most romantic adventure that happened to Mark Hambourg during last year has just reached Australia. He was playing in Warsaw during one of the periodical "revolutions" there, and one night while walking home to his hotel, he was accosted by a man who told him that a cable had just arrived with the news that Mrs Hambourg was dangerously ill. Without stopping to inquire how his informant had found out the contents of a private cable, the pianist started off with him and was led down a side street, which he was told was a short cut to his hotel. In a lonely part of it he was seized, gagged, and half pushed, half led, along a passage to a small room where sat three masked men. The one who appeared to be the chairman assured him that no harm was intended, but that one of the revolutionary societies was very anxious that he should play to them. Mark Hambourg, relieved to find that the news about his wife was false, entered into the spirit of the somewhat grim joke, and readily consented. He was informed, however, that it would be necessary to blindfold him, so that there could be no chance of his recognising any of those present. In this condition therefore he was led to the meeting chamber and there played several pieces to his unseen audience, which however, from the applause which greeted him at the conclusion of his strange recital, seemed to be a large one. He was at last allowed to depart, and the guide who first spoke to him led him back to his hotel, feeling none the worse for his adventure.

TO FAME AT A LEAP.

There have been many accidental "discoveries" of talent in recent years, but to rise from obscurity to the fame of Miss Sarah Vrubell, who has made such a tremendous vocal success in "Aladdin" at the Adelphi Theatre, London, is a particularly bright example. Miss Vrubell is of Polish extraction. She is one of 11

children, and was born in New York. She came to England when she was three years old. Her mother keeps a small fancy goods shop in the neighbourhood of Coventry street. On the advice of a friend, she obtained the necessary necessities, and entered for a scholarship presented by Countess Van Den Hevel at the London Academy of Music. It had been practically decided to give the award to another, when Miss Vrubell arrived late on the scene, sang, and finally won the scholarship. So delighted was the Countess with her new discovery that from that time onward she has played the part of the fairy god-mother to the girl. The new star is a mezzo-soprano.

THE ORIGINAL PANTO.

The credit of producing the first pantomime in England belongs to John Rich. This performance was on December 26, 1717, at the theatre in Lincoln's Inn Fields. Rich bethought himself of the comic masques occasionally performed in Edinburgh, and he combined with their scenic and mechanical effects the attractions of the pantomime ballet. The result was "Harlequin Executed," which the advertisement of that day described as "A New Italian Mimic Scene, between a Scaramouch, a Harlequin, a Country Farmer, His Wife, and Others."

It is to be feared that Clara Butt will have to abandon her contemplated visit to Rotorua, to which she has been looking forward so long, and that looks as though the balance of her stay in Australia will be one rush to "get through" all her engagements.

The brilliant young Danish violinist, Max Schlyuter, one of Joachim's favourite pupils, who created so favourable an impression when he was out here some five years ago, is again to tour the Commonwealth commencing in Melbourne on the 14th March next. Messrs J. and N. Tait are undertaking the management of his concerts for him.

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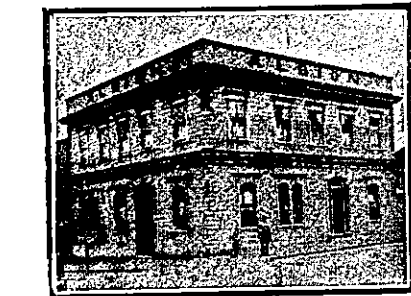
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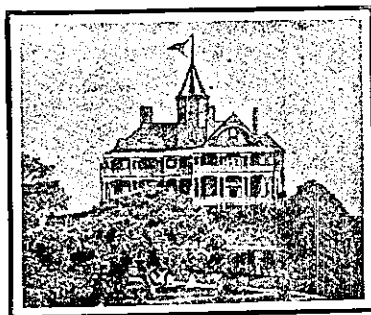
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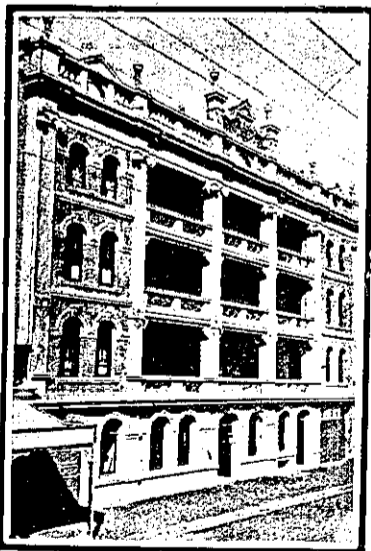
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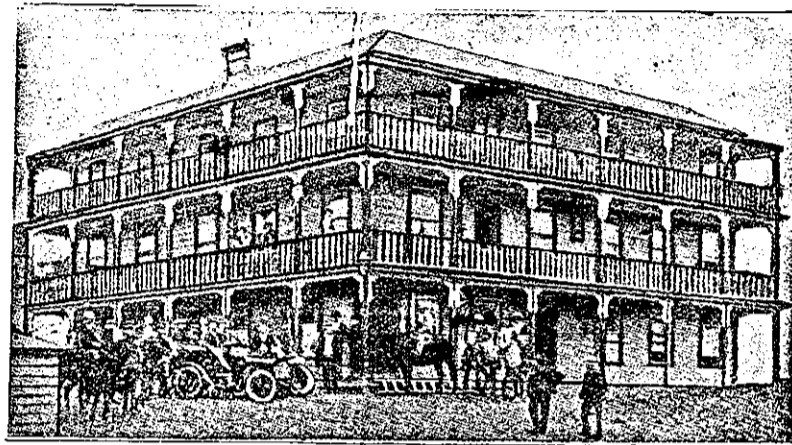
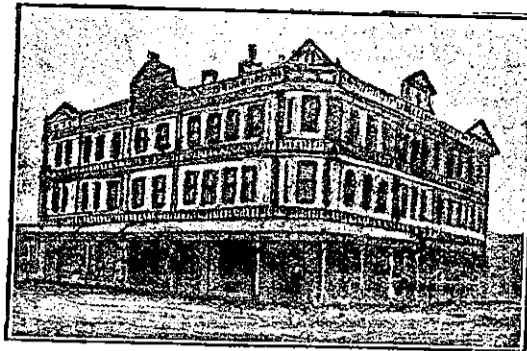
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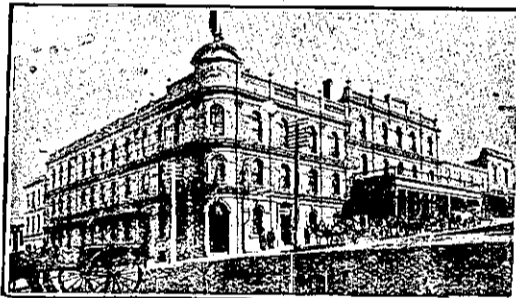


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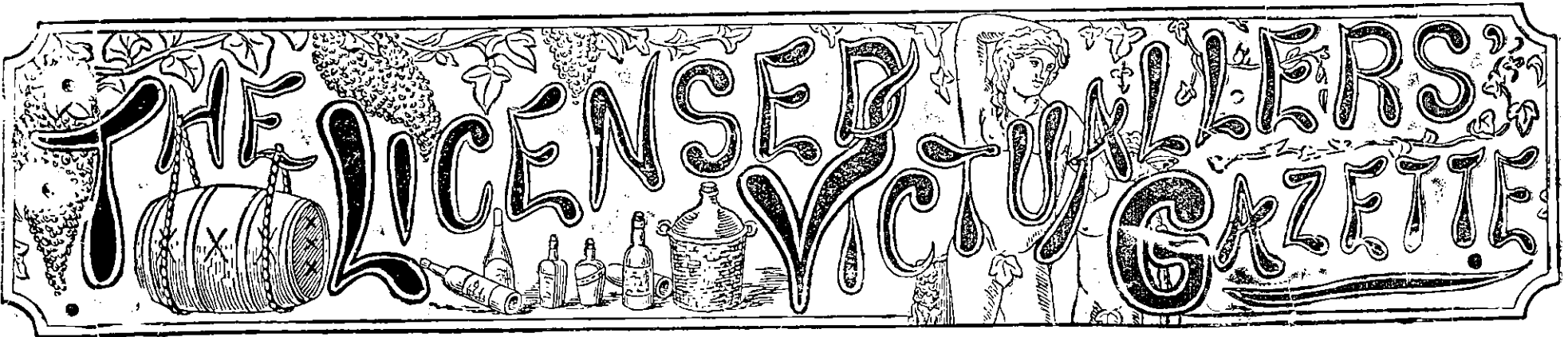
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THE SITUATION IN ENGLAND.

For some little time past, the opponents of the liquor trade in Great Britain, have been actively engaged in attempts to have in reduced in England measures of law somewhat similar to those existing in the Australian Commonwealth and in our Dominion, as provided by the local option polls. Needless to say, all such attempts have met with strenuous opposition on the part of those engaged in the liquor and brewery trades—trades in the Old Country which represent many millions of money. However, cable news last week reveals the fact that the situation has become more defined though it be more acute. The trade have now, after a lengthy period of suspense, a clear idea of the intentions of the Government. The new Bill introduced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer (Mr Asquith) has been based to some extent on the minority report of Lord Peel's commission. Liberal newspapers welcome the measure as bold and far-reaching in its effects; while on the other hand the Conservative organs predict great disturbances and annoyance, and little good towards the promotion of temperance. Perhaps the most advanced suggestion in the new Bill is the one of State control, Mr Asquith explaining that the State gradually and with a disregard to existing interests, would be empowered to recover dominion over the trade. This in itself, is a stupendous undertaking, and one which, in the absence of detailed plans, may be looked upon as practically impossible. Fourteen years has been fixed as a time limit for the compulsory reduction of the number of licenses. After 14 years the monopoly value of all licenses is to be restored to the community, and local option will follow. Meanwhile parochial electors are to exercise the right of a local vote in connection with new licenses, the rate being binding for three years. A feature much to be commended, is that clubs have not escaped attention, these must register annually in order to afford opportunity for objection, and police officials not in uniform may inspect them. Here, at any rate, we find a clause which the trade will welcome gladly. For many years the increasing number of clubs in the large cities has been a matter of serious concern to those engaged in the legalised trade. The clubs of the lower class run chiefly by aliens in London are held to foster more gambling and drinking, than all the public houses put together, the evils resulting from their wrong doings being nearly always laid at the doors of the licensed houses. Local option is to be conferred on Wales, and the bona-fide traveller, now a non-existent quantity in our Dominion, and who now liquors in the old country outside a three mile limit, is to be put back another three miles, making his thirst producing journey a total of six miles. The method and terms of compensation offered in regard to licenses made extinct, do not meet with Mr Balfour's approval, who strenuously protested against the extinction of legal property as robbery. The compensation offered, he said, was not the present market value. That was a fair sum, and anything else was wrong. He predicted the multiplication of unlicensed drinking places. In this, no doubt Mr Balfour has been guided by the evidence from all parts of the world. Insufficient as the compensation clauses may be, yet our brothers in the trade in England, have some thing to be thankful for, in the fact that they are living in a country where the statesmen recognise that compensation is fair and equitable. There are some countries which do not recognise this law of fairness, and allow a three-fifths majority vote to reduce the valuable to the valueless without a shadow of recompense. The "Financial News" has probably hit the right nail on the head when it stated that the impression was gaining ground that the Bill was introduced for the purpose of filling the cup for the House of Lords and to convince teetotalers that it was hopeless to think of inducing the country to agree to views in the direction of spoliation.

Cabled news from London states that the Government has appointed a Select Committee to inquire into the condition of the hop industry.

At Dunedin last Thursday the manager of a billiard-room at St. Kilda was fined £2 and costs for permitting cards to be played on the premises. Three others, who took part in the game, were each fined 10s.

At the Waihi Police Court last Thursday, a young man named William Farr, who was arrested in Auckland, was sentenced to a month's imprisonment on a charge of obtaining board and lodging at Waihi by false pretences. Accused had left Waihi in a hurry, the Bench deciding that he had made an attempt to avoid paying his just liabilities.

It is reported that Mr W. White, of Papakura, has sold his interest in his hotel to Mr C. Hill, who recently sold out at Kikikihi.

Rumour says that Mr Jack Bray, who is well known in local hotel keeping circles but has not been in the hotel business lately, intends to shortly re-enter the ranks of the trade.

In the Wellington Court last week, a man named Charles Mack was sentenced to six months' imprisonment for the theft of jewellery valued at £6, belonging to Gertrude Sunkel, a housemaid at the Manukau Hotel, Onehunga. Mack refused to make any statement. His sentence begins at the expiration of a sentence of two years which he is at present serving.

Several men have been before the Southern Courts recently on charges of cargo broaching, Mr Justice Dennis, in Christchurch last week, sentencing four men to six months' imprisonment each. In sentencing the prisoners. His Honour remarked on the easy and tolerant manner pillaging from ship's cargoes was looked upon, and said that it may be doubted whether any large steamer reaches a port in New Zealand without some instances of pillaging, often on a large scale.

"Have you ever seen anyone get tipsy on this," asked a thirsty individual as he eyed a tankard of poor cider at a country inn.

"No, sir," replied Boniface, "I can't say as I hev, but I once had a man bust hisself a-trying to."

A further evidence of the increase in the consumption of methylated spirits as a beverage was afforded in the Central Police Court, Sydney, the other day, when it was stated that a woman who was charged with drunkenness had been arrested in the Domain as she was serving out methylated spirits to two men.

Crops of tobacco that had lain for years in sheds in the Tumut district, New South Wales, and for which the best offers were 2d to 3d per lb to the growers, have just been bought by a Sydney house at 5d to 7d per lb.

At Dunedin last week a serious outbreak of fire occurred in Thomson and Co.'s aerated water manufactory in Crawford-street. The fire was discovered almost in the middle of the 'top storey, where a large quantity of corks, disused machinery, packing, etc., are stored. The flames had a strong hold when discovered and spread with almost incredible rapidity, and when the brigade arrived a few minutes later, the whole floor was ablaze. It is estimated that the damage exceeds £2000.

The insurances are distributed in the Atlas, Standard, Liverpool, London, and Globe, New Zealand, South British, Victoria, National, Commercial Union, Alliance, Royal Australian Alliance, and Phoenix Companies, and total £3250. The fire is supposed to have been caused by a defective chimney.

During last year no less than 65 hotels were deprived of their licenses by the Victorian Licenses Reduction Board, and compensation awarded. Of these 28 were in the metropolitan district, and 37 in country districts.

It is contemplated that a new hotel will be erected shortly to replace the one recently burned down at Waiorongomai.

Owing to the drought the hop crop in Nelson promises to be unusually light this season. In one garden of 12 acres in the Waimeas, just picked, only about 12 bales were gathered. Last year three acres of the same variety yielded 20 bales.

A sovereign weighs, roughly, half as much again as a shilling.

Beer drinkers paid £12,364,075 of last year's revenue; spirit drinkers just under £17,000,000.

Apropos the giving of tips by London tradesmen to servants of customers, "Truth" prints the following:—A friend of mine, who is of a waggish turn, received a visit from his butcher just before Christmas. The butcher asked if there was any objection to the cook receiving her usual Christmas-box. "What is the usual Christmas-box?" asked my friend. The butcher evaded an answer, but on pressure thought that it would not be more than half-a-sovereign. "Well, look here," said my friend, "if it is worth your while to pay my cook half-a-sovereign for the chance of keeping my custom it must be well worth your while to pay me a sovereign for the certainty of it. So you send me up thirty shillings, and I will give the cook ten." He has not yet received a remittance.

At Napier last Friday Harry Wilton, aged 38, plasterer employed at the Caledonian Hotel, died as the result of injuries sustained by falling from a scaffold. He was a single man, and so far as is known, had no relatives in the colony.

The beer duty collected in Auckland last month showed an increase of £515 13s 10d, over the month of February of last year, the figures being respectively £2456 11s and £1940 17s 2d.

A meeting of Kentish hop-growers resolved that the time was ripe for the Government to take action to protect English growers against unfair foreign competition. Some of the speakers suggested a duty of 40s a cwt.

The evil of intimidation is apparently one which the prohibitionist is ever ready to avail himself of. In dailies last week it was announced that "the Rev. F. W. Isitt states that when speaking in Opoiki on the licensing question, on the 21st inst., he was informed that Signor Bragato, Government viticulturist, had addressed a public meeting on the preceding evening in the same hall, and had devoted 25 out of 30 minutes of his address to an attack on the prohibition movement. Mr Isitt points out that without wishing to interfere with Mr Bragato's work, the leaders of the no-license party will, of course, be compelled to draw the attention of the Government to the line of action adopted by one of their officials." Possibly the worthy Signor will be very scared by the reverend gentleman's attentions, but we do not think so. As an expert in viticulture, he no doubt is a firm believer in the command "take a little wine for thy stomach's sake."

The "Daily Telegraph" declares that Mr Asquith's Bill has signed the death warrant of the Government.

Fierce criticisms by representatives of the licensing trade in London declare that the new Bill is sheer robbery.

Last Monday, the police raided a boarding house at Utiku, alleged to be a sly-grog shop, and discovered a quantity of whisky and beer.

Something of a record in license holding is recorded by Mr T. Pearse, landlord at the Shoulder of Mutton Inn, Burn, Yorkshire, who recently celebrated his 93rd year. He has held the license of the inn for 68 years.

The new Licensing Bill introduced in the House of Commons last week, had the effect of causing a considerable slump in the value of brewery shares in London. The "Financial Times" estimated an aggregate shrinkage of thirty-two million sterling.

The brewers and publicans in London are raising £100,000 to conduct a great campaign against the Licensing Bill.

At Rotorua the new baths are rapidly approaching completion, and a hive of workmen are at present arranging the internal furnishings, which will be on a most imposing scale—in fact, unsurpassed in the whole of Australasia.

Mr G. Laurensen, M.P., who addressed a meeting at Lyttelton last Friday evening, said that the women of New Zealand were "taking to drink." He said he had seen eight women seated drinking in a small waitingroom in an hotel in Christchurch. One of the women had a child of about nine months in her arms. He was told by men who frequently visited the hotel that half-an-hour later the room would probably have contained nearly 30 women. Mr Laurensen's statement has aroused great indignation in the Cathedral City, and the correctness of the allegations is being freely challenged.

MORE PRESUMPTION.

Elsewhere we publish a copy of a no-license petition which is to be put before Parliament by the No-License League at Oroua. We will confess off-hand that we do not know much about Oroua, but from what we can learn, Oroua is a county containing some six thousand odd people, and covering about 213 square miles. Presuming we are on the right place, we should judge from the usual limited views held by no-licensors that it is about the size place that should frame suggested laws for the whole of the Dominion. Briefly, Oroua did not carry prohibition at the local option poll, from the fact that the no-licensors did not poll strong enough. Therefore, they now decide that a bare majority is the correct thing and a petition to that effect is accordingly prepared. The arguments brought forth why this should be, are all too stale to be worth handling. Our legislators in the past decided that property and vested interests in hotel and kindred trades, were too valuable to be gambled away by the turn of a vote. The three fifths majority contains all the elements of fairness, when it is remembered that the gamble is all to nothing.

NO-LICENSE PETITION.

The following are the terms of a petition to Parliament which was agreed upon at the convention under the auspices of the Oroua No-license League:—

The petition of the undersigned electors in the electoral district of Oroua, in the Dominion of New Zealand, sheweth:—

1. That in the electoral district of Oroua,



as also in 35 other electoral districts, the granting of licenses for the sale of liquor is lawfully continued, notwithstanding that at the last local option poll therein a minority only voted that the granting of such licenses should continue, and an absolute majority voted that no such licenses should be granted.

2. That your petitioners pray you to consider the grievous injustice inflicted upon the majority of the voters in this electorate hereby, and petition your honourable House to do what is necessary towards this anomaly immediately, especially in view of the approaching recurrence in this year of our Lord, 1908, of the triennial licensing polls.

In support of this their petition that the law be amended to provide that every issue submitted at the licensing polls shall be determined by the majority of those who vote, your petitioners would submit:

1. That the existing law is purely and harshly arbitrary, having not even the pretence of justification of being based on the oft-belauded but unwarranted plea that an exceptional majority is necessary for the due enforcement of no-license, inasmuch as it provides that where a no-license policy has been lawfully affirmed at the poll it shall be continued, notwithstanding that at the next following poll or polls only a minority of the voters, being over 40 per cent. of them, continues to support it.

2. That in Ashburton, where, mainly through the existence there of a chartered club, and the change of law in relation thereto between the two polls, there was at first a three-fifths majority in favour of no-license, and then an over 40 per cent. minority only, and the administration of the law has improved, notwithstanding the minority vote only in favour of no-license, experience has abundantly shown that no exceptional majority is needed for the due enforcement of no-license.

3. That in their judgment the sole effect of the present law is to give to the licensed liquor trade at the outset at the polls a great and unjust advantage over the people, all of whom are sufferers directly or indirectly by its existence.

4. It is recognised to be right that an absolute majority of those who vote in any electorate shall determine who shall be returned to Parliament to enact legislation affecting the most vital interests of the people, and that in Parliament such legislation shall be determined by the majority of those who vote thereon, and your petitioners cannot see that the question of granting licenses to sell liquor has any claim whatsoever to exceptional treatment as respects the majority to determine it of the electors voting thereon.

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(By Geo. R. Sims in "The Referee")

The advocates of Temperance are waging war upon the publicans, and the publicans are protesting that there is no need for what they call "further harassing legislation." The Licensing Laws are now not only a feature of the programme of the Social Reformer, but a plank in the platform of a political party.

As one who has for some time past strenuously advocated reasonable legislation in the interests of the Child and the Home, but who has at the same time strongly deprecated any measure which would tend to drive the drink traffic out of licensed premises, where it is under supervision and control, into places where there is no supervision and no control. I desire to draw attention to a scandal in connection with the Licensing Laws as they at present exist, believing it to be a scandal against which

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In these clubs all-night drinking is by no means unknown, and on Sundays, the premises are packed from morning till night with men, mostly of the working-class, who in the conviviality of comradeship spend at the club bar a good deal of money that could be far more advantageously laid out on the home, the wife, and the little ones.

These drinking dens masquerading as clubs are increasing and multiplying in every direction, and there is little prospect of the evil being drastically dealt with because the two chief political parties hesitate for party reasons to join in a campaign against them. But many social reformers who are party men make up for their discretion in the bogus club matter by the valour of their attack upon the bona-fide license-holder.

My argument is, and always has been, that the cause of Temperance can never be advanced by any measure which tends

to drive the consumer out of premises where the hours of supply are limited by law into premises where the hours of supply are unlimited.

In the Temperance campaign in which I have taken a humble part the great object is the protection of the young child from the environment and atmosphere of the crowded drinking bar.

But if we succeed in keeping little children out of drinking bars—and there is reason to believe that we shall, for many members of the Trade are in sympathy with the movement—what good will have been accomplished if the children are allowed to be taken into the suffocating atmosphere of a drinking-club on the frequent occasions which are called "ladies' nights"? On these occasions small rooms, reeking with alcohol and tobacco-smoke, are crowded to suffocation with men, women and children.

Intemperance is the deadly enemy of the National well-being and National efficiency, and we must fight it in every possible way. But we must fight it fairly and squarely. Sauce for the publican must be sauce for the clubman. It is useless to close a public-house and allow three drinking clubs to spring up in the immediate neighbourhood.

Having said so much in order to define the position I am taking up, I desire to draw attention to another phase of the question—namely, the haphazard way in which the licensing laws as they at present exist are administered. The licens-

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ing body is adamant in one area and putty in another.

In one town there is an organised official campaign, which has as its object the wiping of the public-house out of existence, and in a neighbouring town there is a recklessness in licensing which is nothing short of a scandal.

As an instance of the latter contention, I will take the town of Bedford, the town in whose gaol the inspired tinker, John Bunyan, wrote his immortal "Pilgrim's Progress."

There is a narrow street or lane in Bedford which contains four registered Common-lodging-houses, and close by are another registered common lodging-house and an unregistered lodging-house. These are all the Common lodging-houses in Bedford, and every one of them is licensed to sell beer. I will give the particulars in each case.

No. 1.—Registered Common lodging-house. The beds. Price of bed fourpence. Licensed for beer. Bar open to the public during regulation hours. No refreshments other than drink supplied on demand. The tramps and vagrants and nightly lodgers have access to the bar from the common kitchen, and obtain drink during prohibited hours and all day on Sunday. This house joins two other licensed houses.

No. 2.—Registered Common lodging-house. Same conditions as No. 1. Twenty-two beds. Entrances for public two. One drinking bar. No refreshments other than drink supplied on demand. Joins two licensed houses.

No. 3.—Registered Common-lodging house. Seven beds. Entrances for public two. One drinking bar. No refreshments other than drink supplied on demand. Is twenty-seven yards from one licensed house and thirty-four yards from another.

No. 4.—Registered Common lodging-house. Twelve beds. Two drinking bars. No refreshments other than drink supplied on demand. Is twenty-seven yards from one licensed house and sixty-seven yards from another.

No. 5.—Registered Common lodging-house. Twenty-five beds. One drinking bar. No refreshments other than drink supplied on demand. Is fifty

yards away from one licensed house and fifty yards from another.

No. 6.—Unregistered lodging-house. Lodgers pay weekly. Licensed to sell beer.

I have taken these particulars from the Report made by the Head Constable of Bedford to the Annual Licensing Meeting on February 9, 1904.

In order to ascertain if the conditions were still the same I have quite recently visited every house here mentioned, and I found the condition of every registered Common lodging-house in Bedford exactly the same as in the Report of 1904.

There is access into the drinking bar from the common kitchen in each house.

In the kitchens I found the character of the lodgers to be of the usual Doss-house or "padding ken" order. In some of these kitchens there were women as well as men, the house being a "mixed" one—that is, accommodating both sexes.

Here, then, we have a town in which every registered Common lodging-house has a beer license, and all the houses are, as I have shown, in one small area, and close to other licensed houses.

Many of the lodgers are beggars, and make a practice of soliciting alms in the streets. They spend the money they get in this way "on the premises."

Each of these houses is practically a tramps' hotel, but food is not supplied as at an hotel—only drink. In spite of this fact, all the Doss-houses are licensed as beer houses, and anyone taking a bed ticket, which costs fourpence, is able to drink on the premises during prohibited hours.

This is a plain statement of facts. I leave them to the consideration of the authorities and all who are interested in

the present campaign for a Reform of the Licensing Laws.

CIGAR-LEAF GROWING.

A return has been presented in the Federal Parliament showing the number of cigar-leaf growers in Australia, and the acreage each has under cultivation. Queensland has the largest number, there being 28 growers in that State. Their holdings vary in size from a quarter of an acre to 10 acres. In Victoria there are three cigar-leaf growers, with small acreages. In Tasmania three Chinese are registered as growers, but no leaf has been produced by them since 1904. In no instance has it been found in New South Wales that leaf is being grown specially for the manufacture of cigars.

CIGARETTE SMOKING.

Drastic legislation to put down cigarette smoking by juveniles is to be introduced in the House of Commons next session. A draft Bill contains the following provisions:—

1. Every person, who knowingly sells or delivers or permits or suffers to be sold or delivered any description of cigarettes to any child under the age of sixteen years, shall be liable to a penalty of not exceeding 40s for the first offence, and not exceeding £5 for any subsequent offence.

2. Nothing in this Act shall prevent the employment by a licensed person of a member of his family or his servant or apprentice to manufacture, or, as a messenger, to deliver cigarettes.

3. Every child under the age of sixteen, who shall be found in possession of cigarettes, or found smoking tobacco in any form, shall, upon conviction, be liable to a penalty of not exceeding 40s for each offence, and shall be subject to the provisions of the Youthful Offenders Act, 1901.

4. For the purpose of this Act, the word "cigarette" shall include cigarette papers or wrappers, and cigars, cheroots and tobacco.

5. This Act may be cited as the Cigarette (Sale to Children) Act, 1908, and shall come into operation in three months after receiving the royal assent.

TALE OF A BAWBEE.

When a representative of the Wellington "Post" visited Mr A. Hamilton's office at the museum the other day, he found the director poring over a bawbee, a real bawbee. Mr Hamilton was not fondling the coin in the way that the miser is supposed to embrace his beloved gold; he had merely a scientific interest in the little bit of thin silver about the diameter of a half-penny. It was just a wafer, a debased thing issued for circulation in Scotland by Charles I. The bawbee was one of a number of old coins presented by a lady in Dunedin to a Scotch church for conversion into current coin of the realm. Like many other possessors of ancient coins, this lady imagined that the relics of other days would be worth comparatively large sums of modern money. That is a mistake; the bawbee, which is not in first-class condition, has probably only melting-pot value, the merest trifle.

As a matter of fact, collectors are not willing, as a rule, to give large sums for old coins, unless they are in excellent order. The romance of a coin that has passed from one hand to another in other centuries has no charm for them; they prefer the bloom of the mint. They prefer to be the first that ever burst upon the metal. Therefore values are usually based upon the condition of the curios.

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AMERICAN BUSINESS MEN.

Physicians, says the New York "Herald," have long been preaching the doctrine that American business men live too fast. With the telegraph, the ocean cable, the telephone, and other modern facilities, the man of affairs can do in one hour work that formerly would have occupied six. It might be thought his working day would be correspondingly shortened. Nothing of the sort has occurred. The speed with which trade can be effected has simply accelerated his pace, and he not only works faster, but more hours than ever, with corresponding increase of business and responsibilities. To keep up this energy he eats too much—sometimes drinks too much—for a man who spends most of his working hours at his desk and takes no open air exercise. Physical deterioration is inevitable, and when a period of more than usual stress and anxiety arrives he is liable to succumb. Even from a sordid money-grabbing point of view his manner of life is a mistake. A day's shooting, yachting, riding or golf and an occasional change of scene give new strength and vitality and a clearer brain. In perfect health and possession of all his faculties the man has an acuter insight for the direction of affairs, and can accomplish more than if he spent the whole time in his office or counting-room with his nose to the grindstone. The man who thus preserves his health pooh-poohs as mere spectres a host of things which otherwise would worry him into his grave, and he will be living, active and prosperous for a generation after the survivors among his unwise colleagues have passed into a wretched and enfeebled premature old age. What American business men must learn is to slow down, take wholesome recreation and above all quit worrying, even over real troubles when they come, whereas most of them now worry over troubles that never come.

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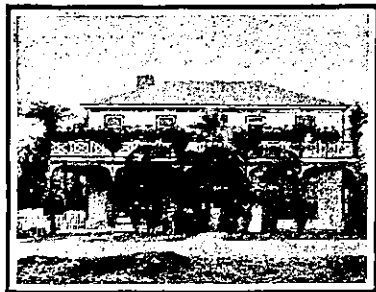
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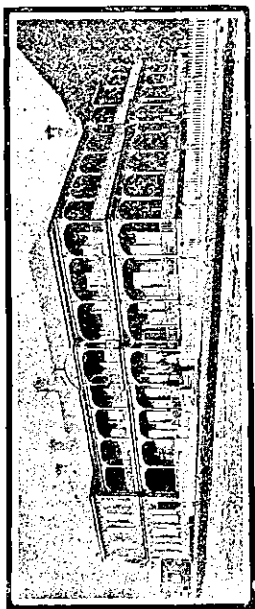
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The following address was made by the Chairman:—"Gentlemen, I stand in the proud position to-day of being able to continue to sell at my Prices all Ales, Wines and Spirits, Having ended a most successful year in the Free Hotel called the Thistle, and having large consignments landed and to land, purchased at bedrock prices by my Home Agents, and in consideration of there being no MIDDLEMAN in my business, and not being tied to the powers that be, I am prepared to sell as follows:—

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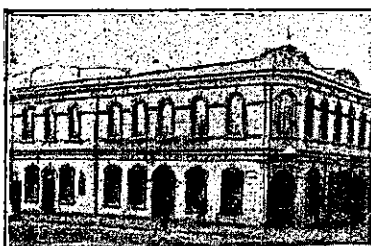
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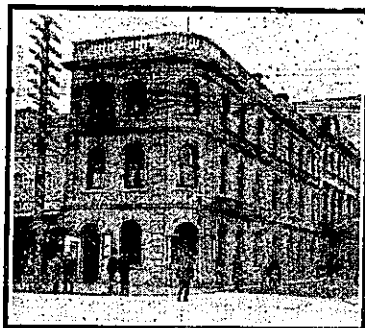
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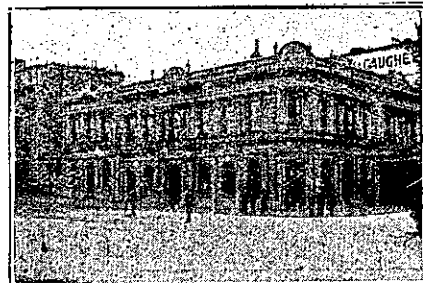
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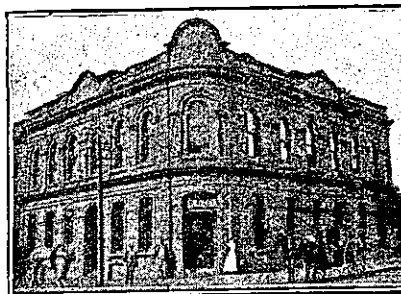
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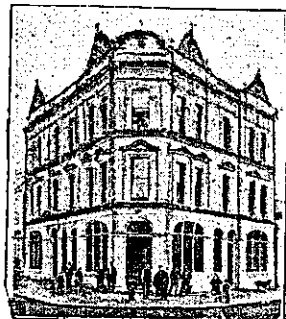
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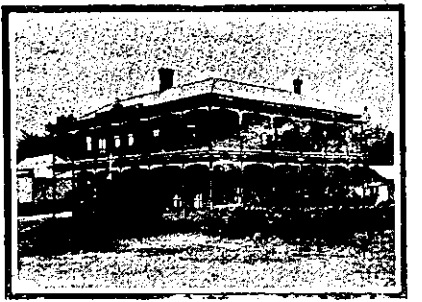
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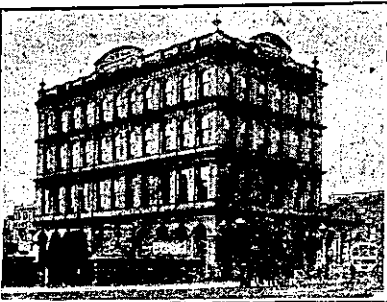


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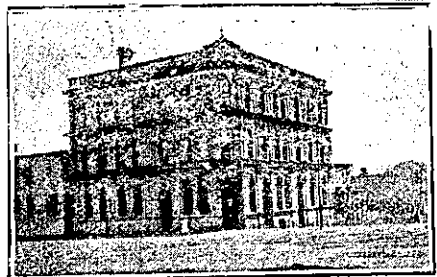
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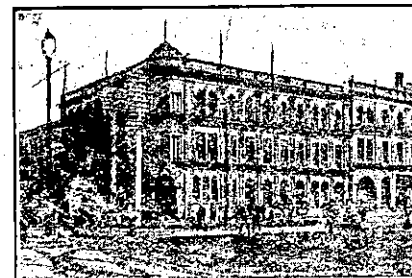
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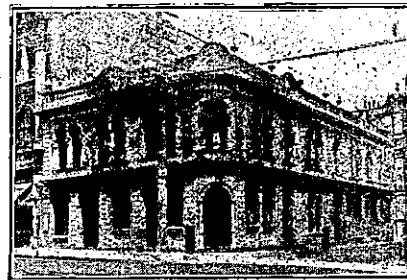


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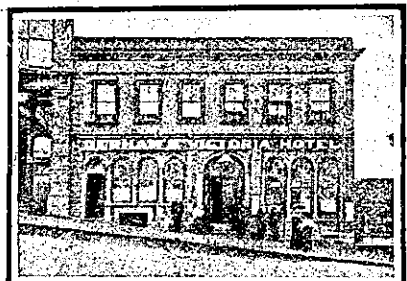
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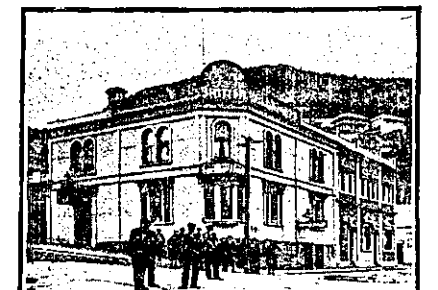
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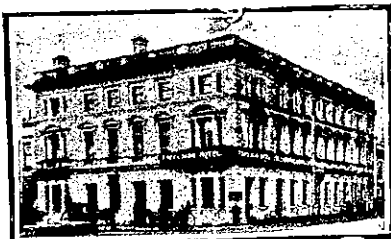
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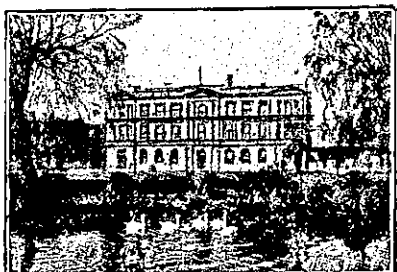


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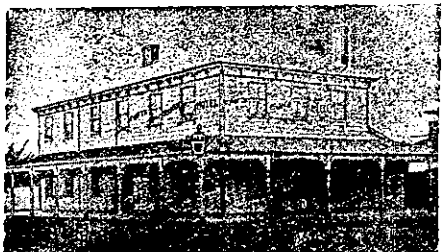
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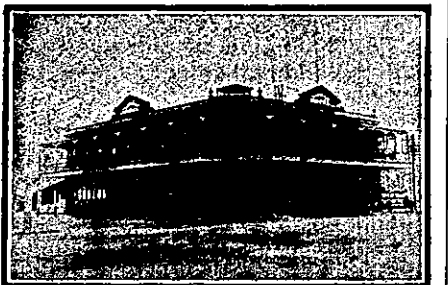
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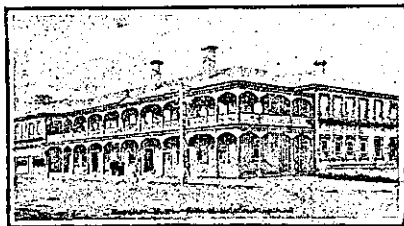
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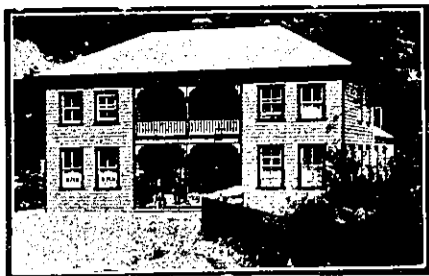
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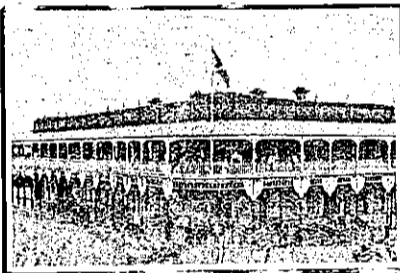
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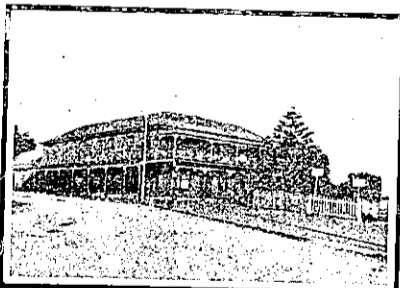
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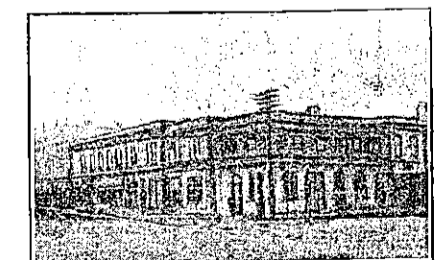


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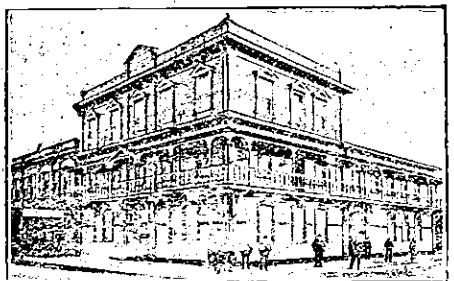
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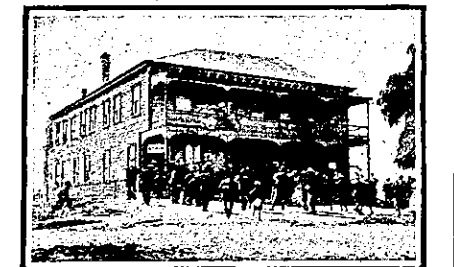


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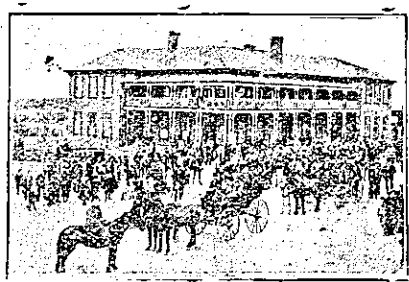
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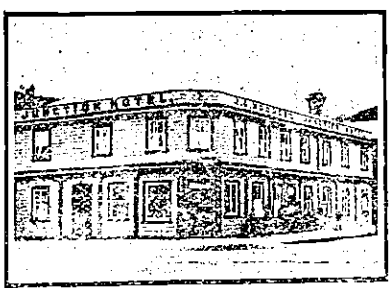
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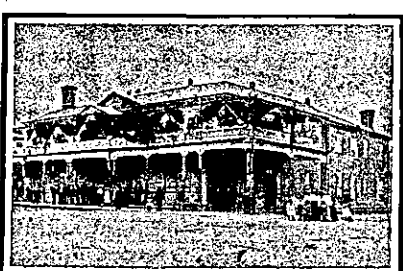
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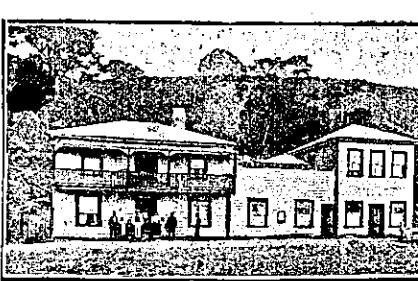
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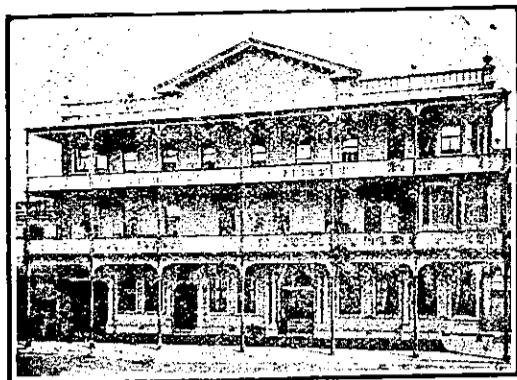
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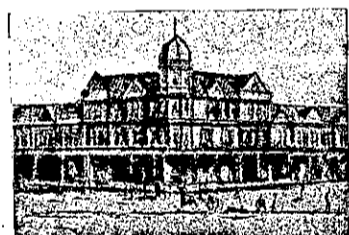
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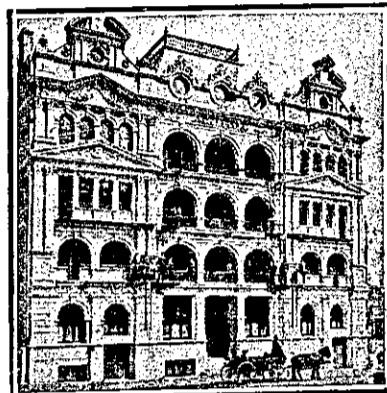
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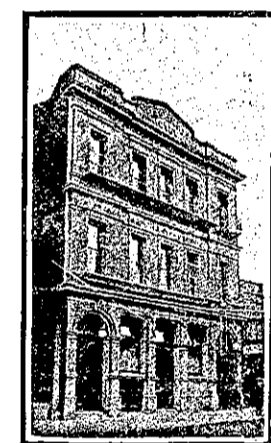
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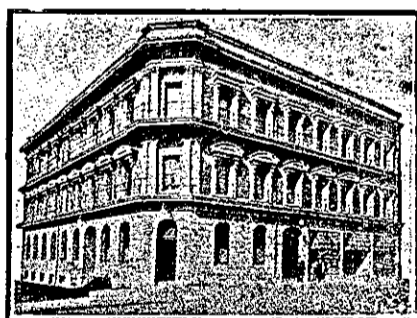
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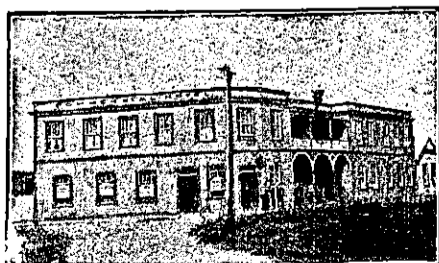
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