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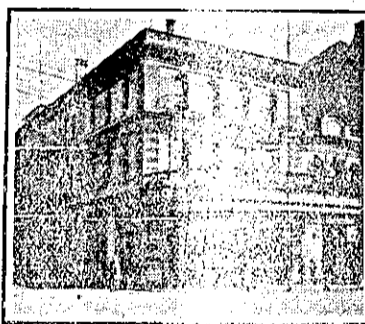
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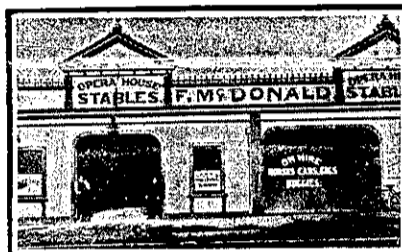
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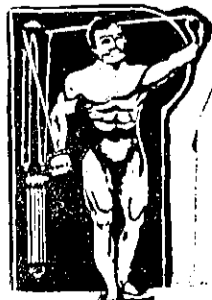
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ACCEPTANCES.
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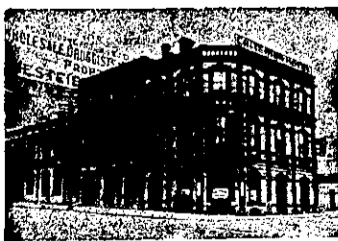
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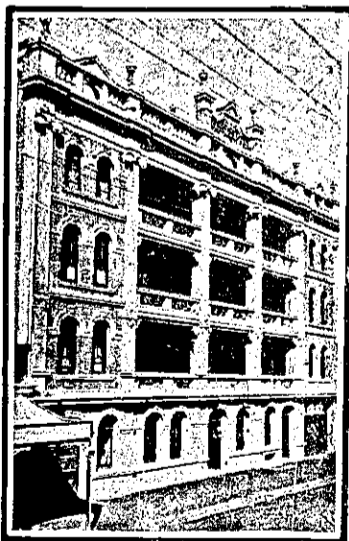
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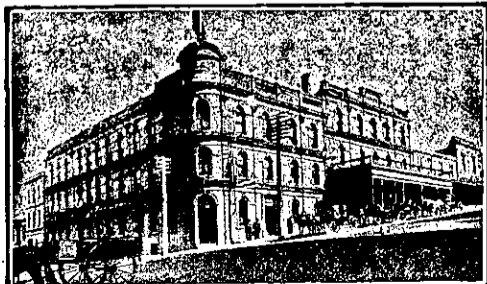
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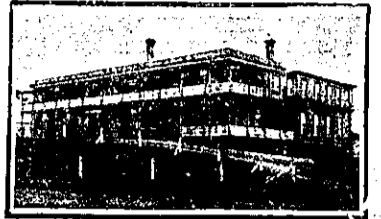
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'Un, of course, looks to have a splendid chance in the Caulfield Cup, but he is decidedly not a true stayer. Weight-for-age form is often deceptive, and Pink 'Un might find the Caulfield Cup distance a bit too much for him, though it must be admitted his weight (8st 11lb) is a very favourable one.

The Auckland Soupline won the rich Toorak Handicap on Saturday. He stayed out the mile all right, but the company was moderate and the time nothing remarkable.

Mr. W. H. Moorehouse gave some interesting particulars of the early history of the club at the annual meeting of the Wellington Racing Club. The first fixture ever held was on the Petone beach on October 20th, 1842, and the prize was ten sovereigns and a sweepstake. The winner was Mr. Watt's Figaro, Mr. Molesworth's Calmic Tartar was second, and Mr. George Hunter's Temperance third. The only other starter was Mr. Bannister's Sulky, a carthorse which used to undertake heavy tasks on the Petone beach. The next meeting was held at Alicetown, and subsequently Te Aro Flat and Burnham Water, Miramar, were the meeting grounds. It was not till after the big earthquake of 1855 that the old Hutt course was brought into use, the upheaval having rendered that ground fit to race upon. From the Hutt a change was made to the present headquarters at Trentham.

In a recent issue our Wanganui correspondent stated that Mr. F. Preston, owner of 'Frisco, was prepared to back his horse against Taitoki over a mile course for £500 a-side, the horses to carry the same weights they did in the Wanganui Handicap. Mr. Preston writes to give the rumour an emphatic denial. As he puts it, "I have never made such a statement, for I accepted the beating as a sportsman should do. No doubt the best horse on the day won."

Death has been somewhat busy in the racing world in England of late, a well-known figure in William Day passed away just before the last mail left Home. The erstwhile Woodyeates trainer had so long since relinquished the practice of his profession that his name alone is familiar to the modern generation of turfites; but few men have made a greater mark than this representative of a famous family. Curiously enough, the best animal he ever trained was about the last, for on the day that he carried off the Cambridgeshire under the record burden of 9st. Foxhall must have been a "horse and a-half" (says the Licensed Victuallers' Gazette). There were some pretty good ones about at this time, too, and in view of his subsequent performances it seems almost incredible that a horse could successfully concede Foxhall nearly three stone, as Bend or did earlier in the season in the City and Suburban. During his retirement William Day's memory has been kept alive by his contributions to racing history, and few more interesting volumes have ever been written with the Turf as their subject than his extensively read "Reminiscences."

What is declared to be an unparalleled fortune for a bookmaker has been left by Mr. George Cooper, who collapsed while following his profession at Brighton (England) races, and died next morning. His estate is understood to be worth close on £500,000. Nothing approaching this figure can, it is remarked, be recalled in the case of bookmakers. In recent times the largest fortune left by a member of the profession was that of Mr. Alec. Harris, who died worth about £150,000. Mr. Harris began life with a charity school education and a head for figures. Mr. Cooper was originally a stonemason in the north, and he began his career as a bookmaker by making a "copper" book on a piece of waste ground in his dinner hour. From this humble beginning he in time rose to be one of the leading operators, everyone who went racing being acquainted with the firm of Cooper and Rowson. Mr. Rowson, who predeceased his partner by two or three years, left only about £80,000, but he probably spent as much as that on his family, the luxuries of life, and in charity. Mr. Cooper, unlike his partner, was a bachelor, with inexpensive tastes. It was not to bookmaking exclusively that he owed his great fortune, though that provided him with the means of making money in other directions. Among other things he was an extensive land owner in Cheshire. There are several bookmakers whose resources must surpass even those of Mr. Cooper.

The Seaton Delaval—St. Evelyn filly has been named Sea Elf, a rather neat effort in equine nomenclature. The Eton—Lute colt will race as Waitata, also a good name. The colt by Soult—Castorline has been named Maxwell, and the Soult—Lottie colt St. Amant. All four are in F. Macmanemin's stable.

The Soult gelding Duart won the Flying Handicap at Otaki yesterday with the utmost ease, and as he reeled off the six furlongs in 1m. 15 4-5s., registered a very attractive performance.

The Auckland Trotting Club is calling for tenders for the publican's booth and outside stalls for the coming season.

Analogy (The Officer—Anadyomene) is the latest inmate of N. Cunningham's stable at Ellerslie.

I learn that the Messrs. Duder, who have raced together for many years, have severed partnership. Mr. Richard Duder will continue to use the black and gold colours, while the racing jacket of brother Bob will be the tricolor (red, white, and blue bands).

Three race meetings were in progress yesterday in different parts of the colony, viz., at Napier Park, Otaki, and Dunedin. At the two former the weather was fine, but at Dunedin it was showery.

The North Otago Jockey Club's spring meeting will take place on October 22 and 23.

The Wellington Pony and Gallopway Club will bring off another meeting at Miramar next Saturday.

Rooseveltdt, the three-year-old son of Menschikoff and Yankee Mary, won the Maiden Plate at Otaki yesterday. It was the first time he had caught the judge's eye.

Leonardo, an aged chestnut gelding by Euroclydon, won the Spring Hurdles with the utmost ease at the Dunedin Jockey Club's Spring Meeting.

The Te Hiwi Memorial Stakes at Otaki only drew three starters, Iranui getting home by a length.

Don Carlos, who easily annexed the Maiden Hurdles at Otaki yesterday, is a six-year-old gelding by Mauser from Pin Money. Last year he started seven times without scoring a win.

Reservoir, who, it will be remembered, won the Second Hurdle Race at the recent Avondale meeting, added another race to his credit at Napier Park yesterday, when he annexed the Taradale Hurdles by a length. Reservoir is an aged son of Jet d'Eau and Cartouche, who last season won four races in twenty-two starts.

INTER-PROVINCIAL.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

CANTERBURY.

CHRISTCHURCH, October 14.

California is not engaged in many events at the Riccarton carnival, but his name figures in two weight-for-age races—the Canterbury Cup and the Stead Memorial Cup. Good judges contend that the son of San Fran will be champion of the year over any distance and will take the place vacated by Achilles.

The three New Zealand Cup candidates, Master Delaval, Master Soult and Downfall won races at the Hawke's Bay meeting, but did not incur any penalty for the big two mile handicap. It is freely stated that the last-named will carry Mr T. H. Lowry's colours in the cup and that the much boomed Bobrikoff will start in the Stewards' Handicap.

The Ohoka Racing Club made a profit of £104 over its late race meeting. The totalisator receipts showed a falling off, but bookmakers' fees made up for the deficiency.

There was a great run on Truganani for the Final Handicap at the Hawke's Bay meeting. Backers would not hear of the filly's defeat, and as a result bookmakers closed down some time before the race was run.

The defeat of Nobel and Nauti-

form in their Hawke's Bay classic engagements came as a severe crusher to supporters of the yellow jacket and black cap stable. It is a long time since two youngsters racing in these colours, failed to score a place in their early spring engagement.

Saga has gone down to Dunedin and will be racing here this week. She is well handicapped certainly, and possesses a chance in whatever race she starts in. After racing at Oamaru the mare will come on to Riccarton for the cup meeting.

Contender has been tried over the small hurdles and shaped fairly well for a beginner. He has been a great disappointment on the flat lately and although showing good form on the tracks he has failed to repeat it in races.

Bonny Glen and St. Joe have lately shown signs of soreness and their starting in the N.Z. Cup must not be considered a certainty. From what I can gather neither will stand wind-up gallops for the big event.

Lapland is sticking to his work in good style and is probably one of the gamest and soundest horses in New Zealand. He ran third in last year's cup, has been racing all the year, and is now standing up well to another preparation for the Cup. Harvest, White Cockade, All Guns, Valdimar, Le Russe, Manga, Mythical, Leeside and Montreal have left for the Dunedin meeting this week.

Artillerie and Sea King, two Stewards' Handicap candidates, were racing at the A.J.C. Spring Meeting and each scored a second. This pair are nicely weighted in the Stewards' Handicap and both may be expected to take part in the race.

Count Witte has been doing some smart half-mile sprints and is evidently right at the top of his form.

Master Delaval and Frisco are now equal favourites for the N.Z. Cup.

OTAGO.

DUNEDIN, October 14.

The Dunedin Jockey Club hold their spring meeting to-day (Wednesday) and Thursday, and under favourable circumstances it should prove the best opening of the season we have had at Wingatui. The club has had an uphill battle during the past few years, but the tide has latterly turned in their favour and a couple of successful seasons should see us getting back some of the prestige which formerly surrounded our chief fixtures.

Since Optional has joined R. Ellis' stable the colt has improved and is now shaping well on the track. Optional derived his name from the fact that his owner and breeder was found guilty of a breach of the Licensing Act and the verdict of £50 or three monthse was an option which created the name.

Optional was got by Casket from Offchance, a daughter of Foul Shot that was a useful sort in moderate company.

Sacha is getting through useful work again after being stopped through contracting a cold which put a break to his preparation for early spring events. Sacha does not appear to have grown a great deal since last year, but has thickened considerably since he last carried silk. Sacha is a half-brother to Apollodoris and two such equine contrasts are seldom produced by the same dam. Apollodoris is long, very plain and short, whilst Sacha is one of the round sort.

There appears to be an increasing interest taken in trotting, and the formation of two new clubs in Oamaru and Timaru gives a solid evidence of that fact. The formation of both clubs has been attended by a considerable amount of success as each of them will have a lengthy membership roll.

When in Oamaru recently the writer was taken over the land on which it is proposed to lay out a track. It is perfectly level and when put in shape should make an excellent course. It is the Oamaru club's intention to come out with an attractive programme for the inaugural meeting.

The Invercargill cup is to be endowed with a stake of 100 sovs, and the principal race of the second day of the S.R.C. summer meeting will be worth 80 sovs. Last season the principal race was worth 70 sovs on the first day and that of the second 60 sovs. At the forthcoming meeting 800 sovs will be given away during the two days, and as the dates fit in nicely with the D.J.C. summer meeting it is to be hoped that owners will not overlook the fact but help along the southern club in its progressive effort.

Crichton's N.Z. Cup chances may be put out of consideration, as he has gone lame again and is not likely to stand a preparation.

The Multiform colt Beneform, in the same stable, is also believed to be amiss. It is to be hoped that there is nothing seriously wrong with the latter as he has given indications that if fit and well he would be a good winner.

The latest addition to J. Rutledge's team is a fine upstanding 3-year-old colt by Stepniak from Gipsy Countess, a sister to the N.Z. Cup winner Grand Rapids. He is called Grand View and now looks a very promising bargain at the 22gns which was paid for him as a yearling.

Jack Ashore, bearing signs of a thorough blistering, is again an active member of J. Rutledge's team. In addition to Grand View, Rutledge has another stranger in his team in the shape of Invincible, a brown by Conqueror from Lady Spencer.

Grafton Lock, who was struck out of his D.J.C. spring engagements, is looking bright and well and getting through useful tasks on the track.

Mr L. C. Hazlett has a lot of bad luck with his Australian purchases and his part of Rutledge's team, has had more bad luck than good fortune during the past 12 months.

The N.Z. racing clubs are the greatest libellers of the dominion's bloodstock that we have. They persist from year to year in clinging to the idiotic appellation of "hack" for a large number of events on their programmes and thereby depreciate the value of our horses in the eye of outsiders who, no doubt, read the term in the sense to which it really belongs. Our clubs should do their utmost to raise the prestige of our bloodstock, and if they went the first step in this direction we should probably have more foreign buyers amongst us than is at present the case. The latest proof of the absurdity of the term "hack" is supplied by Kopu who, on the 1st day of the Hawke's Bay meeting, won the Maiden Hack Handicap, and on the second day came out and beat Aborigine and five others in the Hawke's Bay Guineas, in the smart time of 1min 41 1-5sec, which is only a "tick" slower than Menschikoff's record for the race. Kopu was got by San Fran from Maude, the dam of Mahutonga and ran three times without success last year.

The death is reported from the West Coast of T. Burns, who, a few years ago, was a well-known lightweight in Dunedin. Burns, in his best day, was a very capable rider, and his early death will be regretted by his many southern friends.

WANGANUI.

WANGANUI, October 14.

A reminder is given to owners and trainers that nominations for the Waverley Racing Club's annual race meeting, to be held on the King's Birthday, close on Monday, the 19th inst.

A large number of horses are in work here with a view to competing at Waverley, while the tracks there and at Hawera are also very busy.

Waddy, the full-sister to Boomerang, is now in work again, having recovered from the rick she sustained just prior to the Wanganui meeting. She will be given a run at the Waverley meeting, where her stable companion, Marshal, will also be engaged.

Tip-toe and Mallet, both of whom are trained at Hawera, will most likely be amongst the starters at the Wellington meeting, and will then go on to Riccarton. Tip-toe has not been asked to do very much since the racing here, but appears all the better for it. The son of Sylvia Park—Hark has been awarded 7.9 in the Stewards' Handicap, and in view of the good form he showed here, he cannot be considered badly treated.

Tan San is being worked the reverse way on the tracks in preparation for the Auckland Spring Meeting, at which the Fordell stable will also probably be represented by The Lark. The little son of Nestor is going along well, and should not be long in winning a race or two.

I understand that Mr L. G. Bremer, owner of Kereroa, has decided not to appeal against the verdict of the Wanganui Metropolitan Club in the Frisco case.

It is considered that Maharani will not face the starter in the New Zealand Cup, while his stable mates (Mallet and Tip-toe) are hardly likely to run in that event, though Tip-toe may be regarded as fairly sure to run in the Stewards' Handicap.

hon. secretary, Mr. H. Blampeid; hon. treasurer, Mr. W. C. Seale; general committee, Messrs. W. Jerrrome, D. Henderson, T. Marshall, F. Herring, and A. Andrews; delegates to the Auckland Rowing Association, Messrs. W. C. Seale, G. H. Reston, and W. Clarebut; auditors, Messrs. R. Wiles and J. Nash.

THE SEASON'S FIXTURES.

Here are some of the leading clubs' programme for the season:—

ROYAL N.Z. YACHT SQUADRON.

November 14, first cruising race and power launch cruising race; December 12, ocean race and long-distance power launch race for "The Rudder" cup; January 16, class racing, class A, 30ft and over, class B under 30ft; February 6, second cruising race; March 13 and 27, class racing, classes A and B, under new metre mile.

NORTH SHORE YACHT CLUB.

November 7-9, opening cruise; November 28, Awaroa Bay; December 12, first series of class races; January 9, Ingram cup; January 30, open championship races; February 6, Kawau race; February 27, second series of class races; March 6, club picnic; March 20, cruising race; April 3, general handicap.

PONSONBY CRUISING CLUB.

November 7-9, opening cruise; November 14, first cruising race; December 19, second cruising race; January 16, ocean race; February 13, third cruise; February 20, picnic; March 13, harbour races; March 20, club championships; April 24, final cruise.

VICTORIA CRUISING CLUB.

November 7-9, opening cruise; November 21, general handicap; December 5, class races; January 9, cruising race; January 23, class races; February 13, cruising race; March 6, cruising race; April 17, general handicap.

RICHMOND CRUISING CLUB.

The Richmond Cruising Club held its second annual general meeting in the clubroom last week. There was a large attendance of members, presided over by the president (Mr. A. A. Creamer). The annual balance-sheet and report were adopted. The receipts for the year were £27 5s 4d and expenditure £21 4s 6d, leaving a credit balance of £6 0s 10d. The election of officers resulted as follows:— Patron, the Hon. George Fowlds; vice-patron, Mr. George Sayers (Mayor of Grey Lynn); president, Mr. A. A. Creamer; vice-presidents, last year's re-elected, with the addition of Messrs. C. H. Poole, M.P., and R. Thompson; commodore, Mr. W. Chipman; vice-commodore, Mr. Loftus; rear-commodore, Mr. A. Bater; secretary, Mr. L. T. Thompson; treasurer, Mr. J. Cross; auditors, Messrs. Longbottom and Green; trustees, Messrs. Holland and Fahey; Sailing Committee, all flag officers, together with Messrs. Poole, Turtley, Thompson, De Burg, and Bater; Handicapping Committee, Messrs. Holland, Loftus, Chipman, Fahey, and Thompson; starter and timekeeper, Mr. Frank Chambers; judge, Mr. Collins. The annual subscription was fixed at 2s 6d.

FOOTBALL.

A cable states that the Australian Rugby amateur football team (the "Wallabies") played its fifth match on Saturday, when it met the Penycraig fifteen. The ground was heavy, and the game in the first half was fast, the visitors eventually winning the match, scoring two goals (one a penalty) and a try (11 points) to their opponents' one try (three points). The Wallabies are to tackle Heath to-day at Aberavon.

The Australian professional team defeated the powerful Rochdale Hornets on Saturday by 5 points to nil. The match was marred by a good deal of rough play. The team were to have met York yesterday.

NORTHERN UNION GAME.

For the second time this season Auckland football enthusiasts were treated on Saturday to an interprovincial match played under Northern Union Rules, the occasion being the meeting at Victoria Park between the Auckland and Taranaki professional teams. Owing to a large number being engaged in the pursuit of cricket, rowing, tennis cycling and yachting, the attendance at the Park

was much smaller than would have been the case had the match been played earlier in the season, those present not numbering more than 3000. The Northern Union game being fast and open, the fact of the weather being unusually warm for this time of the year was expected to cause a lack of vigour on the part of the players, but this proved far from being the case, the match being willingly contested throughout and furnishing the spectators with an attractive exhibition. Both teams were fairly powerful, the visiting thirteen including Hardgrave and Frewin, the well-known Taranaki representatives, both of whom were members of the team which visited Auckland this year and attempted to carry away the Ranfurly Shield, while the Auckland combination was made up chiefly of returned professionals and three Home players, erstwhile members of the St. Helens Club. From start to finish the game was of a very even character and the concluding score—21 points to 18 in Auckland's favour—may be taken as a fair indication of the play of both sides. With few exceptions the players appeared to be all in remarkably good condition, and showed little sign of distress during the closing stages of the game, a feature which added additional interest to the match, the last quarter of an hour's play being particularly exciting as a result of the determined efforts made by the opposing sides to secure winning honours. In fact, right up to the call of time it was impossible to say, with any confidence, which side would prove victors, the Auckland men turning the issue in their favour in the last moment.

The advantages of the Northern Union game over Rugby as at present played in New Zealand, were again apparent in Saturday's match, and furnished evidence of the great need for improvement in the laws of our national game, a matter that has lately received the attention of the New Zealand Rugby Union, which body has made several alterations tended to raise the standard of Rugby. The large amount of passing and open work indulged in by the players in the Auckland-Taranaki professional match was most noticeable, and was readily appreciated by those in attendance, who were not lacking in their enthusiasm. So far as the Auckland football public have been able to judge of the Northern Union game, it cannot fail to meet with their approval, as both the matches played by the Auckland 13 against the Wellington and Taranaki teams this season have revealed the superior points of the new style of play. As it is the intention of the Auckland Football League not to pay players for home matches, but to provide uniforms, place brakes at their disposal, and to recompense them for the loss of wages when on tour, it is safe to predict that large numbers of footballers will join the Northern Union ranks at the beginning of next season. The fact of the new game reducing the danger of accidents to a minimum will alone prove a strong feature in its favour, while the absence of rough play will also appeal to many who participate in the popular winter sport.

The Aucklanders losing the toss, played in the first spell against a moderate breeze and with a strong sun in their eyes, but led off by attacking hotly. Taranaki eventually pressing Auckland in the home team's 25, matters looked dangerous until Rowe secured possession of the leather and with a strong run reached half way and transferred to Tyler who just managed to cover the other half of the field and ground the ball over the line before the Taranaki full-back tackled him. Tyler took the kick and landed a good goal: Auckland 5; Taranaki 0. Shortly after Taranaki placed a score to their credit a smart run by Buckland enabling him to get across a register the amber and black's first try. Hargrave was entrusted with the kick, and was successful in adding the major points, thus equalising the scores: Auckland 5; Taranaki 5. Determined attempts by the Aucklanders to score proved fruitless, until finally McDonald obtained the ball from the scrum and dived over and notched a try. No goal resulted: Auckland 8, Taranaki 5. Taranaki securing a mark Hargrave took a long kick at goal and was successful in placing the ball over the crossbar, and soon after half-time was called with the score:

Auckland 8 points
Taranaki 7 points

The first incident of note in the second spell was a clever run by Rowe, who scored as the result of a clever opening made by Houghton. The shot at goal failed: Auckland 11, Taranaki 7. Shortly after R. Wyn-

yard managed to cross the amber and black's line by means of a tricky run in which he baffled several players. Asher failed to add the major points. Auckland 14, Taranaki 7. The visitors were the next to score. McLean, with a dodgy run, grounding the ball between the posts. Hargrave added the major points. Auckland 14, Taranaki 12. Following this Taranaki were penalised, and J. Houghton kicked a fine goal. Auckland 16, Taranaki 12. The visitors then attacked strongly, and a clever passing rush resulted in Hooker getting over the home team's line and scoring. Hargrave failed with the attempt at goal. Auckland 16, Taranaki 15. The amber and blacks were then seen in another pretty passing run, Hooker taking the last pass and securing his second try. Once again Hargrave's shot at goal proved fruitless. Taranaki 18, Auckland 16. The visitors now looked as if they had victory in their grasp, but the Aucklanders started a smart passing run, the ball being handled in turn by R. Wynyard, Tyler, Rowe and Marshall, the latter crossing the line and scoring amidst great excitement. Marshall took the kick and landed a good goal, and no-side was immediately called, the Auckland men leaving the field winners by 21 points to 18.

THE WALLABIES ON TOUR.

The Australian Rugby football team (amateur) played its fourth match last week, when it met the Glamorgan County fifteen. The visitors had the better of the game throughout, and won by two goals and two tries (16 points) to a penalty goal (three points).

THE AUSTRALIAN PROFESSIONALS IN ENGLAND.

The League players were welcomed to Bradford by the Mayor. The match was played in beautiful weather, before an attendance of 4000 spectators. The Australians secured a try and a penalty goal in the first half, and Bradford a goal and a try early in the second. The game was exciting to the finish, the visitors eventually winning by the narrow margin of one point. During the match Hennessy's jaw was broken.

N.Z. RUGBY UNION.

With a view of improving the rules of Rugby with a view of making the game more attractive, a general meeting of the council of the union was held in Wellington on Thursday and Friday, Mr G. F. C. Campbell (president of the union) occupied the chair, and the meeting was attended by 49 delegates from 18 unions.

Mr J. Hutchison (Otago) moved, "That in the opinion of this union the time has arrived when it is imperatively necessary that the laws of Rugby football shall be amended."

This was amended to "That the time has arrived when it is advisable that the rules should be altered," and carried.

Mr Hutchison moved the proposed alterations of the laws of the game. The first was the abolition of the charge in the case of a free kick or kick at goal. A free kick, he said, should be free in fact as in name.

Mr Ohlson seconded the motion. Mr Lusk moved as an amendment, "That there should be no charge in the case of a penalty kick."

Mr F. A. Laws seconded the amendment, and said a penalty kick should be a penalty in every sense of the word.

The amendment was lost. Mr J. H. Mason then moved an addition to the motion, allowing the kicker to place the ball for all free kicks.

The amendment was thrown out on the voices. The motion was then put and carried.

Mr J. W. Wilson moved, "That the throw-in from touch should be not less than five yards." This was carried without dissent.

Mr Hutchison moved the third amendment, providing for the imposition of a penalty in the event of the ball landing directly into touch from the kick-off or kick-out.

Mr Mason moved as an amendment, "That when the ball is kicked directly into touch a free kick shall be given to the opposing side ten yards from where the ball went into touch and in a direction parallel with the goal line."

Both the motion and the amendment were lost by a large majority.

Mr Hutchison then proposed a motion providing for the imposition of a penalty upon any player who shall cross an imaginary line drawn

through the back of the scrummage on his own side while the ball is in the scrum.

Mr Ohlson seconded the motion. The motion was carried. The next proposal, moved by Mr J. W. Wilson, was that the side be reduced to 14 players.

The motion was thrown out on the voices without discussion.

Mr Wilson moved, "That the rules regarding professionalism be revised in the direction of paying players for loss of time while touring with representative teams." Mr Wilson said he stood alone in the Otago Union in this matter. He did not expect his motion to be carried, as nearly all the unions except Auckland expressed disapproval of it. It had been said that the adoption of this rule would stop football tours, but if this were done it would be the best thing that could happen to football. Representative football was killing club football. Three hundred club players should not have to stand on a bank and watch 15 men play.

Mr H. Roberts spoke in favour of the motion. The mechanic and labourer, he said, could not afford to

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go away and lose their work unless they got some recompense.

Mr Cargill spoke strongly against the motion, and said he hoped professionalism would never gain a foothold in the Dominion.

Mr R. M. Isaacs said in the old days players had to pay £5 to go on tour. There were very few single men who could not afford to tour, and no married man should play football.

Mr Ohlson said payment for loss of time was just. He thought a man who lost his wages should have some recompense. He moved as an amendment to rule 2 with regard to professionalism the addition of the words, "Except an allowance not exceeding 6s per day may be granted to members of a representative team from any union when on tour outside its respective county or province, and country members of representative teams taking part in representative matches necessitating absence from their usual occupation for a period of 72 hours."

Both proposal and amendment were rejected.

Other amendments to the Rugby Union rules agreed to by the meeting of delegates were: That the referee should place the ball in the scrum; that the player brought to ground should be allowed to pass the ball if he did so immediately; that the game should be played in four 20 minutes' spells, with an interval at half-time. The proposal that a goal from a mark or penalty should count two points was defeated by a large majority. The Management Committee of the New Zealand Rugby Union was deputed to revise the rules in accordance with the amendments made. It was decided to invite the co-operation of the New South Wales and Queensland Unions, and three delegates are to be appointed to confer with them.

CRICKET.

The Domain was alive with cricketers on Saturday, all bent on getting some good practice. Our photographer has succeeded in giving a good idea what the ground looked like during the afternoon.

Next Saturday will witness the opening of the cricket season for 1908-9. Present indications point to it being the most successful ever known in Auckland.

The season was opened at North Shore on Saturday with a match between A and B teams, the latter winning by 91 to 87. The wicket played well, and there was a good attendance.

The Secondary Schools and the B section of the Public Schools' competition commenced on Saturday on the Domain.

King's College made 125 against Sacred Heart, who lost two wickets for 26.

Grammar School only got 94 against St. John's, who look to have a good winning chance with but two wickets down for 43.

The Canterbury C.A. competition commenced at Christchurch on Saturday. Sydenham made 314 (J. Bruges 11, J. Gray 80, C. Hayes 51) v. West Christchurch 9 for one wicket. East Christchurch scored 152 v. Riccarton 81 for three wickets. In their match Linwood scored 363 (R. Ridley 137 not out, F. Wilding 50).

The ex-Sydney player Percie C. Charlton, who has been living in England for some years, is said to have beaten all club records in England by scoring 1000 runs and taking 100 wickets in July last. He played with Guy's Hospital, Granville, and other clubs during the English season just closed.

Mr. C. R. Smith, the old Manly cricketer, and the first hon. secretary of the New Zealand Cricket Council, has been elected president of the Otago Cricket Association for 1908-9.

Messrs. Charles J. Eady and K. E. Burn, the Tasmanians, have announced their retirement from active cricket.

P. R. Johnson had only eight innings for Somerset, yet he scored 603 runs, and averaged 75.37 without the aid of a not out innings.

George H. Hirst was once again the great all-round player on the side of Yorkshire. He scored 1332 runs at an average of 40.36, and secured 156 wickets at 12.44. W. R. Rhodes made 1412 runs at 33.61, and secured 78 wickets at 16.60. In the County matches S. Haigh took only 71 wickets for Yorkshire, the average cost being 12.11.

The Gentlemen of Philadelphia terminated their tour in England at the end of August. The programme embraced ten first-class matches, of which four were won and six lost. Four other matches were played, three being won and one drawn. Eight members of the team scored over 300 and less than 500 runs.

RETIREMENT OF DR E. M. GRACE.

It seems very unlikely that Dr Edward Mills Grace will ever again take an active part in the game to which he has been so long devoted, and of which he has been so great an ornament (says an exchange). The old injury to his knee is again troubling him, and he can only just manage to get about. His retirement marks the close of an interesting and wonderful career. Born on November 28, 1841, he was the first of the Graces to make his mark in the great matches of the day. He must have possessed unusual aptitude for the game when he was chosen to represent West Gloucestershire against the All England eleven. At the age of 20 he scored 118 against the bowling of Wootton and Grundy for South Wales v. M.C.C. and Ground at Lord's, and the innings made such an impression on the authorities there that he was asked to take part in the Canterbury week.

This he consented to do, and after scoring 0 and 50 in the first match, made history in the second, in which the M.C.C. had the Gentlemen of Kent as opponents. In the second innings of the visiting side "E.M." carried his bat through an innings of 344 for 192, and he also took ten wickets in the second innings of Kent for 69 runs; the match was twelve aside, and Mr R. J. Streatfield was absent in the County's second innings. In the following year he went to Australia as a member of George Parr's team, by which time he had become the greatest run-getter in the world.

In those days it was considered almost a sin for a batsman to deliberately pull a ball, but "E.M." characteristically, did not care a fig for the opinions of the purists. Many balls, which, according to custom, he should have dropped down just in front of the bat, or have played gently back to the bowler, he thumped vigorously to square-leg. He quickly became a favourite of the public, for his fielding was as attractive and as full of life as his batting. It may, in fact, be said, without the slightest fear of contradiction, that a more brilliant point has never been seen.

BOXING.

THE NORTHERN BOXING ASSOCIATION.

The Northern Boxing Association's carnival will take place on Saturday evening at His Majesty's Theatre. The chief item will be between the two middle-weights, Kane, of H.M.S. Pioneer, and Smith present champion of New Zealand. The contest will be a ten-round one for a purse of £30 and the professional middle-weight championship of New Zealand. The amateur events will consist of a six-round bout between McCarthy and Crane, a six-round go between Montague and Little and a spar between Stanmore and Myles, also of six rounds. This will make a fine programme, and one which is certain to fill the theatre to the doors. Mr J. H. Trudgeon is the organiser and Mr F. Yonge, the secretary.

CONCERNING TOMMY BURNS.

Writing to the "Referee" Tommy Burns says "I am off to catch a boat for Tasmania, where I am to show on the 12th, 14th, 17, and 21st. Returning to Melbourne, I will give an exhibition at a charity concert for the St. Francis' Poor Schools. We will stay for the Melbourne Cup, and go to Sydney for my training at the Gunyah, Darling Point.

"I see Mr McIntosh has cabled to Jeffries to referee our contest on December 26. Well, he could not get a more honest man, as no bookmaker would dare approach him, and that's

one thing you can't be too careful over. Jeff has refereed nearly all over big contests of late in America. He knows the game from A to Z—as far as straight Marquis of Queensberry rules are concerned, and will let you fight at all times. Such a man should be referee for so important a contest. (Jeffries terms were £1000 and expenses and were, of course, considered too high.—Ed. S.R.)

The majority of referees never see half the punches land or blocked. If a man blocks a punch it's a point. If he gets away, or inside one, it's a point; and if he lands it's a point. Where there's a lot of short-arm work at in-fighting, it takes a man who knows the game to judge, and it is also only an experienced referee who can keep away from the boxers' feet, so that they may not step on him. All I want is an even break and a referee who is honest—one that no bookmaker may get to.

By the way in connection with this how would Mr Tom. Brown do? He also knows the game from A to Z, has refereed at innumerable championships in N.Z., and being from outside of the fighting area would be absolutely impartial.

THE N.S.W. PREMIER ON BOXING.

A section of the spoilt-sport brigade waited on Premier Wade in Sydney the other day to ask him to stop boxing matches such as the Burns-Johnson one. In reply Mr Wade said every law-abiding citizen was anxious to promote everything that tended for the moral uplifting of the community. But the point always arose, when any new question was brought forward, how far was it practicable to give effect to it. There was a tremendous difference between legitimate, scientific, peaceful boxing and the brutality of the prize-fight. Boxing as practised in the school and inculcated in the gymnasium was surrounded with all possible safeguards to encourage science, activity of the eye, and to safeguard one against personal injury by the use of gloves. That form of sport tended to promote the best qualities in man and boy, and in no way tended to degrade them. But there was abuses of every legitimate form of sport. And it was when abuses arose that trouble was created. Without wishing to train anyone up to be aggressive and pugnacious, his own desire was for the purposes of legitimate development, and in cases of need or danger for self-protection, that his own boys should have an early knowledge of boxing.

The law was perfectly clear and well defined. Whilst boxing was countenanced, and always had been for a variety of reasons, yet once an individual became the instrument of inflicting injury upon a fellow-being he came within the purview of the criminal law. The difficulty was to get exact evidence to show that legitimate sport became illegal action. The difficulty became greater in those contests where, on the face of things, they were a compliance with the law, and there was suspicion that they had the characteristics of a prize-fight. The authorities had to judge, from the nature of the transactions, whether they were an attempt to elude the law or were legitimate. If the object was for one of the combatants to batter his opponent into submission by physical weakness and suffering, and the facts could be established, the police in every case could step in, and either bring a termination to the proceedings or enforce the law against the offending person.

If these contests carried on with gloves were to be suppressed, the only method would be to make all contests in which gloves were used illegal. That would penalise and make illegal legitimate forms of sport at schools and gymnasiums, which should be encouraged.

BOWLING.

The Devonport Club had a practice roll-up on Saturday when a fair number of members were present and "Pairs" were soon in full swing. The green is in capital order for the season which opens on the 24th.

The Onehunga, Rocky Nook and Epsom Clubs will open the season on Saturday with the customary social functions.

The vitality of the bowler! Gypie's (Q.) club champion, Mr Henderson, is 70 years of age, and he

was one of the finalists in a championship of Glasgow half a century back.

The Auckland Club will open the season much earlier than usual, viz., on the 24th inst. The green has never looked so well as is the case at present, the grass having grown splendidly.

Mr. Pearson, so well known in connection with the Sanatorium grounds at Rotorua, has been appointed green superintendent for the Auckland Club. He intends to make the grounds, always picturesque, prettier than they ever were before, and a number of new flower beds have already been laid out.

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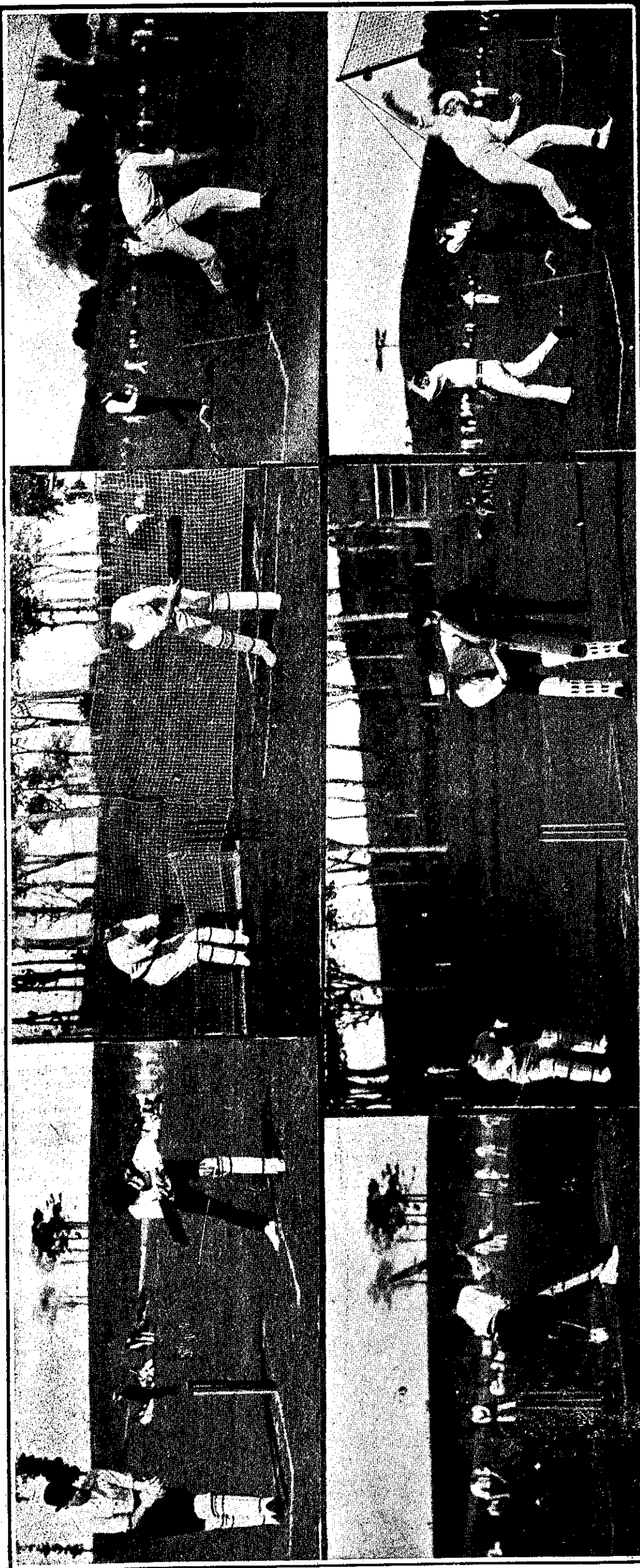
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THE CRICKET SEASON.— PRACTICE GAMES ON THE DOMAIN ON SATURDAY.



THE STAGE

HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

"THE OLD FOLKS AT HOME."

After a run of four nights "The Fatal Wedding" was withdrawn on Friday in favour of J. A. Campbell's four-act comedy-drama, "The Old Folks at Home." After seeing it one is left to marvel at the management for not leading off the season with it, and making the play the chief piece in the repertoire. It is infinitely superior to "The Little Breadwinner," and is, in fact, a fine all-round acting play of intense interest throughout. Certainly it could be improved, notably by the elimination of the third act, which seems entirely out of drawing. It has, however, been obviously introduced with the idea of contrast, and as it gives the clever children of the company a chance of showing their abilities, the want of harmony in the blending may be forgiven. If instead of this act the fourth was more amplified and some of the buffoonery which does duty for comedy, cut out, "The Old Folks at Home" might rank as a great play. It really is "strong in action, thrilling in situation, and wholesome in story." Indeed the dramatic scenes in the second act form one of the most powerful situations that has been seen for many a long day.

The plot was given in extenso in our last issue, so need not be repeated. It gives the principals fine opportunities of showing what they really can do, and almost without exception on the opening night they rose to the occasion. Particularly may this be said of Miss Beatrice Holloway, whose rendering of the role of Dorothy Robin, who afterwards becomes Lady Howard Kenilworth, was without exception the finest thing this very talented young actress has ever shown us. In the intense and dramatic close of the second act Miss Holloway rose to great heights. In this scene, when overwrought by the death of her child and the persistent cruelty of her husband, she passionately hurled back the jewellery he had given her and at the same time vehemently denounced his inhuman conduct, the house fairly rose at her, there being a tremendous outburst of applause as the curtain fell. Miss Ida Gresham was responsible for some clever work in the thankless role of Patricia Bathurst, an adventuress. Miss Murielle de Bourbel, a North Shore amateur, made her first appearance as Bonita, the owner of a cotton plantation, and acquitted herself creditably. She will do much better with more experience. The start, however, was very encouraging, and numerous bouquets came her way. Miss Alice Deorwyn was satisfactory

as Martha, the farmer's wife. Mr. Ernest Leicester made the most of the part of Andrew Ross, a yeoman farmer, much in love with Dorothy, his best effort being at the close of the first act, when warning Lord Kenilworth of what would happen if Dorothy was ill-treated. Mr. C. R. Stanford as the callous rouse, Lord Kenilworth, was fairly successful in a difficult role. More warmth should have been put into the first act, for the young nobleman's efforts at courting savoured a good deal of the ridiculous. The author has clearly intended that it was only after the wedding that the nobleman's true character should be disclosed. Mr. F. Coape, as the artist, was effective in the earlier scenes, but in the Virginian scene should have shown more excitement after shooting the would-be murderer Musillo. Instead, he was as calm about it as any Californian cow-puncher in the fifties. Mr. G. P. Carey gave a capital study of the old farmer Christopher Robin. Mr. E. G. Coughlan as an impossible Jack Tar, and Messrs. Keon and Howard, as equally absurd footmen, provided the comic relief, but this might easily have been improved upon. Other members of the company in a lengthy cast helped to make up a satisfactory whole, while the staging and dressing were both excellent. The piece deservedly proved the most popular of the series, but, according to prior arrangement, was withdrawn last night in favour of Arthur Shirley's four-act drama "The Stepmother," which will hold the boards until Saturday, when the season comes to a close.

THE MEYNELL AND GUNN COMPANY V. THE PRESS.

A cricket match was played on the Domain on Saturday between the Meynell and Gunn Dramatic Company and a Press eleven from the "Sporting Review" and "Herald." Coape, who captained the thespians, won the toss and elected to bat. The players were out of practice, and could do little against the bowling of Gordon and Saunders, Benson and Coape, alone showing any form, and all were out for 15 runs. Thanks to some good batting by Brookes, Gordon and Saunders, the Press total was carried to 65, Benson and Coape bowling well. In their second innings the company could make no headway against the bowling of Brookes and Ninkie, the whole side being out for 10 runs. The newspaper men thus won by an innings and 40 runs. The scores were as follows:—

Meynell and Gunn Co.—First innings: Benson 5, run out; Keogh 0, b Saunders; Coape 8, st Reeves, b Saunders; Charlesworth, c Hoare, b



MISS ADA DWYER as Mrs. Wiggs in "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," to be produced at H.M. Theatre on Monday next.

Saunders; Keon 0, st Reeves, b Saunders; Richards 0, c Brookes, b Gordon; Howard 0, c Saunders, b Gordon; Muir 0, st Reeves, b Gordon; Whelan 1, c Gordon, b Saunders; S. Benson 0 (not out); Conroy 0, b Saunders; sundries 1, total 15.

Second innings: Benson 5, b Ninkie; Keogh 0, b Brookes; Coape 1, b Brookes; Charlesworth 2, b Brookes; Kean 0, b Ninkie; Richards 1, b Ninkie; Howard 0, b Ninkie; Muir 0, b Ninkie; Whelan 1, st Reeves, b Ninkie; Benson, st Reeves, b Brookes; Conroy 0 (not out); total, 10.

Press Team: Brookes 20 (retired); Lang 0, b Richards; Gordon 16, b Coape; Ninkie 2, b S. Benson; Munroe 9, b S. Benson; Saunders 14 (not out); Hoare 0, b Coape; Hogan 1, b S. Benson; Milford 5, c Benson, b S. Benson; Reeves 1, lbw b Coape; Wilkin 0, c Keogh, b S. Benson; total, 65.

"MRS WIGGS OF THE CABBAGE PATCH."

"Mrs Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" to be presented by Mr. J. C. Williamson's Company at His Majesty's Theatre, on Monday next, will introduce to Auckland one of Mrs Rice's most popular characters. The book, in whose pages the estimable Mrs Wiggs lives, must have been read by a great many people, who will be delighted with the opportunity of personal acquaintance, as it were, with the lady who makes it a practice to "put all my worries down at the bottom of my heart, then sit on the bed and smile."

"Mrs Wiggs" is a prodigal of wise sayings. "Matrimony" she says "is like everything else. You get out of it just as much as you put into it." She didn't find it so in her own case, but she tried "all she knew" to make it appear so. What she lost in happiness she made up in sophistry.

A complete American company was brought to New Zealand to present "Mrs Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" as it would have been altogether impossible for an English or Australian company to import the necessary "atmosphere" to it. The play has proved a huge success in Australia.

In "Mrs Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" the laughs are said to be almost continuous, but the pathetic element runs like a thread of silver through the piece. It has been described as a great humorous epic.

The play itself is said to be both vastly entertaining, and all illustration of the beauty nobility and wide reaching power of gentleness and unselfish effort to do good. All the important personages in the books appear in the play. The characterisations which are spoken of are an absolute revelation in stage presentation.

The company that will interpret the play is said to be particularly powerful embracing some of the best and foremost character actors and actresses on the American stage. From the generous material of the book Miss Annie Crawford Flexner is said to have evolved a really clever and well-knit play, with Mrs Wigg's predilection for match making as its centre thread. It is this little hobby that causes all the trouble. Mrs Wiggs is a grass widow with a scamp



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of a husband somewhere in the background. She is desperately poor—has had to battle all her life long; yet she is an optimist, who does not see why Mr Stubbins, a lone idle man, and Miss Hazy, a forlorn-looking spinster, should not be happily married. Every one of the characters, it has been said, might have stepped out of a Dickens' novel, they are so clear cut, so fantastically humorous, and withal so human. And yet it is stated that every day one of the types may be met with in Old Kentucky. The living original of "Mrs Wiggs" a Mrs Bass is still sojourning in Louisville, Kentucky, and it was there that Alice Hogan Rice discovered her and handed her glorious optimism to the world at large. Certainly "Mrs Wiggs" and her family and friends should prove a great attraction to Auckland playgoers. The season is limited to 6 nights, and the Box plan will be opened to-day, Thursday, at Wildman and Arey's.

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WIDE WORLD PICTURES.

On Monday night the Wide World Pictures inaugurated the third week of their season, when an appreciative audience was present to witness the new series of films. The pictures being shown this week constitute a remarkable set of descriptive, dramatic, and amusing films, which do not fail to appeal to patrons as is evidenced by the many outbursts of applause. Of the dramatic pictures presented, that entitled "The Kentuckian" is undoubtedly the gem. This fine film illustrates an Indian squaw's devotion and sacrifice for a young American to whom she has taken a fancy, and whose life is attempted by her fellow countrymen. A more picturesque and natural set of views than those depicted in the film "From Quebec to Niagara" it would be indeed hard to imagine, the ever-restless Lachine Rapids and the Niagara Falls forming a magnificent sight, while a ramble among the Thousand Islands, situated on which are numerous millionaires' homes, presents a beautiful spectacle. "The Mountaineer's Son" is another realistic film which creates no end of interest, and is not without its spice of excitement. A picture that causes a good deal of mystification is "Grotesque People," which consists of a series of rapidly-changing faces and figures of the most quaint looking individuals. Another film depicting a number of paper tearing illusions is truly amazing, graceful characters in old-time costumes being created out of torn paper, and in their turn generating and constructing others, animate and inanimate, from shreds, rolls, and sheets of paper. A decidedly interesting picture is shown of a squad of Swedes engaged in military drill, their highly efficient methods of physical training being well worth seeing. "Sicilian Types" is the title



SCENE FROM "MRS. WIGGS OF THE CABBAGE PATCH," TO BE PRODUCED AT H.M. THEATRE BY MR. J. C. WILLIAMSON ON MONDAY NEXT.

of another splendid film depicting the native life and customs of the race that inhabits the largest island in the Mediterranean Sea. The inhabitants of the island of Sicily are also seen tunny fishing, the object of their catch being an enormous sized fish of round proportions which is landed by means of harpoons. "The Brigand's Daughter" is a picture of heartfelt interest, and shows women's higher feeling triumph over a father's evil teaching. The humorous series presented are a highly laughable selection, the most amusing being "The Freebooters," "The Secret of the Iron Mask" and "Bobby on the Spree." Mr. Fred Stokes' orchestra provides a musical accompaniment to the pictures, which adds greatly to the enjoyment of patrons.

MARK HAMBOURG'S FIRST RECITAL.

It speaks much for the popularity of the great Russian pianist Mark Hambourg that so many people attended on Monday night at the Choral Hall, which must be one of the most comfortable places of amusement in the Dominion, so cramped is the seating accommodation. It is nearly six years since Hambourg made his last appearance here, on which occasion his brother Boris accompanied him, and that Boris was a master of his instrument. The 'cello, few will care to dispute. On the present visit Mark Hambourg has with him his wife, who, although an accomplished violinist, was not on the concert platform to give evidence of her skill. The pianist instead was responsible for the whole programme and, although many would have preferred a little variety in the way of one or two vocal items, yet so great was the skill of the performer that the recital proved particularly pleasing, even to those who do not profess to possess more than a superficial knowledge of music. As the recital proceeded the conviction was forced on the listener that the Mark Hambourg of to-day is a different man to the Hambourg of six seasons back. In those days, although his technique was admirable, there was a something lacking, an absence of soul, or call it what you will, which made it difficult for the musician to hold the entire attention of his audience who at times found the playing somewhat mechanical and often not a little dull. To-day his methods show vast improvement all round, for there is a greater depth and feeling, while his technique is little short of marvellous. The subjects chosen for Monday's concert were one and all handled in

the most masterly manner. The first item was the brilliantly executed Toccata and Fugue in D Minor (Bach-Tausig) followed by the ever popular "Moonlight Sonata" (Beethoven). From the dreamy quiet of the opening adagio to the splendidly effective Presto Agitato, all was taken with superb skill, the audience breaking out into a storm of applause at the close. The next of the programme included several items by Chopin. These were the "Nocturne in F sharp Major," "Etudes in G flat and E Major," "Preludes B Flat and D Flat," "Mazurka in B Minor," and "Polonaise in A Flat."

The concluding items on the programme were the pianist's own "Gavotte Moderne," "La Source" (Leachetizky) and Liszt's wonderful paraphrase of Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" from "A Midsummer Night's Dream." The closing piece showed Hambourg at his very best and was indeed magnificently given, the delight of the audience breaking out in a whirlwind of applause. It proved a fitting close to one of the most enjoyable recitals we have had in this city.

The second recital will take place to-night when among other items will be Handel's "Variations on the Harmonious Blacksmith," Mendelssohn's "Spinning Song," Henselt's "Ave Maria," and selections from Chopin, Scarlatta, Paderewski, Schumann, Rubenstein and other composers. The final recital is on Saturday.

THE KEEGAN - NIGHTINGALE DRAMATIC COMPANY.

Writing from Elketahuna, Mr Nightingale says: "Since we left the Auckland side our business has been exceptionally good and all through the Wairarapa and Taranaki districts we had to turn them away. Waverley, a nice clean little town, whose hall had been burned down some 3 years ago, now possesses a beautiful Town Hall large enough for a fair-sized centre. And in this hall we lately had the pleasure of producing our latest American sensational drama, "The Roll of the Drum," to a crowded house, and a thoroughly appreciative audience. Waverley may well be classed as an excellent show-town to good companies. We played the night after Miss Ainsley's concert and it did not make any difference to our business. And following us in this little town were Cooper's Bio. Co. and Elton Comedy Company, all in the same week. We are now working to Christchurch and Dunedin, playing all towns, large and small, on the way, and we hope to be in Auckland district again in January. We

are now playing "The Roll of the Drum," "The Factory Girl," "Lottery of Life," "Robert Emmett," and "Hearts are Trumps," and "My Partner." Since I last wrote you we have had to enlarge our company. Mr. Frank Devonport and Miss Lavinia MacKenzie are the new members.

Mr Charles M. Berkeley, touring manager for the "Mrs Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" Company, arrived from Sydney on Sunday to make arrangements for the production of the famous comedy-drama at his Majesty's next Monday.

News comes of the death, in England, of Mr Athol Ford, from pneumonia. The deceased first visited Australia in 1905, with Musgrove's Shakespearian Comedy Co., appearing as Quince, Sir Toby Belch, and Adam. Later on he appeared under Mr Williamson's banner as the solicitor in "The Marriage of Kitty," as the carpenter in "The Widow Woods," and in other plays. About this time he married a Sydney girl, the daughter of Mr Armstrong, K.C.

The Royal Welsh Male Choir were welcomed to Melbourne on Wednesday last week by a very representative gathering—political, social, and Welsh (particularly Welsh), and on Thursday gave their first concert, to a packed house in the Town Hall. Messrs J. and N. Taiff's latest attraction is accumulating a nice little stock of stories apropos of its Australian travels. In Brisbane the other day, for example, the audience were so enthusiastic and so insistent for repetitions that Mr Thomas the conductor, had at last to turn round in his place, hold up his hand for silence and beg them not to ask for any more. "It is getting very late," he said "and we are rather tired."

"The Belle of Mayfair," the music of which is by Leslie Stuart, the composer of the never-to-be-forgotten "Florodora," is at the end of its third week at the Criterion Theatre, Sydney, and is still drawing crowded houses. The night after his arrival in Sydney, the new Governor-General, the Earl of Dudley, attended the performance, with his suite. There was a brilliant audience. The company opens in Adelaide on November 14.

The New Zealand tenor, Mr Charlie Carter, figures largely in the present Moody-Manners season at the London Lyric Theatre. Last month he was appearing in the leading roles in matinee performances of "Il Trovatore" and "Madame Butterfly."



MISS HELEN LOWELL as Miss Hazy in "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch."

NOT SO EASY AS IT LOOKS.

One of the chief roles in Barrie's fantasy "Peter Pan" is that of Nana, the dog. Mr Chas. H. Weston, who came from America to play the part, recently unburdened himself in choice American to a "Sydney Morning Herald" scribe as follows:—

"Not only has an impersonator of animals to be an actor, but he must add the qualifications of the contortionist, the acrobat, and the dancer. Sure thing representations of members of the animal kingdom are not the easy snap that's handed out to the beauty actor, who's merely gotten to spout an author's lines. The animal impersonator has to suggest intelligence by actions. Now, no man can look like a dog, but he can act like one, leaving out of consideration the false alarm politicians who turned down their election promises. When I got the part of Nana from Mr. Frohmann I was playing the dog Tige in 'Buster Brown.' That was five months before 'Peter Pan' was produced in New York. What I did was to get a Newfoundland dog and train him to do Nana's business; then I stood off and studied his character. Talk about Sara Bernhardt watching crooks on sentence-day. She wasn't in it with me getting wise to the genuine Newfoundland stunt.

"It's harder work being a dog every night than coaling an American battleship. You're doubled up in a skin, and the temperature is just about what it is down in Cinderville. If you stepped out of my dog's skin into a Turkish bath, you'd think you'd struck Shackleton's freezing line. The drops from your brow beat 'the honest sweat' of the village blacksmith by a jugful. These drops trickle down your nose and itch and tickle, and you can't stop and scratch. You've got to wag your head instead like a dog, and it makes your brain soggy. Then you have to walk on the knuckles, putting the pressure between the first and second joints of your fingers. See these corns on my hands. Seems to me it's far more comfortable being a dog in reality than a mere make-believe quadruped.

"I began by being a mosquito when I was nine years of age. It was in 'Jack and the Beanstalk.' Between then and now I've been the whole menagerie. Once I was a pelican, again I've been an eagle. I tried to make a proud bird, but it was the most cramped position I was ever in. I felt more like a lobster. I'm an ostrich and a crocodile in 'Peter Pan,' but you can be those with comfort.

Being a dog's the worst of the little zoo I'm giving human sagacity to at present. Have you ever tried to pick up children's clothes off the floor with a false mouth and hang them on a fender. Then you've got to bark when you're half asphyxiated. The man who wrote 'David Harum' said that 'it's good for a dog to have fleas—keeps him from brooding on being a dog,' but if I had them too it'd be my finish. Playing a 'straight-part' dog's worse than playing a comedy dog, and it's my luck that I only had dog Tige in 'Buster Brown' three years, and I've been doing 'Nana' for five. Sometimes I find myself wagging my head as I go along the side walk, and barking in my sleep. It'll be 'me for the nut factory' before I'm through. One animal man in America got in the giggle-giggle ward, and his talk there was more than Kipling's 'Just-so Stories.'"

Mr Weston has gone back to the States so that we shall not see him in the part in Auckland.

A BIG MONEYMAKER.

"The Sign of the Cross' is running 'The Silver King' and 'Charley's Aunt' very close in the race for the record number of performance (says a London paper). Up to the present 'The Sign of the Cross' has been played more than 20,000 times. Several fortunes have already been made out of the late Mr Wilson Barrett's play, which, it is estimated, has been played before nearly 40,000,000 people. Mr William Greet who has had companies touring the provinces with 'The Sign of the Cross' for the last thirteen years, says it is far and away the most popular religious play ever staged. "It has raised the moral tone of the world more than thousands of pulpit sermons." The record number of performances of the same part in the play is held by Miss Cissie Carlton, who has appeared as Docia, a patrician, during the entire thirteen years it has been on tour. Mr Frank Wood is also still playing his old part as Glabrio.

A SHAKESPEARIAN COMEDY.

The neglected and ill-used "Taming of the Shrew," with so much in it that is impossible for stage purposes, yet such a great deal that goes to the making of a comedy with the true Shakespearian flavour, came to very nearly its own with the revised version played by Miss Margaret Anglin's company to a delighted audience at Her Majesty's Theatre (says the "Aus-

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traliasian"). It is kaleidoscopic in the number and nature of the scenes presented, for it is a comedy much more conveniently done in scenes than acts. The effort in this version is to preserve continuity, for in its entirety it is rather a Shakespearian tale than a play. The decorative cloth was often down. Some may, indeed, have thought it too frequent in interruption, but there was artistic wisdom in the selection of incidents. The scholar and the actor—if we may draw a distinction in attainments so often identical—may differ as to the choice of scenes, but the playgoer, who seeks good where he finds it, without too keen a reverence for classical exactness, will admit that Miss Anglin has evolved a charming comedy, rich in the quaint Elizabethan flavour which never cloy, and fit to rank with "As You Like It," the "Merry Wives," "Much Ado," and the "Midsummer Night's Dream," as the lighter triumphs of the master craftsman's art. Everything added in play-able, presentable form to that engaging list of classical comedies is a boon for which student and playgoer are deeply grateful. The public obligation is enhanced with the story, in its stage form, no longer an outrage upon the memory of one of the world's immortals.

The Harcourt Beatty-Madge McIntosh Co. will be disbanded after the Adelaide season. It will open after its reorganisation at the Criterion, Sydney, when the "Belle of Mayfair" has completed its run, the initial production being a revival of "Fedora." It will be followed by "Masks and Faces," in which Miss McIntosh will appear for the first time as Peg Woffington. Mr Beatty will be Triplet, and Mr Gaston Mervale Sir Charles Pemander.

The newest infant prodigy is Francesco Mollena, aged four years and three months who played one of Mozart's concertos at a concert in Brindisi last month.

Miss Amy Castles has definitely decided to revisit Australia next year

(says a London journal). She will leave London in February for a six months' tour of Australia and New Zealand under management of Messrs Tait.

Miss Gladys Ure, a clever Australian girl, who went to New York a few years ago, and is considered very beautiful there, is starring in opera. She has also struck out into composing, and Mr Savage has staged one of her compositions.

The following are the dates for the remainder of the New Zealand tour of "The Little Breadwinner" Co.: Auckland, September 30 to October 16; Hastings, October 19, 22; Napier 23, 26; Dannevirke, 27-28; Masterton, 29-30; Marton, November 2; Feilding 3; Christchurch, 6-14; Timaru, 16; Oamaru, 17-18; Invercargill, 1920. The company then leave for Hobart where they are due to open on November 27.

The original Australian cast of "The Private Secretary" (1885) included Mrs Robert Brough, Ada Lee, Annie Taylor, Frank Thornton, James R. Harwood, Frank Cates and Arthur Redwood. All are dead but Mrs Brough and Frank Thornton.

Miss Jennie Reiffarth, who came from America to play Mrs Schultz in the "Cabbage Patch," has been obliged to leave the company and return to her native land owing to ill-health.

When Paganini was asked, many years ago, to play at Vauxhall Gardens, London, he inquired how many persons the place would hold. "That is impossible to say," said the manager. "It is a large open space." After some reflection, the great violinist inquired, "How many will the large open space contain when quite full?" "Perhaps 20,000." "Ah, 20,000 people! And you ask how much?" "Four shillings each." "Twenty thousand at 4s make 80,000. Eighty thousand shillings, £4000. Well, I will play in one concert for £3000, and you may have the other thousand."

On the 24th inst., at the Town Hall the Cherniavskis will open their Sydney season. These remarkable boys gave a private performance before the Czar and Royal Family of Russia. The Colonial tour upon which they are now engaged includes Australia, New Zealand, and America.

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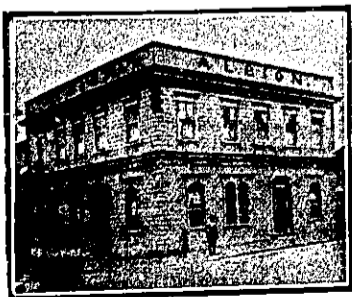
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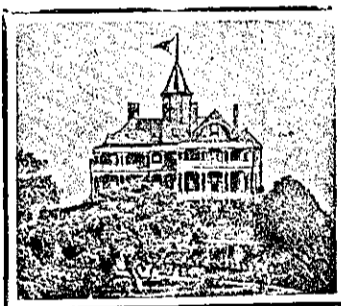
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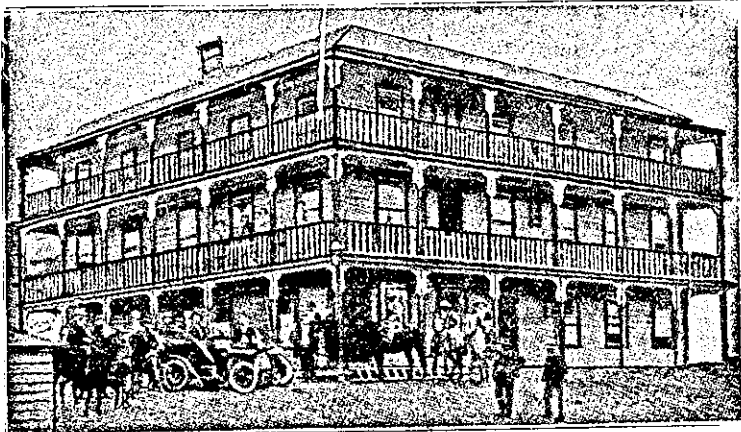
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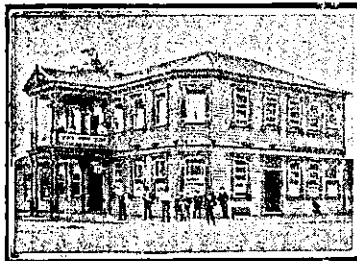
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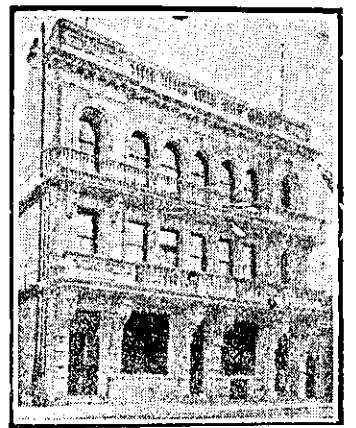
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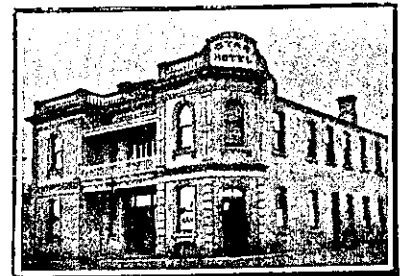
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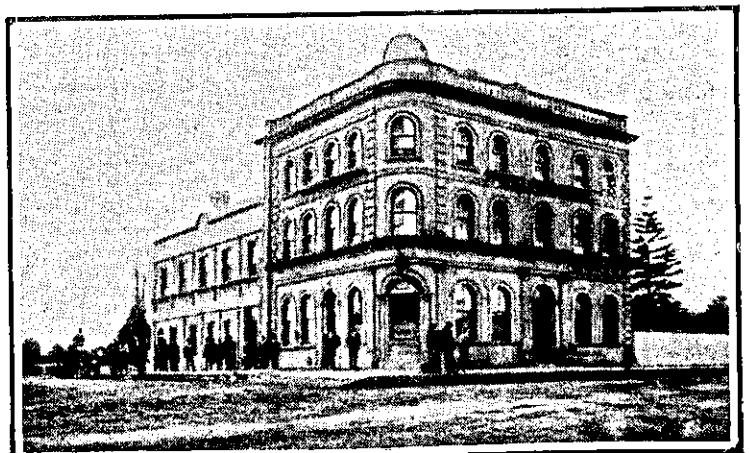
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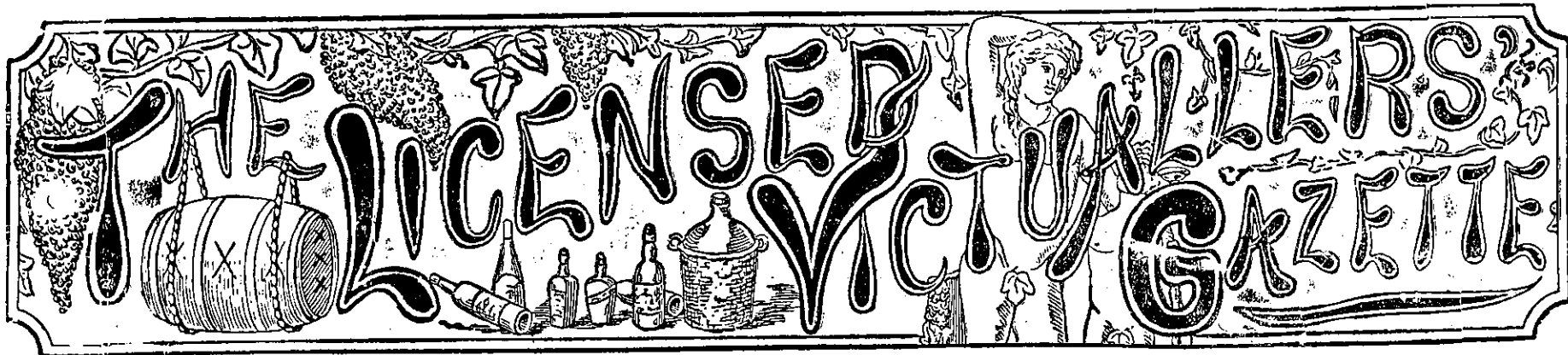
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Anyone who has had occasion to stay at Hamilton and has put up at the Waikato Hotel must have felt that his luck was in. Mr Knock runs the place on the sound theory that if you want to make a success it is the only policy to keep the best. The catering department is above reproach, a really excellent table being provided, while nothing but the very best brands of wines and spirits are stocked. As for the cigars, well mine host of the Waikato is something of a connoisseur and it is possible to get something very choice in that line. With a good sportsman and a good fellow for host the traveller will find his quarters particularly comfortable at the Hamilton East hostelry.

Particulars regarding wine sold from the Waerega Experimental Farm during the three years ending June 30th, 1908, laid before Parliament recently, show that in 1906, 165 gallons were sold at 10s per gallon, realising £82 10s; 1907, 299 gallons, 8s to 10s per gallon, £128 13s; 1908, 554 gallons, 8s to 10s per gallon, £227 7s.

Beer duty collected in Wellington last month amounted to £1087 1s 6d. In September of last year the figures were £1121 10s 9d.

At Gisborne last week, Joseph Burke ex-licensée of the Record Reign Hotel, was fined £10 and costs £3 4s for supplying liquor to an intoxicated man.

At Palmerston recently a man was fined 20s for stealing a bottle of ginger beer from a cordial makers' cart.

Thomas Russell, aged eighty-one, has been killed in a hayfield near Stroud (England), where he was employed to hold horses. Many years ago he was worth £50,000 and was a prominent figure on the turf. He kept a beer-house in Bird street, Oxford street, London, where he took bets before there were stringent gaming laws, and so numerous were his clients that people used to offer premiums for front positions in the crowds that assembled.

At Palmerston South last week William Moir, licensée of the Dunback Hotel, was fined £10 for selling liquor after hours, and the license was endorsed on September 9th.

In the annual report of the Tourist and Health Resort Department, it is stated that the value of the year's tourist traffic to this country is estimated at £430,000.

Early last week a large wooden building, of 28 rooms, known as the Kurov Hotel, at Kurov, was totally destroyed by fire. The fire is supposed to have started in one of the bedrooms upstairs, and in half an hour the building was completely destroyed. Some of the furniture and stock in the lower storey was saved. The buildings near the hotel were in danger for some time from the flying sparks, and the stock from the stores and the furniture from the houses were removed.

The building was owned by Mrs. Delargy, and was insured for £900 in the South British office, while the furniture and stock of the licensée (Mr. J. Cahill) was insured for the most part in the National office for £600.

The Auckland Hairdresser's Assistants' Union recently passed a resolution urging the workers of the Dominion to vote no-license, with a view of having the trade under the control of the State, the alleged reason given for this extraordinary resolution being that the trade is viewed as being in hostile attitude towards organised labour. It is quite beyond ones comprehension to find reasons for the conclusions drawn by the assistant hairdressers, or to connect their find-

ings with such a highly important question as the one of voting no-license involves.

A remarkable accident occurred at the Record Reign Hotel Gisborne one day last week. Mr. Fred Burke had just started carving dinner for the hotel boarders when a flash of lightning came through the window and striking the knife in his hand flashed up into his eyes and rendered him blind for over an hour. Mr. Burke recovered later although his eyes were very sore for some time.

The world's average annual wine production is now estimated at 3,775,606,000 gallons. Of this Europe furnishes slightly more than 25 per cent.

Light-weight sovereigns are at present in circulation in Dunedin, and they have apparently been sweated by the acid system. Some recently tendered at the banks were found on being weighed to be worth as low as 16s.

At Fielding last Thursday before Mr. A. D. Thomson, S.M., Wilfred Henry Redwood pleaded guilty to three charges of failing to comply with the regulations of the Beer Duty Act by neglecting to affix stamps to certain quantities of beer. Redwood, who is a local brewer, had previously been convicted on similar charges, and he was fined £5 on each charge, with costs totalling £11 7s.

A spieker entered a Chinaman's shop in Hastings, and purchasing a few bananas, rendered, what appeared to be a five-pound note, and waited for his change. The Chinaman glanced at the knotted piece of paper, which was cunningly folded so that the "Five" at the corner was plainly discernible, and gave his customer £4 19s 6d, placing the bogus note without further scrutiny into his cash-box. The next day when paying into the bank the Celestial received a great shock when he found his "£5 note" was valueless, it being but a clever imitation issued years ago as an advertisement by the proprietors of the "New Zealand Wheelman." The only description the Chinaman could give of his customer was that he was a man and wore a moustache.

The manager of an American touring baseball team records this incident of a Southern trip:—"We hit Palm Beach one spring to play a couple of exhibition games, and the hotel was packed. It was so crowded that they doubled us all up in one room, and before night the management had to fix bunks in the church connected with the hotel, and send a lot of men to sleep there. Along about five o'clock the next morning the church bell began to ring furiously, and finally the clerk chased one of the bellboys over to see what the matter was. 'What's the trouble?' asked the clerk, when the coon came back. 'Gennulman in pew 17 says he wants a cocktail, sub.'

The early bird catches the worm, but it is not often an old bird catches a milk-can. However, such was the case at Alexandria, near Sydney, one morning recently. John Wright, a man of 86 years, happened to be passing a house at sunrise, when he noticed the family milk-can in an inviting position. He annexed the can, and then departed at a trot, en route to the Park View Hotel, where he called for a glass of rum. When the liquor was supplied, John added to it some milk from his can, and then quaffed the compound in such a manner as to indicate that he was at peace with the world. He then smacked his lips, and looked around as if suspecting that something was about to occur. Suddenly a policeman appeared in the wake of the old man, and removed him to the lockup,

and he was subsequently fined the sum of half-a-sovereign at the Redfern Police Court.

Said the Sydney "Daily Telegraph" in a recent issue:—"It is alleged that a Scotsman once said that there was no bad whisky; some was better than others, but none of it was bad. Redfern's new sanitary inspector (Mr. J. A. Forgie) is a Scotsman, but, judging by the report, he does not believe in his countryman's reputed statement. At least, not officially. Since his appointment, he has been keen on obtaining samples of milk for analysis. Recently, however, he has visited over 20 different hotels, all officially, of course, and obtained samples of spirituous liquors. These have been submitted to the Government analyst for his attention, but up to the date of the last council meeting the result of his investigations was not known. When the matter was referred to at the meeting, great interest was taken in the reading of the report. The aldermen sat forward and listened eagerly, but when the Town Clerk read on and disclosed that the result had not been received interest seemed to vanish. The fact that the sanitary inspector is a total abstainer seemed to excite more than passing notice from the aldermen and officers assembled in the Mayor's room at the conclusion of the meeting.

A serious accident occurred at Lyttelton last Saturday morning, to Mr. W. R. Cooksley, licensée of the British Hotel. He was crossing the railway yard near the station, and was attempting to pass between two trucks which were being shunted, when they came together. Mr. Cooksley was caught on the hips by the buffers, and was carried some distance before the trucks could be stopped. The injured man was carried to his hotel, where he was attended to by a doctor. It is feared that the hip bones are crushed, and that internal injuries have been sustained.

A well-known Wellington hotel keeper in the person of Mr. Edward Wilson, died in that city last week aged 68 years. Deceased had been ailing for some time, and his death was not unexpected. Mr. Wilson was born at Hoodbank, near Whitehaven, Cumberland, and at the age of seven years commenced work in the Croft pit, Whitehaven, in a mine belonging to the Earl of Lonsdale. After five years he served his apprenticeship as an engineer with Fletcher, Jennings and Co., of the Lowea Engineering Company. The period of apprenticeship over, Mr. Wilson's next two years were spent in moving from place to place in the north of England. Then he decided to try his fortune in a newer world. After experiencing varying success at the far-famed diggings of Carriboo, B.C., Mr. Wilson settled down to steady work in the coal mines at Navarino, Vancouver Island, as underground mine manager.

Mr. Wilson, anxious to try new fields, embarked at Greenock in the ship Nelson for New Zealand, arriving at Port Chalmers on Boxing Day, 1875. He entered the works of Conyers and Davis, Otago Foundry, Dunedin. He subsequently joined

the New Zealand Railway Department as shed fitter and repairer of running stock, a position he filled for about five years, until the Atkinson retrenchment policy was brought in, when he retired from the service.

The deceased was then for a time in the hotel business in Dunedin. After five years' residence there he removed to Wellington, taking over the Post Office Hotel, with which he was associated for a great many years.

Mr. Green had been paying a pound a week for board; his appetite constantly increased. Finally his landlady saw that she must either sell out and quit or raise her boarder's rate. One day, after watching him feverishly devouring plateful after plateful, she plucked up courage, and said:

"Mr. Green, I shall have to raise your board to thirty shillings."

Mr. Green looked up with a start, then in a tone of consternation he said:

"Oh, Mrs. Small, don't. It's as much as I can do now to eat a pound's worth."

Judge: "Have you been arrested before?"

Prisoner: "No, sir."

Judge: "Are you certain?"

Prisoner: "I am, sir."

Judge: "Your face looks decidedly familiar. Where have I seen it before?"

Prisoner: "I'm the bartender in the saloon across the way, sir."

CLAIMS FOR ENROLMENT.

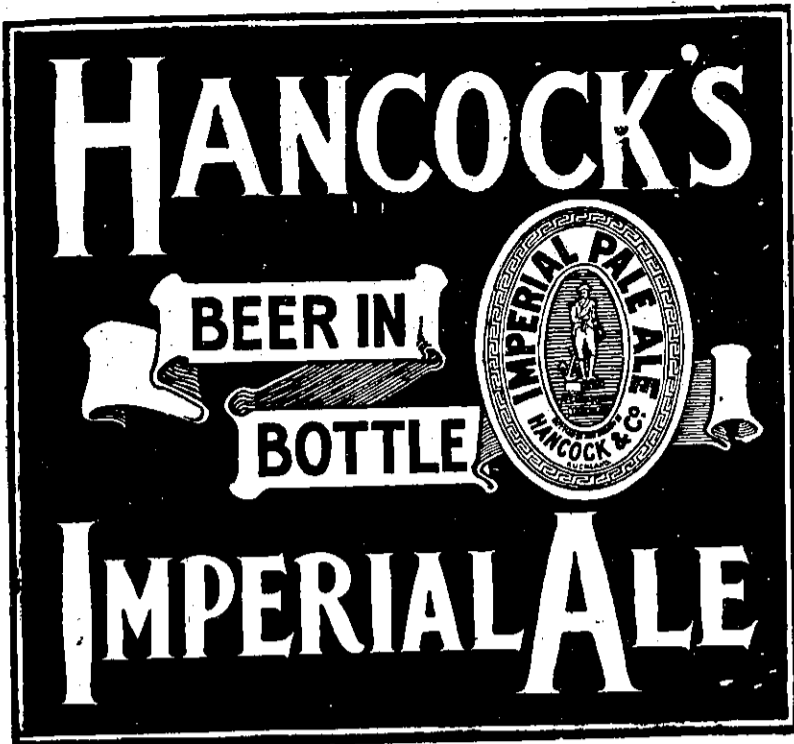
A circular has been issued by the chief electoral officer, for the guidance of electors claiming enrolment. Claimants must be British subjects by birth or naturalisation, must be not less than 21 years of age at the time of making the claim, must have been resident in New Zealand for 12 months. If enrolled in another electorate, one month's residence qualifies them for enrolment. Name, address, and occupation ("spinster," "married," or "widow," instead of occupation in the case of a female) must be given in full, and the claimant must sign the claim for enrolment form himself. Anyone else signing for him, even at his own request, is liable to a fine of £50. The signature of a claimant must be witnessed by an elector of the district, registrar, or postmaster. The witness must not sign without having actually seen the claimant write his name, or without hearing the person signing declare that the signature is in his own handwriting. Any person making a false declaration is liable to a fine not exceeding £20, or three months' imprisonment.

NO-LICENSE IN NEW ZEALAND.

THE LONDON "TIMES" SPEAKS OUT.

"To see ourselves as others see us" is always instructive. What the outside world thinks of the prohibition movement in New Zealand may be judged from the following extract from the London "Times" of February 11th, 1907: "Looking from the





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point of view of the highest interests of the colony, at the actual results of local option regime in New Zealand we clearly see that against any real advantages which can be not merely claimed but sustained by the prohibitionists there are some very serious drawbacks. Assuming for the sake of argument that there may have been a decrease in the amount of drunkenness we have to put against such decrease (1) the intense bitterness of the feeling which the local option propaganda has spread throughout the colony, dividing it into two great hostile camps, and setting neighbour against neighbour; (2) the disadvantages of local option laws which fail to appeal to the moral sense of the community, excite animosity rather than secure support, and can be carried out, even in part, only by the organisation of a spy system which brings the administration of justice into contempt with all honest and honourable men; (3) the inexcusable interference with personal liberty; (4) the sense of injustice inflicted on working class and middle class people by depriving them of the opportunity of getting reasonable refreshment when they want it, while the well-to-do citizen can store as much liquor as he pleases in his cellars; and (5) the effect which the whole controversy has in diverting the attention of the electorate from the real problems, colonial or Imperial, a general election should involve, and consecrating it, rather, upon side issues which had much better be left to the conscience and the practical common sense of the people.

SATAN REPROVING SIN.

A "public" meeting called by the prohibitionists of Petone last Sunday evening, passed the following resolution:—That this meeting of electors affirm that in the interest of good government and of the moral welfare of the community it is desirable that the following question should be put to every candidate for the Parliament-

ary election:—"If elected will you support legislation making it a criminal offence to influence votes at any time prior to any local option poll by means of fraud, falsehood, misrepresentation, or by any form of deception, printed or otherwise, either for or against any of the issues on the local option ballot paper,"

The object of this resolution was, of course, not to bring about any amendment of the law, but to prejudice the licensed liquor trade in the eyes of electors by suggesting that the published facts showing the failure of no-license are untrue. From the newspaper reports of the meeting it would appear that none of the speakers were courageous enough to bring any specific charge of misrepresentation, but contented themselves with abusing, in general terms, the wicked machinations of "the trade." The reason for these tactics is obvious, for every pamphlet, every advertisement, and every placard issued by the opponents of the prohibition movement in the Wellington district defy criticism because of their truth, and everyone connected with the liquor trade in Wellington would gladly see the proposed amendment of the law made effective.

THE REAL OFFENDERS.

Can the same be said of the no-license party? Recently, they have placarded Wellington with statements that—to use a mild term—are misleading. One of these precious productions is headed: "Wanted 5268 boys to keep up the annual output of drunkards," and an adjoining poster explained this by stating that the number of first-offending drunkards convicted in 1904 was 5268. The suggestion—note how carefully direct statement is avoided—is, of course, that these 5268 first-offenders were boys, a suggestion, needless to say, utterly untruthful. No one knows better than the originators of the scurrilous placard what a "first-offender" means. Indeed, the definition is given in the current number

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WHO SAYS PROHIBITION PROHIBITS?

("Lyttelton Times," 29/9/08.)

In spite of the fairy tales glibly told by travelling Australians, who know little or nothing of the conditions prevailing in New Zealand, and seem to care less, so long as they are able to convey to the unthinking that no-license restrains the drinking habits of the people, it is a fact that not the slightest diminution in the drink bill is effected. The prohibition areas are doing their share, notwithstanding the feverish anxiety of the prohibition faction to disguise the obvious fact. A Government return, furnished to the order of Mr. Arnold, M.P., shows that since no-license was carried in the several districts named, the declared quantities of liquor sent in and consumed were as follows:—

ASHBURTON.—102,987 gallons of beer; 18,131 gallons of spirits.

OAMARU.—29,196 gallons of beer and spirits; 37,766 bottles of beer and spirits; 8 barrels and 18 hogsheads of beer; 564 cases of spirits; 48 cases of beer and porter; 167 flasks of spirits.

INVERCARGILL.—114,672 gallons of beer; 7131 gallons of spirits (in two years).

These are the quantities that were declared. In all of these districts hundreds of gallons of spirits and thousands of gallons of beer are brought in by residents in small quantities that need not be declared, and vast quantities are smuggled in every day. No-license drives the trade underground, but does not curtail it.

A MOTHER'S APPEAL.

The following letter, which appeared in the "Ashburton Guardian" of September 19th, 1908, speaks for itself:—

SUNDAY DRINKING.

(To the Editor.)

Sir,—Kindly give me space in your paper, and, with your permission, to answer the remarks of "Silver Pen" regarding Sunday drinking. When Mr. Davis said in the Court that there was a good deal of drinking going on on Sundays, he spoke the truth. Now, sir, I will give you my experience of Sunday drinking. It was my son that was before the Court last Monday; that is the second time that the police have run my boy in on a Sunday. It is six years ago since my boy came into Ashburton from Tinwald, to learn his trade. He was then fourteen years old, and he had never tasted intoxicating drink up to then. He is now twenty years old, and has been up before the Court twice for drunkenness. Once I sent for the police and had a sly grog shop raided on a Sunday, when my boy was there all day; and how many times he has been brought home to me drunk I could not tell you—numberless. And all this takes place in the No-license town of Ashburton. Now, Sir, I will give you my boy's own words about the sly grog shops of Ashburton. When he came home on Monday I asked him if he would tell me where he gets the drink from. He said No; but he said he could get drink at forty places in Ashburton; and my boy is worse on Sundays than any day in the week. The No-license people will say far better twenty or thirty sly grog shops than one licensed bar. Shame on them. They have not been put to the test the same as I have, or they would not talk like that, for the sly grog shops are a curse to Ashburton. No doubt the No-license people think they are doing a grand thing for the young people, and I glory in their efforts, but they would be doing a far better thing if they would advocate "No License, No Liquor." I have been wishing that someone far wiser than I am would have taken this matter up. Thanking you kindly,
I am,

THE BOY'S MOTHER.

[Mr. Davis is Mayor of Ashburton.]

of the "Vanguard" (the official organ of the Alliance), in the following words:—"We have very high authority for saying that if a man has once been convicted for drunkenness he is never again regarded by the Court as a first offender. But, on the other hand, if he has gone six clear months without a conviction, the Court is not informed that he has ever been convicted before. Who knows, then, how many men under these conditions and with a considerable record for drunkenness are classed as first offenders?"

In the face of this statement it is little short of criminal for the same authority to suggest that the first offenders are young New Zealanders.

A SCURRILOUS LIBEL.

As a matter of fact the young New Zealander, whatever his failure, is not intemperate. For a number of years the Registrar-General in stating the statistics of drunkenness in the Official Year Book has remarked that among the New Zealand-born population of European descent there is evidence of less drunkenness than amongst persons who have come to the Dominion from abroad. At the census of 1906 out of the total population over fifteen years of age, 55.75 per cent. were found to have been born here, while the proportion of the convictions for drunkenness in New Zealand-born Europeans to the total convictions in the year 1905 was 18 per cent. only.

This effectually disposes of the malicious and scurrilous libel on the our young men suggested by the prohibition poster and any legislation which will effectually put a stop to such detestable tactics will be welcomed by all right-thinking men and women. It is too late to expect any such legislation this season, but all who resent this unmerited libel on the Dominion can best mark their displeasure by voting for license at the forthcoming local option poll.—"N.Z. Times."

AUSTRALIAN RUM.

There are several distillers of rum in Australia, notably at Mackay and Bundaberg, in Queensland, and on the Richmond River, in New South Wales. For some time past the shipments of rum to the home markets have been limited, but recently some have been advised. The advance in the price of rum in the London sales is expected to be maintained, and in consequence the present is a favourable time to ship. Merchants state that what are wanted are regular parcels of uniform quality for the home trade. The Bundaberg rum has always sold well in London, as the price obtained is little short of that obtained for Demerara sorts. If Australian producers have spare stocks on hand for export, the present time is opportune to place them on the home market. In order to anticipate enquiry, it may be useful to add that in some previous shipments the rum "ran" rather light in colour. This should be avoided, and the views of home buyers studied.—"British Australasian."

AUSTRALIAN SILVER COINAGE.

Referring to the question of Australian silver coinage, Sir William Lyne stated that the Government considered it undesirable to propose the erection of any one State of a Federal Mint for the coinage of a new issue of Australian silver and bronze coins. He was not prepared to say whether, pending the selection and occupation of the Federal capital, coins will be minted in England, or—as recommended by Professor Masson's committee—at one of the branches of the Royal Mint in Australia. The whole matter is to come before a meeting of the Cabinet.

"The British Government," Sir William Lyne said, "has offered to do the work for us at cost price, and I think we shall agree to that arrangement for some time. It would, in this contingency, not be necessary for us to build a mint at the present time. Coins will be minted for us by the Imperial authorities, and we would get the profit. As to the denominations, that has not been settled. There has been some question as to the retention of the half-crown, to which, by the way, I am personally opposed. I gather, however, that the feeling of the public is against the abolition of the coin."

THE ENGLISH HOP INDUSTRY.

The English Parliamentary committee has refused to recommend the imposition of a duty on hops imported into England. Only two decades ago the Kentish farmers were paying

£3,500,000 a year in wages. This total has since dropped to £1,500,000 a year, and it is expected that there will presently be a further large decline, as much of the hop land will be "grubbed" and used for grazing. In one of the two parties engaged in the fiscal controversy the Parliamentary committee's report is regarded with disappointment, and in the other with triumph. But it does not afford any real ground for surprise. Eight out of the eleven men who served on the committee were freetraders. "In hops," says the "Daily Chronicle," "the tariff reformers thought they saw a favourable test case for the need for protection. The test case has collapsed like an empty sack." The decision was a natural one in the circumstances. To admit the necessity of an import duty on foreign hops would be to give away the freetrade case in at least a score of other industries. In forming the committee the Government actually admitted to it an importer of foreign hops. The only recommendation of value in the report, namely, that the use of hop substitutes by the brewers should be prohibited, does not offer more advantage to the Kent farmers than to the hop growers of California. The English brewers are pleased with the report. The proposed restriction as to the use of hop substitutes may or may not be agreed to by Parliament. In any case, they will be able to go on buying cheap American hops, and that is a far more important consideration in their view.

HIS ONE GAMBLING WEAKNESS.

While on a visit to Mr. Gladstone, some years before his death, Sir William Harcourt, who has himself since joined the great majority, mentioned that the boys at Eton take in a large number of evening papers. "Dear me, how remarkable," said Mr. Gladstone. "How things have changed since I was at Eton. But it shows what a remarkable interest the youth of the present generation take in current events." Sir William Harcourt ventured to suggest that it might be that the youth of the present generation took a remarkable interest in sport. "Indeed," said Mr. Gladstone, "not gambling, I hope." Then Mr. Gladstone became reminiscent. "I think the only thing I ever did in that direction was to put an occasional shilling on a prize-fight. We used to take the 'Morning Chronicle' at Eton, and I remember that we once had a discussion in the Union Debating Society as to whether we should continue to take that paper, seeing that it devoted so much space to reports of prize-fights. Let me see what we did in the matter." Then Mr. Gladstone turned up the minutes of the society, of which he was president, and said: "I find that the voting was equal, and that the president voted for the continuance of the paper." This story is given by the "South Wales Argus" as having been told by Sir William Harcourt on the occasion of a visit to Abertillery a few years before his death.

AN INNKEEPER'S MAXIMS.

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Excuse me, pray, I cannot trust.
Come then, be seated, call away
For what you please, and I'll obey.

There's one thing more I do desire,
You must not stand before the fire,
Nor on the tables attempt to sit,
Unless you pay a Quart for it.
Customers came who did not pay,
And afterwards they stayed away.
By loss of beer and custom sore
I am resolved to trust no more.
Chalk is useful, say what you will,
But chalk won't pay the maltster's bill.
I'll strive to keep a decent tap
For Ready Money, but not "strap."

Mr. Andrew Wilson, in an article "Should We Drink in Moderation?" said:—"When people argue glibly and easily that alcohol is a poison, they only show their complete ignorance of the chemistry of the body and of alcohol, and offer themselves an easy prey to the attacks of science."

Rev. Samuel R. Wilson says:—"The Prohibition Party's fanatical disregard and distortion of facts is shown in the constant assertion that the liquor trade is the cause of almost all the crimes that are committed. Could any fancy be more wild."

Bishop Whittaker says:—"The true meaning of the word temperance has become dwarfed and narrowed from Christian self-control to that of total abstinence from intoxicating liquors."

MUSIC AND DRAMA.

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It transpires that the cause of poor Dudley Clinton's death at Perth was pleurisy supervening on pneumonia.

There is an impression abroad by the way that the Royal Male Welsh Choir sing everything in their native tongue. This is, of course, not so, and far the greater portion of their programme is in English. But they have in their repertoire several national airs, and one, in particular, an unaccompanied part song, which they have so far had to sing at every concert. Its title is Cwsg—and only a Welshman could pronounce it, the nearest approach an ordinary Australian could get to it being cuss, with the u long. It means "sleep," but it cannot be said that attempts to say it would at any rate produce rest—though it might beget "that tired feeling."

It is one of the most noteworthy changes of our time (remarks a London writer) that singers get such huge sums, as compared with what they received 30 or 40 years ago. Melba or Tetravzini or Caruso could, I believe, get a fee of £500 for a night, and yet Mario and Grisi were delighted in their heyday to get £15 as a fee; and if they sang together they got £20, and were delighted. Twenty pounds a night would in those days have been considered a prohibitive price. I have often wondered who are the most highly-paid people in the world. I exclude financiers who make their half-million in a deal. I am speaking only of those who, by some professional gifts, have to earn their money from the public. I was inclined to put the matador at the head of the list. He makes in his native Spain, I have heard, eight to ten thousand a year, and then he can always go on a tour to the countries which Spain founded in her own image across the seas—to Mexico and to almost any of the States of South America—and he does not consider he has done particularly well if he does not bring back some £40,000 from such a tour. Recently, however, I have changed my mind as to the place the matador occupies among money-earners, especially since I heard that Kennerley Rumford and Clara Butt came back from their tour in Australia with fifty thousand sovereigns to the good.

Mr. Reuben Fax, who toured New Zealand as Svengali in "Trilby" several years ago under the direction of Mr. J. C. Williamson, died suddenly on August 14 at the Lune's Square Hotel, New York. Death was due to heart failure. Mr. Fax was born in Canada in 1862, of Scots-Irish parentage. His first appearance on any stage was as a super in a Booth and Barrett production at the Old Fifth Avenue Theatre, New York. For a long time he was a member of A. M. Palmer's Stock Company, and his first emphatic hit was scored in the part of Decatur, the old negro slave in the original production of "Alabama." He was specially noted for the part of Posty in the James H. Stoddard's production of "The Bonnie Brier Bush." When the "Trilby" Company was organised for its Australasian tour Mr Fax was specially engaged to play Svengali, the hypnotist, in which part he scored a decided hit.



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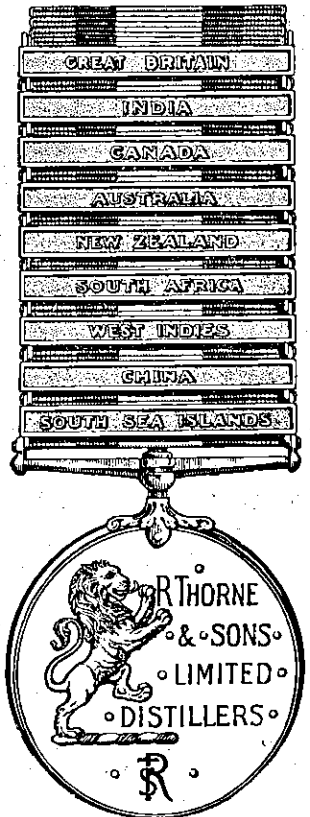
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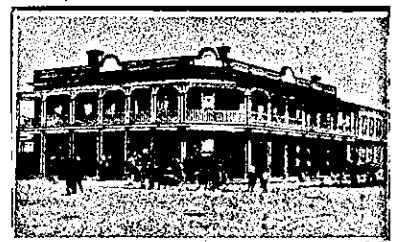
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The Harcourt Beatty-McIntosh Co. will open in Melbourne on October 31 in "She Stoops to Conquer." Miss McIntosh will be Kate Hardcastle, Mr. Beatty Young Marlowe, Mr. Gaston Mervale Hastings, Mr. J. B. Atholwood Mrs. Hardcastle, Mr. Tom Cannam Tony Lumpkin, and Miss Winifred Gunn and others will also be in the cast. It is intended during the season to produce a number of old classic plays, which are too rarely seen these days.

"Two Little Sailor Boys" was staged at the Palace Theatre, Sydney, on October 10, by Meynell and Gunn's specially-formed dramatic co. The cast included Miss Lillian Meyers, Miss Maud Chetwynd, Mr. Arthur Cowley, Miss Lorna Forbes, Mr. James Lindsay, Mr. Conroy Wingfield, Mr. Leo Chateau, and others.

One of the sensations in "Two Little Sailor Boys," at the Palace Theatre, Sydney, is the scene in which Admiral Grey's wife throws her child over a bridge into the rushing waters below.

Meynell and Gunn will shortly be bringing out a complete company from London. The name will occasion a good deal of surprise to playgoers in Australia when it is announced.

Montague Livingstone, late treasurer at Her Majesty's Theatre, who pleaded guilty to stealing £103 19s 6d, the property of Mr. J. C. Williamson, was sentenced to three years and six months' imprisonment with hard labour. The sentence was afterwards reduced to two years, on the strength of sureties for the restitution of £500 of Mr. Williamson's missing money.

The new Australian melodrama, which Meynell and Gunn intend to produce shortly at the Palace Theatre, Sydney, has been named "The Miner's Trust."

The ballets for Meynell and Gunn's Christmas pantomime, "Cinderella," at the Theatre Royal, Sydney, are already in rehearsal. Mr. Tom Payne has invented a number of novel dances for it.

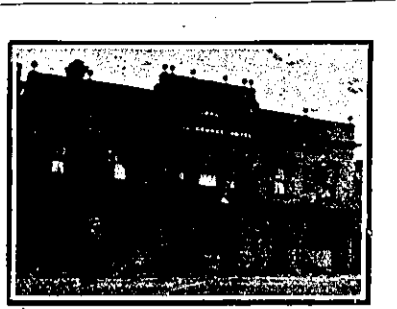
Mr. Richard Stewart, business manager for Mr. J. C. Williamson, with the "Humpty-Dumpty" Pantomime Company, is returning to Auckland to join the next Williamson venture—"Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" to wit, which is due to commence a New Zealand tour next Monday.

There has been a good deal of Salome dancing in London in the present year, consequent upon the craze started by Miss Maud Allan. But over in America they seem to have gone far beyond in this particular fashion, and one Transatlantic journalist, with an industry that does him credit, has discovered that over 700 Salome dances have been inflicted upon American audiences in the past six months. After this, it is not surprising to read in a New York paper that "Salome" is fast becoming "as great a bore" as the "Merry Widow" waltz. They have a lucid way of writing about music-hall performers in some American papers. Could anything for example, be more illuminating than the following, in a New York journal devoted to the interests of the variety world: "What's the matter with Millie De Leon? Millie can go some where a'cooch' dancier is needed, and to think of the 'Salomiers' around town, without Millie in the bunch, is making the burlesque houses turn green under their paint." Quite the literary touch.

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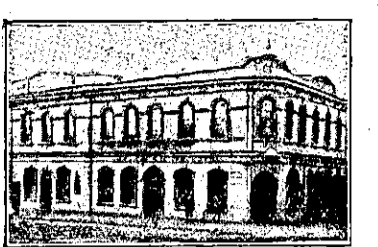
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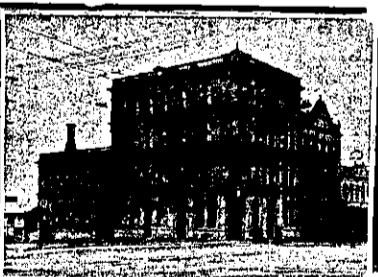


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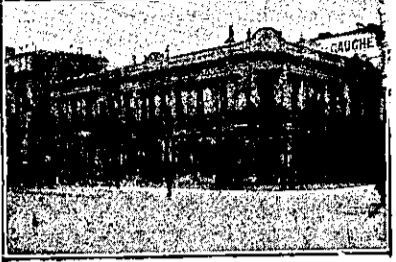
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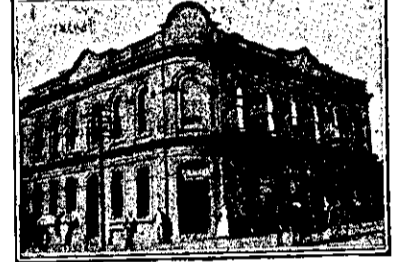
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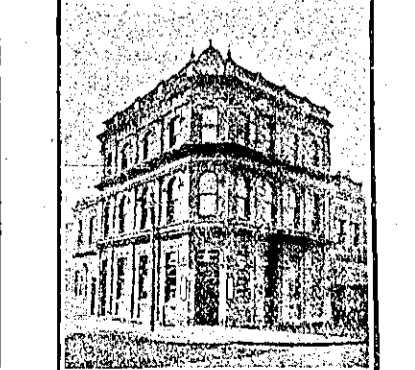
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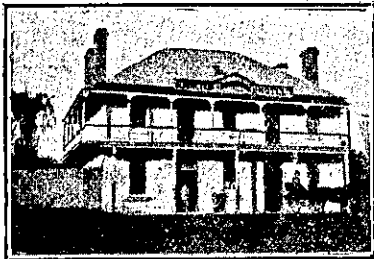
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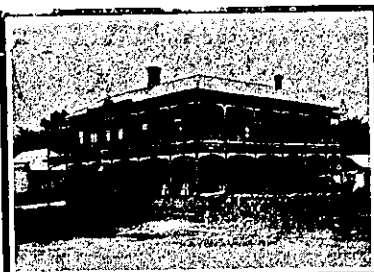


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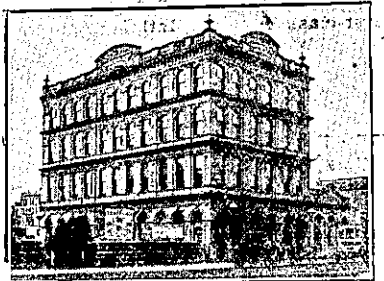
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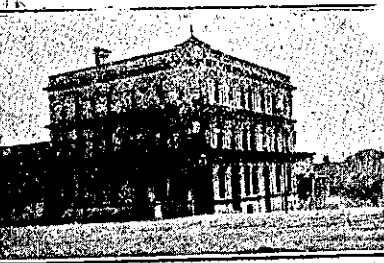
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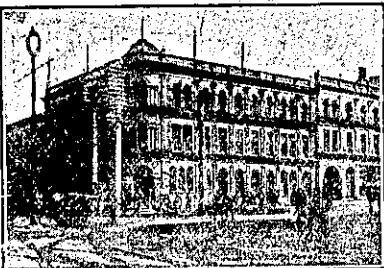
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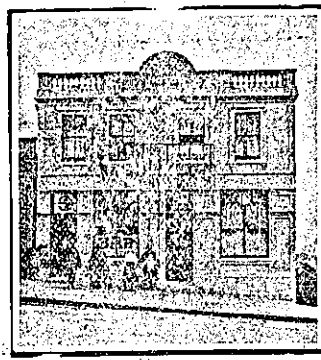


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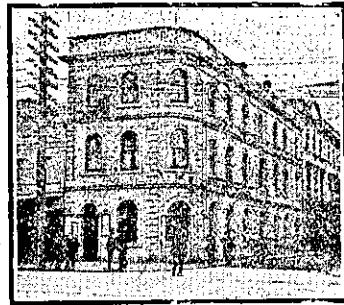
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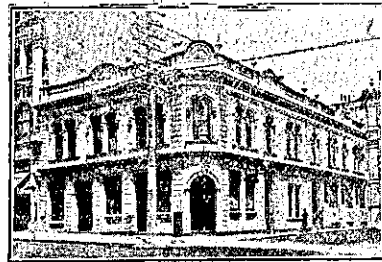
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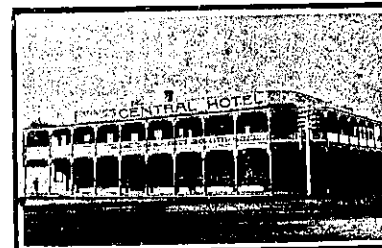
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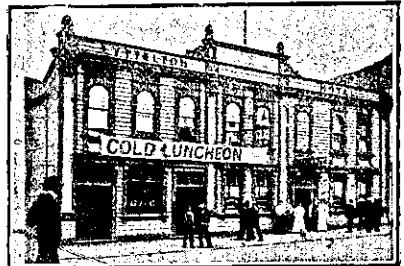
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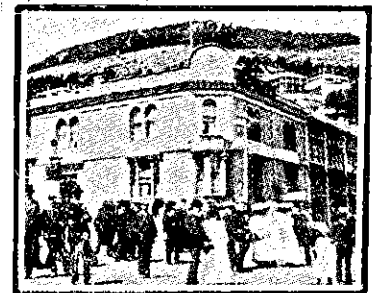
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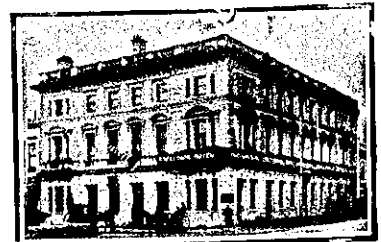
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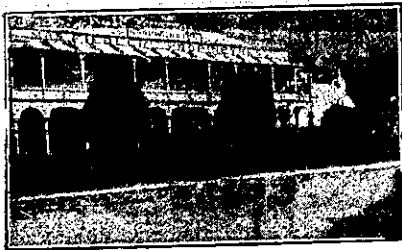
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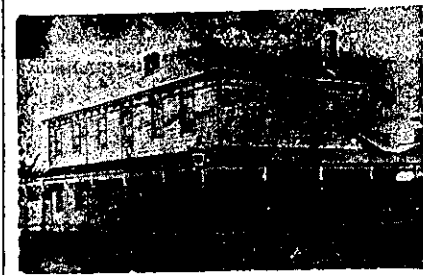
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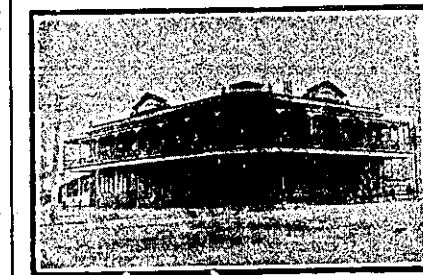
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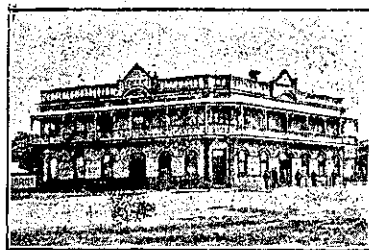
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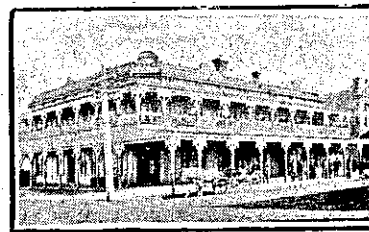
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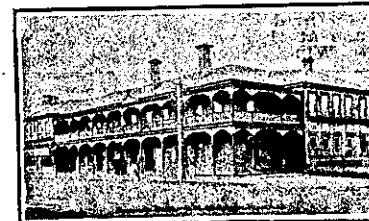
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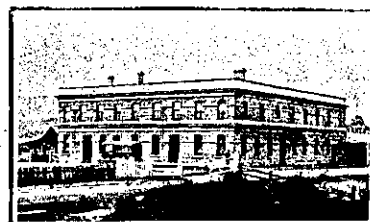
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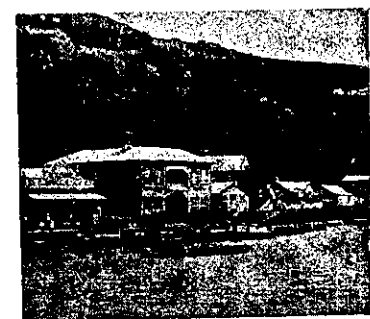


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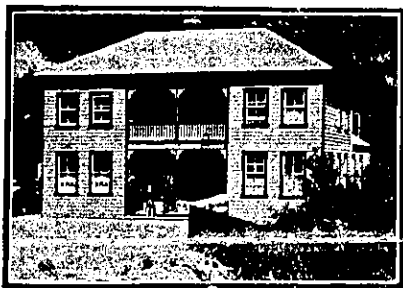
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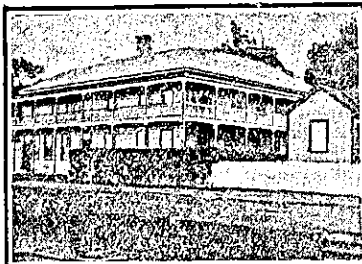
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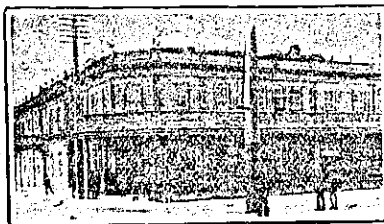
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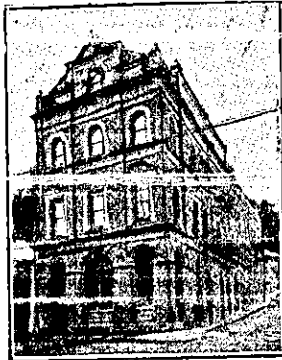
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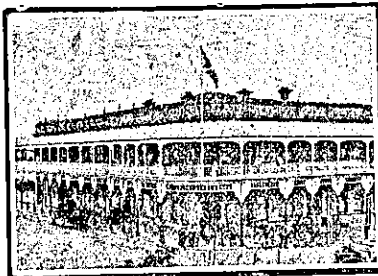
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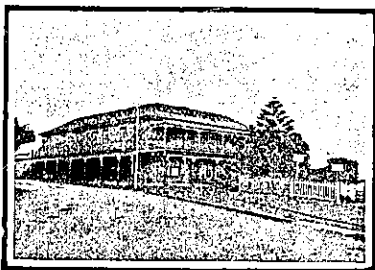
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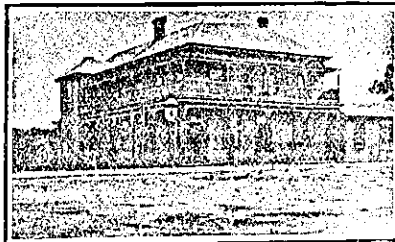
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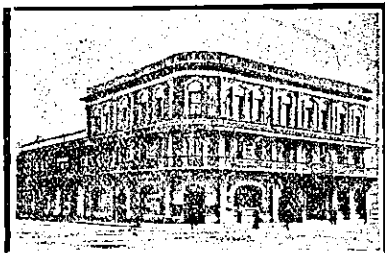


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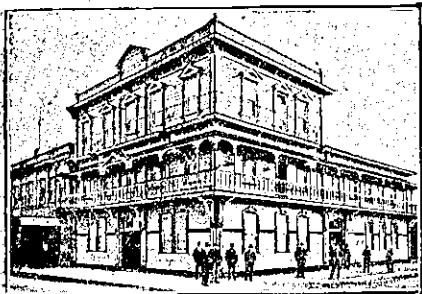
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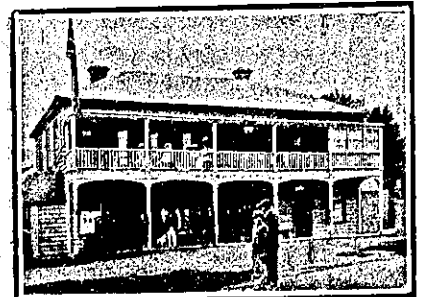


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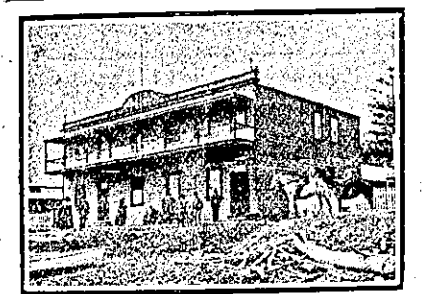
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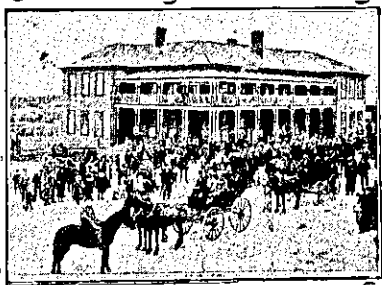
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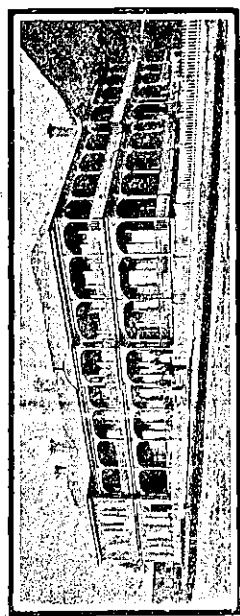
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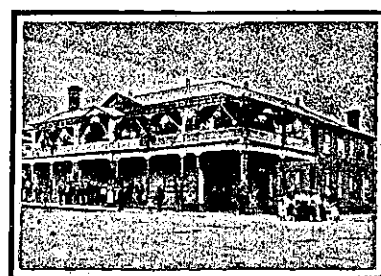
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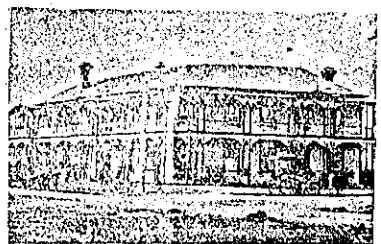


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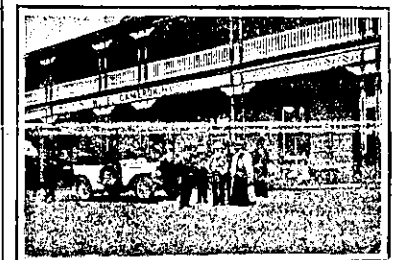
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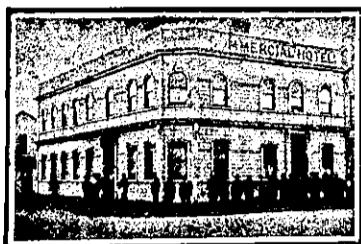
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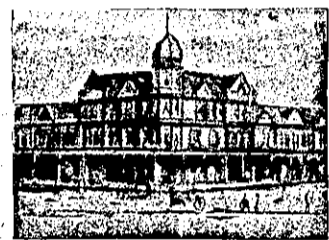


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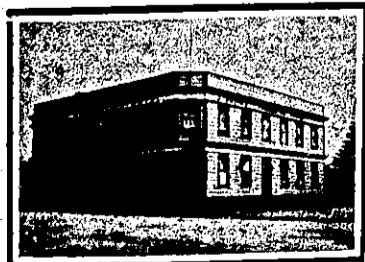
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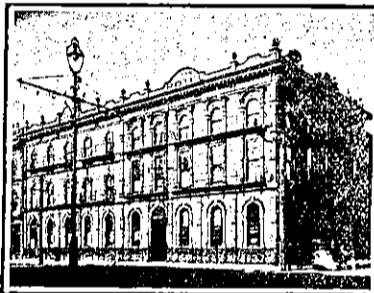
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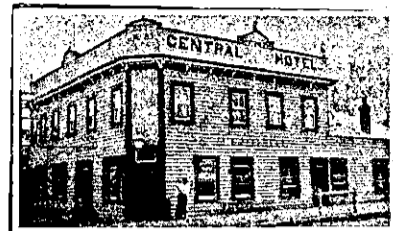


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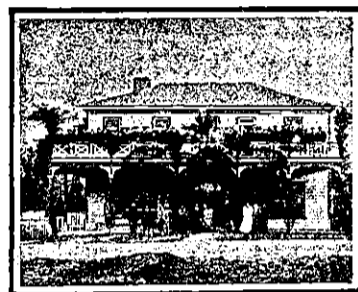
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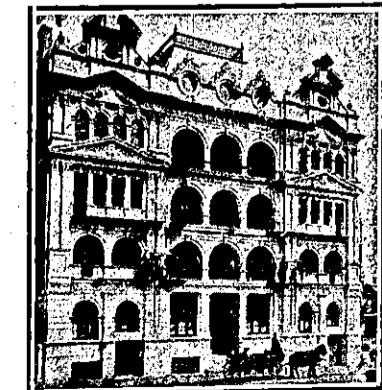
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