

WELLINGTON.

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Local trainers having horses engaged at the C.J.C. Spring meeting are all now at the scene of action, and, although Saga, our only Cup representative is considered out of her element in Cup company, there are several horses in the Stewards Handicap whose prospects are looked upon favourably by local backers. Gold Crest is very well and should Jenkins get a clear run with him, fast time will have to be put up should anything finish in front of him. Penates, Mon Ami, Gipsy Belle, and Truganini have satisfied their trainers and the Wellington contingent will have plenty of followers.

Master Delaval, Frisco, and Downfall appear most in favour with ante-post backers, good judges declaring that the Auckland horse will run the race of his life. Zimmerman is not much in favour with shrewd followers of racing, his welter impost being considered a bar to his success. Of the light weights Glenullen is one held in high respect. The Lochiel horse has displayed good form this spring, and his impost should enable him to gallop on when many of his opponents are tiring. The issue is still, however, fairly open.

Whether it is the state of the money market or other causes there is no very great prospect of many Wellington residents making the trip to Riccarton to witness the N.Z. Cup. The time was when everyone and his wife took wing south, but so far only those directly interested in the various horses which have been taken south, appear to be making the trip.

HAWKE'S BAY.

NAPIER, November 4.

The Hawke's Bay horseman D. Kemp left by the Monowai for Auckland for the purpose of assisting at the approaching fixture of the Auckland Racing Club.

The following additional foalings were taken place locally during the past week:—At Crissoge: Loch Ada, a colt to Gold Reef; Gold Powder, a colt to Birkenhead; Amber, a colt to Wehikore; St. Ressa, a filly to Charlemagne II. At Karamu: Miss Never, a colt, Lyrebird a filly, Gladisla a colt, Spruce a colt, Outer a filly Hinewhata a colt, Witchet a colt, all to Birkenhead; Banzai, a colt to Renown.

The following mares are on a visit to Birkenhead:—Stepfeldt, Immerston Sweet Helen, Gauze. Stepfeldt is accompanied by a baby full brother to

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TRAINING NOTES.**GETTING READY FOR THE SPRING MEETING.****THE MORNING GALLOPS AT ELLERSLIE.**

SATURDAY.

Celtic assisted by Mark Time galloped once round in 2.12 4-5sec, but was not bustled. Loongana, with Ryan up, went the last 4 of 6 furs, with Te Aroha in 1.22 1-5sec. Kapurangi finished slightly better than Koititi at the end of half a mile in 54sec. Dogger Bank slipped away from the ½ mile post, assisted over the last 3 furs, by Censure in 52 4-5 sec. Maheno easily disposed of Guidwife from the 5 fur. mark in 1.8 3-5 sec, Carl Rosa and Moral finished together at the end of a 7 furs. bout in 1.36 1-5sec. Michaeloff spurted 4 furs. in 54sec. Lord Seaton and Ruaparaha with weight in the saddle, were together over 7 furs. in 1.38 2-5 sec. Tan San made friends by the way he shaped with Leonator in a long mile in 1.51 3-5sec. Pohutu galloped a strong 7 furs. on the tan in 1.34 sec. Manapouri and Dainty with a good hold finished together for ¾ of a mile in 1.25 1-5sec. Coromandel had Landlock settled in any part of a 6furs. flutter in 1.22 1-5sec. Silent seemed to have more pace than Austos at the end of 5 furs. in 1.10 2-5 sec. Dunborve again had the best of Star Rose and Advocate in a 5 fur. sprint in 1.8 2-5sec. Haldane going kinder than usual slipped over half-a-mile in 52 2-5sec. Lucio alone moved nicely on the tan for half-a-mile in 52sec. Carmania shaped well for ¾ of a mile in 1.21sec, the little chestnut is very well.

AFTER BREAKFAST.

Lord Crespin took 1.49sec. to finish up 7furs, shaping none too well. Expansive had an advantage of Cy-

rona in a half-mile flutter in 53sec. Delegate did not take kindly to his work and was defeated by Flint Island over 5furs. in 1.8 1-5sec. Kaimangu had a neck victory over Lochbuie and Santa Rosa, who finished together for 7furs. in 1.33 4-5sec. Monsieur Soult rattled up the straight in front of Rotoiti. Lady Francis had assistance to cover 6furs. in 1.22sec. St. Amans galloped better than Waitata at the end of half a mile in 54 3-5 sec. Imprimus skipped over the half-mile in 52sec., finishing strongly. Rimlock left plenty of daylight between the winning post and San Paulo at the finish of 7furs. in 1.35 3-5 sec. Etna was going faster than Hyperion in a short burst. Cambrian, looking a picture, finished strongly at the end of 5fur. in 1.6sec. Luscombe and another negotiated the small sticks pleasingly. Crispess revelling in his work also had a set to over the same course alone. Cinque, Warden, Irish Jig, Connecticut and Cruesot jumped the big country, and the two former went round without any mistakes in that order, while the others were making all kinds of mistakes. Connecticut subsequently gave a good display of fencing alone over the hill. Mentira, Rarata, Darkness. Ben Johnson, Pipi, First Gun, Kakama, Snowfoot, and others also worked.

TUESDAY.

Most of the work was done on the tan track. Loongana and Te Aroha sprinted 4 fur. on the tan in 57 4-5sec. Maheno also did similar work on the same track. Celtic made a runaway match from Pohutu for 9 fur. on the tan in 1.51 3-5sec. Carl Rosa took 3sec. longer to negotiate the same distance. Ruapahara left 7 fur. behind in 1.35 3-5sec. on the course proper. Rarata moved nicely over the 6 furs. on the tan in 1.22 3-5sec. Leonator had decidedly the best of San Tan in a circle on the course in 2.7 3-5sec. Coromandel ran away from Landlock in a quarter mile sprint on the sand in 51 1-5sec. Muskerry and Aborigine rattled up the straight in company. Imprimus seemed to hold Manapouri in a slow run half mile. Star Rose easily defeated Dunborve and Advocate in the fastest run 6 furs. of the morning in 1.20 2-5sec. Guidwife, Lucio, and Aristus finished in this order from the 5 furs. post in 1.7 3-5secs. on the course. Maori King fluttered over 4 furs. in 52 4-5 secs. on the course. Carlyle and an unnamed gelding took 1.54secs. for a mile on the course. Carmania was in front of Kaihau at the finish of 6 furs. in 1.22 3-5secs. Octoroon, Mentira, and Michaloff put in useful tasks.

After breakfast Lochbuie held Lord Crispin safe from the 6 fur. post on the course in 1.20 3-5secs. Delegate was going stronger than Moral at the end of a mile on the course in 1.49 3-5secs. The Gisborne-owned pair, Douche and Dardanus spurted up the straight. The two-year-old Hyperion showed fair pace for a young one, running half a mile from a standing start in 53 2-5secs. Quadroon had the best of Explosive for 5 furs. in 1.8 3-5secs. Etna and Palabar rattled over 3 furs. on the course in 39 3-5 secs. Tamianupo spurted 4 furs. in 53 on the course, whilst the 2-year-old Tetrazinni knocked 1-5 sec. off in a similar sprint. Waimunga again finished in front of Santa Rosa for three-quarters of a mile in 1.20 3-5secs. Cambrian was pulling over Rimlock at the end of 5 furs. in 1.7 1-5secs. Kakama, (Taumanupo's two-year-old sister) sprinted a lively 3 furs. on the course in 38 4-5secs. St. Amans was much too solid for a table mate over the half-mile in 52 4-5secs. Lady Francis galloped a taking 6 furs. on the course in 1.21 3-5secs. Snowfoot and another spurted up the straight. Luscombe and another jumped the small sticks, and the hunter Connecticut jumped the steeplechase course, giving a good exhibition of jumping. Flint Island, Hard Rock, Reservoir, San Paulo and others also worked.

GETTING READY FOR THE N.Z. CUP MEETING.**WINDING UP GALLOPS AT RICCARTON.**

Trainers have been favoured with fine weather during the week and at time of writing there is every indication that the C.J.C. big meeting will eclipse any previous one. Big fields promise to be the order of the day on Saturday next, and the Cup and Stewards' Handicaps promise to draw a record number of starters. With the tracks in capital order, some fast times have been put up. A glance at the following notes will show pretty clearly that winners will be hard to find, especially in the big events.

Thursday.—This morning the grass gallop was thrown open and some exceptionally good performances were put up. The first out was Husbandman who signalled his appearance by rattling off a mile and a-quarter in good style, his time being 2.12 4-5. Whistlecraft and Flitaway finished together over seven furlongs in 1min 28 2-5sec, a distance which was covered by Prim in 1min 29sec. Inchbonnie and The Libyan covered six furlongs in 1min 18sec. Bonny Glen ran four furlongs in 49 1-5sec. Tremulous galloped five furlongs in 1min 3 ½ sec. Harvest beat Petrovna over a similar journey in 1min 4sec. De Witte and Sister Anne galloped six furlongs up the back, the last half mile occupying 51sec. Monkey Puzzle easily defeated Stronghold over a mile in 1min 49 1-5sec. Rose Noble galloped six furlongs, being assisted by Coroniform over the last three furlongs. Mahuta and Tangimoana finished together at the end of seven furlongs on the plough in 1min 35sec. Golden Cairn beat Zetland over a similar distance on the grass in 1min 30 ½ sec. Volodga and Santita were well matched over six furlongs in 1min 20 3-5sec. Lapland galloped a mile occupying 1min 49 ½ sec. Don Orsino accompanied him in the first part, and Somaroff brought him home over the last seven furlongs. North Head sprinted five furlongs in 1min 5 1-5sec. Serenade and Count Witte dashed over half a mile up the back in 51sec, finishing together. St. Joe and Probable, with light weights up, finished together at the end of a mile and a-quarter in 2min 15 1-5sec, the first six furlongs occupying 1min 21sec. Bountiful defeated Tikitere and Musterer over a mile in 1min 47 ½ sec. Grenadier covered a circuit at half pace, running home the last half mile very easily in 53sec. All Guns dashed over half a mile in 50sec. Mythical covered a similar distance in 49 2-5sec. Helianthes galloped seven furlongs, the last six furlongs occupying 1min 20sec.

St. Aidan and Diamond Star were well matched over a mile in 1min 46sec. Heorthen assisted by Ganton over the last six furlongs, traversed a mile and a-half, the last mile occupying 1min 48sec. Vladimar sprinted half a mile in 50sec, and Zimmerman alone galloped a mile and a-quarter in 2min 14 1-5sec, the first six furlongs taking 1min 19sec. Makura negotiated five flights of hurdles jumping safely, but slowly.

After breakfast Rescued and Truthful finished together over half a mile in 51sec. Love Wisely dashed over a similar journey in 50sec. Merry Lass, with an advantage in weights, beat Passion at the end of five furlongs in 1min 3 4-5sec. Armamento galloped a mile in 1min 46sec. Tessera and Northern Star jumped safely in a schooling test. Master Leslie, assisted by Virtus over the last mile, covered a mile and a half in 2min 42sec.

Most of the trainers took advantage of the opportunity to school their two-year-olds at the half mile barrier and at the same time give them a gallop on the outside of the course proper. The first lot consisted of Broadsword, Fasnakyle, Somersault, Applegarth and L'aiglon. The last named three were pulled up after going about a furlong, and Broadsword finished about two lengths in front of Fasnakyle in 49 3-5sec. Nautiform, Ristori and Day Beam ran down about three furlongs when they were eased up and reached the winning post in 51 1-5sec. Nautiform easily held his companions and created a very favourable impression. Boutade finished in front of Cymbiform, Elysian, Perle Dor and Tzarvitch in 51sec, but his opponents were not all ridden out. Cronstadt, Caspian and the Gaulus—Restive filly were together at the end of a gallop which occupied 50 2-5sec. Kilwinning defeated Sharpshooter and Taskmaster in 50 1-5sec. Provocation and Expansion ran down very easily in 53-sec.

Saturday.—Saturday morning broke fine but dull and proceedings were of an interesting character. Most of the work was accomplished on the trial grass track which was in capital order, while the plough also provided good going. Grenadier ran the last half mile of a steady circuit on the plough very easily in 52 2-5sec. Cavatina had Tzitisra well beaten at the end of a spin over a six furlongs run in 1min 24sec. Vasa was not extended while running five furlongs in 1min 7 2-5sec. Glenulloch, Stratagem and Husbandman were companions in a gallop over a

mile and a-quarter on the plough, the first named was left about three lengths, but he soon made up his ground and eventually finished four lengths ahead of Stratagem who was a similar distance in front of Husbandman. Stratagem's time for the journey was 2min 12 2-5sec. Glenullin had Tangimoana well beaten at the end of a mile run in 1min 46sec. White Prime dashed over a similar distance in 1min 41 3-5sec—a brilliant performance, and she finished well. Flitaway defeated Whistlecraft over six furlongs run in 1min 13 2-5sec. Kilts and Stronghold spurted half a mile. Petrovna was better than Harvest in a spin over six furlongs, the last five of which occupied 1min 4 1-5sec. Leonardo and Oasis put in a sound working gallop over a mile and a quarter, and Gold Crest had Gipsy Belle beaten at the end of four furlongs, which he ran in 49sec. Saga ran a mile comfortably in 1min 49sec. Bountiful defeated Don Orsino over a similar distance. North Head galloped six furlongs in 1min 18sec. Count Witte galloped half a mile in 50 2-5sec on the plough. Bonny Glen dashed over a similar distance from a racing start in 48 3-5sec. Santita beat Court Beany over eight furlongs run in 1min 52 1-5sec. Sister Anne and De Witte galloped 6 furs. up the back. Penates covered a mile at ¾ speed, being anxious to improve the pace. Apa alone traversed 1 ¼ mile on the plough in 2min 12sec—a pleasing performance. Golden Cairn and Somaroff galloped six furlongs.

Downfall, White Lie, Mahuta and Moloch then set out for a gallop over a mile and a quarter. The pace was solid from the start; the first six furlongs was run in 1min 16 4-5sec, while the full journey was completed in 2min 11 1-5sec, with Downfall a couple of lengths in front of White Lie, and the other pair several lengths further away. Downfall finished very strongly and as he was on the extreme outside he covered a good deal more ground than his companions. His performance was a pleasing one although he would be carrying a good deal below his Cup impost. Tikitere defeated Musterer over a mile run in 1min 45 4-5sec, while playmate performed fairly satisfactorily in a schooling task over hurdles.

Master Delaval, Zimmerman and Grand Slam were then associated in a gallop over a mile and a half. Setting out at a strong pace, the trio lay together throughout, but halfway down the straights, the last named pair were being ridden along although they finished almost in line. Master Delaval, who had been on the outside throughout, finished full of running and his performance was a most pleasing one and gained him a host of admirers. The times for the various stages of the gallops were as follows:—First half mile 52sec, first mile 1min 45sec, full distance 2min 39 ½ sec. Diabolo was going better than All Red at the end of a mile ran in 1min 46 1-5sec, while probable defeated Heorthen in a gallop over a mile and a half, which was run in 2min 38 3-5sec, the first mile occupying 1min 45 ½ sec.

Bobrikoff and All Guns were companions in a gallop over six furlongs. The former, who was going easily throughout was not extended and was eased up almost to a canter before reaching the winning post and thus allowed All Guns to finish in front of 1min 16sec. Serenade, who gained a couple of lengths' advantage at the start, defeated Mythical over half a mile up the back, which he ran in 50 ½ sec. Signor and Uhlando finished together at the end of a strongly-run mile and a-quarter, the last eight furlongs of which occupied 1min 48 sec. Rifle Maid, with a light weight up, cleared right away from Lapland in a gallop over a mile and a-quarter, which she ran in 2min 10 ½ sec, finishing well, putting up an attractive performance. Pellicle, Master Soult and Dawn, together galloped six furlongs, finishing in the order named in 1min 17 1-3sec. Monkey Puzzle, with a big advantage in weight, defeated Armamento over a mile and a-quarter. Valdimar was better than Zetland in a spin over 6 furlongs run in 1min 17 4-4sec. St. Aidan and Diamond Star were well matched in a gallop over a mile, which they ran in 1min 46sec, and Sunbonnet, with a good advantage in weights, easily defeated Tip-toe over 6 furlongs, which she ran in 1min 14 4-5sec—a brilliant performance. Moriarty alone spurted half a mile pleasingly. Frisco, moving freely compassed two circuits at half and three-quarter