

was filled by one of J. Cameron's pupils in Mediterranean, a three-year-old son of San Fran and Lady Beryl, who this trainer bought for 25 guineas when the 1907 batch of Te Mahanga youngsters were sent up for auction. Mundic, who is educated by his owner, Mr. W. Cattanack, has the makings of a good one, and several would-be buyers are anxiously enquiring if there is a chance of his changing hands, but his owner is so far not inclined to listen to proposals. It is not often that a mother and son are found competing at the one meeting, but such was the case at Waipukurau, for Mundic and his dam, Hopeful, were both seen out under silk.

Polynices was taken out of the Easter Handicap, his withdrawal leaving half a dozen to do battle for the affair. Paisano, who has been doing so well of late, ranking as a better favourite than Seatondale, with Sir Possible third selection. The latter and Golden Gate made the running for about seven furlongs, when Paisano, who had been occupying the last berth, put in some of those long, telling strides of his, and was soon upstides with Sir Possible and Golden Gate. Half a furlong from the box Seatondale made a good run, and was in close attendance upon Paisano, who at this stage held command. Vigorously ridden by E. Lowe, Seatondale threw out a strong challenge, and had he not run in from the outside to the rails, which lost him something, it is questionable if he would not have downed Paisano, who got the award by a short neck. Highden was a fair third.

Polynices, the full brother to Osiris and half brother to Tumut, was sorted out as the proper avenue to collect wealth in the Hack Handicap, Nadine, a half-blooded relative of Cinque's, being second selection. Aroha, another of the San Fran tribe, came next in favour in the betting market. Parable and the ancient Water o' Milk streaked out in front when the lever was pressed down, and the pair, with the pack bunched at their heels, made play for a mile, when Nadine emerged from the bunch, and, getting to the leaders in a few strides, had them easily silenced. At the distance Aroha came fast, but though he put in strenuous work could not equalise matters with the Gisborne owned mare, who at the finish held a length advantage from the San Fran gelding. Nero, who has been shaping well of late, was a fair third; the favourite a poor fourth.

Paisano, Rose Lethe, and Highden were struck out of the Waipukurau Handicap, which reduced the contestants to five, the top-weight, Hippofia, commanding the most respect and coin from backers. Berengaria, who looked in great fettle, was second choice. The outsider of the quintette, Sir Possible, cut out the pace at a merry bat for quite a mile, when Berengaria and Chamois got to him, and after a bit of a struggle deposed him. The two mares were at it, going in great style, to a furlong from the post, when Sir Wm. Russell's representative slowly but surely forged to the front, and kept there to the conclusion of the argument, the verdict going up in her favour by a two lengths margin. Sir Possible a length away third. The favourite was never dangerous at any portion of the trip.

Eight babies got under way for the Two-year-old Handicap, the all-erise bearer, Ideate, having a solid pull in the betting. Bridge, the full brother to Grand Slam, was second favourite. The race requires but little description, for Bliss was first away and first across the line, scoring by two lengths, Scots Fusilier and Ideate having a desperate tussle for second honours, the flat going up in favour of the Royal Fusilier colt, who is a big, handsome, commanding chap, and sure to improve with age and condition.

The gentlemen horsemen got an opportunity to display their ability in the next event, the Ladies' Handicap, in which backers set about picking it in two, Pikopo and Covazon, the brace being supported in the order in which their names are recorded. It was a case of write your own price about the remaining eight, and that the idea was an accurate one was fully borne out by the judge's ruling. Pikopo and Covazon were the only two in the affair at the finish. The winner, who was bred at Te Mahanga Station, is a four-year-old son of San Fran and Toney Vira, and is just the sort of a gelding that would be expected to do good work over the obstacles, being a bold, courageous horse, with a lot of pace. Mr. P. Neagle made his appearance in this race after a long retirement from active work in the hogshead, but his mount, Aroha, was the last to finish.

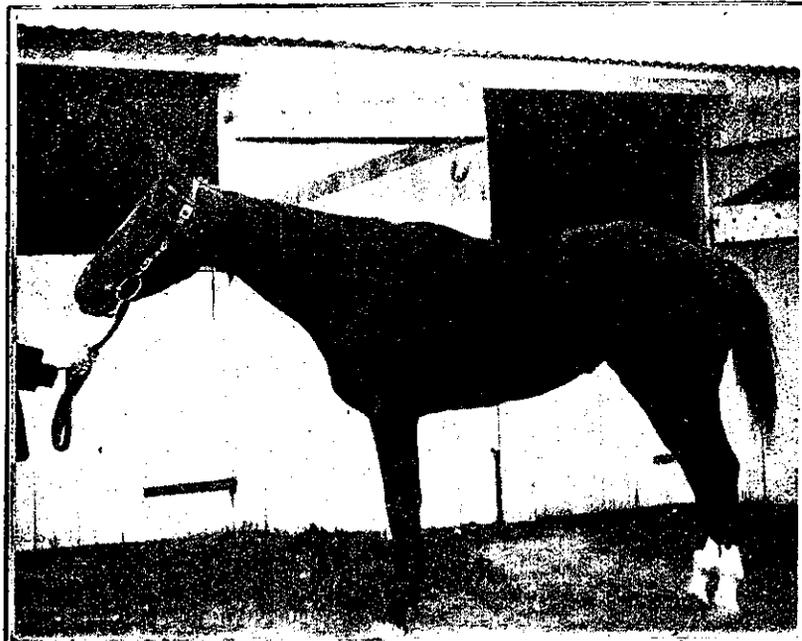
Voetgang, the favourite in the Flying, could get no nearer than third, the winner turning up in North Head,

who was third selection, Pearl Reef, the stable chum of Paisano, filling the position of second favourite. After going one hundred yards nothing had a chance with the cerise-bearer, who fairly cantered in, Chamois beating the favourite by a long neck for the second award.

Illustrious, who last year ran third in the Final, was on Monday selected as the proper article to pull backers through, The Limit occupying the second choice; Mayflower third selection. Backers were on the spot with their anticipations, for The Limit just won from Illustrious, Mayflower a good third. The Limit had more than her share of good luck in scoring, for had not Mayflower and Illustrious fairly cut one another's throats through their desperate efforts to settle each other, Allan White's mare would not have been able to receive the verdict, for the pair were tiring to nothing a few yards from the post, and Lowe, sizing up the situation, got The Possible's daughter to do her best for a stride or two, and it was all over.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

The Winter Meeting of the Takapuna Jockey Club will be held on May 22 and 24, and with prize-money amounting to £1775, distributed over the fourteen events, there is every inducement for horse owners to nominate freely. The events with the most prize-money attached are the Empire Handicap of 250 sovs., one mile and a-quarter, and the Britannia Handicap of 175 sovs., one mile. Nominations for all events close to-morrow (Friday) evening, at 9 p.m.



MR. W. DUDER'S TAKA, WINNER OF THE CUP AT THE REMUERA POLO CLUB'S SPORTS.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT RICcarton.

A sad accident happened during the carrying out of the first day's programme of the C.J.C. on Easter Monday. During the running of the Kildare Hurdles, Stronghold fell, throwing his rider, William O'Connell, heavily. The unfortunate jockey was removed to the hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries on the following morning. Universal regret has been expressed throughout the Dominion by all those who knew him. The deceased was a most popular horseman, and had proved himself a first-class rider, having ridden the Great Northern Hurdle Race on Aka Aka, the Grand National Steeplechase on Euruss, and the Wellington Steeplechase on Rongoa.

SYDNEY BLOODSTOCK SALES.

At the bloodstock sales in Sydney during the past week, the following lots have been sold:— Astolat, 310 gns.; Berenice, 60 gns.; Bonnette, 40 gns.; Delhi, 40 gns.; Jemima, 40 gns.; Lady Maude, 105 gns.; La Gloria, 200 gns.; Petticoat, 90 gns.; Ringlet, 60 gns.; Tamarind, 37½ gns.; Veronique, 75 gns.; Court Beauty, 290 gns.; Santita, 130 gns.; Honore, 195 gns. Bonny Jean was bought by Mr. Currie, of New Zealand, for 230 gns. At the yearling sales, the Malster—Mangosteen filly, bred by Messrs. J. and W. Thompson, brought 735 gns., and the Malster—Fusile filly, bred by Mr. A. W. Thompson, 560 gns.

For Chronic Chest Complaint, Woods' Great Peppermint Cure, 1s 6d and 2s 6d.

San Francisco—Vigil colt realised 1000 gns.

The following New Zealand yearlings were sold:—Field Battery—Albura filly, 280 gns.; Field Battery—Grandeur filly, 220 gns.; Field Battery—Squib colt, 100 gns.; Field Battery—Our Lady colt, 250 gns.

TATTERSALL'S CLUB.

TO BE STARTED IN WELLINGTON.

A couple of years ago the bookmaking fraternity of the Dominion were thrust well into the public attention owing to the amount of time Parliament devoted to betting legislation (says "The Dominion.") Finally, during the session before last, the police, becoming active, decided that a turf commission agent or bookmaker had no right with an office in which to transact his business (and he was promptly ejected from the same). At the same time Parliament decided that the fraternity was to be given the right to bet on registered racecourses on payment of a license fee. So it came about that a bookmaker had no place in which to square up his accounts and bets won or lost had to be paid in the street or in a hotel.

This is to be altered. The fraternity have decided to institute a Tattersall's Club in Wellington, and three of the leading "firms"—if they may be called such—have guaranteed the rent of the first floor of Mr. Robert Hannah's fine new building on Lambton Quay for a number of years, and this is to be furnished at once in the style of comfortable club premises, with two billiard tables, a reading

ing a race. The Eden Handicap was timed to start at 3 p.m., but defendant, who was licensed by the Club, accepted a wager twenty minutes after the advertised time of starting the race.

Mr. Lundon, who appeared for defendant, said races were often started late, and as the other bookmakers were going on betting on the double, his client thought he was entitled to go on betting straight out. He had been under a misapprehension, but had stopped so soon as the detectives had pointed the error out to him.

The Bench said they would not deal harshly with defendant, and fined him £5 and costs.

WINNING PAYMENTS.

The following is a list of the winning payments over the Auckland Racing Club's autumn meeting:—

Name	Amount
E. J. Watt—1st Easter Handicap £500, 1st Electric Handicap £120, 2nd Great Northern Champagne Stakes £100, 2nd Nelson Handicap £10	730
Donald McLeod—1st Great Northern Champagne Stakes £400, 1st Hula Handicap £150, 3rd Easter Handicap £50, 2nd Buckland Handicap £35	635
St. J. Buckley—1st Autumn Handicap	500
J. H. Walters—1st St. George's Handicap	500
Trustees Mrs. Coombe—1st Victoria Handicap £120, 1st Ellerslie Handicap £120, 2nd Easter Handicap £100, 3rd Great Northern Champagne Stakes £50	390
T. H. Lowry—1st Tradesmen's Handicap £150, 2nd St. George's Handicap £100, 2nd Autumn Handicap £100, 2nd Great Northern Oaks £35	385
C. Dawson—1st Brighton Hurdles £150, 1st St. Helier's Hurdles £150	300
J. H. Howe—1st Autumn Steeplechase	225
F. Hall—1st Great Northern Oaks	200
Walter Davies—1st Eden Handicap £120, 1st Tourist Handicap (dead heat), £50, 2nd Stewards' Handicap £20	190
T. Wyllie—1st Tramway Handicap £120, 2nd Hula Handicap £35	155
G. Robinson—1st Buckland Handicap	150
J. Clark—1st Auckland Welter	150
A. Hanson—1st Stewards' Handicap	120
A. Morgan—1st Gore-Browne Handicap £90, 2nd Mangere Handicap £10	100
J. McNicol—1st Nelson Handicap £90, 2nd Gore-Browne Handicap (dead heat) £5	95
E. Hillary—1st Maiden Hurdles	95
R. Barlow—1st Onslow Stakes	95
Hon. J. Carroll—1st Mangere Handicap	90
J. Roulston—2nd Tradesmen's Handicap £35, 3rd Auckland Welter £15	50
R. C. Wallace—3rd St. George's Handicap	50
J. Twonhill—2nd Autumn Steeplechase	50
J. George—2nd Auckland Welter £35, 3rd St. Helier's Hurdles £15	50
G. Mills—1st Tourist Handicap (dead heat)	50
Mrs. A. Lennard—3rd Autumn Handicap	50
J. B. Williamson—3rd Autumn Steeplechase £25, 3rd Brighton Hurdles £15	40
C. Morse—2nd Brighton Hurdles	35
W. S. Davidson—2nd St. Helier's Hurdles	35
R. W. Duder—3rd Hula Handicap £15, 3rd Buckland Handicap £15	30
M. G. Nasmith—2nd Eden Handicap	20
F. ank E. Ross—2nd Victoria Handicap	20
W. C. Ring—2nd Tramway Handicap	20
J. H. Prosser—2nd Ellerslie Handicap	20
D. Tye—2nd Electric Handicap	20
G. Dunnet—3rd Tradesmen's Handicap	15
J. Molloy—2nd Maiden Hurdles	15
H. Sydney—2nd Onslow Stakes	15
W. G. Irwin—3rd Eden Handicap	15
R. Millett—3rd Victoria Handicap	10
Connelly and Winder—3rd Tramway Handicap	10
F. E. Lomb—3rd Stewards' Handicap	10
J. J. Craig—3rd Ellerslie Handicap	10
J. Lynch—3rd Electric Handicap	10
Dawson and Walker—2nd Gore-Browne Handicap (dead heat)	5
Total	£5755

Mr. Alex. Mitchell, the well-known gentleman rider, had the misfortune to lose a gold watch chain and sovereign case, which were stolen from his clothes while hanging in the jockey's room at the Hawera racecourse on Easter Monday. A silver watch attached to the chain was not taken. The local jockey, L. Nodder, also lost a watch from the same room.

The racehorse Defiance, who won the Grand National Hurdles at Christchurch nine years ago, failed to meet with a solitary bid when offered by Mr. Stephenson, by auction, at his mart the other day.

Tatterdemalion and Cachuca have just resumed training at Randwick with a view to the jumping events of the winter months.

A handicap, with the slowest horse to have a mark of 2.9, is being talked about for the Grand Circuit meeting at Detroit next summer. If the race is given, it will take the place of the usual Free-for-all Trot. Twenty-five thousand dollars has been suggested as the amount of the purse.

BETTING AFTER TIME.

At the Police Court on Friday, C. McGlashan was charged that he did at Ellerslie, on April 10, make a bet in connection with the Eden Handicap after the time of starting for the race.

Chief-Detective Marsack, who appeared for the prosecution, said the charge was laid under section 34 of the Gaming Act, 1908. One of the regulations that licensed bookmakers had to abide by was that they should not bet after the advertised time of start-