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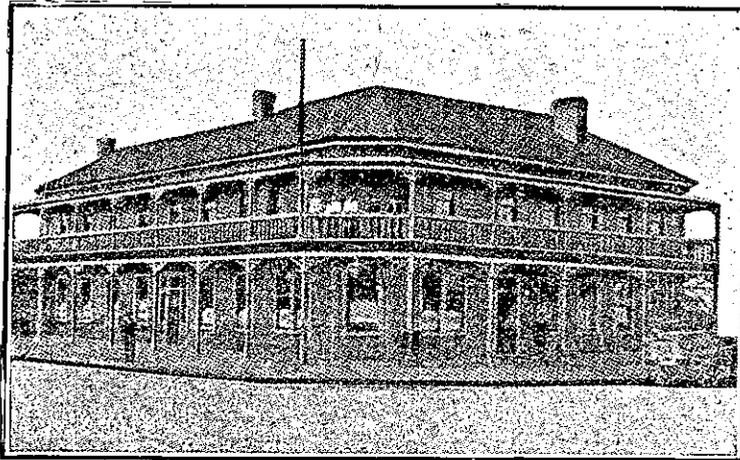
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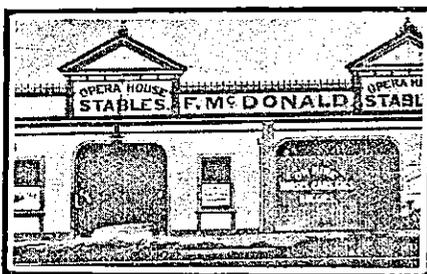
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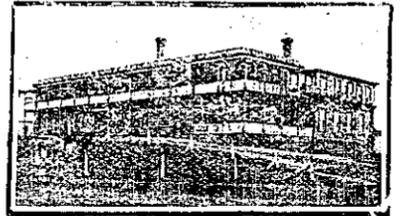
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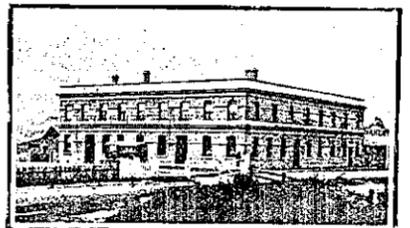
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FIXTURES.

April 1, 2—Nelson J.C. Annual
 April 4, 8, 11—Auckland Trotting Club
 April 7, 8—Manawatu R.C.
 April 8, 9—Southland R.C.
 April 10, 11—Reefton J.C.
 April 18, 20—Wairarapa R.C.
 April 18, 20, 21—Auckland Racing Club Autumn
 April 20—Patea R.C.
 April 20, 21—Riverton R.C.
 April 20, 21—Kumara R.C.
 April 20, 21—Canterbury J.C.
 April 20 and 21—Feilding J.C.
 April 29, May 2—Avondale J.C.
 April 29, May 2—Wellington R.C.
 May 6, 7—Hawke's Bay J.C.
 May 6, 7—Mariborough R.C.
 May 13, 14—Ashburton County R.C.
 May 23, 25—North Otago J.C.
 May 23, 25—Takapuna J.C.
 May 23, 25—Wanganui J.C.

NOMINATIONS.

April 3—Avondale J.C. (special events)
 April 17—Avondale J.C. (general entries)
 April 24—Takapuna J.C.
 April 24—Wanganui J.C.

WEIGHTS ARE DUE.

April 3—Auckland Racing Club (first day)
 April 6—Patea R.C.
 April 6—Avondale J.C. (special events)
 April 20—Avondale J.C.
 May 8—Takapuna J.C.
 May 9—Wanganui J.C.

ACCEPTANCE.

April 13—Patea R.C.
 May 15—Takapuna J.C.
 May 15—Wanganui J.C.

THE TWO EASTER HANDICAPS.

The weights for the Easter Handicap to be run at the approaching A.R.C. Meeting, and for the Great Easter Handicap to be decided at the C.J.C. on the same date have duly been declared, and it is somewhat interesting to compare the work of Mr. Morse and Mr. Henrys. Of course the race at Riccarton is run over a furlong shorter distance than the one at Ellerslie, but this should affect the handicap but little. Mr. Morse commences his list with Marguerite, 9.4, who is asked to concede 1 lb. to Zimmerman and 4 lbs. to Gold Crest. Mr. Henrys reverses this and makes Gold Crest concede 2 lbs. to Zimmerman and 3 lbs. to Marguerite. Here is a considerable difference of opinion. Bearing in mind the easy way in which the colt defeated the mare in the Wellington Summer Handicap at even weights, one is disposed to think Mr. Henrys the more correct. The Auckland weight adjuster considers that Marguerite should give King Billy 12 lbs., but his Southern confrere estimates the difference between them as only 6 lbs., and this, although the shorter distance should suit the son of Merriwee. Here Mr. Henrys goes astray, or it looks like it. In the Auckland race Gold Crest has to concede Sir Tristram 10 lbs., but at Riccarton the latter receives 17 lbs. from the son of Gold Reef. On the whole the differences in the handicaps are not very great. Multifid has 3 lbs. more at Riccarton than here, Cambrian 2 lbs. less, Soultline 1 lb. less, Helen Portland 3 lbs. more, and Downfall 1 lb. less. It will thus be seen that there is no very glaring disparity in the two handicaps. If fault is to be found with Mr. Morse's adjustments it is rather in the handicapping of the local brigade, but of course this is almost inevitable with the weight adjuster living so far from Auckland. Of the Southern contingent in the Auckland race, through which names the scratching pen has been put, the most prominent are Zimmerman, Frisco, Multifid, Sir Tristram, Arc Light, Downfall and Ballarat.

THE SOUTH AUCKLAND MEETING.

The South Auckland Racing Club held a two days' meeting on Friday and Saturday last at the well-known Claudelands racecourse. The weather was fine on both days, but at the start the track was somewhat holding. On the opening day eight bookmakers were licensed at a fee of ten guineas, and should have done well considering the way the totalisator was neglected, only £1054 10s going through the machine. Mr. O'Connor

acted as starter, but was not quite so successful as usual, while Mr. Rowland was in the judge's box. Secretary W. Conradi and his committee worked hard to achieve success, and everything passed off well. Following the rule at country meetings this season, three out of the four starters in the Steeplechase ran off, thus leaving Pierre to win as he liked by ten lengths from Loch Fyne, with Kapakapa third, Cinque, the favourite, figuring as an "also started."

Omati was most fancied in the Claudelands Handicap, for which four carried silk. Recent form pointed to Foremost, and he led all the way and won easily from the favourite, with Dardanus third.

Flint Island was looked upon as a good thing for the District Hack Race, and here the public made no error, as he won in a canter by three lengths from Freemantle.

Mr. Ring has a penchant for Flying Handicaps, and in this race he was represented by the Freedom colt Wauchope. Lochbuhie was most fancied, but could get no nearer than third, Wauchope romping home three lengths ahead of Miss Crispin.

Lady Hune's victory in the South Auckland Cup was in a measure due to the bad start. Montigo was left at the post, while Certainty, Lord Seaton and Philosopher virtually had their chances extinguished at the barrier.

Owing to their being a special train from Auckland, and the fact of a half-holiday, there were more people present on Saturday, and the racing was a decided improvement. Eleven bookmakers were plying their calling, the fees for the two days amounting to within a fraction of £200. The totalisator was a little busier, £1723 being handled there.

Syren and Foremost were well fancied for the Publicans' Purse, and the latter was in front for most of the journey, but could not stave off Omati's finishing run, the hurdle horse winning by over a length with Syren third.

Loch Fyne was the right pea for the Second Steeplechase, in which he was opposed by Cinque, Pierre, Kapakapa and Reckless. Kapakapa looked a winner until near home, when Wilson brought Loch Fyne with a good run, the son of Lochness winning by three lengths.

The Waikato Handicap gave rise to a great race. In fact, so close was the finish that five of the six passed the box almost in a line. The judge's verdict was a head win for Lochbuhie, with Lady Hune second, and Lord Seaton, Montigo, and Certainty a tie. Lady Hune's rider could not draw the weight, while the rider of Lord Seaton failed to weigh in. Montigo and Certainty accordingly got second money and dividends—a bit of luck for their backers.

Sweet Alice was most favoured of the five runners in the Hamilton Handicap, but failed to get a place, Tua Kitua winning all the way from Discoverer and Azoff.

Foremost collared Mighty Atom at the distance in the Farewell Handicap, and won easily by over a length, Walhou just beating the pony for second place. This brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

TARANAKI J.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

The Taranaki Jockey Club's Autumn Meeting was held on Wednesday and Thursday last under very unfavourable weather conditions, show-throughout both days. Despite this fact, however, the meeting just concluded must be classed as one of the most successful ever held by the club. The fields, with one or two exceptions, were large and of good quality, and the racing right through was most interesting and exciting. The finishes of many of the events were very fine indeed, particularly so in the First Welter, when the whole field of eight finished in a bunch. The handicapper (Mr. George Morse) was deservedly congratulated on all sides for his splendid adjustments. Mr. O'Connor acted as starter, and de-

spatched the various fields with his usual ability. The whole meeting from start to finish was carried through without one single hitch or anything whatever occurring to mar the proceedings. This was undoubtedly due to the manner in which the secretary (Mr. Mussell Fleetwood) and his staff of assistants worked to attain this end. The totalisator returns showed an increase of £289 10s on the corresponding meeting last year. This, considering the state of the weather, must be considered most satisfactory.

Proceedings opened with the Kawarua Hack Hurdles, which comprised a field of six. Speciosa (a winner at Warrengate) took charge soon after the start, and was never afterwards troubled.

A splendid despatch was effected in the Stewards' Handicap of five furlongs, the field keeping together for nearly a furlong, when Kareroa, one of the St. Clements family, forged ahead, eventually winning by a couple of lengths.

Almost every contestant in the Pukaki Hack Handicap appeared to have a winning chance, and the race was full of interest from start to finish. Lamsdorf and Ney took up the running for a short distance, when Miss Vera went to the front, followed by Crucinella. At the head of the straight Lamsdorf also improved his position, but Miss Vera held her own, eventually winning by about half a length.

The next item on the programme was the Taranaki Cup, for which a field of eight faced the barrier, Mahuta being the popular fancy. Wee Trinket, Dear Dolly and Mahuta were the first to show out, followed by Uhlando, Scotty, and Signor. Wee Trinket and Dear Dolly headed the field passing the stand, Mahuta, Uhlando and Scotty close up. Soon after passing the five-furlong post Uhlando went to the front, followed by Mahuta. Wee Trinket and Dear Dolly cried enough, and Scotty went after the leaders. In the straight Mahuta raced alongside Uhlando, and in a splendid race to the post Uhlando gained the verdict by a bare half-length. Signor was fourth. Uhlando has now won the Waverley, Waitara, Wanganui and Taranaki Cups. The Uhlan gelding did not appear to be at all distressed after his effort, and appeared as if another furlong or two would not have troubled him.

The Welter Handicap provided a splendid race. On entering the straight half a dozen horses were racing in line, and in a slashing go to the post Arc Light won by a head, with the second and third horses a similar distance apart.

The Kaitake Hack of one mile needs little description. Pearlle assumed a slight lead soon after the start, while he held till just before entering the straight, where the Royal Artillery mare was caught by Mallet, and, holding his own, won comfortably by half a length. Unfortunately the Flying Handicap was contested by only two runners. The pair raced on even terms to the straight, where Moriarty forged ahead and won easily by a length from Pylades.

The last race was run in a heavy shower of rain. Inaha shot out from the barrier, with Explosive next, the rest of the field strung out. Muskerado, Nicotine and Chase Mab made up a lot of ground, but could not catch the St. Clements mare, who scored by a length.

SECOND DAY.

Proceedings on the second day opened with the Hack Hurdles, in which a field of six faced the barrier. Black Squall fell at the first jump. Bushranger, who is a beautiful jumper, but a little green at present, led the field for a good part of the distance. The three placed horses entered the straight almost together, but once over the last hurdle Immolation had too much pace for Bushranger and Speciosa, and won by four lengths.

Pylades caused a lot of trouble in the start for the Grandstand Handicap, and delayed the start. When the field was despatched Moriarty

and Kareroa were the first to show out. On entering the straight Moriarty headed the field, when Waihuka put in a good run, but could not catch the Merriwee gelding, who won easily by half a length.

Inaha scored her second victory at the meeting by annexing the Wharepapa Hack. Jumping off at the start she soon established a good lead and romped home an easy winner by a couple of lengths. Nukutibi and Hydraulic closed up a bit on entering the straight, but had no chance of catching the winner.

The Paul Memorial Handicap provided an interesting contest. From an even start Daisy Paul and Mahuta were the first to show out, with Scotty lying handy. Going along the back Signor joined the leaders, and Scotty started to move up, and had assumed the lead on turning for home, but Signor came with a splendid run and won a good race by a neck. Jeffrey (the rider) displayed excellent horsemanship.

In the Second Welter Mr. G. F. Moore scored his second victory at the meeting by the aid of Carissima. Geam took up the running from the start, followed by Carissima and Irish Rifle. Mr. Moore's mare entered the straight with a clear lead, when Irish Rifle closed up, and in an exciting race to the post Carissima won by a neck.

A good field faced the barrier for the Kawan Hack of one mile. Killmarnock rushed to the front when the tapes were raised, and piloted the field right round the back and into the straight, where he dropped back and Somali and Pearlle were left in the lead. An exciting race to the post resulted in a half-length victory for Somali.

Only four runners went out to contest the Farewell Handicap. Golden Eagle and Dear Dolly gave some trouble at the post, but eventually the latter got away with a good start, with Golden Eagle in second and Miss Vera last position. When about a couple of furlongs had been covered Golden Eagle assumed the lead, and going on won easily by two lengths in the good time of 1m. 15 2-5s.

A five-furlong Hack Race was the concluding event of the meeting. Nicotine, who got a bad run in her race on the previous day, secured the verdict by a length from Eastmere. The winner is a full sister to Golden Eagle.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB METROPOLITAN COMMITTEE.

The Hon. E. Mitchelson presided at the usual monthly meeting of the Metropolitan Committee of the Auckland Racing Club, held on Wednesday. The disqualification on Arthur Langdon for riding at unregistered meetings at Hikutaia and Matakoho last season was removed and a license granted to him for the present season. The six pony races on the Auckland Trotting Club's autumn programme were approved.

In connection with the Whangarei meeting the report of the sub-committee, embodying statements from horseowners and others, was laid before the meeting, and as an outcome the jockeys' licenses of B. Deeley and J. Conquest were cancelled, and it was decided to send all the papers on to the Racing Conference.

The Auckland Trotting Club's report, with the sub-committee's report attached, bearing on the disqualifications recently imposed in connection with the Grandstand Handicap run at the summer meeting at Alexandra Park, was discussed, but as the time within which notice of appeal might be given had not elapsed, definite action was deferred. It was mentioned that two notices of appeal had been received.

THE A.R.C. COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of the A.R.C. committee on Wednesday, the following transfers were passed:—From Cambria Park Stud: Brown colt by Eton—Rapid, to Frank Ross; bay colt by Eton—Lute, to W. Lang; bay colt by Soult—Sprite, to Sir George Clifford; brown colt by Eton—Senga, to Rob-

ert L. Cleland; brown colt by Soult—Creecy, to Wm. Lyons; bay filly by Soult—Miss Annie, to Mrs. A. M. Coombe; bay colt by Eton—Anadyomene, to George Hyde; brown colt by Soult—Dreamland, to Mrs. A. M. Coombe; brown filly by Eton—Irma, to F. W. Arnold; bay colt by Eton—Tournament, to F. W. Arnold.

Bookmakers' fees for the autumn meeting were fixed at £20 per day, with 10s per day for the clerk; all applications for licenses to be in the hands of the secretary on or before Wednesday, April 8.

AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

On Saturday next the Auckland Trotting Club will make a commencement with the autumn meeting at Alexandra Park. A programme of eight events will be gone through, and as in all instances the acceptances are large, the prospect of some good trotting and exciting pony racing seems unusually good. There is plenty of time between now and next Saturday for the weather to clear up, but if it does not the track must prove holding, as over nine inches of rain have fallen in the last four weeks. Matters in the sporting line have been rather dull in Auckland for some time, so that in the event of a fine day the attendance should be large. In addition to the ordinary service, a number of extra cars will be run out to the park, where Mr. C. F. Mark and his staff may be relied upon to have everything quite up to date. The acceptances for the first day's events will be found in another column.

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

The Avondale Jockey Club's autumn meeting will take place on April 29 and May 2. Attention is drawn to the fact that nominations for the Avondale Handicap of 200sovs, one mile and a-quarter; Autumn Handicap of 130sovs, one mile; Steeplechase Handicap of 70sovs, three miles; and Railway Handicap of 100sovs, six furlongs, close with Mr. H. H. Hayr, the secretary, to-morrow (Friday) evening at nine o'clock. General entries are due on the 17th inst.

COLOUR IN HORSES.

In Sir Walter Gilbey's book, entitled "Horse-breeding to Colour," just published, referring to the reason for the frequency of certain colours, and the decrease of others, it may be interesting to know that the Derby has been won by 34 chestnuts, 24 browns, 66 bays, one "bay or brown" (Voloyovski), one grey (Gustavus, 1821), and one black (Smolensko, 1813). Flying Dutchman (1849) is not included in the list. There seems to have been difficulty in defining his colour. Flying Dutchman is described as "probably the best racehorse whose colour most nearly approached black." According to a painting by Herring, in Lord Rosebery's possession, Flying Dutchman was black; but Sir Walter Gilbey says "Smolensko is the only black horse that has won the Derby."

ELEVATION AND THE DONCASTER HANDICAP.

So far as winning the Doncaster is concerned, I doubt his ability to do that with 9lb over weight-for-age (writes "Pilot" in the "Referee"), notwithstanding that his sprinting form is undoubtedly of a high class. The Doncaster is a race that generally favours some of the leniently treated members of the older division, and the only three-year-old who ever won with anything approaching weight-for-age on his back was Sir William, who carried 8.4. Good colt as was Sequence, he just failed with 8.5, and therefore it will surprise me if Elevation succeeds with 9.1. However, Elevation's presence will add interest to the weight-for-age races, and we shall see whether, as claimed by some New Zealanders, he is as great a sprinter as Mountain King.

HOUSE PICNIC.

The employees of Messrs. A. Cleave and Co., Ltd., held their annual picnic at Arkle's Bay on Saturday. The weather conditions were all that could be desired and a most enjoyable time was spent by all who attended. A programme of sports was gone through, the different events bringing out some large fields. The party left Auckland in the s.s. Orewa at 9.30, reaching their destination at a little after 12. Lunch over, pleasure was at once sought and in every case found. The sports proved a big attraction. Five started in the Ladies' Race. Miss Jeffries proved too fleet of foot for the rest of the contestants and

won by three yards. The Office Championship was responsible for an entry of 12 aspirants to fame. This event was run over about 170 yards, and proved about 100 yards too long for some of the more staid of the starters. The winner turned up in W. Hoare, P. Cleave being second. The Swimming Championship brought out six starters, of whom Goodhew proved the most speedy, Young second. The Married Men's Race was won by Goodhew, Gilling second. The Handicap Swimming Race saw six starters in place and resulted in E. Rutledge being first, Goodhew second, Hogan third. The Orewa left on her return journey at 5 o'clock, reaching town at 7.30 p.m., the popular opinion being that a first class day had been spent. Before the wharf was reached some speech making was indulged in. Mr. Brookes, on behalf of the employees, expressed the gratification of "all hands" at the day's outing, and hoped the picnic might be an annual one, especially thanking Mr. Cleave for his hearty co-operation. He paid special tribute to the excellent manner in which the secretary (Mr. Richards) had carried out his duties, he having practically all the arrangements to attend to. Mr. Cleave suitably responded and expressed a wish that the picnic would be the forerunner of many similar outings. Cheers were given for Mr. Cleave, for the secretary and members of the committee, the proceedings closing with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the "National Anthem."

THE WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

The Wanganui Jockey Club's programme for the Winter Meeting will be found in this issue. The dates for the gathering are Saturday and Monday, 23rd and 25th May, and seven events will be run on each day. On the first the items are the Borough Handicap of 125 sovs., 6 furlongs; the Wanganui Steeplechase of 400 sovs., 3 miles; the Electric Hack Handicap of 100 sovs., 5 furlongs; the May Hurdles of 150 sovs., 1½ miles; Kaitoke Hack Hurdles of 100 sovs., 1½ miles; Connolly Handicap of 250 sovs., one mile and a distance; Hack Flat Handicap of 100 sovs., 6 furlongs.

On the second day the events to be decided are the Winter Oats of 150 sovs., one mile; the Grandstand Steeplechase of 150 sovs., 2* miles; the Balgownie Hack Handicap of 100 sovs., one mile and a distance; Century Hurdle Race of 300 sovs., two miles; Rata Hack Hurdles of 100 sovs., one mile five furlongs; Final Steeplechase of 120 sovs., 2 miles; Farewell Hack Flat Handicap, 6 furlongs. It will thus be seen that the stake money has been apportioned with a very generous hand, so that Mr. William Hall, the secretary, should have a hearty response to the invitation sent out. Owners should take the fact that nominations for all events must be made not later than Friday, April 24.

THE NORTH N.Z. COURSING CLUB

With the days closing in and the winter drawing on apace the coursing season will soon be here. This is one of the very oldest sports in existence, being held in high favour in the days of the Roman Empire, when the rules were not altogether dissimilar to those now in vogue. All through the long centuries in England it has held sway and now is a popular winter pastime, the meetings being attended by everyone from the King downward. Although it is booming in Australia and in the South, yet in Auckland not a great deal of headway has been made of late years. This is somewhat remarkable, because the meetings at Middlemore Park are always well managed, while as the hares run strongly and generally escape the sport is exciting. It had been intended to open the season this month, but owing to the weather in the South having been against the trapping of hares and their satisfactory shipment, the North New Zealand Coursing Club have decided to put it off until May. At this meeting two stakes will be decided—the North New Zealand Challenge Stakes and the Maiden Stakes. For the Challenge Stakes the following owners have taken out nominations:—F. Baker (2), A. J. Searle (2), Martin Taylor (2), Tapper Brothers, W. H. Morton, J. Harper, P. Gordon, C. George, E. J. Honiss, W. T. Knight, R. J. Elliott, S. Barnes, J. Witheradge, jun., Parkes and Porter, A. Gordon, J. Smith, F. McReynolds, P. Russell, T. Crisp, and V. P. Hansen one each.

The Maiden Stakes attracted an entry of 29, as follows:—F. Baker (3), Martin Taylor (2), C. Charlton (2), J. Sheran, A. Byron, J. Gilbert, A. J. Searle, J. Porter, A. Sparkes, W. Hunt, M. Freney, J. R. Baker, A. Menzies, D. Howard, F. McReynolds, J. Homan, P. Gillespie, G. Mills, J. Bowden, F.

Donaldson, N. Hunter, J. Quinlan, Tapper Brothers, A. D. Macready, S. Barnes, J. McNaughton one each. With 52 dogs engaged some fine trials should result.

A SURPRISE FOR RACEGOERS.

The chief topic of conversation with racing men during the week has been the cancelling by the Auckland Racing Club Metropolitan Committee of the licenses granted to Ben Deeley and J. Conquest. This is the outcome of the January Meeting of the Whangarei Racing Club, when it is said certain things were done of what is known in racing slang as a "red hot" nature. As the committee had statements from owners and others, and a report from a sub-committee to go upon, it may be taken for granted that the case must have looked black indeed to warrant such drastic action. As unfortunately it was heard in camera, one cannot say definitely what the nature of the charges were, and it seems a pity that the whole affair could not have been made public. It is said that the riders were given no opportunity of refuting the charges made against them, but for the sake of fairness it is to be hoped this was not the case. The Committee of the Auckland Racing Club are not at all likely to condemn a man and take away his living without giving him an opportunity of defending himself, because such a course of procedure would be entirely contrary to common justice. What has constituted a very general surprise with racegoers is the inclusion in the disqualification of Deeley. If there was one jockey more than another riding in Auckland against whom the breath of suspicion was never raised, it was the popular light-weight. In fact, he had made a reputation as a straight goer of a somewhat enviable nature. "Deeley wont ride a stiff 'un," was a remark one constantly heard in the paddock, and the fact of him being in the saddle meant many extra investments on his mount. Exactly how many rides he has had this season it is hard to say, but the fact that he has steered no less than fifty-eight to victory would seem to go a long way in extending him from the list of the strong armed fraternity. The fact that the committee have had the evidence to go on, and the public have not, cannot be got over however, so Deeley must be likened to another fallen public idol. It is probable that both he and Conquest will appeal to the Racing Conference against the disqualification.

GOOD IF TRUE.

A Belgian veterinary surgeon reports that he has cured confirmed glanders by giving at first five and then three granules of the sulphate of arseniate of strychnine every two hours for ten days, the dose then being reduced to two granules. A solution of sulphate of zinc was injected into the nostrils, and the farcy balls stutzered. There had been no return of the disease for a year at the time the report was made. Distinguished veterinarians, however, seem to think the disease liable to reappear at any time, and that the only safe course is to kill an animal known to be suffering from this malady. It is to be hoped, however, that experiments with the treatment of the Belgian will be continued until the truth is demonstrated beyond doubt. If the results are confirmatory, the life of many a valuable horse may be saved.—"Breeder and Sportsman."

NOTES.

(By The Judge.)

Boxes have been booked for Moe-raki and Mahutu at the Harp of Erin.

Some little difficulty was experienced in shipping the Soult—Creecy colt on Monday, but he was ultimately got on board the Manuka, and is now on his way to Sydney.

Artillerie is an almost certain visitor to Ellerslie this month.

Bookmakers must apply to Mr. Mark for their licenses to bet at the A.T.C. meeting before 2 p.m. on Friday.

Gay Paris pulled up lame after a gallop last week, a bit of bad luck for his owner with the Easter meeting just ahead.

The smart two-year-old Gravitation ricked himself a few days ago, and will not carry silk again this season.

Mattie MacGregor, who ran second in the Liverpool Grand National, belongs to the ex-Sydney sportsman, Mr. William Cooper, whose orange and white colours were well-known at Randwick a few years ago. The Lawyer, who finished third in the big jumping event, died in his box the same night.

The New Zealander Maranui has won another race in Sydney, carrying off the Rosehill Cup from twelve others. He won very easily by three lengths.

The victory of Major Douglas Penant's Rubio in the Liverpool Grand National Steeplechase must have come as a surprise, as he was not mentioned among the fancied candidates when the mail left Home. It is said he was sold as a yearling for 15 guineas, and after being used as a hunter, broke down, being subsequently driven in harness.

The Seaton Delaval filly Sunbonnet won the March Handicap on the opening day at Masterton, but on the second day got a bad start, and just failed to reach Platypus.

The Lupin gelding Lupulite is evidently a sprinter above the average. At Timaru last week he carried welter weights to victory on three occasions. Such a flier will be a good advertisement for Lupin, who is one of the Government stallions.

Ellerslie is looking particularly bright and green after the rain, but the tracks are still rather heavy.

Most of the country brigade have now returned to headquarters, the Waikato fixtures having been run through.

Mr. G. F. Moore has had the misfortune to lose his Multiform—Guiding Star yearling colt.

Acceptances for the events on the first day of the A.R.C. meeting must be made by to-morrow week.

Scotty is nicely treated in the Brighton Hurdles with 9st 8lb. If really himself he should run well.

The Auckland Trotting Club's meeting commences on Saturday.

Nominations for the Takapuna Winter Meeting are due on April 24.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

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STRAND ARCADE, AUCKLAND.

Loch Fyne has been showing fairly good form at the country meetings, and has won several races lately. He should be in good form for the Great Northern meeting.

Final payment for the Easter Handicap is due on the 10th inst.

Handicaps for the opening day of the A.R.C. meeting should appear tomorrow.

Capital entries have been received for the Patea R.C. Easter Monday meeting. Handicaps are due on Monday.

The New Zealand champion, Elevation, arrived in Sydney on Tuesday, all well.

The question troubling owners just now is where are the jockeys to come from when fields are large.

The general entries for the Auckland Racing Club's coming meeting totalled 286, a big improvement on last year, while 53 are in the three big races.

INTER-PROVINCIAL.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

CANTERBURY.

CHRISTCHURCH, April 1.

Owing to the Telegraph Department making a loss over the telegraph office at the summer meeting of the C.J.C., the office will not be opened at the Easter meeting. This decision will prevent a lot of money being wired away from the course just before a race is decided.

Acceptances for the Great Easter and Autumn Handicaps close on Friday next, and there should be a capital response by South Island owners, but in view of the Auckland meeting, several well-known Northern horses will be missing from both races.

Orloff, a Canterbury Derby winner, who has been entered for several big races during the past year, but has not sported sick, figures in both the big Easter handicaps at Riccarton. Back to form, what a royal chance he would have in both races at the weight allotted him, 7st 2lb.

Rose Noble, Hilarity, Beckwell, and Nancy Stair, all runners at the South Canterbury meeting, did not improve their Great Easter Handicap chances by the form they showed at the Southern fixture.

Miss Mischief and Beneform were easily the two best two-year-olds seen out at South Canterbury, and there is very little to choose between these two youngsters, both of whom are capable of much improvement. They are bred well enough to win in any company.

What a fine sprinter Lupulite is when thoroughly well. He simply made hacks of the sprinters he met at Timaru, and wound up by scoring three wins, his respective weights being 10st 9lb, 10st 3lb, and 10st 10lb. In the Farewell Handicap he was giving away 4st 3lb to Portland, and just on 3st to Nancy Stair, who is not at all a bad filly. Lupulite bids fair to repeat the deeds of those well-known sprinters, Gold Spur and St. Denis, who used to carry all before them at the Southern meetings a few years ago.

I hear the Government stallion Lupin, sire of Lupulite, has several promising youngsters coming on, one or two already showing that they can gallop somewhat fast.

Lapland has escaped going through the season without winning a race, the Timaru Cup coming his way. Lapland's best performance this season was in the New Zealand Cup, when he got third to Frisco and Master Delaval. On the strength of this performance he was strongly fancied for subsequent races, but failed to run up to his owner's expectations. Lapland is not a brilliant horse, but when well placed pays his way. He won at the right time, and with 7st 7lb at the right time, and with 7s 7lb should keep the field busy in the Great Autumn Handicap—a mile and a half race suits him. Now that he has again struck form he should win again before the season closes.

Sir George Clifford, who invariably sends some of his horses to the big Northern meetings, has nominated Clanchattan, Glenculloch, Goldbeater, De Witte, Stratagem, Sister Anne, Flitaway and Miss Mischief for various events at Wellington. De Witte has since been sold, but all the others will run in the Chokebore colours. The team for Manawatu will consist



NO. 8.—MR. R. B. LUSK.

When the horses are lined up for a race at Ellerslie, if one glances at the judge's box there is sure to be seen the tall, athletic form of Mr. Robert Buller Lusk, who, like the boy with the marbles, is called Bob for short by his legions of friends. He is a son of Major Lusk, who distinguished himself during the fighting in the Waikato in the sixties. Bob was born in the Pukekohe district in 1868, and at a very early age showed his love for athletics of all kinds. He could always run a bit, and won many races at school. In the palmy days of the Auckland Amateur Athletic Club Bob was a veritable power in the land. Hurdling was his specialty, and he was one of the first to adopt the "three strides and over" method. It doesn't seem eighteen years ago that I saw the popular Auckland turn out in Sydney for the 120Yds Hurdle Championship of Australia, yet so it is. There were some fairly smart men engaged, but Bob proved the daddy of the lot, and won handily. Auckland had not commenced sweeping all before it in athletics at that time, and Lusk's fine performance was thought a good deal of. So well was he running about that time that he was asked to concede all sorts of starts over hurdles, but it was a difficult thing to keep him out of a race at the finish. The half-mile championship of Auckland was another event which went to Lusk's credit, as well as numerous other races.

The genial Robert was also a footballer "of credit and renown," and was always a tower of strength to his side. He generally played among the back division, either at fullback or in the threequarter-line, halfbacks, as they were then called. He represented Auckland against the New South Wales team which came here in 1886. Against them the Aucklanders were successful in all three matches, winning by 6-0, 14-4, 11-0. He also turned out for the province in the three following years.

It was in 1888 that Stoddart brought his famous team to New Zealand, and Lusk was one of the Auckland team to meet them. This was the team of which R. L. Seddon was captain. He was drowned at Newcastle, his untimely end being universally deplored. Four matches were played against Auckland. The Englishmen won the first by 6 points to 3, lost the second by 4 to nil, won the third by 3 points to nil, and drew the fourth with one point each, from which it may be concluded there was very

of Husbandman, Clanchattan, and Sister Anne. Sir Geo. Clifford is the best patron North Island clubs have from this part of the country.

Glenculloch will not be seen out until the Canterbury Easter meeting. He is bowling along in fine style just now, and if reserved for the Great Easter Handicap will be one of the hardest to beat for speed.

Fleetfoot is doing her work nicely, and appears to have thrown off her recent soreness. Her presence at Riccarton next month is being looked forward to with interest, but much disappointment is felt over Gravitation's mishap. Mr. Bidwill's colt was expected to fully extend the Clanranald filly in the Challenge Stakes.

The two-year-old colt by Nelson—Dudu, a full brother to Stratagem, has been sold by E. Cutts to Mr. A. Walker, of Feilding. The youngster will be sent up to his new home in a few days.

The North Canterbury races will take place at Rangiora on Thursday. The fields promise to be fairly good, but the quality of the horses engaged is only moderate.

The Soult mare Pas Seul ran very badly at Timaru last week, and seems to have gone all to pieces, as it is a long time since she won a race.

Handicaps for the Great Easter and Autumn Handicaps have not created much interest so far, backers preferring to wait until acceptances are made on Friday. With so many of the best horses engaged at both Ellerslie and Riccarton, it is hardly

little between the rival fifteens. One could write a good deal of the many gallant battles on the football ground of those days, and it seems hard to believe that twenty years have slipped away since they took place.

In 1890 Mr. Lusk crossed the Tasman Sea to Sydney, where he resided for some two years. So highly was he thought of over there, that he was picked to don the light blue jersey for New South Wales. On his return he went to practice his profession as a barrister down Taranaki way, and while living in the South represented that province, donning the amber and black jersey in 1892-3-4.

Bob has always been fond of the game of cricket. If memory serves me right it is some twenty-three years ago since I first saw him playing for the old Gordon Club, in its day a very powerful eleven. That's a long time ago, yet Bob is still an enthusiast at the game, and now plays for the Parnell eleven. Perhaps R. Neill is about the only one still playing first-class cricket who donned the flannels with Lusk in those far-off days. Fond as he is of the game, I doubt whether the subject of this article was ever quite so good as his cousins, for the name of Lusk is known on the cricket field from one end of the island to the other.

Bob used to be an expert in the gymnasium, and was, in fact, a fine all-round athlete. Nowadays time that was once given up to practice at the nets is devoted to gardening, and "when the roses bloom again" he will be able to show a fine collection at his pretty home at Parnell, where, by the way, are to be found more than one chip of the old block.

Some seasons back, when the Hon. E. Mitchelson resigned the position of judge, the Auckland Racing Club decided to appoint a stipendiary official, and Mr. Lusk was chosen from a number of others. The selection was a good one, for although often called upon to adjudicate in a close finish, the tall Auckland has invariably given his decisions promptly and accurately. As a result he has been spared any of those unsportsmanlike exhibitions which the papers are wont to describe as "a hostile demonstration against the judge." Every one who has met Bob knows him for a fine all-round sportsman and a good fellow, and as such he is fully entitled to a place in our "Men We Meet" gallery.

worth while criticising the weights until owners' intentions are made known. Marguerite, Gold Crest, King Billy and Dawn, four horses in the Auckland Easter Handicap, are engaged at Riccarton, but indications point to their owners going to Ellerslie.

Grandstand is doing an occasional gallop over the hurdles, and by the time the winter meetings come round should be a proficient jumper.

Crispinot is also jumping well, while another jumper in Slow Tom is doing steady work on the flat. Two fairly good gallops over six furlongs were put up by Buccleuch and Rose Noble on Saturday morning. Each horse went by himself and left the journey behind in 1m. 19s. Buccleuch is showing some of his old form.

The tracks are now in capital order, and are just right for horses with tender feet.

Stronghold and Probable are both galloping well, and should be ready to take part at the Easter meeting. Harvest and Ingleneuk are also on the tracks daily.

Local stables did fairly well at the South Canterbury meeting, Lapland, The Libyan, Gold Braid, Miss Mischief, Yesha, and Lady Disdain each winning a race.

OTAGO.

DUNEDIN, April 1.

Judging by the small number of felders who paid for the privilege of betting at the South Canterbury J.C.

meeting, and the large number who were present but declined to pay up and don the bag, the metallicians are getting tired of paying the large fees demanded by jockey clubs. S.P. betting appears to be coming back again through the same cause.

The Southland mare Lady Zoia has been sold and will figure amongst the ponies at Wellington, when a 100 sovs is to be run on Easter Monday.

The hunter Albury has joined McKay's stable at the Forbury, and will probably be given a run at the Riverton meeting.

The South Canterbury meeting was a great financial success, the sum of £10,517 being registered during the two days by Mr. James and his staff, but even this amount would have been exceeded if investors were not so dilatory in making up their minds as to which horse was entitled to monetary support. We all back winners mentally, but that is not the way to become rich or poor.

The £10,517 invested on the totalisator at Timaru last week was a South Canterbury record. Last year the totals were:—Spring meeting, £6170; autumn meeting, £7636.

The C.J.C. made a commendable appointment when they selected Mr. R. O. Duncan as judge. His verdicts are promptly delivered, and he has proved himself the right man in the right place, so much so that other clubs could employ him, and by doing so give general satisfaction to their patrons.

The members of the Dunedin J.C. committee entertained Mr. J. Hazlett last week prior to that gentleman's departure for England.

The Tahuna Park Trotting Club will be in proud possession of a new track laid out on their own property by next season. A strong effort will be made to get the ground ready by next November, when a specially attractive programme will be rung up as a good send-off to the new course.

The Obligado filly Octave was made a hot pot for the four-furlong race won by Lupulite last week. She was slow away, and, in addition to getting a bad passage, had to run over a lot of ground. She was sent out again in the Flying Handicap, and her luck was on a par with that experienced in her first race on the second day. McCombe was in the saddle, and getting Octave well away on the rails, he managed to squeeze her home by a narrow margin. She did not appear to act with the dash she displayed at Dunedin, even when she was returned a winner.

Lupulite regained his lost laurels by his display of form at Timaru, and is evidently an improved horse to what he was when stripped at the Dunedin Cup meeting. In each of his three wins last week he finished well, but it was difficult to say how much he had in reserve at the end, as there was nothing present capable of giving him battle. He won the four and five furlongs races easily, and a break he obtained in the six

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BY ORDER.

furlongs race helped him to tangle up his opponents on that occasion. Lupite had backed out from the barrier, and just as he was walked into line the barrier shot up, with the result that it gave the Dunedin flyer what was practically a moving start. He made excellent use of the advantage, and raced clean away from his field, although his winning margin was only a bare length.

Lapland looked to the eye when stripped last week at Timaru than the Finland he'd ever previously noticed the Finland gelding. He looked bigish, but clean and hard, and ran out his mission like a racehorse.

The Multiform colt Beneform won the two-year-old race on the first day of the South Canterbury J.C. meeting, and if more use had been made of the advantage he obtained on the second day he would just about have squeezed home again as winner. He blew a bit after his first race, and still looks susceptible to improvement, and if he underwent a sound preparation it would not be astonishing to find him one of the best three-year-olds out next season. He is a racing big colt, showing lots of quality, and has both galloping ability and courage.

The farewell hop on the majority of race programmes marks the medium by which punters attempt to get even on a bad meeting, or perchance make a good one even better. This was particularly noticeable at the South Canterbury meeting, where the last race on the card was easily a record for the meeting, and the amount of money invested on the totalisator marks the largest sum ever invested on a single race at Timaru. Still, it is doubtful if the total (£1070) represented a six-and-eightpenny opinion on the race of each adult on the course. The anti-gamblers would make a lot of such increase, but even after allowing the bookmakers operating to hold fairish books, the amount of spendthrift money in the air would not represent a button of the coat of the South Canterbury public, who are charged with being the wealthiest community of the South Island.

WELLINGTON.

WELLINGTON, April 1.

The executive of the Masterton Racing Club were quite recently bewailing the fact that no rains had fallen in the neighbourhood of their racecourse for several months and in consequence the course was reported caked and as hard as a macadamised road. The wails of the droughty officials were evidently given heed to, as prior to and on the first day of their autumn meeting, rain fell in torrents. This had the desired effect, so far as equines were concerned, but it sadly interfered with the attendance which on the first day, was of the most limited description. The bookmakers, however, came to the rescue, their contributions amounting to £226 10s on the first day and £354 on the second, making a total of £580 10s. This sum will more than make the totalisator deficit, and the club (thanks to the metallicians) will come out of the meeting very well indeed.

The racing was interesting and in the majority of instances exciting, Mr Harrigill's verdict in the hurdles, cup, and bracelet, being "won by a short head." The fields on the second day were also good and the races very open. The Club handicapper, Mr Pollock, being complimented upon the manner in which he had concealed the winner in the principal events the Autumn and Telephone Handicaps.

The Foxton owned gelding, Waitapu was the hero of the meeting. He carried 8st 13lb and ran a good honest race on the first day, finishing close to the placed horses. His effort on the second day was full of merit. He lost quite three lengths when the tapes flew up, and although burdened with 8st 11lb, the task of getting to his field was within his powers, and after a determined finish with Tangimoana, Waitapu won by half a length in 1min 44sec. Waitapu was only third favourite and in consequence his backers had a really good win.

Tangimoana and Chatterer each ran well and consistently during the meeting. Chatterer, however, had some difficulty in shaking off the attentions of Merrie Rose in the Cup, and up to the last stride, the issue was in doubt. Merrie Rose was again solidly supported on the second day, but she ran much below her first day's form and Chatterer easily defeated her for third place, although meeting Mr Knox's mare on worse terms.

Full Rate was a class by himself amongst the sprinters and his party were sanguine that he could annex the March Handicap on the first day. Sunbonnet, trained by the veteran trainer M. McGrath, was sent to the post in nice trim and when the business end of the seven furlongs was reached, the 19lb which Full Rate was conceding her, enabled the Seaton Delaval mare to draw away and win without much of an effort. The result was a turn up for the bookmakers as the owner and trainer had allowed the mare to run unbacked. Sunbonnet, although asked to carry an extra 19lb on the second day, put up a capital performance by finishing within a length of the winner, Platypus, after getting hopelessly (as it appeared) left. The winner, ridden by R. Hatch, got smartly away and under other circumstances would have had to be content with second honours.

Another good performance during the meeting was that of the Conqueror gelding Nuamai who (although not quite wound up) displayed great pace, and completely paralysed his opponents in the early stages of the two sprint hack events. Gold Crest's half-sister Ikon was runner up on the first day; whilst Conqueror—Blue and White) owned by the president of the Club (Mr C. F. Vallance) was the only one to make a race of it with Nuamai for the concluding event of the meeting. Had R. Hatch been as smart out of the tapes with Conqueror as he was earlier in the afternoon with Platypus, the stake would probably have gone to the credit of Mr Vallance. The minor events were not of sufficient interest to warrant them being chronicled at length in your columns further than to mention that Gaelic, Kelso, Ikon, Commander, Strathcona and Consolation, were stripped in good trim and will do their owner good service if properly placed during the balance of the season.

Mon Ami was taken to Masterton, but the heavy state of the "going" influenced her owner (Mr R. W. Paterson) not to run her at the meeting. All going well Mon Ami will be given a run in the Champion Hack Plate at the Manawatu Autumn meeting.

Mr Paterson, during his visit to Masterton purchased the Sou'-wester gelding Snip. The latter ran second in the first hurdles and should prove useful during the winter racing.

Mr Bidwill, owner of Elevation, was present at Masterton to see his filly Consolation run in the Dan Hack Handicap. The daughter of Bikenhead was slow to begin and although galloping on at the finish could do no better than race third to Nuamia and Ikon. While at Masterton Mr Bidwill mentioned that his 2-year-old colt, Gravitation, had met with an injury which would prevent his being again started during his 2-year-old career. It transpires that during a gallop (whilst the track was somewhat slippery), Gravitation ricked one of his joints, which subsequently filled, and his owner at once decided to cancel his autumn engagements with the view of seeing him alright for next season's 3-year-old classis races.

WANGANUI.

WANGANUI, April 1.

Wanganui sports who visited New Plymouth to attend the Taranaki Jockey Club's autumn meeting all agree that the gathering was a most successful one, the racing being the finest ever seen on the course. This must have been very gratifying to Mr George Morse, the club's handicapper, who was heartily congratulated by the stewards on the excellence of the work done by him.

Mr Jas. Bull purchased Irish Rifle during the progress of the Taranaki meeting, the price paid for the Musketry—Element gelding being £475 (and £25 out of the first win). Irish Rifle ran third

in the first, and second in the second Welter race.

Signor and Carissima won £225 for Mr G. F. Moore at the Taranaki meeting. The former gave a very good display in the Paul Memorial Handicap, in which he got home by a neck from Scotty. The son of Pilgrim's Progress—Ma Mie Rosette is a much improved colt, and should take some beating in the Great Autumn Handicap.

Nicotine, an inmate of R. Johnston's stable, was well supported by the Wanganuites for the Hack Scurry the first day at Taranaki, but the daughter of St. Clements—Rau Rau failed to run up to expectations. On the second day, however, she performed better, winning the Final Hack Flutter in good style. She had been doing capital work on the local track prior to going to New Plymouth, and was expected to score.

The yearling fillies purchased by Mr G. F. Moore, which arrived from Melbourne last week have been sent to the owner's station at Kai-Iur, where they will remain for about 12 months.

The gelding Snip (by Sou'-wester—Nator mare) has been sold by Mr R. Marshall for £120, and will be taken to Sydney.

The hurdler, Royal Blue, has been sold to Mr Con. Hammond for £150, and will in future be trained by A. Attwood at Feilding.

The lark has been kept going since the Wanganui meeting, and will be a competitor at the Manawatu gathering. The son of Nestor got a few pounds more than he was entitled to in the Longburn Handicap, but he is evidently going to be a starter. He heads the list of those left in at 8st 8lb.

On his running at the recent Wanganui meeting, Atahua appears to have been given an excellent chance in the Brighton Hurdles, as the son of Mahaki, with 10st 4lb on his back, should cut out a very fast two miles.

A number of local horses have been nominated for the Patea Racing Club's Easter Monday meeting which promises to be a big success, judging from the large number of entries received. The Club has acted wisely in appointing Mr James Coombe as starter.

It is more than likely that Bombardo, who is shortly to be sent to New South Wales, will be sold there. If not, the son of Hotchkiss will be brought back here. Mr W. Myles, his owner, intends to buy a Grafton stallion to take up stud duties here next season while in Australia.

An offer of 100 guineas was recently made and refused for a two year old colt by Bombardo out of a mare by Perkin Warbeck II. The colt is a nice looking one, and it will be strange indeed if he does not turn out a good one.

A popular win, so far as Wanganui sports are concerned was that gained by Anemone in the High Weight Hack at the Masterton meeting. The daughter of St. Cyr—Pourangi is owned by a gentleman who races as Mr H. Jeffrey's, and who is one of the most respected supporters of the turf on this coast. Anemone is trained by J. Belcher, and it is very pleasing to see him scoring a win or two with his charges, as he is a most painstaking trainer.

BOWLING.

Saturday afternoon proved almost perfect for bowling, the only fault being that, as a result of over three inches of rain which fell during the week, the greens were rather heavy.

Devonport played Epsom in a four-rink match, and won somewhat easily by 90 to 68. Lelievre, with a strong team, ran right away from McGowan, but the other three games were very closely contested, Devonport winning them all.

Devonport also tackled Richmond, and won by 90 to 71, a curiously similar result to the other inter-club match. Here it was Mason's four that had such a big majority, the other teams being evenly matched. O'Loughlin's four was the only Devonport team to lose during the afternoon, Bagnall winning for Richmond by a single point.

Rocky Nook and Grey Lynn tried conclusions in a four-rink match. On the Grey Lynn green two splendid games were fought, there being only one point difference, but on their own ground Rocky Nook raced rings round their opponents, winning on the aggregate by 25 points.

Two rinks, skipped by Ashton and Parry, went from Mount Albert to Remuera, and badly worsted the home side, winning by 48 to 27.

In a two-rink match Carlton defeated Otahuhu by 48 to 32.

The Auckland Club will play a 12-rink match against Ponsonby next Saturday.

Playing at Rocky Nook the Auckland Hospital and Charitable Aid Board beat the Medical Staff by 29 to 9. Dr. Pabst skipped the medicos.

In an eight-rink match Ponsonby just got home from Onehunga by 158 to 155.

Waihi defeated Te Aroha on Saturday at Paeroa by 92 to 78 in a five-rink match.

ATHLETICS.

GETTING READY FOR THE OLYMPIC GAMES.

The English A.A.A. general committee have completed arrangements regarding the trial races for the Olympic Games. There was a previous conference between the English, Irish and Scottish A.A.A., at which it was arranged that the very best twelve should be selected for each of the Olympic contests, instead of four from each country, irrespective of their relative merit. This clears the ground for a team of abnormal strength in each event, and will meet with general approval (says an English authority). Irish and Scottish competitors will, therefore, be seen in the trial games of Shepherd's Bush on May 30, and these contests will therefore have a value second only to the Olympiad itself. It is notable that all British entries to the games will be made in the name of "Great Britain and Ireland." Trials are to be held at 100 metres, 200 metres, 400 metres, 800 metres, 1500 metres (running), 110 metres hurdles, 400 metres hurdles, 3200 metres steeplechase, standing broad and standing high jumps, running broad and running high jumps, hop step and jump, pole vault, throwing the hammer, putting the shot, tug of war, 3600 metres walk, throwing the discus in both the free style and that peculiar to the Greeks as used at Athens in 1906, and javelin in the free style and holding it in the middle.

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.

PROGRAMME FOR WINTER MEETING, SATURDAY AND MONDAY, 23rd and 25th MAY, 1908.

OFFICERS:

President: Dr. Earle. Vice-President: H. N. Harrison. Timekeeper: A. E. T. Nixon. Judge: W. H. Hartgill. Starter: J. Coombe. Handicapper, Geo. 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, E. A. Campbell, G. Marshall, James Higgle, D. Campion and Allan Cameron. Committee: E. A. Campbell (chairman), President and Hon. Treasurer (ex officio), and Messrs. Allan Cameron, D. Campion, James Higgle, H. F. Hole, G. Marshall, James Higgle, J. W. Cutland, H. M. Speed, R. Russell, and C. G. Russell, Hon. Treasurer, J. H. Nixon, Secretary, W. Hall.

FIRST DAY.

SATURDAY, 23rd MAY, 1908.

1. BOROUGH HANDICAP of 125 sovs.; second horse to receive 15 sovs., and third horse 10 sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 12 noon.
2. WANGANUI STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 400 sovs.; second horse to receive 40 sovs., and third horse to receive 10 sovs. from the stakes. Over the Wanganui Steeplechase course; distance, about three miles. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 3 sovs. To start at 12.45 p.m.
3. ELECTRIC HACK HANDICAP of 100 sovs.; second horse to receive 15 sovs., and third horse 5 sovs. from the stakes. Distance, five furlongs. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 1.30 p.m.
4. MAY HURDLE HANDICAP of 150 sovs.; second horse to receive 15 sovs., and third horse 10 sovs. from the stakes. Distance, about one mile and three-quarters; over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft. 6in. in height. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 2.10 p.m.
5. KAITOKE HACK HURDLE HANDICAP of 100 sovs.; second horse to receive 15 sovs., and third horse 5 sovs. from the stakes. About one mile and three-quarters. Over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft. 6in. in height. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 2.45 p.m.
6. CONNOLLY HANDICAP of 250 sovs.; second horse to receive 40 sovs., and third horse 10sovs from the sakes.



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7. PURUA HACK FLAT HANDICAP of 100 sovs.; second horse to receive 15 sovs., and third horse five sovs. from the stakes. Distance, one mile. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 4.15 p.m.

SECOND DAY.

MONDAY, 25th MARCH, 1908.

- 1. WINTER OATS HANDICAP of 150 sovs.; second horse to receive 20 sovs., and third horse 10 sovs. from the stakes. Distance, one mile. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 12 noon.
2. GRANDSTAND STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 150 sovs.; second horse to receive 20 sovs., and third horse 5 sovs. from the stakes. Distance about two and a-half miles; over such course as the Stewards shall direct. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 12.45 p.m.
3. BALGOWNIE HACK HANDICAP of 100 sovs.; second horse to receive 15 sovs., and third horse 5 sovs. from the stakes. Distance, one mile and a distance. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 1.30 p.m.
4. CENTURY HURDLE HANDICAP of 300 sovs.; second horse to receive 40 sovs., and third horse 10 sovs. from the stakes. About two miles and a distance; over eight flights of hurdles, 3ft. 6in. in height. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 3 sovs. To start at 2.30 p.m.
5. RATA HACK HURDLE HANDICAP of 100 sovs.; second horse to receive 15 sovs., and third horse 5 sovs. from the stakes. About one mile and five furlongs; over six flights of hurdles, 3ft. 6in. in height. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 3 p.m.
6. FINAL STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 120 sovs.; second horse to receive 15 sovs., and third horse 5 sovs. from the stakes. Distance, about two miles. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 3.30 p.m.
7. FAREWELL HACK FLAT HANDICAP of 100 sovs.; second horse to receive 15 sovs., and third horse 5 sovs. from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1 sov.; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 4.15 p.m.

PENALTIES.

The winner of any steeplechase after declaration of weights to carry 10lb. penalty in a steeplechase; of any hurdle race, to carry 10lb. penalty in a hurdle race; and of any flat race, 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, AND ACCEPTANCES.

And Amounts to be forwarded to Secretary, Wanganui Jockey Club.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24th, 1908, at 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS.—Borough Handicap, 1 sov.; Wanganui Steeplechase, 1 sov.; Electric Hack Handicap, 1 sov.; May Hurdles Handicap, 1 sov.; Kaitoke Hack Hurdles, 1 sov.; Connolly Handicap, 1 sov.; Purua Hack Flat Handicap, 1 sov.; Winter Oats, 1sov.; Grandstand Steeplechase, 1 sov.; Balgownie Hack Flat, 1 sov.; Century Hurdles Handicap, 1sov.; Rata Hack Hurdles, 1 sov.; Final Steeplechase Handicap, 1 sov.; Farewell Hack Flat Handicap, 1 sov.

SATURDAY, MAY 9th, 1908 (on or about)

WEIGHTS.—For First Day's Races and Century Hurdles.

FRIDAY, MAY 15th, 1908, at 9 p.m.—ACCEPTANCES.—Borough Handicap, 2 sovs.; Wanganui Steeplechase, 3 sovs.; Electric Hack Handicap, 1 sov.; May Hurdles Handicap, 2 sovs.; Connolly Handicap, 3 sovs.; Kaitoke Hack Hurdles, 1 sov.; Purua Hack Flat Handicap, 1 sov.; Century Hurdle Handicap, 3sovs.

SATURDAY, MAY 23rd, 1908 (at or about), 8 p.m.—

WEIGHTS.—For Winter Oats, Grandstand Steeplechase, Balgownie Hack Flat, Rata Hack Hurdles, Final Steeplechase, and Farewell Hack Flat.

STURDAY, MAY 23rd, 1908, at 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.— Winter Oats, 2 sovs.; Grand Stand Steeplechase, 2 sovs.; Balgownie Hack Flat, 1 sov.; Rata Hack Hurdles, 1 sov.; Final Steeplechase, 1 sov.; Farewell Hack Flat, 1 sov.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24th, 1908, at 9 p.m.—First Forfeit.—Jackson Stakes, 1909, 1 sov.

WM. HALL, Secretary.

P.O., Box 15, Wanganui.

NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

GENERAL ENTRIES.

TRADESMEN'S HANDICAP.—Scotty, Arc Light, Advocate, Woodhey, Carl Rosa, Delegate, Port Light, Montigo, Uenuku, Kurawaka, Leonator, Lady Hune, Syren, Sweet Alice, Lucrece, Starina.

EDEN HANDICAP.—Waihuka, Maheno, Celtic, Manapouri, North Head, Landlock, Uranium, Miss Winnie, Veronica, Lochbuhie, Mahuta, Taitoko, Loongana Tui Cakobau, Lucrece.

VICTORIA HANDICAP.—Rarata, Rimlock, Diamond Star, Santa Rosa, Artillerie, Talepitcher, Chanteuse, Master Soult, Lady Minnie, Coromandel, Stepniak—Belle Clair filly, Jena, Waimangu.

NELSON HANDICAP.—Tua Kitua, Kotiti, Dogger Bank, Cadence, Mark Time, Explosive, Royal Soult, Escamillo, Baltimore, Tui, Cyrona, Auldearn, First Gun, Wharekura, Waiotahi, Clochette, Lira, Castadrift, Epsom Lass, English, Tera, Aristocrat, Dardanus, Freemount.

TRAMWAY HANDICAP.—Duart Cambrian, Waihuka, Wauchope, Frederick, Noteorini, Lord Seaton, King Billy, Tamainupo, North Head, Miss Winnie, Kirsty Stylish, Haldane, Marangai, Lochbuhie, Guidwife, Finery, Gold Thread, Lady Rohina, Waihoihoi, Foremost, Loongana, Black and Gold, Quadron.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP.—Scotty, Manapouri, Advocate, Carl Rosa, Landlock, Uranium, Delegate, First Gun, Mahuta, Kurawaka, Leonator, Syren, Sweet Alice, Freemount.

ELLERSLIE HANDICAP.—Rarata, Aimwell, Aborigine, Diamond Star, Waimangu, Santa Rosa, Osgodby, Artillerie, Talepitcher, Chanteuse, Master Soult, Lady Minnie, Coromandel, Stepniak—Belle Clair filly, Diabolo, Jena.

HUIA HANDICAP.—Cambrian, Waihuka, Certainty, Noteorini, Tamainupo, North Head, Dawn, Miss Winnie, Kirsty, Veronica, Lochbuhie, Finery, Gold Thread, Lady Rohina, Taitoko, Loongana, Sweet Alice, Tui Cakobau, Lucrece, Golden Eagle, Soutline, Aristocrat.

MANGERE HANDICAP.—Tua Kitua, Kotiti, Cadence, Wauchope, Dogger Bank, Mark Time, Explosive, Royal Soult, Ngapuka, Escamillo, Lady Dot, Lady Frances, Tui, Miss Crispin, Kirsty, Stylish, Flint Island, Cyrona, Auldearn, Wharekura, Castadrift, Epsom Lass, English, Tera, Aristocrat, Fremantle.

ELECTRIC HANDICAP.—Duart, Cambrian, Waihuka, Frederick, Noteorini, Tamainupo, North Head, Miss Winnie, Kirsty, Stylish, Haldane, Marangai, Lochbuhie, Waikato, Finery, Foremost, Loongana, Black and Gold, Quadron.

MAIDEN HURDLE RACE.—Putaruru, Good Faith, Loch Fyne, Paritutu, Cinque, Claremont, Ironmould, Yolette, Tui, Philosopher, Te Rahui, Gipsy Queen, Matakoki, Vizier.

GORE-BROWNE HANDICAP.—Tua Kitua, Dogger Bank, Mark Time, Explosive, Royal Soult, Lady Frances, Tui, Cyrona, Guidwife, Wharekura, Waiotahi, Lira, Castadrift, Epsom Lass, Tera, Aristocrat, Freemount, Cadence.

ONSLow STAKES HANDICAP.—Aimwell, Rimlock, Diamond Star, Waimangu, Osgodby, Artillerie, Gold Lace, Lady Minnie, Coromandel, Expletive, Stepniak—Belle Clair filly, Diabolo, Jena.

ST. HELIER'S HURDLE RACE.—Good Faith, Paritutu, Ranana, Shrapnel, Inniskillen, Le Beau, Claremont, Dolores, Hautapu, Swagsman, Cachuca, Cuiragno, Silica, Moeraki, Flaymate, Ataahua, Maul, Omati, Lady Hune, Matakoki.

AUCKLAND WELTER HANDICAP.—Tui Kitua, Cambrian, Waihuka, Fashionable, Celtic, Le Beau, Frederick, Noteorini, Lord Seaton, Dawn, Woodhey, Uranium, Delegate, Port Light, Te Rahui, Rauparaha, Waikato, Montigo, First Gun, Swimming Belt, Taitoko, Leonator, Omati, Lady Hune, Syren, Sweet Alice, Tui Cakobau, Aristocrat, Starina.

TOURIST HANDICAP.—Fideles, Cyrettus, Wauchope, Hughie, Dogger Bank, Mark Time, Three Kings, Explosive, Imprimus, Zyra, Ngapuka, Escamillo, Lady Dot, Lady Frances, Miss Crispin, Kirsty, Stylish, Flint Island, Haldane, Auldearn, Waihoihoi, Wharekura, Engraver, Lucio, Fremantle, Cadence.

HANDICAPS.

CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

APRIL 20 and 21.

GREAT EASTER HANDICAP of 1000 sovs., seven furlongs.—Elevation 9.5, Gold Crest 9.4, Zimmerman 9.2, Marguerite 9.1, King Billy 8.9, Multifid 8.8, Glenculloch 8.8, Full Rate 8.6, Petrovna 8.4, Buccleuch 8.4, Goldbeater 8.3, All Red 8.3, Sir Tristram 8.1, Moriarty 8.0, Cambrian 7.13, Dusky Morn 7.12, Cross Battery 7.12, Kitchenmaid 7.11, Idealist 7.11, Soutline 7.10, Kairama 7.9, Gwendolina 7.6, Probable 7.6, Paragon 7.6, Helen Portland 7.5, Downfall 7.5, Bobrikoff 7.5, Contender 7.4, Huascar 7.2, Orloff 7.2, Ivanoff 6.12, Clanchattan 6.12, Moscow 6.12, Rose Nobe 6.12, All Guns 6.12, Stratagem 6.11, Jack Ashore 6.10.

NOW IN PREPARATION.—The N.Z. Handbook, Shippers and Importers' Guide, Trades and Professional Directory. To be published about July, 1908.

Pas Seul 6.10, Astrakan 6.10, Persuader 6.9, Golden Way 6.9, Euclid 6.9, Carissima 6.9, Los Angeles 6.9, Mon Ami 6.8, Prim 6.8, The Seer 6.7, Nancy Stair 6.7, Hilarity 6.7, Tremulous 6.7, Zetland 6.7, Vasa 6.7, Penates 6.7, Restless 6.7, Gold Braid 6.7, Red and Black 6.7, Mary of Argyie 6.7, Hellanthus 6.7, Apollyon 6.7, Balaclava 6.7, Beckwell 6.7.

GREAT AUTUMN HANDICAP of 1000 sovs., one mile and a-half.—Zimmerman 9.3, Marguerite 9.2, Elevation 9.2, Gold Crest 8.11, Multifid 8.9, Buccleuch 8.2, Armistice 8.2, Sir Tristram 8.2, St. Joe 8.1, King Billy 8.1, Glenculloch 8.1, Tangimoana 7.13, Cross Battery 7.10, Red Rain 7.10, All Red 7.10, Idealist 7.9, Paragon 7.8, Lapland 7.7, Probable 7.7, Downfall 7.5, Gwendolina 7.4, Orloff 7.2, Stratagem 7.2, Astrakhan 7.2, Flamen 7.0, Signor 6.13, Jack Ashore 6.13, Moscow 6.12, Ivanoff 6.11, Rose Noble 6.11, Euclid 6.11, Los Angeles 6.10, Blythemaid 6.9, Golden Way 6.9, Gold Braid 6.7, Hilarity 6.7, Red and Black 6.7, Mary of Argyie 6.7, Sant Rosaleer 6.7.

ACCEPTANCES.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

EASTER HANDICAP, one mile.—Marguerite 9.4, Gold Crest 9.0, Master Delaval 8.8, Uhlando (including 7lb penalty) 8.7, King Billy 8.6, Mahuta 8.5, Uranium 8.2, Cambrian 8.1, Dawn 8.0, Moloch 7.12, Veronica 7.12, Soutline 7.11, Celtic 7.9, Leonator 7.9, Te Aroha 7.5, Carl Rosa 7.4, Advocate 7.3, Tamainupo 7.2, Rauparaha 7.1, Delegate 7.1, Loongana 7.0, Certainty 6.13, Miss Winnie 6.12, Golden Eagle 6.12, Lady Rohina 6.12.

AUTUMN STEEPLECHASE, about three miles and a-half.—Kiatero 13.3, Inniskillen 10.12, Irish 10.7, Loch Fyne 10.3, Cinque 10.1, Silica 9.13, Pierre 9.13, Moeraki 9.11, Kapakapa 9.9, Good Faith 9.7.

BRIGHTON HURDLE RACE, two miles.—Shrapnel 11.10, Cuiragno 11.9, Paritutu 11.6, Hautapu 11.3, Lady Hune 10.11, Le Beau 10.11, Kiatero 10.4, Dolores 10.4, Ataahua 10.4, Omati 10.2, Cachuca 10.0, Claremont 10.0, Ironmould 9.3, Silica 9.3, Loch Fyne 9.3, Ranana 9.0, Kapakapa 9.0, Good Faith 9.0.

AUCKLAND TROTting CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

MAIDEN HANDICAP TROT, one mile and a-half.—Victor Royal 1s., Rita W. 4s., Maungapo 6s., St. Patrick 6s., Norrington 6s., John Harold 7s., Orakei 7s., Victorine 9s., Mark Scott 9s., Minnie B. 9s., Cora Bell 10s., Castaway 10s., Dolly G. 10s., Elba 11s., Maud G. 13s.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP TROT, two miles.—Maplewood scratch, Viscout 5s, Lady Love 7s., All Night 9s., Duke C. 9s., Kohine 10s., Huon Leal 13s., Happy 15s., Craigaruskey 17s., Little Paul 18s., Ages B. 20s.

CORNWALL HANDICAP TROT, one mile.—Specialist scratch, Austray 1s., Princess Elna 3s., Eureka 9s., Susie Hue 9s., Robex 11s., Rosebud 11s., V.S. 13s.

TROTting HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Rosebud scratch, Le Rosier 1s., Stranger 3s., Craigaruskey 7s., Cleveland's Pride 10s., Miss Vola 15s., Seacoe 16s., Bert 16s., Cavalier 20s., Day-dawn 20s., Major Election 22s., Fibre 22s.

ELECTRIC HANDICAP TROT, one mile.—Waitekauri scratch, Rosebud 5s., Taihoa 7s., Happy 9s., Colenso 11s., Black Rose 14s., Macquarrie 14s., Iago 16s., Bert 16s.

MIDDLE-CLASS HANDICAP TROT, one mile and a-half.—Bogey scratch, Special Light 1s., Harold Huon 6s., Miss Vola 7s., Royal Albert 7s., Nat Gould 10s., Pukerimu 10s., Major Election 14s., Little Dick 15s., John Harold 16s., Orakei 16s.

AUTUMN HANDICAP, six furlongs and a-half.—Waihoo 9.4, Octoroon 8.12, Hughie 8.12, Cyrona 8.1, Glenora 7.6, Lady Ferri 6.9.

FLYING HANDICAP, five furlongs.—Waihoo 9.5, Hughie 9.5, Quadron 8.12, Hopscotch 8.1, Imprimus 7.12, Glenora 7.6, Paul Beaver 6.9, Lady Ferris 6.9.

TURF RESULTS.

TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

The Taranaki Jockey Club's Autumn Meeting was commenced on Wednesday in showery weather. The totalisator investments amounted to £5733, against £5825 10s last year. The results of the racing were as follows:—

KAWAROA HURDLE RACE. One mile and a-half.

Speciosa, 9.11 (Whale) 1, Mooshen 2, Black Banner 3

Also started: Black Banner and Star Rose. Won by three lengths. Time, 2m. 52s.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP. Five furlongs.

Kareroa, 7.2 (Deeley) 1, Waihuka 2, Pylades 3

Also started: Cyrene, Carissima, St. Maria, Eastmere. Won by two lengths. Time, 1m. 3s.

PUKAKA HACK HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

Miss Vera, 8.3 (Buchanan) 1, Lamsdorff 2, Crucinella 3

Also started: Billow, Burton, Nukutahi, Inaha, Ney, Otaroa. Won by half a length. Time, 1m. 16 2-5s.

TARANAKI CUP. One mile and a-quarter.

Uhlando, 8.2 (Barlow) 1, Mahuta 2, Scotty 3

Also started: Gazeley, Dear Dolly, Starina, Signor, Wee Trinket. Won by half a length, Scotty being two lengths away third. Time, 2m. 10 1-5s.

WELTER HANDICAP. One mile.

Arc Light, 9.2 (D. Price) 1, Climax 2, Irish Rifle 3

Also started: Silver Shell, Le Beau, Immolation, Glean, Iseult. Won by a neck, Irish Rifle being a head away and Glean a neck behind. Time, 1m. 46s.

KAITOKE HACK HANDICAP. One mile.

Mallet, 8.3 (D. Price) 1, Pearlle 2, The Dane 3

Also started: Lantern, Kilmarnock, Mistress. Won by haf a length. Time, 1m. 46s.

FLYING HANDICAP. Six furlongs.

Moriarty, 8.7 (D. Price) 1, Pylades 2

Won easily. Time, 1m. 16 3-5s.

HACK SCURRY. Five furlongs.

Inaha (Whittaker) 1, Muskerado 2, Chase Mab 3

Also started: Grizelle, Vurtis, Roselake, Explosive, Andover, Nicotine, Australia, Rawinia, Eclogue. Won all the way. Time, 1m. 3 2-5s.

SECOND DAY.

For the second day of the Taranaki Jockey Club's Autumn Meeting, fine weather prevailed, the results of the racing being as follows:—

PUKOTORI HACK HURDLE RACE.

Immolation 1, Bushranger 2, Speciosa 3

Also started: Black Squall, Mooshen, Star Rose. Won by five lengths. Time, 2m. 51s.

GRANDSTAND HANDICAP.

Moriarty 1, Waihuka 2, Kareroa 3

Also started: St. Maria, Supplement, Pylades. Won by half a length. Time, 1m. 2 2-5s.

WHAREPAPA HACK HANDICAP.

Inaha 1, Nukutahi 2, Silver Lead 3

Also started: Billow, Hydraulic, Crucinella, Burton, Mistress. Won by two lengths. Time, 1m. 17s.

PAUL MEMORIAL HANDICAP.

Signor 1, Scotty 2, Daisy Paul 3

Also started: Mahuta, Silver Shell, Starina. Won by a neck. Time, 1m. 58 2-5s.

WELTER HANDICAP.

Carissima 1, Irish Rifle 2, Glean 3

Also started: Le Beau, Climax, Wee Trinket, Showman, Iseult. Won by a short neck. Time, 1m. 32s.

KAWAU HACK HANDICAP.

Somali 1, Pearlle 2, The Dane 3

Also started: Mallet, Lantern, Kilmarnock. Won by half a length. Time, 1m. 45s.

FAREWELL HANDICAP.

Golden Eagle 1, Silver Lead 2, Dear Dolly 3

Also started: Miss Vera. Won easily. Time, 1m. 15 2-5s.

FINAL HACK FLUTTER.

Nicotine 1, Eastmere 2, Grizelle 3

Also started: Muskerado, Vurtis, Roselake, Eclogue, Astraea, Timothy. Won by a length. Time, 1m. 4s.

WAIKANGI HACK RACES.

The Wairangi Hack Racing Club's meeting proved a success. The following were the results:—

MAIDEN HANDICAP.—Maketu 1, Hesperine 2, SETTLERS' HANDICAP.—Daisy Bell 1, Flirt 2

CUP.—King Neva 1, Solo 2, Flirt 3. PONY TROT HANDICAP.—Daisy 1, Maude 2, Wee Pot 3.

TANIWAHA PLATE.—King Neva 1, Maketu 2, Solo 3. OPEN TROT HANDICAP.—Daisy 1, Maude 2, Ruby 3.

FLYING HANDICAP.—Maketu 1, Hesperine 2, King Neva 3.

WELLINGTON PONY AND GALLO-WAY CLUB.

The second meeting of the Wellington Pony and Galloway Club was held at Miramar on Saturday. Fine weather prevailed, and there was an attendance of about 2000. Auckland ponies won four out of the six events. Thirty-two bookmakers took out licenses. The results were as follows:—

MAIDEN HANDICAP, five furlongs.—Winnie 1, Lady Mason 2, Dan O'Connell 3. TRIAL HANDICAP.—Balgonie 1, Puketara 2, Normandale 3. MARCH HANDICAP.—Mutineer (late Dr. Quest) 1, Inspiration 2, Kahoe 3. SEATOUN HANDICAP.—Herculean 1, Kitty 2, Cassina 3. TRADESMEN'S PURSE.—Weka 1, Belle Vue 2, Marquis 3. FLYING HANDICAP.—Mutineer 1, Inspiration 2, Kahoe 3.

SOUTH CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB'S MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

The South Canterbury Jockey Club's Autumn Meeting commenced on Wednesday. There was a large attendance, and the sport was very good. The following were the results:—

ROSEWILL HANDICAP.—Linda 1, Restless 2, Portland 3. Won by a length and a-half. SMITHFIELD HANDICAP.—Lupulite 1, Oute 2, Volodia 3. Scratched: Huascar. Won by half a length. TIMARU CUP of 150sovs, one mile and a-quarter.—Lapland 1, Thunderer 2,

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Southern Cross 3. Won by half a length. Time, 2m, 12 1/2 s.
NURSERY HANDICAP.—Beneform 1, Miss Mischief 2, Seafill 3. Scratched: Merry Lass. Won easily.
PRESIDENT'S WELTER HANDICAP.—The Bibyan 1, Mango 2, Nancy Stair 3. Won easily.
HANDICAP TROT.—Tracey Lovett 1, Red Rothschild 2, Lulette 3. Won comfortably by several lengths.
HACK RACE.—Gold Braid 1, Lady Zion 2, Ayesha 3. Won easily.
FLYING HANDICAP.—Lupulite 1, Harita 2, Octave 3. Won easily.

SECOND DAY.

The autumn meeting of the South Canterbury Jockey Club was concluded on Thursday in fine weather. The attendance was again large and the sport good. The totalisator receipts showed a gross increase of £2601. The results of the racing were as follows:—

TEMUKA HANDICAP.—Restless 1, Orient 2, Salaam 3. Won by half a length.
PAEORA HANDICAP.—Octave 1, Ard Reigh 2, Cerise and Blue 3. Won by a head.
AUTUMN HANDICAP.—Thunderer 1, Gwendolina 2, Lady Landon 3. Also started: Armamento, De Witte, Mercy, Hilarity, Notus, Southern Cross, Lone Star. Won easily.
JUVENILE HANDICAP.—Miss Mischief 1, Beneform 2, Gyrata 3. Won easily.
STEWARDS' WELTER HANDICAP.—Lady Disdain 1, Oiyoi 2, Mango 3. Won by a length.
SEADOWN TROT HANDICAP.—Curfew Bell 1, Battleaxe 2, Rulwette 3.
HACK RACE.—Ayesha 1, Lady Zion 2, Vagrance 2. Won easily.
FAREWELL HANDICAP.—Lupulite 1, Zetland 2, Harita 3. Won easily.

MASTERTON RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

The Masterton races commenced on Thursday. Rain fell most of the time and the course was very heavy. The results were as follows:—

HACK HURDLE RACE. one mile and three-quarters.—Reservoir 1, Snip 2, Royal Blue 3. Also started: Tilson. Time, 3m, 29 2-5s.
MAIDEN HACK HANDICAP. five furlongs.—Kelso 1, Conquer 2, Vinco 3. Also started: Tainui, Sandstone, Knight Commander, Sealer, Hinerangi, Iranui, Epsom Downs, Roosevelt, Campaign. Time, 1m, 5 1/2 s.
MASTERTON HACK HANDICAP. one mile.—Wallethe 1, Gaelic 2, Strathcona 3. Also started: Ranginaeta, Nichevo, Lochiela.
WAIPIPI CUP. one mile and a-quarter.—Chatterer 1, Merrie Rose 2, San Julie 3. Also started: Tangimoana, Waitapu, Moloch, Mataara, Aberration, Tupono. Won by a neck. Time, 2m, 15 4-5s.
TELEGRAPH HACK HANDICAP. six furlongs.—Yosami 1, First Mate 2, Wharekura 3. These were the only starters. Time, 1m, 19 1-5s.
LADIES' BRACELET. one mile and a-quarter.—Commander 1, Anemone 2, Defeat 3. Also started: Killarney, Hinupai, Dulcina, Ancycle, Galahad, Arapura, Grand Circle. Time, 2m, 22 2-5s.
MARCH HANDICAP. seven furlongs.—Sunbonnet 1, Full Rate 2, Chicane 3. Also started: Hiro, Sherlock Holmes, Waicola, Platypus, Scotch Reel, Elfrida. Time, 1m, 33s.
DASH HACK HANDICAP. five furlongs.—Naumai 1, Ikon 2, Consolation 3. Also started: Yosami, Miss Peatty, Tricky Maid.

SECOND DAY.

The Masterton races were concluded on Friday in fine weather. The sum of £4299 was put through the machine, making £8262 for the meeting, against £12,764 last year. There were twelve bookmakers. The results were as follows:—

HACK HURDLE RACE. one mile and a-half.—Royal Blue 1, Tilson 2, Commander 3. Also started: Reservoir, Dulcina, Lady Adair. Time, 2m, 57 1/2 s.
OPAKI HACK HANDICAP. seven furlongs.—Kelso 1, Lochiela 2, Ranginaeta 3. Also started: Wallethe, Nichevo. Time, 1m, 32s.
AUTUMN HANDICAP. one mile.—Waitapu 1, Tangimoana 2, Chatterer 3. Also started: San Julie, Aberration, Merrie Rose, Strathcona. Time, 1m, 44s.
HIGH-WEIGHT HACK HANDICAP. one mile.—Anemone 1, Defeat 2, Ancycle 3. Also started: Arapura, Grand Circle, Jet de More, Trahura. Time, 1m, 51 3-5s.
RAILWAY HACK HANDICAP.—Ikon 1, Yosami 2, Hinupai 3. Also started: Blue Ribbon.
TELEPHONE HANDICAP. six furlongs.—Platypus 1, Sunbonnet 2, Chicane 3. Also started: Gawain, Sherlock Holmes, Valima, Elfrida, Thera. Time, 1m, 17 2-5s.
WELTER HACK HANDICAP. seven furlongs.—Gaelic 1, Wallethe 2, Defeat 3. Also started: Snip, Epsom Downs, Jet de More. Time, 1m, 33 1-5s.
FINAL HACK HANDICAP. five furlongs.—Naumai 1, Conqueror, 2, Lady Lethe 3. Also started: Knight Commander, Hinerangi. Time, 1m, 4 4-5s.

SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

The South Auckland Racing Club's meeting commenced on Friday, when the weather was fine and the track in good order. The attendance was fair for a first day. The Steeplechase, as has been the case at all country meetings, was a chapter of accidents, as all the horses but the winner either fell or balked. The following were the results:—

TRIAL HANDICAP. seven furlongs.—Tui 1, Tua Kitua 2, Nulla Nulla 3. Won easily by two lengths. Time, 1m, 36 1/2 s.
HURDLE HANDICAP. one mile and a-half.—Kapakapa 1, Tui 2, Hillflower 3. Won on the post after a great race. Time, 2m, 4s.
SOUTH AUCKLAND CUP. one mile and a-quarter.—Lady Hune 1, Syren 2, Certainty 3. Won easily. Time, 2m, 16s.
FIRST STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP. two miles and a-half.—Pierre 1,

Loch Fyne 2, Kapakapa 3. Time, 6m, 56s.

CLAUDELANDS HANDICAP. one mile.—Foremost 1, Omati 2, Dardanus 3. Won by two lengths. Time, 1m, 47 4-5s.
DISTRICT HACK RACE. six furlongs.—Flint Island 1, Fremantle 2, Miss Stella 3. Won easily.
FLYING HANDICAP. five furlongs.—Wauchope 1, Miss Crispin 2, Lochbuhie 3. Won all the way.

SECOND DAY.

On the second day of the South Auckland Racing Club's meeting the weather was beautiful and the attendance very large. The amount put through the totalisator was £1723 10s, and £190 was received from the bookmakers. The following were the results:—

COUNTY HANDICAP. seven furlongs.—Powhiri 1, Fremantle 2, Nulla Nulla 3.
SHORTS HANDICAP. five furlongs.—Miss Crispin 1, Frederick 2, Freebird 3.
WAIKATO HANDICAP. one mile.—Lochbuhie 1, Montigo and Certainty (dead heat) 2, Lady Hune, who finished second, was disqualified for short weight when weighing in.
PUBLICANS' PURSE HANDICAP. seven furlongs.—Omati 1, Foremost 2, Syren 3.
STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP.—Loch Fyne 1, Kapakapa 2, Pierre 3.
HAMILTON HANDICAP. six furlongs.—Tua Kitua 1, Discoverer 2, Azoff 3.
FAREWELL HANDICAP. five furlongs.—Foremost 1, Waihou 2, Mighty Atom 3.

TURF IN ENGLAND.

LIVERPOOL GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE.
MARCH 29.
Major F. Douglas-Pennant's Rubio, 10.5
Mr. Wm. Cooper's Mattie MacGregor, 10.6
Mr. P. Whittaker's The Lawyer III., 10.13

LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP.
The Lincolnshire Handicap was run on March 24, and resulted as follows:—
Kafir Chief 1
Longcroft 2
Snatch 3

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.

President: John Bollard, Esq., M.H.R.
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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, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, five furlongs.
CHEVALIER HANDICAP of 60sovs; 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, four furlongs.
RAILWAY HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Winner 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, Waitakereti 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, Waitakereti 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, Waitakereti Handicap.
HARRY H. HAYR,
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. Green, 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.
TROTTER 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; ac-

ceptance, 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 rebanded 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 2.33 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 50sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stakes. Limit, 5.16 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 2.43 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 1/2 sovs. 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.

C. F. MARK, Secretary.

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FIRST DAY.

SATURDAY, MAY 23rd, 1908.

HANDICAP MAIDEN HURDLES of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won a hurdle race exceeding the value of 25sovs at time of entry. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. One mile and a-half and a hundred yards. HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won a race exceeding the value of 50sovs at time of entry. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Seven furlongs.

EMPIRE HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of stakes. Winner of any race of the value of 50sovs after the declaration of the weights to carry a penalty of 5lb; of 100sovs, 7b. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

ROYAL HANDICAP of 120sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. Winner of the Empire Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. Five furlongs and a-half.

HAURAKI HANDICAP HURDLES of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Winner of Maiden Hurdles to carry a penalty of 5lb. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. Two miles.

HANDICAP MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won a steeplechase exceeding the value of 50sovs at time of entry. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. About two miles and a-half.

FIRST PONY HANDICAP of 90sovs; second pony to receive 15sovs, and third pony 5sovs out of stakes. For three-year-olds and upwards, 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Five furlongs and a-half.

SECOND DAY.

MONDAY, MAY 25th, 1908.

PUPUKE HANDICAP of 80sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won a race exceeding the value of 25sovs at time of entry. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Five furlongs and a-half.

HAUTURU HANDICAP HURDLES of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. One mile and three-quarters.

SECOND PONY HANDICAP of 100 sovs; second pony to receive 20sovs, and third pony 5sovs out of stakes. For three-year-olds and upwards, 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. Five furlongs and a-half.

BRITANNIA HANDICAP of 175sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of stakes. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. One mile.

TAKAPUNA HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 250sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10 sovs out of stakes. Winner of Handicap Maiden Steeplechase to carry a penalty of 5lb. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs. About three miles and a-half.

VICTORIA HANDICAP of 120sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. Winner of the Britannia Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. Five furlongs and a-half.

WELTER HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. Winner of any flat race after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 5lb. Lowest weight, 7st 7lb. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. One mile.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24th, 9 p.m.

First Day—Handicap Maiden Hurdles 1sov, Handicap Maiden Plate 1sov, Empire Handicap 3sovs, Royal Handicap 2sovs, Hauraki Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Handicap Maiden Steeplechase 1sov, First Pony Handicap 1sov. Second Day—Pupuke Handicap 1sov, Hauturu Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Second Pony Handicap 1sov, Britannia Handicap 1sov, Takapuna Handicap Steeplechase 1sov, Victoria Handicap 1sov, Welter Handicap 1sov.

WEIGHTS.

FRIDAY, MAY 8th, 4 p.m. First Day's Racing.

Takapuna Handicap Steeplechase (Second Day).

SATURDAY, MAY 23rd, 9 p.m. Second Day's Racing.

ACCEPTANCES.

FRIDAY, MAY 15th, 9 p.m.

First Day—Handicap Maiden Hurdles 1sov, Handicap Maiden Plate 1sov, Empire Handicap 3sovs, Royal Handicap 2sovs, Hauraki Handicap Hurdles 2sovs, Handicap Maiden Steeplechase 1sov, First Pony Handicap 1sov, Takapuna Handicap Steeplechase (Second Day) 3sovs.

SATURDAY, MAY 23rd, 10 p.m. Second Day—Pupuke Handicap 1sov, Hauturu Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Second Pony Handicap 2sovs, Britannia Handicap 2sovs, Victoria Handicap 2sovs, Welter Handicap 1sov.

R. WYNWARD, Secretary.

High-street, Auckland.

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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 35sovs, 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.

ON SLOW 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, Huias 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, Huias 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

Isov, Onslow Stakes Handicap 1sov, Autumn Handicap 5sovs, 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, Huias 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.

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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, 35s. To start at 12 noon.
2. 12.40 p.m.—FLYING HANDICAP of 80sovs; 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. 8 p.m.—KAKARAMEA STAKES of 55sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about 4 1/2 furlongs; weight 8st. Winner of any race to carry 14lb extra. Entrance, 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 1/2 furlongs. Open to any hack not nominated for any race at this meeting (Kakaramea Stakes and Farmers' Plate excepted), and winners of these to carry 14lb extra; weight, 9st. Entrance, 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.

AQUATICS.

A BIG SUCCESS BY THE NORTH SHORE YACHT CLUB.

There have been few, if any, prettier races on the Waitemata than the North Shore Yacht Club's handicap on Saturday. The fleet was an immense one, no less than thirty-five vessels competing for the Dunning Cup. The competitors were:—Thistle, scratch; Wairere, scratch; Emerald, 3m.; Hilda, 8m.; Okere, Seagull, 10m.; Maru, 12m.; Doreen, Mabel, 15m.; Rosina, 16m.; Waitangi, 17m.; Wanderer, 19m.; Valdora, 20m.; Rane, 20m.; Kamo, 22m.; Eona, 25m.; Hilda, 26m.; Hetty, 26m.; Bell Bird, 31m.; Encounter, 32m.; Orangi, 35m.; Mei, 39m.; Phyllis, 40m.; Rawhiti, 40m.; Merlin, 40m.; Daphne, 44m.; Bronzewing, 45m.; Boadicea, 50m.; Countess, 58m.; Lola, 59m.; Estrella, 60m.; Norma, 60m.; Ailsa, 60m.; Ruia, 68m.; Ika, 75m. Emerald took the lead in the early stages, followed by Wairere and Thistle. At Hobson's Bay Wairere had gone to the front, but at Queen-street Wharf Thistle led the squadron, never afterwards being headed. Thistle won by 70 seconds from Wairere, with Doreen 30 seconds behind. Emerald was fourth.

ARIKI'S EASY WIN IN THE DEVONPORT Y.C. RACE.

The absence of Thelma, Rainbow, and Moana from the Devonport Yacht Club won on Saturday robbed that event of a good deal of interest, as Ariki was easily able to take care of the smaller boats. The starters were:—Ariki, scratch; Waione, 14m.; Lady Wilma, 15m.; Ngatira, 21m.; Kotiri, 21m.; Gladys, 35m.; Iris, 40m.; Daisy, 41m. Ariki was first away, and with a nice sailing breeze soon opened out a big lead, and she finished 24min. before the next boat. With the times corrected she won by 3min from Kotiri, which beat Ngatira by 2m. 11sec., and then came Lady Wilma and Waione.

A MOTOR LAUNCH RACE.

Owners of fast motor launches must by now be reflecting on the old nursery legend of the goose and the golden egg. If rumour is not altogether wrong, some funny things have been done in launch racing, the result being that owners now refuse to enter. The North Shore Yacht Club could only get three starters on Saturday, these being:—Maroro, scratch; Hinetai, 8m. 58s.; and Jersey Lily, 3m. 12s. Maroro, despite being in heavy cruising trim, was much too good for the others, winning by 7min. from Hinetai, which was 4½min. ahead of Jersey Lily.

THE MANUKAU YACHT CLUB'S EIGHTH RACE.

On Saturday, with a nice breeze, the Manukau Yacht Club sailed off the eighth race of the season, this being for the Albert medals. The entrants and handicaps were as follows:—Anahera, scratch; Heather, scratch; Manola, 2m.; Wairere, 4m.; Viking, 6m.; Edith, 12m.; Bronzewing, 17m.; Hilda, 17m.; Thistle, 18m.; Elsie, 18m.; Wave, 19m.; Edna, 25m.; Adieu, 28m.; Mahinga, 36m.; Clematis, 39m.; Amua, 40m.; Presto, 46m.; Mana, 52m. The day just suited the backmarkers, and Anahera in quick order went to the front, with Heather in close attendance. The leader piled up on a bank and lost her plate, Heather winning easily by 6min from Manola, with Bronzewing and Hilda next.

Mr. Fleming Day, editor of the "Rudder," has written me that he will be in Auckland about December next. The American yachting journalist may be sure of a hearty welcome from Auckland knights of the tiller when he arrives in the Waitemata.

The big launch Maroro left port for an extended cruise last Saturday evening.

The Waitemata Dinghy Club will hold a race for 15ft dinghys and under next Saturday.

When is the Rudder Cup to be competed for? It is high time there was a race or the trophy returned.

Mr. Thos. Henderson has just had a smart-looking 14ft dinghy built to his order. She has been named Rita and will carry the commodore of the Dinghy Club's flag.

The old Spray, with veteran Capt. Gibbs in charge, was at Deep Creek for the week-end.

The big yawl Viking is still away cruising.

I noticed several yachts at Arkle's Bay on Saturday evening. A good spot this when the wind is south to north-west.

The smart cruiser Matareka II. was at the Lake on Saturday with an immense passenger list, and at Putiki Bay on Sunday.

With wind and tide in her favour, Thelma made a fast trip up from Waitemata on Sunday.

Barring a very heavy rain squall on Sunday morning, the week-end cruise on the 28th and 29th was one of the most pleasant for a long time.

Waitemata and West End were the only competitors in the two four events at the Kopu Regatta, both events falling to Waitemata.

The Auckland swimmer, M. E. Champion, is in a class by himself. On Saturday he further added to his laurels by winning the 220yds Provincial Championship of Auckland, and the 100yds Invitation Scratch Race. In the first event Kernot (Auckland) and Dodge (Christchurch) filled the places, but in the 100yds Dodge filled second place and O'Hare third.

CRICKET.

GRAFTON LEAD OFF WELL AGAINST PARNELL.

After so much rain during the week it was only to be expected that the wicket would be all in favour of the bowlers, and this proved the case. The one team which rose to the occasion was, however, Grafton, who remained in possession all the afternoon, putting together 197 runs. At one time it looked as though they would do better, as the century was reached with only two wickets down. Graham topscored with 40, Sloman getting 38, Jones 38, and R. Sloman 24. Carter, with four wickets for 32, and Oliff with five for 57, did best with the ball.

CITY DO BADLY AGAINST EDEN.

On the Eden ground City batted first, and but for the good stand by Hemus and R. Neill, would have fared very badly indeed. As it was the score only reached, 87 towards which Neill contributed 29 and Hemus 25. Stomson was the destructive agent, taking eight wickets for 26 runs. When time was called Eden had made 81 for six wickets, Taylor contributing 25 and Brook-Smith 18.

LOW SCORING AT DEVONPORT.

Ponsonby led off against North Shore on the Devonport ground, but failed to do much. Four wickets fell for 22, but Gallaher (31) and Young (37) made a much-needed stand, which materially helped matters, as the last four wickets only added six runs. North Shore's start was not too good, as four wickets were down when time was called, with 55 runs on the slate, Woodward compiling 28.

AMONG THE SECOND GRADERS.

Grafton appear to have an easy win in sight against Parnell A. The latter made 63 and Grafton 147 (Robinson 51, Hill 28).

Parnell B, without a full team, made 105 (McDonagh 41) against North Shore, who have lost seven wickets for 89.

Eden A run up the fine score of 210 against Eden B, who have lost three wickets for 37.

Only seven men of the North Shore B team turned out on Saturday, and Parnell, after making 146, dismissed them for 16 and 12. In the two innings H. Turbott took six wickets for 5 runs, and Somerville five wickets for 16.

THE WELLINGTON FINAL.

The final of the Wellington senior cricket championship was between Old Boys and Midland. After the huge score of 509 by the Old Boys the result was a foregone conclusion, and any faint chance their opponents might have had was spoilt by a sudden wicket. Midland made 264 and 46, and thus lost by an innings and 199 runs.

CHRISTCHURCH FINISH THE SEASON.

The curtain was rung down on the cricket season at Christchurch on Saturday, but very little interest was taken in the senior games, owing to the premiership having been won by West Christchurch. The results were: St. Albans, 498, beat East Christchurch, 66 and 85; Riccarton, 151 and 52, beat Linwood, 142 and 62 for two wickets.

DUNEDIN SEASON ENDS.

The cricket season was brought to a close on Saturday. Grange defeated Albion by 144 runs, the former making 91 and 136, and the latter 41 and 42. In Albion's second innings Davis took seven wickets for 14 runs, and Downes three for 23. Dunedin beat Carisbrook A by six wickets. The former compiled 108 and 57 for four wickets, while the latter were disposed of for 52 and 11. Grange thus wins the championship.

FOOTBALL.

AUCKLAND REFEREES' ASSOCIATION.

President Angus Campbell was in the chair at the annual meeting of the Auckland Rugby Referees' Association, held in the Sports Club on Wednesday evening. The officers of last season were re-elected, and are as follows:—Mr. Angus Campbell, president; Mr. G. Katterns, vice-president; Mr. C. W. Oram, hon. secretary and treasurer; Executive Committee, officers ex-officio, Messrs. H. Frost and R. Oliphant; Examination Committee, Messrs. A. Campbell, G. Katterns, and W. Pitts. It was decided to meet every Wednesday evening, at 7.30 p.m., the next meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 8. Mr. A. Campbell was elected delegate to the conference of the New Zealand referees, to be held here at Easter. The by-laws were amended to provide that any member who does not attend at least one meeting in a calendar month, without special permission, will cease to be a member. It was decided to entertain the delegates visiting the conference at Easter. It was also decided to approach the A.R.U. and the clubs with regard to the future appointment of referees.

THE NORTH SHORE CLUB.

Mr. E. W. Alison, M.P., presided at the annual meeting of the North Shore Football Club on Friday, when there was a large attendance.

The annual report and balance-sheet, which was adopted, stated that although the seniors failed to keep up to their reputation of the previous season, owing to a chapter of accidents, the juniors succeeded in winning two championships, viz., second and third grades. The first grade played eight matches, won two and lost six; points, for 19, against 91. The second grade played 10 matches, winning nine and drawing the tenth; they secured 71 points against 16; this grade has now won the championship four times during the past five years. The third grade were also successful, after an interval of 10 years; their record was nine games played, seven won, and two drawn; points, for 36, against 6. The fourth grade played a number of matches, but did not meet with much success, owing principally to the want of a ground at headquarters, it being too much for these young players to constantly travel so far and keep a good team together. During the season a team visited Waiuku, where they were beaten, but the treatment by the Waiuku Club more than compensated them for the loss of the match. The Whitianga Football Club paid a return visit to North Shore, and beat the home team by six points to three. The club has joined the Sports Protection Society, the object being to prevent the various clubs from being imposed upon, and to look after the interests of sports generally. The delegates of the A.R.U. met a short time ago, and revised the rules, the principal alteration being in regard to junior clubs, and which would be laid before the meeting to-night. An offer has been made to lease the vacant allotment adjoining the training shed, and the committee and trustees ask the club's approval to grant a lease for a term of years. The committee record, with deep regret, the death of one of its members, and at one time captain of the seniors, Mr. Neil C. Smith. The balance-sheet shows that the receipts for the past season totalled £63 18s 6d, and the expenditure £126 12s 3d, leaving a

debit balance of £62 13s 9d; £60 of this amount was owing on the dressing-rooms, which were erected at a cost of £73 10s. An attempt was made to reduce the debt, but it was unsuccessful. The assets over liabilities amounted to £262 10s 5d.

The chairman congratulated the club on the large attendance, and hoped they would meet with success during the coming season.

Objection was taken to rule 4 in regard to junior clubs, and it was decided to instruct the club's delegates to the A.R.U. to vote against the rule being passed. In connection with the accident fund regulations all were agreed to with the exception of rule 2, where it was pointed out that unless any player was injured (while playing in a match) for a period not extending over a full week he was not entitled to the 20s per week. Another clause in this rule objected to was that in no case shall a claimant receive payment for a longer period than ten weeks. It was argued that it was not just that if a player was injured and did not recover within the ten weeks he should have to forfeit his right to the £1 per week. A motion was also carried against this rule being adopted.

Dissatisfaction was expressed by the meeting at the action of the Auckland Rugby Union in not presenting three members of the club with their representative caps, which were duly earned by them. On the motion of Mr. J. C. Webster it was resolved, "That the question of the representative caps be inquired into by the club's delegate at the annual meeting of the delegates of the A.R.U."

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:—President, Mr. E. W. Alison, M.P.; vice-presidents, same as last year, with the addition of Mr. H. R. Martinson; secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. A. Key; assistant-secretary, Mr. E. L. Eyre; auditor, Mr. J. C. Webster; delegates to A.R.U., Messrs. N. Todd, S. Mays, and R. H. Froude; club captain, Mr. N. Todd; general committee, Messrs. F. Woodward, Jackson, and Miller; selector, Mr. F. Woodward.

THE OTAGO RUGBY UNION.

The annual meeting of the Otago Rugby Football Union was held on Saturday. The president, Mr. G. W. C. MacDonald, was in the chair. It was resolved, "That it be a recommendation to the Committee of Management to instruct its delegates to the New Zealand Rugby Union to move for a conference, or setting up of a committee, to go thoroughly into the rules of the game, with the object of their improvement, and that the decisions of the conference or the suggestions of the committee, be passed on to the English Union." It was also resolved, "That it be an instruction to delegates to the New Zealand Union to bring before the annual meeting of the union the question of the programme of the British team's tour, with a view to having test matches substituted for matches against the North and South Islands." Mr. J. Hutchison was elected president.

THE CANTERBURY UNION.

At the annual meeting of the C.R.U. the election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mr. A. E. G. Rhodes; vice-presidents, Messrs. G. H. Mason, S. A. Orchard and F. T. Evans; honorary secretary, Mr. W. G. Garrard; honorary treasurer, Mr. G. Scott; auditors, Messrs. Charles Alford and J. R. Morrison; delegates to the New Zealand Rugby Union, Messrs. W. Walton, F. T. Evans, W. G. Garrard, J. Wallburton and G. H. Mason; General Committee, Messrs. W. Walton, S. F. Wilson, P. Menzies, F. L. Murray and G. Matthews; Selection Committee, Messrs. F. L. Murray, S. F. Wilson and G. Matthews.

The annual meeting of the Wanganui Rugby Union was held on Saturday evening, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Patron, Mr. Walter Empson (re-elected); president, Mr. G. Spriggins (re-elected); vice-presidents, Messrs. Tilley, Simpson, and Dustin; secretary, Mr. R. Dunkley; hon. treasurer, Mr. L. Craig; auditors, Messrs. Hatherley and Pickering; vice-president of the New Zealand Rugby Union, Mr. W. Empson; delegates to the union, Messrs. Hyams and Pownall; Management Committee, Messrs. Gray (Wanganui), T. Bell (Kaireau), Treloar (Pirates), Bassett (Old Boys), Pownall (College), Brown (Aramoho), Markham (St. Mary's); Selection Committee, Messrs. Tilley, Wesley, and Corby.

CYCLING AND MOTOR NOTES.

MOTORING IN THE FAR NORTH.

A ROUGH EXPERIENCE.

Mr. Arthur Cleave, secretary of the Auckland Automobile Association, and party returned last week after making a thorough tour of the roadless North in his 15 h.p. Darracq. The car was shipped by the s.s. Clansman to Opuha, from whence it was trained to Kawakawa, the starting-point of the motor tour. The drive to Ohaeawai was made at night over a road that consisted of the most part of loose stones, which were not at all favourable to the tyres. After spending a night at Ohaeawai for the motorists set out next morning for Kaikohe, in the Bay of Islands County, returning to Ohaeawai for lunch. The afternoon was spent in making the trip to Horeke, a small township on the Hokianga river. The journey necessitated the traversing of some very rough country, numerous washouts having to be negotiated, while in one part the motorists had to lift a heavy log from off the track in order to clear the way for the car. On reaching Horeke a motor launch was requisitioned, and an enjoyable spin was made to Kohukohu, where the motorists remained overnight.

In the morning the party were conveyed up the Hokianga River to Rawene in a speedy launch. A gale was blowing at the time, enveloping the boat in spray and causing the motorists to seek the shelter of the cabin. Lunch was partaken of at Rawene, after which the launch trip to Horeke was commenced, it being somewhat late in the afternoon when the motorists arrived at the latter place. Despite the fact that rain had begun to fall steadily, and nothing but clay roads had to be traversed, a start was made in the car. When within about four miles of Ohaeawai the road leading northwards was taken, and good headway was made until the Waitangi Hill was reached. Then followed a drive over a stretch of road which gave every appearance of being impassable for motor cars. By careful driving and lifting several big boulders to the side of the track, the descent of the hill was successfully negotiated. The motorists then pushed on, and were able to find comfortable headquarters for the night at Waipapa shortly after dark.

Next morning the journey was continued, the roads being in a very greasy condition, and making fast travelling out of the question. After leaving Kaeo the branch off the main road was taken to Whangaroa, where the motorists enjoyed their mid-day meal. In the afternoon Saies and Totara were visited, after which a late start was made for Mangonui. The roads were found fairly good, and the party arrived at their destination about an hour after dark.

The next day was spent in making the run to Waipapakauri, a distance of about forty miles. Rain fell heavily throughout the day, and great difficulty was experienced in climbing the slippery clay hills, but Waipapakauri was reached about two hours after dark, the last mile or so being covered in a blinding thunderstorm.

Waipapakauri being the farthest point North at which the motorists had disheartening that rain should continually fall during the night they stayed there, as it was not thought unlikely that the next day's journey would result in the car becoming bogged in the mud, or stranded in either of the creeks which had to be crossed. However, a start was made in the morning in showery weather, and for over twenty miles the car ploughed through a sea of mud. By placing ti-tree under the driving wheels the party enabled the car to ascend all the slippery grades, and as the day wore on dry roads were encountered. In spite of bad roads and adverse weather conditions, 113 miles were covered during the course of the day, Kawakawa being reached about 8.30 that evening.

The drive to Whangarei was made next day, although the roads were still in a greasy condition. Shortly before reaching Hukerenui the road was found in a dreadful state, the late floods having strewn the road with boulders. After leaving Whangarei the car's head was set for Dargaville, the first 24 miles covered consisting of fairly good roads. Trouble soon came in the shape of a very steep hill, encountered after crossing a creek. Ti-tree was laid down for the car to run over, but this being found ineffec-

tive a successful means of negotiating the hill was discovered by shovelling pebbles out of the creek and making a metalled track for the wheel gauge of the car. The journey was then resumed through thick mud, and when ascending a steep grade the car slipped over an embankment and became almost buried in the mud. Willing hands soon rendered assistance, and the car was placed on the road again. A stay was made at Tangiteroria for the night, and at eight o'clock in the morning the trip to Dargaville was commenced. Rain having fallen all night the roads were in a dreadful state, being eighteen inches deep in mud. Chains were fitted to the driving wheels of the car, and for four hours and a-half the motor laboured through thick slush, finally arriving at Dargaville with its occupants unrecognisable. The motorists stayed at Dargaville overnight, but learning next day that a coach and four-horse team had been bogged on the road from Mititai, it was deemed advisable to ship the car back to Auckland by steamer. The car was subjected to a thorough cleaning on the Dargaville wharf before being shipped, while in spite of the arduous nature of the tour, the motor arrived back in Auckland in perfect running order.

A HEAVY TASK.

Some months ago, it may be remembered, Lieut. Paul Graetz, a German officer, commenced a motor drive across South Africa, the route being, roughly, from Dares-Salaam, German West Africa, to Swakopound, German East Africa. Not very long after his start he had serious trouble with his engine, the cylinders having cracked, then he was compelled to send back for replacements, which cost him a deal of time. News has been received to the effect that he has reached Bismarckburg, at the southern end of Lake Tanganyika, and that he is making very slow progress may be gauged from the fact that the distance to the spot named is only 1100 miles from his starting-point.

In 1902 it was decided to found a memorial to the memory of Mr. J. K. Starley, the originator of the safety bicycle of to-day, who had just died. The movement was taken up with some enthusiasm, but trade jealousy prevented a comprehensive recognition of Mr. Starley's achievements. Among the subscribers were Mr. A. J. Balfour, M.P., and many other notabilities, and about £450 was collected. But what form of memorial was not decided until quite recently, when it was arranged to hand the money over to the Institute of Mechanical Engineers for a triennial prize award for the best paper on "The Development of Road Locomotion."

The world's championships have been fixed for July 26 at Leipzig, and July 30 and August 2 at Berlin. Next year's championships will be held in Denmark.

Major Taylor has signed a contract to ride at Boston, on an indoor track, in a match either with Iver Lawson or F. Kramer. The race will probably take place before Taylor goes to Europe.

Over 18,000 motor cars have been registered by the London County Council up to the end of last year, which number does not include motor cycles, the figures relating to these machines being 8000.

BILLIARDS.

THE ARC OVAL TABLE IN AUCKLAND.

Prompted by curiosity as to what an arc-oval table was like a goodly number of cuists turned up at the Victoria Buildings on Friday night to see a game between Mr. T. C. Bragge, of Victoria, and Mr. W. E. Hackett, the well-known Auckland amateur. The game was 600 up, Hackett receiving 200. The entirely new angles in the arc-oval table completely bothered the local player, who could never get going, and his breaks were but small. Bragge made one nicely put together run of 103 and a few fair runs of smaller amounts. In all he visited the table 33 times, which gave him an average of a fraction over 18 per cue. He ran out an easy winner.

THE ENGLISH AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

The competitions for qualifications to play in the forthcoming amateur championship in London are being played with much determination in the various countries, cities, etc. In Dublin there are eight entries for the Irish Amateur Championship, and the winner will then play the present holder, Mr. J. Nugent, to see which will go across to London to compete for the big title. The entries are:—J. C. Burns, J. H. Jones, W. Dixon, J. M. Meldon, L. Farrington, C. P. Coote, A. T. Marsh and J. Collie. Mr. Marsh is looked upon to come out victorious, only to be defeated by the holder, Mr. J. Nugent.

FAIR CUEISTS.

Some little time back Miss Daisy Eddy, the N.S. Wales lady champion, paid a visit to Tasmania (says the "Referee"), and while there she was urged to play a game with the Fijian prince, who happens to be a good cueist. Miss Eddy gave a pleasing exhibition, and more than held her own against the Prince, who was very pleased at the entertainment. During the last fortnight in Melbourne, Miss Eddy has had a few bouts with Miss Ruby Roberts, the Victorian lady champion, niece of Australian champion Charlie Memmott. Miss Eddy won a 300 game by 56 points, a game of 200 by 75, and two games of 250 each by 45 and 41 points. In a tournament game of 150 up between these two ladies and Miss Kemp, the N.S.W. champion beat Miss Roberts by 44. Miss Kemp beat Miss Roberts by 6, and Miss Eddy beat Miss Kemp very easily. A game of 350 up was won by Miss Roberts from Miss Eddy, the former exhibiting fine form in several well-played breaks of over 30. Miss Eddy beat Miss Kemp easily in six subsequent games, and Charlie Memmott, who was a most interested spectator at each of the sessions, gave Miss Eddy the palm as superior player, at the same time paying this lady a high and deserving compliment regarding her form and the fine idea of the game. Here is a hint for Auckland ladies.

Melbourne Inman will shortly return for another tour of the colonies.

The big Borroughs and Watts tournament in England is conceded to be between Dawson and Reece, who have not met yet. Both are playing in very fine form.

A big snooker tournament is also proceeding in connection with the above, and in this Reece is in front, with the Scottish champion, Aiken, second.

C. H. Wilkinson, of Wakefield, has won the championship of Yorkshire, beating F. W. Hughes in the final by 6000 to 4881.

When the mail left T. Reece looked a certain winner in the match against A. E. Williams of 16,000 up. Reece was then 7941 to Williams' 6105. The stakes were £250 a-side.

Australian Fred. Weiss recently gave William Cook 1000 points start in 7000 and won by 1124.

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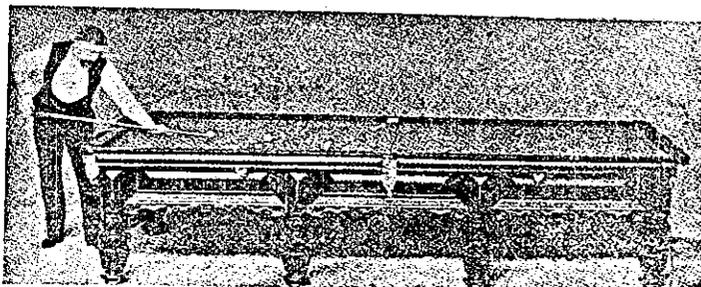
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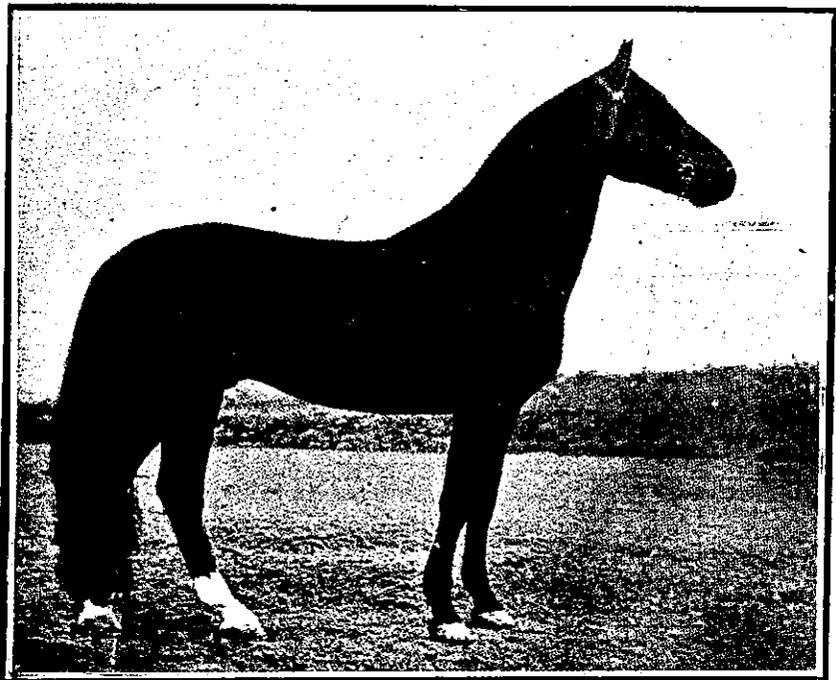
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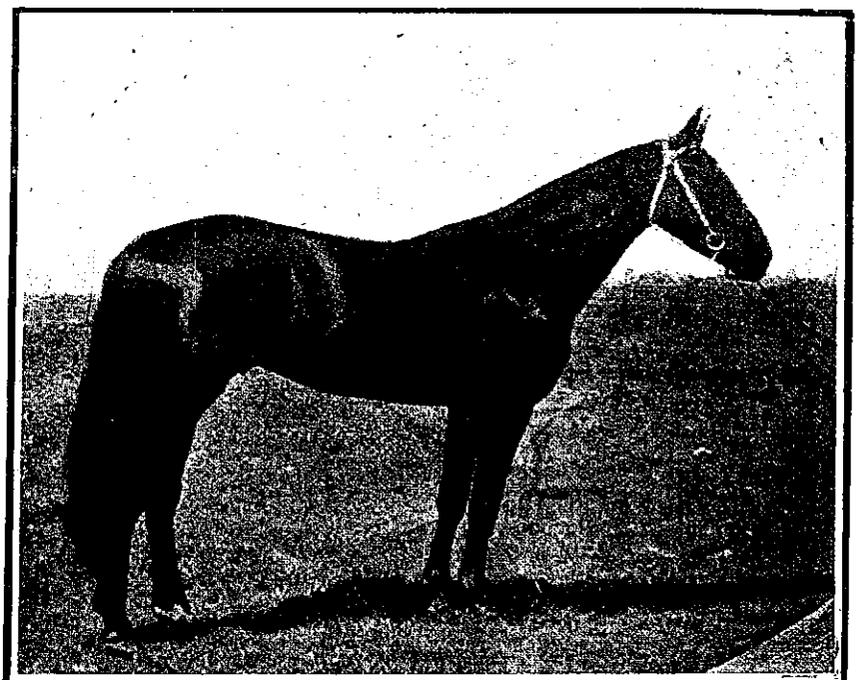
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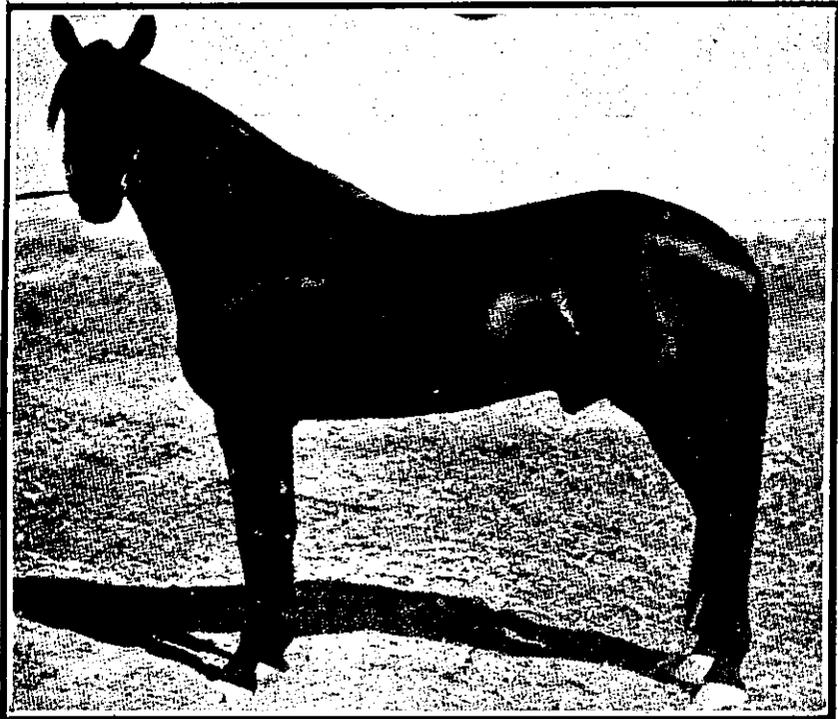
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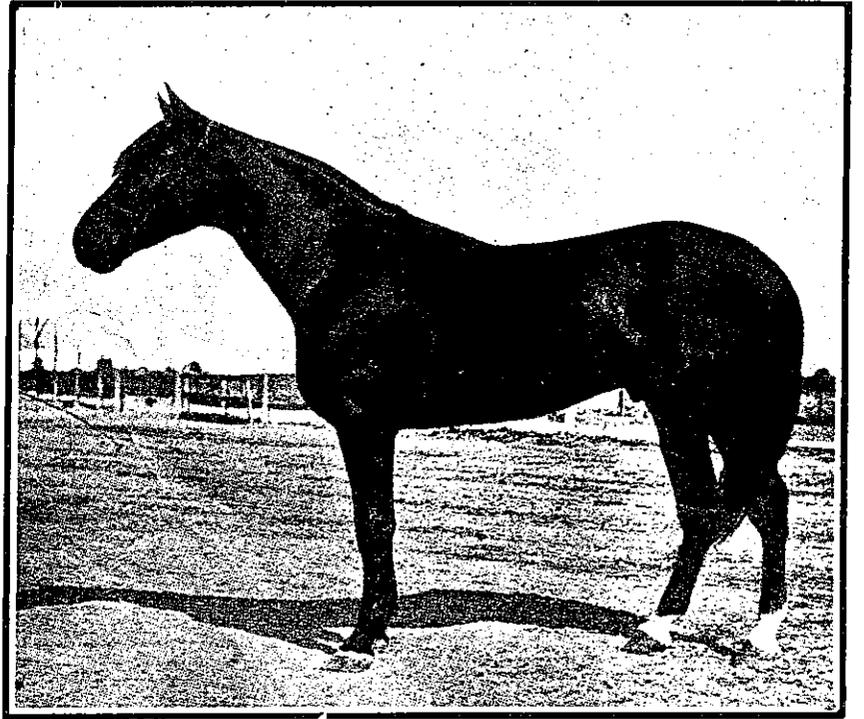
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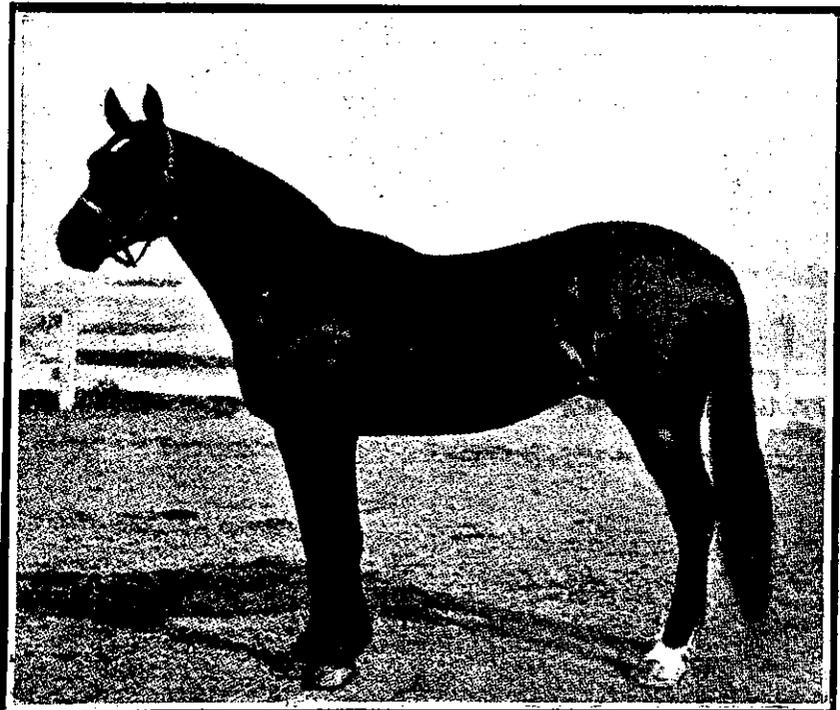
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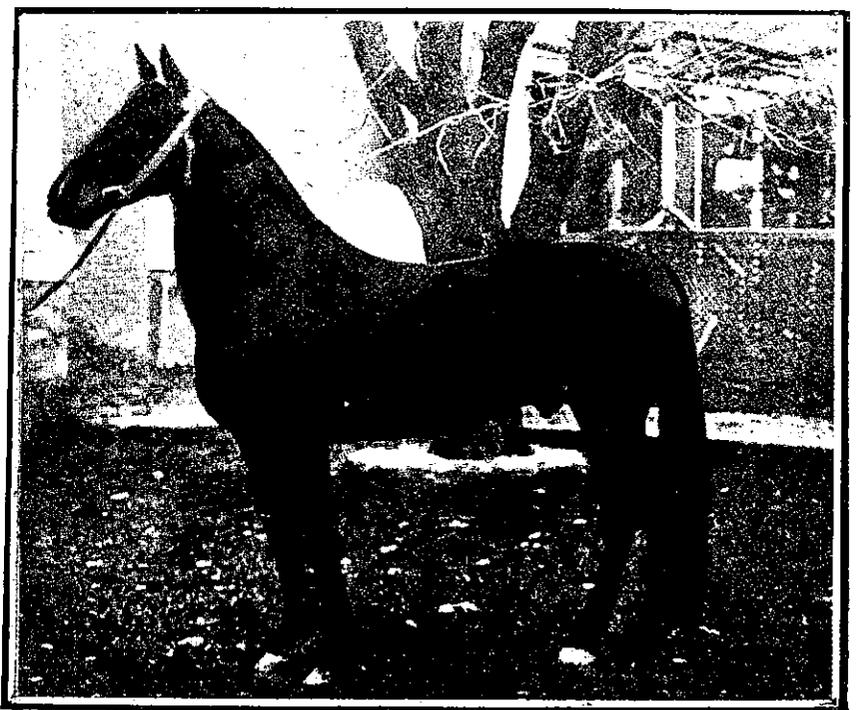
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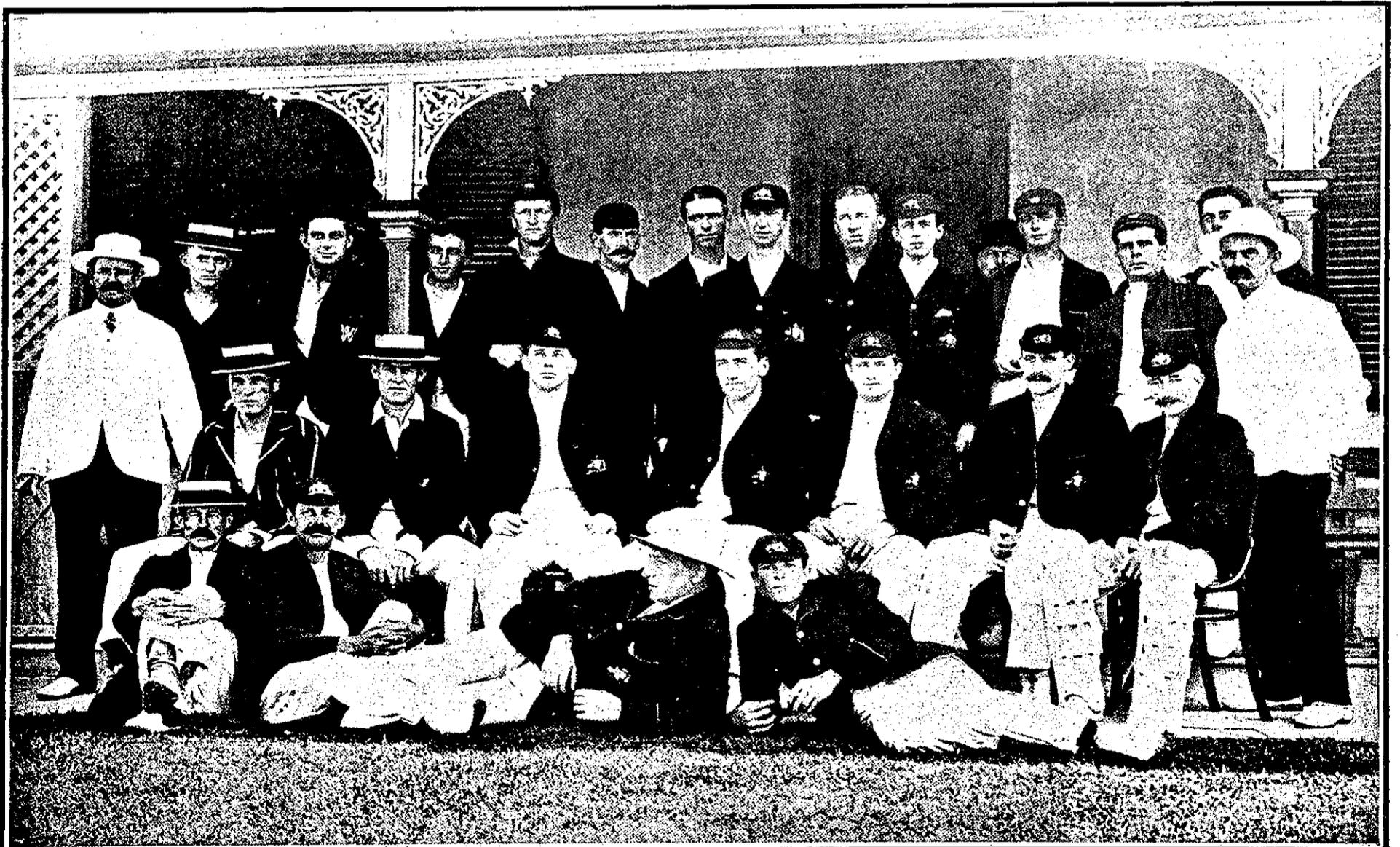
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AUSTRALIA'S BEST CRICKETERS.

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THE STAGE

HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE

MACMAHON'S PICTURES.

On Saturday evening Messrs MacMahon made a change in the programme of pictures at His Majesty's: a large number of entirely new films being shown. These were nearly all of the illusionist or amusing order, none of what for the want of a better name may be called the genuine pictures being found among the collection. Some people might prefer a blend of views of other lands and other customs, but the Messrs MacMahon maintain, and probably correctly, that the bulk of the people who visit the theatre come to be amused and therefore the "acted" picture holds supreme sway. Some of these are surprisingly good and one is left to ponder how much it cost to produce a film such as "The Harlequin's Love Story" a particularly clever example of animated photography. Others which caused roars of laughter were "The Servant Hypnotist," "Save the Pieces," "Palmistry," "Any Barrels to Sell," "The Cabman's Delusion" and that screaming favourite "Her First Bike Ride," which was repeated by request. Of the more dramatic subjects "A Mother's Sin" and "The Child Model" were possibly the best, while other studies well treated were "The Wonderful Mirrors," a particularly clever illusion, and "The Boy Bandits" an amusing example of what comes of reading "penny dreadful" literature. "The Great Steeplechase" was also repeated by request and this stirring picture of a big cross country event, with its chapter of accidents worthy of a Waikato leaping race, proved highly interesting.

Miss Lorraine Tansley sang very pleasingly a number of illustrated songs including "Will the Angels Let Me Play," "The Fireman" and "When the Lilac Blooms Again," the accompanying pictures being particularly good. The pictures will be shown again to-night and to-morrow, while on Saturday there will be a matinee as well as the evening performance when the season will come to a close.

OPERA HOUSE.

FULLER'S ENTERTAINERS.

The programme presented this week at the Opera House by Messrs Fuller is of a really high standard and has the effect of attracting large audiences nightly to the popular place of amusement. Les Reggiardos (Antonio and Kitty) appear in a very attractive juggling and sword swallowing act with which they score heavily. These skilful artists commence their turn by performing a number of most creditable juggling feats in an accomplished fashion. Then follows an exhibition of sword swallowing several swords of different lengths making their disappearance down the mouths of the performers leaving only the hilts in view. A rather daring act carried out is to fix a bayonet to the butt end of a loaded rifle, partly swallow the bayonet and then pull the trigger the recoil of the gunshot forcing the blade down the throat of the performer right up to the hilt. As a conclusion to their turn an electric light is assimilated the neck and chest of the swallower becoming illuminated. The Marlowe Sisters are making their reappearance in song and dance items and succeed in immensely pleasing the audience with their charming style. Mr Rud Peterson continues to enjoy unbounded popularity, his songs being always of a high order. Williams and Bonetta are seen in a side-splitting sketch, and the combined efforts of the talented pair are responsible for keeping the fun at fever heat. Miss Brightie Smith, the favourite Australian comedienne, makes a great hit in a number of original songs which she sings in a taking manner. Mr Denis Carney fairly brings the house down with his budget of comic songs, the quaint way in which he delivers them finding much favour with Opera House patrons. Miss J. Marie Johnstone's soprano voice finds full scope in a couple of enjoyable numbers with which she makes a good impression. Miss Connie Solomon, the dainty little burlesque actress is heard in several most acceptable items and receives a fair share of applause. The Ioleens are again presenting their wire-walking and sharp-

shooting act and come in for a welcome reception. A series of first-rate films are shown by the Warwick Bosco that entitled "Who Would be an Athlete" being a decidedly amusing picture.

WIRTHS' CIRCUS.

Aucklanders dearly love a circus so that when Wirth Bros.' big circus opened its doors at Freeman's Bay on Tuesday night there was a monster house present to witness the entertainment, the huge tent showing nothing but a sea of faces. The Wirths always bring a good circus with them but on this occasion have surpassed themselves, it being one of the best ever seen here. The menagerie is a very large one, as there are six elephants, four camels, a bear, and quite a host of lions, tigers, wolves and other assorted carnivora. The entertainment is well diversified, all the turns being good and smartly executed. It is a little difficult to say which is the star attraction as there are so many; but probably Herr Batty and his animal act and the Flying Herberts take pride of place. In the former act, Herr Batty and Miss Vera Robson enter an iron-ringed enclosure and put a number of wild animals through their paces. The list is made up of six lions who do not appear to appreciate the entertainment,

standing on their heads, shamming to be asleep or balancing on barrels. They are a fine herd and pretty well constitute an attractive circus in themselves. The entertainment concludes with a fine exhibition of high jumping by the New Zealand pony Maori, Lady Morton, who has a record of 7ft 3in, and the Queensland jumper Clifton. The pony jumped splendidly, but the star performer was Lady Morton whose clean jumping earned her rounds of applause. She cleared 6ft 4in without much apparent effort. The season in Auckland is a very short one, finishing on Saturday next. There will be a matinee each day as well as the evening performance. Lovers of animals should certainly pay the circus a visit.

TO TOUR THE DOMINION.

Mr Harry Rickards (in conjunction with Allen Hamilton) will send through New Zealand shortly what he rightly considers the strongest Vaudeville Company that he has ever despatched to the Dominion. The company will consist of the three Sisters Klos (the famous aerialists in their thrilling sensational gymnastic act); The Arcois Brothers, who at the present moment are creating a furore at the Sydney Tivoli Theatre in their hori-

her newly formed dramatic company in a repertoire, consisting of "The Broadway Winner" (which promises to eclipse "The Fatal Wedding" in popularity); "The Old Folks at Home" and "The Fatal Wedding." A complete tour of the Dominion will be made extending from August until the end of October, under the direction of Allan Hamilton.

HARD WORK.

It is said that an American musical comedy star changes her dress thirteen times during her turn, and some idea may be formed by experts by a record of the dresses changed during the evening:— (1) Black silk princess robe; (2) black crepe-de-chine princess robe; (3) Morning gown; (4) afternoon gown; (5) driving gown; (6) dinner dress; (7) black street dress; (8) evening dress, decollete; (9) decollete gown of gold cloth; (10) white silk costume, (11) white evening dress; (12) pink evening dress; (13) skating costume.

TOO HIGH A RENT.

Mr Oscar Asche, who was born in Sydney, aspires to bring English prices for seats down to something like the Australian standard. He is arranging for a theatre in which prices will range from a shilling to six shillings, with a few stalls at 7s 6d. At present it is impossible to get a stall in any decent theatre at less than 10s 6d, so that two seats break two sovereigns. The trouble arises mainly from high rents. Mr Asche pays £375 a week for His Majesty's, and it is impossible to get any London theatre with a reputation at less than £250 a week.

SHORT RUNS.

Short runs have been the feature of the New Year in London. So far, the ill-fated "Susanah—and Some Others" at the Royal Lyceum holds the record with seven performances, while "The Orange Blossom," with two weeks, at Terry's comes second. Then there have been "The Mastery of Edwin Drood" and "The O'Grindles," and the latest piece to go under is "Stingaree," which ran this week.

W. S. PERCY ON HIS STAGE CAREER.

"How'd I go on the stage?"

"I may as well say at the outset I owe my star, and practically my present position, solely and wholly to Mr J. C. Williamson, who 'discovered' me seventeen years ago. Mr Williamson founded a juvenile opera company, which later became famous in Australia as the Polard Company. A friend of mine who fancied he saw in me an embryo Charles Santley, risked a portion of his capital by having me taught singing, and on hearing one day that youngsters were wanted for Mr Williamson's Juvenile Company, I sallied forth armed with a copy of 'Ho, Jolly Jenkin,' from Sir Arthur Sullivan's 'Ivanhoe' determined to do or die. I am still alive. When I handed the song to Mr Williamson he was much amused. I think my audacity got me the job at any rate, I left Melbourne for New Zealand the next day.

"The first part I was entrusted with was the 'Pirates of Penzance.' I don't think I could have been entirely successful, because on the departure of the company from Dunedin I was not invited to travel with it, but was, instead, shipped with the scenery. Of course, I felt very crushed, and was wondering if I could swim back to Australia. However, when the company arrived in Christchurch my second chance came, one of the performers being indisposed. I was offered the name part in 'The Mikado' and played it ever after, so I imagine I must have satisfied the management.

"By easy stages I at length reached the position of leading comedian and for fully ten years remained in that position playing in all the Gilbert and Sullivan operas as well as in all the stock opera bouffes, touring Australia and South Africa. Our company was the first purely Australian company to travel away from home with an entirely Australian production, i.e. 'Din Din' which, I may say, was eminently successful.

"On the disbandment of Polard's combination I was offered an engagement by



MR. H. B. ROBERTS IN "THE PRINCE CHAP," WITH WHICH HE WILL SHORTLY TOUR THE COLONIES.

a friendly bear, a leopard, and two wolves. These go through a number of tricks and one is left wondering at the in-repedit of their trainer, and the fearless courage of Miss Robson who cannot be blessed, or rather cursed, with anything in the way of nerves. The Flying Herberts we have seen before, but their clever aerial flights continue to exercise the utmost fascination so daringly and neatly are they carried out. Among a host of other attractions, mention may be made of the children's circus by the clever Christies; Marco and his performing Bengal tigers; Miss Phillipine in a wonderful equestrian act; Miss Marziles Wirth and her juggling feats on horseback; John Welby Cooke in a champion jockey act, in which he performs seemingly impossible feats with the utmost nonchalance; Hubert Tomaso in a wonderful exhibition of balancing and table spinning; the Ozzapardi Trio who drive in a dog cart round the ring and perform acrobatic feats the while; Sampeddi Osado, the Japanese contortionist; Major, the dancing horse; Heller and Prior in tumbling feats; May Martin, the flexible marvel; Walhalla, Heler and dummy clowns; and many other good turns. Special mention must be made of the elephants who do all sorts of things in the most knowing way and appear to enjoy themselves hugely, no matter whether they may be playing a

zontal bar performance; the Miles-Savordale quartet the distinguished musicians who were in Australia about four years ago under Mr Harry Rickard's management—they leave London early next month and will travel direct to New Zealand via Vancouver. In addition to these "stars" of the vaudeville world, the company will include Miss Alma Gray, the favourite Australian vocalist and dancer (just returned from England); Irving Sayles—the king of all negro comedians; Leonard Nelson, Miss Lottie Kay, English soprano; Miss Olive Robinson; and several other favourite artistes. In addition there will be an entirely new series of biograph pictures, just received from London and the Continent. Rickards' vaudeville tour will extend over five weeks and five nights only, during which time Dunedin, Christchurch, Wellington and Auckland will be visited. Only one night will be lost in travelling. Mr Allen Hamilton will personally manage the venture, and is due to reach Dunedin on May 20th.

SOMETHING TO LOOK FORWARD TO.

Mr Allen Hamilton has arranged with Messrs Meynell and Gunn for a New Zealand tour to commence at Christchurch August 7th. The attraction will be

my present manager, which I immediately accepted. The engagement has been a fortunate one for me, as I am at present in the enviable position of deputy for Mr George Lauri, Australia's most popular comedian, who is now enjoying a holiday. I consider this opportunity one of the most important episodes in my theatrical career.

"I should like to say here that my association with the Royal Comic Opera Company has been of a most pleasurable nature, besides being an object lesson in the very open book of Theatredom.

"My parts? I think I have played about 90 in various operas, musical comedies, pantomimes, etc. I started my career as a lad of fourteen, playing the heavy part of the Pirate King. Now a married man with a family, I find myself sometimes cast for juvenile parts, as, for instance, Stephen Henry, a lad of ten years, in 'Spring Chicken.' At this rate of progression, or is it retrogression, when I am in the sere and yellow leaf, I may find myself the cause of much inexpressive grief by enacting the trying role of Little Willie in 'East Lynne.'"—The "Referee."

"THE LADY DANDIES."

According to the "Referee," sparkling music, beautiful stage pictures, and gorgeous and artistic costumes are the most striking features of "The Lady Dandies," which was staged for the first time in Australia at Her Majesty's on Saturday week before a crowded audience. To the music, however, the production owes its charm. The solos are dainty and sweet, the choruses full of tone and vigor. It is in the "book" that the weakness lies. It is mostly dull, and even the fact that Sardou is the author does not give it distinction, for the great playwright must long since have recognised that his genius does not lie in the direction of

A very serious consultation took place between Mr Hicks, his manager, and the guards of the train, with the result that telephone messages were despatched to the Aldwych theatre to keep the curtain down for half an hour and to the authorities at Waterloo urging them to do their best to get the train through.

When the train did get to Waterloo, it was an hour and a quarter late. The company were hustled into motor-cars and driven to the theatre at a fair pace, despite the prevailing gloom. The curtain rung up on the performance of "The Gay Gordans" little more than half an hour late.

Mr George S. Titheredge, who comes to Australia shortly, is in a new play, "The Woman of Kronstadt," now being produced at the Garrick Theatre, London. Miss Edyth Latimer a Sydney actress, is also in the cast.

All the dramatic critics of Lugano, Switzerland, have gone on strike. They refuse to attend the theatres unless they are given three tickets for the first performance of each new production. This seems a trifle greedy.

Hugh J. Ward and Grace Palotta, supported by an English and Australian company, will commence an eastern tour in Bombay next November—Calcutta, Rangoon, Singapore, Hong Kong, and Shanghai will follow. The direction of the tour is in the hands of Mr Allan Hamilton, who may join the company should his Australian arrangements permit.

It will be welcome news to all playgoers to learn that there is every prospect of any early visit from that most versatile actor, Mr Harry Roberts and complete company in the comedy "The Prince Chap," with which he scored such an un-

Leslie Harris the entertainer, is at last in New York.

Auckland threatgoers are looking forward to the advent of Julius Knight and "The Scarlet Pimpernel" with much interest.

La Milo has insured her life for £10,000.

Champion club-singer, Tom Burrows, will shortly tour the Fuller circuit.

Mr Kaber Harrison is this week giving recitals at St. Andrews' Hall, Symond Street. Mrs Harrison, Miss Bagger, Miss Heywood and Mr Carter are assisting.

Mr John Fuller, senr., left Sydney on the 21st March by the German liner Bremen bound for the Continent.

The Corrick Family have been doing well in India and shortly leave for Burma and Singapore.

Norman Partridge, here with the last Shakesperian company, was at latest playing John Storm in "The Christian," at Johannesburg.

In a London newspaper competition El la Shields was voted the most popular "principal boy" with Carrie Moore a close second.

Miss Marie Lowrey gave a concert on Thursday evening at the Choral Hall, but owing to it being badly advertised and also to the showery evening, the attendance was scanty. She was assisted by Mr Herbert Bloy. Mr J. C. Little, Mr J. Carter and the Unique Vocal Quartet (Messrs Abel Rowe, Bagnall, Farrow and Fogerty).

Queenie Williams, the clever little girl who is appearing with Meynell and Gunn's "Little Breadwinner" Dramatic Company in West Australia, made her first appearance in "The Fatal Wedding" as the leader of the "Tin Can Band," in which she made a decided hit. Her next appearance was in "The Rake's Wife," produced at the Criterion Theatre, Sydney. Subsequently she appeared in the "Grey Kimona," a Japanese Opera, and played the part of the American girl, Miss Comet Bright. In this, as in her other parts, she was decidedly successful. "The Little Breadwinner," will be seen here later on.

Playgoers will learn with much regret of the death of Miss Joan Burnett, only daughter of Miss Jennie Lee, who came to Melbourne quite recently under engagement to Mr J. C. Williamson for the production of "Peter Pan." Miss Burnett caught cold on the voyage out, and it rapidly developed into consumption, which ended fatally. In the heyday of her mother's career Miss Burnett will be remembered as a dark-haired little lassie, who went to school in Melbourne while her mother and father—the latter of whom played Inspector Bucket in "Jo"—were touring Australia. On returning to England, Miss Burnett, while yet in her teens, took up the stage as a profession, and was successful. One of her best parts was that of Jennie Geddes in "The Wedding Guest." The feeling of regret for the young lady's death under such sad circumstances will be coupled with deep sympathy for her mother, who accompanied her on the tour.

A play we are likely to see here later on is "The Beloved Vagabond" produced by Beerbohm Tree at His Majesty's Theatre, London, last month. It is a dra-



A GOOD IDEA FOR THE AUCKLAND SUMMER SEASON.—AN OPEN-AIR PERFORMANCE OF "AS YOU LIKE IT," BY THE ST. KILDA SHAKESPEARE DRAMATIC SOCIETY IN MELBOURNE.

operatic plays. Moreover, the addition of modern—very modern—"humour" has made the mixture an incongruous one.

BEFOGUE D.

In one of these pea-soup London fogs which occurred recently, traffic was held up altogether in many districts. The singers and hosts of professionals starting out to appear at the music halls could not get through, and many a popular establishment had to put on a scratch entertainment.

The fog was kept out of Covent Garden by specially arranged ventilators placed in the huge auditorium, so that those in the gallery who went to hear "La Gioconda" had an excellent view of the stage although they were so far away from it. These ventilators were also a boon to the singers, for their voices were not affected by the fog, and consequently there was no change in the east.

In the case of the Aldwych theatre it was nearly a case of closing altogether. Mr Seymour Hicks had taken part of his company to Boscombe for a flying matinee there, and the arrangements were all complete for their return in ample time to play the sprightly musical piece in London the same evening. Unfortunately there was no allowance for fog and when the players should have been at the Aldwych Theatre, they were fretting on the line between Surbiton and Wimbledon.

doubted success at the Criterion Theatre, London, last year. Should all go well, Allan Hamilton hopes to make a definite announcement very shortly.

The following are the attractions at the principal centres for Easter:—Auckland (His Majesty's), Julius Knight Dramatic Company; Dunedin (His Majesty's), Edwin Geach's Dramatic Company; Christchurch (Theatre Royal), Pollard Opera Company; Wellington (Opera House), Sheridan Musical Comedy Company, and Invercargill, Chas. Blake's Company.

After a run of 316 performances, "Brewster's Millions" was withdrawn at the Hicks Theatre, Oscar Strauss' new opera, "The Waltz Dream" being placed on the boards, with Mr Arthur Williams in the important comedy character.

Frank C. Bangs is perhaps the oldest actor on the American stage to-day in point of actual service. Bangs was one of the four great actors—Edwin Booth, Lawrence Barrett, L. Davenport and Frank C. Bangs—who made the fame of Booth's Theatre in New York with wonderful Shakesperian revivals, notably that of "Julius Caesar," in which Booth appeared as Brutus, Burrett as Cassius, E. L. Davenport as Caesar, and Mr Bangs as Marc Antony.

The death is reported in New York of Mrs C. J. Stine (Miss Olive Evans).

William Anderson has abandoned his trip to England and is visiting West Australia instead.

From Worcester, South Africa, comes a postcard from Mr R. Tregaski, reporting that the Steele-Payne bellringers have been doing splendid business all through. They expect to return to New Zealand next year.

Mr Harry Sweeney has parted company with the "Blue Moon" Musical Comedy Company, and he joins the Julius Knight-Ola Humphries' Dramatic Company. Mr Sweeney will be a member of the Company when it tours New Zealand in a few weeks' time. His place in the Musical Comedy Company is being taken by Mr Castles, a brother of the Misses Dolly and Amy Castles.

"The Prisoner of Zenda" is one of the pieces to be played by Julius Knight Company. It was a great success when first stage here. Dudley Clinton is now the Colonel Sapt, and of course our only Julius takes the role of the Englishman. One can hardly imagine Miss Humphrey as Flavia, but we shall see.

matisation by W. J. Locke of his well-known novel of the same name.

Mr and Mrs H. Rickards, accompanied by Mr and Mrs E. Mass, children, maids, and Chauffeur, left for England by the Asturias on Saturday (says the "Referee"). The party, who will be away for about seven months, will reside at "Westwood," the Kentish estate purchased by Mr Rickards on his last visit to England. It is described as a picturesque old manor house and farm, famous for its orchards and the fine avenue of trees which leads up to its wide expanse of lawns.

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THE DIVINE SARAH.

"Here is a volcanic nature as we know, and here has been a volcanic career, and nothing of this volcanism is lost in her description of it. It has been doubted whether she really wrote the book (The Memories of Sarah Bernhardt) herself. The vividness of the narration, the sure sense of what was worth telling, and what was not, the sharp, salt vivacity of the style (which not even the slipshod English of the translator can obscure)—all these virtues have to some pedants seemed incompatible with authenticity. Paris contains, of course, many accomplished hacks who would gladly have done the job for her, and would have done it quite nicely. But none of them could have imparted to the book the peculiar fire and salt that it has—the rushing spontaneity that stamps it, for every discriminating reader, as Sarah's own.

"Her life may have said to have been an almost unbroken series of 'scenes' from the moment when, at the age of three, she fell into the fire. 'The screams of my foster-father, who could not move, brought in some neighbours. I was thrown, all smoking, into a large pail of fresh milk. I have been told since that nothing was so painful to witness and yet so charming as my mother's despair.' The average little girl would not resent being removed from a boarding-school by an aunt. She would not 'roll about on the ground uttering the most heart-rending cries.' But that is what little Sarah did; and 'the struggle lasted two hours, and while I was being dressed I escaped twice into the garden and attempted to climb the trees and to throw myself into the pond. I was so feverish that my life was said to be in danger.'

"On another occasion she swallowed the contents of a large ink-pot, after her mother had made her take some medicine, and 'I cried to mamma, 'It is you who have killed me!'' The desire for death—death as a means of scoring off someone, or as an emotional experience—was frequent both in her childhood and in her maturity. When she was appearing as 'Zare,' M. Perrin, her manager, offended her in some way, and she was 'determined to faint, determined to vomit blood, determined to die, in order to enrage Perrin.' Fainting was the next best thing to dying, and Sarah, throughout her early career, was continually fainting, with or without provocation.

HER EMOTIONAL ENERGY.

"It is a wonder that so much emotional energy as she had to express in swoons, in floods of tears, in torrents of invective, did not utterly wear out her very frail body. Somehow her body fed and thrived on her spirit. The tragedian

in her cured the invalid. Doubtless, if she had not been by nature a tragedian, and if all her outbursts of emotion had come straight from her human heart, she could not have survived. It is clear that even in her most terrific moments one half of her soul was in the position of spectator, applauding vigorously. This artistic detachment is curiously illustrated by the tone she takes about herself throughout her memories. The test of a good autobiography is the writer's power to envisage himself. Sarah envisages herself with perfect clearness and composure. She does not, in retrospect, applaud herself except when applause is deserved. She is never tired of laughing at herself with the utmost good humour, or of scolding herself with exemplary sternness.

"Emotion for emotion's sake is not the law of your being. It is because that is so immutable—so overwhelmingly, the law of Sarah's being that we have in Sarah—yes, even now, for all the tricks she plays with her art—the greatest of living tragedians."—Max Beerbohm in "Saturday Review."

THE FIRST COLONIAL THEATRE.

The following is a reprint of Barrington's ode on the opening of the first N.S.W. theatre:—

From distant climes, o'er wide-spread seas we come,

(Though not with much eclat, or beat of drum)

True patriots all; for it be understood, We left our country for our country's good;

No private views disgrac'd our generous zeal;

What urged our travels was our country's weal;

And none will doubt but that our emigration

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But you enquire, in us whence springs this rage.

"To strut and fret our hour upon the stage?"

Could aught, within our former practice, teach,

Talents like ours, dramatic fame to reach?

List, list, oh list, before this Court I plead,

Our claim well founded to Theatrical meed.

He, who to midnight ladders is no stranger,

You'll grant will make an admirable Ranger;

To seek Macheath we have not far to roam,

And sure in Filch I shall be quite at home;

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As oft on Gadshill we have taken our stand,

When 'twas so dark, you could not see your "hand,"

Some true-bred Falstaff we may hope to start,

Who, when well-bolster'd, well will play his part.

The scene to vary, we shall try in time.

To treat you, now and then with Pantomime;

Here light and easy Columbines are found,

And well-try'd Harlequins with us abound;

From durance vile our precious selves to keep,

We oft had recourse to the flying leap;

To a black face have sometimes ow'd escape,

And Hounslow-heath has prov'd the worth of crape.

But how, you ask, can we e'er hope to soar

Above these scenes, and rise to tragic lore?

Oh! we have forc'd, too oft, th' unwilling tear,

And petrify'd the heart with real fear;

Macbeth a harvest of applause will reap,

For some of us, I fear, "have murder'd sleep."

His lady, too, with grace, will dream and talk;

Our females have been us'd at night to walk;

While Shylock thirsting to extinguish life,

With ready hand will whet the murderer's knife;

Sometimes, indeed, so various is our art,

An actor may improve and mend his part;

"Give me a horse," bawls Richard, like a drone;

We'll find a man would help himself to one.

Grant us your favour, put us to the test;

To gain your smiles we'll do our very best,

And, without dread of future Turnkey Lockits,

Thus in an honest way, still pick your pockets.

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The terrible fire at the theatre in Boyertown, Pennsylvania, by which 167 lives

were lost, recalls several other similar disasters. These were:—Lehman Theatre, St. Petersburg, February 1, 1836; 800 lives lost; Canton Theatre, China, May 15, 1845, with 1670 deaths; Royal, Quebec, June 12, 1846, 200; Tientsin Theatre, June 1872, 600; The Theatre, Sacramento, December 10, 1876, 110; Opera House, Nice, March 23, 1881, 150; The Buff, Moscow, January 1, 1883, 300; Circus Ferroni, Bervitschen, January 13, 1883, 325; Quanton, China, February, 1897, 230; Rinj Theatre, Vienna, December 8, 1881, 447; Opera Comique, Paris, May 25, 1887, 131; Royal, Exeter, September 1887, 127; The Theatre, Oporto, March 31, 1888, 170; Charity Bazaar, Paris, May 1, 1897, 130; and Irouois Theatre, Chicago, 587.

A CLEVER VIOLINIST.

Max Schluter, the Danish violinist, has begun a short series of concerts at the Melbourne Town Hall. This artist visited Melbourne some few years ago (says Melbourne "Punch"), but since that time he has developed into an artist of rare ability, and his work compares more favourably with that of previous artists visiting our shores. He has a broad, rich, warm, cantabile tone, unswerving accuracy, and immense technique; in a word, he upholds the best traditions of the Belgian school. Into his work he infuses much life and spirit, and his interpretative methods are not at all lacking in dignity and grace.

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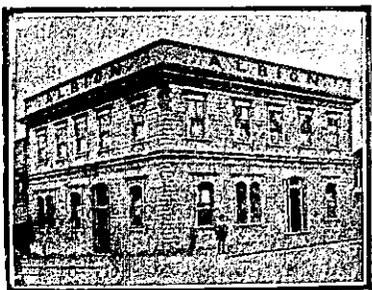
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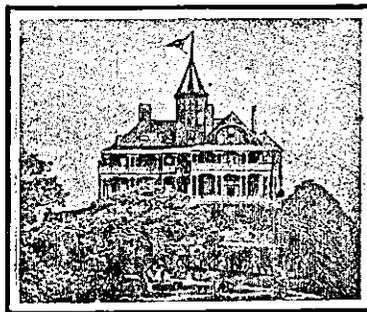
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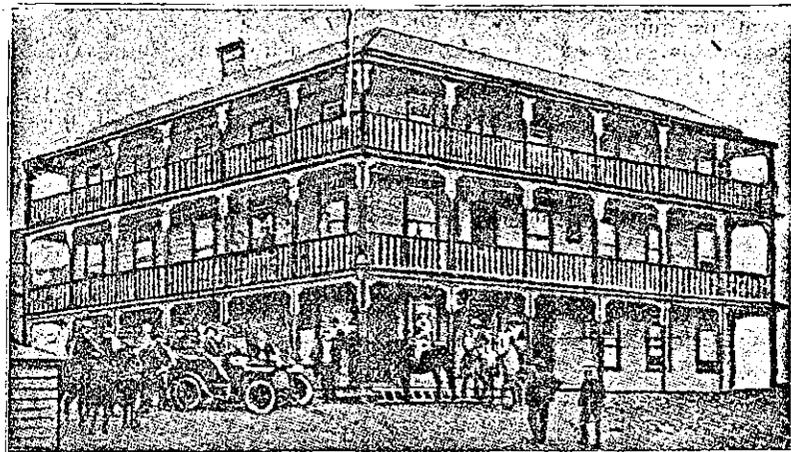
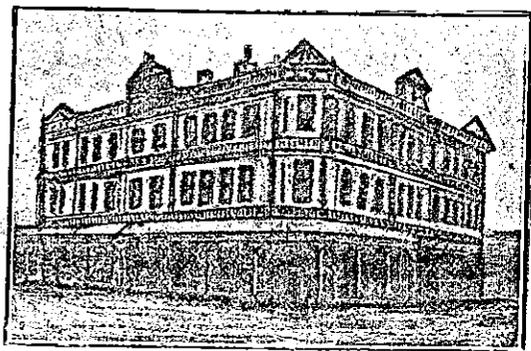
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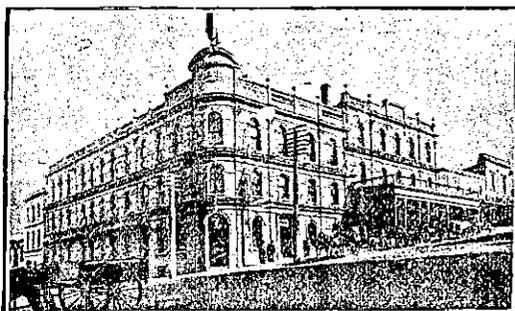
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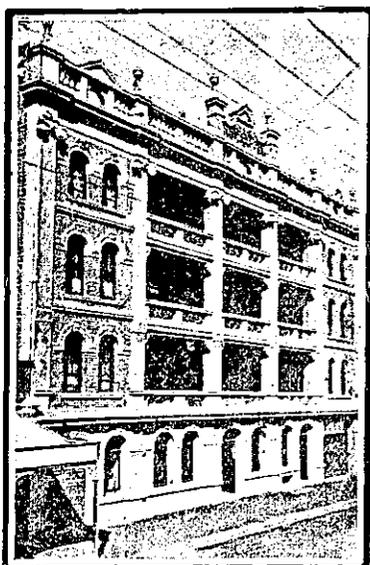
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THE LICENSED WALKERS GAZETTE

At Palmerston North last Thursday in the Supreme Court, Thomas Clarke claimed from the North Island Brewery Company, of Mangatainoka, a dividend alleged to have been declared last year. His Honour, Mr Justice Cooper, allowed plaintiff to take a non-suit, and allowed costs at five guineas.

It is cabled from London that the "Daily Express" states that the steamer Adriatic left New York the other day with 3000 tons of hops for London, chiefly from the Pacific Coast. Owing to the glut owners are glad to accept a price much below the cost of production.

One day last week the police raided a billiard room at Waiouru, on the Main Trunk railway, suspected to be a sly-grog shop.

At Te Awamutu last week a barman named Jno. Lindsay, employed at the Star Hotel, Kihikihi, was convicted and fined £1, and costs £1 15s, at the Magistrate's Court this afternoon, before Mr Cutten, S.M., on a charge of supplying liquor to natives for consumption off licensed premises. The magistrate took a lenient view of the case, owing to the surrounding circumstances.

At a meeting of the creditors of Mr James Drake, who for some time carried on a wine and spirit business in Auckland, a vote of sympathy with the debtor was passed, his financial difficulties being clearly attributable to a series of misfortunes.

Meetings have been held in London with the object of promoting an international league of Commercial Travellers' Associations.

In the Magistrate's Court at Hamilton last week, Myles Synott was fined £10 on each of two charges of procuring liquor for natives at the Ngaruawahia regatta. Accused who said he had been drinking, obtained two flasks of whisky.

Mr Wm. Daly Revington, of the Post Office Hotel, Greymouth, died suddenly last week from heart failure.

A Gazette Extraordinary has been issued, further proroguing Parliament until May 29.

The price of the best hot-house strawberries in London at the end of January, worked out at 2s 6d an ounce.

In connection with an inquest that was held recently on the body of a man that was found in the Wairoa river, it was reported that the deceased had, on the evening of his death, bought some methylated spirits. The local press advises the restriction of the sale of this spirit, which is now got up quite handsome and is easily procurable by prohibited persons.

In the local Magistrate's Court last Friday, Mr J. H. Pagni, licensee of the British Hotel, proceeded against the Rev. Alexander Mackenzie, B.D., of Avondale South, for £4, the value of goods detained, and £10 for the detention of the goods. Mr Neumegan appeared for the plaintiff and Mr Brookfield for the defendant. The evidence was to the effect that the plaintiff purchased a farm from the defendant for £1000, and subsequently made an offer for "other small implements employed in cultivation of the farm," which was accepted. A dispute arose as to several articles under the latter purchase, such as ladders, forks, etc., hence the lawsuit. The defendant denied that several of the articles claimed by the plaintiff were included in the purchase. Decision was reserved.

At Timaru last Thursday in the Magistrate's Court, three prohibition men were fined in the aggregate £11 for having procured liquor. A fourth man, who aided them, was fined £3. The Magistrate said that if such fines proved ineffectual in preventing prohibited persons from obtaining drink he would impose the maximum.

Perhaps the most novel and interesting electrical kitchen in the world is that in the Jungfrau district, at a height of more than 10,000ft above the sea-level. To get fuel in this desolate region is a matter of difficulty, but the engineers have established a high-pressure electric transmission line, and current to do the cooking is taken from this line. The equipment of the kitchen includes an oven of four compartments, two being 12 inches wide and two eight and a-half inches. There are also a soup kettle holding 95 pints, two vegetable boilers of 37 pints each, and a large "hot table" on which plates are warmed, a special potato cooker, and a large coffee boiler. The various pieces of apparatus are all fitted with regulators, and attached by plugs to the distribution board.

Private cablegrams from Fiji announce the death by drowning of two brothers, Messrs Frank and Dan O'Dowd. The former for some time being the well-known licensee of the Criterion Hotel, in Albert Street. The O'Dowd family are well known and highly respected in Auckland business circles. Mr O'Dowd, sen., having been for many years a member of the hotelkeeping trade, retiring from business a few years ago. Mrs McManus, sister to the deceased gentlemen, being the present proprietress of the Caledonia Hotel, Symonds Street, Mr Jack O'Dowd, another member of the family being the well-known and popular representative of the Wai-Wai Company.

In Wellington last Thursday night two men were captured rifling the contents of a trunk stolen from the New Zealand Hotel, and containing expensive ladies apparel.

The brandy distilling industry is to be started at Mudgee, New South Wales.

The champagne-making industry has been successfully established at Muichinbury vineyard, Rooty Hill, New South Wales.

A VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

A meeting of creditors was held at the Official Assignee's office last Thursday morning in the estate of James Drake, lately a wine and spirit merchant. In the absence of Mr E. Gerard (official assignee), Mr Burns (one of the creditors) occupied the chair. Mr Pullen appeared for the debtor, who was unable to attend owing to ill-health.

Mr Pullen explained that the debtor had sustained a broken arm, and it was exceedingly doubtful if he would ever have the use of it again. The failure of the debtor was due to misfortune, due mainly to one of his partners, now dead, who professed to have a thorough knowledge of the business. Until two years ago, the debtor had always been a man of means, and he felt his position very keenly indeed.

The insolvent, in his statement, attributes his failure to misfortune. He entered into business as a wine and spirit merchant with £1500 capital, and took partners, neither of whom had a penny but professed to have a thorough knowledge of the business. Later, he found it necessary to dissolve with one partnership, but to do so he had to pay him £150. Subsequently the other partner died. He then got rid of the business and had barely £200 left. He then went to Matakane and opened a gum store, but through a heavy fall from his horse he sustained a broken arm and was unable to attend to his business. But for the accident he believed that the business would have turned out all right.

The liabilities in the estate are £510 13s 1d, and the assets are set down at £193 0s 8d, including £150 book debts.

The opinion was expressed by all the creditors present that the bankruptcy was entirely due to hard luck.

One creditor moved that a vote of sympathy be passed with the debtor, and that the Official Assignee be asked to facilitate his discharge as soon as possible.

Another creditor, in seconding the motion, said that Mr Drake may have shown a certain amount of carelessness in the general conduct of his business which he attributed to lack of knowledge. He had

known the debtor for 26 years, and had always known him to be an upright honourable man.

In supporting the motion, a third creditor said that Mr Drake was at one time a third officer on a steamer. He came into some money and settled here, but he was altogether unsuitable for business, and seemed to leave everything to those in business with him.

The chairman agreed that it was a most unfortunate case, and, on being put, the motion was carried unanimously.

A REQUEST TO THE MAYOR.

At the meeting of the Auckland City Council last Thursday evening, the councillors present asked the Mayor (Mr Arthur M. Myers) to allow himself to be nominated for a fourth term of office. The Mayor said he felt proud of the unanimous request that had been made, though for the last few months he had been looking forward somewhat anxiously for the time when he should hand over the reins of office to a successor. During the last three years he had only been absent while in Auckland from two Council meetings. He had attended all committee meetings, and, on the whole, it must be admitted that he was justified in looking for a rest. Then, again, he thought the office should be a rolling one. The position was a difficult one to fill. His recent arrangements had been in the direction of relinquishing duty in May next. On the other hand, he felt that he had still a certain duty to perform in connection with certain municipal schemes that had been formulated during the last three years. Perhaps, after all, it would not be right to leave. (Loud applause.) He did not feel inclined to give a definite answer, but, probably, it would not be right for him to do anything else than accede to the request made. (Renewed applause.) The only condition he would make was that if his health would not permit it, he could not accept the responsibility, and, in any case, he doubted whether he could take office for the full term.

AN UNBIASSED VIEW.

A word in season to the fanatical extremists whose aim is prohibition and the spoliation of the publican. The "Spectator" (London) says:—"We have never been able to agree with the fanatics for teetotalism, holding that they habitually ignore some of the most important facts in the whole question. The fact, for example, that Christ not only drank wine, but ordered His disciples to drink it in memory of Him, is for all Christians a proof that the taking of alcohol is not a thing prohibited as malum in se; while the other fact, that the world has not only been conquered but moralised by the drinking races, is unanswerable evidence that the consumption of intoxicants is not fatal either to the energy of a race or its capacity for rising to the highest intellectual levels. We owe art to the Greek, monotheism to the Hebrew, law to the Roman, and liberty to the Teuton, and each of these four races has habitually consumed alcohol as a usual article of diet, while two of them—the Roman and Teuton—showed for ages a disposition to use it in excess. It is the creed which denounces alcohol that has been the enemy of civilisation, and whose votaries have displayed in the highest degree the vices which the consumption of alcohol is supposed to foster, or, in the belief of many worthy people, even to produce. . . Total prohibition is impossible

while every man with a tea kettle and a tin pipe can distil a kind of spirit from corn, potatoes, or inferior wine."

ADAM.

Adam had no drug store on the corner he could walk to,
Adam had no telephone, and no friends he could talk to,
Adam had no gas jets in his house, nor meter humming,
And he had no house at all where people could be coming.

Adam had no relatives to come upon a visit—
If you'd mentioned "visit" to him he'd have asked "What is it?"
But, he did not have you there than little word to mention,
And he hadn't any mail demanding his attention.

Adam never got a post card nor received a letter,
Adam never called himself a creditor or debtor,
Adam knew nobody who could take the time to write him,
Adam thus missed politics and folk who fain would fight him.

Adam had no enemies, he did not own an auto,
Had no roads to ride upon at speeds which he ought not to.
Had no courts to fine him if he struck a gait unlawful,
Had no breakfast food, nor buckwheat cake, nor even waffle.

Adam had no servant woes to fill his life with trouble,
Had no stuff to drown his woes and make his vision double,
Had no clubs, or matinees, or books, or daily papers
That would run his picture in when he cut foolish capers.

Adam had no money and he had no place to spend it,
Even if he'd had the coin he had no chance to lend it,
Had no cash, or in his pockets he'd have had to hold it;
Adam had no trousers to have pockets—there, we've told it!

Adam did not have a thing we have round us daily,
Didn't even know what day or month was passing gaily,
Adam hadn't any culture—was an ignorant—
Isn't it quite wonderful that Adam is so famous?

THE TACTICS OF THE SMALL PERCENTAGE.

The Vicar of Midhurst (Sussex) has his own views on the temperance question, and the following letter from his pen appears in a local paper. He heads his epistle "The Tyranny of Temperance," and says:—

"A conference was recently held at my house between representatives of the Free Church Council of Midhurst and of the Church of England Temperance Society. It was resolved to ask the local magistrates to reduce the number of licensed houses in Midhurst, and to hold a public meeting in January to agitate for the Sunday closing of public-houses. I have declined to be a party to either agitation. "It is by no means certain that shutting of public-houses diminishes the



amount of liquor consumed. It produces no effect on the number of persons who drink to excess. The confirmed sot will not be checked by any absence of facilities, but in one way or another will get what he wants. Total prohibition would not be tolerated in England, and no measure short of this will reform the man with an acquired or inherited craving.

"As to the specific of Sunday closing we have some trustworthy evidence. By almost universal consent the Welsh experiment has broken down. That is to say, evasions of the law are so impudent and systematic that many good folks have confessed their disgust at the hypocritical pretence. Our working men do not want to be told what they shall drink and when they shall go to bed. They prefer to assemble at places where they can obtain such refreshment as they desire—not such as is prescribed for them by political and moral advisers.

"There is also a wider obligation which falls upon us as Englishmen, to resent grandmotherly supervision, and to cherish the personal liberty which is now threatened by a clique of fussy zealots. The teetotal party is inconsiderable in point of numbers, but it makes up by energy for which it lacks in authority and common sense."

THE DUTY OF THE POLICE.

The natural protest that arose from the Auckland Licensed Victuallers' Association, in regard to Sub-Inspector Gordon's report on women drinking in hotels, has been turned and twisted by the prohibition party, and made to appear as an attempt to interfere with the police in the discharge of their duties. The respectful letter of protest, addressed to the Minister of Justice (the Hon. J. McGowan) simply pointed out that the report, especially in the incorrect form that it was first published, had pointed to no irregularity, had been unproven, and had been presented without notice to the Trade. We have no hesitation in affirming that the licensees of Auckland, and we may add, the Dominion, have in the main, always shown an ardent desire to help the police in the matter of police duty as pertaining to the supervision and good conduct of the hotels. We know that it has always been a practice, and in the interests of fair play a good practice too, to lodge in the Licensing Court some days before any licensing meeting, any report that affects a house or its licensee. For some reason or reasons, this report of sub-Inspector Gordon's does not appear to have gone through this usual process. Though sweeping in its condemnation, it is brought forward at the meeting, vague and unproven, and in the notable absence of detail, beyond figures which are allowed to go forth in print in an alarmingly incorrect manner. If the police sense of duty had for some reason, hitherto undisclosed, risen suddenly to such a high pitch that they must needs count the number of women entering hotels, then is it more than a pity that that sense of duty did not prevent an incorrect report, affecting a large number of people, being published in the press of the Dominion. The report first appeared in the evening paper, and could have, by only a small amount of experienced energy, been prevented from going any further. The common instinct of fair play, inbred in most people, would have prompted this prevention. In connection with this incorrect report, one fact stands out most strikingly, and that is that at not one of the meetings of no-license leaguers, or prohibitionists, where the subject matter of the report has been discuss-

ed, has the slightest mention been made regarding the inaccurate figures as first published. The false position has been seized upon, and mouthed about from one centre to another, with an appreciation that does little credit to these self-sufficient parties. The Hon. James McGowan has fenced the question of preventing a repetition of such vague, unproven reports being sprung upon the licensed trade, and in his reply to the secretary of the Licensed Victuallers' Association, attempts to lead one to believe that the Association wishes to prevent police reports being presented, whereas the Association wishes nothing of the sort. Their letter of protest respectfully points to one report and particularly to the manner of its presentation. In this they were quite right. Does the hon. gentleman mean to imply that a body of men as composed by the Licensed Victuallers, have a right to a hearing, or a right to establish a defence? We sincerely hope that we have not arrived at a stage where it is permissible to allow vague, unproven reports to become as established evidence without allowing the other side some chance of defence. As for the report itself, we quite fail to see from any point of view, its necessity. If the police object to women drinking in hotels, we feel sure that a notification to that effect would have met with ready compliance by any licensee. It is admitted that licensees are only too glad to observe any interpretation of the licensing laws that the police authorities choose to give, and are ever ready to obey all instructions issued. In the fact of the report the question of women's rights in the matter of refreshments in licensed premises need not be discussed. Numbers of women enter hotels daily for various reasons than that of obtaining liquor, but as the report stated that the number of women mentioned were seen drinking in the hotels well we suppose we will have to let it go at that. But we remain unconvinced.

TIME LIMIT.

AN IMPORTANT MANIFESTO.

In view of the opening of Parliament, and the reference to Licensing Legislation which it was known would find a prominent place in the King's Speech, the statement on the subject of time limit issued by Lord Burton, Mr Samuel Whitbread, and Mr Waters Butler recently came opportunely. The Government's promised Bill may deal with many aspects of this wide question, but the most important point, so far as the Trade is concerned, is that relating to confiscation, which is only another word for time limit. Mr Asquith may talk about observing "an equitable regard" or even an "indulgent regard" for the interests concerned, but, as we have always contended, such phrases are delusive and misleading. There never has been, and there never will be, a Bill framed by which any individual or body of individuals can be robbed either equitably or indulgently. The words are nonsensical in the mouth of a Bishop, but from the lips of a responsible statesman they are calculated to create distrust. If time limit in any form—that is however elastic the limit is made—is a clause in the Government's measure, the practical intention of the Bill is confiscatory, and no official phraseology can make it anything else. Moreover, it would be impossible to provide against the loss involved by the establishment of a sinking fund, because the sum which would be required to enable license-holders to pay the monopoly value for their houses twice over could not be saved out of their trading profits. Even if those profits were so large that such a provision were practicable the injustice, if not the hardship, of confiscation would remain unaltered.

Ever since it was first conceived that the present Liberal Government would come into power, we have explained the ruinous effects of their Licensing Legislation upon the property of the Trade. It was the possibility of it, and subsequently the promise of it by the members of the Ministry, that compelled us, in these columns, to urge holders of licenses to make their Trade their politics, and exert every effort to give them practical effect. The Trade has been decried, laughed at, and denounced, for acting upon our advice, but we still contend that when self-preservation is the basis of a man's political convictions he is in every way more moral and logical in his politics than those whose policy is one of lawless destruction and bigoted persecution. Spoliation has become the guiding principle of the "insignificant minority" who are the power behind the Liberal administration, and it is only in an endeavour to subvert their predatory intentions that the Trade has sunk its theoretical and aesthetic interest in politics, and applied its energies to the defence of its commercial existence. Mr Asquith gives off a lot of hot air about the legality of the licensed industry, its claim to protection, and of the Government's in-

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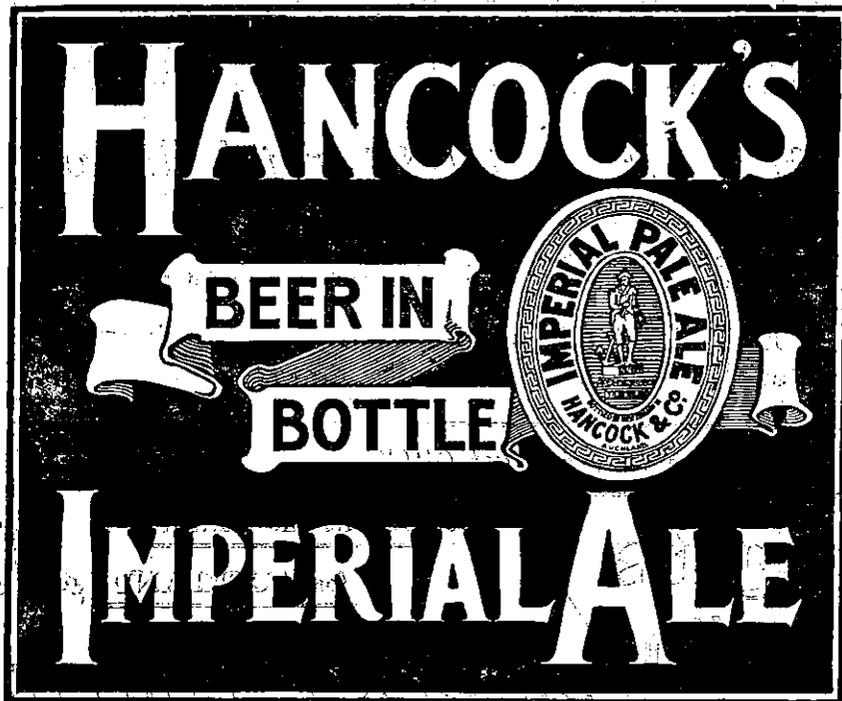
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dulgent regard for its interest—but we know—because he has not the dishonesty to deny it—that the intention behind the Licensing Bill is to take possession of some hundred and fifty million pounds' worth of property and resell it to its rightful owners, or to anybody who bids for it. Heaven save the Trade, and any other branch of legitimate commerce from such a visitation of political indulgence. The statement which bears the name of Lord Burton and Mr Whitbread—names

that were once so prominent and honoured in Liberalism—puts the matter of a time limit very clearly and succinctly. The present owners of licenses we are reminded, have in all cases not only paid the full monopoly value for them, but have spent large sums on the premises to meet the requirements of the licensing authorities. "Time limit therefore means that, having paid the full monopoly value for them, the owners are at the end of a limited number of years to be deprived of

this value by the State, and again to pay, for such of them as they may be fortunate enough to acquire, the full value of the monopoly which has been taken from them." It may be urged that in recovering its permits to trade in excisable commodities, the State is acting entirely within its rights, and that it is not intended to deprive the license-holders of their premises or fixtures. But, of that be borne in mind, that by virtue of that permit, for which the State-fixed price has been paid, the owners of those premises have increased their value by 79 per cent. of their capital and of their livelihood without receiving a copper of compensation. And up to twelve months of the date of their extinction they will be con-

tributing to the Compensation Fund, and thus tempering to the unshorn lambs the winds which will ultimately buffet their own very much shorn bodies.

The present owners acquired their premises for value, and in good faith. Until the time limit has expired, this fact will be officially recognised, and the Trade will be permitted to compensate those of its members who are dispossessed. But the survivors, who have exactly the same claim to be compensated (or protected, as Mr Asquith calls it) for dispossession, will get nothing. Nor will they be able to insure against such a catastrophe, because, as this circular makes clear, any attempt made during the currency of the period of grace to create a sinking

fund to meet this gigantic loss much be equivalent to such an additional tax as would make it impossible for properly-conducted houses to compete with clubs. Of course, the mere mention of the word clubs, and the remembrance of the Premier's promise to regard as equal, for legislative purposes, the Carlton and the Cut-Purses Co-operative Club in the Rue de Soho, throws the limelight on the difficulties which the Ministry have before them in dealing with the subject, and the Trade will not be expected to sympathise with them in those troubles. It may be un-Christian to delight in the sight of strong opponents struggling with adversity, but it is only human to rejoice when the man who is after one with a drawn sword tumbles into a manhole. We have been assured by some that we are too militantly hostile to our persecutors; that we should give them credit for a modicum of humanity; that we should not inflame their anger by regarding them as stick-at-nothing antagonists. To this kind of argument we reply that we see the so-called Reformatory Party after us with the drawn sword, and if we are invited to express the hope that they won't stumble into the club mantrap, over which they will have to pass, we can only retort in the simple Saxon phrase, "—!"

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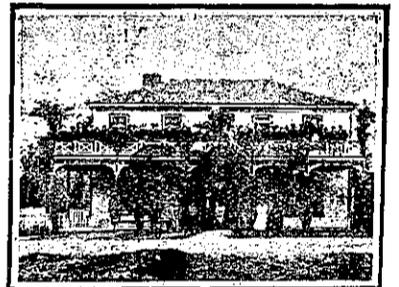
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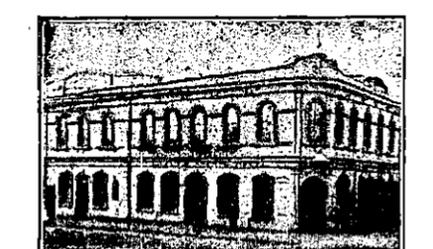
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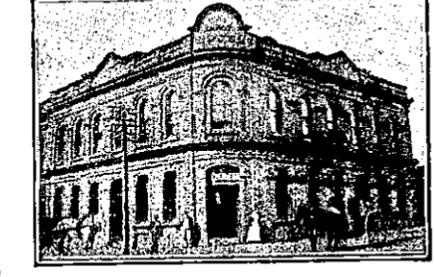
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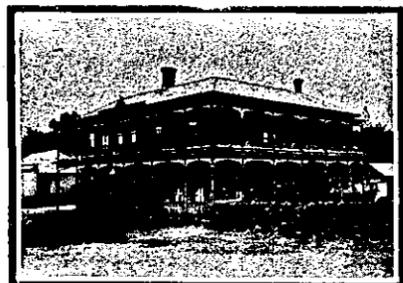
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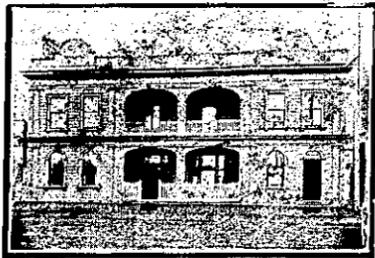
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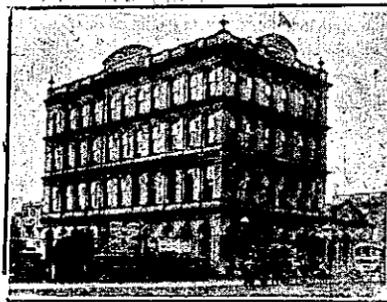


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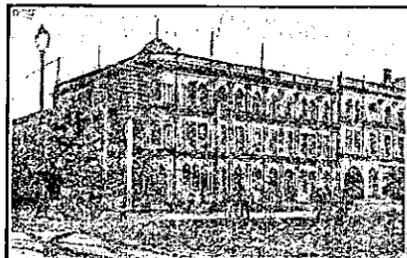
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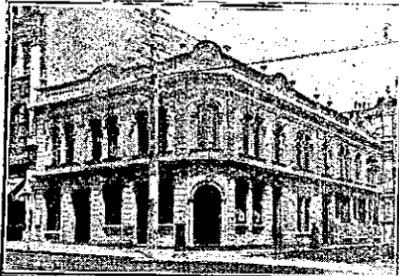
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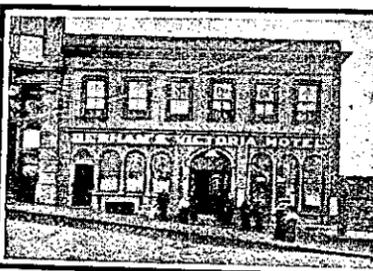
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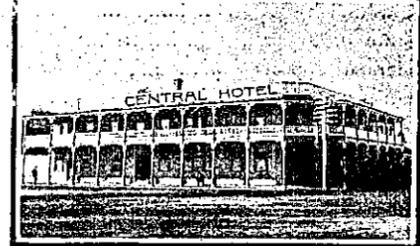
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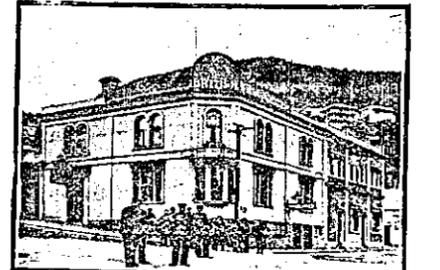
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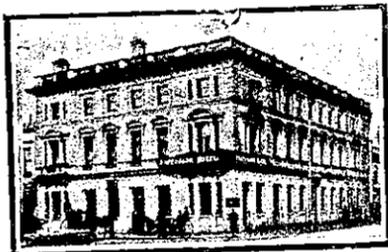
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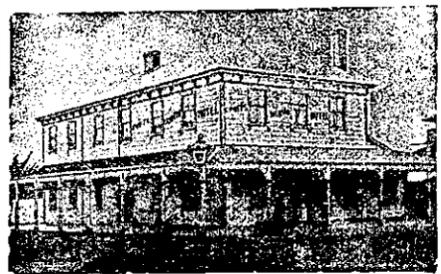
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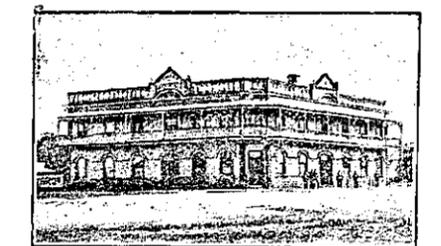
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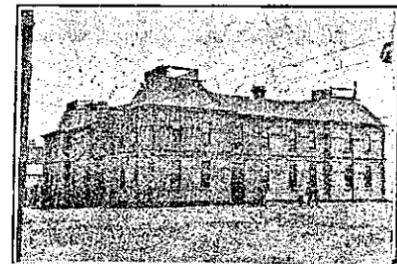
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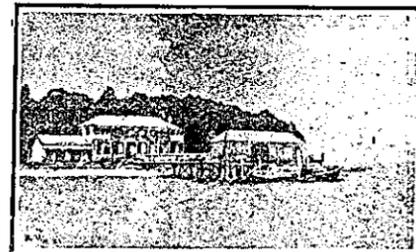


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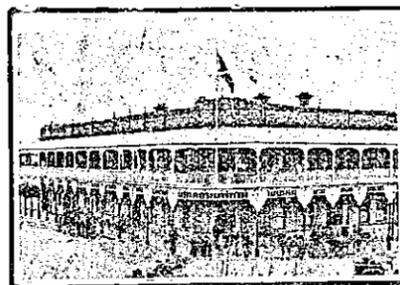
The Hotel has been thoroughly Renovated, and all the Rooms are being Refitted in modern style. No effort will be spared to make all visitors thoroughly comfortable.

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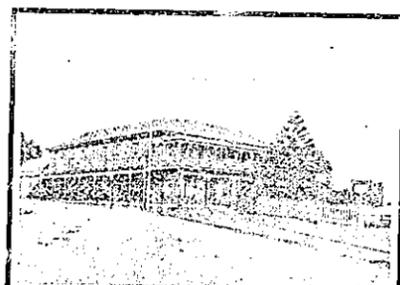
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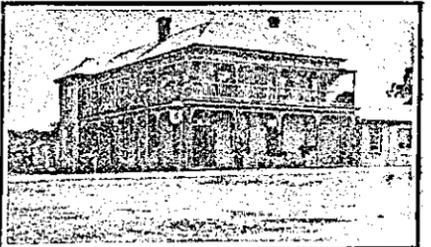
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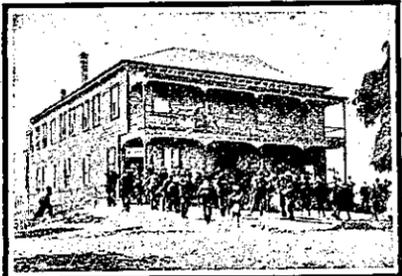


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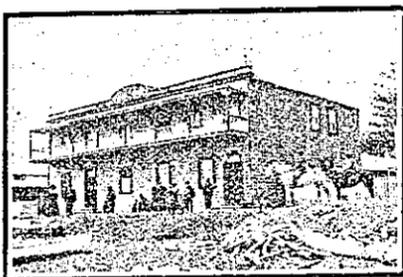
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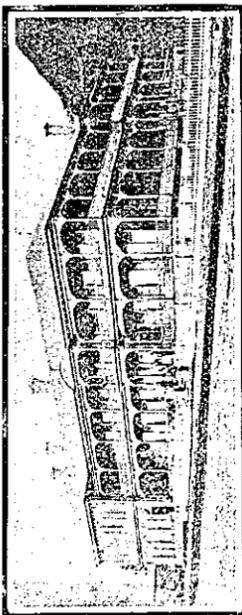
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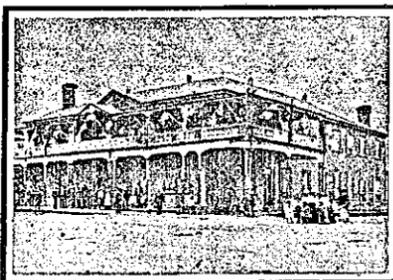
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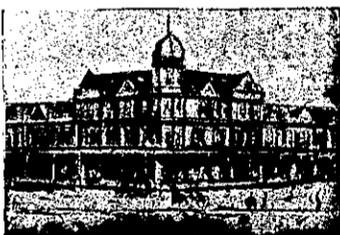
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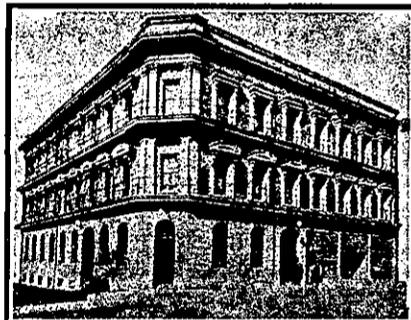
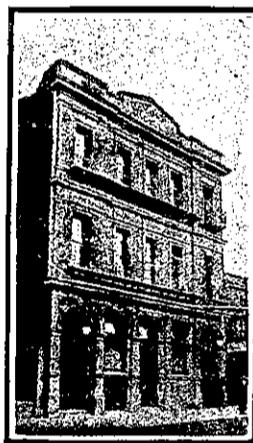
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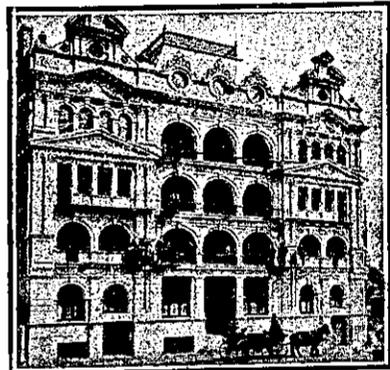
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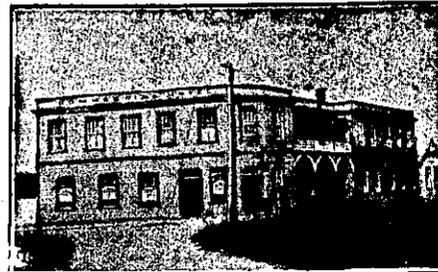


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